

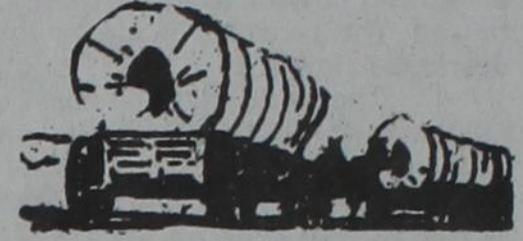
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Celebrates 101st birthday!

Mrs. Vera Mitchell of Roaring Springs was honored on her 101st birthday with a party at the Roaring Springs First Baptist Church last Saturday. She is pictured here with her youngest great-great-grandchild, Caden Kaufman, 3 months old.

Bob's Oil Well subject of regional meeting session

Peter Ketter of Texas Historical Commission singled out Bob's Oil Well as he addressed preservationists in a regional meeting held at Shamrock on November 3 and 4. Ketter used slides of the endangered landmark as it appeared in the 1940's and then how it had deteriorated before work began. His talk then explained how communities can mobilize and save historical treasures. One way he suggested is to utilize preservation organizations, such as Preservation Texas, to draw attention to the site and attract support. Another is applying for grants, for instance, through the Texas Historical Commission of National Preservation Trust Fund. Another important consideration is a development plan with definite stages of progress.

Ketter challenged the members of county historical commissions to make the most of community resources, including

donations of labor, services, and material, as part of their strategy. He cited the example in Matador of a business man from a window and door company driving by the work at Bob's, expressing interest in the project and then providing, free of charge, some period windows and doors that he had replaced in his line of business.

The Motley County Historical Commission was in attendance at the regional meeting, represented by Marisue Potts who gave an update on the progress on Bob's Oil Well. She said volunteers had been held up by their own business committees over the summer but were once again at task. It is estimated that volunteers have put in approximately 900 hours (or 116 eight-hour days) in cleaning up the site, making repairs, and replacing the derrick globes and wiring. The immediate goals are to stucco the two

buildings as soon as possible and to have the tower lights on by Christmas.

Potts expressed appreciation to Preservation of Texas for naming Bob's Oil Well to their Most Endangered List of 2004 because the publicity in newspapers as far away as Dallas and Fort Worth brought support and awakened interest in the project. She said the engraved bricks with donor names will be laid around it or in the filling station drive way. Plans are for the

smaller building to be used to tell the story of Bob's Oil Well, and the derrick building for visitors' center for the Highway 70 region.

The meeting included a tour of U-Drop In Visitors' Center in Shamrock, a tour of the Wheeler County Courthouse, and a dinner at the Old Mobeetie Jail Museum. Breakout sessions included Route 66 landmarks, volunteerism, preservation tips, hotel-motel tax, and regional tourism.



NEW COUNTY AGENT — Eric Lewis was hired this week as the new Motley County Extension Agent. Mr. Lewis comes to Matador from Quanah.

Motley County Commissioners meet in regular session

Motley County Commissioners Court met for its regular meeting, Monday, November 8. Present were Judge Ed D. Smith; Commissioners, Ronnie Davis, Precinct 1, Donnie Turner, Precinct 2, Franklin Jameson, Precinct 3, Russell Alexander, Precinct 4; County Clerk Kate Hurt. Also in attendance was Sheriff Jim Meador.

Clerk Hurt read the minutes from the previous meeting. The outstanding bills were reviewed by the Commissioners, as well as reports by the Treasurer, Tax-Collector, Justice of the Peace and Library. Commissioners approved the minutes, outstanding bills and all reports.

Judge Smith informed the court of a typographical error in the approved budget under the

clerk's fees line item. Commissioners approved correction of this item.

District Extension Administrator, Galen Chandler introduced Eric Lewis to the court. Mr. Lewis was in attendance seeking to fill the vacant position of Motley County Extension Agent. After being interviewed by the Court, Commissioner Davis made the motion to hire Mr. Lewis, seconded by Commissioner Alexander. Motion passed by full approval of the Court.

Sandra Hatcher from the Childress District TxDOT office met with the court to introduce Ben Kautz. Mr. Kautz, Roadway Maintenance Supervisor, is replacing Douglas Campbell who recently transferred to Floyd

County. Mrs. Hatcher presented to the Court Resolution 2004-04 which empowers Judge Smith to enter into an agreement with the State of Texas and execute for the County contractual agreements with the State for the replacement of the Middle Pease River Bridge on FM94. The county's estimated cost is \$1,866.00. Commissioner Jameson made the motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Alexander. Motion passed by full approval of the Court.

James Gillespie met with the court representing the Matador Volunteer Fire Department. Mr. Gillespie presented for the Court's approval an agreement between the County

and the Fire Department. Commissioner Davis made the motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Commissioner Turner. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Judge Smith presented Resolution #2004-05 which authorizes the Judge to serve as the official signing authority on behalf of Motley County. The resolution makes it possible to start the process of applying for the HAVA funds provided by the State. Every county has to be in compliance with the Help America Vote Act. Commissioners approved the resolution.

Friday, November 12, at 8:00 a.m. was set to canvass the November 2, 2004 General Election votes.

Click It or Ticket enforcement mobilization to run November 14-28

Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and the Indian Nations—During the regional "Click It or Ticket" enforcement mobilization November 14-28, travelers in Texas and across the region will risk getting a ticket if they are ignoring state safety belt use laws, according to Terry Pence, traffic safety director of the Texas Department of Transportation.

Bi-District Playoff game to be held here Friday

The Chillicothe Eagles (Dist. 4A) will play the Ropes Eagles (Dist. 3A) at 7:30 p.m., Friday, November 12, at Matador.

Chillicothe will be the home team, wearing red and sitting on the west side of Burleson Field, while Ropes will be the visitors, wearing green and sitting on the east side.

Cost for the game will be \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for students.

Observation surveys show safety belt use stands at only 83.2 percent in Texas. That means a lot of unbuckled motorists are putting themselves at high risk of injury and death in a crash that can happen anywhere, impacting family and friends," he said.

