Welcome Ex Students & Teachers

Homecoming Schedule Thursday, October 11

4:00 p.m. Junior High Football vs Jayton (here) 5:00 p.m. Junior Varsity vs Jayton 8:00 p.m. Bonfire at VFW

Friday, October 12

1:30--5:00 p.m. Registration, visiting and coffee at the high school 3:00 p.m. Pep Rally -- school gym 5:00 -- 7:00 p.m. Supper sponsored

by Young Adult class of United Methodist Church at the school cafeteria. Proceeds go to the building fund. 6:30 -- 7:10 p.m. Motley County football team warmups 7:10 p.m. Coin flip and Pregame Activities

Saturday, October 13 9:30--12:00 a.m. Registration,

7:30 p.m. Motley County vs Claude

(first district game)

coffee and donuts at the school. 1:00--3:00 p.m. More registration, coffee and doughnuts 3:00 p.m. Business meeting and Program 6:00--8:00 p.m. Barbeque supper School Cafeteria Tickets Available at Door 9:00 p.m. til 1:00 a.m. Dance at VFW Building Couples \$5.00 ---- Singles \$3.00



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A Second Glance

By Leon Watson

The other day I was listening to some modern "music" on the radio. It sounded like African tom-toms mixed with the yells of a man who had his hand caught in the fanbelt of a backfireing

Some people once sang some good, down to earth songs. Songs like Tumbling Tumbleweeds, The Last Roundup, Streets of Laredo, Red River Valley, Whoopie Ti Yi To, Home on the Range, The Old Chis-holm Trail, Bury Me Not on the Lone Prairie, Spurs that Jingle Jangle Jingle, Skip-To-My-Loo, On Top of Old Smokey, Oh Susana, Yellow Rose of Texas and many more. You can listen to some

of those songs and chills go down your spine. Surely everyone would Me". Anyway I enjoy the soft or easily understood songs and I don't think I'll ever like the hard acid

you like to listen to "OH, Yeah, Yeah I got, oh yes I go, Woooo, I got my hand caught in the fanbelt of, oh yes, of a backfireing truck?" or "I'm a roving cowboy - far away from home - far from the prarie - where I used to roam - where the dogies wander - and the wind blows free - Oh, my heart is yonder - 'neath the lone prairie."

P.T.A. To Meet Monday Night

The Motley County P.T.A. will meet Monday, October 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Plans for the Halloween carnival will be finalized and a film by the program director will be shown.

All members are urged to attend.

Chili Supper Planned

A homecoming chili supper will be served Friday evening from 5-7 o'clock in the school cafeteria by the Young Adults Sunday School Class of the United Methodist Church.

Served will be chili, pie.

Served will be chili, pie, cake, stew, coffee and tea. Everyone is invited to attend the supper before going to support the Matadors during the Homecoming game.



"Green Leaves of Bureau, presented Alan Bingham with a check last week to reinburse him for money spent to Summer" is more go to fire-fighting school. The Bureau sponsored Bingham to the school where he learned pleasant than "Shock Me" Anyway Lenjoy the (Photo by Leon Watson)

Emergency Siren Not Too Loud

'What do you want, Be honest now. Would ou like to listen to "OH, siren that meows like a cat?" local fireman asked o, Woooo, I got my hand after reading the Tribune column "Second Glance" last week. "The one we have is not too loud."

The column by Tri-bune Publisher Leon Watson stated the siren was loud enough for people in Amarillo to hear, and was extremely loud if you were in down town Matador.

The truth is the siren doesn't cover Matador." a fire department spokesman said Tuesday. 'If we have a good wind like we have today (Gusting 20 to 30) you can't hear it several blocks north of the square. If firemen are inside offices or houses on windy days, many times they don't hear the

The firemen said what they needed, if the siren system was to be effective, was two additional sirens, one placed in southern part of Matador and one placed in the northern part.

"What we really need is a central dispatch location and an eloctronic beeper system."

With this system, a dispatcher would receive the fire call, activate the beepers worn on the belts of each firemen, then announce the location of the fire, which

also comes through the receiver of each beeper.

beeper can effective up to about 15 miles out," the spokesman said. "The siren can be heard only a few

The fire departments present system includes 10 "fire phones", the limit which can be obtained from the phone company, which are placed at 10 firemen's residences. Each fireman, if he is at home when the fire phone rings, picks up the phone and listens to the location of the fire, then heads for the fire

home he must go by the siren location, next to City Hall, see if the fire location is written on the blackboard then head for his fire truck.

system each fireman knows where the fire is, whether he is riding in a car, working out in the country, or sitting in his

However, finances seem to be keeping the county from having the beeper system, and with no more fires than the area has, officials feel a dispatcher is not justistation. If he is not at fied.

Student Dance Planned Saturday

A homecoming dance for Motley County students and exes will be held Saturday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the American Legion building in Matador.
Admission will be \$3

per person or \$5 per couple. Music will be provided by the Lone Star Sound of Amarillo.

The dance is sponsored by the Motley County P.T.A., and students from Motley County freshman class of 1979-80 through the graduated class of 1977 may attend the dance. Guest each plus tax.

and dates of the students or exes must be high school age and/or no older than age 20 in order to attend.

Refreshments will be provided by parents of the high school students.

Football Pictures Available

Group pictures of the Motley County Junior High football team are now available at the Matador Tribune for 90 cents

Cattlemen Oppose Bill To Strengthen Bergland's Powers

The Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas is taking a strong stand against a draft bill proposed by Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland which would expand the secretary's powers, allowing him to quarantine livestock in case of

emergency" due to existence of any communicable disease.

"We find this a very dangerous bill because we don't feel the agriculture secretary should be given the ultimate authority to control the intrastate

Basic Emergency Training Offered

Emergency Medical Training classes may be held in Matador or a surrounding town, depending on where most of the students sign

up.
The course, usually costing over \$200 per student, will cost only \$50 and includes 40 hours clinical work in a hospital setting and for the student to participate five emergency ambulance runs. Students also attend 80 hours of lectures, skills instruction and testing on topics of importance to those who render ald asked to contact lovce to patients who have Campbell for informa-

The classes prepare the students to give "basic life support" to persons from the time the ambulance reaches them until the patient can be transported to the hospital where additional care can be given for their specific needs.

Topics include CPR, use of oxygen, shock, poisoning, childbirth, auto wrecks and radio communications.

If enough students are willing to take the course from this area the classes will be held locally. Interested citizens are

Heat-loss Pictures Available in Matador

homes will be on display at the Matador City Hall beginning Wednesda, Oct. 17 at 10 a.m. The pictures, aerial

shots sponsored by SPAG last winter, show the homes here which are loosing excessive

Infra-Red pictures of heat and need insulating. the city of Matador The pictures were taken showing the heat loss of during 12 degree during 12 degree weather last winter. The infer-red camera clearly picked up outside heat drained from inside the houses.

Pictures of Roaring Springs did not reproduce properly and will be remade again this winter.

Community Meeting Planned To Meet Doctor, Nurse

An area wide meeting with a doctor and nurse practitioner has been planned Wednesday, October 24, at 8 p.m.in the county courtroom, for the purpose of letting the people of Motley County meet with, ask questions to and become familiar with the doctor and nurse practitioner who will be working in this

The team, provided by the South Plains Health Provider Organization, Inc. in Plainview, will inform residents of how they will operate and squelch all doubts about how a clinic can be successful in Matador.

Health Provider Director, Jim Clayton, met with local officials last week and promised to set up the meeting. Local officials are urging

everyone to attend the meeting, so they can become fully aware of future medical facilities in this county will operate. They also want it understood that when a clinic is established here with a full time practi-tioner and a doctor who visits regulary, that the system will not be a service for the poor or just an emergency stop for the ambulance, but a working clinic for everyone.

Several local churches have agreed to dismiss services early on the 24th so their members may attend the meeting.

If the county is to ever have good medical facilities and attention again, the people of the county must take interest and use it.

movement of livestock take is for Secretary and interfere in the dayto-day business of producers," said Mr. Wheeler. "We are just as concerned as the secretary is in preventing the spread of disease in our cattle but we already labor under too many government restric-

tions. ICA believes the bill may be an additional attempt by the government to control eradication of brucellosis -- a disease in the spotlight for the past year because of the controversial Uniformal Methods & Rules on brucellosis.

