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A Look back in Time

March 4, 1937

"Closing a successful year of monthly meetings, the men of the Methodist congregation will observe the first anniversary of 'Men's Night' by having as their guests, their wives and sweethearts on Wednesday evening March 10th at 7:30 o'clock. As customary, the men will prepare the banquet themselves."

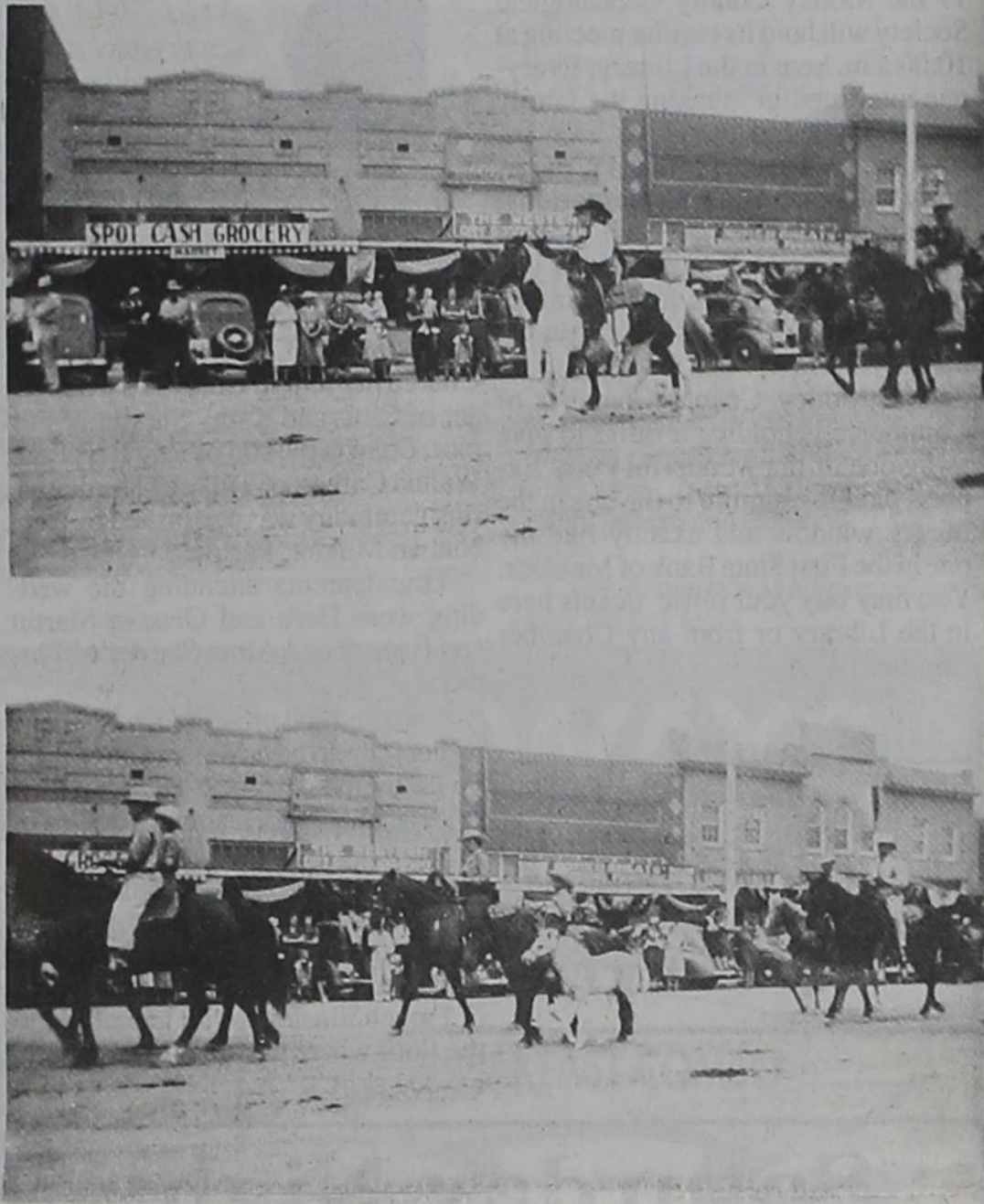
March 11, 1937

RAID RATTLER DEN; KILL 49
"L.B. Robertson, Game Warden A.E. Aulds, Gus Bird and John Lee raided a rattlesnake den northeast of Matador in the Matador Land and Cattle Company pasture, killing 49 of the deadly reptiles and capturing 10 large specimens which were brought to Matador and placed in the 'Snake Cage' at Bob's Oil Well."

April 22, 1937

CROP CONDITIONS IMPROVED BY RAIN

Moisture is General in Panhandle
"About .67 inch rain was reported in Matador Monday, Monday night, and early Tuesday according to the rain gauge. Maintained by J.H. Sample, with a much greater fall reported in other sections of the county. Reports from Northfield yesterday declared that in the neighborhood of 2 1/2 inches had been received there."



SHANNON DAVIDSON PARADE in downtown Matador in 1939, honored Shannon Davidson when he returned from the Pony Express race. These pictures were submitted by Mrs. Loretta Race of Arkansas, former Matador resident. The pictures had belonged to her parents, J.N. and Leora Scrivner. Mrs. Scrivner took the pictures.

Shannon Davidson Pony Express Days Are Almost Here

There's something for everyone to do or see at the Shannon Davidson Pony Express Days next weekend, June 20-22, 1997, so clear your calendars and make plans to attend as many events as you can! Make plans to stop by the post office in Matador, Roaring Springs, and Flomot to have your mail cancelled with our special commemorative stamps.

Scheduled events in Matador on Saturday, June 21 include:

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Arts and Crafts Faire, sponsored by the Motley County Arts & Crafts Club with indoor spaces in the American Legion building and outside sidewalk spaces.

9 a.m. - 1 p.m. - El Progresso and Eternas Study Clubs will have the old historic jail open for tours, a display of artifacts, and a bake sale. There will be free lemonade and cookies, and Harold Campbell will provide a horse-drawn wagon for rides from the jail around the town of Matador.

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. - Motley County Historical Museum will be open for tours and viewing.

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. - Music by "Texas Sand" at the gazebo in the Courthouse Square. "Texas Sand" is a very versatile band playing such styles as western swing, cowboy, country, bluegrass, and gospel. They also provide cowboy poetry and added entertainment involving a cowboy puppet.

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. - Classic Car Show and demonstration around the Courthouse Square. There will be numerous cars from the 1950's on display from Hub City Cruzers and the Lubbock Mustang Club.

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. - The Matador Ministerial Alliance will host a children's train ride and information booth at the Courthouse Square.

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. - Motley County Senior Citizens organization will host a luncheon buffet and entertainment at the Senior Citizens' Center.

Scheduled events in Roaring Springs on June 21 include:

6 a.m. - 7 a.m. - 60-mile Endurance Ride begins at Old Settlers grounds.

6:30 a.m. - 7 a.m. - 25-mile Limited Distance Ride begins at Old Settlers grounds.

10 a.m. - 11 a.m. - Virginia Sailsbury will be selling soft drinks and food at the Refreshment Center on the Old Settlers grounds.

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - The Roaring Springs Depot, a historical building, will be open for viewing.

3 p.m. - 6 p.m. - The 4th Cavalry Regiment (Memorial) Association will provide several demonstrations.

4 p.m. - Prelims start at Buzz Field for Quarter-Horse Ranch Race.

