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A Look Back

JULY 13, 1967

Flomot Schedules
Fourth Horse Show

"Flomot's Fourth Annual Quarterhorse and Youth Show is scheduled for July 2-3, it was announced this week by Mrs. C.C. Jones, Secretary.

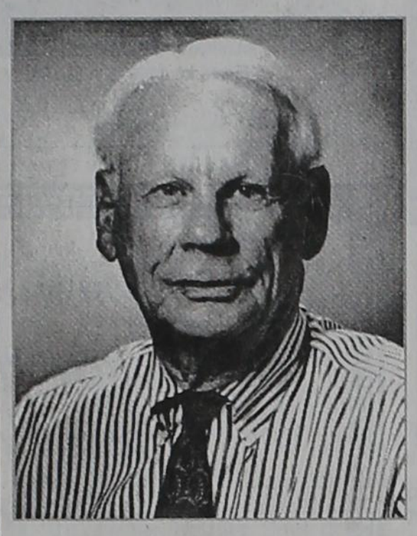
Interest seems to be high regarding our AHS as well as the youth activity show, as we have had many early inquiries especially concerning the youth show."

JULY 13, 1967

Trail Dust
by Douglas Meador

"Modesty lost about half of all it had gained when the mini skirt was introduced to modern airport chairs. A man has got to look somewhere."

Matador native to speak at 5th Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet



B.R. "Rip" Griffin

One of Matador's "own" returns to his home town as the featured guest speaker at the Fifth Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Thursday, July 29, 1999.

B.R. "Rip" Griffin, born in Matador on September 23, 1929, and Founder and Chairman of the Board of Rip Griffin Truck Service Centers, will discuss the importance of economic development how to use available resources, and how to become an entrepreneur in today's business world.

Rip is President and CEO of Rip Griffin Truck Service Center, Inc., a Texas corporation engaged principally in the operation of full service Truck/Travel Centers in the Western United States. Headquartered in Lubbock, Texas, the Company presently operates 12 Truck/Travel Centers in Texas, California, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and Wyoming.

Mr. Griffin has developed the Company's network from one truck stop with limited fuel and food services in 1962, to Truck/Travel Centers providing a full range of products and travel-related services to both truckers and individual travelers.

He obtained his Bachelor of Science degree from Texas Tech University in 1955, and has spent 36 years in the development and management of truck stops and related business after opening his first truck stop in Lubbock in 1962.

Be sure to buy your ticket now, as this is one program you will not want to miss. Nielson's of Floydada will cater a special ribeye steak supper with all the trimmings, for only $10, and tickets are available from any Chamber Board member as well as by calling Barbara Armstrong at 347-2968 or by seeing Roy Hobbs at the First State Bank in Matador.

Coach Copeland rehired as girls' basketball coach

4th grade teacher resigns in called meeting

Danny Copeland was rehired as the girls' basketball coach/teacher for the 1999-2000 school year during executive session, when the Motley County ISD Board of Trustees met on July 8, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in a called meeting. All board members were present. Also present were Rick Copp, Bob Hand, and Ronny Payne.

Rick Copp gave the Superintendent's Formative report, which consisted of a resignation from Fourth grade teacher, Terry Ferguson; a report that due to new legislative rules, Motley County will not be going .through a District Effectiveness and Compliance monitoring in 1999-2000. This was due to the fact that all the schools in the Rolling Plains Shared Services Cooperative were rated as either Exemplary or Recognized in 1998-99. Information was also given out about the possible costs of a new activity bus.

The board went into executive session at 7:35 p.m. to discuss a girls' basketball coach and a fourth grade teacher. The board exited at 9:25 p.m

Employment of a fourth grade teacher was postponed until the Site Base Management Team interviews the candidates and recommends to Mr. Hand and Mr. Copp a selection, at which time a contract will be offered.

Around Town

News Briefs of Area Events

Tent revival planned

A Tent Revival has been set to be held in Matador, July 25-28. Everyone is invited to come. There will be a lot of singing and preaching. The tent will be located across the street from City Park.

If you are needing a healing or a special touch from God, please come! If you have been needing to draw closer to God, come! If you think everything is going perfect or if everything seems to be falling apart, come! God is the answer for every problem or question you have. God will meet your need if you will give Him the opportunity.

All denominations are invited to attend. If you would like to participate in the music ministry of this revival, contact Rex Kreusel, 347-2771.

God is not bound by denominational lines ..... are you? Come and celebrate Jesus Christ.

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"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!"

Psalm 133:1

For further information contact Rex Kreusel at 347-2771.

MCYO meeting Thursday

The final MCYO meeting for the season will be held Thursday night, July 15 (tonight) at the baseball field.

New officers will be elected for next year.

If you have interest in the Motley County Youth Organization and would like to be a part of the Summer Softball program, please attend this meeting.

Thank you for reading the Motley County Tribune

Commissioners meet in regular monthly session

County Consumer Agent hired

Motley County Commissioners Court met in regular session Monday, July 12,1999 at 9:30 a.m. Present were County Judge Laverna M. Price; Commissioners John M. Russell, Donnie L. Turner, Franklin Jameson, J.N. Fletcher; and County Clerk, Lucretia Campbell.

The Court approved Mozelle Montano as County Extension Agent - Family & Consumer Science, effective August 1,1999. She will serve Motley, Foard, and Throckmorton Counties. Elaine Houston, District Extension Director stated Ms. Montano will be in each county one day each week. Ms. Montano will use the District office in Vernon as headquarters.

James Timmons with the Texas Animal Damage Control Service, presented his quarterly report. 115 coyotes and 16 hogs have been destroyed. He had also trapped one Javalena. It is very rare for a Javalena to be in this part of the country. The animal was released. He said the skunks have not been a problem in our towns due to the moisture we have received.

The Court approved the purchase of a 1989 Chevrolet pickup for Precinct #1.

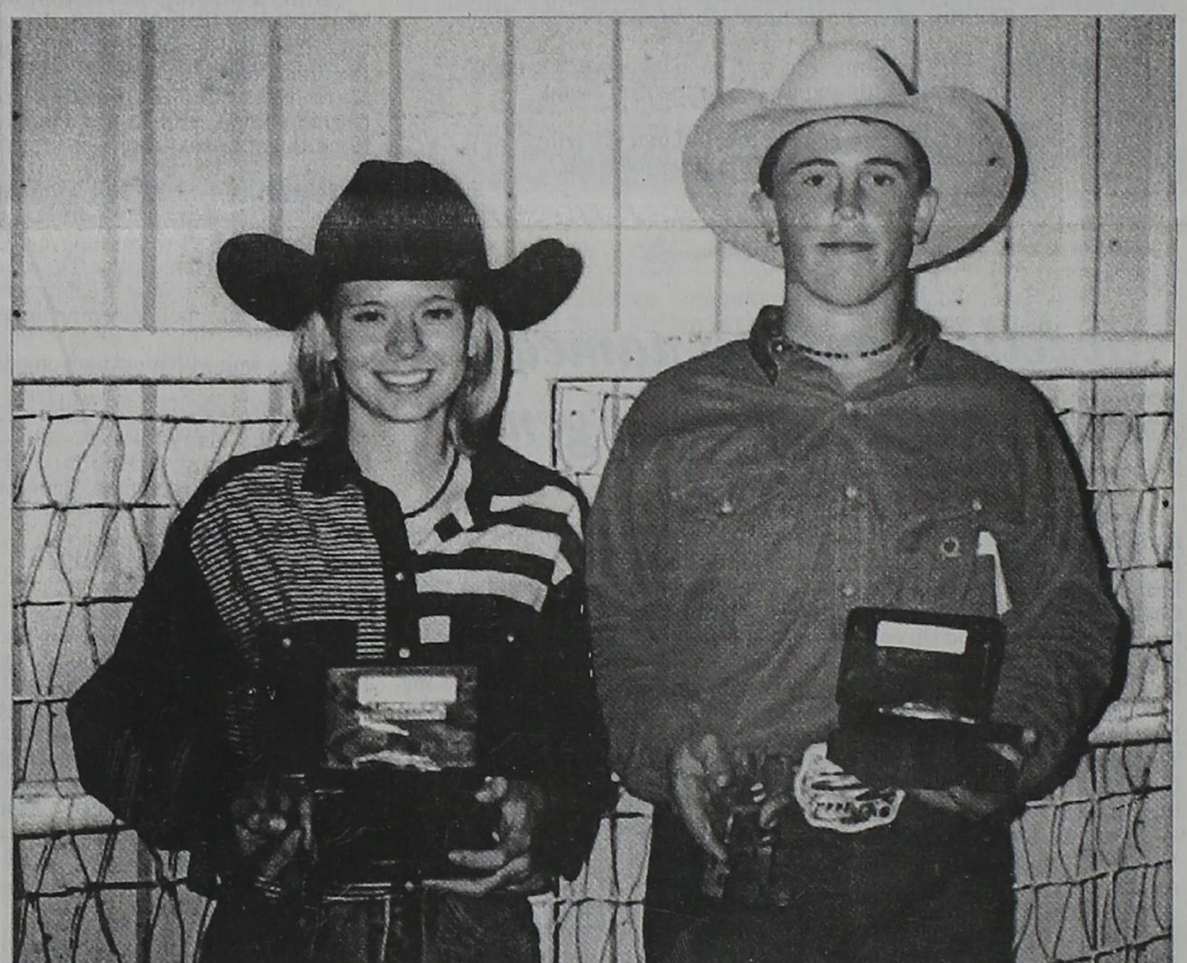
Douglas Campbell, Roadway Maintenance Supervisor with Texas Department of Transportation discussed the "Rider 43" Program and the bridge projects for Motley County.

The 76th Texas Legislature has mandated a change in the name of the Advisory Commission on State Emergency Communications to the Commission on State Emergency Communications. It is of critical importance that the interests of rural West Texas 9-1-1 communications systems be adequately represented on the membership of the Commission on State Emergency Communications. A Resolution adopted by the court stating Judge Bill Hollars of Hale County is knowledgeable of the financial and operational needs of a rural 9-1-1 emergency communications system in rural West Texas. The Speaker of the House, the Honorable Pete Laney, is urged and encouraged to exercise a portion of his appointive authority by making the appointment of Judge Bill Hollars to the Commission on State Emergency Communications.

The Republican Chairman, Wilburn Martin and Democratic Chairperson, Ruth Lee, submitted names for County Election Judges. The Court approved both Democratic and Republican lists of names.

West Texas Rural Counties Risk Management Insurance and Employee Benefits Insurance for Motley County were discussed. Budget items for the 99 - 00 Fy were reviewed.

Court adjourned at 3:15 p.m.



JUNIOR ALL-AROUND COWGIRL & COWBOY, Shandra Jones and Brad Baxter. Shandra is the daughter of Casey and Deb Jones of Roaring Springs and Brad is the son of Don and Colleen Baxter of Matador.

Edith Washington honored as Queen at Tri-Annual Flomot Homecoming

by Earlyne Jameson

Moments in time renewed many memories for former students, teachers and residents who returned for the 1999 Tri-Annual Flomot Homecoming and program held at 5:00 p.m., Saturday, July 3 at the Community Center.