This month National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and its partners are continuing the "Buckle Up in Your Truck" educational campaign to increase safety belt use in pickup trucks in Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Okla-

homa, Texas, and Indian Nations, according to South Central Region NHTSA Administrator Georgia S. Chakiris. "Immediately after the first awareness period in May 2004, pickup truck belt use increased more than 8 percentage points in the region. Advertising and media messages were aimed toward males ages 21-39, a group with low belt use. Evaluation surveys showed that males in that age group showed the sharpest increase in awareness," she said.

NHTSA records show that

well over a million pickup driv-

ers and passengers in the five state region are still not buckling up, resulting in more than 1,000 pickup occupants dying

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Do Gooders Bazaar is Saturday

The Do Gooders' Club of Flomot will sponsor a Country Store Fall Bazaar, Saturday, November 13 beginning at 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

A large variety of arts and crafts, quilts of all sizes and designs, clothing, leather works, paintings, flea market items and jewelry will be available for your shopping pleasure.

A concession stand will be serving sandwiches, soft drinks and dessert goodies, during the day.

The name of the winner of the Patriotic Nine Patch club quilt will be drawn. Winner does not have to be present to win.

All profits from this Bazaar will be used for improvements at Flomot Community Center.

Ben Kautz named Motley County TxDOT Maintenance Supervisor

CHILDRESS—Ben Kautz recently accepted the duties of Motley County Maintenance Supervisor of the Childress District Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). Kautz will oversee state roadway maintenance on 331 lane miles in Motley County.

Ben's TxDOT career spans

19 years. He began in the Dickens County Maintenance section. In 1998, he became As-

sistant Maintenance Supervisor in Hall County Maintenance Supervisor on November 1, 2004.

Ben replaces Douglas Campbell, who assumed the duties of Floyd County Maintenance Supervisor in TxDOT's Lubbock District on November 1, 2004.

Ben and his wife Cynthia live in Dickens.

The annual Veteran's Day Program sponsored by Matador Post 337 of the American Legion and the Motley County High School Student Council will be held Thursday, November 11th, at 10:00 A.M. at the High School. A special speaker this year will be Sgt. Robert Fisk who recently returned from duty in Iraq.

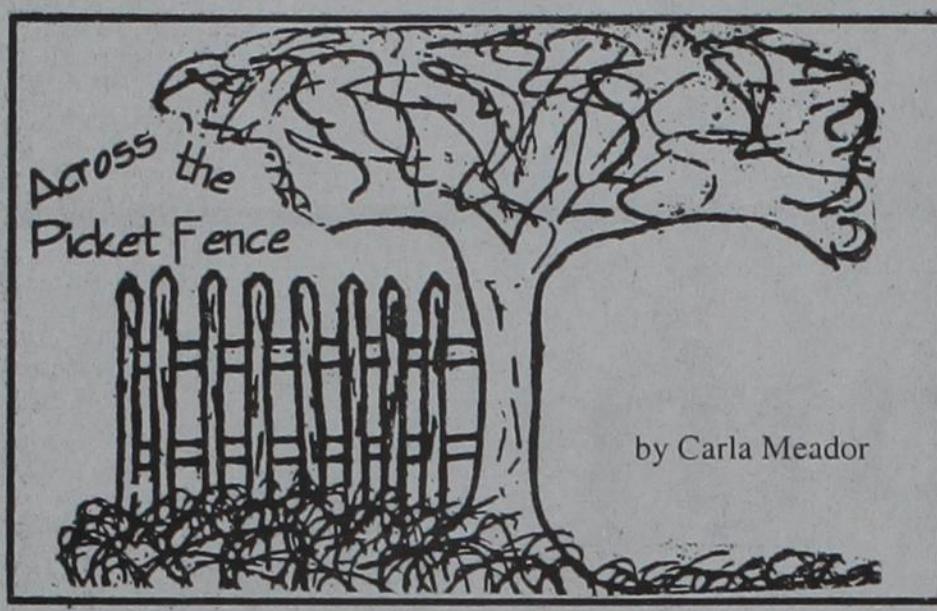
All veterans are encouraged to attend to be honored on this special day. After the program, members of the Legion and Auxiliary would like the veterans, their families and friends to join them at the Senior Citizens

Center for a social hour followed by lunch. Please make your plans to attend.

Veterans' Day Program to be held Thursday at school

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Center for a social hour followed by lunch. Please make your plans to attend.



by Carla Meador

It's Veterans' Day and time to pay honor to those who have put their lives on the line to protect our freedom. While looking back at some old issues of the paper, some years the stories of war are pasted on every front page. Stories of a young son going off to war. Stories of that young son being shipped off overseas. And stories of a young son losing his life to defend our country. There are stories of families losing more than one of their precious sons to war. The sacrifices made for the freedom we enjoy, is beyond description in words.

The stories have changed with the wars of today. Not only are young sons putting their lives on the line of battlefield, but also young daughters. Young women have fought beside the men and given their lives for us. Some have left their young children at home to fight to keep America the free and the brave.

I recently heard a report on a news channel of a young mother who had gone to war, leaving her young husband and children at home. The husband struggled with the heartache and fear he felt for his beloved wife. The two spoke often on the phone, by email and letters. The last message from his young love, the husband heard on his answering machine, as she spoke these words, "Honey, just know that I'm doing this for you and our children. I love you and know that I'm coming home, whether it be in a box or running into your arms, I'm coming home to you. I'm doing this for you and for our country."

The young woman was killed the next day. And yes, she did come home.

The stories we hear of the war of today are somewhat different from the stories of wars of days gone past, but the outcome is the same - death and destruction, loss of loved ones and heartache. But the soldiers of today are fighting the same battle - to protect America's freedom and assure that our children and grandchildren can continue to enjoy the bountiful blessings of that freedom.

May God be with those soldiers putting their lives on the line for us today. And may God bless those who fought that battle in years past. Thank you for making the ultimate sacrifice.

