

What a simply amazing week!

First, the Farwell Lady Blue win the Texas Class 2A championship; and now....

Lady Wolverines to be honored
The Texico Lady Wolverines, New Mexico Class AA state basketball champions, will be honored at a ceremony at 2:30 p.m. mst on Thursday, March 16, in the Texico Educational Complex. The public is invited.

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By Mike Pomper

Texico varsity girls are true champions

Did I call it or what? Remember -- I wrote in December after the Farwell Invitational Tournament that I guaranteed that the Texico Lady Wolverines would be in the state title game this year.

Call me the Joe Willie Namath of the Twin Cities!

How fortunate we were to have such outstanding ladies' teams in our area (and don't forget the excellent showing by the Lazbuddie Lady Longhorns!) this year. Sure was a lot of fun.

Now the only question is -- will the Lady Wolverines win three straight state championships? I wouldn't bet against them.

Like Farwell, the Texico girls played tough, tough defense to destroy its opponents this year. The guard play of Shayna Lewis and Krysta Morris, with the rest of the bench, was very effective in causing multitudes of turnovers.

Add to that the scoring strength of the front line and, whammo, you have a championship team.

Jennifer Roberts averaged about 16 points a game this year. Elizabeth Richards averaged about 17, and Kristen Roberts averaged about 15. The team averaged about 78 points a game -- very high for a girls' team in our parts.

Richards' point production was vital in the first two games at state. Then Jennifer Roberts stepped up in the title game to spark the team.

And the neat thing is that both Richards and Jennifer Roberts are only sophomores. But they play like seniors. It will be interesting to see how many college offers they get down the road.

One key player who played her last game for Texico was the magnificent Kristen Roberts -- who I call a "100 percent player." That's the way this young lady plays -- giving 100 percent on the court.

Another senior is Shayna Lewis, who I will always remember for having the best smile of anybody in our area. But the other great guard, Krysta Morris, is just a junior, and will return next year.

When you look at the fantastic record of the Texico JV girls this year (23-1), you know that the Lady Wolverines will be right up there at state again in 2001.

Congratulations to Coach

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Texico Lady Wolverines capture New Mexico Class AA Championship



Texico Lady Wolverines -- 2000 New Mexico Class AA champions

Gerries, Pierson, Corn, Frye win county primary races

As expected the number of Parmer County voters in the Republican primary on Tuesday was huge.

There are 4,213 registered Republicans. And 1,761 persons -- many crossover Democrats -- voted in the GOP primary.

Why was that? Because of the interest generated in the county sheriff's race.

Friena Police Chief Randy Gerries defeated incumbent county Sheriff Walt Yerger, 777-409.

There was one other GOP primary contested race:

In the Friena area county commissioner's race, Kirk Frye defeated incumbent Johnny Tannahill, 228-200.

There were two county Democrat primary contested battles:

In the Farwell area county commissioners' race, Ed Corn tipped Ronald Byrd, 134-129.

In the county tax assessor's race, Bobbie Pierson beat Jesse Cantu Jr., 347-196.

So here is how the general

election in November shapes up:

Pct. 3 county commissioner (Farwell area) - Democrat Ed Corn vs. incumbent Republican Jerry Davis.

Pct. 1 county commissioner (Friena area) - Republican Kirk Frye is unopposed.

County Tax Assessor - Democrat Bobbie Pierson vs. Republican Teresa Ancira.

County Sheriff - Republican Randy Gerries is unopposed.

County Attorney - Republican incumbent Charles Aycock is unopposed.

District Attorney -- Democrat incumbent Johnny Atkinson is unopposed.

Some interesting notes about the election:

-- On the GOP ballot was a proposition asking if student initiated prayer should be allowed at school sporting events.

Parmer County said "yes" by a resounding vote of 1,120 to 21.

-- It turned out that county

Democrat Chairman Robert White was unopposed. He received 371 votes.

Laurance Kriegel, of Bovina, had announced for the post but was not put on the ballot because he didn't turn in his application form properly filled out, said White, who sent Kriegel a letter to that effect.

White said he called state party officials to verify the decision before it was made.

-- The turnout in the Democrat primary was very small -- 553 voted out of 4,213 registered voters -- 13 percent.

-- The turnout in the GOP primary was huge -- 1,761 of 4,213 -- 41 percent. But it is believed that many who voted in the GOP primary were Democrats interested in the county sheriff's race or Friena area county commissioner's race -- since there were no Democrats in either race.

-- Democrat Michael Howard had signed up for the county sheriff's race, but had pulled out -- after the ballots

were printed.

So even though he wasn't running, Howard received 209 votes.

-- The main topic in the county was the sheriff's race. Both candidates worked extremely hard.

Although Yerger won the Farwell precinct, Gerries dominated in Bovina and Friena precincts.

Gerries also had a big margin among the early voters.

-- Other county totals showed:

Democrat
President - Bill Bradley, 130; Al Gore, 227; Lyndon LaRouche Jr., 29.

State Representative -- Pete Laney, 445.

U.S. Senator - Charles Gandy, 59; Gerald Bintliff, 37; Don Clark, 91; Bobby Wightman, 42; Gene Kelly, 73.

Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals - Bill Vance, 275.

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2 - William Barr, 275.

Republican

President - George Bush, 1,092; John McCain, 44; Gary Bauer, 1.

U.S. Senator - Kay Bailey Hutchison, 1,069.

U.S. Representative - Larry Combest, 1,063.

Railroad commissioner - Michael Williams, 705; Andy Draughn, 116.

Railroad commissioner - Charles Matthews, 839.

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 1 -- Valorie Davenport, 329; Nathan Hecht, 521.

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2 - Priscilla Owen, 672.

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3 - Rod Gorman, 510; Al Gonzales, 334.

Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals - Tom Price, 405; Connie Kelley, 138; Sharon Keller, 123; J. Gary Trichter, 72.

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1 - Alan Curry, 193; Guy Williams, 166; Charles Holcomb, 215; Tom

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Schueler unopposed for WTRT re-election at annual meeting

Patrons of West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the cooperative, and will elect three directors, at the annual membership meeting at 6 p.m. March 21 at the Hereford Bull Barn.

This year's meeting comes a few weeks in advance of the 50th anniversary date of the incorporation of WTRT on May 5, 1950. Special commemorative favors will be presented to members in attendance in recognition of the anniversary.

Proceedings start at 6 p.m. with a catered supper and the business meeting is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

The terms of office of incumbent directors Charles Myers Jr. of the Hub exchange, Floyd Schueler of the Parmer exchange, and Dick Fellers of the Dawn exchange are expiring.

All three incumbents are standing for re-election.

Schueler will be unopposed in his bid for another term as the Parmer exchange director. Harold Sides will be a candidate for the Dawn exchange board seat, and Terry Copley will be a candidate for the Hub exchange seat.

Fellers, born and raised in Deaf Smith County, first came to the Cooperative board as Dawn director in 1984 and has served as board president, vice-president, and secretary. He and his wife Pamela, and their sons, Randy and Will are active in farming and livestock operations in the Dawn area. Fellers has served as a member of the board of directors of the First State Bank of Happy.

Schueler is president of the WTRT board of directors. He has served as the Parmer exchange director since 1985. A native of Parmer County, he farms near Friona and in the past served as a member and officer of the Rhea/Hollene Colunteeer Fire Department. He and his wife, Glenda, are the parents of two daughters. They have eight grandchildren and four great-grandsons.

Myers has served as the Hub exchange director since 1973. He has held board offices including president, vice-president, and secretary/treasurer. He is a Parmer County grain and cotton farmer. Myers served on the Economic Development and Finance committees of the National Telephone Cooperative Association during his tenure with the board, and also has chaired the NTCA's Program Planning Committee.

Charles is a memembr of the board of directors of the Parmer County Farm Bureau. He and his wife, Loree, grew up in Lamesa, where they farmed for a number of years before coming to Parmer County. They have a grown son and daughter, six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Copley, 49, grew up in Muleshow, where he graduated from high school. He operates Terry Copley Construction and T & S Concrete in Friona.

He had previously worked with Panhandle Concrete in Friona for 23 years, and was engaged in hog production southeast of Friona for a number of years. He has worked with youth in livestock projects and in the 4-H program over the years. His wife, Vickie, works as a typesetter and layout compositionist at the Friona Star.

Sides, 47, grew up at Vega and is a graduate of Vega High School. He and his wife, Shirley has farming and livestock interests in the Dawn area with their sons, Brandon and Jason. They also have a son, Brent, of Austin, and a daughter, Crystal, who will graduate from North Texas University this spring.

A number of door prizes will be awarded during the course of the meeting.

FJH girls capture track meet

A combined 7-8 grade Farwell Junior High girls team competed at Springlake-Earth on March 11, winning the overall title with 105 points. Results were:

- 400 relay -Farwell, 5th (dropped stick), 1:01, Meyer, Foster, Diaz, Gober.
- 800 run - Kyra Christian, 5th, 2:50; Melissa Howard, 7th, 3:05.
- 100 hurdles - Hailey Grimes, 5th, 20:01; Kasey Adams, 7th, 21:47.
- 100 dash - Danielle Cargile, 5th, 14.43.
- 800 run - Farwell, 3rd (dropped stick), 2:03, Meyer, Foster, Diaz, Gober.
- 400 run - Kyra Christian, 4rd, 1:10.
- 200 dash - Chelsea Meyer, 5th, 29:18; Lindsay Vandiver, 6th, 29.28.
- 300 dash - Grimes, 1st, 57.0; Cargile, 2nd, 59.85; Micah Christian, 4th, 1:02.
- 1600 run - Shannon Street, 5th, 7:25; Ashley Hartzog, 7th, 7:40.
- 1600 relay - Farwell, 2nd, 4:49, Gober, Diaz, Grimes, Foster.
- Shotput - Dulce Nicholas, 5th.
- Discus - Shaleena Laverty, 3rd; Jordan Carpenter, 6th.
- Triple jump - Khallie Foster, 1st, 28'1; Nikki Gober, 5th, 27'5.
- Long jump - Gober, 2nd, 13.7; Vandiver, 3rd, 13'5 3/4.

The Farwell 7th grade boys finished 6th of 10 teams with 45 points at the Springlake-Earth track meet. Results were:

FJH scholars announced

- The Farwell 4th six weeks honor roll students are:
- 6th grade - Yvonne Favila, Logan McFarland, Ty Gast, Kari Schilling, Jennifer DeLeon, Tanner Fickling, Bailey Warren, Alisha Wauson, Sandra Saenz, Trevor Norton, Michael McCarthy.
- 7th grade - Micah Christian, Bill Terry, Robbie Tabb, Holly McIntosh, Danielle Cargile, Amanda Barnes, Dawson Embry, Samuel Billingsley, Chad Bailey, Carlos Saenz, Crystal Morris, Rowdy Mitchell, Ashlie Martin, Melissa Howard, Logan Clemmer, Shannon Street.
- 8th grade - Khallie Foster, Tara Schilling, Jaime Diaz, Mindi Roberts, Tara Sanchez, Grant Gregory, Chelsea Meyer, Kyra Christian, Ashley Hartzog, Nikki Gober, Cale Stevenson.

Staff contracts renewed

The Lazbuddie School Board on March 9 renewed all the professional staff contracts.

The board met earlier than usual due to spring break the following week.

In other business, the board:

- Approved Staci Burris as a substitute teacher.
- Okayed the extended year migrant summer school.
- Kept driver's rates as the same as last summer: \$85 for in-district students, and \$150 for out-of-district students.
- Accepted three transfers (one family) from the Mule-

shoe school district.
-- Noted that the ITV celebration will be held on April 13 from 6 to 8 p.m.