Although the USDA has assured ICA that brucellosis is not an 'extraordinary emergency" and does not fall under this proposed legislation, all it would

Bergland to declare brucellosis an "extraordinary emergency" and he would have the power to quarantine herds, if the bill is passed, said Wheeler.

In his Aug. 16 letter to Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., speaker of the House of Representatives, Bergland says, "broader authority is needed to quarantine specific localities and control the intrastate movement of any animals, carcasses, products, or articles into, from, or through such localities even though the circumstances involved do not warrant the above described finding with respect to

Bergland sent an identical letter to Vice See Cattlemen Page 5



Jean Burchett

Jean Burchett To Speak At Mother-Daughter Banquet

Jean Burchett of Childress, Texas wil be the guest speaker at the the guest speaker at the Mother-Daughter Banquet, on Oct. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the High School gym. Sponsored by the Eternas Junior Study Club, all Mothers and daughters in the community, from third grade through high school are invited to attend.

Known as the "Erma

Known as the "Erma Bombeck of the Panhandle," Jean and her husband have three grown children. Although a story taller all though a story-teller all her life, she didn't begin to write until 1975. Her appeared in the Amarillo and go!

Globe News, Wichita Dailey News, Childress Index, and have been reprinted in many other papers by permission. She has sold to a national magazine, and is in the process of national syndication.

Because of her popularity as an after dinner speaker she resigned her job as secretary to the city manager of Childress to devote full-time to her writing and speaking.

Giving God all the glory for opening doors of laughter for her to walk through she intends humorous articles have to put feet on her prayers

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Couple Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spray, long-time residents of Motley County, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Oct. 27 from 2 to 5 p.m during an open house at their home northwest of Matador.

The couple were married Oct. 26, 1929. Mrs. Spray is the former Rosa Smith. Both the Spray and Smith families were early settlers of the Whiteflat community.

Since the early years of their marriage, the Sprays have lived in Motley County, where Mr. Spray has been engaged in farming.

The couple had three

sons and two daughters: Norman, Melvin Lee and Billy Jack and Mrs. Roy (Melba) Rosser and Mrs. Leonard (Geney) Stan. They have eleven grandchildren, and two step grandchildren.

Serving as hosts and hostesses for the open house will be the couples children and their families.

A cordial invitation is extended to friends and relatives of the honored couple. No gifts please.

Homecoming 1979

Melcome Home Ex Students

Ronnie's



Miss Lydia Mayo Miss Mayo Engagement Announced

Rev. and Mrs. William Mayo, Afton, wish to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Lydia Mayo.

She is engaged to Owen Prillaman. They are bothseniors at Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky. June 3, 1980 is the tenta-

tive date set for the wedding. Lydia is a graduate of Patton Springs High School.

U.M.W. Meet

The U.M.W. met Wednesday evening Oct. 3 in the parlor of the Church continuing their study on China.

Mrs. Opal Pipkin lead the meeting. Co-hotesses were Mesdames Viola Keith, Josephine Hamilton, Mattie Brotherton and Lucy Ford. Opening prayer was given by Mrs. Brother-

Mrs. Pipkin's devo-tional was from the July, Aug. 1978 issue of the Upper Room, scripture, John 14: 1-7.

Mrs. Keith read and discussed, "Divorce: China Style" from a news

clipping.
Mrs. Hamilton read and discussed, "Going to Hong Kong," also a news clipping.
Mrs. Brotherton and

Mrs. Lucy Ford read phamplets on Shanghai City and Shantung

Mrs. Pipkin read and discussed a few chapters from our study book on

Closing prayer was by Mrs. Lucy Ford.

R.S. First Baptist Church To Hold Revival

Revival meeting will be starting in Roaring Springs, Sunday night,

October 14, through Wednesday, October 17. Brother Eddie Freeman of Plainview will be doing the preaching. Bro. Eddie is pastor of Date Street Church in

Plainview. Mike and Becky Block of Plainview will lead the

Services will be at 10

urged to attend.

F. Vinson Speaks To Roaring Springs Senior Citizens

At the regular first Thursday meeting of the Roaring Springs Senior Citizens, where a delicious covered dish lunch and fellowship was enjoyed by all 29 members and 3 visitors.

At a short business meeting the finished quilt to be given to the lucky ticket drawn was shown and tickets were passed out by the quilting ladies for all the membership to sell 5 each. Quilt will be given at Motley Co. School Halloween Carnival, Oct. 30, when name is drawn. You will be informed, if not present. Tickets may be purchasfor \$1.00 each from any Mitchell, Minnie Dye or any R.S. Sr. Citizen. It is an all cotton-polyester filler-9 patch full size

Our program by Mr. and Mrs. Furman Vinson was of beautiful scenes of Motley Co. on slides. He narrated and she operated the machine.

If you live in Motley Co. and are a Sr. Citizen make it your business to enjoy these 1st. Thursday meetings at noon. Mrs. Mary Campbell accompanied Mrs. Ocie Smallwood who would be glad to bring others. We will even give you a turn at dishwashing.

Odessa Mullins and Ray Zabielski were Senior Citizens member. birthday honorees for You may call Mrs. J.D. October.

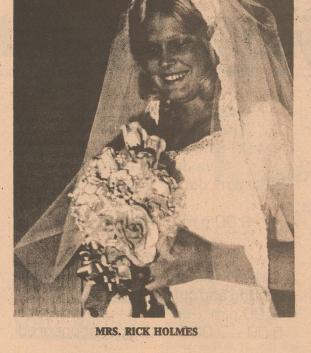
Roaring Springs Guild Meets

The Roaring Springs
Guild met in the home of
Mrs. Ruby Burt on
Wednesday night Oct.
3rd with Miss Freda

Keahey in charge. Mrs. Ray Zabielski gave the opening prayer. Mrs.
Agnes Aaron presented
our study in the book of
John. Mrs. Clyde Clifton
gave the closing prayer.
A refreshment plate

was served to the following: Mrs. Agnes Aaron, Mrs. Opal Bradford, Mrs. Ray Zabielski, Mrs. M.S. Thacker Mrs. B.L. Thacker, Mrs. B.L. Peacock, Mrs. Clyde Clifton, Miss Freda Keahey, Miss Lula Swim, Mrs. Ruby Burt.

Meat should be frozen at 10°F. or less, and as quickly



Miss Doran, Rick Holmes

a.m. and 8 p.m., Monday through Wednesday. Everyone is invited and Vows Pledged In Matador

The First Baptist Church in Matador was the scene September 8 of the marriage of Sherrie Doran and Rick Holmes. Gene Joplin of Plainview officiated at the 7 p.m. ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Darnell Smith of Paducah and Lonnie Doran of Matador. Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Holmes of Floydada are the parents of the groom.

The bride wore a formal length gown of white organza and Nottingham lace. The square neckline, capelet sleeves and back were bord-ered with matching lace. The A-line skirt was also edged with lace and extended to a chapel sweep-train. A waltz length veil of bridal illusion was attached to a narrow band headress.

Bridal attendants were:
Trina Long of Roaring
Springs, maid of honor; Gina
Long, bridesmaid.
Drew Shurbet of Floydada

served as best man; and Terry Mayo, also of Floy-dada, was groomsman. Ush-ers were Louis Shorter of Matador and Quinn DuBois of Floydada.

Others serving in special roles were Kim Cox of Paducah and Joel Evans of Floydada, candlelighters, and Teresa Drake, aunt of the bride, who registered guests. Music was provided by Marion Woodruff of Matador

and Carla Jones of Roaring Springs, who sang "The Twelfth of Never."

Reception

Following the wedding & ceremony, a reception was hosted in the community room at Plainview Savings & oan in Matador. C Rose and Suzannah Woodruff, both of Matador, served at the bride's table. At the groom's table were Valynda Chandler and Laura Camp-

bell, both of Floydada. Adding a special touch was the fact that the bride's and the groom's cakes were made by the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Mutt Smith of Matador.

Following a wedding trip to Florida, the couple reside in Floydada, where Holmes is engaged in farming.

Wedding Trip

R.S. Lions Club To Hold **Broom Sale**

Motley Co.

Green Thumb

By Ora Stonecipher

Ruff Melton, Forman

Dee Hall, Safety Security

man, Jimmy McCleskey worker, of Roaring

Springs are working in

Matador with Lee Harris They will let Bernice

Daffern know where they will be working

while up there. Rose Witcher, Mini bus driver

has full load each week to see the doctors.