FREEDOM



NOTE OF THANKS

I would like to thank everyone who attended my surprise birthday party in Roaring Springs, October 30. A special thanks to my girls, Nona Long and Sharon Martin, and my granddaughters, Rhonda McCleskey, Robin Green and Rebecca Moore and my niece Kathy Penick of Dallas for hosting the party. I was truly surprised and if anyone had told me these girls could keep a secret for 2 1/2 months, I wouldn't have believed it. I love you all.

Callie Giesecke

I would like to say thank you to everyone who supported me and voted for me in the November 2 General Election.

I truly appreciate your support and will strive to continue to serve as Motley County Sheriff to the very best of my ability.

JIM MEADOR

A Back-Up



When natural disasters threaten our environment many times people go to the local grocery store to stock up on food and basic necessities. Some people have entire rooms in their houses set aside for long term storage of necessary items just in case something might happen.

What about us? What are some of the things that we have done in order to prepare for the unseen future? Are we ready for any of life's uncertainties? In Mark 4: 35-41, the writer describes to us one uncertainty that happened in the lives of Jesus and His disciples. A violent storm came up as they were crossing Galilee's sea. Apparently this storm was so violent that the disciples feared for their lives. They cried out to Jesus, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

Jesus calmed the storm that day with three simple words. What about the lives that we are living today? No matter what may come upon us, Jesus can handle it. I believe He can. Let us look to Jesus ... the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. Yes, when our world seems to come crashing down around us, He can handle it, He is our back-up!

Roaring Springs Church of Christ

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

BIBLE STUDY, 10:00 A.M.

WORSHIP, 9:00 A.M.

Motley County Lifestyles

Do Gooders plan for Saturday's Bazaar

A Harvest of Thanksgiving was an inviting setup at the Community Center in Flomot when the Do Gooders' Club met Monday afternoon, the first day of November.

Mrs. Alma Shorter and Mrs. Kathy Shorter, hostesses presided at a rustic service. The table was draped with a burgundy cloth centered with a floral arrangement with a profusion of mums and chrysanthemums flanked by gold candles and miniature pumpkins. Sumptuous refreshments of assorted cookies, candied pecans, grapes, carrot sticks and dip were served with cold and hot cranberry apple cider.

Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert conducted the business session. Mrs. Alma Shorter read the minutes and financial report that were approved. Members are to meet at 1 p.m., Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 9 at the Community Center to make final plans for the Nov. 13 Bazaar. They re-

ported they have 13 booths reserved and are expecting more.

Also on the business agenda, the club's quilt is on display at the First National Bank in Quitaque. The new kitchen electric range the club has purchased for the Community Center has been installed. Mrs. Leona Degan purchased the paint and Glen Calvert painted behind the location of the stove.

Mrs. Geneva Martin was the lucky winner of the hostess gift, a stuffed scarecrow doll. She gave the doll to Gage Sperry, son of Mrs. Callie Sperry, who was recognized as a new member of the club.

Those attending the cheerful afternoon were Mesdames Tommie Jo Cruse, B. Rogers, Nada Starkey, Alma Shorter, Geneva Martin, Suzie Shannon, Kathy Shorter, Mary Jo Calvert, Leona Degan, Connie Franks, Waydetta Clay, Judy Stark and Callie Sperry.



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LATE NIGHT SHOPPING PAINTING — Artist Betty Henry, left, and Duke Barton, show a beautiful painting which is on display at the Library. Mrs. Henry is the artist of the oil painting. Ms. Barton made the frame. The Library is selling tickets for the painting which will be given away at 8:30 p.m. during Late Night Shopping.

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Library Notes

by Suzanne Abbott, Librarian



Betty Henry's last day as Library Aide will be tomorrow, Friday, November 12. Betty is retiring from the library to take care of her mother full time. Betty has brought so much to this library—creativity, dependability, ingenuity and industriousness. We will miss her terribly. However, she promises to come for coffee from time to time and to help with the kids summer programs.

Speaking of Betty Henry, she and Duke Barton have teamed up again this year making a beautiful, framed oil painting for the library to offer as a fundraiser. Duke made one of her rustic frames and Betty painted end notes and a bibliography.

the buffalo at Caprock Canyons State Park to go in it. Come by the library and see the work by this dynamic duo.

New books in the library include Delaney Christmas Carol by Kay Hopper, Hour Game By Davis Baldacci and Invisible Women by Anne Strieber.

Also new on the shelves is Elmer Kelton's Jericho's Road, Janet Evanovich's Metro Girl, and Margaret Truman's Murder at Union Station. Another new book is 11th Month, 11th Day. This book is about "Armistice Day, 1918, World War I and Its Violent Climax." This book has end notes and a bibliography.

Motley County Arts & Crafts Club prepares for upcoming Fall Bazaar

by Winifred Darsey

Members of the Motley County Arts and Crafts Club are preparing articles for sale at the Fall Bazaar to be held November 20. Some are decorating glass plates, others are making sequined Christmas ornaments. The bakers have donned their aprons, and are hard at

work baking pies, cookies, cakes and fruit breads. A few are stuffing pecans to aid in Holiday baking.

Everyone is invited to come by the Sr. Citizens Center and have some refreshments, browse, visit and get your name in the hat for a door prize. It will be a day of Holiday cheer! See you there!

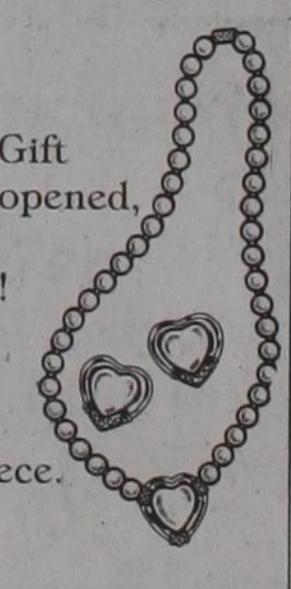
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THE MATADOR

— SCHOOL NEWS & HAPPENINGS —

Motley County 4-H off to great start

News from the Adult Leaders' Association

Motley County 4-H kicked off the new 4-H year on September 13. There were 26 students to sign up for 4-H.