6:30 p.m. - The Texas Tech University Masked Red Raider will lead a parade of the heat winners prior to the Ranch Horse Race Championship heat.

6 p.m. - 8:30 - Supper at the Roaring Springs Community Center cooked and served by the Matador Volunteer Fire Department.

7:30 p.m. - Championship race for the Quarter-Horse Ranch Horses.

8:30 p.m. - Awards Ceremony at Roaring Springs Community Center.

9 p.m. - 1 a.m. - Dance at Old Settlers Slab, with the Rex Thomas

Band sponsored by the Motley County FFA.

Musical Entertainment for the whole family.

10 a.m. - 11:30 - Audra McClaran & Rick Sudduth Twin Fiddles
11:30 - 1 p.m. - Travis Williams.
1 p.m. - 2:30 - Mike Porter
2:30 - 4:00 - Jane & Max Thacker
4 p.m. - 5:30 - The Texas Sand
5:30 - 7 p.m. - Lorita and The Band
7 p.m. - 8:30 - The 3M Company

The Roaring Springs Lions Club will be manning a Coke Wagon at Buzz Field, selling cokes, ice cream, snacks, and souvenirs - replicas of the original horseshoe souvenir from the 1939 Pony Express Race and the first Motley County Shannon Davidson medallions.

A Trailer Trolley will transport people to and from the different events.

The Roaring Springs Ranch Club will be having their 1/2 price membership drive throughout the weekend. Tours will be available and this is a great time to see some of the Motley County's beautiful historical sites and a great opportunity to become a member of the Roaring Springs Ranch Club.

Sunday Events in Roaring Springs:

7 a.m. - 8 a.m. - Breakfast at the Roaring Springs Community Center, prepared and served by the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers.

8 a.m. - 9 a.m. - Cowboy Church Service led by the Fellowship of Christian Cowboys at the Community Center.

Final Shannon Davidson Planning Meeting Tonight

The final meeting of the Shannon Davidson Pony Express Days Planning Committee will be tonight, Thursday, June 12, at 7 p.m. at the Library.

It is extremely important that all committee members and any interested citizens attend this meeting, where agenda items include time lines, activities and their locations, and final review of committee assignments.

If you have any questions, call Charles Keith, 347-2283 or Jerry Green, 348-7953.

Frederic Remington Pony Express Painting to be given away at Shannon Davidson Ceremony

An official canvas museum copy from the Gilcrease Museum in Tulsa, Oklahoma, of Remington's "Coming and Going of the Pony Express" will be awarded to the lucky winner of the raffle drawing to be held at the Awards Ceremony on Saturday, June 21. The original painting is on display at the Gilcrease Museum, and it would be an honor for you to win this special copy.

Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5, and are available from any Chamber Board Member or at the following locations: Motley County Library, Thacker Supply, Matador Variety, First State Bank, Marshall Brothers, West Texas Utilities, Matador Implement, The Windmill, or Lee's Insurance in Flomot. Get your tickets early!

Local Scholarships Encourage Motley County Graduates

There was excitement in the air as 17 graduates stepped forward as Joan Keith, Counselor, presented 35 local scholarships worth a total of \$5,000, funded by organizations and individuals who know the value of investing in the future of our youth, county, and country.

A highlight of the presentation was the awarding of the first scholarship in honor of Ben Douglas and Lila Meador, who owned the Matador Tribune from 1931 - 1977 and who motivated countless young people to continue their education following high school graduation. Lila and her sister, Mary, traveled from Odessa to be in the audience, as was one of the donors, Judy Marrs Dunlap, Class of 1969, of Floydada. Cody Timmons received this prestigious award for being highest in the UIL Literary, along with a special copy of "Trail Dust," written by Mr. Meador and presented by Lila Meador. Mrs. Keith recognized the contributors - Karen Elliott House, '66, a 1984 Pulitzer Prize winner for her Foreign News reporting and currently president of Dow Jones International; Larry Elliott, '67, currently professor of Journalism at the University of Iowa; Pat Groves, '57, entrepreneur and computer consultant; Judy Marrs Dunlap; and Marie Hunsucker Baldwin, '40. A special fund has been established so

that this scholarship will be awarded each year, in perpetuity, to a deserving student interested in journalism.

The 1997 graduates receiving scholarships were: Edward Alvarado, Motley County Ex Student and Teacher Association; Brooke Parson Barton, Roaring Springs Full Gospel Church; Lanie Barton, Thacker Honorary (Buzz and LaVoe Thacker and Joyce Smith); Kyle Brandon, Roaring Springs Lions and Predicta Study Clubs; Quintin Brandon, First Baptist Church of Matador; Leah Cruse, Charlie & Viola Keith Honorary, Masonic Lodge Mirabeau B. Lamar, Matador Lions Club, and Roaring Springs Lions & Predicta Study Clubs Salutatorian; Talon Cruse, Motley County Ex Student & Teacher Association; Bert Darsey, Clay Lancaster Memorial, Eternas Study Club, and Roaring Springs Full Gospel Church; Tyler Decker, Roaring Springs Full Gospel Church; Brandi Jameson, El Progresso Club and Motley County ISD Booster Club; Josh Lee, Motley County ISD Booster Club; Dodie Morris, Jeff Piper 4-H Memorial and Roaring Springs Full Gospel Church; Kasey Parks, Jeff Piper 4-H Memorial, Roaring Springs Church of Christ, and Aunt Juddie Stephens Memorial; Darryn Perryman, First State Bank of Matador, Vance Gilbreath Memorial,

Eva Kingery Music Memorial, Jeff Piper 4-H Memorial, and Roaring Springs Church of Christ; Misty Thomas, Jeremy S. Davis Memorial, Eternas Study Club, and Jeff Piper 4-H Memorial; Cody Timmons, Masonic Lodge Mirabeau B. Lamar, Masonic Lodge Vocational Agriculture, and Ben Douglas & Lila Meador Honorary; and Matt Woolsey, Roaring Springs Community Volunteers and Thacker Honorary.

Mrs. Keith also introduced the four graduates who plan to enter the work force and improve the economic growth of Motley County: Lacy Washington Clary, Misty Easter, Lupe Saldaña, and Jamie Timmins.

It is encouraging to know that 81% of this graduating class is aware of the need for higher education and/or job training, and that the community knows the value of motivating them through these local scholarships. Anyone interested in investing in the future of Motley County by establishing a scholarship to honor or in memory of a loved one is encouraged to contact Joan Keith, Counselor, at

Drawer 310, Matador, TX 79244, or by calling 806-347-2676 or 806-347-2283.

Chamber of Commerce Receives Resolution

On Tuesday, May 27, Charles and Joan Keith, representing the Motley County Chamber of Commerce, attended the general session of the Texas House of Representatives. The Honorable Pete Laney, Speaker of the House, presented them with a just-passed resolution (HR 1122) recognizing June 21, 1997, as Shannon Davidson Pony Express Day and commending the Motley County Chamber of Commerce for paying tribute to this notable Texan. Mr. Laney also presented them with the gavel that he used to accept the resolution, and the gavel will be displayed in the

courthouse along with the official resolution prior to being placed in the Motley County Historical Museum.

Prior to the start of the morning Legislative session, Nelda Laney gave the Keiths a private tour of the Speaker's apartment, sharing the history of the furnishings and accessories.