Ruby Holcomb is busy

seeing about the sick anc

elderly. Jack Simmons of

Spur was working in

Motley County recently,

and will be attending a Regional Meeting in Dallas beginning Oct. 15. Glen Lathium often

comes and brings us new

materials also cheks with

the crew man on the job.

The Motley County Green Thumb Crew

The Roaring Springs Lions Club will hold a broom sale Saturday, Oct. 13 from 8 a.m. to 4

The profits from this sale will go to the Leprosy Eradication Action Project, to help the blind.

"The tiniest hair casts a shadow.

Homecoming 1979



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TRANSPLANTED TEXANS, David and Roger Otwell of Lawrence Welk Show hailed J.L. and Retta Snider as good friends when they learned that the Sniders came from West Texas to California recently. The Otwells are natives of Tulia.

West Texans Visit Hollywood Show

During a recent trip to California, Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Snider, of Olton were privileged to meet the Otwell twins now appearing with the Lawrence Welk Show.

The Sniders were

attending pre-show activities at the studio when the Otwell brothers learned that they were from Texas and

near their home town of they still miss West Tulia. The musicians Texas and her friendly made arrangements for made arrangements for the Sniders to stay for the performance and a that Lawrence Welk is a visit afterward.

personable as well as talented. Even though they have been on this show for quite some time and have achieved fame -

most gracious host. She Mrs. Snider states was impressed with his "The boys are very courtesy as well as his enthusiasm.

The program the Oltonites attended will be televised here Saturday, Oct. 13.

The Matador graduat-

ing class of 1959 will have

their reunion Saturday,

Oct. 13, following the

homecoming activities that afternoon. They will

meet at the home of Larry Hoyle. Anyone

wishing to visit with the class is invited to do so.

P.S. Young Homemakers 20th Plan Coronation Program By Sarah Houston Reunion

P.S. Reporter The second meeting of

Young Homemakers was held Tuesday night, October 2nd at 7:30 p.m. at the Homemaking

with one new member, Linda Adair.

Twelve queen candithe Patton Springs, dates and their escorts were announced.

Halloween program committees met to plan Cottage. Twenty-two members were present for Coronation on Saturday, October 27, 1979 at 7:00 p.m.

"No man or woman really knows what perfect love is until they have been married a quarter of a century."

Mark Twain

Photography Course Offered At Wayland

A continuing education course in the fundamentals of photography will be offered by Wayland Baptist College's Division of Special Services beginning Oct.

The course, designed for the beginner through advanced amateur camera buff, will strive to enable persons to enhance their photo-graphic skills with their present camera and equipment, according to Dr. Bill Hardage, assistant to the vice president for academic

The class will meet each Thursday night, excluding Thanksgiving, from Oct. 18 through Nov. 29, from 7-9 p.m. in Room 202 of Flores Bible Building on the WBC

Cost for the six-week course is \$20 per person,

The course will be limited to the first 30 persons to register, with pre-registration taking place in Hardage's office in Gates Hall during the week prior to Oct. 18. Registration will also be open in the Office of the Registrar 30 minutes before the first class session.

with the only require-ment being access to a camera of some type and enough film for the course.

Kevin Keeling, a 1978
Wayland graduate and
currently employed at
The Camera Shop in
Plainview, will serve as instructor.

For more information, contact Hardage at 296-5521, extension 56.



The domestication of the pig began centuries ago in China.

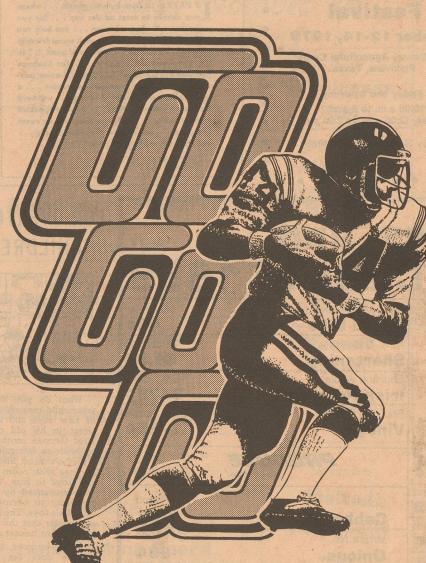


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Margaret Barnhill Deborah Spray Teresa Whitaker Pat Warren June Tilson



First State Bank

Area Men Reminisce German P.O.W. Days

By Leon Watson

In April 1945, General Patton's 3rd Army rumbled toward Branau, Germany, the birthplace of Hitler. The objective was the German Army beyond. But between the 3rd and the Germans, at the fork of the Inns and Salzach rivers, were 5,000 American prisoners.

On May 2, at 6:30 p.m. the prisoners were liberated by the American Army, and thousands of stories can be told about what these men had gone through up to that time; stories like that of Raby Webb of Matador and of Sam Tucker of Amarillo, brother of Nita Green of Matador.

Young Sagt. Webb was with the 9th Air Corps and on his 13th combat mission in the ball turret gun station of a B24. His plane was flying "tail-end charlie" of the diamond formation. The plane carried a crew of 10 men. Then they were hit by flak (anti-aircraft fire). "The flak was the most

Melcome

Homecoming

1979

Beat Claude!

Durham Furniture

innocent looking stuff you ever saw," Raby recalled. "It was just little puffs of smoke around the plane."

But the innocent looking stuff shot them down, and three other men and he were the only ones to survive. He parachuted and came down right in the middle of a bunch of Germans. His hand had been blown apart. He spent six weeks in a hospital then was taken to Krens, Austria, on the Danube River. There he was placed in Stalag 17B.

Sam Tucker was already at the POW camp. He had been on his eighth mission in the ball turret of a B17, with the 8th Air Corps. On November 2, 1942 he was hit by flak over Belgium and shot down. But he was not captured immediately. The underground hid him for a while in the grain bin of a castle, and were going to walk him across France to Spain. But the Germans found them on their way and captured

him in France.
"We were always

planning to escape and digging tunnels," Sam said. "But the Germans were always finding our

The winters were bitter and the men sometimes dismantled parts of the crude barraks to use as fire wood. The camp was an old World War I POW

'We always knew the latest news and where the fronts were." Raby said. "We had radio receivers and some of the boys would lay awake all night listening to the BBC (British Broadcasting) and give the news to the compound the next day. We knew the fronts better than the Germans

The aircraft radio opperators who had been captured had learned to build receivers in radio school. They obtained wire and crystal sets from French prisoners who left the camp daily to work for the Germans. Cigeretts, received from the American Red Cross, were worth more than money and the GI's could buy anything they

Radios were forbidden and the Germans were lways searching and finding the receivers, but the POW's always had several hundred on hand.

When you get 5,000 men together you can find men who can do everything." Raby said. "We had preachers, cussers, builders, and everything in the world."

The Americans, who were isolated as much as causes was given a possible from the military gun salute, but Russians and French, had those who died while baseball, boxing and stage shows to keep them busy. They even had July

you put a bunch of men together and you will find most of them are good and work together. I'm not worried about all these shortages of today

because I know men can get by on almost nothing.

The Americans were always giving the guards a hard time, and sometimes paid for it with a gun butt to the teeth, or a bullet. The guards had two or three roll calls a day but the figures never came out right. Sometimes a small man would stand on the feet of a large man and inside his overcoat. The guards never did catch onto that trick. Sometimes, when the POW's were standing in lines four abreast, the guards would walk down the outside ranks counting four at a time. The middle two ranks would slide backward and the guards would come up with too many men when they got to the end.

Sometimes when guard was caught looking the other direction a snowball or other objects would hit him. The guards would get mad and the Americans would laugh.

It was by no means fun and games for the American boys. Sam's teeth were broken by a gun butt. Almost everyone had scars, and many were buried in the cemetery outside the compound. But as time went on and the Russians Army closed in from the north and the Americans from the south, the guards relaxed their harshness, fearing retaliation if they themselves became

The only American boy to die of natural attempting to escape, as a good American should have, received none.

"Some people today B24's made a run right think the world is going over the camp and the you put a bunch of bombs come down from

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ARTISTS AND CRAFTSMEN

FROM SEVEN STATES

Wilson's Smoked

Picnics

were marched out leaving the French and Russian prisoners behind. It was April, 1945 and the men started a long, miserable walk between fronts. They didn't know what their fate would be but decided it was best to stick

together; knowing they

had a better chance of

The second day after leaving the POW camp

thirty men were missing

from roll call. But the

guards did everything they could to stop

For several days they passed along beside the

Danube River but the

Germans took them off

across the mountains because they were purposely jamming up traffic on the roads.

