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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Leffew Crowned Miss TSHSRA For 1994-95



Sumer Leffew

Sumer Leffew of Wheeler was crowned Miss Tri-State High School Rodeo Association to serve for 1994 and 1995. The award was presented during the last performance of the Finals Rodeo in Amarillo Saturday, June 4th.

She will be representing TSHSRA during the next year and will help promote the sport of rodeo.

Sumer will be a senior at Wheeler High School this coming year. She is the 17 year old daughter of Norman and Marty Leffew of Wheeler.

Fireworks Donations Are Being Accepted

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce will again sponsor the fireworks display at the end of the Fourth of July activities on Monday, July 4. The Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department and Jimmy Adams will ignite the 45 minute extravaganza.

A \$2000 assortment will be purchased for the display, and donations to help cover this cost are now being accepted. The fireworks show is scheduled for "dusk" at the city park.

An account has been opened at the First National Bank in Wheeler for deposit of donations toward the fireworks. Checks can be made payable to Wheeler Fireworks Display and taken or mailed to First National Bank, Box 1040, Wheeler, Texas 79096.

In addition, any Chamber of Commerce member will accept donations or contact Marci Wright at 826-5516 during the day.

Physical Therapy Degree Awarded To E. Christner

Elizabeth Elise Christner has received a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Physical Therapy with the honor of Magna Cum Laude awarded by The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.

Elise is the daughter of Sandra Christner and the late Tom Christner, and the granddaughter of Gordon Stiles, all of Wheeler. She is a graduate of Wheeler High School and has a BS degree from Texas A & M University of College Station.

Degree candidates included students in clinical laboratory sciences, occupational therapy and physical therapy.

They were honored at the School of Allied Health Sciences commencement ceremonies May 21. Principal speaker was Robert Gaylor, management development specialist for United Services Automobile Association, headquartered in San Antonio.

Elise will be employed with Rehabilitative Care Systems of America in a traveling position throughout Texas.

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR
By Louis C. Stas

Where is the year going? Here it is about time for the 4th of July Celebration.

The Old Mobeetie Association will be hosting the Wheeler County Heritage Days celebration on the 18th of this month. There are lots of activities scheduled. Better check your calendar and re-arrange to make room for this event.

And, don't forget the cancellation being offered on that day. Check the right hand corner of page 1 for more information.

Summer is definitely here with temperatures reaching 101, according to the thermometer at the bank on Tuesday.

The Wheeler Times was represented at the dress rehearsal for "Texas". An excellent performance was reported.

Called Sunday to wish 'Wife #2' Happy Birthday. Inez Erwin moved up one more rung on the ladder of life Monday. Where have all those years gone, Inez.

Keeping with the same subject line, another former secretary will celebrate that particular day on Monday. Happy Birthday, Patricia Forrester.

Notice how careful I was not to say how far 'up the ladder' either of them are.

Ronal Wayne Stas, Jr. becomes a teenager in just a week, June 16.

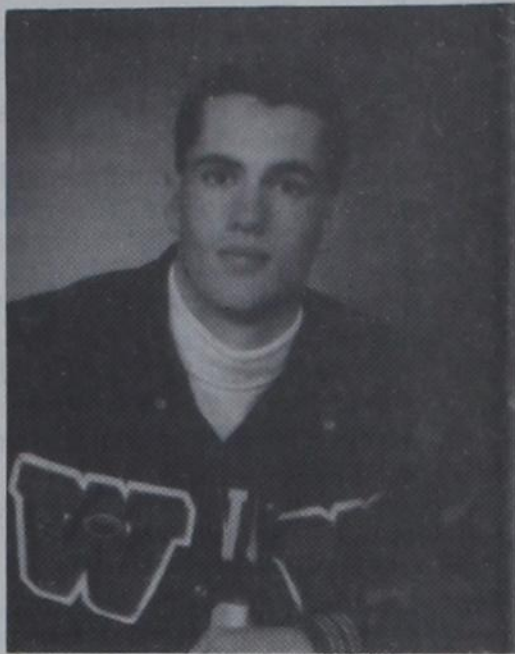
The grandkids are still visiting. We have had some wild card games and the croquet court gets a workout. I think Ronal wins more times than he loses.

Had the paper finished and lacked this paragraph. Then, I found Tillie Snelgroes picture with her big fish (2). We will hold that for next week.

Good to see Lavon Williams is back on the job.

DATE	DAY	Lo	Hi	Pre
06-01	Wed.	65	96	0.00
06-02	Thurs	64	91	0.00
06-03	Fri.	68	91	0.32
06-04	Sat.	64	90	0.00
06-05	Sun.	67	102	0.00
06-06	Mon.	65	98	0.00
06-07	Tues.	69	106	0.00
Low for the year:		01-31	0	
High for the year:		06-07	106	
Total moisture for month:			0.42"	
Total for year:			4.58"	
Total Snow:			10.00"	

Courtesy: KPDR-FM Radio



Todd Baize

Todd Baize, son of Van and Rene Baize, competed in the 45th Annual Greenbelt Bowl All-Star Football Classic Saturday evening before 1,800 fans at Fair Park Stadium in Childress. The game culminated a week of events which included luncheons with the Lions Club, Rotary Club, the Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders, banquet Friday night, and pre-game festivities on Saturday. Todd played Tight End on offense and Defensive End for the "North" squad which ran past the "South" squad 21-7. It was deadly speed at the skill positions, great blocking which opened up a lot of holes, and quickness at getting off the ball at the line that allowed the North to burn the South.



Andrea Dukes

Andrea Dukes, daughter of Bevard and Diane Dukes, participated in the 45th Annual Greenbelt Bowl Classic activities on Friday and Saturday in Childress. Queen nominees arrived for the Welcoming Tea at the Magnolia Bed and Breakfast on Friday. They had interviews with the judges and pageant rehearsal. They attended a banquet Friday evening at Fair Park Auditorium and the Queen's Pageant was held Friday night. Saturday morning the nominees attended a luncheon and Style Show in their honor. The ladies were also presented in pre-game festivities and half-time ceremonies during the game.

Wheeler Chamber Focuses On 4th

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce met Tuesday, June 7, with the upcoming 4th of July Celebration as the topic.

It has been brought to the attention of the Chamber that a number of business people have been contacted to purchase advertising from D. & L. Map Service (Multi-Marketing). They has sponsored the purchase of maps from this company in the past, but has not authorized them to contact Wheeler merchants and does not plan to print new maps in the future. If you are contacted by a company selling advertising on a map, please contact the Chamber office at 826-3408.

Nancy Morrison recently resigned as Chamber secretary to begin work at Lee Hardware and Furniture. Nancy had served the Chamber well for a number of years. Good luck to Nancy and "Thanks". Cathy Miller has been appointed Chamber secretary and the office will be located in the H&R Block building at the corner of Main and Oklahoma.

A number of individuals were appointed jobs to do in connection with the annual 4th of July Celebration. Donations are being accepted for the purchase of the fireworks for the display; a related story appears elsewhere on the front page.

Performers are needed for entertainment throughout the afternoon. If you would like to perform, please contact the Chamber office. An effort is to be made to correct the speaker situation at the park; it is the intention of the Chamber to install additional speakers.

"The Outlaws" will be performing throughout the day at the park; staging wild west shootouts. This is a different group from the one scheduled to perform at the Wheeler County Heritage Days in Mobeetie on the 18 of June.

Any organization wishing to have a booth at the park on the 4th of July is invited to contact the Chamber office for details. This is an excellent opportunity to make money for your organization.

Whitener's Celebrate 60th Wedding Anniversary

Gordon Whitener and Bennie May Williams were married in the farm home of W.L. and Ruby Williams, parents of Bennie May on Sunday June 10th, 1934. Their attendants were Ruby Lee Williams, sister of the bride and Weldon Sandifer, Novella Whitener, sister of the groom and Austin Jaco. Mrs. Ruby Williams mother of the bride, played the Wedding march, and Louise Whitener sister of the groom was flower girl. At the time of their marriage Gordon was teaching school at Twitty and Bennie May was teaching in Wheeler as head of the Homemaking Dept. In 1938 while

working on a farm at Kelton a son, William was born. He is now married to the former Adaleen Cook and they are the parents of 2 sons, Tim and Ben, and a daughter Darleen. In 1940 they purchased a farm west of Wheeler where they resided until retirement in 1975. A daughter, Nancy, was born in 1941. She is married to Gary Miller and they are the parents of two daughters, Shonda and Rhonda.

Gordon farmed 37 years and was chosen Farmer of the Year once by the Chamber of Commerce and Bennie May continued to teach in the Homemaking Dept. for many years. Upon retirement they lived in Wheeler five years. Because of health problems they moved to Lubbock to be near their son, William, and lived in a retirement center for 14 years. Due to the prolonged illness of Bennie May they decided to move back to Wheeler where they now reside in an apartment joining Nancy and Gary's home which is located on the site of Bennie May's childhood home.

They are proud of their family and take pride in the fact that their 5 grandchildren are all involved in Christian endeavors. Wheeler has been home to them through the years and they treasure the friendship of the people here. While they are unable to have a public celebration they would be most happy to receive greetings from their friends. Their address is Route 1, Box 185 A Wheeler, Tx., 79096 and telephone number is 826-3250.



Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Whitener

The Wheeler County Heritage Day Celebration is quickly approaching. The event will be June the 17th through 19th at the Old Mobeetie Jail Museum grounds in Old Mobeetie.

There will be an exciting reenactments from Calvary and Gunfighters, along with some local participants. Some of the items being made available for sale to the public are American flags and Texas flags that have flown on the fort flag pole. They are 3x5 screen prints in box with choice of certificates. One that it flew on the flag pole and the other that it flew in honor of — of the flag pole. They sell for \$20.00. We have 4 only—2 American and 2 Texas that were flown June 5, the day the fort became Ft. Elliott. If anyone wants a flag flown on a special day, they can contact one of the members. The original bell for Fort Elliott will be on display for Heritage Day. There will be both food and craft booths, including an Indian trader and

a First Aide Station set up by the E.M.T.

There will be an auction for an American flag and Texas flag flown June 18, which will be held at 2 P.M. with Paul Hathaway as auctioneer. These flags are a better grade than the screen print flags. They will fly from 9-5. Bob Izzard will be serving as MC for the event.

Souvenir books are available and will sell for \$2.00. This is the cost for making the book. The book will have pictures of the art work for the contest and stories about the fort.

The Mobeetie Post Office will be offering a special cancellation at the Wheeler County Heritage Day Celebration on June 18 at the Jail Museum in Mobeetie. The cancellation will honor Fort Elliott established in 1875 near Mobeetie.

Everyone is invited to attend this exciting event in celebration of our local heritage.

MOBEETIE POST OFFICE OFFERS CANCELLATION STAMP

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Services Held For Eula Gladys Worthington

Funeral Services were held for Eula Gladys Worthington of Sun City, California on Thursday, June 2, 1994. She died Sunday, May 29, 1994 of Circulatory and Heart Disease at Community Hospital in Loma Linda, California.

Mrs. Worthington was born in Quanah, Texas. She and her husband, Charlie Worthington, lived and worked on the I.V. Ranch in Canadian for 9 years, then moved to a cattle ranch east of Wheeler for a short period of time before moving to California in 1942. Eula lived in China for 25 years before moving to Sun City Gardens Retirement Home in 1992. She was a member of the 1st Baptist Church in Pomona and a member of Eastern Star in excess of 50 years.

Mrs. Worthington is survived by a daughter, Billie Ruth Sims of Perris, California (Mrs. Ray L. Sims from Mobeetie); three grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; five great-great grandchildren; and a sister, Pat Hannah of Calimesa, California.

Wheeler Principal, Neal, Submits Resignation

Clayton Neal has resigned his position as high school principal at Wheeler High School. His resignation has been accepted and becomes effective at the end of his contract term. He has taken the position of high school principal in Gustine, Texas.

Wheeler High School is accepting resumes for the position of high school principal. Resumes can be sent to Glyndol Holland, P.O. Box 1010, Wheeler, TX 79096 or call 826-5241. Deadline for application is July 1, 1994.

New Arrival

Lexi Kay Batton
Tate Batton would like to announce the arrival of his new baby sister Lexi Kay Batton, 6 lbs. 3 oz., 19" long, born on May 24, 1994 at 8:26 a.m.

Proud parents are Stephen and Tammy Batton of Spearman. Grandparents are Jim and Kay Batton of Mobeetie, Jeanie and Dave Hand and Sonny and Marlane Nollner of Spearman. Great grandmothers are Betty Arrington of Miami and Georgie McLeod and Lois Nollner of Spearman.

Shayla Michelle Horton
Blake Horton would like to announce the arrival of his baby sister, Shayla Michelle. Shayla, weighing 7 lbs. 1 1/2 oz., was born May 14 to Steven and Lacy Horton of Briscoe. Proud grandparents are Jerry and Sharon Horton of Wheeler and Bill and Kyla Walker of Briscoe. Equally proud great-grandparents are Ted and Viola Cooper, Raymond and Willie Burks, Cliff and Dorothy Walker of Wheeler, Wayne and Polly Higgins of Aransas Pass, Tx. and Noah and Dot Horton of Marshall, Ark.

Jayton Keith Bell
Michael Bell, son of Keith and Shara Bell of Mobeetie, announces the arrival of his new baby brother, Jayton Keith Bell, who was born on May the 27th and weighed in at 7 pounds and two ounces.

Grandparents are Mike and Barbra Bell of Briscoe, Joe Kelley of Mobeetie and Faith Price of Weatherford, Texas. Great grandparents are Tom and Betty Bell of Briscoe, Flora Mae Kelley of Mobeetie, Betty Allison of Amarillo and Bill and Betty Rains of Mobeetie.

NORTH WHEELER COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS MEET

The North Wheeler County Senior Citizens met in regular session on June 6, 1994 in the Senior Citizens Building. Alice Bell Helton, president, called the meeting to order, and asked for June birthdays, J.P. Meek, Helen Sabbe, Lois Meadows, Evelyn Meek, and Nona Powledge, all having birthdays to celebrate. Claudy Brotherton led the Happy Birthday song, and then Jack Hays gave the invocation and the meal blessing. We all enjoyed the beautiful covered dish supper.

A short business meeting was held, and it was announced that since the next meeting should be on the 4th of

The special cancellation can be obtained by presenting a stamped envelope to the Mobile Post Office on the museum grounds. Envelopes and stamps will be available at the Mobile Post Office. The Buffalo Soldiers stamp can be purchased also. The Buffalo Soldiers were located at Fort Elliott.

Customers can also obtain the special cancellation by mail. They may purchase the stamps of their choice to 1 envelope of their choice, address the envelopes (to themselves or others), insert a card of postcard thickness, tuck in the flap, and place the envelopes in a larger envelope addressed to Postmaster, Ft. Elliott Station, Mobeetie, TX 79061-9998.