The second meeting for the club was held October 11. Members kicked off the 4-H meat fund-raiser, which is always a big success. The meat will be arriving before Thanksgiving and will be delivered the day it comes in.

The Food and Nutrition Project was discussed and with the help of Cathey Turner, Rhonda McCleskey and Kim Fletcher is off to a great start with 19 participants. It is the main project at this time.

The County Food Contest will be held this Saturday, November 6. There are five categories in both the junior and intermediate levels, but there are only 3 intermediates participating. So, on December 11 eight (8) Motley County youth will be attending the District 3 Food and Nutrition Contest in Vernon.

The other project going on right now is the Stock Show. Everyone is trying to find just the right pig, goat, lamb or steer. Rabbits don't come in until



Adult leader, D'anna Russell, helps 4-H'ers make trail mix.

January and if you are going to have a bucket calf project you must have possession of the calf by January 1, 2005. The Stock Show is set for February 26, 2005. Validation for steers will be Sunday, November 21 for steers and goats; lambs and pigs will be validated on Saturday, December 11.

At the conclusion of the meeting, members made trail

mix for the Senior Citizens Center. Colton Russell, President, delivered the goody bags Friday, October 29, to Tommylee Keith and the Center.

Motley County 4-H is looking forward to a great year. If you have any questions please contact the Adult Leaders Association or a Livestock Show Director.

MC Basketball will begin November 16

November 16, 2004 will mark the first basketball game of the season. Motley County Varsity Boys and Girls will battle Plainview Christian Academy, here, at 6:30 P.M. Both the boys and girls have been working extremely hard. We hope to see you there!



Life Lessons

By Annie Green



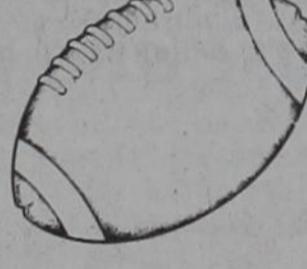
Each and every day God blesses us; whether it be with a friendly smile from a stranger or the warm hug of a child, each day brings new blessings. Look around you, is there anyone you know who is worse off than you are? Before you complain about the car you drive, remember those who are walking. Before you complain about the food you eat, remember the thousands who are starving. We are all truly blessed. We live in a wonderful country where we have

the right to believe in God, where children can receive the knowledge that they deserve. Each and every one of us face obstacles, but God always has his angels around us, wherever we may journey. Every single day that we wake up in the morning, we are blessed---we have so much to be thankful for. God loved us so much he sent his son to die for us, so that we may have eternal life---how truly blessed we are!

Six Man Football Scores

Motley County, 52 - Patton Springs, 48

Crowell, 46 - Benjamin, 8
Kress, 51 - Hedley, 16
Northside, 58 - Chillicothe, 16
Paducah, 56 - Guthrie, 8
Rule, 67 - Jayton, 22
Silverton, 1 - Lazbuddie, 0
Spur, 45 - Pain Creek, 0
Valley, 54 - Happy, 8
Whitharral, 55 - Ropes, 22



Area Team Ratings

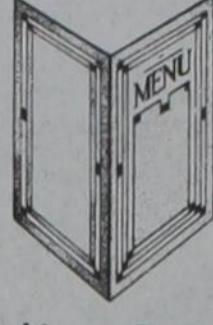
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2	Throckmorton	10-0	217.10	4.08	3
3	Valley	10-0	216.88	2.78	2
5	Aspermont	8-2	211.37	2.57	5
6	Paducah	9-1	209.56	2.92	7
26	Silverton	8-2	165.43	0.44	27
33	Crowell	6-4	159.66	-0.29	30
36	Northside	7-3	156.20	6.94	43
41	Chillicothe	8-2	152.50	-7.19	31
42	Happy	7-3	152.25	-0.58	41
47	Guthrie	6-4	146.47	2.26	49
49	Kress	5-5	146.00	0.19	47
61	Spur	5-5	134.74	1.67	61
64	Motley Co.	3-7	128.36	0.66	64
69	Patton Spgs.	2-8	120.68	2.93	68
73	Jayton	5-5	115.96	-1.59	69
76	Hedley	5-5	113.07	-1.72	72
87	Benjamin	2-8	98.88	5.78	89

My appreciation and thanks to everyone who supported me by voting in the November 2nd Election. I enjoy serving Motley County as Commissioner, Precinct 1 and ask for your continued support.

THANK YOU,
RONNIE DAVIS



What's Cooking?



Motley County School Menu

MONDAY, NOV. 15
Breakfast: French Toast, Bacon, or Cereal, Toast, Fruit Milk

Lunch: Frito Pie, Salad, Corn, Crackers, Cake, Milk

TUESDAY, NOV. 16
Breakfast: Biscuits, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, or Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Creamed Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots, Hot Roll, Honey, Milk

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 17
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Macho Nacho, Salad, Refried Beans, Peach Cobbler, Milk

THURSDAY, NOV. 18
Breakfast: Egg and Cheese Omelet, or Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk

Lunch: Fish Sticks, AuGratin Potatoes, Hush Puppy, Spinach, Orange Slices, Milk

FRIDAY, NOV. 19
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Sloppy Joes, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Potato Chips, Frozen Juice Bar, Milk

Motley County ISD host UIL Meet

by Annie Green

On November 8 and 9, Motley County I.S.D. hosted the Jr. High and Elementary U.I.L. competition. Students competed in a variety of events, such as science, calculator applications, mathematics, and ready writing. Wilson, Southland, Spur, Patton Springs, Lorenzo, and Motley County all participated in various competitions. The Motley County Varsity Boys and Girls basketball team provided the concession stand which contained an assortment of delicious foods.

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— Ephesians 6:1

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Motley County I.S.D.

A Note from the Office ...



by Marilyn Hicks, Principal

As I am writing today, there are students from five other schools in our hallways. They are all excitedly making their ways to a contest. Our UIL district meeting is underway. I heard one teacher's exclamations of how proud she is. I know that you, as parents, are also proud. It is so important that students do something besides just "go to school"; the extra activities are what offer the spice.