April 18th dawned after a night of listening

after a night of listening to air raid sirens, planes flying over and flak going off. This scared the POWs, but nothing scared them as much as did the day they passed the Jews and the dead bodies and the concentration camps

Ocassionally, Ameri-

getting home.

escapes.

than Russians.

The day they evacuated Stalag 17B the

own necks. Only the Americans can P51 fighter pilots

would buzz overhead and the POW's would quickly spread out an American flag and receive a salute from the pilots, who went on to straf a target. Then the guards stopped them at the fork

of the Inns and Salzach rivers. There they stayed for an endless time waiting for Patton to come. When the first GIs came in, the woods became a mad house. The POWs had the time of their lives. Some shouted, some laughed, and some cried. They would soon be going home.

dreamed too long.
Raby found his way back to Matador, he started working for the lumber company, and now he has a happy home and is still with Higgin-botham-Bartlett Lumber Company. He is one of

For some of them that

home coming wasn't as

good as they had expected, they had

of Matador today. Sam is about to retire after 40 years with Meads Bakery. He too is happy. Both men said they would not want to go through it again.

the jolly and bright spots



FORMER P.O.W.'s -- Raby Webb, right, and Sam Tucker glance through a picture book published by a man who was in a German prison camp with them during World War II. Both men had been shot down while on combat missions over enemy (Photo by Leon Watson)

Sketches

By BEN BURROUGHS

T PAYS to be friendly with people . . . whom you chance to meet on the way . . . for you never can tell when a person . . . can help you to deter dismay . . . a smile or a warm friendly greeting . . . can do a mountain of good . . . to the giver and the receiver for kindne preludes brotherhood . . . this life is never one sided . . . a person must give to receive . . . a heart beating with tender meaning . . . will have little or no cause to grieve . . . so offer mankind understanding . . . and your gains will be sweet bouquets . . . ask anyone who likes people . . . and they will tell you "it pays."

directly above them and follow them right to the ground. The Americans were bombing Kerns, and the POW's wondered what the Germans were doing in retaliation to American positions.

"At first the guards were young men," Raby said. "But they were being called to the front and soon we had old and retired men guarding us. At night we could see the flashes of Russian artillery and the guards didn't want to fall into the hands of the Russians. So they marched us out one day and headed us straight for Pattons 3rd Army. They had rather be overrun by Americans

Russians were rumored to be 30 kilometers from Kerns driving on St. Polten, and the POW's figured they would capture them in about three days. It was plain to Sam and Raby that the guards were running from the Russians to save their

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tration camps.

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tion. Schiller's was the smell of rotten apples, which he always kept on his desk while writing.

Motley & Dickens Old Settlers Financial Report for 1979

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LABOR		J. Whitten	\$136.50
Morris Stephens	\$450	K. Keenan	\$252
Halford	\$75	D. Sloan	\$189
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Bochme	\$75	D. Long	\$63
Martin	\$75	M. McLeod	\$441
Raetz	\$75	M. Snodgrass	\$441
Lefevre	\$75	G. Terrell	\$252
Pallmeyer	\$75	P. Brewer	\$42
Durham	\$75	E. Welch	\$42
Perryman	\$75	B. Keeten	\$42
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West	\$100	BITS & SPURS\$1	
Hurt	\$100	BUCKLES\$732.9	
McCullum	\$75	STATUES\$10.88	
Acklan	\$75	SADDLES\$1,600	.00
Macon	\$225	RIBBONS & CORS	
Cook	\$200	\$101.69	
Cordell	\$200	CLEANING FLAG	S\$550
Tutt	\$90	TOTAL\$2,594.46	
Ray Martin	\$50	SUPPLIES	
Rob Cooper	\$15	\$3.62	
Grundy	\$50	\$53.83	
Whitaker	\$75	\$6.76	
Whitaker	\$75	\$3.96	
Electric,	4,5	\$169.32	
K. Marshall	\$70	\$11.88	
Plumbing	\$30	\$36.98	
Hauling	400	\$572.16	
D. Hall	\$25	\$135.57	
lim McCleskey	\$21	Total\$993.81	
Clean Up Labor	\$750	REFUND	
Before, after labor	\$375	Slaton	\$641
Dickens, Lions	\$250	Elmer Parks	\$31
Hauling,	\$250	Total	\$37.41
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Lunchroom Menu

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BREAKFAST Apple Juice Buttered Toast Cereal ½ pt. Milk
Orange Juice Toast Cereal ½ pt. Milk
Apple juice Buttered Rice Cinnamon Toast ½ pt. Milk
Tomato Juice Bacon & Eggs Hot Roll, Butter

Maudlin, Lucero \$1,290.40

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Philly & Harrison

W. Smith

S. Price

M. Jones

K. Jones

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Orange Juice Dougnut Cereal ½ pt. Milk

Monday, October15

\$332.10

NOTE--\$1,700.00 RECEIPTS--\$35,125.65 First State Bank--\$6,750

Interest--\$362 Expense '79--\$25,527.30 Balance (Dep.)--\$36,875.65

LUNCH Burrito W/ Mustard Buttered Corn Cole Slaw ½ pt. Milk

Tuesday, Oct. 16 Meat Loaf Blackeyed peas Hot Roll, Butter

½ pt. Milk Wednesday, Oct. 17 Hamburger W/ Lettuce Tomato, Pickles & Onions French Fries

½ pt. Milk with Cinnamon Frosting. To prepare Cinnamon Frosting beat in a medium bowl cream cheese and butter until well Thursday, Oct. 18 Creamed Potatoes Tossed Salad

Hot Roll, Butter

Syrup ½ pt. Milk

Fruit

½ pt. Milk Friday, Oct. 19 Steakettes W/ Cream Gravy Whipped Potatoes Green Beans



WORD FROM HOME-Throughout World War II every man in uniform from Motley County received copies of the Matador Tribune courtesy of the Matador Lions Club. Shown is the late W.R. Tilson in front of his tent in Corsica reading the May 11, 1944 issue of the paper. Tilson served with the 12th Royal Air Force, which he joined before the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Tilson died Dec. 7, 1977, on Pearl Harbor Day. (Family

Buckle Barrel Race To be Held At Parks Arena in R.S.

SPICED CUPCAKES

FOR KIDS' PARTIES

1 package (1 lb. 1 oz.) pound cake mix 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon, divided

1 package (3 oz.) cream cheese, softened 1/3 cup butter or margarine, softened

Preheat oven to 375°F. In a medium mixer bowl blend

cake mix with 1/2 teaspoon of the cinnamon, nutmeg and cloves. Prepare cake mix according to package directions. Fold in chocolate chips. Line 24 cupcake pans with paper

liners. Fill up cake pans with batter. Bake until a cake tester inserted into the center of a cupcake comes out

clean, about 15 minutes. Remove from pans; cool. Spread

blended. Gradually add confectioners' sugar, mixing until smooth. Stir in remaining 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon and

Preheat oven to 350 F. In a large bowl combine 1 cup flour with 1/2 cup of the brown sugar. Cut in the butter. Mix to form a ball. Turn into an ungreased 9-x 9-x 2-inch baking pan. Pat uniformly over the bottom. Bake for 30

minutes. Meanwhile, combine remaining 3/4 cup sugar

with eggs, 1 tablespoon flour, allspice, baking powder and salt. Stir in coconut and nuts. Spread over the baked

layer. Return to oven and bake until brown, 20 to 25 minutes. Cool in pans. Cut into bars. Yield: 24 bars.

spreading consistency. YIELD: 24 cupcakes.

1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
1 package (6 oz.) semi-sweet chocolate chips

SPICED CHOCOLATE CHIP CUPCAKES

1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg

4 cups confectioners' sugar 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
1-1/2 to 2 tablespoons milk or water

Buckle Barrel races will be held at the Parks Arena in Roaring Springs on Oct. 13, 20, 21, 28, and Nov. 4. Barrel race is one for \$12. Buckle to winner on the last date. Must enter 4 out of 5 dates to be eligible for Buckle.

There will also be a saddle series. Team-roping will be 3 for \$30 and progressive after one. Saddle to winner of the highest points on the last roping. Must enter 4 out of 5 dates to be eligible. If a tie occurs a rope off will take place. Rules will be announced before roping begins.

Barrel race starts at 1:00 p.m. Roping will follow.