After applying the special cancellation, the Postal Service returns the envelope through the mail. There is no charge.

Morrison And Nelson Receive Acknowledgment

Wheeler Seniors, Lori Morrison and Ginger Nelson, were among 46 students from 100 area high schools who were inducted into the Panhandle Plains Academic Hall of Honor for outstanding performance during their high school careers.

Each school nominates a student based on scholarship, leadership, character and service, with the nomination including letters of reference and an essay by the student on the "value of education."

The scholarship selection committee included representatives from Amarillo and Canyon independent school districts, the Region XVI Education Service Center, and the Globe-News.



Lori Morrison



Ginger Nelson

WTAMU Awards Degrees To Graduates, May 14

Degrees were conferred on 74 master's and 383 baccalaureate candidates at West Texas A & M University's commencement exercises May 14 at the Amarillo Civic Center.

WTAMU's graduating class represented nine states and 59 Texas cities and towns. William John Shields of Briscoe received a Bachelor of Science in Biology-Wildlife Science. Tammy S. Hall of Wheeler received a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology-PE and Generic Special Education.

Totty School Reunion

Just a reminder, the Annual Totty School Reunion will be held June 11-12 at the Totty School. Saturday night there will be a hamburger-hot dog cook out. Everyone is to bring desserts. Sunday at noon will be a pot luck meal. Everyone is to bring a covered dish.

The quilt and pillows will be given away Sunday afternoon. There is still time to get a ticket for the drawing. They are \$1.00 apiece.

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Mobeetie News

By Melba Corcoran

Happy Birthday to Stephanie Gonzales, Patty Turpen, Kyleigh Trimble, Kevin Meek, Christy Jones, Lisa Barton, David Haskey, Gerald Gudgeon on June 9, To Cole Hathaway, Catrina Wash and Micheal Berryman on June 10, To Sharon Davis, Kay Ridgway, Steve Kephart, Donald Finsterwald on June 11, To Sarah Richards, Leesa Sims, Ralph Hovey, K. D. Douthit, Mae Bailey, Lisa Helton, Jane Dukes, Craig Kirkhead, Christy Willingham, Charles Abercrombie on June 12, To Janet Tatyrek, Wanda Estes, E. J. Meadows, Brandi Luttrell, Patricia Forrester, Bonnie Maddox, Danny Hilburn, LaVerne Corcoran, Debbie Bailey, Mike Lee and Dustin Light on June 13, To Dale Helton, Shellie Ogle, Sue Rector, Cotton Turner on June 14, To Lisa Farmer, Sue Glover on June 15.

Happy Anniversary to Jimmy and Tammy Maddox, Mike and Jenny Smith on June 9, To Clint and Amy Huff on June 10, To Randy and Carol McCurly and Dick and Ruth Irvine on June 11, To Donnie and Kathy Shorter and Ben and Tonia Meadows on June 12, To Geary and Mary Burrows on June 14, To Calvin and Evelyn Kincannon and Tom and Debbie Stribling on June 15.

XYZ will meet Friday at 6:00 at the First Baptist Church.

Dena Dockins of Reydon spent the week with Leon and Rose Mary Dockins and attended the Vacation Bible School at the First Baptist church.

Robert and Lisa Barton came after her Sunday night.

Sallie May took Kelli May to Amarillo Monday to the doctor.

Melba Corcoran tended to business Monday in Amarillo.

The First Baptist Church youth Group will have a Car Wash June 11-9 a.m.-12 at Randy Barr's shop. Cost donations only.

The First Baptist Church and the Gageby church held their joint Vaca-

tion Bible School this past week. They averaged 73.5 attendance for the 5 days. They had their commencement on Friday night.

The First Baptist Church had the Ordinance of Baptism Sunday following the morning service. The new members by Baptism were Holly McCurley, Tera Red and Mike Farrell. Bill Scales was sick and unable to attend.

Visiting with James and Tammy Red, Tera and Cathy was Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Corcoran, Mr. and Mrs. Red and Mr. and Mrs. Hill.

Aaron and Arica Lancaster of Amarillo visited Ariza and Anna Bell Corcoran.

Thursday, Kelley and Edith Cross visited in Canyon with Willie Joe and Elbert Lee Seitz. Later Kelley went to the Pain Clinic for his shot in his back. Opal Lanthrop, a friend of Edith's from college, stayed with her and visited while she waited for Kelley.

Visiting recently with Charlotte Coward was Jimmy and Margaret Coward of Missouri, Bruce and Becky Harrington and Hannah of Topeka, Kan. Donna and Lindsey Campbell, Diane Jones, Micole and Kero of Borger. Nicole stayed for the week.

Visiting Sunday with Jap and Alice Bailey was Larry and Judy Parker and Alma and their granddaughter, Jordan, all of Pampa.

Bill Bailey of Pampa visited Monday with Jap and Alice Bailey.

Visiting with Bro. Robert and Mona Cook, Artie Daniel and William was Bro. Cook's father on Saturday.

Tyler and Caitlyn Burch of Wheeler visited Thursday with Dale and Melba Corcoran and Jud and Lorene Rector.

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WVFD Basic Apparatus Training And Meeting

The Wheeler Volunteer Fire Department met Thursday, June 2, 1994, at the Wheeler Fire Station. Thirteen WVFD members and three Junior members participated in Basic Apparatus (No Pumpers) training.

Gary Davis, Level II Instructor, and Truck Captains taught the Apparatus class. WVFD members receiving 2 hours training in Basic Apparatus: T.A. Taylor, Lee George, Robert Ford, Steven Horton, Jason Brownfield, Dell Ford, Jack Sparlin, Gary Davis, Will Snelgrooves, Dean Hathaway, Keith Rose, Kyndal Murray, H.L. Owens, Josh Brooks, Walter Simmons and Russell Gaines.

Other members attending the busi-

Statistics

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W. McDowell, L Julio Salas	Records: 3-1, Miami 4-0
June 2 City Park	
Brewer	0 0 0 0 3 3
Yankees	2 1 2 1 X 6
W. Julio, L Chris	Records: Yankees 4-1
May 31	
Briscoe	0 0 0 2 0 1 3
Rangers	4 3 3 0 1 6 17
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Murray 3.	
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June 13	
Yankees at Rangers 6:00 City Park	Twins at Indians 7:30 City Park
Power Puncher at Babes 6:00 Britt	Field
June 14	
Yankee at Braves 6:30 City Park	Green Sox at Rockies 6:30 Britt
East	
Braves at Canadian 6:30	
June 17	
Briscoe at Braves 6:00 Britt East	June 16
Miami at Yankees 7:30 City Park	June 17
Red Sox at Braves 8:00 City Park	Allison at Yankees 6:00 City Park
Briscoe at Angels 6:30 Britt west.	

Care Center Comments

By Barbara

First Baptist came for church services Sunday.

Monday was a holiday, but there were lots of visitors out to visit with the residents. Some of the residents were out on pass.

Tuesday started off good with family alter with Mr. and Mrs. Hyatt. The residents look forward to this. In the afternoon the mending ladies came. Mary Maxwell and Bernice Hefley and her granddaughter, Tammy Hall. The highlight of the afternoon was the Erick Kitchen Band. Everyone was up for some good toe tapping music.

Wednesday was Bible Study with Janice Sparlin. I put up new calendars in the residents' rooms and did some decorating in the dining room. Bingo was played that afternoon with 21 residents playing. Lorena Adams was our big blackout winner. Helpers were Karen Puryear, Kerry Moore and Helen Crawford. Thanks for all the help.

Thursday I started off in the beauty shop but thanks to Amy for returning to work. She took over. Inspirational helpers: Kerry Moore, Rozena Zybach, Ila Collins, Jim Tarvarille, Zedell Swift, Susan Gearheart, Vanosso Gearhart, Betty Huestead. That afternoon popcorn was made and served to the residents. Everyone comes out when they smell or hear the popper. Afterwards several residents went outside for fun and sunshine. That was our week as my grandkids from New Mexico came and I was home for a few days.

Until next week, Barbara Williams.

Wheeler Family And Community Education

Wheeler Family and Community Education held it's end of the year meeting May 12 in the home of Katie Finsterwald. The members and guests enjoyed a wonderful German party and meal hosted by Patricia Forrester and a Kitchen Gadget program by Joan Gray, County Extension Agent.

Officers for the upcoming year were elected as follows: President-Patricia Forrester, Vice President-Jenny Coffey, Sec./Treas.-Donna Moore and Reporter-Tonya Finsterwald.

Council delegates named were Jenny Coffey, Becky Johnson and Tonya Finsterwald. Wanda King, president of Council, and Becky Johnson will serve as State delegates. Guests included Becky Johnson, Joyce Ford and Tonya Finsterwald.

The group is also planning a picnic on June 25.

The Wheeler FCE welcomes new members Becky Johnson and Tonya Finsterwald. The meetings will convene in September.

The Wheeler FCE invites anyone interested to attend. The Wheeler FCE shows no discrimination due to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, political affiliation, personal sponsorship, physical or mental handicap, age, or marital status.

Card of Thanks

I want to thank my children and grandchildren, relatives, freinds and neighbors for their full support of my 85th birthday party, and thanks to all who sent cards. It was a very joyable day.

Mae Welch

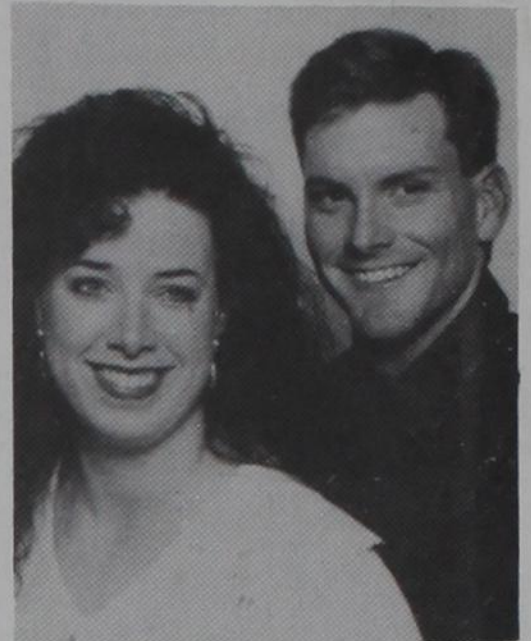
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ing, to be taught by Truck Captains. The public is invited to visit the fire station and the meetings of the WVFD are open to the public.



Engagement Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dickey of Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. R.C. (Bobby) Manning of Pearl announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children Wayne Garrett and Rhonda Lee.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Robert and Mildred Manning formerly of Pearl, and the late Louis and Edna Wendeborn formerly of Turnersville. The bridegroom is the grandson of Mable Dickey, formerly of Mobeetie; Mary Lea Cole and Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Cole, Jr., of Wheeler.

Rhonda is a 1987 graduate of Evant High School. She received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Home Economics Education from Tarleton State University in 1992. She is currently employed as the Home Economics teacher at Gordon High School. Garrett is a 1986 graduate of Dumas High School. In 1992, he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Animal Production from Tarleton State University. He is currently employed as the herdsman for the Vandermeer Dairy in Stephenville.

The couple will exchange vows at 7 p.m. July 1st at the Calvary Baptist Church in Stephenville.

PROCLAMATION

By Executive Order of the Honorable Wanda Herd, Mayor of the City of Wheeler it is proclaimed:

WHEREAS, April 1994 marks the twenty-sixth anniversary of the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, which included Title VIII, the Fair Housing Law, for guaranteed equal housing opportunity for all citizen; and

WHEREAS, Fair housing is consistent with the principle of equality and justice for all, providing the challenge to combat discrimination, and to broaden the protection of the beliefs upon which our nation was founded; and

WHEREAS, This month provides an opportunity for all Americans to rededicate themselves to the principles of free choice and to reacquire themselves with the rights and responsibilities that are theirs under the Fair Housing Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wanda Herd, Mayor of the City of Wheeler, do hereby proclaim June 1994 as:

FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN THE CITY OF WHEELER

in the City of Wheeler, and urge my fellow citizens to join me in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all people.

Let all within the reach of this proclamation heed its directive.

By her Honor the Mayor of the City of Wheeler, Texas.
Wanda Herd

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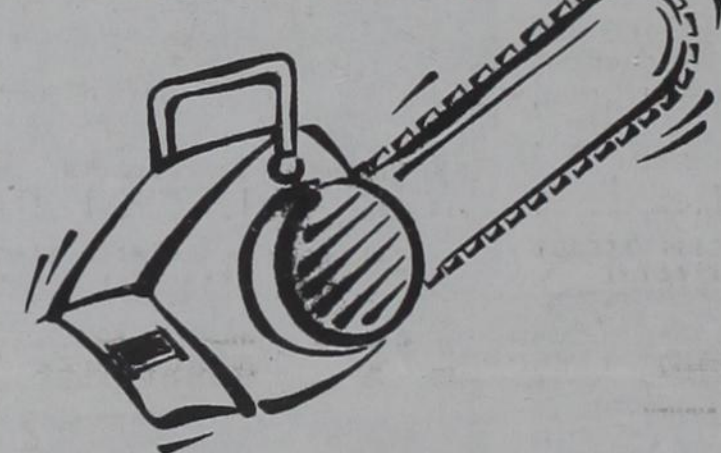
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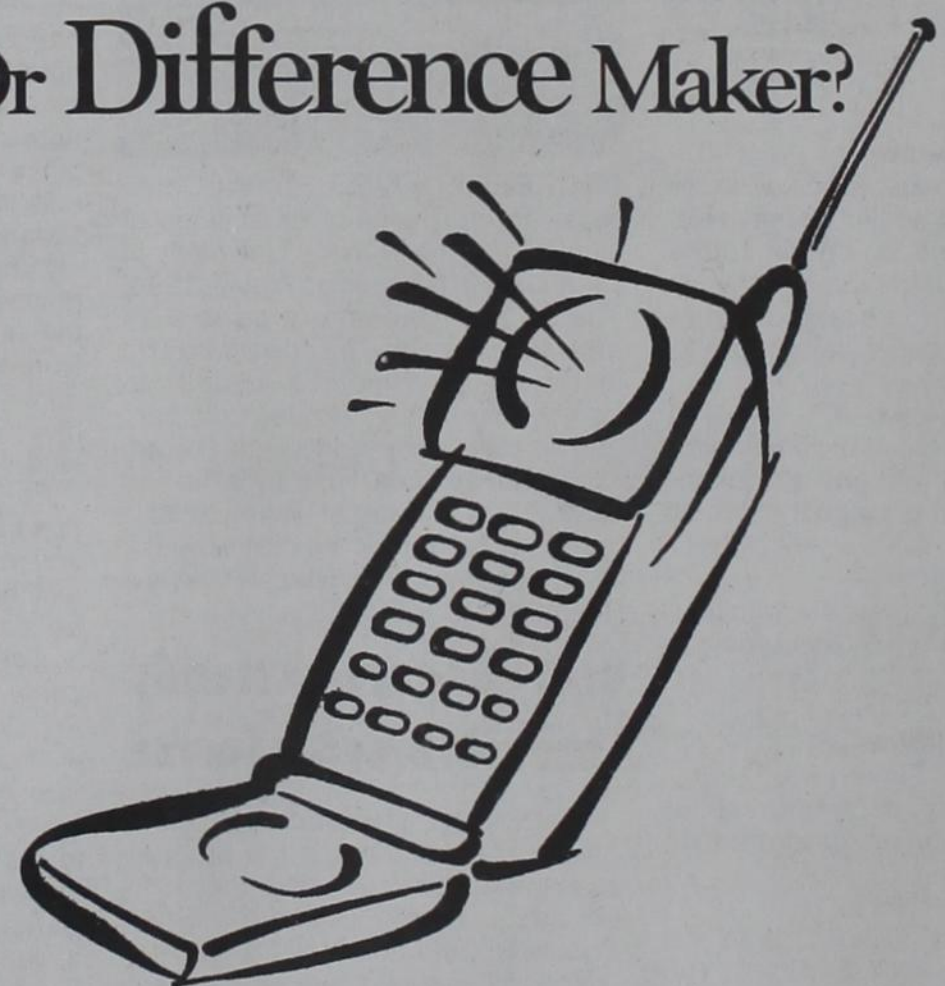
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Here & There

By Laura Guthrie

Today it started! That long plan to give our house a face lift. We've stayed at home at least two weeks to listen for telephone calls from contractors, or to be at home for the personnel and the appraisers, the roofers, the electrician, the siding agency, or whoever needed to come. Today the roofers worked, whang, scrape, rip, tap tap until it was too dark to see. (They took advantage of the cool of the evening.) Tomorrow it will start all over again—probably with electrician added.