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- Triple jump - Michael Johnson, 5th, 29'8.
- 1600 run - Carlos Saenz, 4th, 6:29.58; Chad Bailey, 5th, 6:38.68.
- 300 hurdles -- Johnson, 1st, 50.2.
- 200 dash - Robbie Tabb, 3rd, 27.08; Rowdy Mitchell, 6th, 28.8.
- 100 relay - Farwell, 3rd, 54:02, Tabb, Mitchell, Ryan Fillpot and Johnson.
- 400 relay - Farwell, 4th, 4:37, Bailey, Mitchell, Tabb, and Johnson.

The Farwell 8th grade boys finished 4th of 10 teams with 38 points at the Springlake-Earth meet. Results were:
Discus -- Jose Cabello, 5th, 95'9.
High jump - Grant Gregory, 3rd, 5'2.
Long jump - Gregory, 4th, 14'9 3/4; Cale Stevenson, 5th, 14'6.

- Triple jump - Stevenson, 3rd, 31'2 3/4.
- 110 hurdles - Stevenson, 6th, 22.9.
- 400 dash - Jason Johnson, 4th, 63.0.
- 300 hurdles - Anthony Herrera, 6th, 53.1.
- 100 relay - Farwell, 5th, 53.37, Johnson, Gregory, Stevenson and Herrera.
- 400 relay - Farwell, 4th, 4:15, Johnson, Stevenson, Gregory and Herrera.

Ernie's Pit Bar-B-Que

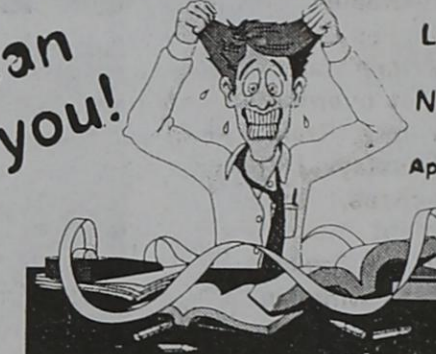
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Obituaries

Benito Ybanez

Services for Benito Ybanez, 76, of Caruthers, Calif., will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Lubbock with Msgr. Curtis Halfmann officiating. Private graveside services will be held at Three Rivers Cemetery.

He died March 6 at Golden Age Nursing Home in Caruthers. He was born Oct. 5, 1923. He was a U.S. Navy veteran and lived in Anton before moving to California.

Surviving are his wife; 2 sons, Ben Jr. and Johnny, both of Lubbock; 2 daughters, Mary Vierra and Rose Monroe, both of Lubbock; a sister, Eloise Vega, of Farwell; 11 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Invitation for Bids

The City of Farwell will receive bids for Ground Storage Tank improvements until 1:30 p.m., March 30, 2000, at Farwell City Hall, Texas. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 1:30 p.m. March 30, 2000.

Bids are invited upon the several items and quantities of work as follows:

Furnishing materials for the City's Ground Storage Tank improvements, which includes: replace access hatch, replace vent, extend overflow & splash pad, seal all holes in tank, reinforce center column, remove sediment from tank, sandblast tank interior, and paint interior of tank.

Bid/Contract Documents including Drawing and Technical Specifications are on file at Mck Engineering, 2807 74th St., Lubbock, Tx 79423. Copies of the Bid/Contract Documents may be obtained by depositing \$75.00 with Mck Engineering, for each set of documents obtained. The deposit is not refundable.

A bid bond in the amount of 5% of the bid issued by an acceptable surety shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to the City of Farwell or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (as par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Bids may be held by the City for a period not to exceed 30 days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidder's qualifications prior to the contract award.

David A. Bradshaw, PE
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County Sheriff Randy Gerles Walt Yerger	199	68	71	17	104	17	12	28	58	203	777
County Tax Assessor Teresa Ancira	170	63	43	24	115	22	9	28	43	202	719
County Commissioner Jerry Davis					154	27				40	221
DEMOCRAT PRIMARY											
District Attorney Johnny Actkinson	30	101	11	1	135	39	8	16	10	65	416
County Tax Assessor Jesse Cantu Jr. Bobbie Pierson	13	58	0	0	63	6	1	5	4	46	196
County Commissioner Ronald Byrd Ed Corn	30	83	13	0	92	49	15	18	9	38	347
County Commissioner Kirk Frye John Tannahill	145				72	16	4			37	129
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Texico city council has a 'noisy' meeting

The Texico City Council met Tuesday to discuss the Noise Abatement Ordinance. They have not yet made any decisions yet, but they are looking into enforcing it. They discussed jake breaking and car sound systems and they believe there should be a limit to the noise and ruckus it creates. Also, train whistles were discussed, and it was stated that city law cannot override federal law so the train whistles will have to stay. In other business, the council:

- Congratulated the Texico Lady Wolverines for winning state.
- Discussed parking for Fire Station 1. The council will contact the county commissioner to see about chip sealing the area south of the fire station.
- Granted the Texico Chamber of Commerce the okay to place playground equipment at KKR park.-- Approved two business registrations -- Fran's Snow Cones, at 520 Wheeler, and Therapeutic Touch Massage, 712 Hudson.
- Heard Marshal Kelley Brophy discuss the animal control from Clovis. They will assist until June 15 or until the city hires its own person

Obituaries

T.J. Coston

Services for T.J. Coston, 71 of Clovis, will be Friday, (today) at 10 a.m. at the Central Baptist Church with Revs. Sherman Martin and Gene Hawkins officiating. Burial will be in Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens. He died Monday at Clovis hospital. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Juanita. He was born Sept. 29, 1928, in Bonham County, Texas to John and Fannie Coston.

He was a retired rancher and farmer and was a real estate agent. He was a member of Central Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife, Joy; 3 sons, Terry, of Los Lunas, N.M., Stacy, of Dalhart and Jamie, of Redlands, Calif.; 2 daughters, Annette Johnston, of Midland, and Debbie Treider, of Lazbuddie; 8 grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Terry Coston, Stacy Coston, Jamie Coston, Tommy Coston, Tom Johnston and Brad Treider. Honorary pallbearers will be Randy Jennings, Jack Jennings, Leo Moon, Jimmy Snipes, Jake Lea, Eldon Blackburn, Ray Reed, Troy Ray, Gayla Brumfield and other fellow Realtors.

Memorials may be made to Baptist Children's Home, 2200 S. Ave. Portales, NM 88130.

for animal control. Discussed the tree at the corner of Katherine and Turner streets. Councilman Oran Jay Autrey stated that the elm is dead and is causing problems with limbs falling off and scattering when the wind blows. The council decided to notify the property owner and have him remove the tree at his own expense. Also, the tree at State Line Road and Eunice needs to be trimmed, it was said.

Goettsch takes 1st in high jump

Farwell High finished 4th in the Friona Chieftain Relays last week. Results were:
400 meter relay - Kolby Kimbrough, Shane Roberts, Casey Meeks, Tyler Chadwick, 3rd.
110 high hurdles - Derek Goettsch, 3rd.
100 dash - Kimbrough, 4th.
300 hurdles - Goettsch, 4th.
200 dash - Chadwick, 3rd; Roberts, 4th.
1600 run - Gage Gregory, 3rd.
High jump - Goettsch, 1st; Tucker Crawford, 2nd; Roberts, 4th.
Long jump - Goettsch, 3rd; Crawford, 6th.
Discus - Brice Hunt, 6th.
The next meet will be April 1 at Whiteface.

Pct. 101, Calvary Baptist Church, Friona.
Pct. 201, Bovina EMS building.
Pct. 202, Friona Community Center.
Pct. 203, Rhea Community Center.
Pct. 301, Farwell Community Center.
Pct. 302, Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church.
Pct. 303, Bovina Ridgelea School.
Pct. 401, Lazbuddie School.
Pct. 402, Friona Fire Station.

Farwell asked for a flood plan

The Farwell City Council met Tuesday to discuss making a flood plan due to the high rise in water in the area. Just joking. But the Texas Natural Resources Commission Committee has told the city that a flood plan has to be made.

In other business the council:
- Heard report from water Supt. D.E. Hammit about engineers coming to inspect the 400,000 gallon water tank. The engineers drew up the specs and it was said that the tank needs to be sand blasted, repaired and painted on the inside before water pumping for the summer begins. Hammit stated that this needed to be done as soon as possible. It was then decided by the council that they would call a special meeting as soon as the bids came in for construction on the water tower. Also, the board approved sending Hammit to a drought contingency plan in Amarillo April 4. Heard Police Chief Robert Achterberg report on telling

some high school kids in the gym after school about driving more slowly. Talked about honoring the Lady Blue by putting their logo on the water tower by the loop. Approved buying 15 long tables, 8 round tables and 50 chairs for the Farwell Community Center. Okayed having Susan Franse be the election judge. She will appoint her own election workers. Approved a permit for the storage building on Second Street.

Votes

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Greenwell, 75; John Boston, 42. Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2 - W.B. House, 173; Barbara Hervey, 144; Sally Ray, 57; Jim Wallace, 217; Pat Barber, 83. Judge, 7th Court of Appeals, Place 1 - Brian Quinn, 513; Deborah McClure, 236. Judge, 7th Court of Appeals, Place 2 - Don Reavis, 673.

Chadwick is 1st place medalist


The Farwell boys' golfers participated on March 8 at the Tulia Golf Tournament. Farwell tied for 1st by shooting 354, but got 2nd in a fifth score playoff. Tyler Chadwick shot 85 and was the 1st place medalist. Gage Gregory shot 86 and finished in 4th place. Others were Taylor Nichols, 92; Clint Corn, 91, and Jordan Barrett, 97.


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





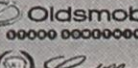
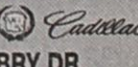
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Lady Wolverines blast McCurdy for state title

The Texico Lady Wolverines swept past the McCurdy Bobcats, 72-53, in "The Pit" in Albuquerque on Saturday to win the Class AA State Championship.

The Lady Wolverines finished the season with a 27-2 record. McCurdy ended at 26-3.

It was the Lady Wolverines' first championship since 1981, when they beat Carrizozo.

Texico used balanced scoring, tough rebounding and its always-tenacious defense to knock off the Bobcats.

Scoring were Elizabeth Richards, 16 points; Jennifer Roberts, 22; Kristen Roberts, 11; Shayna Lewis, 9; Kara Jenkins, 7; Carrie Phipps, 2; Bobbi Williams, 5.

McCurdy was basically a two-player team. Mariah Spence, their 6' post who has signed to play with Old Dominion University, scored 28 points. Kim Martinez added 14. Thus, the duo tallied 42 of their team's 53 markers.

Texico jumped out in front by a Jennifer Roberts' 3 pointer. But Spence was on quite a roll in the first period -- scoring all her team's points! She hit a 3-pointer to tie it, then added a couple more baskets as the Bobcats led 7-5.

A jumper by Lewis knotted the score and Texico led for good when Richards stole the ball and scored on a layup. Fouled on the play, she added a free throw, and Texico was rolling.

Both teams were playing aggressive defense. Texico committed about 4 turnovers in the first period, while McCurdy had about 9.

Although Texico was hitting their baskets well, so was Spence. Another 3-pointer by her gave McCurdy its last lead of the game, at 14-13. Then a basket by Kristen Roberts gave the Lady Wolverines the lead for good. A basket by Jennifer Roberts gave Texico a 19-16 lead as the first quarter ended.

The teams battled very closely in the 2nd quarter but Texico was able to lengthen its lead a bit. The key to Texico's success in this quarter was the point production of two players coming off the bench -- Bobbi Williams and Kara Jenkins. Both scored 5 apiece.