Location is the Parks Arena, four miles south of Roaring Springs on highway 70, then one mile east, OR if coming from Dickens, highway 70, then 16 miles north, then one mile east.

For more information contact: Harold Parks, 806-348-2391.

Malathion Used To Control Weevils

Officials have announced that ultra-low volume Malathion will be applied in the sixteenth year of the High Plains Boll Weevil Control Program at a contract cost of \$3.59 per gallon.

The price was revealed by Ed Dean, Field Service Director of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock, following competitive bid openings at the PCG offices October 3. Ten bids were received, ranging in price from the \$3.59 low to a high of \$8.10 per gallon, with the contract awarded to low bidder Scam Flying Service of Panhandle,

In 1978 two contractors were used in the program, one at \$2.24 and the other at \$2.28 per gallon.

Three things account for the higher price this year, Dean says. "The price of aviation gasoline has almost doubled, indications are that the number of acres to be sprayed this year will be considerably less than last, and the fields to be sprayed by a single contractor are scattered from Briscoe County on the north to Dawson County on the south."

The first application this year will involve four applicator planes, scheduled to take the air October 8. Subsequent sprayings, weather permitting, will cover all weevil-infested cotton every seven days until the weevils' food supply is destroyed by frost,

Scouting teams have been surveying the control zone for the past six weeks and have targeted about 20,000 acres for spraying in the initial application. The first spraying in 1978, beginning on September 27, was aimed at almost 200,000 acres.

Aggregate acreage sprayed last year came to about 600,000. "But with the smaller weevil numbers this year and the later start," Dean states, "it's a virtual certainty that the total acres sprayed this year will fall far below that figure.'

Weather-induced late plantings in the control zone along the eastern edge of the High Plains and the Low Plains just below the Caprock was one of the big factors keeping weevil populations below normal this spring, entomologists Weevils emerging from hibernation in the early spring, they explain, soon starved to death because there was no cotton on which to

The Boll Weevil Control Program was organized by PCG in 1963 to stop the spread of boll weevils from below the Cprock across the vast acreage of cotton on the Plains to the west. It is jointly financed by High Plains cotton producers in PCG's 25 counties and the U.S. and Texas Departments of Agriculture.

"I have won every argument I have ever had with myself."



CATTLEMEN

From Page One

President Walter Mondale, who is also president of the Senate.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that there is no objection to the presentation of this proposed legislation from the standpoint of the Administration's program," Bergland said in his letter to O'Neill.

'We find it odd that this bill is just now being recommended at a time when the program to eradicate brucellosis is at such conflict between the producers and the government," said Wheeler. "If this lack of

authority to quarantine is such a problem, why wasn't it brought up years ago? If a similiar bill has been suggested before, we didn't hear about it.

Wheeler urged all livestock producers to write their congressmen to defeat the bill if it is introduced.

One of the most important purposes of ICA is to moniter all legislation that is introduced by government agencies to prevent passage of bills which might harm the livestock industry.

SOCIAL SECURITY TIPS

By Virginia DeWitt Social Security

Representative
QUESTION: I have an aunt who is severely handicapped. I think she'd probably qualify for SSI payments. Who would decide if she's disabled, the social security office?

ANSWER: When a

decision concerning the claimant's disability is necessary, it is made by the State disability determination service. The social security office will develop all nonmedical proofs and any evidence relating to disability is sent to the

State. If a claimant is currently receiving social security disability benefits, the social security office can immediately authorize SSI payments without referral to the State for futher medical review providing other eligibility requirements are

For further information regarding Social Security benefits please contact the Social Security office, 1401-B West 5th Street, Plain-view, Texas. A telephone call to the Plainview office may save you time





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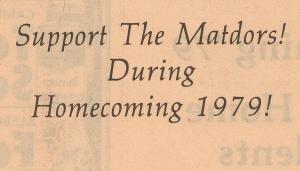
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Mrs. Lloyd Brawner's Rites Held Recently

Mrs. Lloyd Brawner, 45, of Lubbock, the former Elouise Pierce of Roaring Springs, were conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26 at Sanders Memorial Chapel, Lubbock. Officiating were Rev. D.D. Smith, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Roaring Springs and Rev. Mrs. Edna Dillard, also of Roaring Springs, pastor of the Assembly of God Church.

Both ministers officiated at graveside services at 4:30 p.m. in the Roaring Springs Cemetery. Arrangements were directed by Sanders Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mrs. Brawner died early Sept. 25 following an apparent heart attack, at her home. She was born January 2, 1934 in Dickens County, and grew up in Roaring Springs. During the early 1950's she was employed at the First State Bank in

Funeral services for Matador. She was frs. Lloyd Brawner, 45, married Nov. 9, 1956 to Lloyd Brawner, in Matador and they moved to Lubbock where they had since made their home. At the time of her death Mrs. Brawner was supervisor in the bookkeeping department at the Texas Commerce Bank. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Roaring Springs.

She is survived by her husband; one daughter, Melinda Gail of the home; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Pierce of Roaring Springs; two brothers, Carl Pierce of Lubbock and Larry Pierce of Roaring Springs; and two sisters, Mrs. Naomi Brawner of Lubbock and Mrs. Elaine White of Plainview.

Serving as pallbearers were Tommie Stevens, Jim Croley, James Sever, Rick Henderson, Tony Wayland and Eddie

Rites Held For Former Resident

Funeral services for Samuel Tibbets, 90, of Snyder were conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church in Snyder. Rev. Ken Andress, pastor, officiated and burial was in Hillside Memorial gardens in Snyder by Bell-Seale Funeral Home.

A former resident of Motley County, Mr. Tibbets died Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 4:45 a.m. at Cogdell Memorial Hospital in Snyder. He and his wife taught their first school in Flomot.

Mr. Tibbets was born Aug. 23, 1889, at Pottsboro, Texas. While attending Wayland College, Plainview in 1911 and 1912, he met and married the former Frances Jones, June 2, 1912. He attended Baylor University a year where he played basketball and football. He held bachelor's and master's

degrees from Baylor.

He had worked as a carpenter until poor health forced him to retire two months ago. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Snyder, and a veteran of World War I. He was prominent in the American Legion, both on the local and national levels.

A son, Elmer Scott Tibbetts and a daughter, Sammie Lou Norman preceded Mr. Tibbetts in death.

He is survived by his wife, Francis; a sister, Mrs. Fay Patrick of Tulare, Calif., a grandchild and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Tibbetts' sister, Mrs. L.B. (Rose) Turner and her son, Richard Turner of Matador and Mrs. Ralph Stapleton and son, George D. of Flomot attended the funeral.



The U.S. Treasury Dept. made a profit of over \$400,000 in 1977 on the difference between the monetary value of coins and their cost.

Flomot News By Earlene Jameson

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Martin were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Martin and son, Mike of Clarendon.

Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Starkey are visiting this week in Winnewood, Oklahoma with Mr. and

Mrs. Joe Long.
Mr. and Mrs. James
Monk attended the Monk attended the Homecoming activities in Northfield during the weekend and visited overnight Saturday in Cee Vee with Mr. and Mrs. Ovia Seal.

Mrs. Bill Dean Washington and Mrs. D.M. Gilbert visited friends and attended to business

and attended to business in Panhandle, Wednes-

day. Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter, Cindy, Christi and Keri visited Saturday and Sunday in Midland with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rhodes, Ricky and Russell.

Mary Ellen Barton, Viola Stinson and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Martin attended the Horse Races in Lubbock recently and en route home visited in Plainview with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Merritt.

Lillie Tanner of Tulia visited from Friday until Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay and children, Mrs. Harley Gunn and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Malcolm Turner was in Amarillo last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.B. Pinckard who were ill.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. A.D. Moseley from Wednesday until Sunday were his sisters, Mrs. R.L. Clark of Kemp and Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Williams of Beaumont. Other visitors were Glea Moseley of Tulia and Mr. and Mrs. James Davis and children of Lamesa.

Visiting during the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Turner were their grandchild-ren Geania and Cory, children of Mr. and Mrs. Benny Turner of Abernathy and Craig Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Turner of Matador.
Mr. and Mrs. Herb
Martin returned home

Saturday night from a Scenic Foliage Tour of New Mexico that included tourist attractions in Tucumcari, Taos and Eagle Nest. They visited overnight Thursday in Vega with Mr. and Mrs. Don Ewing and children.

