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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."



Spring has sprung in Wheeler with temperatures in the 70's and

But, where is the rain. The light cloud cover Thursday only produced 0.05". Not much. Don't expect the burn ban to be lifted. In fact, you need to be even more

First State Bank has started celebrating their 100th Anniversarv: the bank was established in 1906. The first of each month, they have gifts for their customers and the 100th customer in each of the banks receives \$100. -cwe-

Darrell Gaines called Thursday to say Wellington State Bank and Wheeler Banking Center will be having a 100th Anniversary celebration on March 13 thru 17 with gifts each day and registration for a \$1,000 to be given away at the close of the day Friday, March 17. WSB was chartered at the beginning of 1906.

Birthday Cake at WBC will be served Friday. Punch and cookies will be served the first part of the week.

The Annual Wheeler Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet is set for Saturday, March 25. Mark your calendar, it is only 2 weeks

Continuing with the subject of 100th Anniversaries, the Wheeler Schools will be be observing their 100th year in 2007. Lots of pictures and information is needed for the Souvenior book. See story elsewhere.

Wheeler suffered a power outage Monday, shortly before 5. I didn't have to set very much over. Power was back on in about an

And, is there someone you

know that is worthy of being rec-

ognized as 'Outstanding' man, woman and/or employee? Here is your chance to put a name before the committee. A list of reasons is also needed. Mrs. Flowers used to say her

news sometimes dropped out of the saddle bag of the pony express crossing Sweetwater Creek. Now days, items get lost in cyber space. As is the case with 'Teacher's Comments' last week and this. If we have missed something you emailed, let us know; it could be floating around out there. -cwe-

Remember, if we run a picture you would like to have, we may be able to email it to you. Our address is wtimes@centramedia.net.

-cwe-

I got a note from Rhonda Ferguson. She is still waiting for a lung. She is doing as well as can be expected and getting mighty homesick. Hang in there, Rhonda.

We went to OKC Friday afternoon to visit with the Bryants and Ronal Jr. LeRoy, Rhonda and Stormy stopped in on their way back to Hinton from Houston Sat-

We stopped in Hinton on our return to Wheeler Sunday afternoon and got in a couple games of cards. Mark came out to make the fourth person, since LeRoy wasn't feeling up to par.

-cwe-Due to illness of a couple of the players and Rhonda and LeRoy still being in Hinton, we were unable to play cards Monday (Continued Page 7) 3/3

Nominations Sought For Chamber's Outstanding Man, Woman, Employee

The Wheeler Chamber of Commerce is once again taking nominations for the outstanding individuals, who will be recognized at the Annual Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet on Saturday, March 25, 2006.

to recognize the most deserving individuals in each of the categories. The public is being asked to nominate a man, woman and em-

and also list the reasons why the individual should receive the

Your nominations will be considered by the committee appointed to select the respective individuals to be named.

Once again, each nomination is to be accompanied by a list of rea-It is necessary that the nomina-

tions be returned by 5:00 P.M. Thursday, March 16, 2006. The 'Outstanding' teenager and

farmer/rancher will also be named. Please make your ideas known These are selected by commit-

Devon Energy Donates To Local Fire Depts., Including Wheeler

The

Devon Energy Corporation is businesses of their communities. donating \$16,000 to volunteer and municipal fire departments in Firefighters Association is equally places where it has operations in Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle. The fire departments will use the funds to purchase equipment, maintain vehicles and buy tions are always appreciated, esmeals for firefighters.

The \$16,000 is being allocated among 29 fire departments as part of a long-standing program to support emergency responders in areas where Devon operates.

"With growing ventures in western and southeastern Oklahoma, we are eager to get involved in these areas, become a part of know the people who live in them, and general manager of Devon's erty acquisitions. Devon is the Devon to get involved, as well as oil and gas producer.

initiatives, Devon takes pride in assisting emergency responders because those departments provide services to the families and

Andrea Auldridge **Fund Established**

A fund to assist with medical expenses has been set up at the First State Bank of Mobeetie for Andrea Auldridge and her family. Andrea has recently been diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis. She and her husband Tracy have two children, Tysen who is in Kindergarten and Taton who is 2 years old. Andrea is the daughter of Bevard and Diane Dukes. She is the granddaughter of Bob and Gena Zybach and Nelda Dukes of

Donations to the Andrea Auldridge Medical Fund can be made at the Wheeler or Mobeetie branch of the First State Bank of Mobeetie. Your assistance and generosity is greatly appreciated as we try to help this young family through a challenging time.

Hospital Notes

Assisted Living

Verne Lohberger Opal Hefley Alvern Hutchison C.B. Brotherton Iona May Vea Fillingim Lillian Lee Willie Mae Helton

Charlene Rainey Ted Draper Karry Fite W.O. Jones Sid Talley Kelby Ledbetter

Ruth Jackson Chester Jones Bobby Schubert **Dismissals**

Martha Childress Charlene Rainey Don Burke Karry Fite Sld Talley



MUG RECIPIENT: Bill Howard, Vice-President of the First State Bank of Mobeetie, is shown here presenting William Scales with a stainless steel coffee mug, imprinted with the First State Bank of Mobeetie logo. The mugs were given away March 1, 2006.

It is the desire of the Chamber sons for the nomination.

grateful for Devon's assistance. "We thank Devon for the outstanding job they do in the places where they work. These contribupecially in this time of drought," said Chris Bain, Executive Director of the Oklahoma State Firefighters Association.

Oklahoma

Money is being distributed to fire departments in several counties throughout Oklahoma and to three counties within the Texas Pan-

Devon Energy is an Oklahoma these communities, and get to City-based independent energy company engaged in oil and gas "said Brad Foster, vice president exploration, production and prop-Central Division. "It is important to largest U. S.-based independent

Fire departments benefiting As a staunch advocate of safety from donations include: Wheeler, Canadian, Miami-Roberts Volunteer Fire Departments, and Elk City Fire Department.

History of Wellington State Bank

Celebrating 100 Years in 2006

The year was fair and the grass the 250 shares of stock. was green when fourteen ambitious men gathered together time and time again to see if they could scrap up enough money to raise \$25,000 to form the capital for a bank in Wellington. The year of the beginning was 1906. The County of Collingsworth was growing in one of its most accelerating periods. In 1900 the population of the county was 1233 and by 1910 the population was 5224.

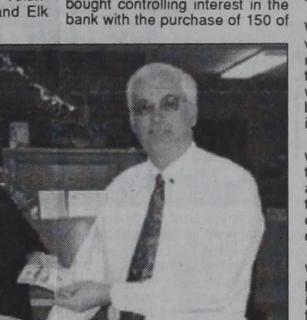
With the vision of forming a bank to serve this farming and ranching area, these fourteen men applied for a charter as a state bank with a capital stock of \$25,000. The original list of shareholders read as follows:

R.L. Ellison, H.C. Wells, E.A. Wells, C.A.Gray, L.H. Stall, J.W. Wells, A.W. Blain, L.W. Gribble, J.B. Burtner, K.M. Godfrey, John Williamson, Chas. Drake, S.A.Street and Ed R. Wallace.

These original stockholders represented many callings. All were landowners. Among them were farmers, ranchers, general merchants, grocers, hardware men, a druggist, a real estate agent, a doctor, a preacher, a ginner, and their number also included a former teacher and a former sher-

The first change of importance in the bank's history came on December 18, 1909, when the stockholders voted to increase the capital stock from \$25,000 to \$50,000. L.W. Gribble was president. Directors were H.C. Wells, E.A. and W.Y. Seale.

At this time, M.W. Deavenport, grocer, ginner and financier, bought controlling interest in the



\$100 CASH: Randy McCurley, President of the First State Bank of Mobeetie is shown here presenting Janet Tatyrek of Mobeetie with a \$100 bill for being the 100th customer coming into the Mobeetie Office

Pictures, Articles, Information Are Needed For '07 Ex-Student Book

Teachers will celebrate Wheeler School's 100th Birthday at the next

Eva Lena Webb, 85 Services March 7

Eva Lena Webb, 85, of Amarillo, died Sunday, March 5, 2006. Services were Tuesday, March 7, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. in the Chapel of Memories at Memorial Park Funeral Home with Pastor Larry Gill of Merkel, TX, and Dan Bouchelle of Central church of Christ officiating. Burial followed at Memorial Park Funeral Home.

Mrs. Webb was born June 7, 1920, in Major County, OK, to the late Mr. and Mrs. Lester Stricker. She grew up in Major County. She married Verner C. Webb in Sayre, OK., on August 19, 1942. They lived on the Webb ranch in Gray County for 55 years. Mrs. Webb was a homemaker, 4-H leader and worked on the ranch with her husband. She also held a position at One-Hour Martinizing performing clothing alterations. In 1995, they moved to Amarillo. She attended Central church of Christ.

Mrs. Webb was preceded in death by three brothers and two

Survivors include her husband, Verner; one daughter, Elaine Wynn and husband, Keith; one granddaughter Katheryn Brown and husband, Michael; one grandson, Eric Wynn, all of Amarillo; one brother, Everett Stricker of Great Bend, KS; and four sisters, Dortha Sparks of Raymore, MO., Esther Stanley, Mary Ellen Campbell and Joyce Rexroat, all of Ringwood,

The family suggests memorials be made to the High Plains Children's Home, P.O. Box 7448, Amarillo, TX 79114-9990.