We are having a playoff game between Chillicothe and Ropes here on Friday. This will bring business to our stores and restaurants and give us an excellent opportunity to showcase our community. Come out and enjoy a good game and welcome these visitors.

Next week, on the 18th, we will have family literacy night at the school. If you are a parent, grandparents, friend, or just an interested community member, come out and participate in this event. There will be mini-sessions about reading, parenting, math, and science. The Parent's Club is funding three door prizes. One will be \$50 in Motley County Bucks, two others will be for \$25. As you leave each session, you will get a ticket for the drawing. General session and sign up time will begin at 5:30. The mini-sessions will be held from 6:00-7:00. Students will attend each session with his/her parent or friend. The hope is that we will be able to hold other similar events during the year so that you will know what is happening at school and be a part of our development.

The Veteran's Day program will be conducted by the American Legion this year. Some of the students will be assisting, but the main part of the program will be a presentation by Robert Fisk. We encourage any and all to come to the program that will start at 10:00.

The second six weeks has ended, and basketball has begun. There are Thanksgiving decorations in the halls, and the mornings are cool.

"The Story of Veterans Day" to be presented on History Channel

WASHINGTON - The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the Department of Education and the History Channel have collaborated on the creation of "The Story of Veterans Day," a youth-oriented documentary which will broadcast Nov. 11 on the History Channel.

"We're thankful the History Channel and the Department of Education produced this documentary to educate our nation on the meaning of Veterans Day and the sacrifices of America's veterans," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Anthony J. Principi. "Educating the American people about the importance and value of honoring veterans is priceless."

"The Story of Veterans Day" is the fourth installment in a series called "History of the Holiday," which explores the meaning and origin of national holidays on the History Channel. VA provided historical information and footage to the History Channel and worked with the Department of Education on its outreach efforts to

veterans.

The 30-minute program, which examines the meaning and origin of Veterans Day, will air nationally on Thursday, Nov. 11, on the History Channel at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. ET/PT.

The series, created to stimulate student interest in our American holidays, also includes programs on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day and Labor Day.

Veterans Affairs Under Secretary Daniel Cooper joined Deputy Secretary of Education Gene Hickok at Washington Navy Yard's Navy Museum, in Washington, D.C., for a special screening of the film on Thursday, Nov. 4.

For further information about the documentary, please contact Richard Olague, VA Office of Public Affairs, at (202) 273-4814.

To view and download VA news release, please visit the following Internet address: [<http://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel>](http://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel)



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Kelly Meyer

The ROARING SPRINGS RANCH CLUB is offering a \$1,000 REWARD for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who shot and killed a GREAT HORNED OWL on Thursday, October 28, 2004, at approximately 11:00 p.m.

The same individual also fired several shots into the Club Swimming Pool, causing considerable damage.

If you have any information that could lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who committed these acts, please contact the Main Office at 806-348-7292

Veterans' Day



Here's to the men and women of our armed forces, who unselfishly answered their nation's call. In times of war and times of peace, these dedicated Americans stood ready to fight and die so that democracy might live on. On Veterans' Day, we honor them one and all, and proudly offer our thoughts of gratitude for giving a part of their lives to freedom's cause and playing an important role in America's history.

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By: Mary Louise Liebe-Harkort



Consider:
In 1931 Judge Learned Hand famously warned Yale Law School graduates that "Liberty lies in the hearts of men and women; when it dies there, no constitution, no law, no court can save it... While it lies there it needs no constitution, no law, no court to save it."

---David Cole

Now it's getting to be Fall and daylight savings time has ended, so there is less daylight to do things outside. That means you can turn to new activities indoors, like joining the Chamber of Commerce. The next meeting will be at the Library on Tuesday the 16th of November at the new time of 5:30 p.m. We hope this time will prove to be more convenient for you, and look forward to seeing you there.

Some people have requested more information on the future projects we discussed at the last meeting, since they were only briefly mentioned.

Marisue Potts talked about the film "Lonesome Matador", which has been submitted to Robert Redford's Sundance Film Festival. The setting for the short screen play, originally called "Hello Out There," is the Motley County Jail. The dark drama was written by famous

playwright William Saroyan after he had heard stories about Matador from a young soda jerk by day and screen writer by night named Douglas Meador. Meador later returned to his home town and became a prize winning journalist at the Matador Tribune, now known as the Motley County Tribune.

We then discussed the program that benefits Historically Underutilized Business Zones (HUBZones). The US Senate says: "The HUBZone Program attempts to utilize a valuable government resource, a government contract, and make it available to small businesses who agree in return to locate in economically distressed areas and employ people from these areas."

Parts of Motley County were designated as HUBZones, but lost that designation in 2002, based on median income and unemployment number though they continue as HUBZones until December 15, 2005. The Chamber wants to investigate the possibility of whether we can have the whole county reclassified before the grandfathered portions expire, since this is a way we can help support the agricultural basis of the local economy by making it possible for small businesses to be more competitive.



A Motley County TxDOT employee works to prepare roads for winter.

Motley County TxDOT prepares for winter

CHILDRESS-The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Motley County Maintenance section, has been busy this week preparing for winter weather.

"We are working to re-establish our waterways," says Ben Kautz, Motley County Maintenance Supervisor. "This work includes cleaning out the ditches and culverts to allow the water to flow" continued Kautz.

"This type of work is necessary to keep the water flowing

in the ditches, culverts and waterways, instead of the roadway where it would be hazardous to the traveling public," said Kautz.

TxDOT maintenance forces perform these types of operations as preventive maintenance of our roadways and for the safety of traveling public.

Anyone with questions about this, or any other TxDOT project should call Barbara Seal, TxDOT Public Information Officer (940) 937-7145.

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Letter to the Editor

There is a lot of talk about the outcome of last week's election. I have listened to all of the theories on Fox news and CNN as to why it turned out the way it did.

Romans 13:1 explains it like this, "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers, for there is no power but of God, the powers that be are ordained to God." In other words, President Bush was re-elected because it was the Lord's will.