Wilburn Martin opened the program with everyone singing, "America". Billy Morris, Association president, welcomed the assembly. He honored Mrs. Edith Washington of Flomot as the 1999 Flomot Homecoming Queen and escorted her to the dais. He placed the crown on the newly elected queen who was then presented a bouquet of roses.

Mrs. Connie Franks gave the Memorial Tribute and read a list of the 48 deceased during the past three years. Mrs. Venita Webb Sandifer of Forestburg, Tennessee was recognized for traveling the farthest to attend the homecoming. Horace Hunter, 97, of Lubbock was the oldest attending. They were presented plaques.

Adding to the nostalgia, Mr. Martin introduced Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Purvis of Brownwood, former teachers in the Flomot Schools. He was superintendent and she the Home Economics teacher 1952-1954. This was the first time they had attended a Flomot Homecoming and they related the benefits of attending a small school, past school and community events.

In the business session, Mr. Morris named the election of Homecoming Association officers for 2002: Glen Calvert, president; Donnie Rogers, vice-president; and Mrs. Dianne Washington, secretary. Mr. Morris expressed his appreciation of donations, committees and all others who helped in any way with homecoming arrangements. The music finale was "America The Beautiful."

A delicious dinner catered by Dyers of Amarillo followed the program. A dance concluded the day of activities. Names were drawn for the Do Gooders' Club quilt with Dan Foster of Lubbock the lucky winner.

The 180 who registered for homecoming agreed, "Where we love is home, home that our feet may leave, but not our hearts."

Cowboys, cowgirls display rodeo skills at 25th Jr. Rodeo

Cowboys and cowgirls from all over Texas and parts of New Mexico and Oklahoma displayed their skills at the 1999 Motley County 4-H Jr. Rodeo held last weekend in Roaring Springs. This year marked the 25th anniversary of the event. The crowd was lighter than usual, but the fun and excitement of watching the Rodeo contestants compete was as thrilling as ever.

Rodeo results are listed below:

PRE-KIDS

All Around: Melissa McCormick, Amarillo, and Jake LaMunyon, Altus, OK.

Barrells: 1st, Jack LaMunyon, Altus, OK, 20.069; 2nd, Randall Middleton, Levelland, 20.336; 3rd, Kelbi Arfsten, Hereford, 20.799; 4th, Melissa McCormick, Amarillo, 21.185; 5th, Michael Chastain, Spur, 21,694; 6th, Lance Graf, Vernon, 21.857.

Goats: 1st, Jacob Kelling, Hartley, 10.57; 2nd, Randall Middleton, Levelland, 11.08; 3rd, Melissa McCormick, Amarillo, 11.10; 4th, Jake LaMunyon, Altus, OK, 11.28; 5th, Michael Chastain, Spur, 12.20; 6th, Kelbi Arfsten, Hereford, 12.29.

Poles: 1st, Jake LaMunyon, Altus, Ok, 22.680; 2nd, Melissa McCormick, Amarillo, 24.241; 3rd, Kelbi Arfsten, Hereford, 24.526; 4th, Tee Bateman, Dickens, 25.029; 5th, McKenzie Shoaf, Dalhart, 25.947; 6th, Jacob Kelling, Hartley, 27.173.

Calf Riding: 1st, Braden Petzold, Granite, Ok, 6.41; 2nd, Dalton Layton, Childress, 3.84; 3rd, Will Butler, Amarillo, 2.56; 4th, Devin Noble, 2.45; 5th, Lance Graf, Vernon, 2.33; 6th, Randall Middleton, Levelland, 1.97.

Flags: 1st, Tee Bateman, Spur, 11.786; 2nd, Melissa McCormick, Amarillo, 11.913; 3rd, Jake LaMunyon, Altus, Ok, 12.083; 4th, Randall Middleton, Levelland, 12.233; 5th, McKenzie Shoaf, Dalhart, 13.050; 6th, Jacob Kelling, Hartley, 13.379.

PEE WEE

All Around: Kelsi Gardner, Spur, and Riley Branch, Aspermont.

Barrels: 1st, Kiley Branch, Aspermont, 19.330; 2nd, Kelsi Gardner, Spur, 20.314; 3rd, Cheyenne Noble, Clarendon, 20.337; 4th, Erin Baker, Spur, 20.576; 5th, Allison Chastain, Spur, 21.267; 6th, Amy Brown, Throckmorton, 22.032.

Poles: 1st, Kelsi Gardner, Spur, 23.987; 2nd, Cheyenne Noble, Clarendon, 25.798; 3rd, Sterling Smith, Post, 26.460; 4th, Colton Russell, Matador, 27.153; 5th, Riley Branch, Aspermont, 27.616; 6th, Sadie Cobb, Clarendon, 29.643.

Goat Tying: 1st, Sterling Smith, Post, 19.20; 2nd, Kelsi Garner, Spur, 21.33; 3rd, Allison Chastain, Spur, 21.37; 4th, Riley Branch, Aspermont, 22.35; 5th, R.A. Brown II, Throckmorton, 24.54; 6th, Braden Petzold, Granite, Ok, 24.88.

Breakaway: 1st, Sterling Smith, Post, 4.47; 2nd, Riley Branch, Aspermont, 7.49.

Flags: 1st, Amy Brown, Throckmorton, 11.060; 2nd, Riley Branch, Aspermont, 11.408; 3rd, Kelsi Gardner, Spur, 11.445; 4th, Andrew Bateman, Spur, 11.490; 5th, Allison Chastain, Spur, 11.605; 6th, Lana Garnett, Dublin, 11.947.

Steer Daubing: 1st, Lee Fortenberry, Lockney, 2.38; 2nd, Riley Branch, Aspermont, 2.58; 3rd, Sterling Smith, Post, 3.59; 4th, R.A. Brown II, Throckmorton, 4.13; 5th, Colton Russell, Matador, 4.35; 6th, Amy Brown, Throckmorton, 11.42.

Steer Riding: 1st, (tie) Lee Fortenberry and Colton Russell, 63.

JUNIOR GIRLS

Barrels: 1st, Shandra Jones, Matador, 18.958; 2nd, Morgan Cox, Haskell, 19.334; 3rd, Lindsey Brinson, Hedley, 20.025; 4th, Michelle Blount, Paducah, 20.603; 5th, Julie Fowler, Rotan, 20.744; 6th, Lindsey Garnett, Dublin, 21.754.

Poles: 1st, Morgan Cox, Haskell,

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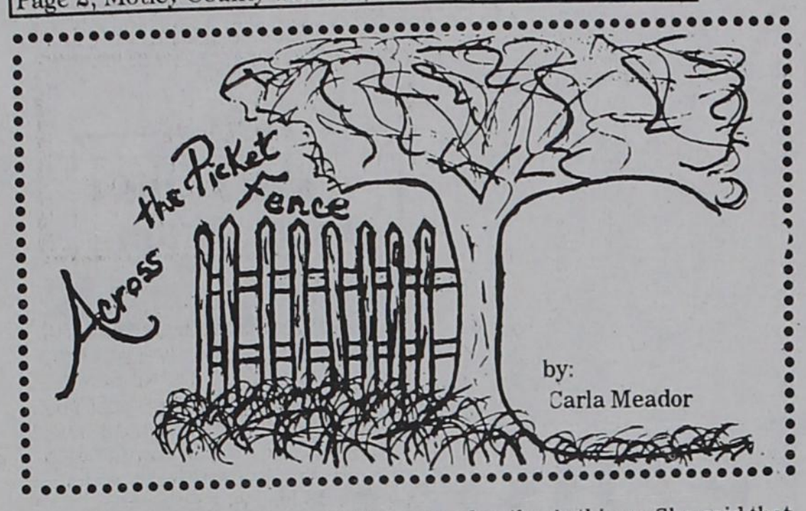


Mary Lou Williams brought this poem to the office the other day. She had found it in some of her grandmother's things. She said that she knew it was very old, but the poem still holds true today.

Don't Blame the Children

Don't blame the children whenever they're found
Drinking and gambling and running around.

If by their conduct they're bringing us shame,
Is it the children or parents to blame?

Where are your children your pride and your joy?
Where is your girl? Where is your boy?

If by their conduct they're bringing you shame,
Is it the children or the parents to blame?

We read in the papers and hear on the air,
Of killing and stealing and crime everywhere.

We sigh and we say as we notice the trend,
"This young generation! Where will it end?"

But can we be sure it's their fault alone,
They maybe a part of it isn't our own.

Too much money to spend, too much idle time,
Too many movies of passion and crime.

Too many books not fit to be read,
Too much evil in what we hear said.

Too many children encouraged to roam,
By too many parents who won't stay at home.

Kids don't make the movies,
And they don't write the books
That print a gay picture of gangsters and crooks.

They don't make the liquor, and they don't run the bars.
They don't make the "faster" motors,
And they don't buy the cars.

Now they don't sell the drugs, that addle the brain,
It's done by older folks, greedy for gain.

Delinquent teenagers, oh how we condemn,
The sins of the nation and blame onto them.

By the rules of the blameless, and good book made known.
Who is there among us to cast the first stone.

And in how many cases, we find that it's true,
The label "delinquent" fits older folks too.

Mozelle Montano named Family & Consumer Agent

Mozelle Montano has been named County Extension Agent - Family & Consumer Science for Foard, Motley, and Throckmorton Counties according to Elaine Houston, District Extension Director, and the County Commissioners Court, effective August 1.

A native of Sweetwater, Texas, Mrs. Montano graduated from Texas Tech University with a B.S. degree in Clothing and Textiles. She has a Masters of Arts degree in Human Resource Development from Lamar University. She has worked two years as Hardin County Extension Agent and 2 1/2 years as Wilbarger County Extension Agent where she has provided leadership for youth at risk programs, recycling and environmental programs, tourism, resource conservation and development, work with senior citizen groups, nutrition programs for limited resource families and a Master Gardener program. She also gave leadership for a 4-H Exchange program. Her past work experience includes Colorado County Extension agent, merchandise coordinate for Neiman Marcus and Director of the Wool Education Center in Colorado.

She is a member of the Texas Association of Extension Family Consumer Scientists.

In Foard, Motley and Throckmorton Counties, she will work with County Extension Agents - Agriculture in developing youth and adult educational programs through the Extension program council. Mrs. Montano will give leadership for the 4-H and Family Consumer Science programs.

Lifestyles

Revival of old crayola art presented at Do Gooders club

Mrs. Jo Patrick of Quitaque was the featured guest at the Do Gooders' Club Tuesday afternoon, July 6 at the Community Center in Flomot.

Mrs. Patrick presented the Revival of Old Crayola Art on fabric blocks, aprons, scarves, pillow tops or any kind of linen items you want to decorate. She had several beautiful textile items on display.

Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert presided at the business session. Mrs. Annie B. Cloyd, secretary and treasurer, reported a $599.32 profit for the quilt on which chances were sold for the Flomot Homecoming project. The money earned by the club is used for improvements and repair of the Community Center in Flomot. They have had requests for their quilts, so members voted to charge $700 for each one.

In other business, they appointed Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse to see about a hot water heater needed for the Center. They expressed their appreciation to the unknown individual who repaired the rope on the flag pole at the Community Center and those who cleaned the Center following homecoming.