The Chamber of Commerce is working diligently to make others aware of the benefits of living and working in Motley County, and everyone is encouraged to participate in the Shannon Davidson Pony Express Days as well as in the upcoming Third Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

Commissioners Meet In Regular Court Session

Motley County Commissioners Court met in regular session June 9, 1997, at 9:30 a.m. Present were Judge Laverna M. Price, Commissioner John Russell, Precinct 1; Commissioner Don Hughes, Precinct 2; Commissioner Franklin Jameson, Precinct 3; Commissioner J.N. Fletcher, Precinct 4; District/County Clerk, Lucretia Campbell.

Invocation was given by Commissioner Jameson.

County Clerk, Lucretia Campbell, read the minutes of May 12, 1997 regular session of the court. Minutes were approved as read. All reports and bills were approved.

Michael Lee, County Extension Agent Ag and Arla Felts, Extension Agent, Family & Consumer Science presented the court with a listing of all

meetings and events for the past few weeks. They discussed future programs that are planned for the coming weeks.

The court reviewed and discussed the local option percentage homestead exemption. It will remain the same, \$5,000.00 or 20% whichever is greater.

The Salary Grievance Committee lacks one person to be complete. Five names were drawn from the jury panel list. The Grievance Committee requires nine (9) public members.

The Court adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Prior to the Motley County Commissioners Court regular session, Michael Lee and Arla Felts, and several 4-H members served the court and all members of the courthouse staff and road hands with a brunch. The food was delicious and appreciated by all.

FFA Members Honored At Chapter Banquet

The Annual Motley County FFA Parent-Member banquet was held at the Motley County High School Gymnasium on May 24th. The banquet is to honor those FFA members who have committed themselves to improvement of themselves, their community, and their organization. It is also to thank the parents and members of the community who have helped the organization in any way the past year.

After a fine meal, recognition of guests, and a time of Cowboy poetry and storytelling by Coke Hopping of Memphis; teams, projects, and award winners were recognized. Winner of the high point plaques presented to a member of each judging team were as follows: Agricultural Mechanics, Tyler Decker; Cotton Cladding, Jerod Rieger; Crops judging, Art Tiffin; Land judging, Nesa McFall; Livestock judging, Todd Thomas; Horse judging,

Cobey Turner.

The Star Greenhand of 1996-97 was Andy Jones. The Star Chapter Award went to Robert Gillespie. The Dekalb award, given each year to the outstanding senior agriculture student was awarded to Darryn Perryman.

It was also announced that Cody Timmons will be interviewing for a Texas FFA Scholarship at the State FFA Records and Degree check to be held in San Marcos June 12-13th. Andy

Jones will be interviewing for the State Star Greenhand Degree at the same time. Cody will be one of 90 Texas FFA members vying for scholarships ranging from \$500.00 to \$15,000.00. Andy advanced to State by winning the District and Area Star Greenhand awards.

Cobey Turner, Ryan Martin, Scotty Palmer, and Cody Timmons will be receiving their Lone Star Degrees, the

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WE SALUTE





Well, a lot has happened the last three weeks! First of all, as I know you all know by now, my beautiful little granddaughter, Morgan, entered the world. And as I knew she would be, she truly is the most beautiful baby! The only problem is, I don't get to see her as often as I would like to.

Secondly, I came through the surgery well, and recuperated at home the last week. And came back to work this week, although I must admit, rather slowly.

Thirdly, we are trying to get back on track at the paper after being gone a week. It's almost impossible to catch up after missing one day, much less a whole week. We have begun work on the Shannon Davidson paper, which will be next week's edition. With the circumstances as they have been, the paper may not be as good as I would like for it to be, but sometimes life takes over your job, and you just can't do anything about it. But I hope it will be a paper everyone will enjoy.

I must say a big THANKS to everyone for the love shown to me, and to Jim. Everyone has been so kind and helpful. I can't tell you how much it means to us! God bless!

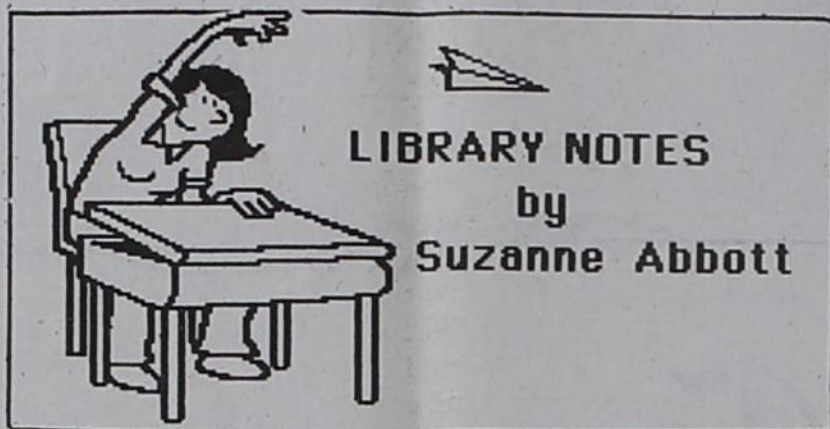
Father's Day is here already! I could never begin to count all the blessings I have received with my Daddy. I am so

thankful for him. He is truly an angel on earth. He is always there for anyone who needs him. He is a most generous, giving man and has helped so many people.

I have so many wonderful memories of my childhood, and the neat things my daddy did for us kids. He was always bringing home surprises for us. One time, in particular, he came in after a long day's work with a big tow sack and a big smile on his face. To our excitement when he opened the sack, out came two little raccoons. He had rescued them after their mother had been killed. We named those little coons Adam and Eve, and raised them like puppies. In fact, the mother dog we had at that time, who just happened to be nursing puppies, also nursed those coons. They grew up more like dogs, and we're so spoiled, but good pets.

Daddy was always thinking of us kids and the things he could do for us. He was always there for us. Even after working hard all day he was never tired to help with homework, especially Math. He has always been a whiz at Math. He gave us a good home, with lots of love, understanding, and brought us up in a Christian home.

I am so thankful for my Daddy. Thanks Daddy, and Happy Fathers Day!



Today, Thursday, is the second activity day of the children's summer reading program at the Library. The program begins at 3:00 p.m. for kids in grades 1-3 and at 4:00 p.m. for kids in grades 4 and 5. Last week we explored the Internet. We appreciate the help of Dixie Litteken and Miranda Palmer at last week's session. We also thank Jean Cooper for furnishing the refreshments for the program. More fun activities are planned for today.

We appreciate the memorial donation for Trigger Holt made by Charles and Opal Johnson. Also we thank the Marshall Brothers and Kathy and James Gillespie for their donations to the library in memory of Jack Bearden. We appreciate the thoughtfulness behind these memorials and the support of these donors.

We have a new display in the Library showcase. This display is about the Pony Express and the Old West in general and the Shannon Davidson Day Pony Express Day in particular. Thank you to Pauline Hand for sharing with the Bible records showing the families of Shannon Davidson's father

and grandfather. We also appreciate the donation by Charles Keith of two books on the Pony Express.

New books in the library include *The Ranch* by Danielle Steel, *Pretend You Don't See Her* by Mary Higgins Clark, and Elmer Kelton's *Cloudy in the West*. We also have two books by inspirational humorist Barbara Johnson: *Where Does a Mother go to Resign?* and her newest, *Living Somewhere Between Estrogen and Death*.

The Friends of the Library have a new shipment of beautiful postcards of the waterfall at the Springs. Surprise a former Motley County resident with a picture from their past and send them one of these pretty cards. The Friends also have for sale the Shannon Davidson postcards.