Baskets by Williams and Jenkins put Texico's lead up to 27-19, as Spence began missing some of her shots. She was defended well by Kristen Roberts and Richards. Spencer scored her 21st point on a 3-pointer with 5 minutes left in this quarter. After that point, she was held to 7 more points during the rest of the game.

Both teams committed very few turnovers in this quarter. The teams traded baskets, with Texico going up by 9 points at one time before McCurdy closed to within 4. Jennifer Roberts hit a big 3-pointer just before halftime as Texico went into the intermission ahead, 38-32.

The 3rd quarter was marked by more McCurdy turnovers, and Spence was held to 2 points. Meanwhile, Texico added to its lead. Richards had a pair of baskets and Jennifer Roberts canned three more. A 3-pointer by Lewis and a basket by Jennifer Roberts gave Texico a 9-point run at during the last four minutes of the quarter. So Texico went into the final stanza, ahead 51-38.

The Texico run didn't stop there. The Lady Wolverines tal-

lied another 6 points at the start of the final period, on free throws by Richards and Kristen Roberts, and a 3-pointer by Jennifer Roberts.

Finally, McCurdy hit a 3-pointer to end their drought, but not before Texico had scored 15 straight points to take a commanding lead. Now, it was just a matter of letting the clock run as Texico had gone ahead 57-38.

Texico gets revenge on Navajo Prep

The Texico Lady Wolverines put away the Navajo Prep Eagles, 56-47, in the state semi-final game at Albuquerque on March 9.

It was sweet revenge for Texico since the Eagles defeated them last year for the state championship.

The Wolverines, 25-2, came out so strong in the first quarter to virtually win the game in the first eight minute. Combining good shooting with tenacious defense and strong rebounding, Texico held Navajo Prep at bay throughout.

Navajo Prep finished its season at 17-11. It had been in the state title game five consecutive years -- until this one.

Scoring for the Lady Wolverines were Elizabeth Richards, 27 points; Jennifer Roberts, 11; Krysta Morris, 1; Kristen Roberts, 9; Kara Jenkins, 2; Shayna Lewis, 3, and Bobbi Williams, 3.

The Lady Wolverines came out ready to play. Helped by three Lady Eagles' turnovers (two caused by Kristen Roberts), the Lady Wolverines raced out to an 8-0 lead on baskets by Richards and the two Roberts girls.

After the Lady Eagles finally scored, the Lady Wolverines' juggernaut continued full steam ahead. Jennifer Roberts put in a 3-pointer, followed by a bucket and pair of three throws by Kristen Roberts. The margin kept building as Richards canned a free throw, and Jenkins hit a bucket. The lead was now an astounding 18-2.

Navajo Prep finally got another basket, but the quarter ended with Lewis knocking down a 3-pointer, and Kristen Roberts adding two free throws. Texico led 23-4.

The Lady Eagles came out with more energy in the second quarter to begin closing the lead, which Texico had built up to 22 points on a basket by Kristen Roberts. Navajo Prep closed to within 18 points when Kristen Roberts had to go out with her third foul. But Richards took the scoring load on her shoulders, and tallied 5 straight points.

Navajo Prep continually had trouble with Texico's pressure defense, but managed a small comeback in the final minutes of the second quarter, eventually closing to 32-16 by halftime. But Navajo Prep missed four consecutive free throws at the end of this quarter, or the margin would have been much closer.

At the start of the 3rd quarter, Kristen Roberts, back on the floor for only 30 seconds, picked up her 4th foul, and had to sit out until early in the final quarter. Navajo Prep made a surge in this quarter, closing to 34-22. But Richards again took over the scoring responsibilities, and tallied 9 of Texico's 14 points in this quarter.

So the teams traded baskets, and Texico still held a strong lead going into the final quarter, 46-33.

The Navajo Prep crowd went wild when the final period opened when one of their players hit a 3-pointer. This was followed by a free throw and a jumper -- and Texico's big lead had dwindled to 7, 46-39.

It was "Richards time" again. Texico's outstanding center hit a basket. But Navajo Prep responded with another 3-pointer -- the margin was now 6. That was as close as the Lady Eagles could get. Richards came back with a pair of free throws, plus another basket to up the lead to 10, 52-42.

After Navajo Prep was successful on two more free throws, Richards hit another basket. With just over 3 minutes left in the game, Navajo Prep canned another 3-pointer, making the lead 54-47. That was the best they could do. Texico's final points came on two free throws by Morris. In the final quarter, Richards scored 8 of Texico's 10 points.

Other stats for the game showed: Rebound leaders were Richards, 20, and Morris, 12. Kristen Roberts led in steals with 4. Morris had 3 assists. Texico was 4 of 19 on 3-pointers; 15 of 43 on 2-pointers, and made 14 of 21 charity tosses.

McCurdy kept putting the ball up, but their shots were not dropping well. And it seemed that each time the Bobcats scored, Texico came right back with a basket of its own. Richards, a 5'11 sophomore, was especially effective scoring against Spence in this period.

With about 90 seconds left, Coach Roy King, in his 22nd year at Texico and winner of more than 400 games, took out his starters. Texico's final baskets were scored by Jenkins and Phipps.

Coach Roy King was obviously very happy with his second state championship. He also has had the state runnerup teams four times.

"Our girls started off the season with the goal of getting to the state tourney. And we had the killer instinct against most teams all year."

Asked if this was his best team ever, King said Texico also had very strong teams early during his tenure, noting the "Scott girls, then Askew and Steward, and Chadwick."

But he added, "This year's team was one of the best and one of the hardest working."

Against McCurdy, King said the Lady Wolverines played well the whole game. He had his team stop pressing in the second half due to foul problems.

He complimented the efforts of Kara Jenkins and Bobbi Williams in coming off the bench to score key points during the game. "They gave us a tremendous boost."

The team will lose four seniors -- LaMicah Drager, Bobbi Williams, Shyna Lewis and Kristen Roberts. Other stats for the game showed: Rebound leaders were Richards, 8, and Williams, 5. Jennifer Roberts had 3 assists. Morris led with 6 steals; Kristen Roberts and Jennifer Roberts had 4 apiece. Texico was 4 of 14 on 3-pointers, and 23 of 49 on 2-point attempts. The Lady Wolverines hit 14 of 23 free throws.

Meet Texico's Class of 2012



Fox Guinn is a Texico kindergartener. His birthday is May 17.

His parents are Fox and Cindy Guinn. Also in the family are Roger and Deon. Grandparents are Ernie Guinn and Sylvia Herndon.

He likes to draw, color and ride his 4-wheeler. His favorite food is cereal. His favorite color is green.

He doesn't like to eat spinach.

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Howard, Gruben file for Farwell positions

Filings for Texas school board and city council elections will close March 22.

Here's an update, as of Tuesday:

The Farwell School Board has three positions open. So far, only incumbent Mike Woods and Roberta Howard have filed.

Incumbent Teresa Ancira is expected to file for re-election, and incumbent Steve Kaltwasser has decided that he will not run again.

Farwell City Council filings have picked up. Incumbent Ysleta Kittrell and Wayne

Gruben have filed. There are three positions open and they are being held by Don Gerries, Mrs. Kittrell, and R.C. Davis.

Donnie Coker is still the only one to have filed for re-election to the Lazbuddie School Board. Three positions are available and they are being held by Coker, Gail Morris and Tommy Martin.

Farwell Hospital District incumbent Peggy Sudderth is the only who has filed for re-election so far. The other incumbents up for re-election are Robbie Actkinson, Troy Christian, and Bert Williams.

Courthouse Notes

The following warranty deeds were recorded in the Parmer County clerk's office last week:

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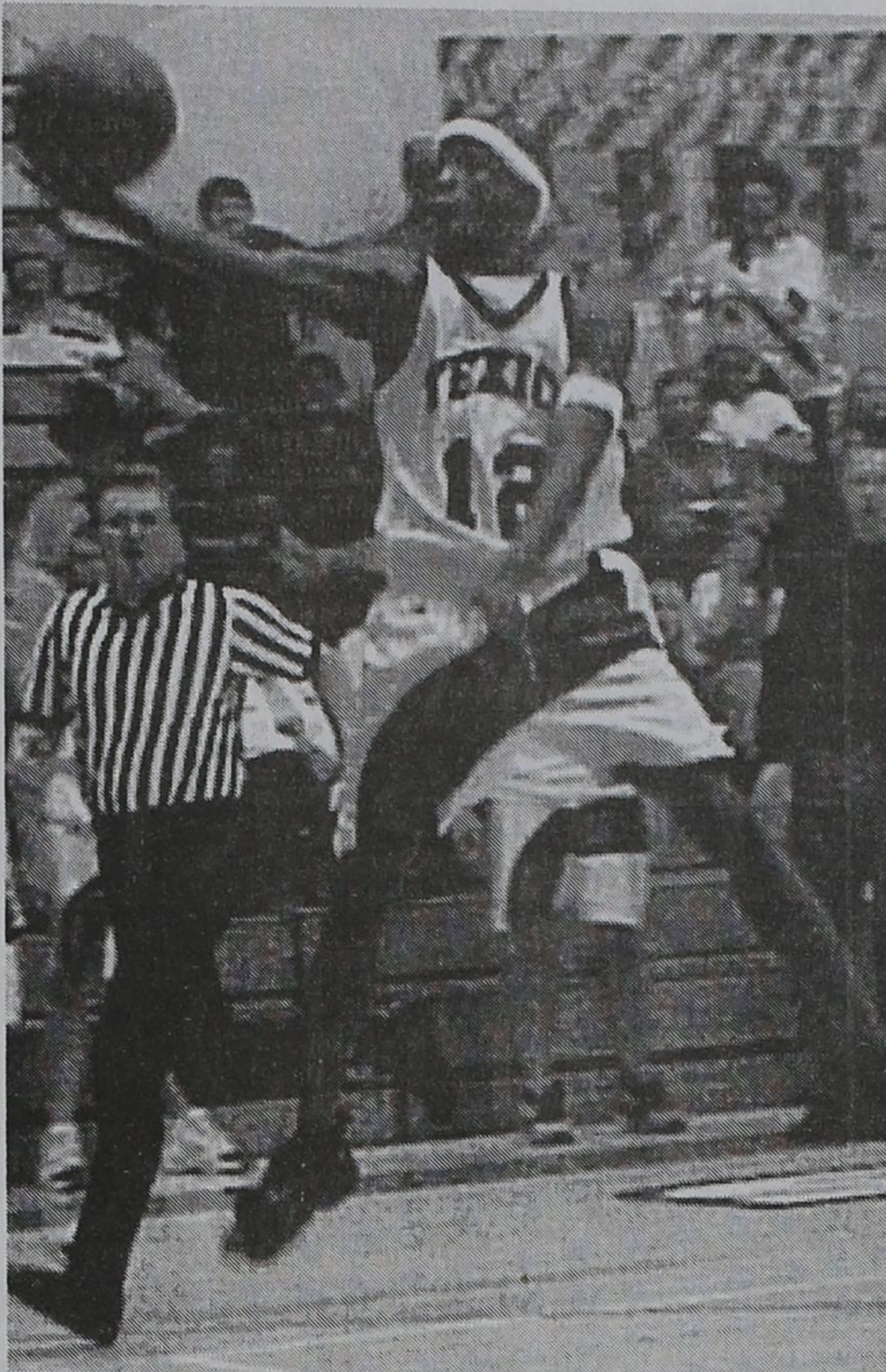


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Huge disparity in fouls called causes Wolverines to fall in the regionals

The Texico Wolverines lost a nail-biter, 68-66, last Friday to Cimarron at Cimarron in the regional semi-final.