Hostesses were Mrs. Carman Lee, Mrs. Christeen Gilbert, and Mrs. Edith Washington, who substituted for Mrs. Jimmie Hunter who was unable to attend. They served chips with dip, cocktail sausage with pastry, bar cakes, punch and iced tea from patriotic decor appointments. The table laid with a white cloth was centered with a sponge painted clay pot containing miniature American flags. The centerpiece was won after a drawing by Mrs. Lena Whitington of Quitaque.

Members attending were Mesdames Judy True, Nada Starkey, Leona Degan, Sylvia Lee Martin, Anna Beth Clay, Alma Shorter, Connie Franks, Waydie Clay, Trula Martin, and those mentioned above.

Guests were Mesdames Dovie Davis and Wanda Lane of Lockney, Frances Hambright of Floydada, Ellen Skinner, Lena Washington, and Ernestine Payne of Quitaque, Nova Turner, Leola McKelvey and Martha Wallingsford of Matador, and Lula Cramer of Arlington.

Pivots & Divots

by Geneva

TUESDAY SCRAMBLE
June 29

Winners:

First with a score of 29, were James Stephens, Buzz and LaVoe Thacker.

Others playing were Kennith Marshall, Roy Grundy, Charlie Long, Rob Francis, Tempie Hutton, Gene Brannon, Vann Francis, J.R. Cristy, Mark Brannon, Alan Bingham, Gerald Pipkin, and Randy Martin. Kennith got closest to pin on #6, 8 ft.

THURSDAY LADIES PLAYDAY
July 1

18 hole players were Geneva Wilson, Louise Barton, LaVoe Thacker, and Olivia Barton. We were happy to have Loys Campbell play nine holes with us.

LaVoe won with most pars on odd holes.

9 hole players were Lucretia Campbell, Mary Jones, Loys Campbell, Frances Hobbs, Judy Renfro, and Nell Berryman. Nell won with most pars on odd holes.

TUESDAY SCRAMBLE
July 6

Winners:

First, with a score of 30, were Ken Marshall, Charlie Hyatt and Wayne Hyatt.

Second, with a score of 31, were Mark Brannon, Gene Brannon, and Dot Grundy. Dot got closest to pin on #3, 38' 9".

Others playing were Alan Bingham, Kay Bingham, Vida Elkins, Rob Francis, Tempie Hutton, Bud McKay, Jason Clauser, Buzz Thacker, LaVoe Thacker, Charlie Long, Alfred Barton, Louise Barton, Robert Osborn, Larry Clifton, and Geneva Wilson.

LADIES PLAYDAY
July 8

18 hole players were Louise Barton, Geneva Wilson, and LaVoe Thacker. Ebie Rogers joined us for a few holes. Do it again, Ebie.

Geneva and Louise won with 5 bogies, each on odd holes.

9 hole players were Francis Hobbs, Lucretia Campbell, Mary Jones, Marihelen Wason, Nell Berryman, Loys Campbell, and Dorothy Day.

Lucretia won with 3 bogies on odd holes.

Ladies Golfers - please turn in your entries for the Partnership Tournament, to be held the 17th. We will need your carts out early that we are going to use for guests. Thanks to all for helping with this.

Cooking Corner

Cannellini Bean and Roasted Garlic Salad
4 servings

4 large garlic cloves, peeled
2 tablespoons Bertolli® Extra Virgin Olive Oil
2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
½ teaspoon salt
Freshly ground black pepper
1-1½ cups (or one 16 ounce can) cannellini or white kidney beans, rinsed and drained
1 bag (16 ounces) Italian style mixed salad greens
½ cup jarred whole roasted red peppers, cut into strips

Heat oven to 325°.

Combine the garlic and oil in a small custard cup; cover with foil.

Bake until garlic is soft, about 30 minutes.

Remove from oven; cool.

Cut garlic into small pieces and add to the beans; reserve oil.

Add vinegar, salt and pepper to the reserved oil; stir to blend.

Toss the salad with 1 tablespoon of the oil and vinegar mixture.

Add the remaining mixture to the beans; taste and add more vinegar, if desired.

Arrange the greens on individual salad plates and spoon the beans on to the top.

Garnish with roasted red peppers.

Andrew Kreusel, Joel Kreusei and Annie Hurt were the big winners at the last session of the Library's Summer Reading Program. Andrew won a Star Wars Book, Joel won a book on snakes, and Annie won a Rainbow Fish poster. Other winners were Kayla Hollinsworth, Taelor Norrell, Tanner Norrell, and Justin Todd, all receiving certificates good for a snow cone. Participants attending this last session, in addition to those already mentioned, were Jay Potts, Christian Brooks, Shane'a Russell, Gavin Luckett, Jessica Montgomery, Hanna Alexander, Bobby Riggins, Malinda Riggins, and Tina Dickens. Everyone received a certificate of attendance, beautifully lettered by Mrs. Lola Pohl and signed by Texas Governor George W. Bush.

Mrs. Pam Thacker read a cute story about a cat for the children, then they all made sun visors. Mrs. Deb Spray furnished cupcakes and "slushees" for refreshments. Kandi Keltz and Blair Thacker helped with the craft activity and the refreshments. We appreciate all of these people for their help with this year's Summer Reading Program.

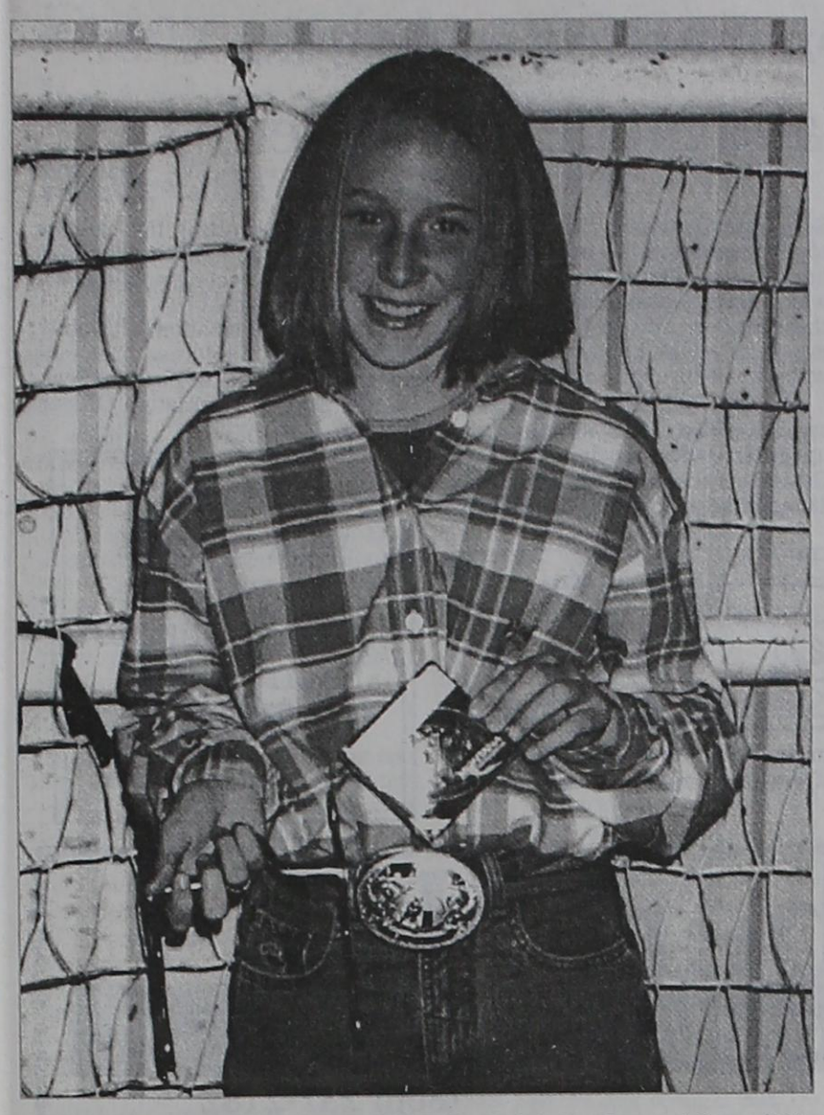
We thank Pansy Spray for the donation that she made to the Library. This will buy some much-needed new books.

Best seller East of the Mountains by David Guterson is now in the Library thanks to Patricia Green and Ruby McGuire. Guterson is the author of the popular Snow Falling on Cedars.

You are invited to help celebrate the 90th birthday of

Electra Irwin

Saturday, July 17
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
at the
Senior Citizens building
Matador



PEE-WEE ALL-AROUND COWGIRL, Kelsi Gardner of Spur. All-Around Cowboy was Riley Branch of Aspermont, who had already left the Rodeo grounds when picture was taken, as had Pre-Kids All-Around winners, Melissa McCormick of Amarillo and Jake LaMunyon of Altus, OK.

SENIOR ALL-AROUND COWGIRL AND COWBOY, Emily Smith of Post and John Brunson of Plainview.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Hello, good day to you and your staff. I'm in hopes you will print my personal short story in your paper.

I'm writing in great respect and I am at a point in my life that I have to reach out and get in contact with people in the real world, as my faith is low and I'm trying so hard.

Yes, I am in prison in the state of Ohio. My fault and I'm paying for such.

I don't have any family or real friends to speak of and at mail time when the guard brings it by each cell, it's the loneliest time of the day when I never hear from anyone. No one should ever be so alone.

I have lived in your state and area years ago. Maybe someone will remember my name or will just reach out and let me know there are still people in this world that really care. I hope I'm well taken.

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22.130; 2nd, Drew Baker, Spur, 22.220; 3rd, Kayla Crooks, Plainview, 23.192; 4th, Lindsey Brenson, Hedley, 24.361; 5th, Julie Fowler, Rotan, 24.500; 6th, Bristi Gardner, Spur, 25.050.

Goat Tying: 1st, Shandra Jones, Matador, 18.45; 2nd, Jackie Harris, Crowell, 19.03; 3rd, Bristi Gardner, Spur, 19.25; Michelle Blount, Paducah, 27.48.

Breakaway: 1st, Lindsey Garnett, Dublin, 9.30.

Steer Daubing: 1st and 2nd (tie), Julie Fowler, Rotan, Jackie Harris, Crowell, 1.30; 3rd, Morgan Cox, Haskell, 2.22; 4th, Kayla Crooks, Plainview, 2.51; 5th, Shandra Jones, Roaring Springs, 2.53; 6th, Michelle Blount, Paducah, 3.62.

JUNIOR BOYS

Bull Riding: 1st, Joe Tyler Hardison, Childress, 67.

Ribbon Roping: 1st, Bradley Baxter, Matador, 16.92; 2nd, Tate Bennett, Vega, 21.06

Breakaway: 1st, Justin Lehman, Vernon, 4.79.

Steer Daubing: 1st, Tate Bennett, Vega, 1.31; 2nd, Bradley Baxter, Matador, 11.60.

Team Roping: 1st, Shandra Jones and Bradley Baxter, 20.23.

Jr. All Around: Shandra Jones and Bradley Baxter.