But it was time for this place to get attention. I have lived in it 60 years. I call it the house that grew. When we moved into it, it had 2 small bedrooms, living area, small kitchen (so small that we had to take out a window and push the refrigerator back onto the porch), and a bathroom that could be entered only via the back porch. We began soon after we came to stretch

the rooms and add more rooms, at intervals. There is not a room in this house that has not been altered. At its greatest extension it had 5 bedrooms, extended living and working areas and 11 closets. In its beginning it had wooden walls, outside, painted white. Then stucco—buff colored. Now it will be covered in steel. Inside walls, most of them are wood, which were canvassed and papered. Now most are sheetrock or paneling. Some of the

paneling has been painted, and in the kitchen Melinda has papered. I know this house must be the best insulated of any in the county. This all has been a life time of happiness and enjoyment. But of course there have been difficulties. One time I had a bathroom re-done—floor, walls, fixtures, even the window altered. I don't know how long it took or how much it cost, but I know there were seven different workmen. There was the carpenter, cabinet maker, plumber, stucco man, tile applicator, painter and there was another, but I can't remember what he did. But just let me tell you something. This has been a home, not just a house by the side of the road. If I could just remember all who have come through these doors—friends, strangers, way fairer, salesmen, relatives, whoever. We enjoyed it all. And I think our guests enjoyed it also.

So this Old House has passed on to my granddaughter and her husband. The interior decor has been changed and now the outside is getting a lift. I only hope the next 60 years there will be love, happiness and good will. I don't wish for grief and worry, but it will be here as it is in all normal lives. May God Bless.

When Melinda and Tim had their workman lined up and under contract, they took 3 days last week to relax. They took the nieces, Traci and LaDawn Milburn and went to Six Flags. They all enjoyed it. Patricia Forrester looked after me. She stayed here at

night (2 nights) and dropped by or called during the day. I had a good time too.

Besides looking after me, Patricia and husband, Ed, took his parents to Elk City one day to see an ophthalmologist and the next day to take Patricia's dad to Amarillo to see his optometrist. This week Ed and Patricia will take a few days for camping in Palo Duro and attending the outdoor stage play, "Texas".

Did you notice that today's "Amarillo News" carried the letter that was also sent to "The Wheeler Times"? That one that Roy Kelly wrote from San Antonio concerning the Wheeler County Sheriff. He ended the letter by saying: "Wake up, Wheeler County! You are fortunate to have one of the best, and don't know it."

I will add: Most of us do know it. Only a few fail to give credit to quality and ability.

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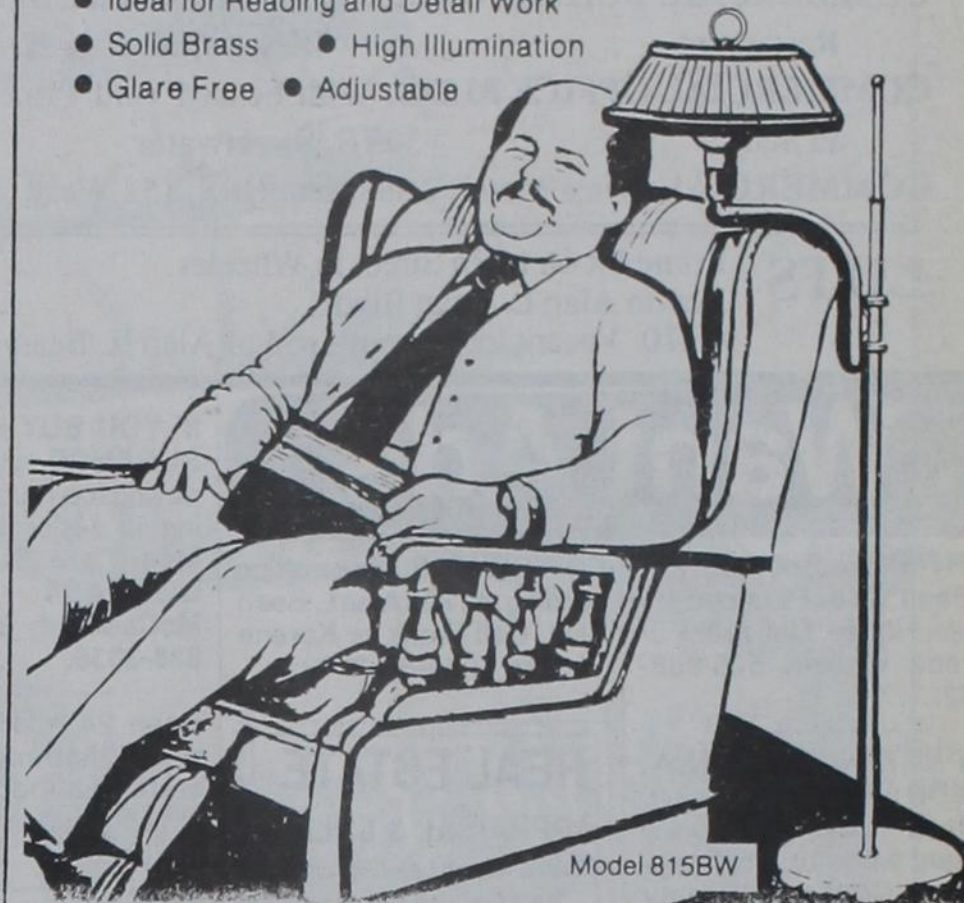


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Sweetwater News

By Lois Flowers

The rain has passed us by again. Our 5 showers totaled 1.15 inches for May—the wet month. Guess we haven't been paying the preacher enough or else he isn't turning it in. Years ago the rainmaker had a big meeting at Sweetwater and Joe signed up for our farm. Sure enough we got a rain but it quit at our fence. Our skeptic neighbor didn't get any.

We are in the money. David recycled his aluminum cans for \$1.62. See Walmart has moved their bins off again.

Money makes me think. Oobera, it's time to send the 2nd estimated income tax payment. Then we can rest easy until Sept.

Most everyone was out to honor their loved ones over Memorial Day. The cemeteries really looked nice. Saw several of my Texas kin. W.L. and Cleo Ferguson, Eunice Reed, Lorene Whiteley, Belva Harris, Fern Bigham, Andrew McCathern, Warren Whiteley. Andrew and Warren came by our house to visit. Johnny and Wanda Haag, OKC came by on Monday.

Johnny and Wanda also went to see Birdie Whipkey. Some of her other guests were Irene Reed, Wilma Fox, Lena Luman, Harold and Mary Bollen. Birdie is expecting Dean to come June 18. Ronnie Whipkey was also out to see her and his mother Katie.

Lanell and Donnis Hayes spent the weekend with Mildred Allen. Faye and Leroy were out on Sunday. Their brother in law Jim Frazier died in CA just two days after he and Wanda celebrated their 50th anniversary.

Services were at the First Christian Church in Sayre for Dorothy Dunlap. She was the mother of our almost cousin Leroy. Burial was in the Sayre Doxy Cemetery.

Graveside rites were at the Delhi Cemetery for Henry Phenix. I always admired the interesting yard he and Myrtis had. His son Doyle lives in Louisiana now.

The wildflowers are just out of this world all along the roadsides. Lots of puffballs too.

We stopped by Cals Saturday after going to the Erick Cemetery. They were celebrating their 48th (I think) anniversary. Serving everyone refreshments. Sure nice. Cal and Sylvia. Congratulations and many more. Saw all my kin again, and Clela and Lenny Ray Coffey. He lives at OKC now.

Bertha Coffey, J.R., Ellen, and Sue Coffey, Burkburnett, TX and Elec Atchley had supper Sunday at Cals. Ran into Juanita Coffey, Maxine and husband and Royce Coffey for a nice visit.

June 6, 50th year observance of D Day is coming up. I'm a packrat. Was digging around and found a gas ration book dated 1945. Still had three coupons in it. Seems maybe we could get 3 gallons on a coupon. Couldn't buy much in clothes line. Joe got a few yards of striped pillow ticking and I made Tony some overalls. He was so proud of them. Joe's younger sisters came to visit. She straightened around real good while I was in the field. Burned all the papers and magazines, and the sugar coupons. We really skimped to get by til the next issue.

Another clipping was dated 1942 and was in honor of Martin Stone Cluck of Erick who had been killed in China. One of Western Oklahoma's first heroes of the war.

Julie Schmidt was on the Dean's honor roll at Sayre college.

The Erick Kitchen Band went to Wheeler 5th Tuesday. Had a time. Betty Brothers was ill and missed. Visited with Lorene Adams, Cousin Ona Black, Harold Jones, Mary Ann Maxwell, Paula Reed and Verna Fillingim. Band folks were Iona Miller, Hazel Francis, Mable Holland, Billy and Basil Doss, Roy Swagger, Richard Crawford, Venus Payne, Loyd Addis, Murray Orgain, We Three and Ole Five String. Barbara Williams told me her mother Mae Welch's 85th birthday party at Briscoe was a great success.

Welcome back Vetola. We recognized your style even if they put the wrong name on.

Ann Reed is slowly improving. Her sister Barbara Cummins was giving her a permanent to raise her spirits. Esther Dickey has spent some time with Elinor since injuring her ankle in a fall.

Imo LeGrand called to tell me the McCain brothers got fired. LeGrands recent visitors were Robert and Sherry Hammons, Shera and Matthew of Amarillo.

Talked to Ruby Sutton. Sharon and Wayne Gibson and Eddy had been out to see them. Also Beth and John Wilson, Laura and Michael Anderson. They had visited four cemeteries.

Visited with Kenneth and Wanda Fourier of McLean at Cals, and Wanda Bird in Sayre. She had a recent birthday.

Matthew and Travis Miller and friend all of Amarillo have been visiting their dad Keith, brother Bill, and grandmother Iona Miller at Erick.

Talked with Janie Bruner. She is doing better. Her sister Johnny and husband Laurence Homesley of Borger were with her. Lorene Whiteley and Belva Harris, Ft. Worth, Fern Bigham of Lubbock stopped by to see her.

Billy Mack and Gail Sutton, Twila and Larry from Kingfisher, and J.W. and Billy McMullan of Amarillo visited Zuma Sutton over the weekend.



Ryan Scott Brotherton is the 4 years old son of Gary and Kathy Brotherton of Amarillo. Grandparents are C.B. and Maurine Brotherton of Wheeler and Joe and Sandy Denton of San Jose, California. Great grandparents are Claudy and Ina Mae Brotherton of Wheeler and Jeri Gates of San Diego, California.

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TERMS OF SALE: Cash, cashier's check or personal check accompanied by letter from bank. This sale will be final. Possession of vehicle on date of sale. John Mann, District Attorney, 31st District.

Wheeler County & District COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in Wheeler County Clerk's Office, May 25 thru June 1, 1994.

MAY 25, 1994

ASSIGN—Saxet Operating Company, Inc. to Startex Operating Company, 3-23-94.

DT—Patrick D. Sanders to Amarillo National Bank, 5-20-94, S120 acs SW1/4; SE1/4 Sec 30, Blk 24, H&GN Survey.

DVL—George S. Hooten, et ux to Jeffrey A. Mounce, et ux, 5-23-94, Lots 4, 5 Blk G, Potts Addition, Shamrock.

DT—Jeffrey A. Mounce, et ux to First Bank & Trust of Shamrock, Texas, 5-23-94, Lots 4, 5 Blk G, Potts Addition, Shamrock.

DVL—Melvin Gene Payne, et al to Reeder's Contracting, Plumbing & Electric, 5-24-94, Lots 18, 19, Blk 10, Original Town, Shamrock.

BS—Melvin Gene Payne, et al to Reeder's Contracting, Plumbing & Electric, 5-24-94.

DT—Reeder's Contracting, Plumbing & Electric to First Bank & Trust of Shamrock, Texas, 5-24-94, Lots 18, 19, Blk 10, Original Town, Shamrock.

MD—Joe Robert Grayson to Charles Robert Paul Grayson, 5-17-94, NE1/4 Sec 32, Blk RE.

A OF JUDG—Garrison Oil Co. to Mike Gallagher, 5-26-94.

ASSIGN—W.A. Michaelis Jr. Revocable Trust, et al to Orion Oil & Gas Properties, 4-27-94, S120 acs SW1/4; SE1/4 Sec 30, Blk 24, H&GN Survey.

CC PROB PROC—Idajo Culwell Archer to Ex-Parte, 5-24-94, 220 acs Sec 55, Blk 24, H&GN Survey.

TDT—San Antonio Savings Association to RTC Commercial Mortgage Loan Backed Bonds, Series 1993-NIA, 5-12-94, Pt E1/2 SW1/4 Sec 37, Blk 17, H&GN Survey.

TDT—RTC Mortgage Trust 1993-NIA, et al to Living Centers of America, Inc., 5-17-94, See Instrument.

D—Studer/Morton Companies to Studer/Morton Companies, Inc., 5-16-94, Pt E1/2 SW1/4 Sec 37, Blk 17, H&GN Survey.

D—Simmons Optical Service, Inc. to Richard Porter, Trustee, 6-10-92, W1/2 Sec 12, Blk 32, Original Town, Wheeler.