The Wolverines ended the season with a 20-6 record. It was a very tough loss for Texico Coach Richard Luscombe to swallow. It's never good to blame a defeat on the referees but here are the statistics: 29 fouls were called on Texico, and only 11 on Cimarron. Texico went to the free throw line 7 times; Cimarron went 37.



And a foul called on Texico with 2 seconds left in the contest determined the final score.

Scoring were: Ross Burford, 5; Chris Hall, 10; Shelton Conwright, 7; Justin Foust, 9 (on a trio of 3-pointers); Johnny Sena, 6; Josh Boazman, 11, and Justin Steward, 18.

Texico outscored Cimarron in baskets, 29-21. But the wide disparity at the free throw line was the difference.

Texico started off well, but by the time 4:30 was still left in the first quarter, Cimarron was in the 1 and 1. But the Wolverines led 17-14 at the stop. Hall and Steward paced the attack.

Cimarron began putting in its free throws in the second quarter and they led 34-30 at the half. It was frustrating for the Wolverines. "We'd be on a breakaway and a foul would be called," said the coach.

The 3rd quarter was even, with both teams tallying 14 points. The Wolverines continued to get balanced scoring.

In the final quarter, Texico took the lead with just under a minute to play. After a couple of exchanges, Cimarron led by 3. Then Boazman knocked down a 3-pointer with 8 seconds left to tie the game. But with 2.3 seconds on the clock, a foul was called against Texico. The Cimarron player made both free throws. A desperation shot by Sena from beyond the half-court line bounced off the backboard and front of the rim.

"This one hurts," said Luscombe. "Our kids deserved to win. Sena hit a 3-pointer late in the game, and they called a walking foul. And they made a 3-second call at the end of the game that hurt. One of the referees called many of the fouls. Next year, the format changes and regional games will be held at a neutral site. That will help a lot."

Luscombe gave special thanks to all the parents for their support of the team, and also to his wife, Joann.



Financial Focus

by Glen O'Rear

What exactly do interest rate hikes mean for you as an investor? Basically, the Fed uses interest rates as a tool to regulate the economy.

If the Fed thinks the economy is growing too slowly, it will cut interest rates, thereby encouraging businesses to borrow more to expand their operations.

Conversely, if the economy is too "hot," then the Fed will raise rates to slow things down -- and head off inflation.

Traditional thinking holds that higher interest rates are bad news for stocks; if it costs more for companies to borrow, they won't grow as fast and won't earn as much.

However, studies have shown that the stock market, on average, has historically moved higher after one or two rate hikes.

A greater threat to the market actually occurs after the Fed waits too long to curb inflation, and is forced to boost rates several times.

Looking at the situation in this light, it's clear that the Fed's rate increases, while possibly unsettling in the short term, could actually help investors over the long haul.

For the economy to continue to grow at a healthy clip, it's essential that inflation remain under control.

Of course, even if the market as a whole is not hurt by one or two rates increases, it doesn't necessarily mean the individual stocks you invest in will be unaffected.

If you're investing in an industry, such as financial services, that is highly sensitive to interest rate increases, you might notice an impact right away.

And if you own bonds, you will see their prices drop in a rising-rate environment, because investors can buy new issues at higher interest rates -- meaning your lower-rate bonds are worth less.

Generally speaking, though, don't let interest rate movements -- up or down -- overly influence your investment decisions.

Investing is a long-term business, so you don't want to be side-tracked by short-term news.



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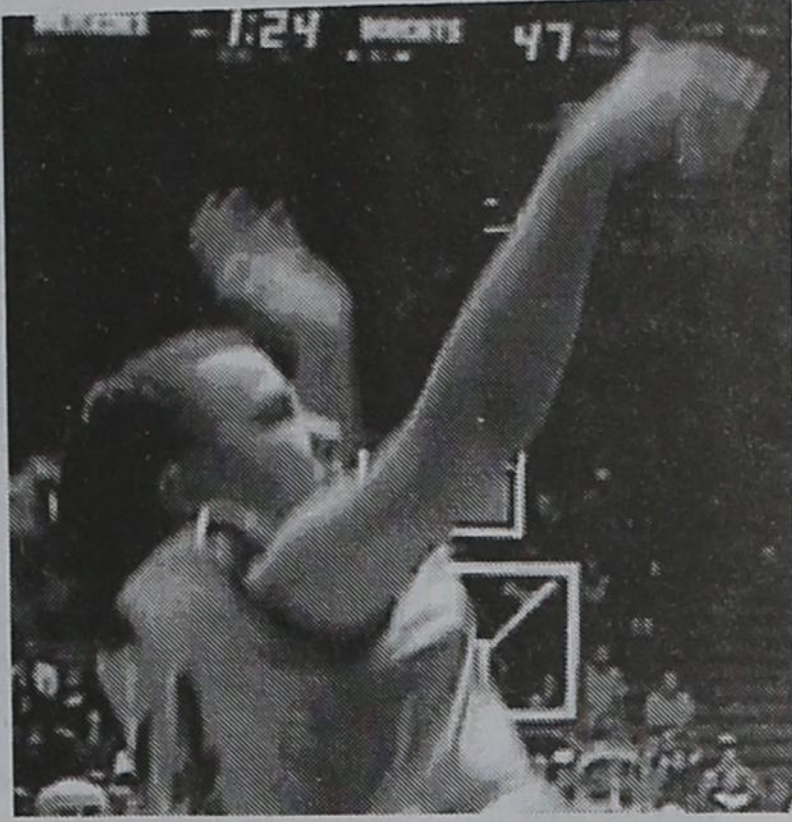
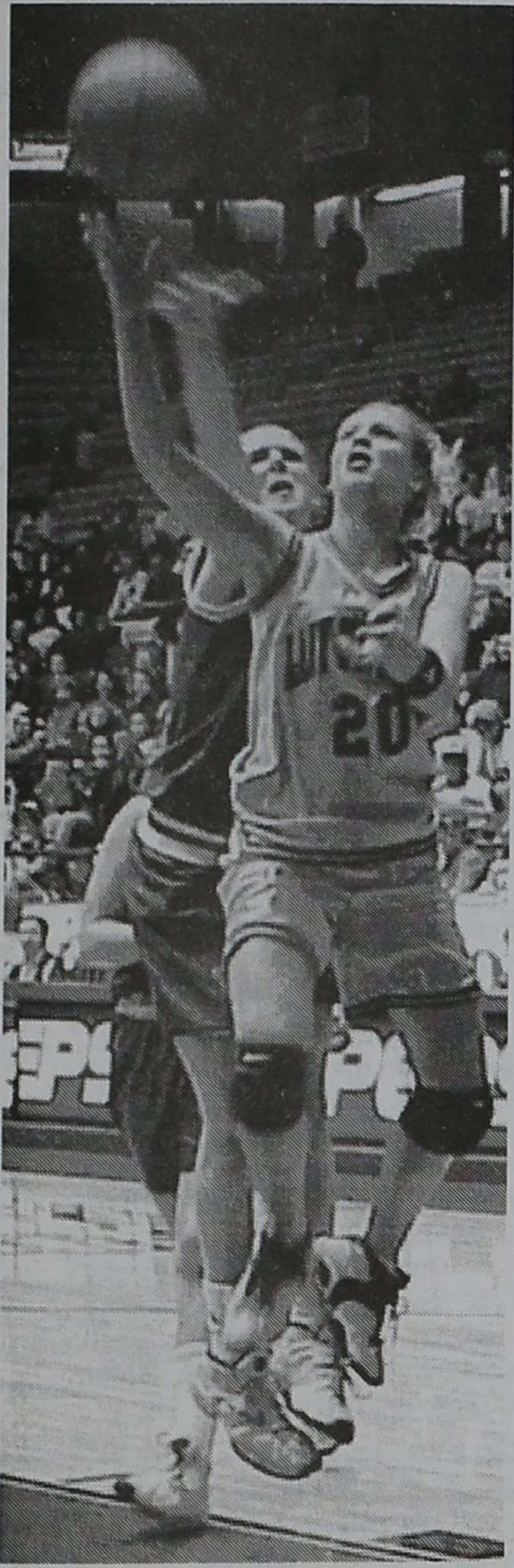
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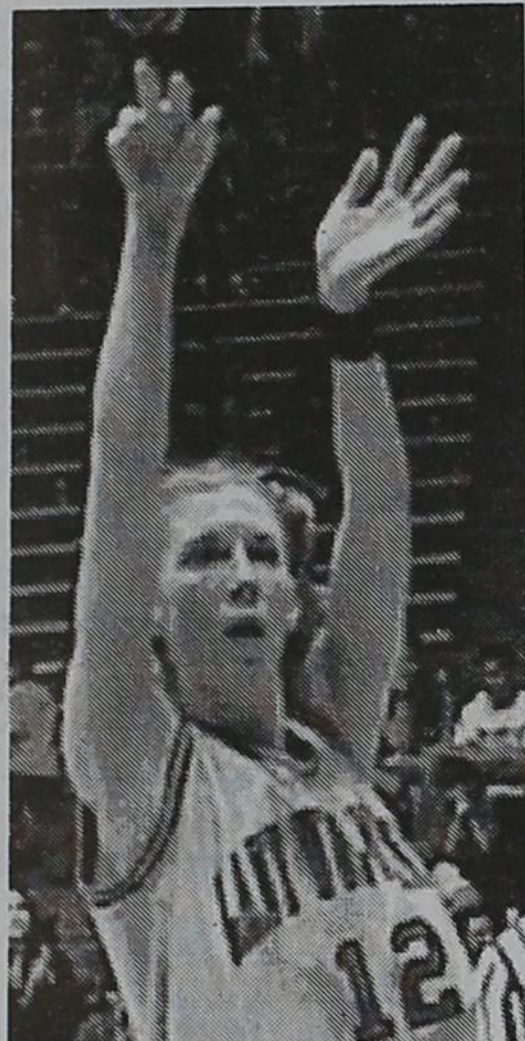
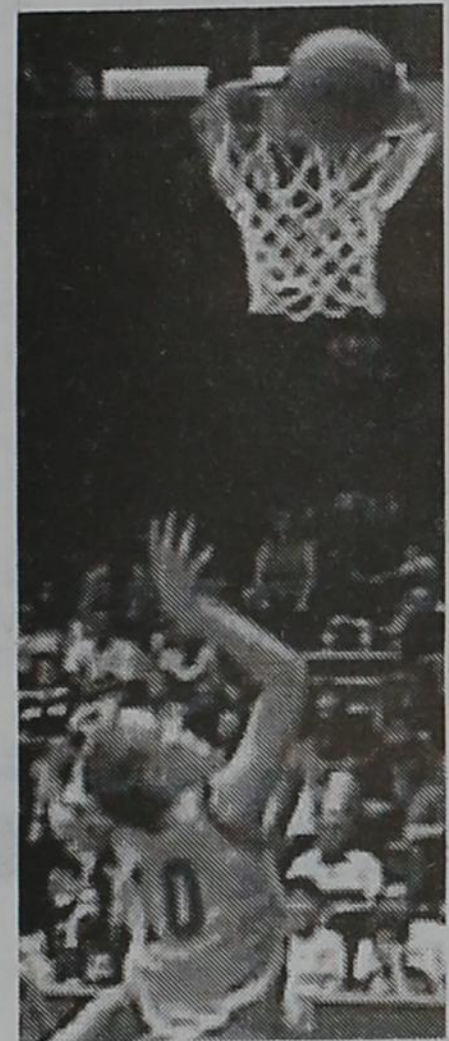
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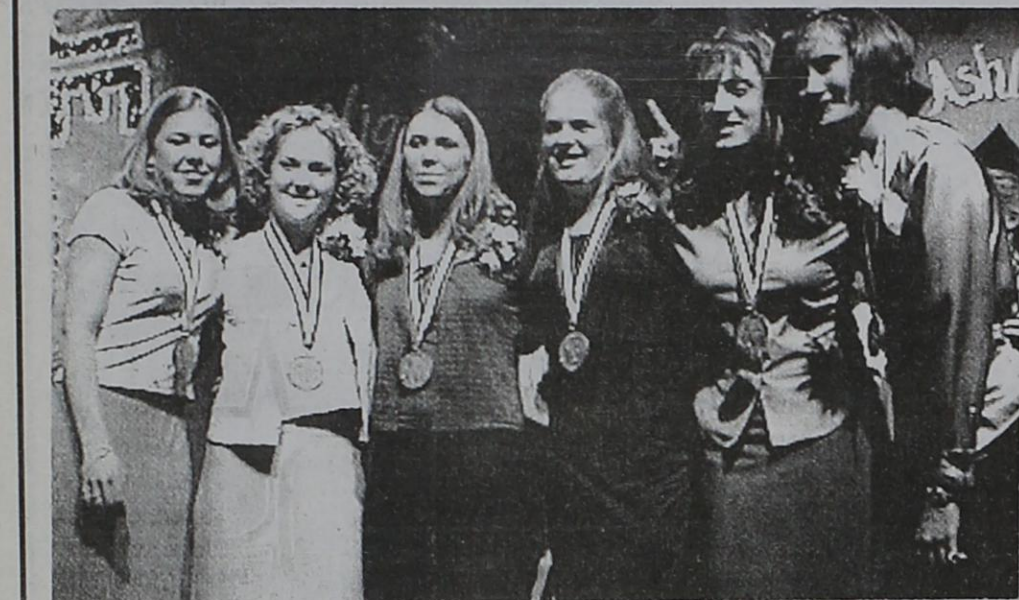
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Lady Blue honored