SENIOR GIRLS

Barrels: 1st, Wendy Wagoner, Spur, 18.495; 2nd, Ashley Branch, Aspermont, 18.698; 3rd, Emily Smith, Post, 19.228; 4th, Liz Lucero, Canyon, 19.445; 5th, Lacy Roberts, Hobbs, N.M., 19.456; 6th, Lindsey Tidwell, Pampa, 19.504.

Poles: 1st, Liz Lucero, Canyon, 21.331; 2nd, Ashley Branch, Aspermont, 21.384; 3rd, Emily Smith, Post, 21.954; 4th, Lacy Roberts, Hobbs, N.M., 21.996; 5th, Amanda Landis, Canyon, 22.333; 6th, Julie Richardson, Groom, 22.494.

Goat Tying: 1st, Emily Smith, Post, 9.86; 2nd, Julie Richardson, Groom, 11.15; 3rd, Ashley Branch, Aspermont, 11.39; 4th, Wendy Wagoner, Spur, 12.03; 5th, Katrenia Kelling, Hartley, 12.53; 6th, Liz Lucero, Canyon, 17.58.

Breakaway: 1st, Jayme Rowland, Lubbock, 3.04; 2nd, Jessica Fowler, Rotan, 3.23; 3rd, Emily Smith, Post, 3.61; 4th, Katrenia Kelling, Hartley, 3.99; 5th, Ashley Branch, Aspermont, 4.93.

Steer Daubing: 1st, Emily Smith, Post, 1.90; 2nd, Jessica Fowler, Rotan, 2.15; 3rd, Wendy Wagner, Spur, 2.34; 4th, Kasey Parks, Roaring Springs, 2.64; 5th, Jennifer Fowler, Rotan, 2.95; 6th, Lacy Roberts, Hobbs, N.M., 3.05.

SENIOR BOYS

Straight Away Chute Dogging: 1st, Andrew Wood, Lubbock, 9.63; 2nd, Jody Rowland, Idalou, 12.75; 3rd, John Brunson, Plainview, 23.25.

Tie Down: 1st, John Brunson, Plainview, 16.10.

Ribbon Roping: 1st, Jody Rowland, Idalou, 14.97; 2nd, John Brunson, Plainview, 15.97; 3rd, Derek Teel, Granite, OK, 30.56.

Saddle Bronc, 1st, Cody Groves, Lubbock, 66.

Steer Daubing: 1st, John Brunson, Plainview, 1.62; 2nd, Chris Tucker, 1.82; 3rd, Jody Rowland, Idalou, 1.97; 4th, Jay Johnson, Channing, 2.34; 5th, Thumper Gaylean, 2.38; 6th, Kyle Rainbolt, Spur, 2.56.

Team Roping: 1st, John Brunson and Shawn Gray, 9; 2nd, Todd Thomas and Dusty Whitaker, 10.42; 3rd, Ty Boggman and Andy Jones, 13.23; 4th, John Brunson and Casey Chamberlain, 15.18; 5th, Kasey Parks and Jackie Bell, 15.97.

Senior All Around: John Brunson, Plainview, and Emily Smith, Post.

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Issue Update

with Mac Thornberry

How We Manage the Surplus Depends a Lot on What We Believe Government Should Do

People often complain that principles are what's missing from the public policy debate, and a lot of the time, they're right.

But when it comes to deciding what we should do with the budget surplus, it really does come down to what you think about Washington and the role government should play in our lives.

As I mentioned last week, the surplus is now bigger than expected. This means that we can set aside every dime collected for Social Security and make sure these dollars are not spent on any other government program. What's left can then be used for other priorities. And that's where the debate begins.

Some people want to keep that money in Washington for new spending. Others – including me – believe the surplus is your money, and the bulk of it should be returned to you. Over the next 10 years, the average American household will pay $5,300 more in taxes than the government needs to operate. With the size of the budget surplus, that's simply not right.

In the coming months, the House will consider a plan to lower the tax burden. Among other things, this plan will eliminate the marriage penalty, phase out death taxes, and reduce the tax on capital gains.

At a time when so much of what is said in Washington seems devoid of principle, the debate over the surplus is packed with it. Who do you trust to spend your money -- the government or you?

How we answer that question will not only reflect our political philosophy, but will affect our Nation for a generation to come.

For more information on this or any other issue before Congress, please write Mac Thornberry at 131 Cannon Building, Washington, DC 20515, or through his website at www.house.gov/thornberry/

Thank you for reading the Motley County Tribune

A Note of Thanks

I'm sending a BIG THANK YOU to everyone for your prayers, calls, visits, cards, flowers, and deeds you did for me while I was in the hospital and after returning home. Thanks to Lee, Lula, Pearl, Billie and Rita for all the good food; it has kept me nice and plump. It's great to be home. God bless you.

Mary Lumsden and family

We would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you for the phone calls, cards, visits, food, beautiful flowers, memorials, your words of comfort, but most of all for your prayers during Foy's illness and death. Your love and concern made it easier for our families.

Again, thank each of you.

Dorothy Nichols
Franklin and Susan Jameson and family
Travis and Lou Anne Jameson and family
Faye Head and family

We would like to thank Helen Brown, Olivia Osborn, Llan Barkley, and Whitney Jones for keeping Main Street open as long as possible during the illness and loss of our loved one. We would also like to thank our customers for their patience and understanding during this time. God bless you.

Travis and Lou Anne

God bless each of you who offered prayers on behalf of me and my family during my surgery and recovery. We thank you for the cards, calls, food, and other acts of love. We thank the Lord that we have such caring friends and we are truly blessed.

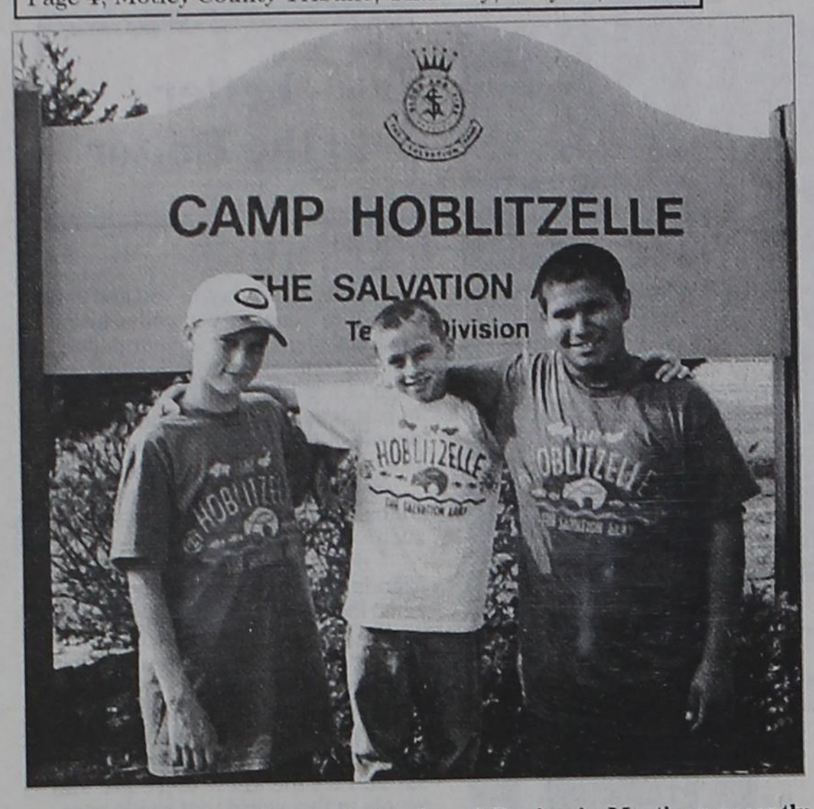
Love,
Darla, James, Fannin and Danielle Gwinn

Roaring Springs Community Volunteers would like to thank everyone who helped make the Ice Cream supper and Fireworks display on July 4th a success. The ones who made and donated ice cream, cakes and cookies, the ones who donated money for fireworks, the ones who mowed and cleaned the community center area, the firemen who conducted the fireworks display and to our guests who helped keep the area clean and who neatly replaced the chairs, etc. And a special thanks to the American Legion for retiring the Colors and allowing us to pay our respect to our Flag and Nation.

Darleen Fletcher, President

We would like to thank all our friends and neighbors for the kindness shown to us at the loss of our loved one, Charles Carlson. May God bless you in your time of need.

Magdalena Carlson
Jack Carlson and family



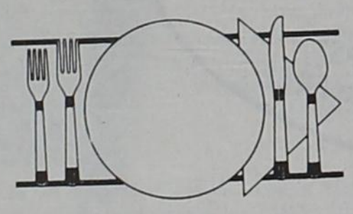
Kenneth Johannes, Aaron Bethard, and Benjamin Martinez recently attended the Salvation Army Camp held at Midlothian.

Area children participate in Salvation Army Camp

A week of camping fun was experienced by 3 children from Motley County at The Salvation Army's Camp Hobitzelle located in Midlothian, Texas, June 28 - July 3, 1999. The children were Kenneth Johannes and Benjamin Martinez of Matador, and Aaron Bethard of Roaring Springs. "This camp is packed into one week fun, exercise, nature study, spiritual and character-building programs which are often the focal point for a positive, life-changing experience," said Charles Keith, Service Unit Chairperson for The Salvation Army in Motley County. "Because of the public's generosity, we were able to send kids who would not otherwise have the opportunity to go to summer camp."

The Salvation Army's Camp Hobitzelle covers 500 acres approximately 40 miles south of the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex and provides opportunities for horseback riding, swimming, soccer, volleyball, miniature golf, archery, crafts, and more.

"It did not cost the children a cent to attend the camp, but it does cost the local Service Unit Committee to get the children there and The Salvation Army to provide this camping experience," commented Mr. Keith. "If people wish to help with this wonderful program, they can mail donations to our local Salvation Army Treasurer, Marihelen Wason, Box 69, Matador, TX 79244.



TxDOT hosts preconstruction meeting to discuss bridge replacements in Hall and Motley Counties

The Texas Department of Transportation hosted a preconstruction meeting on Thursday, July 1, 1999, at 11:00 a.m. at the Childress Area Office. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the upcoming project for the replacement of the bridge structures at Indian Creek on SH 256 in Hall County. And at Dutchman Creek on FM 684 and McDonald Creek on US 62/70, in Motley County. In attendance were officials from TxDOT, Gilvin-Terrill, Inc. of Amarillo, Safety Sign Inc. of Amarillo, County Commissioners, J.N. Fletcher, Precinct 4, John M. Russell, Precinct 1 of Motley County and DPS Trooper Mark Gumaer of Matador and Corporal Chad Grange of Clarendon.

Construction efforts on the $3.3 million project will consist of the replacement of the three existing bridges. The original contract was set up to construct each bridge individually with a 28 month projected time line. Gilvin-Terrill, Inc. will bring in three crews to construct the bridges simutaneously, cutting down the construction time to approximately 9 months. The shorter construction time should increase the safety and inconvenience to the traveling public.

Construction will be carried out in three phases. First, detours will be built around the old bridges with drainage installed. Second, the old bridge will be torn down. The third phase being the new bridge constructed at the exact location of the old one.