Beverly Darsey Gets Weekly Award

Beverly Darsey won three weeks, fell one first place in the football notch behind Haralson contest last week followed by Jerry Golden, 2nd, and Roy Smith 3rd. All three contestants had three wrong guesses.

Neal Haralson with 35 points, slipped past Pat Green to be the front runner in the race for the grand prize. Green, who had led the field by only one point for the past with 34 points. Deanna Durham is also a contender with 34

points.

With 33 points are
Bobby Williams, Mrs.
R.E. Campbell, Jerry
Golden, J.D. Hurt, Lee
Hurt and Jesse Perkins.

Entries this week must be turned in to Giesecke Butane Co. in Matador or City Cleaners in Roaring Springs.



Services Held for Former Roaring Springs Resident

Funeral services were held Saturday at 2 p.m. for Don R. Bowen, 49, of Roswell who died Thursday from electro-

Mr. Bowen was a 22year resident of Roswell, formerly of Roaring one daughter, Karen Springs, and was employed by Wilshire Barber Shop. He was a Roswell; and several deacon of Calvary aunts and uncles. Baptist Church and a veteran of the Korean of the Calvary Baptist

Bowen married Tom- services at the Ballard

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C.R.'s Conoco

mie Greer on Sept. 26, 1952 in Fort Summer. She survives him at the family home.

Other survivors include two sons, Kent Bowen of Plainview, and Kraig Bowen of Roswell; Glover of Plainview, one brother, Pat Bowen of

Rev. Kenneth Stohner Church conducted the

Chapel. Special musical selection was rendered by Zoe Ann Milner, accomapnied by Alma Croix and Mona Miller.

Burial was in South Park Cemetery. Pallbear-ers were Jim Caddell, Bill Huff, Ondee McDerman, Laban Stewart, Jake Tabor and Bill Wells. The deacons of the Calvary Baptist Church served as honorary pallbearers.

Don R. Bowen was

pronounced dead at St. Mary's Hospital Thursday at 6:50 p.m. from electrocution.

Roswell Police reported that the accident happened when an aluminum irrigation pipe Bowen was working with came in contact with a

high voltage power line. Attending the funeral from Roaring Springs were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Clifton and Mr. and Mrs. I.W. Lefevre. Mr. Clifton and Mrs. Lefevre are cousins of the deceased.



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city. The third day there

Mrs. Jim Bennett and Mr.

the Frontier, "Dionne Warwick and Nipsey Russell" at the Riviera,

"Donny and Marie" show at the Hilton, "Bobby Darren" show at the Stardust, and Neil Simons, "Come Blow Your Horn" starring

Dean Stockwell at the

Univa Plaza. They

arrived home Saturday

and Sunday respectively.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott

Robbins returned home

Monday from Denver,

Colorado where they visited during the

weekend with their

daughter and husband,

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Baugh.

Breckenridge came

Saturday to accompany

her mother, Mrs. J.B

Barton to Tulsa, Okla-

homa where they visited Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer

Amburn and Mrs. Edith

Mrs. Jess Patrick of

Mr. and Mrs. L.H.

Roaring Springs News By Odessa Mullins

A Big Thank You A big thank you to Mrs. Roxie lewis for helping me with the news column this past year. Some weeks there would not have been a column if it hadn't been for you. We will all miss you while your gone and all know you will have a

good time. Anyone in the Roaring Springs area please bring your news in to the Cleaners or call me at home, 348-3156 nights or Saturday and Sunday. Your families and friends living out of town would

like to keep up with you. Thank you for your cooperation.
Odessa Mullins

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan D. Jones and Jeremy and Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Mitchell this weekend was Mrs. Marian M. Jones of San Jose, California. Mr. Mitchell, her father exempsion her father, accompanied her home, Monday for a few days visit with her his other daughter husband, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Work, of Saratoga.

Visiting with J.C. Rape the past week was his brother Tommy Rape of Santa Monica, Calif. Mr. and Mrs. Phil MacArthur of Liverpool, N.Y. Mr. and Mrs. Gussie Meador Brownwood. The

group also visited with their mother Mrs. Bascome Rape in the nursing home at Spur and accompanied her to Crosbyton on Monday for her medical check up

with Dr. Rhodes.

Mrs. Melton Brooks
accompanied by Bess
Ferguson drove to Crosbyton Saturday visiting Mrs. Brooks mother Lydia Warren also visiting Mrs. Bell. They drove on to Lubbock visiting John Ferguson who is still in critical condition in

Methodist Hospital. Mrs. Tom Yeates visited in Lubbock at St. Mary's Hospital Saturday with Ama Lee Yeates who had lung surgery last week. She also visited John Ferguson at Methodist Hospital. Mrs. W.A. Lewis had

as her guests this weekend her daughter, Mrs. Charles D. Jordan and her friend Mrs. Calvin Rollins of Gadsedn, Alabama; Mrs. Lewis accompanied them home Monday for an indefinite stay, her first Alabama visit in six years; on the return trip they spent the night in Jackson, Miss. with the Darwin Jordans and visited in Tuscaloosa with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Jordan and Catherine. Mrs. Lewis will be for the next few months be reading the Matador Tribune at, 408 So. 8th St., E. Gadsden, Ala.

Mrs. M.S. Thacker and Mrs. H.C. Smith were attending to business and

visiting in Lubbock Friday and Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Buzz Thacker left last week for a Zenith dealers meeting in Mexico. Former Thacker employer and Roaring Springs resident Charles Owens and Mrs. Owens, now Zenith dealers in Haskell, also

made the trip.
Elder Hank Kornsdorf,
husband of the former
Wanda Miller, of Modesto, Calif., underwent heart surgery in Doctor's Hospital there, recently and Mrs. Konsdorf reports he is recovering

satisfactorily.
Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Smiley, of Lubbock, visited friends in Roaring Springs Sunday, lunching with the L.M. Miller's at El Matador.

Mrs. Rick Futrell brought daughter Dawn to spend the weekend with her grandparents the H.C. Marshalls who returned her home Sunday afternoon and spent the night in the Rick Futrell home and tended to business in

Lubbock, Monday. Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Smiley and daughter of Amarillo visited his mother, Mrs. Artie Smiley over the week-

ocal People

Mrs. L.L. Lynn visited Thursday and Friday night with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Lynn and girls of Childress. On' Friday night, they attended the Childress football game. Connie Lynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Lynn was crowned football queen during Homecoming activities. She is a senior and also one of the cheerleaders for the Childress Bob

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas E. Pitts, Jr. of Lovington, N.M. Grove to Plainview on Saturday, Sept. 29. Mary remained to visit with her Dad and mother, the W.E. Bryons, and Douglas Jr. came on to Matador and spent the night with his mother, Mrs. Douglas E. Pitts, Sr.

Sunday afternoon, Douglas Jr. and Mrs. Pitts Sr. attended the birthday party of Mr. Bryan in Plainview. Attending was Everetts Bryan Jr., wife and daughters of Amarillo, Kenneth Pitts and family of Floydada, Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Cruse and children and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Cogsdil of Amaillo.

Ice cream and birthday cake were served, and a wonderful get together was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Douglas E. Pitts, Sr. accompanied her Mrs. Joe Bery Meador children back to Loving- accompanied by her

ton. Mr. and Mrs. Don. Pitts, Donna and Darell Eric honored his Dad, Douglas Jr., with a big birthday, Oct. 3rd. Fish and hushpuppy meal, was served. Kenneth Pitts of Floydada joined the group on Wednesday evening for his Dad's birthday and also visited, until Thursday afternoon, when he accompanied his grand-mother, Mrs. Douglas E. Pitts, Sr. home.

Douglas Jr. and Mary Pitts had just returned from a two weeks vacation, they visited Yellowstone National Park and many other places of interest, while

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Spray were recent visitors here with their mother, Mrs. Ernest Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mantooth of Belleview, Ill., visited last week with her mother, Mrs. Olive Russell, also with her brother, John M. Russell and family and other relatives.

Weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Stanley and Jason, were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dickson of Anson, while Mr. Stanley attended a Pharmaceutical Seminar Sunday, on the campus of Southwestern Univerin Weatherford,

Mrs. Joe Bery Meador

daughter, Stacy of Levelland; her son Joe Douglas of Odessa and Karen Moore of Odessa visited Joe Berry in the V.A. hospital in Amarillo Saturday and Sunday. Joe Berry has been a patient for 5 weeks and is to undergo major. to undergo major surgery in the near future. His address is Ward 2B, room 209 - BA Hospital, Amarillo 79106

Joe Douglas Meador son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Meador of Matador was recently elected Student Senator from the college of manage-ment at the University of Texas at Odessa. Meador was one of five students elected from the college of management and was nominated by the President of the University to serve on the newly formed Student Recruitment Committee. A senior at the University of Texas, and a major in Criminal Justice, Meador was also named to the National Deans List.