RDT—First National Bank in Wheeler to W. Greg Smith, et ux, 4-12-93, W1/2 Sec 12, Blk 32, Original Town, Wheeler.

D—Richard Porter, Trustee to Ruby Hazel Jacquinet, 5-15-94, W1/2 Sec 12, Blk 32, Original Town, Wheeler.

MAY 27, 1994

ASSIGN—Samson Resources Company, et al to Philcon Development Co., 4-18-94, W1/2 Sec 7, CC School Land.

POA—Samson Resources Company to Timothy P. Plinsky, 11-30-93.

CC BANKRUPTCY—Kenneth D. Otts, et ux to The Public, 5-26-94.

DVL—Jack Martin, et ux to Gene Mitchell, et ux, 5-11-94, Sec 58, Blk 13.

DT—Gene Mitchell, et ux to Virginia Sue Mitchell, 5-23-94, Sec 58, Blk 13.

ASSIGN—Haven Petroleum Partners, L.P. to Minuja Oil and Gas, LLC,

3-31-94, W1/2 W1/2 SE1/4; E1/2 SE1/4 Sec 10, Blk 2, B&B Survey.
ASSIGN—Haven Petroleum Partners, L.P. to Minuja Oil and Gas, LLC, 3-31-94, W1/2 W1/2 SE1/4; E1/2 SE1/4 Sec 10, Blk 2, B&B Survey.
CC PROB PROC—D.B. Liston, et ux to Ex-Parte, 5-24-94, Und 1/3 of 1/2 Min Int in W1/2 NW1/4; Und 1/3 of 1/4 Min Int in E1/2 NW1/4 Sec 58, Blk 17, H&GN Survey.
CC BANKRUPTCY NOTICE—David L. Crouch, et ux to The Public, 5-25-94.

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GAGEBY NEWS

By Verna Fillingim

Philippians 3:8, 9 I can have Christ and become one with him, no longer counting on being saved by being good enough or by obeying God's laws, but by trusting Christ to save me.

Happy Birthday to Leesa Sims, Lisa Helton, Mae Bailey, Jane Dukes, Craig Kinkead, Christy Willingham, K.D. Douthit, Charles Abercrombie, and Ralph Hovey on June 12, Janet Tatyrek, Wanda Estes, E.J. Meadows, Brandi Luttrell, Patricia Forrester, Bonnie Christine Maddox on June 13, Dale Helton and Shellee Ogle on June 14, Lisa Farmer on June 15, Brandon Dukes, Rusty Ferguson and Lucille Barker on June 16, Darville Atherton, Lottie Reynolds and Maralee Singleton on June 17, Heather Ratliff and Brian Lehman on June 18.

Happy Anniversary to Donnie and Kathy Shorter on June 12, Ben and Tonia Meadows on June 12, Dale and Lisa Helton on June 14, Geary and Mary Burrows on June 14, Calvin and Evelyn Kincannon on June 15, Wayne and Kathy Zybach on June 16.

Congratulations to Keith and Shari Bell on the birth of their new baby boy, Jayton Keith, who was born Friday May 27 at Pampa Hospital and weighed 7 pounds and 2 ounces. He is welcomed by his big brother, Michael Joe, 3. Grandparents are Mike and Barbara Bell, Joe Kelly and Faith Thompson. Great grandparents include Tom and Betty Bell, Flora Mae Kelley and Bill and Betty Rains.

Congratulations to C.H. and Judy Long of Canadian on the birth of their new baby girl at Pampa Hospital Wednesday June 1, 1994.

Nice to visit with Deleise Quinton and Jill Johnson at the girls' soft ball game at Briscoe Thursday night. Deleise's niece, Jotana Simmons, was playing on the Wheeler team, against a Briscoe-Allison team. Deleise and Jill have been visiting her mom, JoAnn Simmons and other relatives and helping with Virgil's trucking company.

Lois Hudson came home from the hospital at Wheeler after eight days there with a serious blood clot in her leg. Lois and Oden went to Amarillo to a family reunion over the weekend.

Nice to have Jada Murray and Karla, Shelley and Buddy, Bruce Mize, Tommy Green and Candid Ray meet us for lunch at Sirlin Stockade Thursday. All the kids did really well in school at Lefors. Some others we saw in town were Rev. Lewis Ellis, Velda Miller and Stacey and Whitney Simmons, Red Dukes, who said they had been to 3 funerals in a few days.

Got some repairs done on vacuum cleaners at Rose's Sew and Vac while we swam at the Pampa pool.

Correction: Addie Swift's sister-in-law who died was Veda Clay York.

Correction: Amanda and Brittainy Rice are nieces of Jamey Rice.

Correction: David Hale went to Elk City with Lindsey and Dallas Fillingim Saturday.

Visiting Harold and Lessie Austin Monday were Harold's brother, Raymond and Junior Austin from Enoch. A sister-in-law, Adeline Austin (Garland's widow) from Attwater, California came Saturday to stay till June 11 with Harold and Lessie. Visiting Harold and Lessie Thursday night were Doyle and Beulah Grimes.

We enjoyed going over to Mobeetie Friday night to the Bible School program. They put on a very good program, even the little pre-schoolers. Lots of kids there from Mobeetie, Briscoe, Gageby and other places.

Shauna Nall from Canadian spent last week with grandma Fay Tuckness. She went to Bible School Friday.

The Briscoe School class of 1944 had a reunion at the home of Carl and Audene Simpson in Amarillo on May 27th. Some there were R.L. and Rozena Zybach from Briscoe, R.H. and Betty Dyson from Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Foy Harold Johnson from Borger, Herman and Estelle Topper from Borger, Doyle Ramsey from Wheeler, Zetha (Dickson) Young from Amarillo, Alva (Lee) White from Amarillo, Clara (Seedig) Cole from Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fields from Dill City, Oklahoma, Earl and Mildred Simpson, Amarillo, Alva White's grandson, Chris Storm. Teachers Jane Pate Townsend, Ruth Dill Wiley from Wheeler and Ina (Scott) Redden. There were nine of the 14 that graduated, 2 that graduated somewhere else, three teachers and three visitors. Inez McCraw was very ill and couldn't attend. Alice Cowan Dolloff is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Rushing in Shamrock. Submitted by Clara Cole. Thank you Clara!

Best wishes to Kellie Blair and Brent Babb who were married Saturday at the Country Chapel. Remember to pray for them. Brent is a prison guard. Kellie has been working at Thriftway in Wheeler.

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Keep praying for David Gilmer. Besides his back problems, he fell last week and fractured three ribs. Pray for Fay Smith who has not been feeling well. Nice to have David out to church Sunday night.

Glad to hear that Gene Harrison got to come home from Bivins Rehab over the weekend and supposed to come home and supposed to come home for good Wednesday. Keep praying that his back and neck will continue to heal properly.

Some visiting E.G. and Willa Fillingim were Donald and Helen Logan and Don Jr. and Mitch Meadows and Leslie Ann and her brother.

Verneal and Juanita Praters' grand kids, Shannon Fay and Johnny Prater from Oklahoma are spending most of the summer with Verneal and Juanita. Others there Saturday night and Sunday were Jeannette and Carl Lee Jahnel, Mary Lou Carter and Irene Zybach.

Eating at the Wheeler Dairy Queen Sunday were Eric and Pauline Zybach and Kyle, Kade and Kelsey, Bevard and Diane Dukes and Deidre, Andrea and Carissa, Austin Caldwell and Andy

Gonzales. New workers there are Tina Kees and Misty Walker. Doing a good job.

Pray for Alesha Moffett's sister Darlene Smith in Stratford, Oklahoma who had cancer surgery and is taking chemo.

Nice to have Sandra Meek out to Gageby Church. Said she'd probably be mowing most of the week around Evelyn's place and hers. Also at church was Jocelyn Meek, who is back from basketball camp at Canyon.

Eric and Pauline Zybach and Kyle, Kade and Kelsey went to Duncan to a rodeo over the weekend. Kyle and Kade rode in the rodeo.

Mark and Annette Meek and Kaleb went to Dallas suburb, Richardson, Wednesday. Kaleb played in the AAU Basketball tournament with his team from the Amarillo area. They stayed with Annette's sister, Ida Lou and James Hackbirth at Friscoe and had a good visit. After the boys finished, they went to "Wet and Wild."

Lee and Esther Brown and Justin, Joannie and Jessica have been visiting Bea (Ogle) and family in Georgia.

Kenneth and Lou Dean Douthit and Bob and Debbie Kinnaman and Kirbie, Joe Bob and Corey and Stacey Miller and Angela Bradstreet camped at Lugert lake in Oklahoma from Thursday to Sunday. Also there some of the time were Mark and Stephanie Bowman from Fort Worth and Robin and Kasey Gore and friend Kevin from Tolar, Tx. Bob and Joe Bob and Corey had to come back to work some of the time.

Todd Baize of Wheeler was picked for the Greenbelt Bowl Football Game. They practiced all week and played Saturday night. He nominated Andrea Dukes as a Queen candidate. They had a spaghetti supper for the queen candidates Friday night. They were interviewed and judged. The Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders were at the football game at the half and queen was crowned. Congratulations to Todd and Andrea.

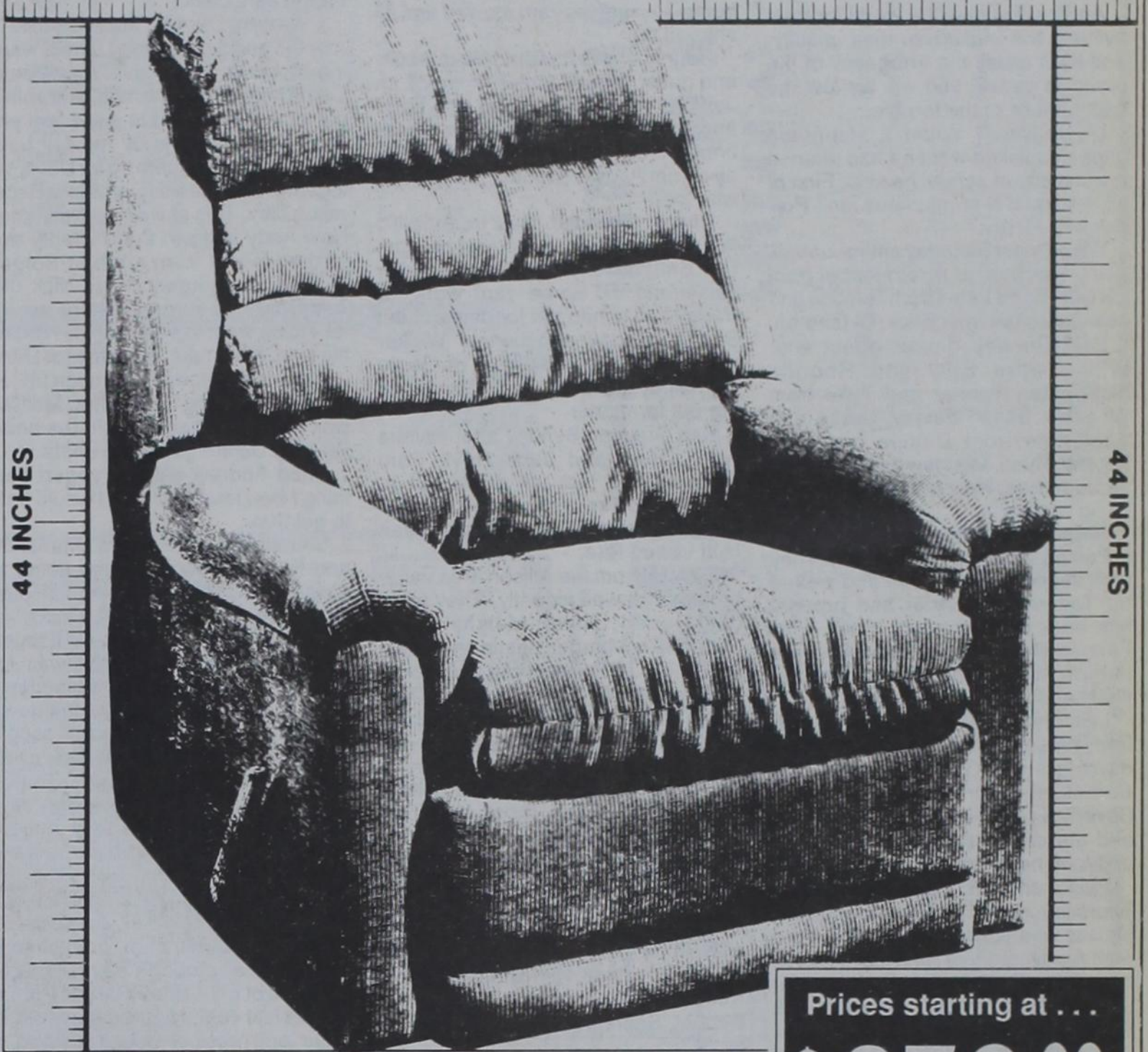
We had a real good singing at Gageby Church Sunday night. Guest singers were Claudie and Ina Mae Brotherton, Doris Finsterwald and April and Andy Finsterwald. Others singing were Lois Meadows, Martha Meek, Evelyn Meek who sang some with

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Boyd and Beverly Cockron from Washington State spent last week with Boyd's mom, Ruth Taylor in Wheeler. Others gathering Friday at the home of Roy Nell Bradstreet to visit and eat lunch were Larry and Janie Taylor, Lori Steen and girls from Booker, Rosalie Keelin, Coy and Betty Bradstreet from Foss, Oklahoma, Floy Larkin from Amarillo, Joe Garrison from Borger, Sylvia Brown and Wesley and Cindy Bradstreet and Ember, Andy and Sandy from Wheeler.

Joey and Risa Keelin and Matt from Pasadena came early Saturday to spend a week with Rosalie and other relatives. Gene and Norma Keelin and Kara Kay, Daniel and Tracy spent Sunday at Rosalies. Kara Kay and Daniel are spending time with Matt, playing, fishing, arrowhead hunting. Roy and Nell Bradstreet also visited.

Danielle Nelson was honored with a first birthday party at the home of grandparents Larry and Vickey Nelson Sunday. Others there were Danny and Mary Nelson, Tom and Emma Swigart, Jimmy and Kerl Nelson, Lori Morrison, Sybil and Iva Alexander from Lefors, Debi Hall, Shirley Jolly, Cathy Harrison, Glenn Keelin and Melissa, Dale and Kathy Hathaway and Sara and Jada. They had cake and ice cream.

Keri Nelson is spending a few days with Debi Hall at the home of Sybil and Iva Alexander in Lefors.

Enjoying a cookout at the home of Keith and Kristi Meek Saturday night were Kevin and Jona Meek and Shantel and Tommy from Clinton, Missouri, Lois Meadows, Evelyn Meek, Wayne Meek, Kevin and Pam Ratliff, Sandra Meek, Jocelyn Meek, and David and Phyllis Hefley. They were celebrating Evelyn's and Kevin Meek's birthdays.