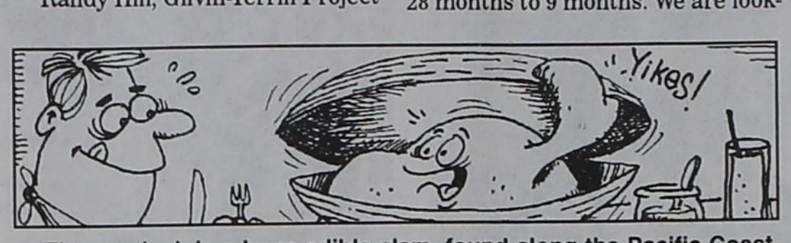
Work will begin July 12, 1999 with Gilvin-Terrill, Inc. of Amarillo, Texas, being awarded the contract. The completion date will be approximately May 2000, with the anticipated time line being approximately 180 working days.

Danny Brown, TxDOT Childress Area Engineer will oversee the project and Bobby Williams will be the Chief Inspector for TxDOT.

Randy Hill, Gilvin-Terrill Project Superintendent said, "We don't like to inconvenience the traveling public any more than we have to. That's why we are gearing up to complete the job in one-third the time. We hope everyone will be happy with the job when we're through with it."

Bobby Williams TxDOT Chief Inspector added, "This contract is set up to finish before the time scheduled Gilvin-Terrill has cut the time from 28 months to 9 months. We are looking forward to getting the bridges built promptly to hold the inconvenience to the traveling public down to a bare minimum."

For more information call Danny Brown, TxDOT Childress Area Engineer, 940-937-7249 or Barbara Seal, TxDOT Public Information Officer (940) 937-7145.



The geoduck is a huge edible clam, found along the Pacific Coast. Its shell is about six inches long, but the clam itself can weigh up to six pounds.

Jodie Kilmer Wins Koch Scholarship

Jodie Kilmer

Jodie Kilmer, daughter of Bob and Wanda Kilmer, was among 53 students chosen to receive an academic scholarship from the Fred C. and Mary R. Koch Foundation. Awards of $1,000 are provided each year to dependents of Koch Industries employees.

Jodie is in her second year at South Plains College Nursing School. She will graduate in May, 2000.

Cobey Turner named to Tarleton's Distinguished List

Cobey Turner has been named to the Distinguished List for the Spring 1999 semester at Tarleton State University.

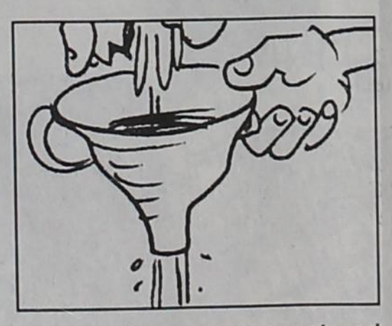
Dr. B.J. Alexander, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at the University, released the names of students honored during the Spring semester which ended in May. There were 311 students listed on the A Honor Roll. These students have a 4.0 grade point ration (GPR) on the 4.0 system and are taking a minimum of 12 hours.

Distinguished Students include freshmen and sophomore students who have a minimum GPR of 3.25 with no grade lower than C, and juniors and seniors who have a minimum GPR of 3.50 with no grade lower than C and are in good standing.

Cobey is the son of Johnney and Carol Ann Turner of Flomot. He is a 1998 graduate of Motley County High School.

One's destination is never place but rather a new way of looking at things.

— Henry Miller



If you have never mastered the art of separating egg whites, use a funnel. If you break an egg over a funnel, the yolk will stay in the funnel and the white will pass into the glass.

Enjoy outdoor activities but protect against tick-borne diseases

Camping, hiking, backpacking, enjoying picnics and time outdoors - these are some of the best features of warm weather months. Ticks, along with the disease they may bring, are among the worst. A bite from an infected tick can cause illnesses such as Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever or ehrlichiosis.

"In Texas, the Lone Star tick is the one likely to carry disease," said Julie Rawlings of the Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Surveillance Division at Texas Department of Health (TDH). While many tick species prefer attaching to an animal and staying there, this variety, common throughout the south and central United States, readily feeds on human blood.

The most frequently diagnosed tick-borne problem in the country, Lyme disease is a bacterial infection that can cause skin, joint, heart and nervous system problems. Named after the town of Lyme in Connecticut where it was first described in 1976, the disease initially causes flu-like symptoms such as fatigue, headache, fever, stiff neck and joint pain. Sometimes these symptoms come with skin lesions or rashes, usually around the site of the bite.

Treatment is with antibiotics. Untreated, however, the disease may severely damage joints, the heart and the nervous system.

In Texas, 580 reports from 1990 to 1998 met the current case definition of Lyme disease, with most of these in the north central part of the state. About 1,100 other cases are possibly Lyme disease. "Fortunately, only about 1 to 2 percent of ticks carry the Lyme disease bacterium," Rawlings said.

Rocky Mountain spotted fever can be deadly if not treated quickly. Symptoms resemble flu with headaches, muscle aches and high fever along with a rash. Symptoms of ehrlichiosis, which was first recognized about 12 years ago, also are flu-like. This disease can occasionally be fatal.

"The best prevention for any of these diseases is to avoid ticks," Rawlings said. She advises keeping fleas and ticks off your pets - they also can get Lyme disease - and discouraging unwanted animals such as rats, mice and stray dogs and cats from coming into the home environment.

To protect yourself from ticks:

- If you are in an area with ticks, check your body carefully for them every few hours. Ticks are small and easy to miss. They attach to any part of the body from head to toe.
- Wear light-colored clothes so ticks can be easily seen. Protect as much of your skin as possible from tick bites. Wear a hat, long-sleeved shirt and long pants tucked into boots or socks.
- Use insect repellent containing DEET or permethrin (be sure to follow package directions).

If you do find a tick on your skin, remove it right away. "There are a lot of old wives' tales about removing ticks," Rawlings said. "Some say use petroleum jelly or touch the tick with a hot match. But those procedures are not the best."

To remove an attached tick, use tweezers to grasp the tick at the skin surface. If tweezers are not available, use a tissue to protect your fingers from possible exposure to the tick's body fluids. With a steady motion, gently pull the tick straight out. Do not crush the tick's body. Have patience; it may take time to remove the tick properly.

Live ticks may be submitted for identification and testing to the TDH Laboratory. 'The ticks should be placed in a small container such as an old pill bottle with the cap tightly on," Rawlings said. "They should never be placed loose in an envelope," Call the TDH Laboratory at 512-458-7615 for information on proper ways to submit live ticks.

A vaccine to protect against Lyme disease is available for people from ages 15 to 70. Contact your health care provider for more information about the vaccine.

"If people have any flu-like symptoms - with or without a rash - after contact with a tick, they should get medical attention," Rawlings said.

Scarred, but full of life

Note: This article is from the *Dallas Morning News*. Ron Welling is the son of Irene Welling and the late Freddie Welling of Matador. He is a graduate of Matador High School.

It's not exactly like seeing the Virgin Mary in a quesadila, but Ron Welling of Amarillo thinks the scar left from his liver transplant is a sign

It's shaped like a hockey stick.

That's not all.

"I got my hernia fixed, too," Welling said from his recovery room, "and if I pull my belly button down, I can show you a hockey puck."

We'll take your word for it, Ron.

Welling, 47, waited six months for his new liver, and everything went great. But he didn't realize it was divine until his doctor, a big Stars fan, noted that the foot-long scar looks remarkably like a hockey stick.

Welling believes, anyway.

And he feels the Stars' pain.

"All the guys are playing tough, Modano being hurt and Hull, too," Welling said. "Tell the players I'm right behind 'em."

He admits he wasn't much of a Stars fan until his conversion. A friend of his brother's bought him a Stars cap, and now he figures he's the team's good-luck charm.

"They can't lose," he said.

They lost Tuesday.

"Aw, they weren't even there," Welling said. "They oughtta go back to smashmouth."

Question: If Welling's right and they win the Cup, should we call them the Dallas Scars?

SPC Fall Registration begins August 23

Fall registration times for South Plains College's three campus locations have been announced.

Fall registration for classes at the SPC Reese Center, 9730 Reese Blvd., in Lubbock, will be 5:30-7:30 p.m. Aug. 23-24. SPC maintains an educational extension at the Reese Center (former Reese Air Force Base), working in partnership with the Lubbock Reese Redevelopment Authority.

SPC Lubbock, 1302 Main St. in Lubbock, will have returning student registration 9 a.m. - noon and 3-7 p.m. Aug. 25 for students enrolled in the spring or summer of 1999. SPC Lubbock's new student registration will be 9 a.m. - noon and 3-6 p.m. Aug. 26. Specific registration times for both days are dependent on students' last names.

Open registration at SPC Lubbock will be 6-7 p.m. Aug. 26.

SPC Levelland, 1401 S. College Avenue in Levelland, will have Financial Aid Award Day for pre-registered students receiving any type of financial aid from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30 - 6:30 p.m. Aug. 25.

SPC Levelland's fall registration will be 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 - 4 p.m Aug. 26. A registration permit is required.

SPC Levelland's evening registration will be 4-6:30 p.m. A registration permit is not required.

Late registration is scheduled Aug. 30 - Sept. 3.

To obtain a 1999-2000 catalog or fall 1999 schedule of classes, contact SPC Levelland at 806-894-9611, ext. 2373, SPC Lubbock at 747-0576, ext. 4660 or the Reese Center at 747-0576, ext. 2902.

CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. Lawyer's charge
4. Apron top
7. Heat, as wine
8. Girl's name
10. Anklebone
11. Oil of rose petals
13. Firearm
14. Social division
15. Cuckoo
16. Sign as correct
17. Pronoun
18. —— National Park
23. A support
24. Audience
25. A limiting condition
30. Farm animal
31. Water god (Babyl.)
32. Self
33. Obeys
36. English princess (poss.)
38. Excuses
39. Companionable
40. Serf
41. Wine receptacles
42. Compass point (abbr.)
43. Norse goddess of death

DOWN

1. Brings to pass
2. Jewish month
3. Otherwise
4. It's north of Turkey
5. Greek letter
6. Morsels
7. Augusta is its capital
9. Glossy fabric
10. Waitress' aid
12. Plexus
16. Cry of pain
19. Confederate general
20. Female monsters
21. Make lace edging
22. Not occidental
25. Play boisterously
26. Banishment
27. Virginia (abbr.)
28. S-shaped moldings
29. Inquisitive (colloq.)
34. Headland
35. A European
36. Oriental nurse
37. Title

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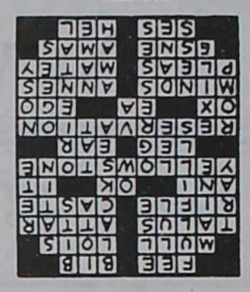

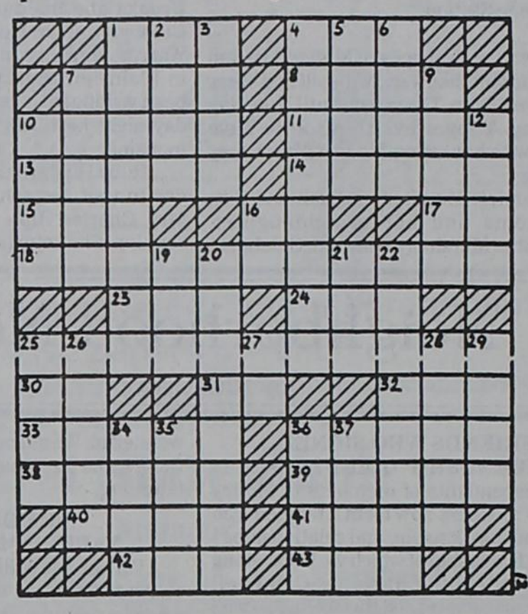

Keeping an eye on Texas

Gone fishing

The economic impact of anglers in Texas is more than $6.3 billion. More than 2.6 million adult anglers spent $2.8 billion in 1996 on various items ranging from trips and equipment to food, bait and fuel.