Wheeler Ex-Students and Ex- reunion on Saturday, June 9,

The Wheeler Ex-Students and Teachers Assoc. prints a souvenir catalog with the known names and addresses of teachers and students. Known deceased students and teachers are also published. Exes are asked every two years

to update their information and inform the committee of any changes needed in the book.

The committee this year would like to include stories and pictures. Computers allow the copying and reproduction of old pictures with the danger of damage and/or loss greatly reduced. Pictures can be scanned and emailed Copies of annuals prior to 1930

are not available at the school.

Pictures of the facilities, class pictures, and/or group pictures would be greatly appreciated. It is also important you identify the individuals pictured. If you have a picture with some names missing, The Wheeler Times will publish the pictures and ask for help in identifying.

We realize the 100th anniversary is still over a year away, but gathering, sorting and publishing the information takes time. The more time available, the better the publication.

Ads will again be included in the book to help defray the expenses. Please send us a business card and/or information if you think you will be interested in having an ad in the book. We will contact you, prior to publication of the book, of the ad cost when that information is determined.

Please take the time really soon and look through your albums. Here is a perfect chance to contact you classmates and/or students and share pictures and memories.

(Continued Page 6) of their 100th Anniversary.

With his purchase of stock, the number of stockholders had declined to nine and the names of D.D. McDowell, C.C. Terry, J.S. Richards, and Carrie Henard appear as stockholders for the first The Wellington State Bank was

first located in a stone building on the west side of the square. It was moved to the northeast corner of the square where a new two-story hotel building had been completed with the bank quarters being located in the same building. This continued to be the home of the bank for 47 years until it was merged with the First National Bank of Wellington. Major Deavenport was president of the bank when it moved to the new quarters. Other officers listed on the old cornerstone, which is still preserved in the drive-in part of the building, were L.W. Gribble, vice president; E.A. Wells, vice president; and HJ.C. Wells, cashier. Major Deavenport died in 1911 and his stock went to his daughter Mrs. J.M. Strong.

Following the death of H.G. Wells in 1918, A.W. Blain was elected president and the name of P.E. Starr appeared as a director.

A.W. Blain was still the president when A.Y. Bell became the executive officer in the early twenties. Directors listed at this time were A.W. Blain, F.H. Royal, D.D. McDowell, L.E. Gribble, C.C. Terry, and E.W. Blain. In the main these continued to be the directors for Wells, Alice Henard, L.W.Gribble, two decades with occasional changes such as Pink Sullivan, John Henard and D'Arcy (Dee) McDowell.

The administrative history of the Wellington State Bank may be divided roughly into about eight administrative periods. The first of these was that of H.C. Wells who was the executive officer of the bank from the time of its founding in 1906 until his death in 1918.

The second was that of A.Y. Bell who was active vice president through the prosperous twenties and kept the bank strong and functioning at full service during the depression and the dust bowl days of the thirties.

The third administrative cycle was that of L.A. Manzer, under the presidency of D.D. McDowell. During World War II, the bank not only tution underwrote huge caravans into the Dakotas and Canada in the late summer. The large loans on land and cattle were subject to the approval of D.D. McDowell. Records reflect that L.A. Manzer and resigned that position in November 1951.

When Mr. Manzer left the bank, president in November 1981 A.Y. Bell was elected president and he was serving when C.T. by the directors to sell the bank Hubbard came to Wellington in and it was on February 15, 1983 was elected president.

southeast corner of the square. shareholders from 60 to 13. Directors at this time were James McDowell and Lewis Morris.

Following the death of E.W.

Blain in 1960, Luther Gribble was placed on the board and elected president. John Holton was approved as a director in October 1960 when a vacancy occurred by John Henard's resignation, Mr. Hubbard continued as executive officer. Mr. Gribble died in 1964 and C.T. Hubbard was elected president.

The second important step forward under the direction of C.T. Hubbard was the decision to build a larger and more modern bank building. The building of the Hotel Wellington which was also the bank site at the time of the merger was purchased and razed. A magnificent building of Spanish design was erected and the Wellington State Bank moved to its new headquarters on April 17, 1971. This marked one of the major steps forward in the history of the Collingsworth area. Directors were James Sullivan, Dee McDowell, John Holton, J.M. Orr, Lewis Morris, E.M. Hunter and C.T. Hubbard. The vacancies which were created by the death of Lewis Morris and Dee McDowell were filled by Fred Cox and John McDowell.

The fifth administrative period began in the mid-seventies when financial institutions were being flooded with changes. Regulations from the Federal Reserve and banking department created change after change in every department of the bank. It became apparent that it was necessary to begin the ground work for converting the bank's manual operation to a computer system. Customers became numbers! Every bank account had to have a different number. There would be no more free counter checks. Customers would purchase their own personalized checks bearing their account number. Banks were buying their deposits by issuing Certificates of Deposit to their customers. The eighties brought interest to checking accounts.

Interest on notes climbed as the bank was forced to pay higher interest on certificates. Service charges which the bank had never imposed on its customers were now being applied.

Mr. Hubbard was looking forward to retirement. Bill Beall of Duncanville joined the Wellington State in 1976 as a director and financed the farmers and stock- vice president. He was elected men of the area, but also the insti- president in 1977 and Mr. Hubbard remained as President Emeritus of combines and trucks that trav- until he retired in August 1978 afeled from central Texas in June ter 24 years of service to the bank and community.

Bill Beall resigned in October 1981 and accepted a position with Western National Bank in Amarillo. Billy F. Moseley, who had been also served the bank as president with the Wellington State as executive vice president and director since March 1978, was elected

Negotiations were being made August of 1954 as executive vice when 90% of the outstanding president. Mr. Bell resigned in stock was sold to Mike Stinson of September 1954 and E.W. Blain Ft. Worth and O.L. Cooper, This was the sixth period of adminis-The fourth administrative period tration. Mr. Cooper, who moved to was that of C.T. Hubbard. Two Wellington from Memohis, had major advancements were made been named president when Billy under his leadership. The first of Moseley resigned in November these was when Wellington State 1982. The existing board of direc-Bank bought the building equip- tors resigned and the new direcment and assets of the First Na- tors elected were 0.L. Cooper, tional Bank. The two oldest banks chairman; Mike Stinson, Jack in the county were merged on May Neeley, Walter Clements III, and 16, 1958 and the bank was moved Jimmy Parker of Stamford. The to the First National building on the sale of the bank reduced the

In June 1983 the sixth phase Sullivan, C.T. Hubbard, John began when an agreement was Henard, J.M. Orr, E.W. Blain, Dee signed to merge with Independent Bank Shares, Inc., of Abilene.

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COFFEE MUG: First State Bank of Mobeetie is celebrating it's 100th birthday this year. Stephanie Coulter is shown here presenting Susan Ford with a stainless steel mug imprinted with the First State Bank logo on March 1, 2006. The mugs were given away to every custo that came into the Mobeetie or Wheeler office that day in celebration

GONGBATULATIONS?





The Lady Cougars enjoyed an outstanding season. The girls were 10-0 in district and finished the season winning Bi-District. The girls' pictured here are (standing, I. to r.) Bailey Estes, Mayci Meadows, Megan Horn, Kelsi Essay, Stormi Lancaster, Hailey Estes, Amber Maddox, Veronica Hungate, Mgr., (front row) Shealee Coulter, Sara Zybach and Alicia Reis. The Lady Cougars were coached by Randy Yelverton and J. J. Johnson.

Alicia Reis was District Co-MVP, Shealee Coulter, Sara Zybach and Stormi Lancaster were 1st Team All-District. Mayci Meadows was Honorable Mention.

FIRST STATE BANI

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Bless the Lord, 0 my soul and

name. Bless the Lord, 0 my soul,

and forget not all his benefits; Who

forgiveth all thine iniquities; who

healeth all thy diseases; Who

redeemeth thy life from destruc-

tion; who crowneth thee with

lovingkindness and tender mer-

renewed like the eagle's. Psalm

Bless the Lord, 0 my soul, 0

Lord my God, thou art very great;

thou art clothed with honour and

majesty. Who coverest thyself with

light as with a garment: who

stretchest out the heavens like a

curtain: Who layeth the beams of

his chambers in the waters: who

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Member: F.D.I.C.

The View of a Southern Woman

.... Southern California that is.

My son, Patrick, called and said with my expanding family. Now I they are getting tons of rain in find that I have 5 children, 9 grandnot complain to loud or we might all very nice people.

change all the time. Three weeks Betty Boydston. ago, before I had that bad flu, we were looking for a new bed and mattress. After I decided to conquer the flu and a bad case of pleurisy, we finally bought one the other day. One expense seems to lead to another so my eyeglasses chipped and decided to retire themselves, so there goes \$650 more. One good thing about it is that my eyes are in good condition with the exception of the cataract that has decided to take up residency in the left eye, but all in all I have been very lucky with my eyesight. Then the vehicle insurance will be due very soon and I would like to forget about the IRS check we will soon be writing! Oh well, it will be spring very soon or at least it did come last year to the Texas Panhandle. Everything will renew and if we get some rain, things will be green again and we will all feel better. Things always work out eventually.