Please note that next Tuesday, June 17 the Motley County Genealogical Society will hold its regular meeting at 10:00 a.m. here in the Library. Everyone interested in "shaking the family tree" is invited to attend.

Also, on Tuesday, June 17, the library will be open during the morning, beginning at 10:00 a.m. We will close at the regular time of 6:00 p.m. If you prefer morning hours for coming to the Library, Tuesday is the day to be here.

The Motley County Chamber of Commerce is holding a raffle to give away one of the wonderful Pony Express pictures, similar to the one in the library window and exactly like the one in the First State Bank of Matador. You may buy your raffle tickets here in the Library or from any Chamber member.

Shorter - Calvert Exchange Wedding Vows



Mr. and Mrs. Chad Calvert

Wedding vows were exchanged on Friday, May 9, 1997 at 6:00 o'clock in the evening by Cindy Michelle Shorter and Chad Ray Calvert at First Baptist Church in Flomot. Cindy is the daughter of Clois and Kathy Shorter of Flomot. Chad is the son of Ray Beryl and Wanda Calvert of Turkey. The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Nathan Mulder, Pastor.

Grandparents attending the wedding were Herb and Geneva Martin and Everett and Alma Shorter of Flomot.

Escorted and presented in marriage by her father, the bride wore an elegant gown by the designers of Mon Cheri Bridals. The gown featured a bodice of Italian silky satin with an overlay yoke of French stretch illusion. Short sleeves cuffed in satin accented the softness of the jewell neckline. A slightly dropped waistline allowed the ballgown skirt of French illusion to fall gracefully to the floor where a double inset of satin banded skirt.

She wore a headband embellished with sequins and pearls from which flowed two layers of veil trimmed with seed pearls.

The bride carried a bouquet of sweetheart roses accented with baby's breath and white iridescent ribbon.

For something old, the bride carried her mother's wedding Bible and wore her maternal and paternal grandmother's wedding bands. Her wedding gown and veil was something new. She wore a garter of blue belonging to her mother and borrowed her maternal grandmother's diamond tennis bracelet. She slipped two pennies and a silver medallion of her paternal great-grandmother's in her shoe for good luck.

Vows were exchanged before the altar with a beautiful fresh flower arrangement of white galdiola, roses, daisy mums and light blue iris. Iridescent blue bows and white tulle completed the altar.

Annabeth Clay of Flomot, aunt of the bride, provided the traditional wedding march as the bride walked down the aisle. The song, "Butterfly Kisses" was played as the grandparents, groom's parents, and the bride's mother were seated. "Valentine" was played after the ceremony as the couple walked out of the church.

A reception was held in the fellowship hall at the church. The bride's table was laid with a crocheted cloth over blue. A three tiered wedding cake was accented with white crystalized rosebuds, centered the table with a vase of flowers on one end and a crystal punch bowl at the other end.

Strawberries dipped in white and dark chocolate, garnished the German Chocolate cake for the groom's table. A silver coffee service, belonging to the groom's maternal grandmother, the late LaVern Barnhill, completed his table. Both cakes were decorated by the bride's cousin, Lori Kleibrink of Lubbock. Julie Clay of Lubbock, and Tina Carson of Turkey presided at each table.

Following a trip to New Orleans, the couple will reside in Lubbock.

God Bless You!

Pivots & Divots

by Geneva



Tuesday Scramble

May 27
Winners: 1st with a score of 31, were Cody Dodson, Shea Dodson, and Alan Bingham.

Second, with a score of 32, (play off on card), Homer Martin, Cleo Martin, Kenneth Marshall, and Chip Smith.

Alfred Barton got closest to pin on #6, 14 ft. 3 inches.

Others playing were Buzz Thacker, LaVoe Thacker, Larry Clifton, Lavema Price, Brad Thacker, Geneva Wilson, Ronnie Vandiver, Alfred Barton, Louise Barton, Mark Brannon, and Gene Brannon.

Ladies Playday

May 29
Playing 18 holes were Louise Barton, LaVoe Thacker, and Geneva Wilson.

Play was Bingle, Bangle, Bungle. LaVoe won the ball - 21 points.

Nine hole players were Judy Renfro, Nell Berryman, Mary Jones, Frances Hobbs, Dortha Grundy, and Marihelen Wason. Mary Jones won the ball.

Four Lady Scramble

Floydada Country Club
June 3
Entries from Roaring Springs Ranch Club were LaVoe Thacker, Louise Barton, Mary Lou Williams, and Geneva Wilson. Tied for first in second flight. Got beat on card, and won second, with a score of 68. The course was in good condition, a very good meal was served, for a very enjoyable day.

Tuesday Scramble

June 3
Winners with a score of 28 were Alfred Barton, Louise Barton, Frank Tow, and Van Francis.

Second with a score of 30 (play off on card) Ken Marshall, Roy Grundy, Dee Litteken, and Laverna Price.

Van got closest to pin on #3, 7 ft. 9 1/2 in.

Others playing were Brian White, Larry McClenny, Mark Brannon, Gene Brannon, Rob Francis, Geneva Wilson, Arnold White, Salty Jones, Buzz Thacker, LaVoe Thacker, Keith H., and Robert O.

Ladies Playday

June 5
Playing 18 holes were Olivia Barton, Louise Barton, Geneva Wilson, Mary Lou Williams, and LaVoe Thacker.

Mary Lou and Olivia tied for the ball, most putts.

Nine hole players were Marihelen Wason, Judy Renfro, Mary Jones, Nell Berryman. Mary won the ball, most putts.

The course is in real good condition, the greens are great and we thank you, Cody, very much.

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Buzz...Buzz...Buzz



Perhaps you have been annoyed by the constant buzzing of a fly. As long as that fly was still, you didn't think too much about it. But just as soon as that fly started buzzing about it irritated you. Am I right? That irritating little creature accomplishes very little while endlessly buzzing about. But we would all agree that the fly is active.

Here is our point: Activity doesn't always indicate achievement. The difference between activity and achievement lies in working toward a well defined goal.

How annoying it must be for our Great God to look at His people buzzing about like so many flies and not really accomplishing the work He has given us to do. That work is taking the Gospel to the whole world.

No doubt Satan is delighted to see the buzzing of "busy work" instead of our commitment to the task of seeking and saving the lost. A church which is not committed to the Divine directive is a church that may have activity but in the end will have little or no achievement. (The divine directive is found in Mark 16:15-16).

Roaring Springs Church of Christ

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

Bible Study - 10:00 a.m.

Worship - 9:00 a.m.

Saturday Night Pizza Buffet

at the Caprock Cafe in Dickens
from 7-9 p.m.