Farwell Schools held a special ceremony for the state champion Lady Blue team on Monday.

It was the school's first-ever state basketball title.

Mayor Jimmy Mace read a proclamation saying that March 14 will be Coach Steve Scott Day in Farwell.

Also, there will be a day of the week starting the 14th through the 24th, where the players will have a day named for each in honor of their outstanding achievement in basketball as well as academics.

Parmer County Judge Bonnie Clayton read a resolution stating that the commissioners court declared March 13-19 as Lady Blue Week in Parmer County.

Then the Lady Blue seniors said a few words and gave their thanks to the fans and all those who supported them and stood behind them throughout this season.

Coach Scott got up to say a few words and reminisce about a few of the well remembered antics the senior girls had performed.

County residences to be numbered

The numbering systems for residences throughout Parmer County will be changing soon.

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday learned that the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission plans to put the process into effect starting about May 1 when it contacts the county post offices.

When that occurs, it is expected to take about two months for the PRPC and post offices to have agreements on numbers for the residences.

Currently, east-west county roads are numbered, while north-south roads are lettered. Coming up is the time for each residence to be given a specific number.

Here's an example:

Say, your home is now listed at Rural Route 3, Box 123-C, Farwell, for example. With the new numbering system, it will become something like 904 County Road A.

This will be a big help for emergency services, plus UPS deliveries, utility repairs, etc., for homes to have physical addresses.

County Judge Bonnie Clayton stressed that this is just for the county's unincorporated areas.

Folks can continue to have post office boxes with numbers, also.

Once the PRPC and post offices reach agreements on the new physical addresses, homeowners will be notified. They then will have up to 12

months to make the changeover.

In other business, the commissioners:

-- Renewed various insurances with the Texas Association of Counties.

-- Appointed deputy sheriff Gary Blair as the county's rabies control authority, as mandated by state law.

-- Received two bids for a motor grader for the Farwell precinct. The bid from West Texas Equipment, of Amarillo, was accepted. The other bidder was Yellowhouse Machinery.

-- Approved a new benefit allowed by the state legislature for citizens who perform volunteer services, such as firemen and police.

They now will be covered

by worker's compensation when they perform volunteer services for the county.

This especially is good news for Rhea-Hollene and Lazbuddie firefighters, for example. Firemen in the cities of Bovina, Friona and Farwell already have coverages.

-- Approved a resolution praising the Farwell Lady Blue for winning the Class 2A state basketball title.

The week of March 13-19 was designated as Lady Blue Week in Parmer County.

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<p>United Pentecostal Church of Texico</p> <p>Rev. Mickee Mounce Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11:15 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 8 p.m.</p>	<p>Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church</p> <p>Rev. Kevin Phillips Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Monday men's prayer breakfast - 7 a.m.</p>	<p>Assembly of God Church, Texico</p> <p>Bob Burris - minister Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. mt Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. mt Wednesday - 6 p.m. mt</p>
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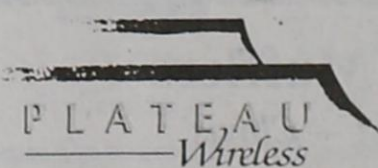


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The Latest

The annual Tree Health Conference is on tap.

The conference will include insect presentations on controlling scale insects, managing shade tree pests and elm bark beetle control.

Other topics include: Susceptible and Resistant Trees for West Texas, Oak Wilt Update, Casualty and Economical Value of Trees, and Tree Fertilization.

It will be held on March 23 in Lubbock at the Texas A&M Agricultural Research and on March 24 in Amarillo at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. at each location and the fee is \$20.

The Farwell School Board on Tuesday approved rehiring all the current teaching staff.

In other business, the board:

- Approved a staff leaves and absences policy. It contains no big changes but spells out policy in more detail.
- Approved next year's calendar. It is similar to this year but school will start a bit later and Christmas break will be a bit shorter.

The Tribune would like to welcome a new advertiser to our classified page -- Southwest Sports & Screen Printing.

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The screen printing business is owned by Doug and Susan Scioli, of Texico.

Their phone number is 482-9006.

A groundbreaking ceremony will be held at Clovis Community College on March 17 for ClientLogic and Cowperwood Company.

The Tribune received many calls over the weekend and on Monday from Muleshoe area subscribers saying they had not received last week's issue.

After two phone calls to the Muleshoe post office by Farwell postmaster Lynne Mahaney, the problem as solved:

The sack full of papers brought last Friday morning to the Muleshoe post office had been mistakenly been put in the "empty sacks" pile.

It was found there on Monday afternoon after Mrs. Mahaney's calls.

The Tribune would like to thank Mrs. Mahaney for her assistance.

Speaker of the House Pete Laney has sent Farwell Schools the flag that flew over the statehouse on the day that the Lady Blue won the Class 2A state championship.

The Lazbuddie senior class

is having a fund-raising meal on March 26 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

The cost is \$6, with light plates for \$4. Take-outs are available.

The menu includes enchiladas, Spanish rice, tossed salad, red beans, chips and salsa, and homemade dessert.

The Christian rock group "Petra" will be in concert on March 24 at Wayland Baptist University's Herral auditorium in Plainview.

You may notice that there is no lunch menu for Texico and Farwell schools in this week's issue.

Why? Both schools are on spring break next week.

Farwell Police Chief Robert Achterberg had no report this week.

Texico Marshal Kelley Brophy reported all quiet this week.

Farwell's girls' golfers won the Farwell Invitational Tournament on Tuesday at the Farwell Country Club.

Farwell carded 416. Tulia was 2nd with 428. Five teams entered.

Individual medalists included Lisa Herington, 2nd, 101; and Jade Mahaney, 3rd, 103.

Other Farwell golfers were Jessica Lusk, 107; Chelsi Kaltwasser, 105, and Leesa Patterson, 109.

The Texico accelerated reader winners for March 6-10 were:

Kindergarten - Dalia Vasquez.
1st grade - Iris Rutiaga.
2nd grade - Joshua Bruton.

3rd grade - Levi Richards.
4th - Micah Mayfield.
5th grade - Dexter Longley.

The \$250 award was based on Mrs. Fulcher's academic scholarship.

Aloha Fulcher, of Farwell, has been picked by the Clovis Community College nursing department to receive the Karl Steurlein Nursing Scholarship for the spring semester.

Texico teachers Libby Peabody and Nina Kennedy participated in a workshop Feb. 25-26 at Eastern New Mexico University that dealt with the Internet as a teaching tool.

Women's health is topic

Members of the Theta Rho E.S.A. met Feb. 28 in the home of Pam Carpenter. Helping with hostess duties was Denise Christian. The evening began with a program on Women's Health by Deba Herman.

Debra is a pharmacist with the Medicine Shoppe in Clovis. The topic dealt with women's health during various stages of their lives.

After the program, a short business meeting was held. Members voted to have a dinner theater on March 30 in conjunction with the Farwell High School one act play.

Proceeds from that dinner will go to the Michael Haseloff medical fund. The chamber banquet committee will meet and present the sorority with decorating ideas for the dinner to be held on April 15.

Members will meet to bake cookies for the Christian prison ministry, Kairos. Volunteers were asked to sign up for the M.S. Walk in Amarillo.

State Rep. Earlene Roberts to seek re-election

State Rep. Earlene Roberts, a Republican who represents Texico in the New Mexico House, announced she will seek her 7th term in the June primary.

Mrs. Roberts is the Republican Caucus "Whip." She is No. 2 in seniority among GOP House members.

She also is on these committees: legislative

council, rules and order of business, labor and human resources, education accountability task force, welfare reform oversight and Indian affairs.



Rep. Earlene Roberts

Fire Calls

The Farwell ambulance transported a person on March 10 from 204 Ave. A to Clovis hospital, and another person on March 11 from the Farwell Convalescent Center to Clovis hospital.

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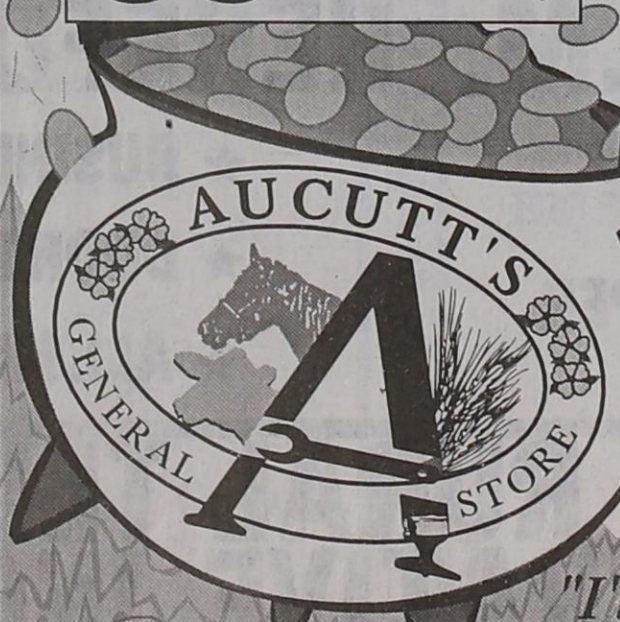
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Rotary Club puts on lunch, giveaway

The Farwell Rotary Club held its 2nd annual cruise giveaway on March 8.

Winning the four-day cruise, plus air fare, for two was Mike Grissom.

Winners of \$100 cash prizes, donated by Muleshoe State Bank's Farwell Banking Center, were Tom Hartley and Tom Nichols.