Glenn Forrest Frosty and I have come up with an idea on how to solve our chicken's problems. Our three bantam hens are going into the third week of empty-nest setting. We saw some tiny baby chicks at Atwoods over in Elk City and we think that if we bought about 4 or 5 of them and sneak them into the nests under our hens and they would think they were their own. Anyway, we think it is worth a try. Now if it does not work, I guess we will be turning the garage into a chicken nursery again. It will be an interesting experiment

The mother of 2 of my grandchildren who lives in the Palm Springs, CA area informed me today that I will be a great-greatgrandmother again in May or June. This will be number two and I have not even seen number one who was born last June. I kind of think it was an unfair thing to do to me anyway as I am way too young to be a great-great anything, but we will go out there to see the new additions to our growing family this year. Penny also informed me that I have yet to see the great-grandson, Mathew, who was born about the time I moved to Texas. You know, it is real difficult to keep up

Southern California. My sister, children, 5 great-grandchildren Shirley, emails that it is snowing and will have 2 of those greatin Northern California. My daugh- great-grandchildren come May or all that is within me, bless his holy ter, Laurah, emails from Northern June. That kind of staggers the Nevada that they are having snow mind and I probably should not and rain and what do we get here? even think of it right now as I am A few sprinkles! Not even enough still weak from the flu. Now a few to settle the dust and we really do of these do belong to Glenn but I need it. Oh well, guess I should love them just the same. They are

Hoping all of you stay well. With cies; Who satisfieth thy mouth with Like the weather, our lives love from the southern woman good things; so that thy youth is

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maketh the clouds his chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind: Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire: Who laid the foundations of the earth, that is should not be re-

moved for ever. Psalms 104:1-4 0 Give thanks unto the Lord; call upon his name: make know his deeds among the people. Sing and the judgements of his mouth; Baughman. Veronica had a son, 0 ye seed of Abraham his servant, Rodney Tice, and a daughter, ye children of Jacob his chosen. Michelle, and several grandchil-He is the Lord our God: his judg- dren. ments are in all the earth. He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word which he commanded to a thousand genera-

tions. Psalms 105:1-8 The weather here in Allison has been so beautiful. Saturday night and early Sunday morning hours we received a few thunderstorms and some rain. Praise God for the rain. But the lightening did set a fire and the fire department sounded the alarm. I think it scared some of us, we were wondering if it was a signal to go to the cellar, but no it was a fire, just a signal to pray for the fireman that were fighting the fire. We are thankful for the rain we received tho. The fruit trees and other trees are starting to bud out. Sure hope its not too soon, but we still have some cold weather coming is what the weathermen are saying.

Greig and Penny Brown and two daughters, Baylee and Corrie of Pauls Valley, Oklahoma visited in the home of Roma and Billy June Brown Thursday and Friday. Roma and Billy June Brown

journeyed to Amarillo, Texas where she had an appointment with her heart doctor. They shopped and enjoyed a delicious meal at Kentucky Fried Chicken. Roma and Billy June stayed Wednesday night with Warren and Charline Brown.

Sunday night after church, Opal and Juanita Boydston, Vance and Carol Boydston and Curtis and Lil Boydston gathered in the home of Glenn and Betty Boydston where they enjoyed a game of spinners and were served a yummy pizza and enjoyed very delicious dessert of homemade ice cream made with splenda and a lemon tart also that was so good. Had a good game and good visiting and good food. Opal won the game this time.

Tuesday, Helen Forshee, Ronnie Hall and Juanita Tincher were dinner guests in the home of Opal and Juanita Boydston. Ronnie received news of his sister, Veronica Jean Tice passing away in Springdale, Arkansas.



THE WHEELER TIMES PAGE 2-Thursday, March 9, 2006

"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Wednesday, Opal and Vance This was Helen's daughter also. Ronnie Hall, Helen Forshee and Boydston accompanied Juanita Boydston to see a cardiologist in Juanita Tincher left Wednesday to Pampa. Juanita had a E.K.G. and unto him, sing psalms unto him; go to Springdale, Arkansas to be other test done. Found out that her talk ye of all his wondrous works. with family of his sister who heart was beating too fast and is Glory ye in his holy name: let the passed away. They were there for now taking pills for her heart. heart of them rejoice that seek the the funeral services of Helen's Lord. Seek the Lord, and his daughter and Ronnie's sister and Thursday, Opal and Juanita Boydston and Vance and Carol strength; seek his face evermore. Juanita's aunt on Friday at two at accompanied Louise Boydston in Remember his marvellous works Northwest United Pentecostal her van to Arkansas to attend the that he hath done; his wonders, Church pastored by Bro. Arnold funeral of Veronica Jean Tice.

in Fayetteville, Arkansas in North-(Continued Page 6)

Ronnie's sister. The funeral was

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facts about the United States. county in California is about 16 times larger than the entire state of Rhode Island. The largest city is New York City and the smallest county is New York county. The northernmost, westernmost, the state of Alaska (several Alaskan islands are actually in the eastern hemisphere). Part of Fulton County, Kentucky can only be reached by going down. States are, we live in a great into Tennessee. The lowest alti- place. A nation that we can tude in the state of Colorado is proudly and publicly worship still 3,000 feet higher than the God without fear of persecution highest altitude point in the state or molestation. There are, of of Florida. Although Florida was course, many other great factors the first state to be settled in, it was the 27th to be admitted into being such a wonderful place to the union. The state of Maine live, but we should never take for only borders one other state: granted these 50 states which New Hampshire. Maryland is our forefathers died for - and the only three miles wide at its skin- Son of God who also died for us. niest point. And the current city

of Denver, Colorado was once a

An Invitation: You are cordially in-

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There are many interesting part of the territory of Texas.

There are many strange things For instance, San Bernardino in these United States. Many of the above facts can be explained by just saying that it is the way geography is. Some of these are attributed to unique rulings. That fact mentioned about Kentucky's Fulton County being accessible and easternmost points are all in only by another state is due to the Mississippi River changing its course after the land treaties were drawn up.

Strange as these United which lead to the United States

Shawn D. Johnson

Services:

.... 9:30 A.M. vited to attend any of the weekly Sunday Bible Study ... services of the Wheeler Church of Sunday Morning Worship. 10:30 A.M. Christ which meets at 1001 S. Alan Sunday Night Worship 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 P.M.

Corinthians 1:3, 4: Blessed be God, even the father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of Mercies, and the God of all comfort; who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.

Happy Birthday to Amy Hunt, Monica Cross Kidd, Gene Rowell, Donna Hawkins, Iona May, 96, Katie Nicholes, Shawn Zybach on March 5; Ann Jones, Brandon Finsterwald, Keenan Jones, Kelly Chisum, Thomas Timmons and Jacie Hood on March 6; Elizabeth Boring, Caden Gates, Rexann Johnson, Terry Lewallen, Monti Smith, Laura Vandever, Trisha Hand on March 7; Kathy Miller, Don Alexander, Hayden Hartsfield, Velma Forbes, Quinn Newman, Ryan May, Jacy Hughes, Marci Payne and Trey Buytler on March 8; Halee Cross, Bayli Davis, Sylvia Shuler, Preston Smith IV, Jimmy Maddox, Tyna Horn, Sue Helms on March 9; Michael Mayfield, Hayden Hudson, Edie Phillis, Sarah Pond, Wesley Steen (79), Kelli Cromer, Shelly Christner on March 10; Krystal Fillingim, Rhett Morgan, Chase Scales, Tammy Newman, Leslie Wilson, Nathan Hefley, Joshua Woodworth, Jason Reed on March 11. Happy Anniversary to Bryan and

Tiffaney Johnson, Mike and Sherry Wash, Von and Sindy Chapman and Luke and Mique Yarbar on March 7.

Next Sunday afternoon Allison Baptist will host the Wheeler Care Center Church at 3:00 p.m., March 12. Everyone welcome to good singing and short message. Come and greet the residents.

Enjoying visiting and eating together at the Sopt Sunday were H.B. and Kathryn Krug, Donald and Anita Reeves, Lonnie and Ruth Kenney and Bob and Evangeline Wills. Also there Jerry and Ann Killingsworth, Rick and Tina Bond and Abby and Charlene Rainey with Virginia Puryear and Lester and Clydene Hall.

Betty Hustead recently had gall bladder surgery at Amarillo. Praise the Lord she is doing well.

Little Miss Cassidy Andis went to Pampa Friday to stay with grandparents, Mary and Marshall Andis while Wheeler is on Spring break this week. She is the daughter of Robert and Kim Andis. Nice to see Robert and Kim and Garrett at Thirftway.

We miss Doretta Moore in our Sunday School class at Wheeler Baptist church. She rarely missed a Sunday and usually the first one there. Know she makes heaven a brighter place.

Next Tuesday night, March 14, Our Country Band will be back to Wheeler Care Center at 6:30 to make beautiful peaceful music. Everyone welcome.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Lillian (Moose) Anderson of Miami in her death. She passed away Saturday afternoon with all her kids and several other family members present at Wheeler Care Center. Funeral was to be Tuesday, March 7, at 10:00 a.m. at Miami at the Baptist church with burial at Miami cemetery beside her husband, Gene Anderson. We will miss her, but she is at rest. Moose had emphesema really bad.