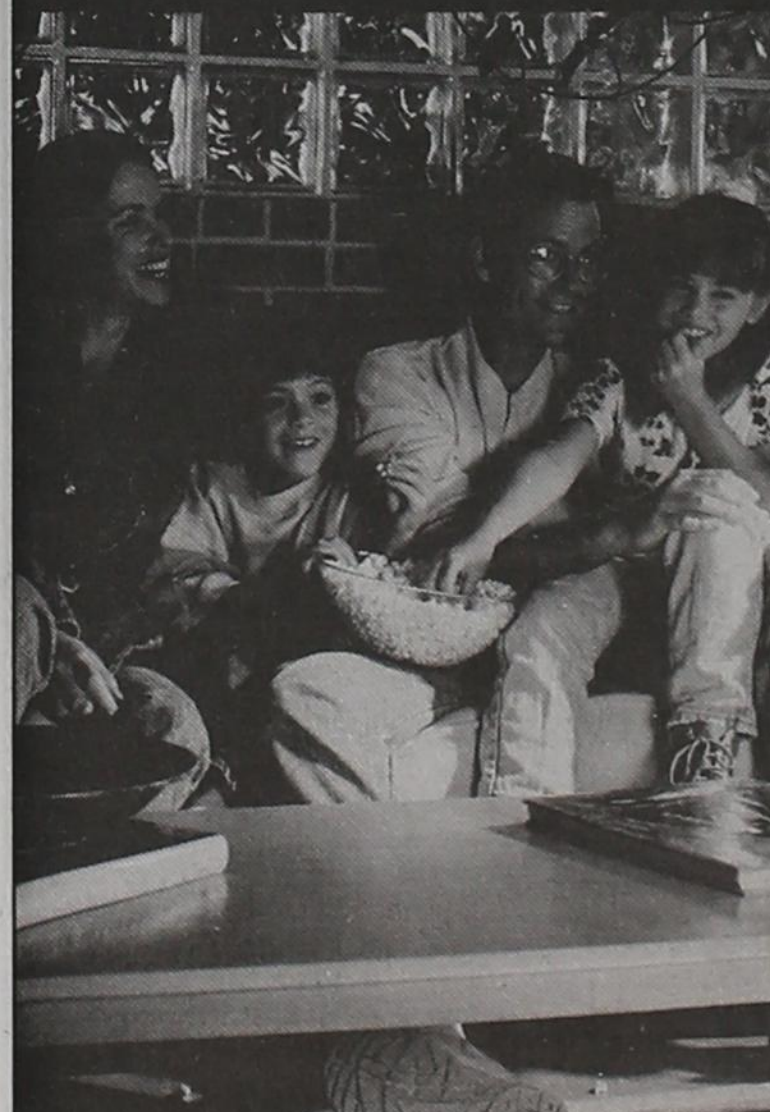
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READER'S COLUMN

I JUST CALLED HIM DADDY

by Shelby West

We didn't know the street we lived on had a real name. There wasn't any street signs, nor was there pavement. Our street was known as dirt, sand, mesquite or when the shinary draw came down our street was known as mud street.

The house I was raised in sat at the very end of the street. It wasn't a mansion, it didn't even have indoor plumbing. The living room was also the bedroom, as was the kitchen.

Inside this house lived a Daddy, a Mother, and four children.

The street in front of this house served as a baseball field in the summer, a football field in the fall, by the side of this house stood a pole with a basketball goal.

There were always many kids that hung around this house. They were the baseball team, football team, and basketball team. Even though this house wasn't a mansion it seemed to be the place where kids of all ages seemed to be drawn.

I realize now that the two teenage sisters who lived in this house were probably the drawing card for the teenage boys. I or my older brother didn't mind, as long as these teenage boys would play ball with us.

One day a cousin came to visit this house that sat at the end of sand street. This cousin was stationed at Fort Hood.

This was probably in 1950 or 1951 His parents lived in Oregon in a big house that had indoor plumbing, but he chose to spend his leave time at our house. This cousin and my mother planted two small locust trees about 12 feet apart.

One was known as Mama's tree, the other one was Daddy's.

This cousin also brought candy and divided it among all that came to this house.

Through due process of time the kids that played on this street, that drank water from the outside faucet began to graduate from the yellow brick school. No longer did they play the games we loved so well. Most left town, some never came back.

The two teenage girls were carried away by their knights in shining armor. Not on a horse, one in a 1950 Ford, and one in a 1949 Chevy. And to this very day they still live with their knights in shining armor.

It was sad for awhile when these two older sisters moved from that little house that sat at the end of dirt street. The Daddy of the house told the little brother that now I had two more big brothers. I found this has been very true.

Things were always changing during those years of growing up. It seemed the only constant thing was the

Daddy. Even though he wasn't a great speaker, or a fantastic ball player or businessman. This daddy of mine was always there when I needed him. He never drank strong drink, he never cursed my Mama, he never had a night out with the boys. His life was devoted to his family. He spent his life being a role model at home and also at his garage where he also dealt honestly with those who brought their broken down cars and tractors for repair. Some folks around these parts still talk about his skills as a mechanic.

This Daddy of mine was as solid as a rock. Even though the car he drove was old, it belonged to anyone who might need it.

You see, this Daddy of mine never made a lot of money, we never managed a brick house or two or three cars, he managed to take what most people referred to as a shack and along with my Mother's help made this shack that sat at the end of mud street a home.

Why did all the kids like this shack? Why did other adults come to visit? There was a mixture of different things, there was love, and trust, caring, honesty, integrity, and a whole lot of sharing.

FFA Award Banquet

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highest degree awarded on the state level, during a special ceremony at the State FFA Convention held in July 1997-98 officers were installed. Officers are as follows: President, Cobey Turner; Vice President, Ryan Martin; Secretary, Robert Gillespie; Treasurer, Nesa McFall; Reporter, Andy Jones; and Sentinel, Todd Thomas.

The Banquet was adjourned by the new officer team.

Our house was a home and this house still lives in my heart.

For you see, the same way a father becomes a dad in the way a house becomes a home. My father was a dad. A dad, a friend, a confidant, a rock, a helper, a person to whom you can put out your hurts, your dreams, and all your failures. A dad is an uplifter, a storm tamer, and very simply put a pal, or best buddy.

The old shack has long been gone, replaced in 57 by a larger home, and then again in 65 by a more modern home. Even though these three houses were different in construction and appearance they all three were homes.

My mom passed away in 1985, and the tree that we called Mama's died the same month.

My dad passed away in 1991, and the tree we called Daddy's died the same month.

The house still stands at the very end of 3rd street and although the street will never again be a sports arena, the house will always be a home.

Although I will never see or talk to my father again on this earth he will always be in my heart and mind, and be my Daddy.

Happy Dad's day!

Kids Camp Roaring Into High Gear

As the deadline for receiving applications nears, the 1997 Kids Camp staff is hard at work planning a variety of activities that are guaranteed to keep youngsters between the ages of 6 and 11 happy and busy during the week-long session.

The Kids Camp takes place the week of July 14-18, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Spur and Motley County I.S.D.'s will provide free bus service for their own students to the camp site at the Roaring Springs Community Center.

The objectives of this year's camp are to teach kids self-esteem and teamwork; to give kids a chance to go to camp and HAVE FUN; to raise the quality of life in our area by teaching the children music, art, and storytelling; to introduce children to the U.S. Flag, the Texas Flag, and what they stand for; to expose the children to the teachings of Christ; to introduce the girls to Girl Scouts of America; and to instruct boys to take responsibility for themselves.

There are only 90 camper positions available, so parents are encouraged to return the registration forms as soon as possible, making sure that both sides of the form are completed. There is a small \$5 fee, but can be waived, if necessary, by calling Joan Keith at 347-2283.

Camp staff include Darleen Fletcher, Camp Coordinator; Jerry Green, Director; Jo Trammel, Patricia Green, Ken Abbott, Joan Keith, Charles Keith, Lana Goodman, Russell Van Hoose, Renee Sims, Heather Tradup, Robbie Fusselman, Kevin Brendle, Mila Marion, and Betty Bostick.

Registration forms are available at the Motley County Library and the Motley County School Main Office in Matador; Vicki's Floral in Roaring Springs; at the Patton Springs School Main Office; at the Spur Library; or by calling Joan Keith, and should be turned in no later than July 1.