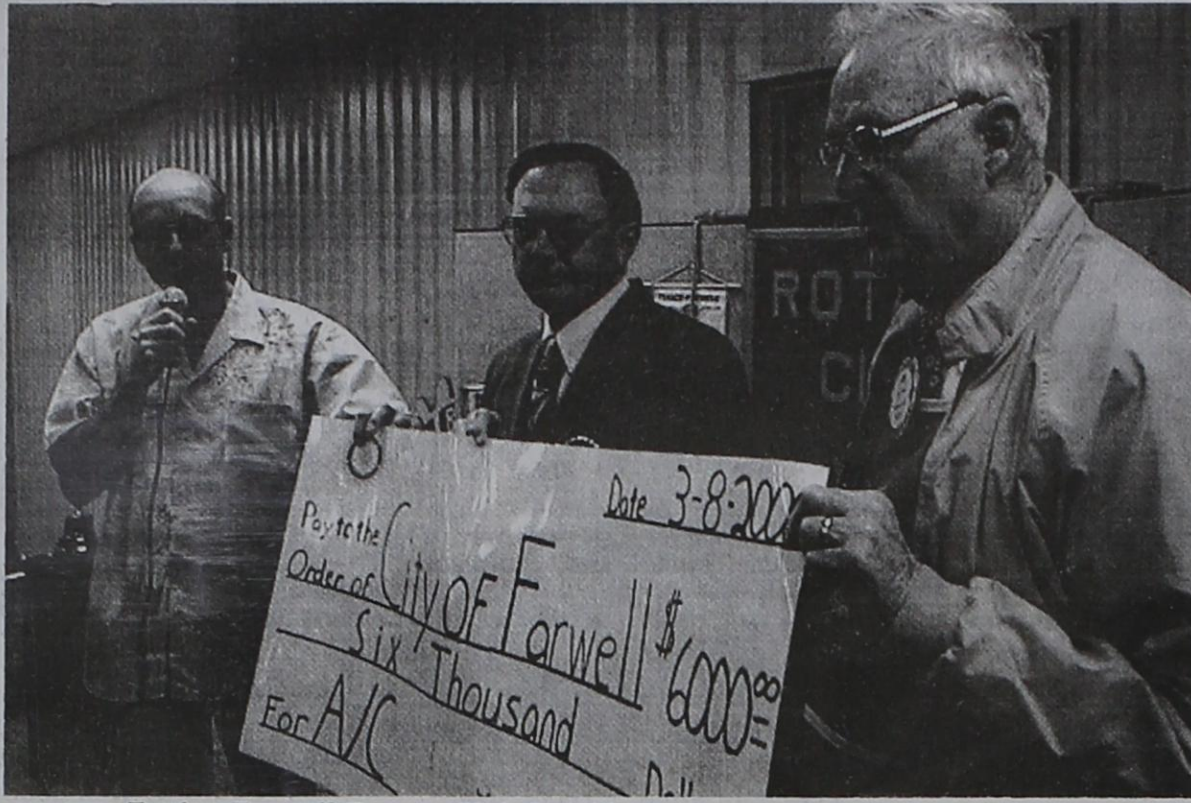
Winners of the Southwest airlines \$100 vouchers were Kyle Sheets and Johnny King.

The giveaways were made at a special luncheon open to the community at the Farwell Community Center.

Guest of honor was the Farwell Lady Blue basketball team -- Texas Class 2A state champions.

Also at the meeting, the club presented city officials with a check for \$6,000 to be used toward community center renovation and repairs.

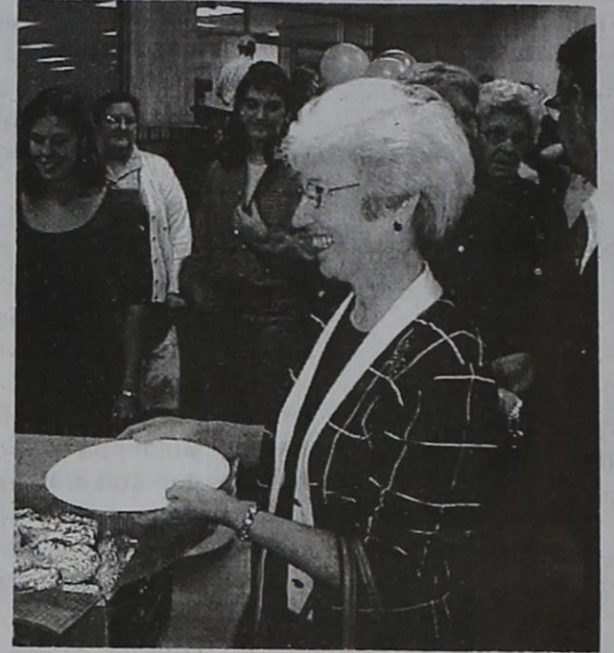
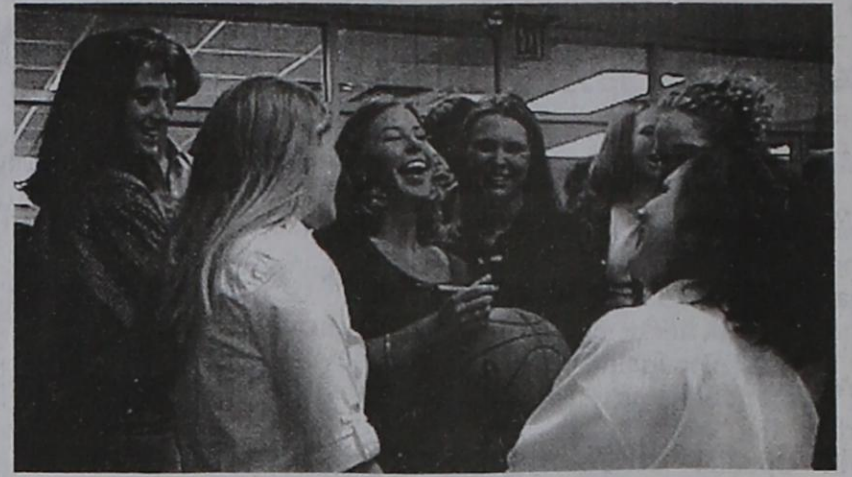
Mayor Jimmie Mace said the city also is putting between \$6,000 and \$7,000 into the repairs, mainly heating, and air conditioning work.



Texico-Farwell Rotary Club President Terry Lusk, left, presents the city with a check for \$6,000 toward Farwell Community Center renovations. Accepting it are Mayor Jimmie Mace, center, and Joe Jones, a member of the community center board.

Joe Jones, a Rotarian who is on the community center board, noted that the Farwell Chamber of Commerce is charging \$20 for Chamber banquet tickets this year.

All profits from the banquet sales will go toward the community center work.



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Banter

Roy King, assistant coach Buddy Little, and the entire squad for this wonderful year at Texico.

They played like champions.

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Also, a special congratulations should go to the Texico Wolverines, on a very successful season with 20 victories notched in their belt.

It's a shame they didn't get to state, but if you read the story elsewhere in today's paper, well....

Regardless, the team had some very special players who should get credit.

Justin Steward played well as the post man, leading the team on offense and rebounds.

Ross Burford is a beautiful shooter who made many key baskets for the team, as did Josh Boazman and Johnny Sena.

The backcourt duo of Chris "Freddie" Hall and Shelton Conwright was something to behold. Their quickness and ball-handling ability were a key to the team's success.

The Wolverines will lose four seniors -- Steward, Conwright, Mike Rivera and Chris Sena.

You can bet your bottom dollar that Coach Luscombe will field another outstanding team next season.

And look for the Wolverines to be back at state. After what occurred at regionals, they will have their goal firmly in sight next year.

There's an old adage that says it's never a good idea to list a bunch of names in a story, because you always forget someone.

Yep.

And that's exactly what I did in last week's column when I gave praise to all the members of the state Class 2A champion Farwell Lady Blue.

I forgot Jessica Chandler.

And the worst part is that I probably know her better than any other member of the team since she comes by the paper each fall Friday with her dad and brother to participate in the football contest.

Anyway, better late than never.

Jessica was a very important component on the state title-holders. She came off the

bench to play good defense, to rebound, and to score. She is a very good shooter.

Jessica will be back next year to help key the Lady Blue, and I look forward to her having another excellent season.

Talk about a great community gesture:

When the Farwell Lady Blue made it to state, the Texico Lady Wolverines sent them flowers as a "congratulations and good luck."

And when the Lady Wolverines made it to state, too, the Lady Blue reciprocated.

Farwell places 3rd at UIL competition

Farwell Elementary School placed 3rd in the UIL competition at Hale Center on March 7. Scoring were:

2nd grade story telling - Keegan Langford, 1st.

3rd grade story telling -- Alicia Porter, 4th.

3rd grade ready writing -- Alicia Porter, 3rd; Nina Galvan, 5th.

4th grade ready writing -- Chelsea Brewer, 4th.

5th grade reading writing - Jessica Phillips, 5th.

3rd grade oral reading -- Annette Torres, 1st; Morgan Saul, 3rd; Bo Mitchell, 5th; Mikaela Cenicerros, 6th.

4th grade oral reading -- Max Bermea, 2nd.

5th grade oral reading -- Lianna Grissom, 4th.

4th grade number sense -- Shelby Christian, 2nd; Bryce Howard, 4th.

5th grade number sense -- Amanda Martin, 5th.

5th grade listening skills -- Jeffrey Pierce, 6th.

5th grade dictionary skills - Amy Terry, 3rd.

The following are team events:

3rd grade music memory -- 3rd place, Amberli Martin, Landon White (perfect paper) and Drew Johnson (perfect paper).

4th grade music memory -- 4th place, Gustavo Luna, Chanel Castillo, Brandon Kyle.

5th grade music memory -- 5th place, Jesus Ramos, Emanuel Pereda, Robert Williams.

4th grade art contest -- 3rd place, Bianca Gomez, Shanea Davis, Marina Urioste, Chelsea Brewer (perfect paper).

5th grade art contest -- 2nd place, Garre Treadway, Brett Howard, Derrick Chandler, Jourdan Kirkland (perfect paper).

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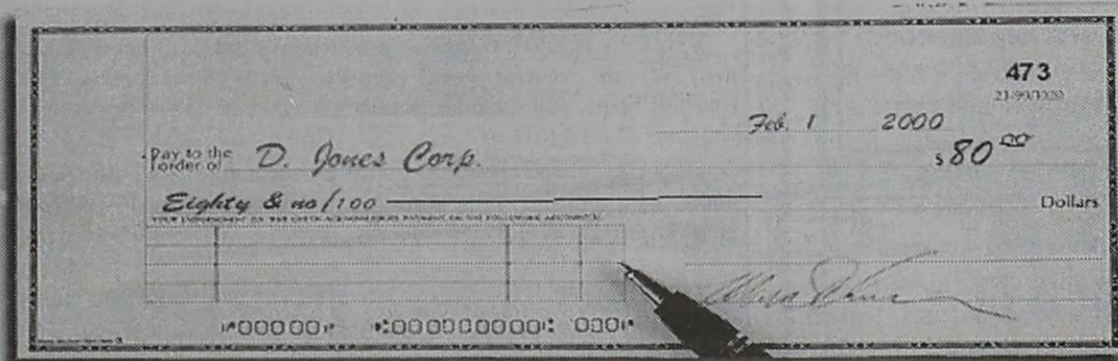
Or any of the volunteers in the
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Lazbuddie's Spanish National Honor Society

On Feb. 10, the following students were inducted into the Spanish Honor Society at Lazbuddie Schools: Candice Randolph, Jodie Coker, Kayla Kimbrough, Kelsey Jones, Savannah Black, Jay Seaton, Jeffrey Phillips, Kati Mimms, Triston Thorn and Elizabeth Thomas. The ceremony was conducted by Veronica Mata, president, and Zulema Marquez, secretary.