Sonya Hudson had an attack with her gall bladder Friday. Ray and Glenda Hudson took her over to Elk City Friday. She stayed in the hospital until surgery to remove the gall bladder Satuday. They brought her home later Saturday. Pray for Sonya. Patrick spent Friday night with Brandon Hathaway. He and Sonya spent the weekend with Ray and Glenda.

Nice to have Bro. Erron Mercer, pastor of Cornerstone Church come to host the Tuesday morning Sing-a-long and church at Wheeler Care Center. He sang some beautiful songs and had prayers and a short message. Also there was Bro. Dennis Williams, pastor of Wheeler Baptist. The good crowd of residents included Gwen Loyd, Charlie Bartram, Howard Surber, Minerva Jones, Hannah Chapman, Gelemmia Back, Johnnie Bird, Reba Wofford, Rosalie Keelin, Opal Hutchison,

Wilma Maddox, Edna Pearl Abernethy, Neta Young, Vera Barnes and others.

Dennis Surber, brother to Howard Surber, at Wheeler Care Center is in Rehab at Canyon to help him be more mobile and ac-

Anne Ellison prepared a good dinner Saturday to celebrate her dad, Ray Brazeal's 90th birthday. Also there were her mom, Mae Brazeal, her husband, Joe Ellison, who is feeling some better and Anne's bother, Jimmy and Shirley Brazeal from Sanford. They had a great time. Happy Birthday, Ray, and many more!

Nice to see Debbie Glazner and her daughter, Kelley Glazner and son, Jacob, 4, at Thriftway Wednesday. Debbie moved Kelley and Jacob back to Wheeler and was stocking up on groceries and other needs for them. Best wishes

Nice to see Shirley Dyson at Thriftway, too, and get to visit a little! Long time friend. Shirley's husband, Billy Joe Dyson, was in my room (2-3 grade) first year I taught at Briscoe.

Peggy's Pineapple Bake 1-15 oz. can chunk pineapple 1-15 oz. can crushed pine-

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dish and bake 350° for 30 minutes. Wednesday night at Wheeler Bap-

Soto's Thursday were Joyce will be at Gageby Church. Every-Perkins, Ella Mae Wood, Leona one invited. Coates, Betty Howard, Ned Burrell, Martha Meek and Verna Wheeler Baptist Church hosted Fillingim. Always good to have a the Sunday afternoon church sernice meal and a nice visit. Also vice March 5. Some there to help there were Ray and Glenda with the service were Hayley and Hudson and Rodney and Keri Hudson and many more. Next Leona Coates, who played the pimonth in April, Ladies' will meet at ano; Wesley Steen, who led the the Spot on Thursday, April 6, at singing. Also there were Ella Mae 11:30. All ladies invited.

Mike and Beverly Bryant also took a trip over the weekend to Phoenix, Ariz., where Mike competed in a shooting contest. A nice get away. They came home Monday, March 6.

Patsy Smith went back for a check-up on her knee surgery Wednesday. Doctors thought knee was doing great. So good to get the staples out and get her coumadin level where it should be or close to it. Keep praying for

Patsy's grandson, Neal Smith is enjoying driving that big truck around. Even up to Canada, Idaho and different places. Good job,

Neal. He also enjoys talking to his Stir up good; put in casserole dad, Joe Smith on the cell phone.

First Sunday Singing was at Ed and Laurel Hershman and Allison Baptist Church Sunday Bob and Evangeline Wills served night. Some singing were Bro. Bill the delicious Brisket supper Stiles, Marion Grimes and Nadine Lane. With readings were Kay tist with beans, coleslaw, bread Stiles, Aaron Laverty and Ray and desserts. Very goodl Thanks. Hudson, All were good, First Sun-Enjoying Ladies' Day Out at day singing on April 2, at 6:00 p.m.

At Wheeler Care Center Taylor Sparks, who sang a special, Woods, Buddy and Dianne Sparks Beverly Bryant celebrated her and Nicholas, Helen Steen, Ed birthday Feb. 27. Nice to have and Laurel Hershman and Verna daughter-in-law, Regina Bryant Fillingim. Ed had a little message (Gary's wife) from Lubbock meet about smiles. Thanks. Next Sun-Beverly for lunch at Amarillo and day, March 12, at 3:00 p.m. Allison a good visit to celebrate her birth- Baptist will host the Sunday afternoon service. Everyone is invited to come help sing and greet the residents. Several residents out.

W.O. Jones enjoyed a visit from niece Brenda (Errington) Dickinson and grandson, Dawson, at Wheeler Nursing and Rehab Tuesday morning. W.O. is having therapy to help him walk better. Said he can't walk very far and hopes to to back home sometime. Brenda grew up at Wheeler and lives at Canadian. Pray for W. O.

Addie Swift enjoyed a visit from granddaughters Cathy Hunt and Jane Dukes and their grandchildren Tuesday morning.

Enjoying quilting at Totty Thursday were Melba Corcoran, Betty



PAGE 3—Thursday, March 9, 2006 Wheeler, town of friendship and pride.

Rogers, Augusta Brown, Sydney Lynch, Audrey Seitz and Jane

Nice to have Laurel and Ed Hershman come by Thursday and take me to supper at Maxeys with them. Enjoyed hearing about their trip. Think it was good for them to take a little trip

Glad to hear that Lorene Rector is being able to walk some each day and is feeling a little better. Sweet lady.

David and Heather Hale and Sarahbeth, 5, and Dalton, 2, live in Canyon. David's mom, Gaye Hale, and Pam Jones went to David's 30th birthday party at their house in Canyon at 607 Oregon Trail, Canyon, TX 79015. Hosted by Heather with cakes and cookies and soft drinks on Wednesday night after church at First Baptist. Also there were Lance and LaJuana Caroland and Lucas, 5, and Annika, 2, and others.

Nice to see William and Rosemary McKinley at Thriftway Saturday. But sorry they have had the flu and can't seem to shake it. One doctor said might take 4 to 6 weeks to get over the flu that is going around. Some said at least.

Bob and Gena Zybach went to Pampa Saturday for lunch at the Texas Rose with several of Gena's family and included brother-in-law, Cecil Francis and daughter, Debbie McElvoy and son, Nick McElvoy, from Seattle, Wash., Gail Francis and son, Chris Helton and wife Natasha and baby and 2 other grandchildren, Mary Gilliland from Pampa, Mike and Sue Geisler from Fritch and Cindy and Kyle Francis from Pampa. They enjoyed seeing everyone. Bob and Gena have been sick, but are getting some better.

Jackie Cummings is glad to be home. At Amarillo they drained 12 lbs (like 2 big 3 liter Coke bottles) off her abdomen of fluid. Keep praying for our Jackie, one of the sweetest ladies you will ever know. Jackie stayed a few days with a niece at Amarillo. They were good to her, but she is so glad to be back in her own bed and home.

A special treat to have Charlie and Edie Phillis from White Deer come by and visit awhile Thursday afternoon. They were on their way to Oklahoma to visit granddaughter, Tabitha (Mike's daughter) who will be graduating from high school this year. Mike died several months ago. Charlie and Edie Phillis and Mike and Stacey lived at the KN plant NW of Briscoe a few years and we enjoyed them all a lot.

Stacey and Jeff Haiduk and Jacey, 5, and baby live next door to Charlie and Edie so they get to enjoy the granddaughters at White Deer. Jeff works for Pantex and helps some with his family business in White deer (K and K)

Our pastor, Dennis Williams at Wheeler Baptist has been sick. Area Missionary Larry Heard from Pampa preached a good missionary sermon Sunday.

I got my gas bill from West Texas Gas Friday: \$281.74. Wowl I like a warm house, but maybe I don't need it quite that warm.

Pray for our pastor, Dennis Williams, who has been sick with the flu and can't seem to shake it. Has had so much congestion and breathing problem.

Pray for Jackie Cummings, who has been sick in the hospital at Shamrock. Some of her family took her to Amarillo to the doctor Monday and think she is visiting them. Now home.

Glad to see Thriftway has those good Jonagold apples again. Very

Now if I can just find some Blue Bunny Rasberry Ice Cream bars with luscious Chocolate coating, I'll be set. They are so good!

Our Country Band Nice to have Our Country band out to Wheeler Care Center Tuesday night, Feb. 28. to make beautiful music. They will be back in two weeks, March 14 at 6:30. Visitors always welcome. Playing bass was Robert Jones. Geoff Caldwell played the mandolin. Gene Keelin played a guitar and Chuck Hartline played a fiddle. Sounded great. Think Daniel Keelin sang three songs. He is sure improving. Chuck and Martha Meek sang two songs. And Chuck sang some others. Many thanks!

Wheeler Baptist Golden Agers and friends will meet Thursday, March 16 at noon. Everyone welcome. Come to Fellowship Hall for a good pot luck meal, visiting and program.