Watch for more exciting news about the special activities that are being planned.

Colleges Present Scholarships To Graduates

In addition to the many local scholarships presented to the Class of 1997, the following students have received scholarships from the colleges they are attending.

Judith Oman, Director of Admissions from Clarendon College presented Talon Cruse, Darryn Perryman, and Kasey Parks with their academic awards, and it was also noted that Kasey is the recipient of the President's Scholarship as well as an NCAA fully-paid scholarship to Clarendon where she will play basketball. Dodie Morris will also receive a scholarship for being selected as the Head Cheerleader at Clarendon.

Students receiving scholarships to West Texas A&M University were Brandi Jameson, Leah Cruse and Cody Timmons. Cody is also a finalist for a Stock Show Scholarship to be awarded later this month.

Motley County is proud of these students and the extra effort they put forth during their high school years to improve their academic ranking and test scores, placing them in consideration for these awards of merit.

Students and parents are encouraged to meet with Joan Keith, Counselor, as early in their high school career as possible, to plan for their eventual transition to a college program.

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FATTENING UP FOR THE FEED — Local rancher, Gale Stafford, is pictured here with some of his cattle, which appear to be fattening up for the big barbecue that the First United Methodist Church Trustees of Matador will sponsor this Sunday beginning at 12:00 noon. Mr. Stafford is donating the meat. Donations will be accepted for the event, with trustees setting a goal of \$5000 for bathroom and wood repair/covering for the Church Parsonage.

FSA NEWS

by Billy Wayne Denison
County Executive Director

CRP SIGN-UP RESULTS IN MOTLEY COUNTY

As with most counties in Texas, Motley County did not have a great deal of acres accepted by Washington in the recent sign-up. It is anticipated that there will be another sign-up in August or September, but this has not been officially announced. As shown by the data below, the majority of rejected bids were existing CRP acres with single grass species. Under the Environmental Benefit Index points system, multiple species grass stands earned more wildlife points.

ment in the per acre bid or a decision to go to a more wildlife beneficial cover could be the difference in getting the offers accepted. Please come by and visit with us or NRCS about your offers.

Number of offers in Motley County, 157. Offers accepted, 42.

Number of acres offered in Motley County, 30,007.4. Acres accepted, 12,264.

Current CRP acres offered, 24,736.9. Current acres accepted, 8,104.9.

New acres offered, 5,270.5. New acres accepted, 4,159.1.

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COTTON NEWS

FROM PLAINS COTTON GROWERS, INC.

Newly appointed members of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board of Directors met Tuesday June 3 in Abilene to begin the job of restarting the boll weevil eradication programs across the State.

Tuesday's meeting consisted of swearing in ceremonies as well as officer elections and discussion about the status of currently operating eradication efforts.

In addition to the discussion of operative programs discussion was also started concerning plans for a referendum to be held in the newly created Southern High Plains/Caprock Zone.

Information received by Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. indicates that the Southern High Plains/Caprock Zone (SHP/C) Advisory Committee is being appointed by the Texas Department of Agriculture at this time. It is also understood that the SHP/C Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet June 10, 1997 in Lamesa.

Newly appointed members of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board of Directors, with current officers listed first, are:

Rolling Plains - Central, Woody Anderson, Colorado City, Chairman.
Southern Rolling Plains, Kenny Gully, Eola, Vice Chairman.

South Texas - Winter Garden, Tryne Mengers, Tynan, Secretary.

Ag Lender, Mike Wright, Wolfforth, Treasurer.

Northern High Plains, Jesse Pinkerton, Plainview.

Southern High Plains/Caprock, Jim Brown, Midland.

Northern Rolling Plains, John Inman, Childress.

St. Lawrence, Carey Niehues, Garden City.

Blacklands, Donald Stolte, Taylor.

Trans-Pecos, Larry Turnbough, Balmorhea.

Allied Industry, Craig Shook, Corpus Christi.

Allied Industry, Tommy Chapman, Wall.

Pest Control Industry, Rick Hardcastle, Vernon.

IPM Specialist, Mike McHugh, Uvalde.

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A side-by-side comparison of the 1996 and 1997 Loan sheets for qualities Color 41/Leaf 4 and higher illustrates the changes.

Staple		20-20		30	
Color	Leaf	1996	1997	1996	1997
SM 2	1-2	45.10	45.05	47.40	47.25
Baller	3	45.10	45.05	47.40	47.25
11 & 21	4	44.85	44.70	46.85	46.70
	5	43.80	43.90	45.90	46.00
	6	42.10	42.50	43.65	44.10
	7	40.00	41.15	40.50	41.60
MID	1-2	45.10	45.05	47.25	47.15
31	3	45.05	45.00	47.20	47.15
	4	44.80	44.65	46.80	46.65
	5	43.80	43.90	45.85	46.00
	6	42.10	42.45	43.85	44.10
	7	40.00	41.15	40.50	41.60
SLM	1-2	44.80	44.65	46.75	46.55
41	3	44.80	44.65	46.70	46.50
	4	44.75	44.65	46.65	46.45

The 1997 Upland Cotton Loan Schedule was released April 9, 1997 with slightly larger discounts throughout the schedule. Base Loan rates for locations on the Texas High Plains were also reduced 5 points to 51.70 cents per pound. The 1996 Loan Rate, Basis Lubbock warehouse was 51.75 cents.

Anyone who would like a copy of the 1997 Upland Cotton Loan Chart with loan values figured to Lubbock warehouse locations can request one from the Plains Cotton Growers office. PCG's telephone number is 806-792-4904.

Letter to the Editor

To MCYO Commissioners
Instead of the Commissioner de-

clining a close ballgame with one full inning to play, lets let the kids decide by calling his a postponement and finishing the game before our final game starts.

This is completely within the commissioner's power. I'm sure the other coaches would not object considering the fact there was no rain or lightening, but just clouds.

Your fair consideration of this appeal will be appreciated.

Pat Smith
Hurricanes Coach

David Whitaker Comes in First at Grand Prix Race

David Whitaker of Matador recently competed in the Grand Prix Motorcycle Race held in Quitaque. This event is an annual event, which draws many motorcycle racers from all over the area.

David came in first in the 12-15 age division, completing the last two laps with a flat tire. David is the son of Brent and Teresa Whitaker of Matador.

Other local riders were Dusty Jackson, who placed fourth in the same division, and former Matador resident, Luke Boedeker, who placed 2nd in this division.

WORD of GOD

Give unto the Lord
the glory due unto
his name; worship
the Lord in the
beauty of holiness.

Psalms 29:2

Dusty is the son of Donnie and Kelli Jackson of Matador and Luke is the son of Terry and Robin Boedeker of Quitaque.

Happy Father's Day!

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Motley County Comings & Goings

Roaring Springs News

by Odessa Mullins & Roxie Lewis

Visiting Onie Bell recently was her sister-in-law, Jean Ho-Gland of Burnet, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyke Williams and son, Jordan, of Wichita, Kansas came Saturday to pick up a bedroom suite of her aunt, Bess Ferguson's. The house has been sold to John and Mitzi Christopher. They will be moving in soon.

Dr. Bill Parker and wife of Hobbs, N.M. visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Algie Groves. He was their pastor in Quannah and is now Pastor of First Christian Church in Hobbs.

Ruby Nichols and daughter, Vadie Pennie of Lubbock visited Saturday with their sister and aunt, Margie Payne. The group had lunch at RS cafe with Mr. and Mrs. Algie Groves.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Parks of Memphis, Texas visited Saturday with Cloe Watson. They were here attending the Parks reunion.