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Meet Farwell's Class of 2012



Gaby Navarette is a kindergartener at Farwell Elementary. Her birthday is June 5. She is the daughter of Ruth and Roberto Sanchez, and is the granddaughter of Maria and Evanue Terrazas. She has four siblings, Cassandra, Angel, Sergio, and Kimberly. Gaby enjoys riding her bike and swimming. Her favorite food is pizza, and her favorite color is pink.

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Texico High Principal Hollis resigns

The Texico School Board on Tuesday received the resignation of high school principal Rob Hollis.

Hollis plans to enter the ministry fulltime and is seeking a position with a church, the board learned.

In other business, the board:

-- Heard that Kendall Burch is retiring after teaching home economics for 31 years. She also was the longtime FHA sponsor.

-- Reviewed the fire marshal's new report on gym No. 2. A lot of the deficiencies have been corrected.

-- Rehired Texico Junior High Principal Rick Stanley for the 2000-2001 year.

-- Adopted math and music textbooks.

-- Adopted a policy on making sure students who have head lice get treated.

-- Heard about an addition to the Accelerated Reading Program, as suggested by Carrie Kittrell.

Students can now use Bible reading, on a voluntary basis, to get AR points.

-- Ordered new chalkboards for the high school.

-- Accepted carpet and tile bids for the elementary

school, junior high and gym lobby. The work will be done this summer.

-- Approved tentative schematic plans for the new gymnasium.

Tentative plans call for the new gym to have about 1215 seats. The current gym allows only 800 people, including standing room.

Other tentative plans call for 479 regular seats on the visitor side and 632 regular seats on the home side, plus 104 "overflow bleachers" on the visitor side. The current gym doesn't have seats, just bleachers.

The board still doesn't

have all the money it needs to put these plans into effect. School officials are working closely with state legislators to get more money at the March 27 special legislative session, in addition to the \$1.5 million bond issue approved by Texico voters this year.

Also, be having 1,200 seats, Texico is eligible to host regional basketball tournaments. A new state policy is to put the regionals only at gyms with at least that capacity.

The board also decided to seek state funds for a parking lot next to the new gym.

Sheriff's Report

Here is the weekly report from Parmer County Sheriff Walt Yerger:

On March 9, Jose Dimas, 30, of Waco, Texas, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of probation violation. The case is pending in district court.

On March 14, Celina Barela, 54, of Clovis, was arrested by the Friona police and sheriff's office on a charge of possession of marijuana. The case is pending in county court.

On March 14, Manuel Barela, 56, of Clovis, was arrested by the Friona police and sheriff's office on charges of possession of a controlled substance, pending before the grand jury, and resisting arrest, pending in county court.

On March 12, Uriel Aguilar, 43, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of driving with a suspended license. The case is pending in county court.

On March 12, Mario Castillo, 46, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of felony DWI. The case is pending before the grand jury.

On March 10, Armando Castro, 30, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On March 7, Torey Boltz, 37, of Colorado, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. The case is pending before the grand jury.

On March 9, Dewayne Chilton, 20, of Lazbuddie, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On March 9 in 287th District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

-- Mark Maestas, 18, of Clovis, charged with indecency with a child (reduced from aggravated sexual assault) was sentenced to 4 years in the Texas Department of Corrections, probated for 4 years, \$266 court cost, \$1,000 fine and \$350 for attorney's fees.

-- Leopoldo Gonzales Jr., 41, of Farwell, charged with criminal non support, was sentenced to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 4 years, \$266 court cost, \$750 fine, \$300 attorney fees and \$17,211 restitution.

-- Eric Hernandez, 28, of Friona, charged with subsequent DWI, was sentenced to 4 years in the Texas Department of Corrections, probated for 4 years, \$292 court cost, \$750 fine, 200 hours of community service and loss of driver's license for 18 months.

-- Antonio Valle Jr., 33, of Hereford, charged with subsequent DWI, was sentenced to 4 years in the Texas Department of Corrections, probated for 4 years, \$266 court cost, \$750 fine, 200 hours of community service, and loss of driver's license for 18 months.

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It's time here for baseball signup

by Teresa Mesman

It's baseball time again for all interested boys and girls that live in or attend school in the Farwell Independent School District.

Sign-ups for Farwell Little League Baseball and T-Ball teams will be held on Thursday, March 23 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Farwell Jr. High Gym. Another sign-up will be held on Tuesday, March 28th at the same place and time.

At the time of registration, a copy of the child's birth certificate must be given. Please do not bring any original birth certificates - only clear, readable copies will be accepted. All players that have played in the past years will need to resubmit a copy of their birth certificate. This is due to the re-chartering of the Farwell Little League and a separate set of books and files being kept on each player.

T-Ball registrants must be age 6 by Aug. 1, 2000.

The cost for playing Little League Baseball and T-Ball will be \$20 per player this year. All checks for registration fees need to be made to "Farwell Little League."

Scholarships will be available for those persons unable to pay the registration fee.

Team sponsorships have been set at \$300 per team. Any business or individuals who wish to help sponsor a team should contact Gary Patterson, Little League Board President as soon as possible. Most teams have two or three sponsors.

All managers for the teams will be selected by the Farwell Little League Board of Directors following the sign-ups. Each manager will then be responsible for selecting their own coaches.

All teams need a minimum of three to four coaches per game. The T-Ball division

takes a few more. Any parents, grandparents, friends, relatives or interested individuals willing to volunteer their time to this effort should let the members of the Board of Directors know their interest.

Volunteers are also needed for the nights the sign-ups are held. Anyone willing to help with the sign-ups, should let Gary Patterson know immediately or be at the Farwell Junior High gym by 5 p.m. both nights of the sign-ups.

The teams will play all games in Muleshoe at the Little League complex.

There has been interest expressed at having an older division in the Farwell Little League. The "Babe Ruth" division is designed for those older players that have graduated out of the Majors division in Little League. The Babe Ruth division would be for players aged 13 to 15. If you have a child interested in playing ball in this division, please contact Board secretary Ruth Owen at (806) 925-6613 by March 28.

If you need more information please contact Gary Patterson at 481-9580 during the day or at 825-2094 evenings or Ruth Owen at (806)925-6613.

Letter To The Editor

To the Editor:

The Texico Lady Wolverine basketball team would like to sincerely thank all of our loyal fans for their continuous support.

We would also like to offer a special thanks to the many fans who drove to the State tournament to show their support and great school spirit, it helped a ton.

Thanks,

The Texico
Lady Wolverines

I would like to say thank you to all the folks who went to the polls on Tuesday and supported me in my election campaign.

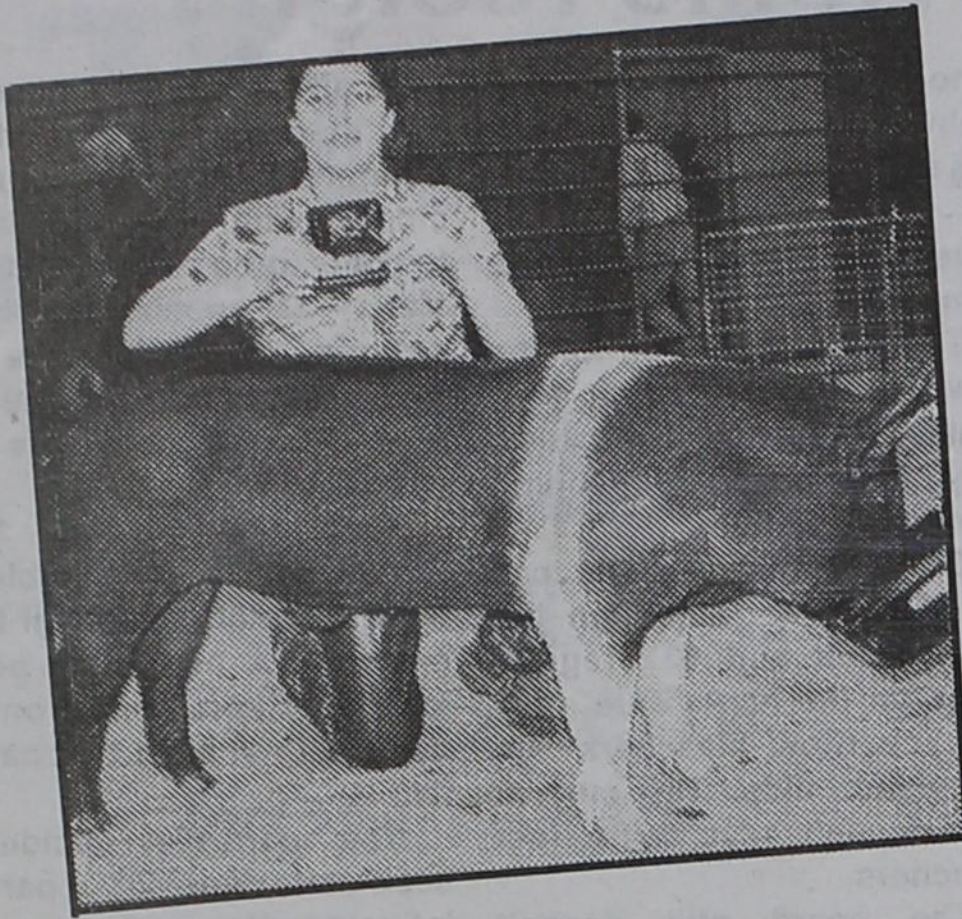
And I also would like to congratulate Ed Corn on his win in the race for Pct. 3 county commissioner.