Glad to hear Wave Meek came through surgery O.K. in Illinois. Jodie Crowner spent Sunday afternoon with Grace Irvine while Dick and Ruth Irvine went to a picnic in Amarillo for Bartlett Company employees.

Fat and Wanda Childress, Addie Swift and Beulah Stuart went to Shannon, Texas Friday to Cemetery Decoration Day and came back Monday. Also there were Jane Dukes and Stacey and Jackie and Glenn and Roy Swift. Many relatives buried there. Fat came back through Oklahoma City for his check-up.

Several children and off spring of Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Vaughn gathered in Amarillo over the weekend for lots of visiting. Some there were Oden and Lois Hudson, LeRoy and Laverne Hudson of Arlington, Ray and Pat Hudson of Perryton, Sonya Paul, Cheryl and Jeff Fraley and Steven John of Amarillo, Sharon Grandstaff

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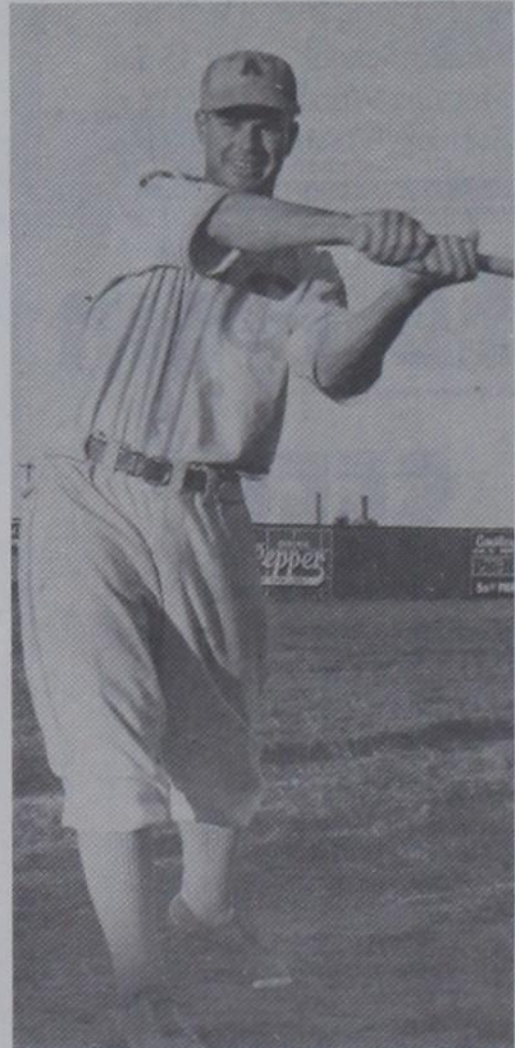


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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

and Randy and Robert Gatlin and girl friends, Ma Mary Hudson, Earnest and Beulah Evans of Dallas, Margie and B.F. Meadows, Brady and Mary Meadows, Robert Meadows and wife and baby, Richard and Bonnie Meadows, and Reagan, Ben and Tonia Meadows, Susie and Leonard Fulks, Mickey Johnson, Nelda Brooks and son, Charleen and son and wife.

Most stayed at the 5th Season Inn. Saturday about 40 had dinner at Sharon Grandstaffs. Sunday over 60 had



Lordy, Lordy, guess who's 40+40 on June 14. Happy Birthday, Your Family

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Mobeetie XYZ has been postponed to this Friday June 10 at 6:00 at the First Baptist Church Mobeetie. Everyone over fifty is invited to pot luck supper, devotional, fellowship and 42.

Willis and I enjoyed a delicious supper at the home of Bob and Charleen Carey near Sweetwater Monday night. Pray for their good friend Granny Alta Nabors, who has not been feeling well.

Talmadge and Shirley Fillingim from Providence, Utah plan to come Wednesday June 8 to visit Horace and Juanita Fillingim and other relatives a few days. They plan to bring three grandchildren.

We are also expecting William and Elton Fillingim to come June 14 and stay till 24th and go to the family reunion. They are from Prescott, Arizona.

Beth and Jim Alvey met Thelma Earline Hefley from California at Amarillo Monday and brought her for a visit to Clifford and Pauline Hefley and other relatives.

We got a wonderful over an inch of rain Friday night. Pretty spotted. Some got less, some more.

Granddaughter, Lindsey Fillingim is recovering from a severe relapse of mononucleosis and chronic fatigue. Has been sick a lot since last November. Many sore throats and ear infections, with a lot of trips to local doctors and specialists. Doctor thinks she'll have a full recovery in 3 to 6 months. Lindsey says she'll be well before sports start in August.

Nice to see Lois Flowers and David at Thriftway Tuesday. The Kitchen Bank had been to the Wheeler Care center. Sorry we had missed it.

Nice to have J.P. and Martha Meek come over after church Wednesday night and visit and play 80. I'm not going to tell who won.

Mack and Linda Sides visited J.P. and Martha Meek Monday night and played 80 and visited.

We went over to Allison Tuesday night to watch the baseball game. Nathan Hefley, Curt Smith and Doug Helton played with some Wheeler boys coached by Curtis Smith, and won.

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Isaiah-13-9 & 11

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(A Beginner) When a first-grade pupil was asked what he had learned the first day of school he said: "First of all, I learned that my name isn't Precious-it's Henry."

Wilma's last Saturday afternoon visitors were cousins' Atrell Hooper from Elk City, Berta Estes from Reydon and Juanita Coffee from Erick, Oklahoma.

Last Sunday dinner guest with Wilma were Billy and Rhonda McWhorter, Tanner and Tyler from Wheeler, Susan Finney, Jesse and Samantha from Pampa and Lisa Farmer, Ryan, Matthew and Cory from Albuquerque, New Mexico and Ruby Craig of Allison.

Ruby Craig and Wilma Gilmer were in Pampa shopping last Tuesday. They took Jesse Finney home and picked up Tanner McWhorter and brought him back to Allison with them. Lisa Farmer, Ryan, Matthew and Cory are here to spend time with her mother Ruby and visit other relatives.

Last Thursday evening Sally Smith from Wheeler came and spent a few days last week with Bob and Lou Cornell, then on Sunday Joe and Beverly Smith, Rachel and Neal came and ate dinner and picked up Sally and took her back home.

Pastor and Mrs. Roy Jones left last Thursday going to Fayetteville, Arkansas where they participated in the 40th Anniversary of Rev. Ray Hassell pastoring the United Pentecostal Church there. Pastor spoke in the Friday night service.

They also visited their two son's and daughter and families while there and Sis. Jones mother Mrs. Tedford. They brought Amber Jones their grand daughter home with them for a visit, they returned home last Sunday afternoon.

Its cloudy here in Allison early this Monday morning. We are thankful for the good rain last Friday morning, it was a little over an inch.

Jeffrey and Traci Black, Robert and Nathan from Amarillo spent from last Tuesday to Thursday with J.R. and Leota Black.

Kim Thompson and Kimber from Amarillo spent Saturday night and Sunday with Clifton and Louise Boydston and also attended Church with them Sunday morning.

Gary and Julie Boydston kept their little grand daughter Tori Boydston from Amarillo last weekend.

Last Monday Opal and Juanita Boydston visited Len and Betty Brown at their Allison home. Opal, Juanita and Billy Brown were in Wheeler and Shamrock last Friday doing some shopping.

Clifton and Louise Boydston went last Saturday to the Boydston family reunion at Pauls Valley, Oklahoma.

Roma and Billy Brown's last Wednesday overnight guest were Roma's sister Idella and Jack Williams from Ashland, Oregon, Billy and Roma's last Sunday dinner guest were Opal and Juanita Boydston, Nellie Long and Thersia Poindexter from Cheyenne, Oklahoma.

Len and Betty Brown from Dumas spent most of last week at their Allison home. Len got his yard mowed and all shaped up.

Ronnie and Ruth Chadwick's weekend guest were Ronnies mother Etta Jones and his brother and wife Larry and Linda Jones from Altus, Oklahoma, their grandson Ryan Puryer also from Altus is spending some time with them.

Peggy Chandler was in Amarillo last Wednesday for medical reason. Last Saturday Brad and Sue Chandler came and did some yard work for Peggy and joined her for dinner. Last Sunday Peggy and Jennie Walker went to Wheeler and picked up Gertie Cornell at the Care Center and took her out for dinner.

Rita Grayson Sunday after visitors were Doris and Jack Hays from Wheeler and they all drove out to Debbie and Tim Jones home and visited them a while. Last Friday Ellen Huff visited Rita.

Several from the Allison area vacationed in Hawaii recently. They were Joe Rucker, Haley Markham and Suzanne Lohberger, Justin and Dawn Lohberger of Sweetwater, Oklahoma and Carolyn Morello of Cypress, California went too, staying on the island of Oahu along Waikiki Beach sight seeing and snorkeling and swimming were enjoyed by all. It is truly an island paradise with the most beautiful weather imaginable.

Bruce and Pearl Harrison went to Elk City last Thursday and spent Thursday night with Vivian and Jimmy Wallace. Last Sunday dinner guest with Bruce and Pearl were Clifton and Louise Boydston, Kim Thompson and Kimber from Amarillo and Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody.

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Lee and his wife live north east of us. I haven't met his wife. Keep planning on it. Of course we met Lee Goerge and his father and Mother, Eddie and Helen. We have known them years back.

I was in Dumas and Amarillo 3 months and 5 months in Dumas wanting to come home every weekend. Came home 3 or 4 months. My brother got sick. Troice had to go to him and cook for him. He is by himself now doing fairly. She came up for Davis get together at Wheeler Cemetery Decoration Day. This she does every year. Now Andy is down there. Henry and Mildred live at town north of Borger. Mildred has surgery since Nick did. And Darv had surgery. There were a lot Troice went to see. Darv is holding his own. It will take long time for Darv.

Andy is sick today. Stomach upset. If it isn't one thing its another. Melissa was sick last week down in the back. Went to Doctor got some shots.

I had Andrew eat cup yogurt best thing I ever found for that. I would hate to get that.

Started out on Parkers. Marianda and Kelby came while ago going to spend night. They are going to Houston to live. He already got a job.

They left little while ago-sure hated to see them go-they didn't wait for Melissa to cook breakfast-so far down there some of the Jacksons are down there Ann and Dewayne for one couple Randy and Billy, Jack Body, all Jacksons- Ann and Duane.

It is really hot down there, they say-Well wondering where they got to-Houston is pretty far-if car breaks down-wow.

Dont have a garden. Andrew got one Dont know how it is. Turnip came up first-got beans, okra, carrots, dont know what all probably a small one in east side of mine, they planted Wheat in mine last year. I figured how I could water one east of house so had a corner not planted. I told Ted began where old toilet was go to mail box 2 rows beans. Told him what to plant. Went along there in week or so looked out to see how my garden was doing, there was feed. I said you all plant feed there. Pauline said we didn't know who gather garden. Her. So no garden last year, no garden as yet here-I love to work in a garden-more weeds the better-Andy and Melissa are gone to Wheeler. We went to Dr. yesterday-every day go to town. She needs to live in town. 20 miles there 20 miles back 40 miles there and back. Not chicken feed.

Wegot weeds. Don't think they know how to cut weeds. Gone get new hoe and rake-mine are stolen. Just been here since Sunday. Was a week ago-seems so short don't know what I got and whats stolen what the kids got-what they can bring back like Nelson got my T.V. Will get it I hope.

Leroy and Janice coming Sunday. Trees getting pretty.

Roses blooming lilacs pretty locus blooming.

No cows, no horse, no pigs, no chicken, think I heard rooster crow time or 2-Doc gave us 15 once frying size I waited they got to big to fry couldnt get some one to help me.

Daphne is to come down this eve with Ronny to get hay. She stays here while they go on get hay.

Sure good to be home-trees pretty, need to step on some-got a couple from Stillwater, they were at Fritch saw Janice want ad had 3 from Fritch close to Borger. We got little rain since we came home. Marianda got married week or so ago. gona live at Houston. Hoyle just called wanted to know if Daphne came down as Bonny came to haul hay he got lot horses-his brother in law was buried week ago now wife got lupus, bulta Soroses. Ronnys wife caring for them. We feel we have it. What if we were like them.

Colie died 4 years ago-have I had it wouldnt let me stay byself no one to cook. So had 5 or 6,7 to stay with me Kids got rid of them didn't like them-drink drink something. They are around 30 years old. The girl sick last week. Now boy sick and girl down in back-now boy dirrah. Well they are back-must go.

Hope they made it ok.
Been at Ted 5 months-Leroy 3 months-had a light stroke year ago-burnt big toe on heat pad year ago a hole under blister. Doctored it a year-over. not well quit wrapping it up, needs fresh air and sun and shine one nurse said so she did not bandage it up.

Thought I was writing a letter I am short minded guess.

I could tell Nelda Dukes was brown eyed and Anna Dukes and guessed at Minnie Bell she was so far away. I said hazel or blue eyed.

Andy and Melissa went to Wheeler and back around noon-a quick trip. When they got home I will say did you get something I can eat that don't need cooking. No.

The cold spell helped us some or we burned-up.

Our trees are leafing good-black birds are killing and eating my little ones and eating the little birds eggs-I seen it before.

Troice came stayed some 30 minute. Met with Davis at Wheeler and Ander grave is down there now to be decorated-hope Colies grave got something on it-part of kids put something on Colies grave. Momas and Dads and Hespers are in Amarillo. Hesper is my brother that was working on that road from Amarillo and Dumas-he was 31 years old had been in the army for 5 years-dodged srappel and bullets then came home got hit in head with a piece of rock-swallowed his tongue after his surgery on head-died after he came home from army. Junior or Nick got to come home for his funeral, Dad

and Mama could barely take this-after dogged srappel then came home get killed he was like loozing a son to me he was 31 years old nearly got married was engaged to be married. Never made it. Guess there wouldn't be anyone interested in that news but us.

Melissa had a little rabbit just died-he got a cloth string around his neck a week ago. His head swelled up but it went down they was fixing to take him to the Vet and I told him to call the Vet see if he was open it was quite late-they told him about the string-he said it was brain seitures-I thought that disease where Daddy and Mother Kin. I been hearing and studying on that Vet said it would die-he had seitures where he couldn't breathe so he died in less than a hour had had seitures all day. I did not know-they decided to take it to Vet-he told them he die there wasn't anything they could do in less than a hour. So Melissa has only 1 little rabbit now-Andy still has his Lizards, he liked to not had one-one got out their cage the old cat liked to killed him.

We received a nice little shower this eve-kinvey late came down pretty good-thought it might rain all night. But hasn't so far-guess Andy garden is doing ok. You live and learn. I did not know a rabbit got a string around his head his head would swell didnt know that would give him brain damage and cause seitures he did while ago-Melissa put him in a grave. I woke said you going to fix him a grave-she'd already put him in a grave just thought that was what I would do she already made him one.