Children of Mrs. Roxie Lewis will be visiting her this week.

METHODIST LUNCH

Lula Swim hosted the annual Methodist Church members covered dish luncheon Sunday in her home. It also was a going away lunch for their Pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Ron Kelley, who are moving to Oklahoma to help out with his mother who is ill.

Those attending and enjoying the delicious meal were Rev. Ron Kelley and Chris, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Giesecke, Mr. and Mrs. J.N. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Zabielski, Billie Clifton, Mary Lumsdum, Chelsea Read, Natha Rameriz, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Algie Groves, Lola Pohl, and the hostess, Lula Swim.

Odessa Mullins attended the Mullins Cousin reunion in Lubbock, Sunday, June 1. A covered dish lunch was enjoyed along with visiting, cathing up on what had happened since last year. About 65 attended.

Pearl Patten, her daughter, JoAnn Reagan and grandson, Bryce spent several days in Prescott, Arizona visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Burkes and new son, Skee Cameron Burkes who is 6 weeks old. While they were there they visited Sedona, Arizona, where a lot of movies are made. On the way home they came by Lovington, New Mexico and visited Mr. and Mrs. William Palmer, Matt and Micah.

Lula Swim, Darlene Fletcher, Billie Clifton, and Debbie Martin went to Abilene to see their pastor, Ron Kelley ordained.

Susie McGee of Lake Somerville, is visiting her mother and dad, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Sedgwick. Also visiting and helping take care of Ted's grandson, Neil Sedgwick of Ft. Worth.

W.R. Sedgwick from Levelland visited in Roaring Springs with Ted and Venita Sedgwick and Pearl Patten the past few days.

Mrs. Lorine Jordan was in Lubbock last week to keep a doctor's appointment.

Mr. and Mrs. Frazier Watson are spending several days at their farm in TeePee Flat.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith of Ruidoso, N.M. visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Meredith and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Ashley. The Smith's attended the funeral services of Jack's uncle, Jack Bearden, on Wednesday, and of his Dad, Mutt Smith, on Friday. Steve Smith of Ruidoso, N.M. and Jayson Cooper of Alamogordo, N.M. joined them on Thursday. The family also visited friends and family in Matador.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

DELAYED

WEATHER REPORT

An electrical storm accompanied by clapping thunder had people in northwest Motley County disconnecting plugged in electrical appliances between midnight and 2 a.m., Friday, May 30.

Whiteflat residents reported 0.70 to 1.80 inch of rain. Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse, NWSV of Flomot, registered an inch bringing a total of 4.95 inches of moisture for the month of May.

Mrs. Jimmie Hunter met her daughter, Mrs. Anita Carter of Lubbock and her sister, Mrs. Melba Jo Shelton in Floydada, May 26 and accompanied Mrs. Shelton to her home in Flomot. Mrs. Shelton had been a patient in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock since May 21st.

Mrs. Pete Moreno was a recent patient at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock for cardiac medical treatment. She is recuperating in the home of her daughter and family, Mrs. Vickie Martin in Tulsa.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Morris and Rabeca and attending the MCHS graduation of their daughter, Dodie in Matador were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Martin of Spur; Mrs. Terri Attaway and Chris of Mount Pleasant; Mr. and Mrs. Rickey Edwards of Afton and Mrs. Donna Stephens and Haley of League City.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin visited Friday and Saturday in Border with daughter and family, Marilee and Fred Cooper. En route home, Saturday they visited in Amarillo with Mrs. Leona Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers and son, Donnie Rogers attended the Crosbyton High School graduation of their grandson, Dane Degan held Friday afternoon, May 30. His paternal grandmother, Mrs. Leona Degan also attended his graduation. Dane was recognized for his CHS and National Honor Achievements and other awards.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hunter attended the MCHS Baccalaureate services in Matador May 25. They were in Lubbock, Wednesday for Mr. Hunter therapy treatment and had lunch with Mrs. Anita Carter.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee, May 31 and attending MCHS graduation of their grandson, Josh Lee in Matador were Mr. and Mrs. Joey Lee and Jason of Clarendon.

Max Washington of Anton visited Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Edith Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers were in Lubbock, Tuesday for Mr. Rogers medical tests and treatment.

Mrs. Wayne Hunter joined Mrs. Earline Vaughn of Matador and Mrs. Bessie Hibbitts of Afton for lunch in Matador, Friday. Luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, Sunday were H.G. Hunter of Quitaque and Mrs. Anita Carter and daughter, Rebekah and friend, Lori of Lubbock.

Attending the MCHS graduation of Lacy Washington Clary in Matador, May 31 were Mrs. Edith Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington and Mrs. Jerry Barclay.

Zane Helms, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Helms of Memphis, visited the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Edd Helms.

Tom Ross is receiving medical care and treatment at the Veterans Hospital in Amarillo following an accident outside his home that injured his right hand and arm.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cybert of Lockney accompanied her mother, Mrs. C.W. Starkey to Lubbock, Thursday for a medical check-up following recent surgery. Lola Jewel Starkey of Abilene met them there and returned home with her mother, Mrs. Starkey to visit. Other daughters, Ms. Nola Long of Winnewood, OK and Mrs. Bobbie Hanna of Warner, OK visited from Friday until Thursday, June 5-12. Visiting the family Friday and Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth George of Lewisville.

Mrs. Lori Klienbrink of Lubbock, Mrs. Clois Shorter and Mrs. L.E. Shorter visited in Southlake from Wednesday until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rhodes, Rick and Russell. Joining them there Saturday to visit and attend the wedding of Rick Rhodes and Marian Grooms held Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Grapevine were Christi and Dwain Milam of Petersburg, Mrs. Cindy Calvert of Lubbock, Keri and Kevin Sehon of Ropesville and Clois Shorter and L.E. Shorter of Flomot. They returned to their respective homes, Sunday.

Mary Ellen Barton and Viola Stinson visited in Floydada, Saturday with Mrs. Mollie Burleson and Mrs. Lou Burleson.

Whiteflat news

by Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

People who know how to hang wallpaper will never lack for friends!

RAINS CONTINUE IN AREA

An isolated 0.60 of rain fell five miles east of Whiteflat early Friday morning, June 6. No one in northwest Motley County was spared the downpour of rain Sunday, June 8th. A big question mark is looming as to how much replanting of cotton and when other planting can be completed. Ranchers are "all smiles."

Mrs. Tommie Cruse of Flomot officially reported 2.20 inches of rain. Those west of Flomot had 3.00 to 3.70 inches. In Whiteflat, 1.50 to 3.00 inches fell on already saturated land.

Arthur Harmon of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gordon of Matador and Mrs. Juanita Cooper were at Whitney Lake from Friday until Sunday to attend the annual Harmon family reunion. It was held at the condo of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Harmon. Twenty-seven family members attended.

Clyde Ray of Spur visited Mrs. Martha Jo Shacklett, Mrs. Vernell Hanna and Ryan last Sunday. Mrs. Hanna and Ryan visited in Abilene this week with Lynn Hanna. Ryan remained to visit the summer.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Jennings last weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Tim Jennings and Matt Jennings of Haskell.

Art Green of Flomot and Mrs. Kathryn Martin were in Plainview last Wednesday for Mrs. Martin an optical medical appointment.