Fishing tips

- Sunscreen will kill live bait, so be sure to wash your hands before handling bait.
- Take an ice chest to ice down your catch as opposed to keeping fish in a live well, since the water can reach higher temperatures than the water the fish were caught out of.
- Add ice to the bait bucket to keep the temperature down and the bait lively. Your bait will last longer and be more productive catching fish.
- Wear polarized sunglasses to cut glare off the water and enable you to locate certain fish when sight casting.

SOURCES: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, (www.window.state.tx.us), and Texas Parks and Wildlife.

News around the County

Roaring Springs News

by Odessa Mullins

Visiting Joyce Smith from Tucson, Arizona was her cousin, Glenda Hossley and Dr. Floyd Berk. They visited Fredericksburg, San Antonio, and the Bush Library at College Station. Michelle and Don Smith from Plano, and Julie and Brian DiPaolo from Houston, joined them at College Station.

Veta Lou Kopecky of Midland visited her grandmother, Vera Mitchell and other relatives from Thursday until Tuesday evening. They drove to Afton to have lunch with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Burkes.

Harriett Marshall of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and her granddaughter, Samantha Marshall of Lawton, Oklahoma spent several days last week at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Patten drove to Lubbock Thursday for him to keep a doctor's appointment.

Rev. Keith Brooks of Del Rio came Thursday to visit his mother, Modean Brooks and his dad, Milton, who is in Crosbyton Care Center and attend the Warren family reunion. He met his wife in Plainview Sunday evening. She had been visiting in Colorado. They spent Sunday night here and went home Monday morning.

Ruby Hipp went to Lubbock Wednesday to visit her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hipp, and attend a family reunion. She returned home Monday.

Neighborhood News

by Rita Groves

FRIENDS WHO SIGNED A FRIENDSHIP QUILT IN 1940

Descendants of members of Motley County pioneers now form a tangled web of friendship, kinship, and relationships - mostly friendship of which we boast along with kindship. Charlotte Campbell Richardson expressed this feeling so well in a note received last week. "I've never undervalued my many old friends in Matador and Roaring Springs, and I've never doubted your love and support...you are dear to me and my family." As the years pass, we value more dearly the memories and friendships.

This is written as the first in a series of pioneer stories of the signers of a fifty year old quilt top now in the hands of Grace Zabielski. She plans to place the book with the quilt as a part of our heritage. The records of the families of the signers will also go in the Family History Files of the Motley County Library. From top, left to right, six rows of blocks each containing five signatures, make the quilt top. It is fortunate that two signers included the date of 1940.

The first name in the upper left corner is that of Mrs. M.P. Fulkerson. That would be Mrs. Michael Perry "Cud" Fulkerson. The former Mary Etta Shands, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Shands, became the mother of Darius who married Dessie Casey; Rebecca who married J.P. Truett, and Jimmy who married, first, Mary Porter who was the mother of Delores Fulkerson, and married second Mary Thurman. Mary Etta's and Cud's grandchildren were John Perry Truett, Delores, the daughter of Mary Porter, and Jimmy Fulkerson.

Mary Etta Shands was from a pioneer family. Her Shands grandparents Virginia Harris Shands and S. Shands were both natives of South Carolina. About 1850, a wagon train brought the parents of Nathan Shands from South Carolina to Ripley, Mississippi. Alexander Patton, Sr., and his wife Frances Harriet Chennault came also from the Carolinas in another caravan. The Shands and Patton children played together in Mississippi. Nathan, being unusually strong and brave for his eight years, took responsibility for the younger children. Rebecca Patton, only two, had to be carried piggy back through the stickers. Nathan said then that he was going to marry her, and he did, when he came back from service in the Civil War. Mrs. Patton withheld Rebecca's shoes so she could not go out with Nathan. Rebecca was only fifteen, and her mother had hoped she would find a richer husband. Nathan simply put her on his horse, and took her away in her stocking feet to get married.

Nathan was an early day sheriff in Erath County, Texas. From Stephenville, he and Rebecca came to Motley County to farm and ranch. They were the parents of thirteen children. Three of their daughters died early in life. Others were Anna (Mrs. Frank Freeman); Mary Etta who married Fulkerson; Ollie married Keith K. Tudor; Cinda (Mrs. Hunter Watson); Nathan "Nath" married Maud Rattan; Belle married a Fulkerson; Ada, Tutt, and Allie and Pallie, twins. Allie married F.C. Harcrow, and Pallie married Elbert Fulfer. Many of these names appear in the story of the quilt that comes later.

To be continued.....

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If you notice Algie Groves going about with a bandage about the size of a football on his left hand, it's the result of a headlong dive out at the front door. I was clean back in the kitchen turning the crank of the cream freezer. He caught himself with both hands, and peeled about a square inch of the flesh back from his palm in the thumb area. When he lifted the flap of skin back, and asked for a band-aid, I took him instead to Crosbyton to Emergency where he had the skin taped back on. It was too thin to stitch. Dr. Alley was on duty and did a wonderful job of patchwork, and the nurse in charge was James Montgomery, one of Carl's and Shirley Barton's many grandchildren, the son of daughter Marquita. We had our ice cream and cake ready to attend the program at the Community Center. Unfortunately, we got back just in time to see the start of the Fireworks Display at 10 p.m., too tired to stay awake. So we are still eating homemade ice cream.

The 4th of July Breakfast at the home of Darleen and J.N. Fletcher and church following, going "as we were", were both wonderful. We did miss the Retiring of the Colors, the part that wouldn't have been fattening.

MEMORIES OF VARNER MCWILLIAMS

Varner McWilliams, scion of many stalwart founders of the Motley County we enjoy today, was laid to rest with Masonic Rites at graveside, in East Mound Cemetery Monday at 4:30 p.m. while many representatives of pioneer families stood by in love and respect for a friend and his family.

A reception was held following in the James and Dorothy Meador home, by some Baptist women who usually perform this courtesy. Bible School was in session at the Church. Olivia Campbell Barton, Edna Ruth Bourland Green, and Frances Dixon and Mrs. Spencer Dixon were among those who assisted Dorothy with hostess duties.

Special guests were Jake and Marguerite Edwards, the loved teachers, to greet and get hugs from former students. Lenna McWilliams and her daughters, Gail and Glenda, with their families enjoyed the sumptious array of refreshments for the supper hour.

Varner is no doubt a namesake of his great-grandmother, Elizabeth Varner who came with her husband, Robert Petty Echols, to Motley County from Jack County, Texas in the late 1890's. Mr. Petty and his wife Elizabeth Varner Petty were the parents of Ellen Echols who married John Washington Hamilton July 3, 1867, and also of A.B. Echols who married Mary Ozborn Lisenby in 1895. A.B. Echols and Mary Lisenby were the parents of Frank Eiring who married Beulah Echols, Florence "Dutch" Echols, and Ollie Echols who married D.J.W. Birnie.

John Washington Hamilton and Ellen Echols were the parents of eleven children. They were Ola Hamilton (Winn); Arthur Hamilton; George Edward Hamilton (married first Edna Earl Cooper, and second Maggie Knight); Virginia Hamilton; Ella Hamilton married A. Freeman, Roscoe Hamilton, M.D.; Bessie who married Walter McWilliams, December 4, 1905, the parents of Varner; Margaret Hamilton married Lige Cooper; Tom Hamilton remained single; Roy Hamilton; and Kathryn Hamilton who married Fred Bourland September 4, 1916.

Since I arrived in Motley County in January, 1924, members of this family have contributed heavily to my life. Ola Winn was a next door neighbor when our sons were small. One thing I remember about her generosity was during the time when we had 'several - party telephone lines! I was desperate for a food grinder, and called a friend Verdie Neighbors to borrow one. No luck, but Mrs. Winn broke in just as I was saying good-bye, and said, "Mrs. Groves, I have one, and I will be happy to lend it to you." She was that good a neighbor until her death.

The G.E. Hamiltons have been 'neighbors' for at least 60 years. Josephine and John and their children were contemporaries of our sons, Jim, Pat, and Mike Groves. Mary and Melvin Meason, and their son, have been, and Mary still is special. Not just acquaintances, but genuine life sustainers.

Margaret Hamilton "Mag" Cooper was my ideal Christian woman. Her threats kept me from dropping out of college when I lacked only one semester. Her courage and life style set an example of thrift and moral strength. Her daughter, Jettie Cooper Moss, gave me a job helping with her "younguns" when there were no jobs in the early thirties.

When the Hamilton sisters gathered to combine work or pleasure, anyone lucky enough to be invited was assured of good food, good conversation, and good fellowship in pleasant surroundings. Kathryn "Kate" Bourland could always dispel sorrow with mirth. Her daughter Georgia was with me part of the time in College at Canyon.

Bessie and Walter were dear friends. Bessie's contagious smile, and Walter's gentle manner always provided a boost. Varner lived a block up 10th St. when Ida Thacker Goodwin struggled to keep Lois, Elaine, and me in school at Tech. She helped feed and clothe Croft Bigham, Mike Hoyle and me, along with Lois and Elaine the year we were all freshmen at Texas Tech. That was in 1931. Many of these stood by to pay tribute and to celebrate the passing of one of these survivors.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

CLASS REUNIONS

The Flomot High School 1948-1949-1951 graduating classes observed their class reunions during the 1999 Homecoming, July 3.

They met Saturday afternoon at the Fellowship Hall at the First Baptist church in Flomot. Refreshments were served with punch and iced tea. They enjoyed taking pictures and seeing photos of past school events.

Class members, families and friends sharing memorable times were Nita and Ervin Merrett of Weatherford; Jack and Carolyn McGann of Vernon; Barney and Cloris Martin of Sherman; Donnie and Carolyn Martin of Silverton; L.T. Starkey of Ralls; Peggy McCracken of Pecos; Mary Walling of Amarillo; Walter Gunn of Ennis; Richard Nall of Wellington.

Ben and Mary Turner, Riley and Gwen Turner, Dodie Morris, Gwen Mandrell and Peyton of Lubbock; Charles Turner, Burrell and Florea Jones and Ava Nell Pope of Tulia; Wanda Lane of Lockney; Frances and Bob Hambright of Floydada; Mark and JoAnn Clay of Rockwell; Donnie Calvert of Quitaque; Bonnie Nall of Hereford and Erma and Bill D. Washington and Doyle and Mary Jo Calvert of Flomot. Special guest was teacher, Wilburn Martin of Flomot.