James Baxter, area F.F.A. president of Shamrock, was the house guest of Charles Cammack, District F.F.A. president, and Charles' mother, Mrs. Zona R. Cammack. The boys visited the District Chapters of F.F.A. from Monday through Thurs-

April and Shaun, children of Mr. and Mrs.

Timmons.

Monty Stephens of Dirickson and Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCaghren drove to Las Vegas, Quitaque, visited this weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stephens. and other things of interest in that glittering

Mrs. Morris Stephens.

Visiting Mrs. Ralph
Stapleton and George,
Saturday were her
nephew, Rex Brock of
Abilene, sister and
husband, Mr. and Mrs.
Glen Brock of Stephenville and Mr. and Mrs.
Malcolm Turner of
Flomot. The family also
visited in Floydada with
Mrs. Mollie Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin
Montague of Silverton
visited Mr. and Mrs.
Johnney Turner and
Heather Ann, Sunday. they drove out to McCarron-Hughes air-port to meet Mr. and and Mrs Ronnie Johnson of Spur who had arrived in the Bennett's private plane. While there, they saw "Razzle Dazzle" at the Flamingo Hilton, the "Lola Falana Show" at

Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Jameson visited in Dougherty, Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Beulah Jameson. Ohter visitors were Mrs. Grace Stephens and Mrs. Gerald Piper of Paducah, Mrs. Dowell Garrison of Matador, Mr. and Mrs. Iodia Lameson of Plain. Whiteflat News Jodie Jameson of Plain-view and Mr. and Mrs. George Patton, Zeke and Zack of Abernathy.

Mrs. Janice Dixon and son, Spencer visited in Hedley this weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Tooke. Joining them there to celebrate Oct. birthdays of family members, Saturday were Mrs. Blanche Tooke and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Witten of Memphis, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Harmon of Borger, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Spruell and sons of Plainview and Mrs. Steve Harmon, Karen, Lisa and Perry who recently returned home from Germany where Mr. Harmon is stationed with the U.S. Army.

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Pioneer Parker Family Suffered Tragedy By Indians

By Larry Underwood Few American pio-neers experienced the hardship and tragedy suffered by the Parker family of Coles County, Illinois. Led by Elder John Parker, sometimes known as High John, this family led a typical pioneer life until fate worked one of its strange

John Parker, a Baptist preacher, was born in Virginia, lived for a time in Georgia, moved to Bedford County, Tennessee, then journeyed to Illinois settling in nessee, then journeyed to Illinois, settling in Crawford County along the Wabash River about 1818. Six years later, Parker and his family trekked to Coles County and his son Benjamin built the county's first log cabin along the east log cabin along the east bank of the Embarrass River in present Hutton

Township.
Life flowed along normally for the Parkers until some time in 1833 when High John led his wife, affectionately called Granny, and sons, Benjamin, Silas and James, west to Mexican

They claimed land on the Navasota River near present Groesbeck in Limestone County east of Waco. Without delay, they erected a cedar stockade with two blockhouses and built their cabins inside. The Parker sons all had Parker sons all had families, except Benjamin, and there were inlaws married to Parker offspring and their families. Too, there were other families with the Parkers, who joined in tilling the beautiful, virgin farmland of the area. Wild game graced their tables; it was a bountiful land.

bountiful land. In 1835 the Mexican government decided to oust Texas colonists like the Parkers. There was cause for deep concern. The colonists fled Fort Parker at one time, but returned when word came in April, 1836 that the Mexican dictator Santa Anna's army was

defeated at San Jacinto. Less than a month later, on Thursday, May 19, tragedy struck. Several hundred Indians appeared at the little fort. Nearly all the men had

left for the fields; it was planting time. Benjamin and Silas Parker and their father, High John, along with two other men stayed behind that morning.

Silas peered through a slit in the cedar posts, unsure of what he confronted. There were Comanches, Caddos and Kiowas in the group; he was sure of that. One of the Indians nudged his horse forward and, from a spear, displayed a soiled white cloth. Then, suddenly, Silas saw his brother Benjamin outside the fort walking to meet the flag bearer!

Using sign language, Benjamin conversed with the dark men. Spinning on his heel, he walked back to the gate where he met the anxious Silas. They only want beef and water, Benjamin told his

Silas warned Benjamin

Silas warned Benjamin not to go outside the gate again. Heedlessly, Benjamin walked from the fort. Seconds later, he lay dead, speared to the ground. The hostiles stormed the tiny fort and the minutes Silas and two in minutes Silas and two other men lay dead. High John, Granny and another woman fled the fort. They were caught and tortured. Granny survived and the woman, 'Elizabeth Kellogg, was taken captive. Silas' wife was rescued along with two of her children, but her nine-year-old daughter Cynthia Ann and sixyear-old son John were taken by the fleeing hostiles. Rachel Plummer, James Parker's eldest daughter, and her son James were also

Six months later Elizabeth Kellogg was free, Sam Houston bought her from a friendly Indian for \$150. Rachel Plummer was ransomed nearly two years later. Her son James and Silas' son, John, remained captive for six years before being ransomed in 1842. But what of the blondehaired, blue-eyed Cyn-

thia Ann Parker?

Taken by a band of Kwahadi Comanches, Cynthia Ann was adopted by a family and grew up learning their ways. She was seen several times by whites, return to her white offered for sale. In 1846, Colonel Leonard Williams attempted to ransom her. She refused to speak to him, then ran off. In 1847, an Indian Agent tried to barter for her release; he failed. Captain Victor M. Rose

offered to buy her in 1851. The blue-eyed Cynthia Ann, now called Naduah, refused to return with him.

By 1852, an Army officer reported that a white woman called Parker lived among the Comanches and was married and had chil-dren. Her husband was Pete Nacona, a Kwahadi Comanche war chief. She had two sons, Quanah and Pecos -- and she was happy!
Over the next several

years, her white family continued their efforts to gain her return. But it was not until the late 1850s that the beginning of the end came for her Indian life. In 1859, Sam Houston was elected Governor of Texas. A plank in his campaign platform called for swift and punitive action against hostiles harassing Texans. Governor Houston authorized militia in frontier counties and by March, 1860 had about 500 men

in service. During the fall of 1860, Cynthia Ann's husband Peta Nacona made the mistake of raiding through Parker County near Weatherford. The countryside was alarmed and soon a large force of and soon a large force of volunteers, Rangers and soldiers were in the field on the trail of the Comanches. On December 18, 1860, during a blowing dust storm, the aroused citizens militia aroused citizens, militia and Rangers, led by Tonkawa scouts, came onto a Comanche hunting camp on the Pease River northeast of present Crowell, Texas. They found only women and a few captive Mexican men loading buffalo meat on pack horses, but rode down in a lighting raid on the village. Several Comanche women and a few Mexican slaves were slain. One woman

All through that first

carrying a baby was spared and taken captive;

someone had noticed her

blue eyes.

Camp Cooper near present Albany, Texas. Isaac Parker, an uncle to Cynthia Ann was sent

for. When Parker arrived, he was depressed at what he saw. The blue-eyed Comanche woman's hair was cropped and greasy. Her skin was much darker than he expected. She understood only a Mexican interpreter; she spoke no English. Isaac Parker asked questions about the Parker family. No response. Always, Naduah held the baby girl, Topsannah, to her, almost cowering at this strange white man.

Finally, sad and disgusted, Parker sighed. "Maybe we were wrong." Then, shaking his head, "Poor Cynthia Ann."

The blue eyes bright-ened! Naduah cocked her head, staring at the man. Then, patting her breast, she responded, "Cynthia Ann! Cynthia Ann!"

The drama played out, Isaac Parker returned his niece and the baby Topsannah (Prairie Flower) to his home. Slowly she re-learned the English language. For a time, Parker was even encouraged, thinking Cynthia Ann might regain her lost culture.