Obituaries

Pearl Christopher Dunn

Pearl Christopher Dunn died May 25, 1997 in Austin, Texas after a lengthy illness. Graveside Memorial Services will be held June 28, 1997 at Waco Memorial park in Waco, Texas. She was born June 25, 1902 in Comanche, Texas. She married Fred Christopher in 1918 in Dickens County. After his death she married Mr. Dunn in 1976 in Kingsville, Texas. He also preceded her in death.

Survivors are two daughters, Dorothy Clark of Portales, N.M. and Chris Samson of Austin; two sisters, Elsie Thacker of Matador and Lois Burns of Harlingen; two brothers, Horace Vaughn of Nacogdoches and Earl Vaughn of Lubbock; and a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A. Leon Wilson

Private graveside services for A Leon Wilson, 77, of Modesto, Calif., were held on Friday, May 30, 1997.

Mr. Wilson died Tuesday, May 27, 1997.

He was born in Humphreys, Okla., and was a resident of Modesto for 15 years. He served in the Navy from 1942 to 1945 in the 73rd CB Battalion. He was a FHA housing inspector for 25 years.

He is survived by five children, James L. Wilson of Los Altos, Calif., Polly Campbell of Floydada; Cindy Regan, Maribeth Reece and Pam Gottula of Modesto, Calif., two brothers, Wayne Wilson of Altus, Okla., and Bill Wilson of Tulsa, Okla.; a sister, Margie Harris of Fort Worth; 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Obituaries

Mamie Yeates

Funeral services for Mamie Yeates, 86, of Roaring Springs, were held at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 10, at the First Baptist Church in Roaring Springs. Officiating was Rev. Don Jones, pastor, and Rev. Johnnie Williams, a retired Methodist Minister of Lubbock. Interment was in Afton Cemetery in Afton under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador.

Mrs. Yeates died early Sunday, June 8, at a residence in Lubbock.

The former Mamie Alice Hughes was born November 15, 1910, at Alice, Texas, and moved to Dickens County in about 1920. She was married to Tom B. Yeates on January 31, 1929 at Afton. They had made their home near Afton, in Dickens County for many years, and later moved to Roaring Springs. Mr. and Mrs. Yeates had recently moved to Lubbock, due to failing health.

Mrs. Yeates was a past Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, was a member of the Predicta Study Club, the D.A.R., the Mayflower Society, a former secretary of the Afton Cemetery Association, and a former Sunday School Teacher. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Roaring Springs.

She was preceded in death by a son, Gerald Yeates, on April 17, 1996, and is survived by her husband, Tom; one son, Tom W. Yeates, of Lubbock; one sister, Hazel Cummings of Lubbock; five grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

Serving as pallbearers were Gary Yeates, Rich Yeates, Scott Yeates, Prentiss Yeates, David Yeates, and Phillip Thomas.

J.R. "Mutt" Smith

Services for J.R. "Mutt" Smith, 85, of Matador were held at 2:30 p.m. Friday, June 6, in Matador's First Baptist Church with the Rev. James Pope, pastor of Colonial Baptist Church in Plainview, and the Rev. Sam Crosby, pastor of First Baptist Church in Paducah, officiating.

Burial was in East Mound Cemetery under direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Paducah.

Smith died Wednesday, June 4, 1997 in Prairie House Nursing Center in Plainview where he had resided for the past 7 years.

He was born Jan. 17, 1912, in Cotton County. He married Monita Spence in Bakersfield, Calif., on Sept. 14, 1940. He was a U.S. Army Veteran.

He was an independent fence contractor and a Baptist. Four sons, Walter Lynn, Troy Dale, Mark and Robby Lynn, and a daughter, Edna Elaine Smith, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife; four sons, Jackie Royce of Ruidoso, N.M., Ronnie, Don and Johnny, all of Paducah; six daughters, Peggy Krebs of Amarillo, Darnell McGowan of Plainview, Nita Jo Shields of Greenville, Linda Plemmons of Fort Worth, Joy Martin of Lubbock and Teresa Smith of Atoka, Okla.; a brother, Neal Possum Kingdom Lake; two sisters, Louise True-lock of Paducah and Thelma Clark of Sulphur Springs; 26 grandchildren; and 30 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Roger Allen, Terry Carson, Stanley Butts, Don Baxter, Jr., Jason Smith, Justin Smith, and Dale Harris.

Terry Martin

Graveside services for Terry Dale Martin, 46, of Plainview were held at 2 p.m. Friday, June 6, in East Mound Cemetery in Matador with Earl McDonough, of the Church of Christ in Plainview, officiating.

Burial was under direction of Wood-Dunning Funeral Home of Plainview.

Martin died Tuesday, June 3, 1997, in Marble Falls.

He was born April 15, 1951 in Matador. He was a member of the Church of Christ, and he graduated from Floydada High School and automotive technician school in Denver, Colo. He worked in Lubbock from 1970 to 1974 and he moved to Plainview from Dallas in 1988.

He was an auto parts department manager.

Survivors include a daughter, Brandi Martin of Dallas; a son, Brian of Lubbock; his mother, Vermie Jameson of Plainview; two sisters, Donna Patton of Abernathy and Doris Martin of Lubbock; a brother, Danny Martin of Lubbock.

Odis Crowell

Funeral services for Odis Crowell, 84, of Amarillo, former resident of Flomot, were held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, June 7, 1997 at the Schooler-Gordon Bell Avenue Chapel. The Rev. Lynn Garrett, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Graveside services were at 2:00 p.m. at the Memorial Cemetery in Flomot.

He was born in Flomot, October 1913 and was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Crowell, pioneer family of Flomot. Mr. Crowell died Thursday, June 5, in Amarillo.

He attended Amarillo College and received his bachelor's degree from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. He was an offensive and defensive tackle for Chicago.

During World War II he was a welder in shipyards in California. After the war, he was drafted by the San Francisco 49ers. Mr. Crowell coached under Frank Kim-

brought at West Texas State University in Canyon and at the University of Arizona at Tucson. He returned to WTSU and coached for one year.

He was a teacher at Amarillo College, South Plains College and retired from the Brazos Port College in 1979.

He married Wilma Richardson in 1941 at Glendale, California. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Amarillo and the Floydada Masonic Lodge. He was inducted into the Football Hall of Fame at Hardin-Simmons University in 1987.

Survivors include his wife; four sons, Max E. Crowell of Denver, Colorado, Stephen L. Crowell of Spring, Jimmy O. Crowell of Houston and Kent O. Crowell of Midland; a sister, Bonnie Nell of Hereford and five grandchildren. He is the cousin of Mrs. Lila Meador of Odessa, formerly of Matador.

Katie Martin James

Graveside rites for Katie Martin James, 94, of Matador, were held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 11, at the East Mound Cemetery in Matador. Officiating was Dr. Les Griffin, pastor of First Baptist Church of Crosbyton, Texas. Interment was under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador.

Ms. James died Sunday afternoon at Crosbyton Hospital in Crosbyton, following a lengthy illness.

The former Katie Martin was born October 14, 1902 at Whiteflat in Motley County, Texas, and had been a lifelong resident of Motley County. She was married to G.T. James in 1925. Mr. James died

in 1933. She was also preceded in death by a son, Raldo James, in 1975.

She was a homemaker, and a member of the First Baptist Church of Matador.

Her survivors include three grandsons, Jody James of Floydada, Jim James of Tulsa, OK, and Terry James of LaGrange, Texas; one granddaughter, Jamie Bradford of LaGrange, Texas; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

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