Although I voted for the president and believe it was a blessing that he was re-elected, had Kerry been elected I would have believed that, that too, was the Lord's will. The Old Testament shows many examples of the Lord putting unwise or evil rulers in charge of people to accomplish a specific purpose. Remember what he said to Pharaoh before he delivered His people from Egypt: "And in very deed for this cause have I raised thee up, for to show in these my power, and that my name be declared throughout the earth."

For some reason of His, the Lord has extended His mercy to us for a little longer. There is no reason for us to think we deserve it, or to assume it will last.

For now, we should be thankful. Please pray that the Lord will give our leaders wisdom, and that he will continue to have mercy on us and bless our country.

John Bird

The members of Lubbock Diocese Catholic War Veteran Post 1942 would like to invite all Veterans, friends and family members to a memorial Mass at the Lubbock Area Veterans War Memorial on November 11, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. The Memorial is located at 82nd and Nashville Ave. in Henry Hunke Park. This is a time to remember the 11 month, 11th day, and the 11th hour that stopped the hostilities of World War One, formerly known as Armistice Day, today we thank ALL veterans and their families for the contributions in keeping this Country free, as we remember the men and women that have and those that continue to serve God and Country. We would like to take this special time to pray for our country, our veterans, their families and the Personnel on active duty throughout the United States and around the world.

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RECOGNIZED BY MASONIC LODGE — Alvin Alexander was presented the Golden Trowell Award at a recent banquet held in Roaring Springs. Also pictured left to right are David Alexander, Master of Matador Lodge; Bill Moss, presented a 50-year pin; Billy Farley, District Deputy of 96th District, and Alex Crowder, presented with the Community Builder's Award.

Masonic Lodge makes special presentations at recent banquet

Matador Masonic Lodge members, family and friends met at the Roaring Springs Community Center recently for a meeting, meal and to make special recognition to three individuals.

The prestigious Community Builders Award was presented to Alex Crowder of Roaring Springs for his tireless work in this area to promote activity and youth programs as well as adult organization work.

The Golden Trowel Award, the highest award given to a Mason, was presented to Alvin

Alexander, a member of the Matador Masonic Lodge who has taken the extra step to promote Masonry and good will for self, family members and friends. Mr Alexander is a Past Master of the Matador Masonic Lodge, Past District Deputy, and a certificate holder for many years, as well as the secretary for the Lodge for many years.

Bill Moss received a 50-year pin and certificate and was acknowledged by the Grand Lodge of Texas for his many years of service.

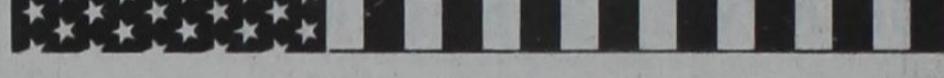
David Alexander, this year's Master of the Matador Lodge, conducted the meeting, assisted by members Corky Marshall and Bill Farley, who helped with the presentations. Mr. Farley is the present District Deputy of the 96 District.

The Matador Lodge served hamburgers with all the trimmings and the wives provided the desserts. There were approximately 45 in attendance.

The Lodge extends a big thank you to the Roaring Springs Community Club for the use of the building.

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News Around the County

Matador News

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bumgardner returned home recently from a ten day trip that included visiting in Lindsey, Okla. with friends, Mr. and Mrs. S.L. West, in Oklahoma City with his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Cheevers and Vicki Cheevers, in Wichita, Kansas with son, Joe Dean Bumgardner and in Euressa, Kansas with friends.

Deanie Edwards went to Amarillo this weekend to be with her son and his wife Lori. Lori had major surgery last Wednesday. Lori was

doing better on Saturday and was released to go home. Deanie had a short visit with brother, Alvin and wife Nadyne, and sister Glenda and niece Becky.

Tom Edwards returned to Houston on Friday where he will be in trial all week. Hopefully this is the last time he will have to return to Houston for a long time.

Carolyn Rose is a re-hab patient at Southwest Regional Specialty Hospital, Lubbock, Room 206. She is reported to be improving.



Shrubs and trees are being planted at East Mound Cemetery as part of a landscaping project which is in progress.

Landscaping project underway at East Mound

A much needed landscaping is underway at Matador's East Mound Cemetery this week. Robert's Tree House of Plainview is planting shrubbery and numerous trees.

Pat Seigler and Nathan Shannon of Seigler Funeral Home and Billy Osborn, Steve Barton and Bobby Barton are helping with the project. The use of the Barton's time and equipment will help speed the process of planting the larger trees.

A special thank you goes to Mary Helen Wason for taking the time and effort and making phone calls to help make this project happen.

The late Mrs. Lucretia (L.B.) Campbell started discus-

sions about the landscaping project when she was elected a board member of the association about a year ago.

A board meeting was held Tuesday night to appoint a new board member to replace Mrs. Campbell who passed away in September.

The East Mound Cemetery Association has also recently acquired a tax exempt number from the IRS.

The Cemetery Association survives strictly on donations and gifts for the upkeep and maintenance. Donations may be made at Seigler Funeral Home or The First State Bank in Matador.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

"We take on the strength of that which we overcome." On November 11, 1918 the Armistice agreement was signed and fighting on all battlefields ceased at 11 a.m. The guns of World War I fell silent. After 4 long years, the "war to end all wars" was finally over.

In 1919, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed November 11 as Armistice Day to remind Americans of the tragedies of war.

A law adopted in 1938 made the day a federal holiday and in 1954, Congress changed the name to "Veterans Day" to honor ALL United States veterans.

May God Bless America, our veterans and U.S. troops worldwide.

FIRST REUNION HELD BY MARTIN PIONEER FAMILY

The descendants of Woodford Martin and Arthur G. Martin held their first official family reunion from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday, November 6 at the Community Center in Flomot. Over 50 registered and enjoyed meeting family members and reminiscing with those they knew. They were served hamburgers with all the trimmings at the evening meal.

John Martin moved in 1830 from Kentucky to Stephen F. Austin Colony in Texas. In 1859, he and family moved to the town of Aquilla in Hill County Texas. Two of his sons, Arthur G. and Woodford fought in the Confederate Army. Arthur G. was seriously wounded and died in 1872.