Leona Coates and Betty Howard were at Care Center Tuesday night to listen to the band and greet people. Thanks for com-

Iona May's 96th Birthday

Many relatives and friends and staff persons gathered at Assisted Living in Parkview Hospital Friday afternoon to celebrate Iona May's 96th birthday, Georgia Tipps made the delicious German Chocolate and Italian Creme cakes and Sherbet, (green) punch for her Mom's party. Some there were Dean Tipps, Jimmy and Tammy Maddox and Jennfier and Amber, Dwight Tipps, Dixie Gaines, Lou Dean Douthit, Martha Meek, Jo Redding, Doris Finsterwald, Donna and Jerry Jenkins, Verna Fillingim, Verna Lohberger, Suzanne Lohberger, Opal Hefley, Lillian Lee, Alvern Hutchison, Vea Fillingim, C. B. Brotherton, Mae Helton, Carl Scales, Dustin Lee, Gloria, Jodie and many others. Happy Birthday, Iona!

Iona still likes to play canasta and piece and quilt quilts and visit with friends and family. Also at the party were Brenda Sparlin, Wayne Kuehler, Kim Houston, Christy Carstensen, Gayle Rowley, Melissa Scales, Vickey Nelson, Kathy Murray and others. Many beautiful flowers at the party.

Dallas and Krystal Fillingim and Keaira and Lindsey Criswell and Blain and Dagen were weekend visitors to David and Rita Pearson. Nice to have kids and Rita come visit and eat supper with me at Maxeys Friday night. Criswells are from Canyon. Dallas' family is from Windthorst. Did you know that I have some of the most beautiful great-grandchildren that you will find anywhere?

Also nice to visit and eat with Dallas and Krystal and Keaira on Saturday for supper and Sunday for lunch before they headed back to Windthorst. We ate at the Spot for lunch Sunday. Bro Larry Heard and Anne will

be going to Israel to the Holy Land soon. Something they wanted to do for years to see where Jesus lived and walked.

Singing specials at Wheeler Baptist Sunday morning was Kelby Vise. At night Wesley Steen

Trip to Hawaii

Our departure time was 7:15 a.m. out of Rick Husband airport in Amarillo. We got there in plenty of time and flew to Dallas-Ft. Worth Airport. There we had to be deiced, so were an hour late. We arrived in Honolulu, Hawaii nine hours later. There is four hours difference between Amarillo and Hawaii. We were met there by the Pride of Aloha people. I was given a Vanda orchid lei and Ed got a shell one. They took us to the ship called Pride of Aloha. It is owned by the Norwedians and very nice.

Sunday night while we were sleeping the ship took us to Nawiliwila (Kaual). We stayed there all day Monday and part of Tuesday. It rained most of the time there, but was a nice warm rain and we didn't mind. While there we took three side trips and really enjoyed each of them. My favorite was the Kauai National Botanical Gardens. The hillsides were solid bougainvilleas and so lovely. We were guided by a botanist and he loved his work there. He told us of several plants that they were growing for medications. The flowers are just too hard to describe.

We saw several birds and other wild life on the trip called Journey to Waimea Canyon and Kauai Back roads Adventure. The Waimea Canyon is what they call the Hawaiian Grand Canyon. We got to visit a coffee tree farm and tasted their coffee. I wasn't impressed since I don't like anything about coffee, but the smell and it was great. We saw the Hawaiian owl which hunts in the day time and we saw three, not up too close and a wild pig. We went by an old sugar cane plant and through a tunnel that was all the way through the mountain. It was too hard to go over the mountain, so some man drilled through the mountain and helped the sugar farmers.

Wednesday morning we had nothing planned so went ashore and found a short tour of the island of Hilo and shopped some. Wednesday evening we sailed by Mount Kilauea and watched the lava flow. It was amazing. We short people had a little problem seeing over the taller ones, but we had a big port hole so went down to our room and watched.

Again we traveled by night and arrived at Kona early Thursday morning. We went on a side trip called Explore Kona by Land and Sea. We started out on sea and watched the whales messing around. We got to see them up pretty close and hopefully got some pictures, but they are fast. On each island we saw lots of chickens, they are called range chickens as they aren't owned by anyone and just live off the land. They had escaped when they had fighting chicken contests years ago. They have no predators.

We traveled again by night to Kahului (Moue) and arrived at dawn. We didn't plan anything for the daytime, but went to the dock and visited some of the stores.

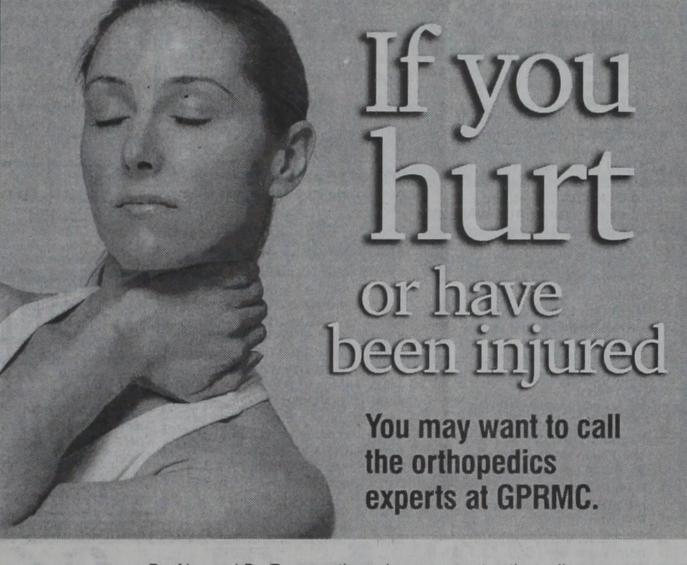
Each day the ship planned some kind of craft, so we learned to make ribbon leis and shell and nut leis. We also watched the passengers learn the hula. They started the first day and were progressing very well. They did a show one evening. This was the night we went to the luau. Everything was really nice and the food great, including the purple bread. The show was very Hawaiian and

Saturday was our Tour of the Best of the West Maui. We saw fantastic scenery and visited a plantation where they grew pineapple, coconuts, Papayas, avocados, vanda orchids, sugar cane and coffee. The grounds were lovely and they had a windmill among the ponds and gardens. We ate at the cafe there and had pink bread. The meal was very

We packed our suitcases and set them by the door, so that we could retrieve them Sunday morning as we took our last tour.

The shows on the ship were very good and we enjoyed everyone. We met people from all over the world. Each morning and evening we tried to eat a meal with

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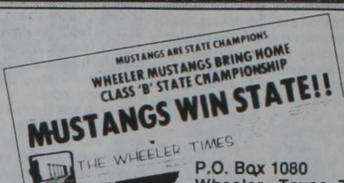
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Dear Wheeler Times,

My name is Wayne Powell. My family on my father's side farmed in Wheeler. I have found them in 1930 Census in Justice Precent 1. My grandparents name was Eugene Powell, Grandmother Bertha Powell. They had 2 sons born there and one daughter all born in Wheeler. My uncles name was Lonnie Powell. Lonnie was born in Wheeler September 19, 1916 in Wheeler. He is buried in El Paso. My dad was the youngest he was born in Wheeler Nov. 19, 1921 in Wheeler, and is buried in Wheeler. The daughter's name was Essie Evelyn Powell, she was born 1914. She died in Wheeler December 31, 1932. Essie graduated in 1932. She played basketball in 1932 on the Wheeler team. Would you look for any pictures or clippings on this. It would be helpful. Essie died of sugar diabetes. I know they (my family had a farm there). The directions were toward Briscoe Northwest 1 mile, W 1/2 -E 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec. 6, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. I will send any money or buy any of these records. This history is important to me. I plan to pass this down to my 2 sons for their kids. I know where ever they were they were really proud to be from Wheeler. Where ever they passed away we brought them back to Wheeler, I know Mrs. Powell signed a Oil & Gas Lease in March 1955 with Sinclair Oil & Gas Com-

Thank you very much.

Wheeler will always have a special place in my family. As, Cal Farleys Boys Ranch-where I grew up.

Thanks, Wayne Powell Box 50622 Amarillo, TX 79105 Phone: 806-655-9031

Country (from Page 3)

someone we didn't know already and that wasn't very hard since there was over a thousand guests on the ship. The staff were very friendly also and from all over. They have to commit for 5 months to work on the ship and they say they get paid pretty well. We saw lots of new people that day and each had a flowered lei or a shell one. That's how we could tell that they were new.

Sunday morning we headed for Pearl Harbor. We had a wonderful guide on this tour. He called himself, Tiny, but he wasn't and he was so much fun. Even though seeing the Arizona and the Mighty Mo. and the movie, was a sobering experience the bus ride was

We had so much fun and met so many nice people; but we were ready to come home.

We learned lots of Hawaiian history, it seemed that each tour guide would tell us something about the history of the island. That was really nice. It seems that half of each island get lots of rain and the other not so much, but lots more than we do no matter where you are on the islands. We tried to drag the rain home with us and maybe we did get some here.

The tour bus driver delivered us and our luggage to the airport. We left Honolula at 6 PM their time and got to Dallas at 6 AM our time, we were flying 9 hours. There is a four hour time difference between here and Hawaii. We are trying too catch up on our sleep now.