Elbert and Vada dog died. They made him a grave in their back yard-Elbert build another dog house they got a house-made a picture sent it to Hoyle my sister-she wrote back that looks like a 2 legged house for 2 legs. Was kindy big and tall, (ha) Elbert was standing by it.

We got good little shower-got 1/2 inch of rain out here. Will be good on garden already up think Andrew's is already up-think he got most everything in it-corn, beans, turnips, radishes, put some tomato plants out-Must go to bed and to sleep. Nurse wants to know do you sleep well-I say when I go to sleep I just die. I am so tired-82 is pretty old. If I don't get a nap I am tired at night.

Thought Ted and Pauline would come tonight haven't yet.

Nice and cool. If it had not got cool we burned up.

Melissa put her bedding on floor last night for some cool. Don't know to night we are pretty cool to night. Only thing that keepsus from burning up. No she did not put her bedding on floor tonight-I run my fan part of the night, got so cold turned it off was about to freeze around 4 oclock.

Though some of the kids would come down last night no one came was raining. Guess they heard a lot of lightning going on-don't like lightning.

Ted and Pauline from Dumas came at about 12 noon. Ted needs something to eat. Dr. said no spam and no balony to greasy and to high cholesterol guess reason I am gaining.

Daphne cooks spam in skillet then mashes it good between paper towels-I dont just to get it-spam I eat and baloney. I know its bad for me but am so hungry don't worry about it.

So much for that Melissa brought in 2 big red roses. I had a yellow one it died no water.

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Senior (From Page 1)

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Congregational Concerns:
On this coming Monday night, June 13th, the men's monthly business meeting will be held in the multi-purpose building. A fellowship meal will be served before this business meeting is held. This meal will be served at 7:00 P.M.

The fourth lesson of the video series, "God's Knowledge and My Free Will", will be shown on Wednesday night, June 15th. The title of this lesson will be, "The Patient God."

The latest mission report from India is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby. This report was written by Ron Clayton, former minister of this congregation.

Josh Hefley, the great-grandson of Opal Hefley, remains hospitalized in Fort Worth. While he has shown some improvement, his condition is still critical.

Dennie Bowerman, the son of Monk and Norma Bowerman, is in the hospital in Big Springs, recovering from surgery. He is slowly improving. Judy Woollard is hospitalized in the local hospital, but is scheduled to be released later this week.

From the Minister's Desk:
In a recent issue of the newsletter from the Texas Medical Center in Houston, there was an article that was written by Virgil Fry, a chaplain who serves at the medical center. This article was entitled, "Seeing Beyond The Chaos" and it said: ---

"Sometimes I struggle within myself, trying to make sense of the chaos within the hospital where I work. Where is a hopeful word when everyone seems to be overwhelmed by distressing circumstances? Circumstances such as:"

"A 41-year-old husband and father of three being sent home to die after being diagnosed two months ago."

"A newly diagnosed 19-year-old who begins her chemotherapy regimen only a week after being told she has lymphoma."

"A 20-year-old college student who had interrupted his university studies because of a recurring brain tumor with few medical options left."

"A hospital employee who came to my office in tears because her 16-year-old alcoholic nephew is dominating the lives of her and her two children."

"This list is but a tip of the proverbial iceberg. Chaos runs rampant, not only in this place, but everywhere humanity exists. Check today's headlines of lawsuits and violence. Listen to reports of company downsizing, church splits, and civil wars. The fairy tale phrase 'and they lived happily ever after' becomes fodder for cynicism."

"So where's the hopeful word? The comforting phrase? The snappy answer? Perhaps my focus is skewed when it's focused solely on people. We humans are, after all, only a part of creation, not the whole. Distressing news can serve as a reminder: We need a loving Power that transcends our chaos."

"The ancient text reveals similar chaos for the Hebrew nation. We would do well to listen to the words of an old hymn based on Lamentations: 'Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as Thou has been Thou forever will be.'"
"There's the key. Somehow, on some level, we believe in a God of faithfulness. This world may not serve up much stability or peace, but there is one source whose compassions 'fail not.'"
"And so we remember: God is still God, and God's hand is in the least expected places."
"Places like the hospital lobby, where I witnessed a wheelchair bound grandmother joyfully receive a six-month-old baby into her arms."
"Places like the small town's school, whose senior class cancelled their senior trip in order to give the funds to a classmate newly diagnosed with cancer."
"Places like the memorial service where a deceased child's dad speaks of his daughter teaching him how to love and how to die."
"Chaos, though vocal, does not have the final word. Truly, God is still here."

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China Showing Increasing Capitalistic Touches

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Proliferating refrigerators, counterfeit products and a street named Famous Brand Name Road are some capitalist-type touches in the new China, an Agriculture Department report says.

"Until recently, the 1.2 billion-person Chinese market has been more myth than reality," the Foreign Agricultural Service said in its publication, "Trade Highlights."

"Now, the potential of the rapidly changing Chinese economy is being realized. With economic growth estimated at 13 percent in 1993, rising incomes are driving increased demand for foreign products and U.S. consumer food products in particular," it noted.

The report estimated that 1993 total U.S. agricultural sales to China exceeded \$500 million. The overwhelming majority was bulk products such as wheat and cotton, but the consumer food market is blossoming as economic growth leads to income gains and soaring demand for more and better products.

"A culture of conspicuous food consumption has emerged in Shanghai," the report said, with foreign brand-name products extremely popular in China.

And this has led to a Western-type innovation — the sale of counterfeit brand-name products.

"Sunkist oranges are not available in China today, yet the power of the Sunkist brand has led to the sale of counterfeit Sunkist oranges" stamped with the brand name, the report said.

"Another example of the popularity of brand names, according to the China Economic Review, is the renaming of a Shanghai street to Famous Brand Name Road," it said.

"The arrival of fast-food restaurants such as McDonald's, Pizza Hut and Chinese fast-food chains such as Fairwoods are boosting demand for frozen french fries, chicken parts, food ingredients and condiments," the study added.

Another sign of growing prosperity and expanding markets for food imports is the spread of refrigerators, the report said. In 1985, only 7 percent of urban Chinese households had

refrigerators; by 1993, the figure had grown to 53 percent.

Not every aspect of the Chinese agricultural market is following a Western lead, however.

"The most popular poultry parts are chicken wing tips, paws (foot with shank attached), and mid joint wings," the report said. "The popularity of chicken wings is attributed to Chinese consumer preference for chewing bones. ... Chicken feet are a popular item in dim sum."

The most popular U.S. consumer food exports are poultry meat products, it said. American snack foods, including fruit and

nuts, also are gaining in popularity. Pistachios are a popular snack item because their name, Kaixingguo, translates into the Happy Nut, the report said.

Other best product prospects, based on 1993 U.S. sales of direct and re-exports from Hong Kong,

Agriculture Department Approves Engineered Soybean

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Farmers like glyphosate because it kills most weeds and is inexpensive. As herbicides go, it is relatively friendly to the environment, breaking down more quickly than other chemicals.

But Roundup normally can't distinguish weeds from soybeans. So Monsanto added a gene to the crop plant that will let it resist the herbicide.

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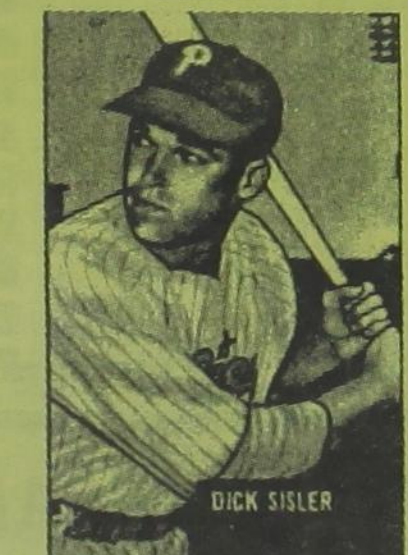
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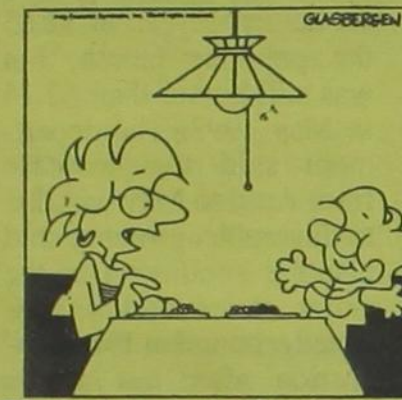
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Red Meat Production Up 3 Percent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Commercial red meat production totaled 3.38 billion pounds in April, up 3 percent from the same month a year ago.

The Agriculture Department defines red meat as beef, veal, pork and lamb and mutton.

Red meat totals for the January-April period also rose 3 percent from the previous year to 13.5 billion pounds.

Beef production for April totaled 1.9 billion pounds, up 7 percent from the previous year. Head kill was up 1 percent at 2.71

million. Average live weight also increased by 50 pounds to 1,175 pounds per head.

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Spacing of children becomes a major concern for parents

WACO, Texas—Once a toddler begins to walk and talk, people often joke that he or she is making way for a new sibling. But for many families that next infant may not come for another five to 10 years.

Spacing has always been a major concern for parents, but it may be especially troublesome for today's dual-career parents. The decision often depends on whether the mother is a homemaker or a part of the work force, said Dr. Elise Pinney, a clinical child psychologist.

"If the mother works and the couple is strapped with the high cost of child care, they may put off having children for several years," she said. "It's just too expensive to have two children in day care."

Pinney said parents should take comfort in knowing that from a psychological perspective, there is not really one better way to space children over another.

"My friend summed it best when she said, 'It's like pulling off a band-aid. Do you prefer to pull it off

fast or slowly? It hurts either way,'" Pinney said.

Most research suggests that children who are spaced closely together present more challenges to parents than those who are spaced years apart, said Dr. Helen Benedict, a psychology professor at Baylor University.

The kind of attention you give to a child is maximized when they are spaced at least three years apart, she said.

"Many of the important developmental aspects of childhood happen within the first three years of life and if you have an infant with which to share your attention, you may not have the time to devote to your toddler," she said.

In addition, parents who space their children closely together should expect more problems with sibling rivalry, Pinney said.

"Kids have a harder time giving attention over to a new child when they are accustomed to being the special one," she said. "They often feel as if they are being upstaged."

But there are advantages to spacing children closely together. They will be close to the same developmental stages in life, which will make vacations and activities easier to plan, Pinney said.

Dr. T. Berry Brazelton, who devotes a whole chapter to spacing children in his book "Touchpoints," recommends that parents space children further apart.

He writes that a space of several years between children teaches the older child the value of nurturing and gives the younger child

an opportunity to acquire the skills of older siblings.

"When you are expecting a new baby, let older siblings participate and identify themselves as a caregiver," he writes. "Instead of pushing him away to protect the new baby, let him learn how to be tender and gentle, how to hold and rock and feed the baby."

Pam Bailey, a licensed professional counselor at Counseling and Assessment Insights, said from a health standpoint, it is important for mothers to let at least a year go by after the

birth of a baby to let their bodies recover.

Many mothers may find it difficult to put energy into taking care of a new infant when they have a toddler who is in his or her "terrible twos," she said. "Children at this age are active and moving out into the world and it is difficult to attend to a newborn when you have a toddler who is getting into stuff," she said.

What it all boils down to, Bailey said, is there is never a perfect time to have a child. If you want them, have them.

—Distributed by the AP

Frozen Food Stocks Up

WASHINGTON (AP) — Frozen food stocks in April rose from the previous year's levels for a variety of products, including meat, potatoes, eggs, fruit, chicken and concentrated juices, the Agriculture Department says.

Cooler stocks also increased for pecans, fresh fruit and American cheese. Total poultry supplies

stored in freezers increased 12 percent from March, with chicken up 8 percent and turkey up 15 percent. However, April poultry levels dropped 1 percent from the previous year as turkey supplies fell off by 6 percent. Frozen chicken in storage rose by 3 percent from 1993.

Red meat supplies in frozen storage increased 3

percent from March, jumping 25 percent from the previous year's level. Frozen pork stocks were also up — 10 percent for the month, 14 percent for the year. Although pork bellies posted a gain of 14 percent from March, stocks were still 9 percent below 1993 levels.

Public cooler occupancy was at 57 percent for April, up from 56 percent a year earlier, while public freezer occupancy was at 60 percent, down from 61 percent.

Bovine birthday bash started

DENVER—Birthday cards containing photographs or drawings of cattle are being sought by the National Cattlemen's Association for a 500th bovine birthday celebration.

The celebration will commemorate the fact that cattle have been in the New World for 500 years.

"In 1494, Christopher Columbus brought cattle to America on his second voyage to the New World," said NCA President Dan Koons of Shirley, Ill. "Those cattle were the beginning of the cattle industry in the United States. The cattle industry that today is still dominated by families, yet operates in all 50 states, has \$40 billion in direct sales, generates about a quarter of a trillion dollars in U.S. business activity and employs more than two million people directly. To celebrate those achievements, the NCA is planning a 500th birthday party in Denver in July."

NCA is seeking 500 cow birthday cards, either store-bought or home-made, from each of the 50 states. The cards should be sent before July 15, to "Cattle 500," Box 3469, Englewood, Colo. 80155-3469. Participants should identify their home state on the card.

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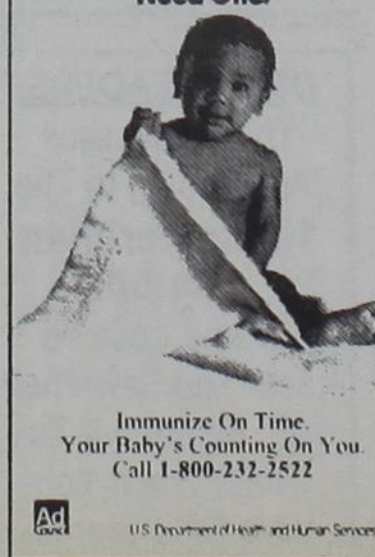
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Former Soviet States Cut U.S. Farm Imports

WASHINGTON (AP) — Economic reforms and tight financial constraints have caused the former Soviet republics to cut their demand for U.S. farm commodities, the Agriculture Department says.

The value of U.S. agricultural exports to the republics this fiscal year is forecast at \$1.3 billion, down about 17 percent from 1992-93, and 50 percent below the 1991-92 level, USDA's Economic Research Service reported.

That forecast would put the value of U.S. agricultural exports, primarily grain and oilseeds, to the republics at their lowest point since fiscal 1986-87, and probably would place it as the seventh largest buyer of U.S. farm goods, it said.

"Barring a significant crop shortfall, ... imports are likely to continue at this low level for the foreseeable future," the report said. "While many reforms have taken place, economic recovery and growth, which would likely spur an

increase in imports in the region, will probably be slow in coming, depending upon when further major reform measures are implemented."