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The 4th of July was celebrated Sunday night at the rural home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington with a hot dog cookout, freezer ice cream and a display of fireworks. Those enjoying the outing were Tim and Dena Washington, Lacy, Conway, Caleb, and Mickey Clary of Roaring Springs; Matt and Ashley Washington of Matador; Tate Morrison of Birmingham, Alabama; Richard Nall of Wellington; Sorrel Schmidt of Lubbock, Cary Franks of Amarillo and Connie, Coy, and Cara Franks, Cody, Amanda, Lane, and Ashton Barclay of Flomot.

Anita Carter and H.G. Hunter of Lubbock attended Homecoming, Saturday. They visited overnight Saturday in the home of Mr. Hunter in Quitaque. Sunday morning, Mr. Hunter was conveyed by ambulance to Mangold Hospital in Lockney following an accident in his home. He was transferred to Lubbock for a body scan.

Holiday guests of Mrs. C.W. Starkey and wearing green shirts with a Star and Key family logo with white pants to the Flomot Homecoming were her children and families, Johnny Starkey of Lebanon, Missouri; Mr. and Mrs. Royce Hanna of Warner, Okla.; Janie Petty of Wichita, Kansas; Phylis Gladson of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth George of Dallas; Monty, Emily and Chad George of Lubbock; Ersie and Kimberly VanCleve of Dougherty; Mr. and Mrs. L.T. Starkey of Ralls and Margie Cypert of Lockney.

Visiting the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin and enjoying Homecoming were Mrs. Lula Cramer of Arlington and Mrs. Wanda Lane of Lockney. Mr. and Mrs. Martin were in Lubbock, Thursday for her a medical appointment.

Holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey and attending Homecoming were Bessie Reid of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. T.C. Reid and Michael Starkey of Canyon; Mr. and Mrs. Jay Kennedy, Tanya and Jackie of Cotton Center and Jackie Davis and Michael of Fritch.

Wayne Hunter received emergency treatment for kidney complications Friday and again, Saturday at the Covenant Hospital in Plainview. His wife, Jimmie was with him.

Visiting during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers and attending Homecoming were Donna and Stanley Degan of Kalgary; Ronnie Rogers of Lubbock; Debra Justin of Quitaque; Charlotte Kemp of Albuquerque, N.M.; Jackie Davis and Michael of Fritch; Kaylyn Rogers of Dallas, who remained to visit this week. Mrs. Rogers's brother, Dale Davidson of Joplin, Missouri is visiting in their home. They accompanied him here from Amarillo, Wednesday, June 30.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert during the weekend and attending Homecoming were Mr. and Mrs. Keith Cook of New Orleans, Louisiana; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Foster and Mrs. Gwen Mandrell, Dustin , Shae, and Peyton of Lubbock.

HAS SURGERY

Wayne Hunter returned home, Sunday, July 11 from Covenant Hospital in Plainview following surgery, Tuesday, July 6. His father, H.G. Hunter is a patient in the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock following hip replacement surgery. With them during surgery and hospitalization were Mrs. Jimmie Hunter of Flomot; Mr. and Mrs. David Hunter of Midland, Mrs. Anita Carter of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. John Speer of Floydada.

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Mr. and Mrs. Mark Clay of Terrell visited during Flomot Homecoming with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Clay and League Clay.

Luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin, Tuesday were Mrs. Dovie Davis and Mrs. Wanda Lane of Lockney. Mr. and Mrs. Martin were in Lubbock, Thursday for her a medical appointment.

Mrs. Jess (Donna) Little, Morgan, Lauren, and Landry of Moscow, Idaho and her mother, Mrs. Carolyn Ewing of Matador visited during the week with Mr. and Mrs. Herb Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay.

Mrs. Leona Degan visited in Plainview Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Mildred Chandler.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay during the weekend were daughter and family, Lori, Kevon, Kyler and Karlee of Clifton. Mrs. Kleibrink and children remained to visit.

Mrs. Eugenia Barton of Matador visited Mary Ellen Barton, Sunday.

The Rolling Plains Motorcycle Club that competed in the Poker Run Race at the Quitaque Trail Days donated their winnings of $240 to the Flomot Community Center Fund. Members of this Club are Glen Calvert, Roger and Josh Lee, Rex and Cliff Yeary, Warren Lee Merrell and Kay, George, Donnie, and Cole Calvert.

Mrs. Coleen Burns of Granbury visited during Flomot Homecoming with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Morris. She visited overnight Saturday in Lubbock with Mrs. Bonnie Grimsley, who also attended Homecoming.

Aleda Elaine Ross visited the week in Lubbock with aunt and uncle, Elisa and Stan Wigley. Elisa and Aleda attended a Book Sale in Abilene, Thursday.

Whiteflat News

by Earlyne Jameson

WHITEFLAT NEWS OVERHEARD

A parent is someone who gives a lecture on good nutrition to a kid who's reached 6 foot 4 by eating potato chips.

ATTEND FAMILY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson attended the annual Stephens family reunion, Sunday, July 11 held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B.C. "Doc" Cross in Plainview. They enjoyed a covered dish luncheon, renewing memories and musical entertainment by Morris Stephens, Betty Jones, and Bobby McCall. Family members attended from New Mexico, Oklahoma, Colorado, and throughout Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jameson visited Mrs. Nora Belle Dunnig at the Prairie House before returning home. This was the first family reunion she has missed attending. Mrs. Dunning suffered a broken leg, Saturday morning, July 3 following an accident at her home.

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Mrs. Lula Cramer of Arlington, who visited here the past week at her rural home, returned home, Saturday. Visiting her Wednesday were Mrs. Doris Meriwether and daughter of Plainview and Thursday visitors were Mrs. Wanda Lane of Lockney and Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin of Flomot.

Saturday, July 3rd, Jack Samford of Afton and Mrs. Juanita Cooper visited friends at Possum Kingdom Lake. Mr. Samford, Mrs. Cooper and her houseguest, granddaughter, Kourtney Dunnam of Amarillo enjoyed the fireworks display in Roaring Springs, July 4th. Mrs. Cooper and Kourtney were luncheon guests of Lula Swim in Roaring Springs, Monday, July 5th.

Mrs. Frances Dixon and daughter, Mrs. Elaine Risser of Matador visited Mrs. Nora Belle Dunning at the Prairie House in Plainview, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnney Turner visited last Thursday and Friday in Houston with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Montague, Marisa and Michelle. Visiting them and Cobey overnight Tuesday and attending the funeral services of Foy Nichols, Wednesday was Mrs. Heather Blount of Lubbock. Visiting them Friday night was her mother, Mrs. Carolyn Luckenbach of Silverton.

Art Green of Flomot and Mrs. Katheryn Martin met her daughter, Mrs. Carol Gilbreth of Sundown in Lubbock, Tuesday, July 6th where Mrs. Martin had medical tests.

Whiteflat News

by Earlyne Jameson

Tuesday, July 6, Mrs. Juanita Cooper and granddaughter, Kourtney. Dunnam met her parents, Kay and Ken Dunnam of Amarillo in Childress and they continued to Wichita Falls to attend the funeral services of Mr. Dunnam's nephew, Matthew Rush. Thursday, July 8, Mrs. Cooper accompanied Kourtney to Silverton where they met her mother, Kay Dunnam for Kourtney's return home to Amarillo after visiting here the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn, Fannin, and Danielle visited in Matador, July 1st with Mikki and Ronnie Payne who are moving to San Angelo. Mr. Payne was a coach at Motley County Schools. Mr. and Mrs. Gwinn and children visited in Matador during the weekend at the Gwinn home with Aly Gwinn of Lubbock and Josie Raetz of Matador.

***** Have a good week! *****

Obituaries

Louis Amick

Funeral services for Louis Amick, 85, were held at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 8, 1999 in First Baptist Church Chapel in Plainview, with Dr. Travis Hart, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Parklawn Memorial Gardens by Lemons Funeral Home.

Mr. Amick died at 12:45 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, 1999, in IHS Heritage Home.

He was born Dec. 17, 1913, in Whiteflat. He grew up in Flomot where he graduated from high school. He served with the Ninth Air Force Medium Bomb Group in the European Theater during World War II. He received a Bronze Star, six Battle Stars and three Oak Leaf Clusters. His unit received a Presidential Citation.

He returned to Flomot and worked as a mechanic for the John Deere dealer. He moved to Plainview in 1954 and worked for Texas Farm Machinery, retiring as parts manager in 1984.

He was a Mason and a deacon at First Baptist Church where he had taught children and adult Sunday school classes.

On Dec. 29, 1959, he married Martha Wright in Plainview.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters and sons-in-law, Wynette and Steve Kent of Dallas and Meredith and Brent Harrison of Lubbock; a brother, Roy Amick of Pueblo, Colo.; two sisters, Juanita Amonett of Lamesa and Bobbie Hill of Tulia; and five grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church or to a favorite charity.

Connie Ross Browning

Connie Ross Browning (McWilliams) was born October 4, 1906 at McGregor, Texas. She died June 26, 1999 at Arlington, Texas at the age of 92. Services were held at Moore Funeral Chapel in Arlington. Burial was at Moore Memorial Garden of Arlington.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Jay Browning, and a son, Mac Browning.

Survivors are two sons, Bobby Jay Browning of Arlington, Larry Browning of Bay City, Texas; two daughters, Royella Van Dyne of Shaver Lake, California and Beth Stockton of Arlington; 15 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Grandsons were pallbearers.

Varner McWilliams

Services for Varner McWilliams, 88, of Lubbock, were held at 1:00 p.m. Monday, July 12, 1999 in Highland Baptist Church in Lubbock, with Dr. Stan Blevins, pastor, officiating.

Graveside services were held at 4:30 p.m. Monday, July 12, at East Mound Cemetery in Matador under the direction of Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home.

He died Friday, July 9 ,1999, at Covenant Medical Center Lakeside.

He was born July 1, 1911 at Whiteflat in Motley County and was married to the former Lenna Buchanan on June 8, 1938 in Eastland, Texas.

Mr. McWilliams had been a resident of Lubbock since 1960 moving there from Motley County. He received his BS degree from Texas Tech in 1939. He was a farmer and employee of the Texas Dept. of Agriculture. He was a 50 year member of the Matador Masonic Lodge and a member of Highland Baptist Church and the Fisherman's Sunday School class at Highland.

He is survived by his wife, Lenna; two daughters, Gail King of Frisco and Glynda Groves of Abilene; four grandchildren, Jeffere King and her husband, Rich; Paul King and his wife, Jennifer, Jason Groves and Nate Groves and his wife, Rene; four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Joe Varner McWilliams, in 1945.

The family has requested that memorials be made to Buckner Children's Home, 129 Brentwood Ave., Lubbock, TX 79416 or to a favorite charity.

Matador News

A TRIP TO CARLSBAD CAVERNS

The Lusters, Jerry, Barbara and Amanda, from Cisco, and Lisha Vernon from Wichita Falls, met at the home of Billie and Faye Slover June 20 to begin their journey to Carlsbad, N.M.

Billie Slover and Lee Vernon had to stay home and work.