"God be with you till we meet

THANK YOU I would like to thank everyone

who attended my 96th birthday party, also for the beautiful flower arrangements, gifts, and cards. Thanks to the Assisted Living for your help. I really appreciate everyone making it a great day. Iona May

Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office

March 3, 2006. FEBRUARY 27, 2006

MD-J B Lee of Austin Family Limited Partnership to Arrowhead Resources Inc., 2-10-06, 33.3 acs. Sec. 7, Blk. C, D. W. Davies Sur-

vey. MD—Elizabeth Ann Baker to Ar-

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from February 27, 2006 - rowhead Resources Inc., 1-18-06, Pts. N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 49, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. MD—Arrowhead Resources Inc. to MAP2004-OK, 12-15-05, 311.8750 acs, Sec. 2, AB&M Sur-

vey.
CORR. D—Roberta Akin Ware Estate, et al to Ware Siblings, 1-3-06, Pt. S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, and Pt. N 1/2 Blk. 19,

ROW-Kaleb E. Meek to Forest Oil Corporation, 2-17-06, Pt. Sec. 60, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company

ROW-Kaleb E. Meek to Forest Oil Corporation, 2-17-06, Pt. Sec.

60, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company TRUSTEE MD-Robert A. Wilson Estate to Robert A. Wilson III, 12-8-05, E 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 4, Blk. A-

4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. TRUSTEE MD-Robert A. Wilson Estate to Molly Lou Reko, 12-8-05, E 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 4, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. SHERIFFS D—Faye Wilson Estate, et al to Cofer and Crawford LP, 2-14-06, Pt. 3 1/4 acs. NW corner E 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec. 40, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. CORR. DVL—Niki W. Cooper to

Stiles-Velasquez, LP, 2-15-06, W 50' N 1/2 Blk. 19, Wheeler. CORR. DVL—Robert Neil Ware, et al to Stiles-Velasquez, LP, 2-16-06, W 50' N 1/2 Blk. 19, Wheeler. CORR. DVL—Janice W. Barr to Stiles-Velasquez, LP, 2-16-06, W 50' N 1/2 Blk. 19, Wheeler.

CORR. DVL-Ware Siblings to Stiles-Velasquez, LP, 2-17-06, W 50' N 1/2 Blk. 19. Wheeler. **FEBRUARY 28, 2006**

LEASE EXT. PAYMENT AGREE.—Charles C. Moore to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 2-9-06, S 1/2; W 220 acs. N 1/2 Sec. 19, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company

Bank & Trust of Elk City to Monte Carlson, 2-14-06, W 1/2 Sec. 11 and N 1/2 NW 1/4; SE 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 12, Camp County School

PARTIAL RDT—First National

RDT—CitiFinancial Mortgae Company Inc. to Gaylon Kirkland, 11-2-05, See Instrument. D-Ted McCurley, et ux to Jerry

Dan Hefley, et ux, 2-27-06, N 12' S 28.2' Lot 11, Blk. 37, Wheeler. DT-Cassie Denise Lax Braddock, et vir to First State Bank of Mobeetie, 2-22-06, 10 acs. NW 1/4 Sec. 63, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD- Arrowhead Resources Inc. to MAP2004-OK, 12-15-05, SW 1/ 4 Sec. 2, AB&M Survey

REL FTL-United States of America to Roy D. Chick, et ux, 2-

QCMD—Sayre Ranch Lands Inc. to Frank Side Jr. and Edna K. Sides Charitable Trust, 5-3-05, N 1/2; SW 1/4; S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 1, Blk. 2, Brooks & Burleson Survey. RVL/RDT-Maurita M. Smith to Susana Salazar, 2-16-06, all Lot 10 and S 10' Lot 11, Blk. 32, Wheeler.

ROY. D-Dorothy Noralene Patterson to Gary Thomas Patterson, et al, 2-22-06, Sec. 25,

Allison (from Page 2)

west United Pentecostal Church pastored by Bro. Arnold Baughman at two o'clock Friday. Opal, Juanita, Vance and Carol and Louise met with Bob and Orene Fish at the Funeral home in Fayetteville where they visited with family members of Veronica from five to seven. Afterwards, Opal, Juanita, Vance, Carol, Louise and Bob and Orene all gathered at Kentucky Fried Chicken and enjoyed a delicious meal and visited till bedtime. Opal, Juanita and Louise stayed at Motel 6 there by Kentucky Fried Chicken and Vance and Carol traveled on with Bob and Orene Fish to Siloam Springs, Arkansas where they stayed the night with them. After the funeral on Friday, Opal, Juanita, Louise, Vance and Carol journeyed back to OKC where they helped Curtis Boydston celebrate his birthday early with Lil and their children, two girls and a son-in-law and Lil's sister, and their son and his wife, in OKC at the Golden Corral. Also Louise's daughter, Sue Martin, met us there and ate and visited. Had a good visit and delicious food. A great time and a good birthday celebration. The staff of Golden Corral sang to Curtis and the family sang to him too. After the meal and visiting, Opal, Juanita, Louise and Vance and Carol headed on home to Allison. They arrived home around twelve thirty or so. Was very tired, but had a good trip. It was beautiful all the way down there and back. Altho Louise did battle the wind going down there. Juanita Boydston hadn't had the priviledge of meeting Ronnie's sister, Veronica, but they had a picture of her up at the funeral home and at the funeral and she was a beautiful woman.

Pearl Harrison and Louise Boydston enjoyed a delicious meal in the home of Curtis and Lil Boydston this Monday for lunch.

Monday evening, Curtis and Lil Boydston, Pearl Harrison, and Opal and Juanita Boydston gathered in the home of Louise Boydston where they enjoyed a delicious meal and while the rest ate lemon cake, Juanita enjoyed eating a yogart. They had a good

The United Pentecostal Church has really been having some great services. We would like to invite everyone to come and join in our worship and praise services.

Maybe there will be more news next time. Juanita isn't feeling the

May God Bless and Keep ya'll till next time.



PAGE 6-Thursday, March 9, 2006



ENGAGEMENT: J. J. Johnson and Mike Houska announce their engagement and upcoming nuptials. The couple will be married on June 17, 2006, at Stillwater, OK. J. J. is the daughter of Skeet and Diann Johnson and the granddaughter of Marie Williams of Wheeler. Mike is the son of Joan Houska of Perry, OK., and Tom Houska of Billings, OK. He is the grandson of George and Mary Oller of Enid, OK, and Josephine Houska of Billings, OK. J. J. is currently coaching and teaching at Ft. Elliott School District and Mike will graduate from Southwestern Oklahoma University in May, 2006.

BLk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MARCH 1, 2006

DT-Bobby J. Weatherly, et ux to First Ag Credit FLCA, 3-1-06, N 3/ 4 Sec. 45, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D-Gloria Beth Alvey to David Hefley, 2-28-06, See Instrument.

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Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Sur-C/C PROBATE—Tildia Shelburne to Ex Parte, 2-24-06, See Instru-

AFF. James E. Layton to James

Raymond Austin Jr., et al. 2-20-06.

NW 1/4 Sec. 46 and SW 1/4 Sec.

47, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company

SALT WATER WELLAGREE.-L.

G. Reed, et al to MJT Properties,

et al, 12-20-04, Pt. W 1/2 Sec. 70,

OL-Charles F. Doornbos Revocable Trust Under Trust Agreement dated August 1, 1990 to EOG Resource Inc., 2-8-06, 783 acs. Sec. 25, Camp County School Land.

Ex (from Page 1)

Wheeler's Centennial book "Dust On Your Heart", were the result of the hard work and pictures and hard work from the public. Many of those working hard on the publication of that book were exstudents and/or teachers. Help make this a book of which you can

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Oil (from Page 4)

1320' from West Lease line, Sec. 92,41,H&TC, spud 1-31-78, plugged 8-30-05, TD 8440' gas -form 1 in Gulf Energy & Minerals HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) BP America Prodn. Co,, #2 Studer, 2250' from South & 660' from West Lease line, Sec. 170,41,H&TC, spud 1-19-82, plugged 8-25-05, TD 7074' (gas) - Form 1 In Gulf Oil

HEMPHILL (HEM<PHILL Granite Wash & S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Amoco Production Co., #1-U & #1-L Hoover, 600' from North & West Lease line, Sec. --, A.J. Morgan Survey, spud 5-31-74, plugged 9-14-00, TD 10943' (ga

ROBERTS (QUINDUNO Albany Dolomite) PetroSearch Co., L.L.C., #15 L. A. Maddox, 330 from North & 1320' from West Lease line. Sec. 159, M-2, BS&F, spud unknown, plugged 1-26-06, TD 4099' (gas) -- Form-1 in Shamrock Oil & Gas

WHEELER (ALLISON PARKS Granite Wash) EOG Resources, Inc., #1023 T.D. Jones, 1320' from North & West Lease line, Sec. 23, RE, R&E, spud 4-19-03, plugged 8-11-03, TD 16000' (gas)

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During IBSI ownership, O.L. Cooper (November, 1982-September, 1985), Ted Jordan (September, 1985-February, 1987) served as presidents. Local businessman Harley (Bill) Hatch and farmer Benson Long were added to the board in the fall of 1985. Mark Keys became president in -March, 1987.