Ronald Byrd

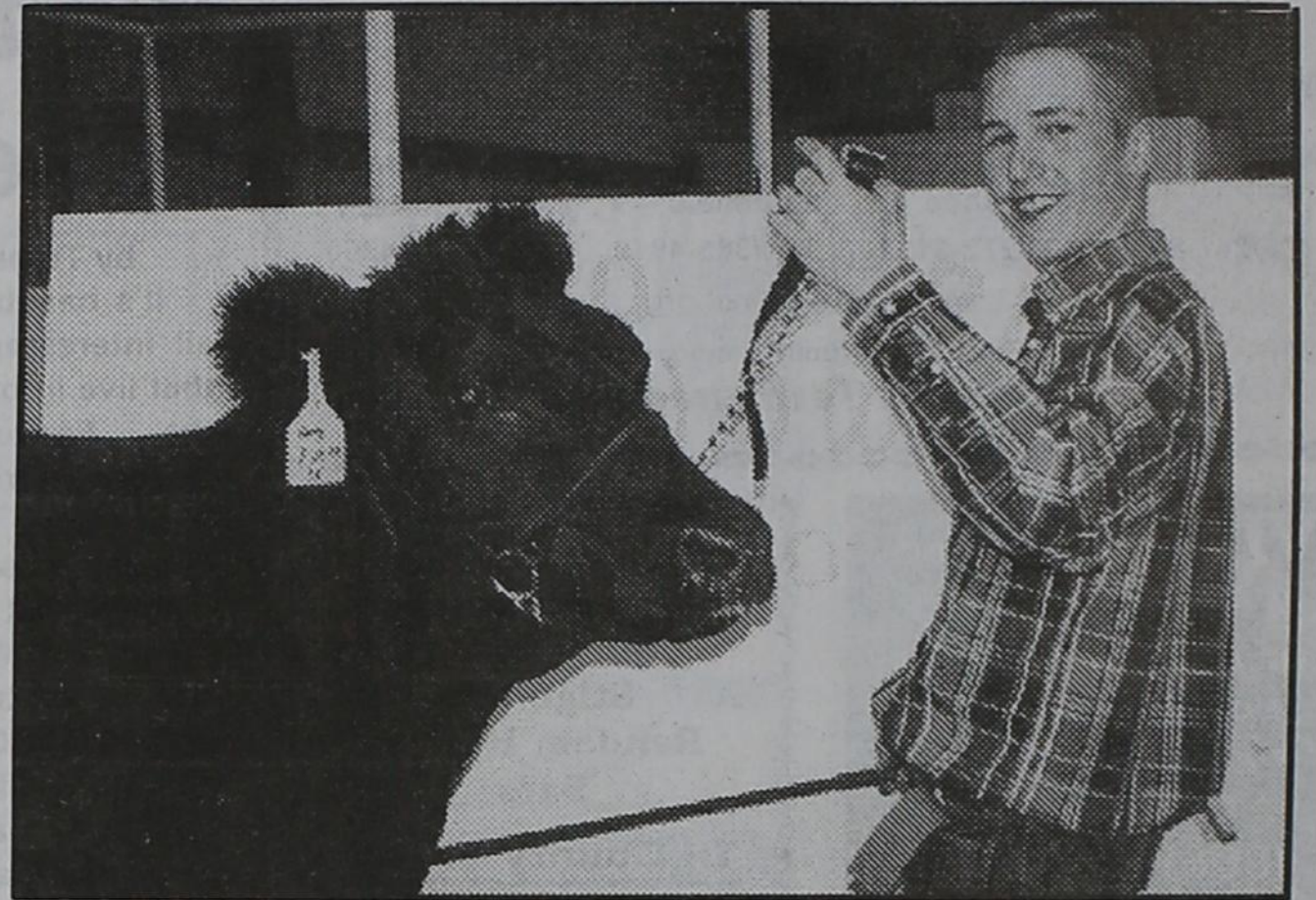
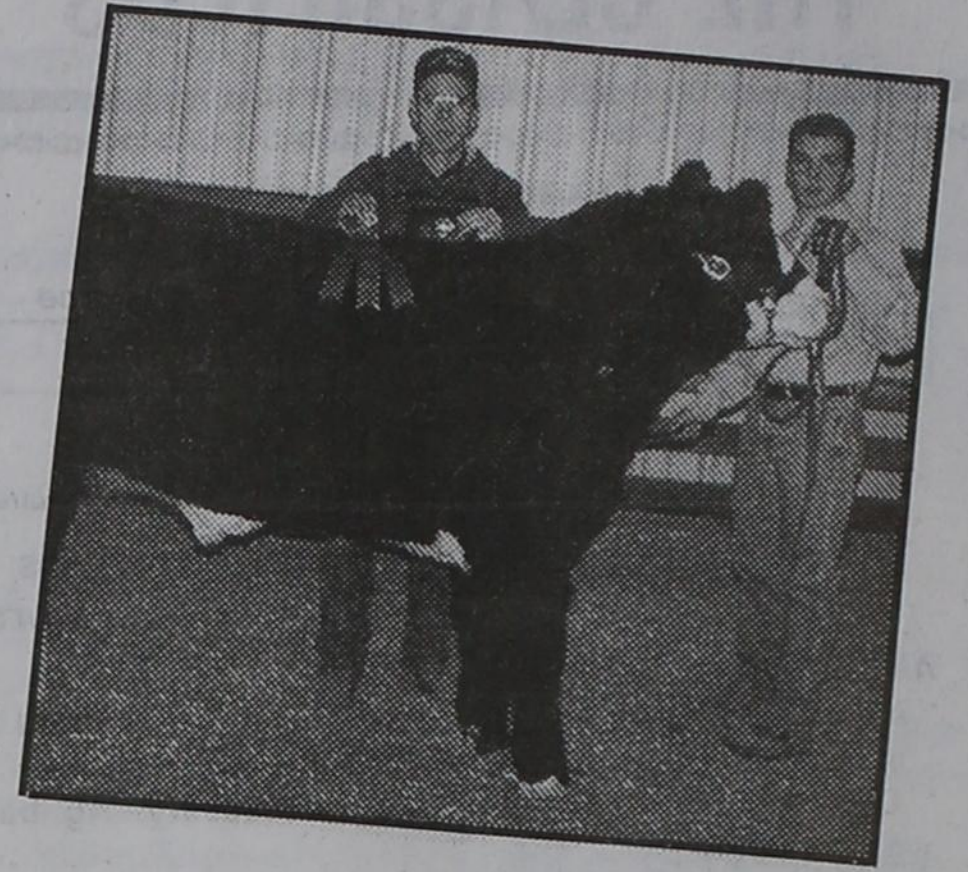
Dr. Tseung, a Podiatrist will be at the Farwell Convalescent Center Thursday, March 23

Dr. Tseung comes to the Farwell Convalescent Center for out-patient podiatry appointments every other month.

If you are having trouble with your feet, call Elaine Morrow at 481-9027 for an appointment. Podiatry charges can be billed to Medicare or private insurance.



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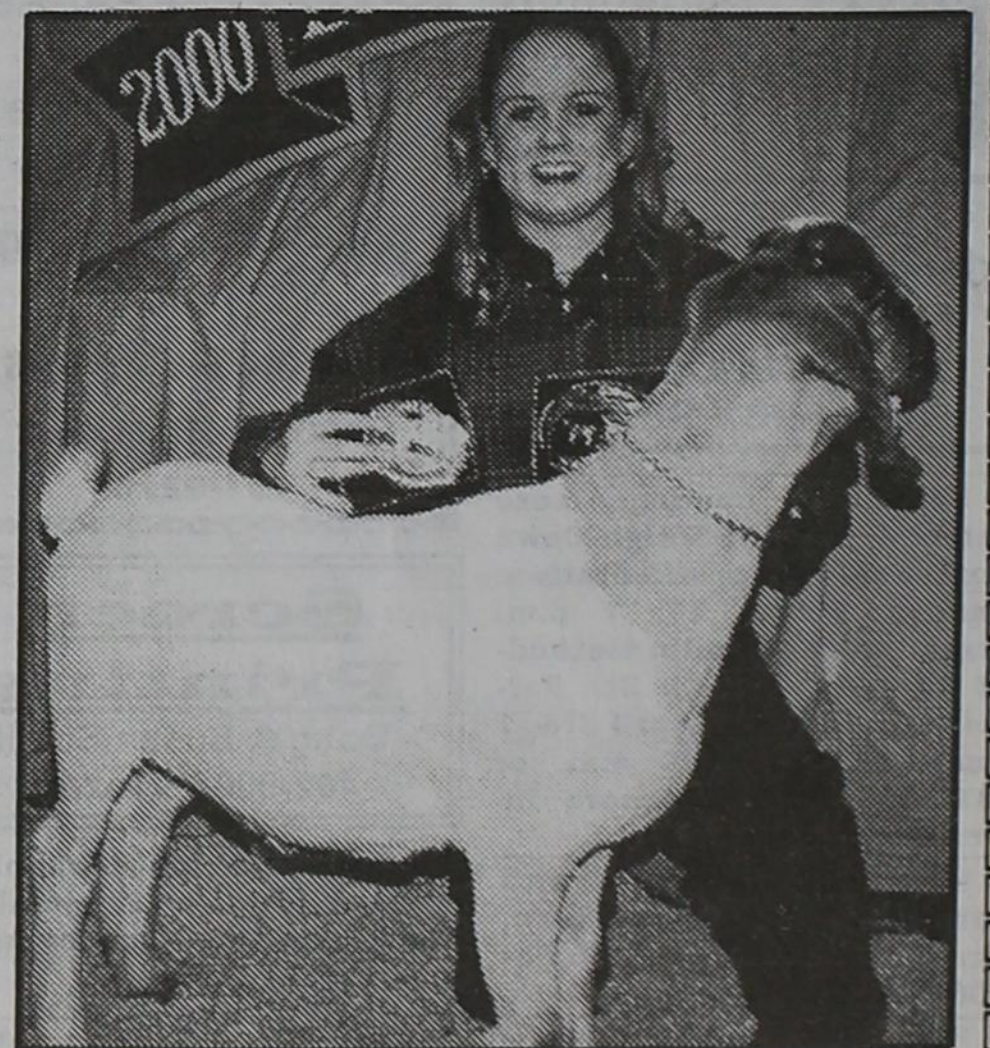
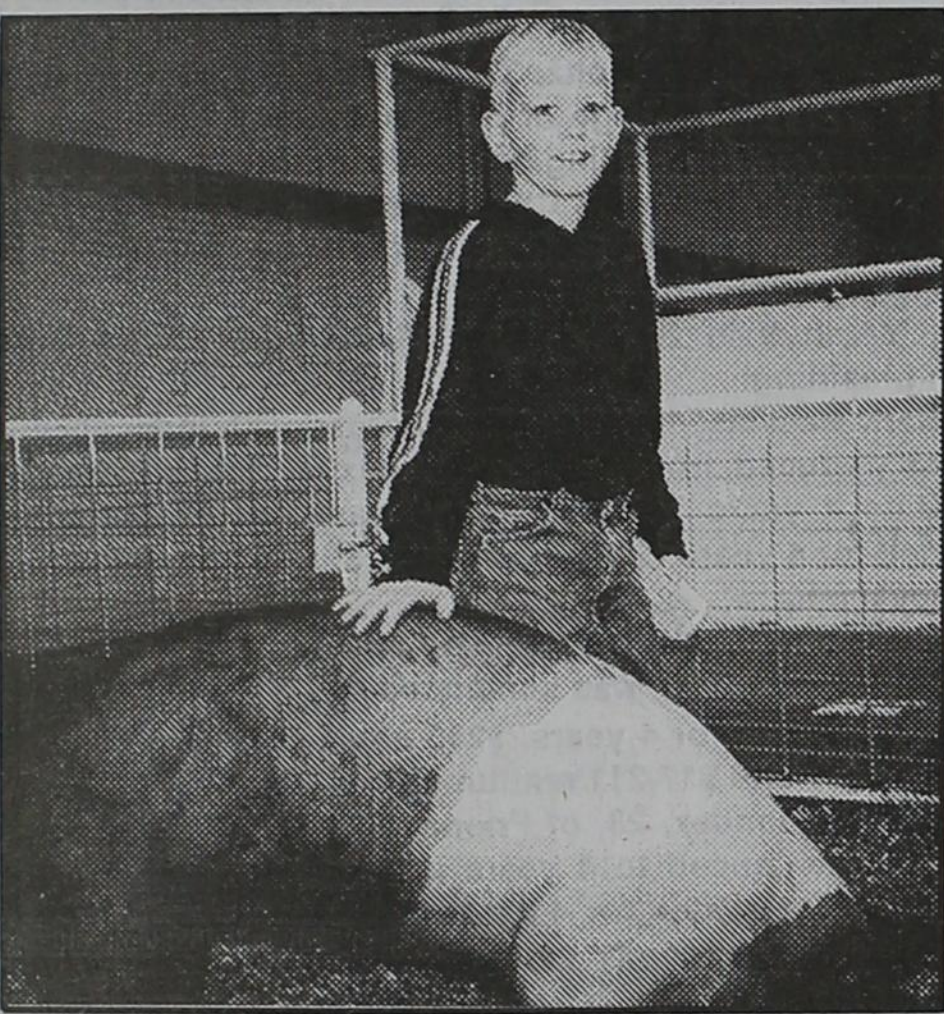
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Those who deal with beef and pork and things along the "meats" branch, are the proud segment of the industry providing grade A choices from the ranch.

Another branch of the industry provides milk, so fresh and white. It's the dairy farmer, whose job goes on through morning, noon and night.

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Teresa J. Mesman - March 1995



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