"These further reforms, such as the implementation of non-inflationary fiscal and monetary policies, the formation of competitive markets for agricultural commodities, liberalization of trade and the development of robust capital markets have to date proven very difficult for the (new) governments to introduce," the report added.

The governments of the former communist states have pushed reforms such as price liberalization, privatization, decentralization of state procurements and subsidy cutbacks, it noted.

But at the same time, most of the governments have tried to maintain employment and arrest the downturn in production, both at the expense of higher inflation, it said.

"These two are inconsistent in the sense that pol-

icies directed toward the later goal prevent and delay the implementation

Cattle Price Drop in May Leads Farm Price Decline

WASHINGTON (AP) — The lowest prices in nearly six years for steers and heifers helped cause a 1.4 percent drop in the prices farmers got for their raw products in May, the Agriculture Department says.

Prices also dropped from April to May for milk, eggs and corn. Prices rose for tomatoes, broilers, celery and peaches.

The May index held even with year-ago levels, however. Increases for corn, soybeans, oranges and cotton offset decreases for cattle, tomatoes, hogs and onions.

The monthly report, issued Tuesday, said beef cattle prices averaged \$67.70 per hundredweight, down \$4.30 from April and \$9.40 from a year ago. The report said the average price of \$70.30 for steers and heifers, the chief slaughter animals, was the lowest monthly price since August 1988.

The decline follows a glut of cattle in feedlots, where the animals are fattened on grain for slaughter. Dry conditions in the Southeast and Southern Plains led ranchers to sell their stock to the feedlots rather than graze them.

The feedlot pressure should ease this spring and summer because of better grazing conditions, the department said in a separate report.

That separate analysis also said retail beef prices

of policies aimed at the former," the study said.

It noted that grain use

should drop this summer, averaging \$2.88 a pound, down from a record of \$2.93 last year.

In the prices-to-farmers report, the department said milk dropped 30 cents a hundredweight to \$13.20 in May, but was still up from \$12.90 a year ago.

Eggs dropped to 58.2 cents a dozen, from 61.7 cents a month earlier and 63.3 cents in May 1993.

Corn dropped to \$2.60 a bushel in May, from \$2.65 the previous month, but was still higher than \$2.14 in May 1993. The department said the decrease from April to May was due to favorable growing and planting conditions in the major states and a projected rebound in 1994 production after last year's flood- and drought-shortened crop.

On the upside, producers received 37.1 cents a pound for broilers, up from 35.3 cents a pound the previous month and 35.2 cents in May 1993. Tomatoes brought \$25 a hundredweight, compared with \$16.50 a month earlier and \$57.80 in May 1993. Celery brought \$13.80 a hundredweight, compared with \$8.31 a month earlier and \$14.50 in May 1993.

However, producers received their highest price for processed catfish since August 1988, pulling in 80 cents per pound, 9 cents more than the previous year and 1 cent higher than March levels. Sales of processed fish totaled 17.1 million in April, down 12 percent from 1993. Of the total sold, 7.17 million pounds were fresh and 9.95 million pounds frozen.

Freshwater catfish imports in March 1994 were up 28 percent to 163,000 pounds. Brazil

has declined considerably as livestock inventories in the former Soviet republics have fallen as a result of price deregulation.

"While many of the ... countries in Central Asia and the Transcaucasus will likely continue to receive food assistance in the near to medium term, past levels of concessional and commercial credits to Russia are likely to decline," the report said.

It added that growing calls for the imposition of import tariffs to protect domestic producers is lowering expectations for increased food imports in the near term.

Grain import in the former Soviet republics, which averaged about 180 million tons during 1987-1993, was projected

by USDA in May at about 170 million tons for 1994, down nearly 5 percent from 1993.

The projected decline in 1994 production is primarily the result of a weather-related drop in area sown to winter grains.

"Although imports of bulk commodities, such as grain, have fallen due to market-based restructuring and financial constraints, imports of certain higher-value products have begun to rise," the report said.

"Increased private sector trade, food assistance and newly released consumer demand for foreign goods account for much of the increase in high-value imports, and should grow even further over the long term, as successful market reforms increase productivity and economic recovery begins," it said.

Farmraised Catfish

WASHINGTON (AP) — Processing of farm-raised catfish declined in April by 14 percent from the previous year, to 34.5 million pounds.

The January-April total also dropped 11 percent from a year earlier to 147 million pounds, the Agriculture Department reported.

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exported 86 percent of the total to the United States, with Mexico providing the remainder. In the same month, catfish exports totaled 39,400 pounds, a dramatic increase from 17,600 pounds the previous year. All U.S. exports went to Mexico and Germany.

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Four decades ago, desegregation changed color of sports in Texas

By DAVID KING
San Antonio Express-News
NEW BRAUNFELS, Texas—Kenneth Walker didn't set out to be a pioneer.

He didn't have a grand cause. He had no burning desire for a change, no agenda for turning historic wrongs to rights.

In fact, his date with history was something of an accident. On May 17, 1954, the Supreme Court ruled in Brown vs. Board of Education of Topeka that segregation in public schools was illegal. Less than 16 months later, Walker and three other black students enrolled in the 10th grade at all-white New Braunfels High School.

"I've looked back and tried to figure out when a decision was made, but I just can't remember," said Walker, 54, now a sixth-grade art teacher at Oak Run School in New Braunfels. "It just seemed like we were told we were going to a new school, and we did."

There were more than 3,000 students in the New Braunfels School District at the time, only 65 of them black.

Before the court's ruling, they were segregated at Booker T. Washington School, a handful in each grade level, with no library, subpar facilities, few resources.

And no athletics at Booker T., unless you count a rough softball field and dirt basketball courts with netless rims. "We had to guess if the ball really went in," Walker recalled with a smile.

That changed when Walker enrolled at the high school. "My good friend, Bennie Garcia, who worked with me setting pins at the bowling alley, asked me if I was interested in playing football," Walker said. "I said, 'Yeah, I guess so.'"

They went to see Carl Brewington, the Unicorns' coach, whose 1954 team struggled to a 4-5-1 record.

"I told him I didn't know anything about football," Walker said. "He said, 'We'll teach you.'"

Brewington probably was glad to have anybody who even remotely looked like a player, so Walker at 6-foot-2 and 150 pounds, with absolutely no organized football experience, was on the team.

"I think the coaches thought I could play because I was black," Walker said. "I got by with a lot of desire and hustle, because I wasn't the fastest one out there, by a long shot."

His new teammates and classmates accepted Walker quickly. After all, he grew up with most of them, playing organized baseball during the summer and watching the great New Braunfels football teams of the 1940s through the chain-link fence at old Unicorn Stadium.

"The guys on the team made sure I was never left alone when we were out of town," Walker said. "I'm not sure if they did it on their own or if the coaches told them to do it, but we never had many problems."

The few problems they did have bothered the white players as much as they did Walker. Maybe more, he said.

In the spring, following a track meet in San Antonio, the team went to a restaurant. The owner took the coach aside and told him that Walker would have to eat in the kitchen.

"All the guys on the team were embarrassed about it. The coach was embarrassed," Walker said. "They all were apologizing. I told them not to worry about it. There was nothing anybody could do."

New Braunfels, with blacks making up less than 2 percent of the population, had its share of segregation.

"There were restaurants where we weren't allowed," Walker said.

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er said. "We couldn't use Landa Park. We could caddie at the golf course, but not play there. We could set pins at the bowling alley, but couldn't play there."

But institutional segregation couldn't overcome ingrained attitudes in both students and faculty. Hallie Martin, a long-time English teacher at the high school, began to watch out for him.

During his first year at the high school, he was nominated for a class-officer position, and as a nominee was asked to leave the room.

When he returned, Martin took him aside.

"You've been elected sergeant at arms and parliamentarian; you're supposed to thank them," she told Walker.

"I had no idea what either a parliamentarian or a sergeant at arms did, but I thanked them," Walker recalled. "She let me know what was expected of me all the time."

It wasn't easy. Moving from Booker T. Washington, with its meager facilities, to what was then a brand-new school was a major change.

"I had a serious case of culture shock," Walker said. "I had to learn how to use a library."

"At Booker T. Washington, all the classes were in one room. At the high school, they had these bells to tell us when to go from one class to the next. The first time I heard those bells, I thought there was a fire."

Walker had to work to catch up in some subjects, especially English. And he had two sets of requirements—the "C" average necessary to play football, and the higher standards set by his strict father, who wasn't too happy about him playing football, anyway.

"He didn't like the game, and in fact he didn't see me play until the last game of my senior year, in 1957," he said.

"My mom never came. She would listen to the game (delayed) on the radio on Saturday mornings and listen for Walker's name to be called. She really didn't know anything about what they were saying, but she knew her son was there."

Walker said his parents wanted to make sure he got at least a high school education something neither one of them had. He graduated in 1958, and with no money to attend college, he joined the Navy.

Twenty years later, he retired—and returned. His twins finished high school at New Braunfels. Walker earned a teacher's certificate, and in 1988 he joined the faculty at New Braunfels Middle School—which, ironically, is housed in a building he entered for the first time in the fall of 1955.

Walker still has a newspaper clipping of that moment from the New Braunfels Herald. Walker, along with David Holland, Billie Joyce Ball and Lydia Marie Hamm, are pictured registering for classes.

New Braunfels never was the same again—whether Kenneth Walker attended it or not.

—Distributed by the AP

Shortgrass Rodeo set next week in Sayre

SAYRE, Okla.—The 15th annual Shortgrass Country Rodeo, played each year at the Sayre Rodeo Arena, will be held June 17-18.

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A rodeo dance, with music furnished by the Washita River Boys will play each night following the rodeo.

Most hired hands lack high school diplomas

WASHINGTON (AP)—More than half of all hired farm workers lacked high school diplomas, compared with only 14 percent of all wage and salary employees, says a newly released Agriculture Department study.

"In fact, 14 percent of hired farm workers were functionally illiterate; that is, they had completed less than five years of schooling, compared with only 1 percent of all other wage and salary workers," USDA's Economic Research Service said in a Rural Conditions and Trends report based on 1992 figures.

It said 57 percent of all hired farm workers had not completed high school.

Years of schooling varied significantly by racial and ethnic group, the report said. Only 11 percent of Hispanics had completed high school, compared with 60 percent of whites and 39 percent of blacks and others, it said.

Not unexpectedly, farmhands earned significantly less than most other workers.

Among those working 35 hours or more per week, hired farm workers had median weekly earnings of \$240, or only 54 percent of the average \$446 earned by other U.S. wage and salary workers, the report said.

The weekly earnings of hired farm workers varied by education level, ranging from a median \$193 for workers who did not complete high school to \$300 for those with some college education.

"Because of the seasonal nature of agriculture, much hired farm work is short-term and unsteady," the report noted. "The seasonality of employment, and low earnings for employed workers make hired farm work one of the lowest paying occupational groups in the United States."

It said many farm laborers also work at nonfarm jobs to increase their income.

"However, because they have low education levels and few labor market skills, hired farm workers are generally unable to compete for higher-wage jobs in the nonfarm labor market," it added.

Of the 104 million Americans age 15 and over employed in 1992, about 848,000, or less than 1 percent of the total, were hired farm workers.

However, the Current Population Survey is based on a survey of households and thus may undercount workers who live in unconventional living quarters.

"Studies suggest that farm workers, especially many Hispanics, may be more likely to live in non-standard housing units than are other workers," the study said.

"Hired farm workers provide necessary labor during critical agricultural production periods, such as planting and harvesting," the report declared.

"Despite their importance to agriculture, hired farm workers are one of the most economically disadvantaged occupational groups, experiencing seasonal employment, low earnings and limited options," it said.

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Genes may promote irritability, aggressive behavior, study shows

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—People who habitually get into arguments and fights or throw temper tantrums can blame some of it on their genes, a study of twins suggests.

Genes may account for 27 percent to 40 percent of a person's tendency toward irritability and aggressiveness, according to the study. The rest comes from childhood and adult experiences, researcher Dr. Emil Coccaro said.

The genes believed responsible have not been identified, but they may act by reducing the brain's supply of serotonin, which acts as a brake on aggressive responses, he said.

If so, drugs that help the brain keep up its serotonin supply might help treat people with aggressive tendencies, he said. Some preliminary evidence suggests such drugs might work, he said.

Coccaro is director of the Clinical Neuroscience Research Unit at the Medical College of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. He presented the work Tuesday at the annual meeting of the American Psychiatric Association.

He and colleagues surveyed 182 identical twins and 119 fraternal twins drawn from a registry of male twins who had served in the military. Their average age was 44 and nearly all were white.

Researchers often study twins to ferret out genetic influences. That's because identical twins share all their genes, while fraternal twins share about half their genes on average. So when identical twins are more alike than fraternal twins in a certain characteristic, it can be taken as a sign of genetic influence.

Researchers can use results to estimate the strength of the genetic influences.

The twins filled out a questionnaire that asked, for example, whether they bang a table when angry and whether they respond to shouting by shouting back. Their answers were tabulated into scores for irritability and three types of aggression.

The analysis suggested that indirect aggression, which basically means taking out one's anger on objects or throwing tantrums, had the strongest genetic influence. An estimated 40 percent of this trait was attributed to genes.

Irritability was second with 38 percent, then direct aggression, which means hitting people, with 33 percent. Last came verbal aggression, which basically means screaming and cursing, with 27 percent.

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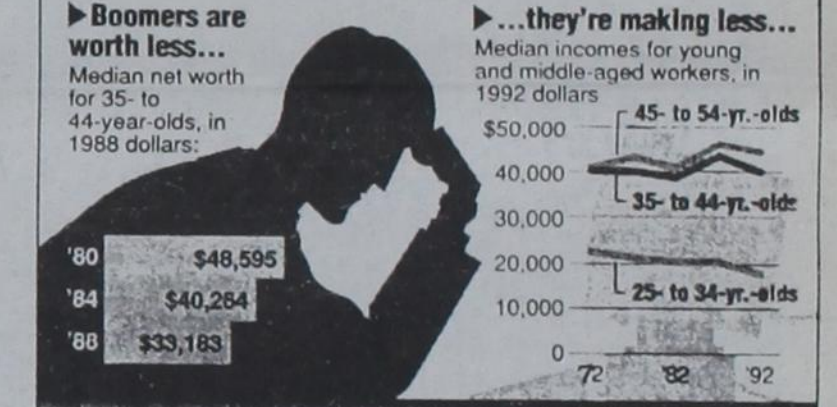
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U.S. Agricultural Exports Up 1 Percent

WASHINGTON (AP)—U.S. agricultural exports totaled \$3.9 billion in March, up 1 percent from exports during the same month last year.

"U.S. bulk commodity exports were \$1.7 billion, off 7 percent from March 1993 sales, mainly reflecting lower shipments of wheat, soybeans and tobacco," according to a report this month by the Foreign Agricultural Service.