December 7, 1990, the seventh administrative phase began. A group of 25 local shareholders purchased Wellington State Bank from IBSI. Mr. Keys remained as president and Richard Sims was made chairman of the board. The shareholders objectives were to get the bank back into small hometown banking philosophies. Their desire blossomed with Mr. Keys, Mr. Sims, Jack Neeley, Cashier, John Holton Sr., John Holton Jr., Dannie Morris and Carl Wischkaemper serving as directors. At the time of acquisition, the

total assets and \$38,968,882.83. With the vision for diversity and growth during this continual changing banking climate, the bank sought out potential acquisitions. September 29, 1994, Wellington State Bank ventured into new ground by acquiring First

bank had \$3,023,000 in capital

National Bank of Wheeler. The eighth administrative phase started in January, 1996, with the election of Richard Sims as president and John Holton Jr. as chairman. The other three directors serving were Mr. Holton Sr., Mr. Neeley, and Mr. Morris. The diversity by expansion philosophy started under Mr. Sims as chairman continued under his presidency. January saw the acquisition of the Bank of America Childress and Memphis branches.

December 2, 1996, the bank opened a Loan Production Office in Canadian. On February 24, 1997, Wellington State Bank converted the LPO to a full-service branch named Canadian Banking Center.

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Chat

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A Wheeler Teacher's Point of View

I moved here 8 years ago after coaching 3 years in Allison. Every one of those years has been filled with experiences of a small town determination to make Wheeler a great place to live and raise kids. Like most small towns you can judge its pride by their school system. If a person takes a hard look at the Wheeler school system they will see a town full of success. Working at Wheeler ISD you see the importance the town puts on education and a pursuit of excellence on its extra-curricular and academic areas. Wheeler has excelled in academics and also athletically for many years, which can be seen through the pictures of honor in the halls, and also the numerous trophies filling the trophy cases.

Wheeler does not only show the importance of education and athletics but also the importance of human life. Through out the past 8 years I have seen a town show support for families that have lost loved ones, families that have been in need, and even have been there for families that have been sick. (Especially me!) No matter the situation citizens in Wheeler have always been there for each other. The importance of life is the best education a person can re-

If students will take the lessons they learn in school, in athletics and through the actions of its communities, Wheeler will produce citizens for the world that will achieve and make a difference in this world. It has been a great privilege to live, teach and raise my kids in the Wheeler school system and in the community of Wheeler.

FOR STRUCTURED SETTLEMENTS

ANNUITIES and INSURANCE PAYOUTS

Mike Bailey

Court (from Page 6)

MARCH 2, 2006 BLANKET CONVEYANCE-Catherine Monning Winsett to Catherine Winsett Family Trust, 2-6-06, See Instrument.

RELEASE-KSTAR VPP LP to KCS Resources, et al, 2-17-06, See Instrument.

ROY./MD-LaDon CORR. Emmert to James M. Emmert, 2-26-06, SE 1/4 Sec. 50 and N 1/2 SE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 34, Blk. 13, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OL-Charles Finsterwald to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 2-6-06, S 1/2 Sec. 2, BBB&C Survey, Cert. #33/91. AMEND OL-Donald Finsterwald

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BBB&C Survey, Cert. #33/91. AMEND OL-Maurine Selman to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 1-20-06, N 1/2; SW 1/4 Sec. 82, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Com-

pany Survey. AMEND OL-Lonnelle Kenady, et vir to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 1-23-06, N 1/2; SW 1/4 Sec. 82, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry.

Company Survey.

AMEND OL—Emily Farmer to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 1-18-06, N 1/2; SW 1/4 Sec. 82, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

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AMEND OL-Ervin C. Philpy, et ux to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 1-31-06, N 1/2 Sec. 63, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company

AMEND OL-Ervin C. Philpy to Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc., 2-1-06, Sec. 62, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. OL-Marilyn Steed Stafford to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 1-24-06, SE 1/4; S 33 acs. NE 1/4 Sec. 32, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL-Kimberly Bowersock Miller to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 1-24-06, SE 1/4; S 33 acs. NE 1/4 Sec. 32, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL-Morris Family Trust for Minors to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 1-27-06, SE 1/4; S 33 acs. NE 1/4 Sec. 32, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL-Howard Michael Morris to Sanguine Gas Exploration LLC, 1-27-06, SE 1/4; S 33 acs. NE 1/4 Sec. 32, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

to National Bank of Commerce, 2-15-06, E 34' Lot 4 and W 91' Lot 5, Blk. 3, Schlegel Add., Sham-

TDT-First State Bank of Mobeetie to James A. Glasscock, 2-22-06, Lot 5, Blk. 58, WSSA, Shamrock. ASSIGN. OVERRID. ROYALTY-

Kaiser-Francis Mid-Continent LLC, 2-24-06, Sec. 63, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey. ASSIGN. OVERRID. ROYALTY—

Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, et al to Eric C. Lowe, et al, 2-24-06, Sec. 63, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Billy Buckingham, et ux to Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathering) LP, 2-21-06, Pt. SE 1/4 Sec. 29, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company

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64, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company

ROW-Richard Brown, et ux to

Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gath-

ering) LP, 2-21-06, Pt. NW 1/4

Sec. 61, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Com-

C/C PROBATE—Inez Cummings

to Ex Parte, 1-25-06, See Instru-

AFF.—William L. White to Elsie Jo

Barnes (Deceased), 2-7-06, Sec.

25, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company

D—Charles L. Hamilton Estate to

Charles L. Hamilton Living Trust,

2-22-06, Sec. 22, 39, 40, and 42,

Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Sur-

CD-Wheeler Community Cem-

etery Association to William

McWhorter, et ux, 3-2-06, W 1/2

Lot 4, Blk. K-9, NW Add., Wheeler

CD-Wheeler Community Cem-

etery Association to Elaine

Quandt, 3-2-06, Lot 3, Blk. L-6, 1st

CD-Wheeler Community Cem-

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Add., Wheeler.

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ROW-Carol A. Sessom to etery Association to Gary Ware, et Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gathux, 3-2-06, Lot 2, Blk. K-10 NW ering) LP, 2-24-06, Pt. NE 1/4 Sec. Add., Wheeler.

29, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company ROY./MD—Bonnie B. Bowman to Judith Bowman Geary, 2-21-06, ROW-Mary Margaret Dodd to SE 14 Sec. 55 and SE 1/4 Sec. 4, Enbridge Pipelines (Texas Gath-Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Surering) LP, 2-16-06, Pt. N 1/2 Sec.

LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.—Karen Schwab Wehba Harmon to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 1-18-06, See Instrument.

LEASE EXT./PAYMENT AGREE.-Donald Irwin Schwab to Kaiser-Francis Oil Company, 1-18-06, See Instrument.

MD-Britt Land & Cattle Co. to C/C PROBATE—Grady W. Camp Passamonte IInvestments LP, 2to Ex Parte, 2-28-06, See Instru-28-06, See Instrument.

RDT-National Bank of Com-C/C PROBATE—Elsie Jo Barnes merce to Noel Walton, et ux, 3-2to Ex Parte, 2-1-06, See 06, Pt. Lots 15 and 16, Blk. 77, WSSA, Shamrock.

> HOME EQUITY DT-Noel D Walton, et ux to National Bank of Commerce, 2-24-06, Pt. Lots 15 and 16, Blk. 77, WSSA, Sham-

> C/C WILL-Emory David Brown to Ex Parte, -

> C/C INVENTORY-Emory David Brown to Ex Parte, ---33, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company

> C/C WILL-Zella Mae Brown to Ex Parte.

C/C INVENTORY—Zella Mae Brown to Ex Parte, -33, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company TDT-Michael W. Kimbrel Revo-

cable Trust to Summit Bank, 11-30-05, See Instrument.

Wildfire Situation Remains Critical Though wildfires have already removing any debris within 30 feet

had a serious impact on the state's of your home. You should also urban and rural residents, the situ- remove any tree branches overation will remain critical for months hanging your roof or close to your to come, even if it rains, a Texas house, as well as clean your gut-Cooperative Extension expert said. ters."

'The Texas Forest Service has determined there is the potential nected garden hoses on as many for additional wildfires throughout sides of the home as possible, Texas through the month of March plus having firefighting tools such and possibly beyond," said Dr. as a bucket, extension ladder, Andy Vestal, Extension specialist shovel and rake at the ready. for emergency preparedness in College Station. "That's even if homeowners, farmers and ranchthere's a normal amount of rain for ers throughout the state, damagthis time of year. There's an enor- ing property and sometimes even mous amount of dry material out taking lives," added Vestal. "And EXT. DT—Roger S. Zaiontz, et al. there, and we probably won't be much of the damage done by wildable to count on adequate mois- fires can be avoided, or at least ture from rain to remedy that situ- greatly reduced, by taking a few ation until the spring.'

> Texans have been in a fortunate position to prepare for and help prevent wildfires due to the Texas Forest Service's science-based predictions relating to wildfire potential, Vestal said.

> "Unlike with hurricanes or other disasters, the forest service has been able to assess and forecast conditions that are conducive to wildfire months ahead," he said. "This scientific assessment also tells us that there will still be the potential for wildfire for months to come."

> Extension personnel are assisting the state forest service in getting the word out about wildfire prevention, as well as assisting the U.S. Department of Agriculture through efforts to determine the full agricultural impact of wildfire in the state, noted Vestal.