Woodford Martin and family and the widow of Arthur G., Harriet Wade Martin and sons, I.E., Wade and Woodford came in convoy on ten wagons to Motley County in 1891. They settled and filed on land in the northwest community of Flomot.

Family members attended from New Mexico, Utah, and throughout Texas. They voted to have another family reunion next year with the set date pending.

Mr. and Mrs. E.G. Reed visited the weekend in Watauga with

daughter, Mrs. Martha Yorston and son, Nic. They attended the Harvest Christian Academy football game Friday night in which Nic played.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn, Fannie and Danielle enjoyed the Jamboree in Turkey Saturday night honoring veterans and those serving in the present U.S. armed services.

Mrs. Fred (Marilee) Cooper of Borger and Mrs. Ervin (Nita) Merritt of Granbury visited the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin and attended the Martin family reunion. Mr. and Mrs. Martin were in Lubbock, Monday for her medical appointment.

Mrs. Jimmy (Shay) McDaniel and son, Seth of Lubbock visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers and uncle, Donnie Rogers, Thursday.

Luncheon guests Sunday of Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse were Jodi and Brand Cruse, Baylor, and Branson and Talon Cruse of Turkey, Derrick Cruse of Canyon, Judy and Donnie Cruse and Brenda and Darrell Cruse of Flomot.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay, grandchildren, Ryleigh and Walker Carson of Turkey visited the weekend in Clifton with daughter and family, Lori and Kevin Kleibrink, Karlee and Kyler. They celebrated the 7th birthday of Karlee Saturday afternoon. Saturday morning, they attended a soccer tournament in Waco where Kyler and teammates competed.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall visited the weekend in Midland with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cory Kendall, Conner and Chancey.

Derrick Cruse, student at West Texas A&M University in Canyon, visited the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse. Darrell attended the Patriotic Jamboree in Turkey Saturday night.

Mrs. Dona Browning and son, E.J. Browning of Rising Star visited Saturday and Sunday with Brenda and Lee J. Browning and children. E.J. was a featured performer at the Patriotic Jamboree in Turkey Saturday night.

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Juanita F. Stafford

Juanita F. Stafford, 83, of Los Alamos, died Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2004, following a long illness.

She was born in Ralls, Texas, March 6, 1921, the loving daughter of Fred Fulfer and Ola Hutto Fulfer. She married Lawrence Dud Stafford in Matador, Texas, Nov. 3, 1939. She graduated from Matador High School.

Juanita moved to Los Alamos in 1946. She was employed by First National Bank of Santa Fe and the Zia Co.

In 1961 she and her husband moved to Las Cruces where they worked at White Sands on the Apollo project. In 1972 they returned to Los Alamos where Juanita worked for the Los Alamos Schools until her retirement in 1984. She was a member of Bryce Presbyterian Church in White Rock. She was

a long time volunteer with the Los Alamos hospital Auxiliary.

She is survived by her son, Ron Stafford and wife Carolyn of Chama; grandsons Darrin Stafford and wife Myra of Los Alamos, Darril Stafford and wife Christina of Los Alamos, Darrick Stafford and wife Emma of Los Alamos, Kevin Stafford of Chicago, Scott Downing and wife Donna of Los Alamos and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions should be directed to the Los Alamos Hospital Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister, and spouse.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. Friday, November 5, 2004, at the Bryce Avenue Presbyterian Church in White Rock.

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every year in traffic crashes. In Texas, safety belt use by drivers and passengers in pickup trucks is more than 5 percentage points lower than in other passenger vehicles.

"The safety belt use law in Texas and other states in our region applies to pickup truck passengers as well as drivers, but passengers continue to have even lower safety belt use than drivers," Ms. Chakiris said. "Wearing safety belts gives drivers and passengers the edge for

survival during a crash," she said.

"If a man, you love is riding unbuckled in a car, SUV, van, or truck, do something about it. Beg. Plead. Whatever it takes. Tell him you don't want to get along without him," she said.

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**News deadline
Monday, 5:00 p.m.**

Thank you for observing this deadline.

I want to thank everyone who voted in the November 2, 2004 election. Thank you to the voters of Precinct III and to the people of other precincts who encouraged and supported me. I have always tried to represent the County as a whole with my decisions and will continue to consider all the people of Motley County.

Thank you to the employees of Motley County. They are always willing to help and to work in any capacity for the betterment of the County. They often put in irregular hours for the people of all precincts, many times on weekends and nights because of fires or washed out roads. Throughout the years, I have been fortunate to have good, dedicated employees in Precinct III. The employees of the County make our jobs as elected officials much easier with dedication and pride in their work.

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FARM & RANCH NEWS



FARM SERVICE AGENCY NEWS

By John Bird, Motley County CED

ECP Signup

A flood that occurred on August 12, 2004, has caused damage in parts of Motley County. Farms and ranches suffering damage to terraces or tank dams may be eligible for assistance under the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) administered by the Motley County Farm Service Agency if the damage:

* will be so costly to rehabilitate that Federal assistance is or will be needed to return the land to productive agricultural use

* will cost at least \$1,000.00 to repair the breaks

Producers must sign a statement certifying that they are not able to pay for the practices without receiving federal assistance. Spot checks may require producers to provide financial documents.

Producers who have suffered a loss to terraces or tank dams from the rains that occurred in August may contact the Motley County FSA office and request assistance from October 4 through December 3, 2004.

To be eligible for assistance, practices must not be shared until the following are met:

* an application for cost-share has been filed and financial statement signed

* the local FSA has con-

ducted an onsite inspection of the damaged area

* the NRCS has made a needs determination, which may include cubic yards of earthmoving, etc., required for rehabilitation.

Although we will conduct a signup and make needs determinations, no funds are available for ECP. Motley County has been placed on a list for allocation should funds become available in the future.