"Exports of intermediate products, at \$836 million in March, remained virtually unchanged from a year earlier," it said. "Gains for hides and skins, sugar and sweeteners, live animals and animal fats were offset by declines for soybean meal, vegetable oils and planting seeds."

The report said shipments of consumer-oriented agricultural products maintained a record-setting pace in March, reaching \$1.4 billion for a 14 percent increase from the year-earlier level.

"Export gains for consumer products were broad-based (shipments were up in 12 of the 16

major product categories), with double-digit increases for chilled and frozen red meats, poultry meat, dairy products, eggs and products, fresh fruit, tree nuts, wine and beer and pet foods," it said.

U.S. agricultural exports for the first half of fiscal 1994 totaled \$23 billion, down 1 percent from the same period last year. Bulk commodities were down 8 percent, while intermediate product exports were up 1 percent and consumer-oriented exports increased 9 percent.

Exports were up in five of the top 10 markets compared with the first six months of fiscal 1993, with increased sales to Japan, Mexico, Taiwan, Hong Kong and the Russian Federation. Shipments to Canada were virtually unchanged and exports were down to the European Union, South Korea, Egypt and the Philippines.

U.S. exports of edible fish and seafood products totaled \$322 million in March, down 11 percent from the year-earlier level. Half of the downturn was

accounted for by crab exports, but declines affected five of the six major product groups.

Canned salmon was the only major product that showed a sales increase, the report said. "At \$644 million, wood product exports were down 6 percent in March. Increased U.S. sales of panel products (mainly plywood) were more than offset by double-digit declines in log exports," the report said.

"With the March data, combined U.S. exports of agricultural, fish, and wood products for the first six months of this fiscal year totaled \$27.7 billion, nearly matching the 1993 pace which ended in a record-high \$52.7 billion for the year."

For Emergencies.



How to avoid garden trauma and green thumb burnout

By GEORGE BRIA

POUND RIDGE, N.Y. (AP)—There comes a day when we get sick of the garden. What we see doesn't match what we dreamed of.

Are we suffering a mid-life crisis, a seven-year-itch? Or just paying our dues, the price of our own over-enthusiasm, inexperience and ineptitude?

In our Green Thumb burnout, do we see things like these?

"Bushes are too big or too close together; trees have sprung up to cut off our views and shade our roses; our once mixed perennial borders now seem to contain only three species, all of them yellow."

"We have paths no one will take; patios no one will sit in; places to go and no way to get to them. We have surrounded ourselves with colors of unspeakable horror; we have gone out of our way to cultivate species of unredeemed mediocrity or suspicious personal habits."

The quote, from "Growing Pains" by Patricia Thorpe (Harcourt Brace & Co., \$22.95 hardcover) summarizes the major symptoms. Most gardeners who've been out there a while will ruefully recognize at least a few of them.

"All gardens, even those of experienced horticulturists, need serious reassessment and replanting every seven to 10 years," says Ms. Thorpe. "The knowledgeable plantsman accepts this as a matter of course; the beginner discovers this in the course of a nervous breakdown."

Is there any way to avoid or soften such traumas? One way might be to start cautiously—a bush, shrub, a tree at a time—and keep up a snail's pace for years to come. But that's hardly realistic. As beginners, most of us plunge exuberantly into gardening, craving instant gratification.

And so we plant our rhododendrons, azaleas and andromedas too numerous and too close to the house. They look fine as babies. Who can imagine the overcrowding that will result in a few years?

Or in the vegetable garden, who knows the first time out that 25 tomato plants will produce a harvest large enough for a neighborhood, let alone an average family of four? Or zucchini? Ever try to give away your surplus zucchini

to a neighbor? A second time?

Luckily, most vegetables are annuals, allowing us to start from scratch and correct our mistakes the following year. I've learned that nine tomato plants are plenty for me and my wife, counting those that go for spaghetti sauce or drying. And two zucchini plants fill our needs nicely.

With ornamentals, a gardener can mark time by planting annuals while doing some studying and reflecting before putting in perennials. Such annuals as marigolds, zinnias, dahlias, pansies—available in six-packs at the nursery—can be set out in the same place or moved to different places with pleasant and predictable results year after year.

But perennials, especially the woody, viney things—roses, azaleas, wisterias—stay put, unless you're prepared to under-

take the difficult and sometimes fatal chore of uprooting and replanting them. So think before you plant.

You can get help from books. One just published, "Garden Design Ideas" (The Taunton Press, \$14.95 paperback) comprises a collection of 21 articles from Fine Gardening magazine. Beautifully illustrated with color photos and diagrams, the collection goes from designing for a small side yard to landscaping a large property.

No matter what you do, however, you need to accept the fact that plants are living things that change as they grow, or sicken and die. And also that gardens are highly individualistic, each one having its own particular strengths and weaknesses. To get to know them means work and to keep on going you've got to love the work.

Antiques

Q. My son wants to collect Hot Wheels. Is there any future?

A. Mattel makes over 40 million Hot Wheels each year. The 1/64th-scale cars are sold in over 100 countries. The first Hot Wheels were made in 1968 and 16 different models were made that year. In the past 25 years, over 560 different models have been made and each model has been made in several colors.

Age, rarity and condition help determine the price. It is said that the very rare car called the "Beach Bomb" sold for \$1,000. Many of the early cars have sold for \$300 but most of them are worth much less. Look for cars with red lines around the tires; they were made before 1977. The date stamped on the bottom of a car is a copyright date and it is only an indication of the year the first car of that design was made. Your car may have been made later.

Special cars that promote an event, product, or cars with wild paint styles and NASCAR models are in demand. Collecting can be educational. Your son will learn to do research, organize material and work within the law of supply and demand. There are many collectors of automotive toys, and prices have gone up.

Q. How was a mote spoon used? A. It is often difficult to understand the use of an antique because today's lifestyles are so different. Imagine trying to explain a flashlight battery to a person who had only used candles. The mote spoon was first made in the 17th century. It resembles a teaspoon but it has a longer pointed handle and the bowl of the spoon is perforated so it could be a type of strainer.

We first learned that mote spoons were used with teapots. The pointed end was used to loosen the tea leaves that became stuck in the holes at the base of the spout. The spoon bowl served as a strainer to remove the loose leaves that were floating in the tea. Now experts think the spoon was used to scoop up dry tea leaves to put in the pot before the water was added. In the 18th century, the tea leaves often came with bits of foreign material and lots of dust. The

mote spoon bowl could be filled with leaves, then tapped lightly to strain out the dust and small insects.

Mote spoons have been found with the figure of Bacchus, the god of wine, engraved on the bowl. Perhaps the spoon was used with wine to remove any stray dregs that fell in the glass. It is also suggested that the spoon was used with hot punch—the bowl was used to remove the bits of lemon and cloves, and the pointed end speared the slices of lemon. Some even say the spoon was used to eat mulberries. You could sift the sugar through the holes in the bowl, then impale the berries on the pointed end. No one is quite sure as to its use, but it's fun to guess.

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MIS-INFORMED WORD TEST

LET's see if you can handle the following MIS-information. That is to say, see if you can find six progressively longer words (see above) beginning with the letters MIS, in accord with these definitions:

1. Fall to hit the target.
2. Skinfint.
3. Unlucky accident.
4. Two and two is five, for example.
5. Wrongly applied name.
6. State flower of Oklahoma.

How quickly can you find the fitting words?

1. Miss 2. Miser 3. Mishap 4. Mistake 5. Mishomer 6. Mistake

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Boerne: a Hill Country town with a different kind of crop: tourism

BOERNE, Texas—Settled by German colonists during the 1840s and 1850s as a farming community, Boerne is 22 miles northwest of San Antonio on Interstate 10 and U.S. 87.

Over the years of maintaining that agricultural ambiance, it has grown into a Hill Country town with a different kind of crop: tourism.

And the yield is excellent, according to city leaders. The city's attractiveness draws plenty wanting to settle down too.

Mayor Patrick R. Heath said, "We hope to continue to grow carefully, preserving our heritage and small town atmosphere, but we will grow."

The city of Boerne and the Boerne Chamber of Commerce started the Main Street Project to preserve and develop historic downtown.

One of the first touches of charm was erecting large burgundy street signs throughout the city's historical district, bearing the name "Hauptstrasse," the German translation for Main Street.

Gift shops, antique dealers and restaurants sprang up in the vacant downtown locations and older firms began sprucing up for new customers from other areas of the state.

The town is now a favorite destination for many

people who also visit Kerrville, Comfort, Fredericksburg and other Hill Country spots.

Christopher Turk, director of planning and community service for the city, is one of the new professionals attracted to the city.

"When I came here 10 years ago, they rolled the sidewalks up at 5 o'clock," he said. "Now it's hard to find a parking place."

The city and General Telephone and Electric are engaged in a cooperative effort to remove clutter of overhead power and communications lines.

Old sidewalks are being replaced with wider ones the length of Main Street, edged with pavers for a look of continuity.

Plans are underway for a riverwalk, extending from the Main Street bridge along the banks of Cibolo Creek to Main Plaza where a 1,018-seat open-air amphitheater is.

Main Plaza has been the focal point for festivals for years. The gazebo in the center is frequently the site of concerts by bands, such as the Boerne Village Band, which, thanks to occasional new members, has performed at the plaza for 134 years.

Berges Fest, Boerne's all-time great German celebration is traditionally held on Father's Day weekend.

Main Plaza is surrounded by historic structures. To the north is the Joseph Dienger building, which is now the Boerne Public Library, and Ye Kendall Inn, both National Historic Landmarks.

The city's first fire house is on the west side and to the south is the historic Carstanjen building.

Paul W. Kirtley, execu-

tive director of the chamber, runs a highly active and well oiled chamber office at One Main Plaza under the motto, "The Best of Yesterday and Today."

To remind the public of its roots, the Agriculture Heritage Center opened a display of old farm equipment at the entrance to Boerne City Park on Texas 46 East.

Cibolo Creek winds through the park, which provides a pool, soccer fields, ball diamonds and a reclaimed marsh area.

Residents and visitors also can enjoy the Cibolo Wilderness Trail, which shows off a broad cross-section of animal and plant life found in the Hill Country.

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New Ordinance Change Turns Pet Dog into Wild Animals

ODESSA, Texas—Brenda Snodgrass wouldn't be surprised to look out her kitchen window and see her three young children playing with wolves.

That's because at the Snodgrass house, a wolf is a pet.

Well, not full-blooded wolves, but wolf hybrids that are bred with Siberian huskies.

"My kids pull his tail, they fall on him. It matters not. He has no urge to want to bite us," Ms. Snodgrass said about her 18-month-old, 75-pound male hybrid named Vladimir.

But state law and recently revised Odessa city ordinance categorize pets such as Vladimir as wild animals, which are illegal to own within the city limits.

Last week, council members approved a number of revisions in the current animal shelter policy. These changes included the reclassification of hybrids as wild animals.

According to the revised ordinance, the term "wild animal" will refer to "all wolves, coyotes, panthers, lions, bobcats and hybrids and any other animal found in a zoo except for ... dogs, cats, livestock." Odessa Animal Control officials say the revision means it is illegal to possess such animals within the city limits.

Ms. Snodgrass, who lives in the county with her wolves, admits that hybrids are different from dogs, but not in a dangerous way.

She said the hybrid is more of a "pack animal" than dogs.

"They are very protective and they think of (my family) like their pack," she said. "When my mother dog went into labor, she kept coming to the door to get me to come out. So I stayed out in the snow with her until she had her puppies."

But she said the similarity with dogs lies in the fact that the hybrids are animals.

"My honest opinion is it depends on how they are raised, for any animal," Ms. Snodgrass said. "I've seen pit bulls that are nice and I've seen pit bulls that are vicious. It just depends on how they are raised by their owners."

But Sim Goodall, Odessa police adviser and senior assistant city attorney, said the differences go further.

He said that according to Texas law, hybrids cannot be vaccinated for rabies.

Rabies is a fatal disease of dogs, cats and other warm-blooded animals that can be transmitted to humans by the bite of an infected animal.

According to the 1994 Compendium of Animals Rabies Control, no rabies vaccine is licensed for use in wild animals.

"I think that really settles the issue, really and truly," said Odessa veterinarian Michael McCullock, "because the rabies vaccine has to be issued by a licensed veterinarian and right now ... a licensed veterinarian can't knowingly vaccinate a wolf hybrid." City Councilman James Goates said the rabies fac-

tor made the decision for him as well.

"We as elected officials must go by the state law in the state of Texas. Veterinarians are licensed by the same state and are told not to vaccinate these animals knowingly. So to (knowingly provide) an ordinance that allows them would be counted ignorant," he said.

"I feel sorry for all the wolf hybrid owners out there, but their argument is not with us—it's with the state of Texas or with the United States government. I don't see we have any choice," Goates said.

Ms. Snodgrass said the new ordinance may add to problems with wolf hybrids. "I'm afraid people will lie about what they have and that will cause (buyers) to not know what they are getting," she said.

Ms. Snodgrass said when she sells a wolf cub to someone, she is careful to tell the new owner what differences to expect and what

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Household Help

by John Amantea

Q. Recently I was doing some major repair work in the family room and had a large I-beam fall into a wall. The walls are made up of plasterboard and I had this beam leaning against one wall and crash into another, leaving a 12-inch gaping hole. I can easily replace the entire 4x8-foot sheet of wallboard but I'd rather not, for reasons of cost. The damage sustained is between two wall studs, with the hole in a sort of angular shape. Can you detail a method I can follow to repair this rather than replacing the entire sheet?

A. Yes, you can repair the damage you described and it will be easier to do than replacing an entire sheet of plasterboard. However, you will need the following tools and materials in order to complete this job. You most likely have some of these tools but I'll mention them in any case.

TOOLS: tape measure, joint knife, sanding block, drywall sandpaper, drywall saw, utility knife, Phillips head screwdriver and, of course, a dust mask.

MATERIALS: extra piece of drywall, joint compound, backer boards (1x2's or 1x4's), drywall screws, and a dropcloth.

Let's begin this patch job by first cutting out a square or rectangular hole around the punched-out hole. Measure your lines and use a drywall saw and be cautious of any electrical lines. The next step may require a helper, if anyone is available.

Cut two lengths of backer boards slightly less than 16 inches long. Insert them through the damaged hole and screw in countersink screws, until marginally below surface of drywall. Repeat the same process with the other board, spaced and measured below the first one.

Measure the new piece of wallboard to fit snugly in place. Countersink two screws (one above the other) firmly and be careful not to break the drywall's surface paper. Apply a liberal amount of joint compound around the entire perimeter and spread the first coat evenly with your joint knife. You should allow at least 24 hours before you apply a second coat (most likely necessary). Again, let dry for 24 hours before you sand your patch repair. Sand with a coarse grit paper first and finish off with fine sandpaper until satisfied with your final surface.

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