The group stopped at Denver City and enjoyed a delightful meal of sandwiches, chips, dips and a freezer of homemade banana nut ice cream. Bettye Reed and all of her children, Butch and Karen Reed, Billy Frank and Sonia Reed and their daughter and grandson, Kristi and Treavor, and Sue were all there to welcome them. Barbara enjoyed sight seeing around the town where she had attended school for seven years.

Monday, they took in all the sights at Carlsbad Caverns. It was a wonderful trip as they finally got to see the bats fly out of the cave that night. There was an awful thunder storm and lots of lightning. Amanda said the group had seen the most beautiful Laser Show free of charge. It was very pretty even if it was scarry. It was a once in a lifetime vacation.

Amanda had to go to Cheerleading Camp at Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene when she got home. She got the nomination to try out for "All American Cheerleader". Faye Slover drove to Abilene last Wednesday in time to see her perform. It was Thursday morning before they were told who had won. Amanda was one of the winners, with her name being called first, which helped with the nervousness. There were seventeen schools represented and at least 8 to 12 boys and girls from each school. This is Amanda's second year to get "All American Cheerleader."

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Visitors in the Luther and Edna Ruth Green home during the 4th of July weekend were Dr. and Mrs. Tim Green and daughter, Jordan of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Noel Scoggins and daughters, Allison and Emily, of Lubbock, Virginia of Whiteface, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Green and Katye of Keller, a son Adam from the Naval Academy of Annapolis, MD, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Huff of Amarillo.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jake Edwards for July 4th weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Edwards of Montgomery, Patti Lane and Kristin of Lubbock. They celebrated the 61st Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Edwards.

Attending funeral services for Connie Ross Browning in Arlington, were Glynn and Novella Rattan of Idalou and Dan Barton of Matador.

Dan Barton attended funeral services for her cousin, Earl Parker, July 1, in Jayton at the Methodist Church.

Try to stay cool!

Farm and Ranch news

4-H'ers qualify for State Horse Show

VERNON -- Fifty-nine 4-H'ers from across the Rolling Plains earned the right to compete in the July 25-31 Texas State 4-H Horse Show in Abilene by winning qualifying events at the recent Rolling Plains 4-H Horse Show held in Vernon, said Brad Davis, Extension 4-H program specialist based at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research Extension Center here.

"4-H'ers qualified to compete in the district show by placing well at their county show," Davis noted. "The Rolling Plains will be well represented by these youngsters at the state show in Abilene."

Motley County 4-H'ers qualifying for the state horse show are Shandra Jones, Scott Jones, J. Colton Russell and Brad Baxter.

4-H is the youth development and leadership component of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, part of the Texas A&M University System's Agriculture Program. By participating, children and teenagers learn how to overcome obstacles and reach their full potential by working closely with responsible adults and older youths who serve as roll models to the younger generation.

More than 811,000 urban and rural youngsters and their families participate in Texas 4-H each year - taking part in activities that strengthen family and home life and give youngsters a realistic view of how their interests, skills and talents relate to everyday life and the working world.

Texans can learn more about 4-H opportunities and programs by contacting their local county extension office, Davis added. An electronic overview of Texas 4-H also is available on the internet (http://texas4-h.tamu.edu).

CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

HOMESTEAD, SWEET HOMESTEAD

The Senate is set to consider a bill to reform federal bankruptcy law. Last year's effort failed, in part, because it endangered the "homestead exemption" in Texas and other states. Texas has a constitutional protection for a family's home even if everything else is lost in a bankruptcy proceeding.

Some in Congress want to impose a nationwide homestead exemption limit of $100,000 on the value of a homestead that is protected in bankruptcy proceedings. The federal government has never before imposed a one-size-fits-all limit on the states, and I will resist all efforts to do so now.

Not only would this be an unprecedented encroachment on states' rights, but it also would threaten home and farm ownership for millions of Americans in a misguided attempt to prevent rare instances of abuse, which are addressed adequately elsewhere in the bill.

Consider the example of an elderly couple on a fixed income, who have worked hard their whole lives and finally paid off their mortgage. Perhaps one or both become ill, and fall behind on paying their debts. Should they be forced to sell their home where they've lived for 30 years — their only asset and source of security — to pay off their debts?

Since its days as a Republic, Texas has answered this question with a resounding "no." Texas' founding fathers believed the homestead exemption to be so important that they enshrined it in our state Constitution in 1846. This principle reflects the core values and traditions of our state.

Proponents of limiting homestead exemptions are telling Congress that millionaires routinely use state exemptions to shield their fortunes from creditors. The facts tell a different story, though. A January, 1999 independent analysis of bankruptcy filings reported: *"We did not find a single debtor who came close to the popular stereotype of abuse. Our conclusion is that this is a relatively rare phenomenon in bankruptcy."*

The proposed reforms already contain strong provisions to prevent abuse. These include a means test. For example, an individual is required to live in the state for at least two years before being eligible for homestead protection.

Nor would a $100,000 limit recognize the differences in property values from state to state and from region to region. For example, $100,000 may get you a nice home in Ozona, Texas, but it is not likely to get you very far in upstate New York. And looking ahead, $100,000 today is likely to get you something far different than what it will 10 years from now.

Texas doesn't use a dollar amount for homestead valuation. Our constitutional homestead exemption protects a Texas family's primary residence located on 200 acres of rural land, or 10 acres in an urban area. Other states have tailored homestead exemptions to their needs.

There is no doubt bankruptcy reform is overdue. Congress needs to close the loopholes in the law that allow irresponsible individuals to slip out from under their debts. People who don't pay their debts cost everyone money, because businesses have to raise their prices to account for bad debts.

But we should not confuse the bad actors with the millions of honest Americans who have worked, in some cases their whole lives, to build-up value in their homes, only to see those homes lost when they run into financial trouble.

I will fight any attempts to permit the federal government to undermine Texas' constitution when it comes to homestead protection.

Cotton PCG News

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

COMBEST PRESENTS FCIC REFORM PROPOSAL

House Agriculture Committee Chairman Larry Combest of Lubbock presented "Phase One" of his Federal Crop Insurance reform agenda to commodity organization representatives at a meeting held July 8 in Lubbock.

Combest's plan was well received and addressed a majority of the problem areas within the current program. Combest noted that he hoped that "Phase One" of his reform plan will be finalized and passed by Congress in time for implementation during the 2000 crop year.

"Phase Two" of Combest's reform agenda will take longer and involve what he calls a fundamental reworking of the entire crop insurance program.

Impetus for the short-term reform plan comes from the addition of some $6-6.5 billion in additional funding for crop insurance that resulted from the work of Chairman Combest and Congressman Charles Stenholm of Stamford.

The centerpiece of Combest's plan is an increase in subsidy levels for all levels of insurance coverage. Combest noted that his overall goal was to address the primary frustration of producers who need higher levels of coverage at prices they can afford.

House Ag Committee Chairman Larry Combest has responded that he will continue to seek all avenues of support to help producers get through this difficult time. He has repeatedly noted that timing will be critical in the effort to obtain meaningful support for agriculture that will meet the critical need that exists.

The bulk of the money being considered in the Combest plan would be used to increase premium subsidy levels by thirty percent or more. He explained that overall subsidies would be increased to levels above the effective subsidy rates for the 1999 crop year that were the result of the infusion of 1998 Disaster Assistance funds.

Combest noted that his isn't the only proposal being considered and that other ideas will be looked at as the Bill is completed so that the final package will provide producers with a product that offers better protection at more affordable rates.

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PCG STRESSES NEED FOR AGRICULTURE ASSISTANCE

Plains Cotton Growers officials have been busy communicating the drastic nature of the current agricultural crisis to legislators and congressional aides in Washington as High Plains producers try to manage their way through a complex set of circumstances which has floored commodity prices and demand for U.S. agricultural products worldwide.

PCG officials have noted that while cotton isn't the only commodity that faces a serious problem, their membership continues to voice the need for immediate action on several key issues. With market prices expected to decline further producers will need every advantage they can gather to offset their production costs.

PCG is advocating action on several items. The first is the immediate funding of the Step 2 marketing program to encourage the sale of cotton instead of having it entered and possibly forfeit to the marketing loan program.

The second item being discussed is the detrimental impact payment limitations for Loan Deficiency Payments (LDP)/Marketing Loan Gains have on producers ability to realize a minimum effective price for their commodity. PCG is encouraging the implementation of changes allowing a producer to receive LDP payments on their entire production instead of being limited to LDP's up to a predetermined amount which often leaves a producer unprotected on a significant portion of their production.

Lastly PCG notes that despite the immediate implementation of these important reforms it will also be necessary for Congress to consider some type of monetary support in the form of supplemental Ag Market Transition Act (AMTA) payments or some other type of economic disaster assistance program.

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Then Isaac sowed in the land, and reaped in the same year a hundredfold; and the Lord blessed him.
Genesis 26:12

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Beef 706 Program Continues Strong

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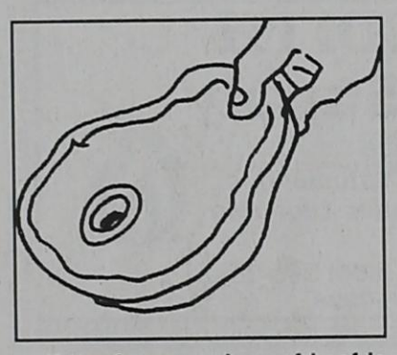


If the fat on a piece of beef is tinged with yellow, it usually indicates that the steer was grass-fed.

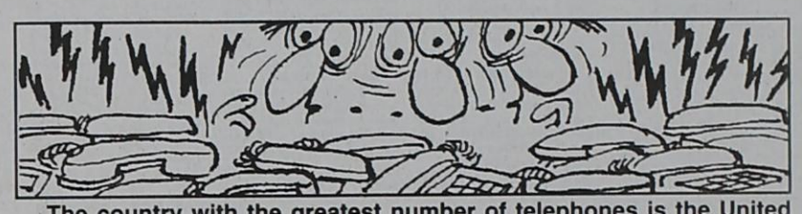
THINK IT OVER

I'll go where you want me to go, Dear Lord,
Real service is what I desire,
I'll say what you want me to say, Dear Lord,
BUT DON'T ASK ME TO SING IN THE CHOIR.
I'll say what you want me to say, Dear Lord
I like to see things come to pass,
But don't ask me to teach girls and boys, Dear Lord,
I'D RATHER JUST STAY IN MY CLASS.
I'll do what you want me to do, Dear Lord,
I yearn for Thy Kingdom to thrive,
I'll give you my nickels and dimes, Dear Lord,
BUT PLEASE DON'T ASK ME TO TITHE.
I'll be what you want me to be, Dear Lord,
I long to see the Church alive.
But don't ask me to come out at night, Dear Lord,
I'M ALWAYS WORN OUT AND TIRED.
I'll go where you want me to go, Dear Lord,
I'll say what you want me to say,
I'm busy just now with myself, Dear Lord,
I'LL HELP YOU SOME OTHER DAY.

— from: Grace Notes
Grace Church, Monroe, LA.

COW POKES By Ace Reid

"Shore they're registered. Four different banks have papers on 'em!"



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