But it was no use. Cynthia Ann yearned for her family and the Comanche ways which were her true life. Where were her true life. Where were her sons? Her husband, Pete Nacona? On several occasions she slipped her little daughter from the house and grabbing a nearby horse attempted an escape back to her "people." Each time she was discovered. Some say she spent long hours weeping, miserhours weeping, miser-able in her "captive" life. Neither could Topsan-

nah adjust to the new way. The little dark-skinned girl died in 1864 after a bout with the fever, and her mother, while at the home of her brother-in-law Rufe O'Quinn in Anderson County, soon joined her daughter in death.

According to custom, members of a Comanche All through that first night of captivity, the blue-eyed Comanche woman called Naduah cried. Her captors asked themselves: could this be Cynthis Ann Parker? Naduah was sent to According to custom, members of a Comanche family often starved themselves for days following the death of a loved one. Cynthia Ann was heart-broken and bitter at the civilization

Last Great Commanche Chief

Quanah Parker

that had taken her daughter and her freedom. An Indian informant, a member of her family, said years later that "she literally starved herself to death."

Cynthia Ann Parker lies buried with her son Quanah, and daughter Topsannah at Fort Sill, Oklahoma in the Military Cemetery. The grave is just inside the cemetery

Born in Illinois about 1824, Cynthia Ann was only forty when she died. Her son, Pecos, and husband Pete Nacona died a few years after she was captured. Quanah, the oldest son, became prominent in both Indian and white circles. He was present at the Battle of Adobe Walls and one of the last of his tribe to surrender. He seemed to have little trouble adjusting to white civilization. He became an Indian Judge, visited Washing-ton, D.C. and other

cities, once riding in an inaugural parade for Theodore Roosevelt.

built him a large house in Cache, Oklahoma where he and his "seven or eight wives" lived out their lives. Once, when Roosevelt suggested that he get rid of all but one of his wives, Quanah told the Precident "You tell the President: "You tell them which one I keep!" On Quanah Parker's death, he left three wives and fifteen children.

The inscription on the seventeen-foot granite monument erected by the U.S. Congress above his grave reads:

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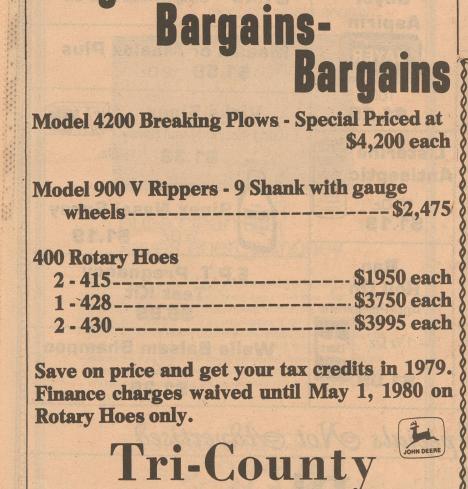
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Sunday Tournament Twelve players braved the heat Sunday for best ball play: Alfred, Louise, Joe, Loys, Howard, Marvin, Don, Geneva, Francine, Jake G., Leona...and Topsy Hunt (of Lubbock)...Topsy

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First place--Joe, Francine, Jake and Leona (29-27) 56. 2nd place--Alfred, Topsy, Don and Geneva (28-32) 60; 3rd place--Howard, Louise, Marvin and Loys (33-30)

First round, Jake and Marvin drove the green on No. 3; second round, long drive on No. 5 was won by Louise and Alfred.

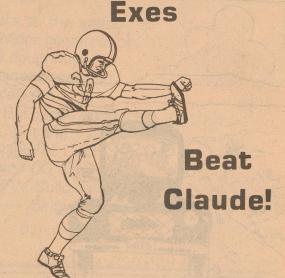
Howard nearly drove the green on No. 1---and Marvin "holed-out" making a 2 on 1---for an

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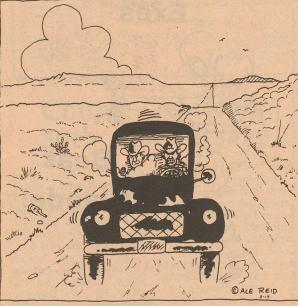
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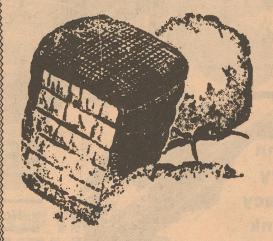
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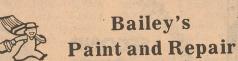


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BEASLEY'S LOST CAVE OF SILVER

C.L. Yarbrough

The legend of the Lost San Saba mine was three quarters of a century old when Stephen F. Austin wrote, in 1828, "...it is said that copper, silver and gold have been found in small quantities in the high region of the Colorado....

Austin was more certain by 1831, when he wrote, "A silver mine is known on the San Saba river, a western branch of the Colorado.'

In that same year Jim Bowie, with his brother Rezin, his friend Cephas Ham and eight other men, set out to find the mine.

Somewhere between San Antonio and the ruins of the old San Saba Mission near today's Menard, Indians turned them back in bloody

Rumor insisted that the Indians had stopped Bowie because they had shown him the mine on a previous trip, and he was in betrayal of their trust when he started back with white friends.

Whatever it was that Bowie knew died with him at the Alamo.

So many believed that Bowie had seen the mine that it came to be called the Bowie Mine as often as it was called San Saba, and there was not a man on the frontier who had not heard the story.

'Evidence'' was found first here, then there, until the area of the search covered all the country from the three Conchos down the Colorado drainage to the Lampasas.

Twenty years went by, and the frontier crept westward

against Comanche rage. Seldom did a full moon pass that they did not strike somewhere to kill, plunder

and race away west. After one such raid, a voung man named Drury Beasley was among the rangers who followed the

Indian trail. Traveling northwest, they crossed the Colorado River just at nightfall in a region of deep canyons and steep, rocky hills not far below the

mouth of the San Saba. They camped, and in the morning Beasley found that his horse had straved.

Searching alone while the others prepared to march, he found his horse on the side of a rough, winding draw. While placing a nose-hitch on the horse, he saw the mouth of a cave.

If faced east, and the sun, still low over the hills, was shining directly into it. Beasley walked over and

He would recall for the rest of his life each minute detail of what he saw, and would never see again.

For perhaps twenty feet the hole sloped downward at a sharp angle, then turned into darkness. All that part that was lighted shone with a brilliant reflection of the

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Excited, Beasley hobbled his horse and lowered himself into the cave.

He found that the walls were lined with ore. He doubtless remembered that somewhere in that wilderness lay the fabled Bowie Mine, and he was certain that the ore he was looking at

was pure silver. He scrambled out of the cave and hurried back to camp, where he found the others waiting impatiently.

Some say he told his captain, and that the captain was then killed when they caught up with the Comanches. It is certain that he told none of the others.

He went east for his sweetheart, told her of his fabulous discovery, and married her in confidence of soon becoming a wealthy man. When the frontier reached the San Saba country, the Beasleys were among the first settlers.

He was certain that he knew exactly where he and the others had crossed the river, just where they had camped, and in which direction and how far from that camp he had found the cave in the west side of a deep

He built a house just above what is now known as the McAnelly Bend on the border of San Saba and Lampasas counties. He knew he was in the right place, and

he was in no hurry. But when he was ready, he discovered that he could not find his cave of silver.

He was stunned to find scores of caves in that country, and hundreds of ravines like the one he

He was sure he found the place where they had crossed the river, and he found signs of a camp that he believed was the one he had helped make just a few short months before.

A hundred times he turned up ravines that looked familiar, but none held the cave he had seen that early morning. His wife, knowing he spoke the truth, went out with him

to search. Years passed, and he told others of his lost treasure.

They knew the Bowie legend, and they knew Beasley as a man they could trust. Sometimes they went out with him, and sometimes they went out alone, hoping to find by his description what he himself could not find.

For fifty years he searched, never once doubting what he knew, never once changing even the slightest detail of

Beasley was no shiftless treasure hunter. He prospered as a farmer and rancher, more so than many of his neighbors. Nothing about him suggests a man whose imagination had led him astray.

He was 88 years old when he died in 1918, still believing that out there somewhere in those Colorado River hills was his lost cave of silver - Bowie's Mine - The Lost San Saba.

Perhaps it was only the gleam of worthless calcite he saw in that long ago early sun. But the San Saba country is still big and rugged and mostly empty of people. There are yet places where few men have ever walked. And hidden away in those hills may yet be the legendary silver of the San

Historian C.L. Yarbrough welcomes your letters and suggestions for future stories and columns. You may contact him by writing to: C.L. Yarbrough, P.O. Box 9, Evant, Texas 76525.

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