Call Ahead

Employees in the FSA offices must use a certain amount of leave before the year ends, or it will be lost. Also besides the holidays, we will be out of office for several trainings and other events over the next few months. There will be many days where there is only one

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Nov. 18

Nov. 25

Dec. 24

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Winter Weather Delivers Killing Freeze and Snow To Portions of Texas High Plains

LUBBOCK, November 5, 2004

By Shawn Wade

Depending on your location Election Day 2004 may eventually go down as one to remember, or forget, as a defining moment for the 2004 growing season.

What is known for sure is that it is the latest installment in what has been an emotional, up and down growing season. With a good deal of the area trying desperately to gain some harvest momentum, the delays caused this week will add to the pressure growers feel to get the crop out.

Heavy, wet snow fell across much of the northern and central counties of West Texas November 1 and 2. Rainfall was also prevalent in southern and eastern areas as well.

Local snowfall totals ranged from a high of 10-12 inches in some parts of Castro and Hale Counties, to 5-8 inches in Lubbock and Lynn Counties.

The big concern is that the type of snow that fell could have an even greater, adverse, effect on yield and quality than the wet ground left in the aftermath of the storms. Only time will tell as producers return to the field to assess the situation.

The potential for lint stringing out of the bolls looms as the most obvious problem for many producers. Another complicating factor, especially in areas that recorded high snowfall amounts, is the sheer weight of the snow on plant branches and stems. Broken fruiting branches could increase the potential for bark contamination during harvest and ginning operations down the line.

With Elections Finally Over: Results Bring Important Changes In Ag Representation

LUBBOCK, November 5, 2004

By Shawn Wade

No matter how the November 2 District 19 Election turned out, West Texas agriculture was going to come out on the short end of the stick by virtue of the inevitable.

Now that the process is finally over, the challenge of representing the area's diverse agriculture interests rests firmly on the shoulders of Representative Randy Neugebauer as he works to fill the shoes of not one, but two capable agriculture leaders.

Farmers and agriculture industry leaders will depend on him to represent West Texas agriculture in the same unwavering fashion as his opponent, outgoing Representative Charlie Stenholm, and his predecessor, former House Ag Committee Chairman Larry Combest.

Keys to success for Rep. Neugebauer will be maintaining his already strong efforts on behalf of agriculture and stepping into the agriculture leadership and educational roles that West Texas Congressman have traditionally provided in Congress.

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Nov. 11, 2004

7-Day Forecast**Thursday**

Partly Cloudy

High: 47 Low: 27

Friday

Partly Cloudy

High: 44 Low: 29

Saturday

Mostly Cloudy

High: 41 Low: 34

Sunday

Mostly Cloudy

High: 42 Low: 35

Monday

Partly Cloudy

High: 49 Low: 38

Tuesday

Partly Cloudy

High: 50 Low: 40

Wednesday

Mostly Sunny

High: 52 Low: 41

In-Depth Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 47°. The record high temperature for today is 83° set in 1980. The record low temperature is 21° set in 1986. Expect partly cloudy skies to continue Friday with a high temperature of 44°.

Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Tuesday	58	43	70/44	0.01"	1.98"
Wednesday	44	40	69/43	1.61"	Normal precipitation 0.47"
Thursday	54	33	69/43	0.36"	Departure from normal +1.51"
Friday	65	30	68/42	0.00"	Average temperature 51.9°
Saturday	75	37	68/42	0.00"	Average normal temperature 55.3°
Sunday	79	45	67/41	0.00"	Departure from normal -3.4°
Monday	78	45	67/41	0.00"	Data as reported from Childress, Texas

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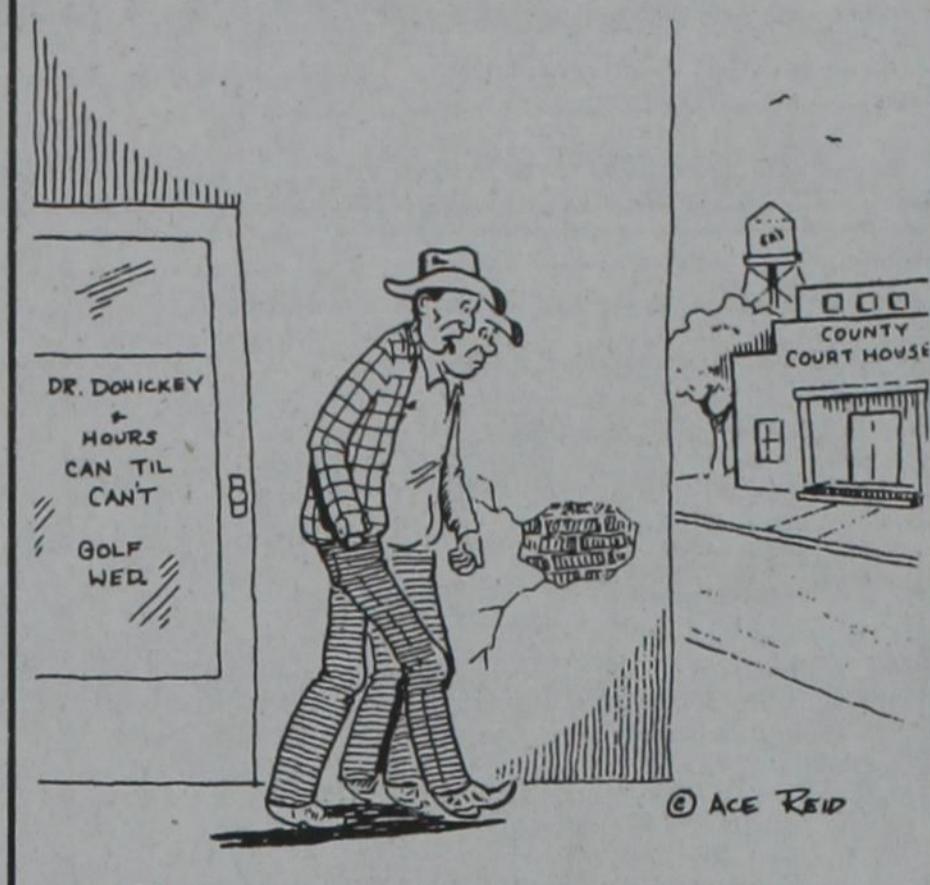
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