> "These efforts are particularly important to residents of Central Texas," said Jeff Ripley, county Extension director for Travis County. "We've already had a few wildfires in the Austin area. The large population of the area and the terrain make for a potentially difficult situation should there be more wildfires. The rugged terrain makes firefighting difficult, plus there's a lot of cedar, which is highly combustible, and other 'fuel' for a fire."

Travis County and other parts of Central Texas have been experiencing drought conditions since April and are far behind in normal rainfall, Ripley added.

"Conditions here are ripe for wildfire, so we are trying to let residents know what they can do to protect their property and themselves," he said.

Statewide, Extension has joined other Texas agencies to assist in wildfire education and assessment efforts largely in response to needs of the Division of Emergency Management of the governor's office, Vestal noted.

"We determined we should use our Extension Disaster Education Network, EDEN, Web site to help inform both urban and rural residents about how to prepare for and prevent wildfires, he said. "We are also helping assess the personal and economic impact of these wildfires, which includes gathering information from fire departments in all 254 counties of the state.' Information collected from these

fire departments will be vital toward determining what resources are available, or needed, to ensure adequate support in areas of the state with the greatest potential for wildfire, Vestal added.

There are many areas in Central Texas with an "urban and rural interface" which poses a potential for wildfire, said Janie Harris, Extension housing and environment specialist in College Station.

"While people in and near urban centers may have the advantage of a nearby fire department, they shouldn't ignore their own ability to reduce the risk of a fire on their property," she said. "Some of the main precautions homeowners can take include closely mowing your lawn and creating a 'fire break' by

Harris recommends having con-

"Each year, wildfires affect

precautions." Information on wildfire and tips

for protecting homes, farms and ranches from damage by wildfire can be found on Extension's EDEN Web site at texashelp.tamu.edu or the Texas Forest Service Web site at http:// txforestservice.tamu.edu.

\$10,000 Cutest Pet **Photo Contest Info**

The International Pet Owners Club is proud to announce that over \$10,000 in cash and prizes will be awarded in the 2006 Spring Cutest Pet Photo Contest.

Pet owners from the Wheeler County area are welcome to win their share of the prizes. The deadline for the contest is March 31st. The contest is open to everyone and entry is free.

"Every pet owner has at least one photo that shows just how cute their pet is," stated Rosa Bonbeur, contest chairman. "When people learn about the contest, they get excited about the chance at winning and the potential for national attention," continued Bonbeur.

To enter, send one photograph (full color or b/w) siže 8" x 10" or smaller.

All photo entries must include the photographer's name and address on the back.

Photographs should be sent to: 2006 Spring Photo Contest c/o The International Pet Owners Club, P.O. Box 1748, Pittsburg, KS

Entries must be postmarked by March 31st, 2006. You may also submit your photo directly online at www.cutestpetcontest.com.

The International Pet Owners Club is an organization dedicated to bringing pet owners from around the world together for fun and fellowship. Membership in the club is not necessary to partici-



Beginning March 10:

"Underworld Evolution Rated: R

Showtime: Fri. thru Thurs. 7:00 P.M. Sunday Matinee 2:00 P.M.

News, Views, Commentary

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(800) 794-7310 J.G. Wentworth means CASH NOW sions are the backbone of our infor Structured Settlements! (from Page 1) Survey. Wheeler County: FIRST QTR of Fiscal Year Oct 1, 2005 - Sept 30, 2006 **Budget and Account Standings** -cwe-FUND **BEGINNING BUDGET ENDING BUDGET ACTUAL BANK ACCOUNT BAL** General Fund 1,410,200.00 1,119,806.76 County Judge 117,244.00 92,520.98 County Clerk 119,540.00 92,043.05 Treasurer 77,897.00 55,305.14 Sheriff 462,083.00 313,793.96 Tax Office 117,595.00 83,809.57 District Clerk . 59,955.08 81,255.00 66,060.00 47,025.23 \$ **Extension Agent** 1,444,683.45 JP Offices 116,000.00 89,738.27 **Janitorial** 59,000.00 50,833.22 44,020.00 36,511.80 Constable **Ambulance** 80,000.00 80,000.00 Veteran Service 8,510.00 6,585.79 District Judge 77,767.00 57,179.19 County Attorney 108,506.00 82,490.27 25,475.82 Court House Security Co Clerk Rec Mgmt 37,102.00 36,225.53 52,981.89 Dist Clerk Rec Mgmt 2,007.93 JP Technology Fund 13,999.00 12,495.35 34,259.07 JP Administrative Fund 1,291.00 JP Court Security 828.79 4,482.90 LEOSE Fund 2,000.00 2,000.00 26,600.99 DARE 32,131.00 9,588.77 Hot Check Fund 6,126.00 5,389.21 9,575.81 TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS | \$ 1,585,175.43 310,407.16 614,740.00 502,662.53 Road/Bridge R/B PCT 1 132,125.47 47,290.70 147,100.00 34,934.36 R/B PCT 2 153,448.24 179,201.00 75,000.93 R/B PCT 3 122,397.29 138,763.00 2,903.57 R/B PCT 4 77,301.00 \$ 66,741.05 | \$ LATERAL PCT 1 101,849.76 | \$ 65,121.82 153,000.00 173,914.22 LATERAL PCT 2 99,500.00 83,128.12 92,107.81 LATERAL PCT 3 111,500.00 96,612.48 19,910.04 LATERAL PCT 4 57,554.00 \$ 25,831.16 \$ TOTAL PRECINCT FUNDS \$ 821,590.61

CURRENT BANK BALANCE OF ALL FUNDS

(All amounts shown in parenthesis are negative balances)

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First State Bank of Mobeetie

Customers, Suppliers, and

Friends for their support"

Business Journal Rews

IMPORTANT EVENTS

1906 World/US Events

- Congress admitted Oklahoma to statehood.
- · Novocaine, the first injectable man-made local anesthetic used primarily in dentistry, was introduced by Albert Einhorn.
- Las Vegas, Nevada was founded when 110 acres in what later would become downtown, were auctioned off.
- Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt were married.
- The Automobile Gasoline Company opened the world's first drive-in gas station in St. Louis.

The Year in Sports

- •The Chicago White Sox beat the Chicago Cubs to win the World Series
- · Boston Celtics won the NBA Championship 4 games to 3 over the St. Louis Hawks
- •Sir Huron, ridden by R. Troxler won the Kentucky Derby
- Covering more than one square mile, Belmont Park opened in suburban Long Island.

1906 Entertainment

- The first movie theater opened in Pittsburgh.
- Huckleberry Finn and Tom Sawyer were banned from the Brooklyn Public Library for "bad example."
- Famous people born this year included entertainer Greta Barbo, actors Henry Fonda and Rex Harrison, and fashion designer Christian Dior.
- · Around the World in 80 Days and 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea author Jules Verne died at age 77. Lee Wallace, author of Ben Hur, also passed.

First State Bank of Mobeetie Celebrates 100th Anniversary This Year!

In a proud statement issued from their company headquarters, First State Bank of Mobeetie

announced that 2006 is the 100th Anniversary of the founding of their business. The company was started back in

1906, the same year the explorer Roald Amundsen found the magnet pole. The perilous voyage from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, along the Arctic Coast of North America, took three years. For two of the years the 47-foot cutter was icebound.

There was terror in Russia as the Czar's troops fired on workers and their families who were petitioning for better working conditions. The event was known as "Bloody Sunday."

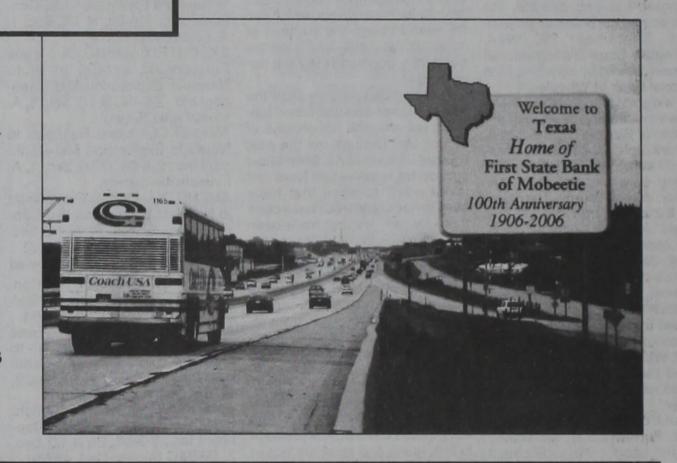
A diamond as big as a fist was found in the Republic of Transvaal. Named The Cullinan Diamond it weighed 1.33 lbs. and was insured for 2.5 million.

The United States admitted over a million immigrants. The increase was from Italy and the mid-European countries. There was a decline from Ireland, once the major source of newcomers.

Yes, when you think about it, things have changed a lot in 100 years. But, after all this time there are some

things which have remained the same.

One good thing is that First State Bank of Mobeetie is still thriving after 100 years of hard work and lots of dedication by everyone involved... and most importantly, caring about customers who helped us reach this milestone.



Then & Now A Look at Business in the Last 100 Years

Businesses seemed to be moving more smoothly as the world entered the 20th century because of the use of such office marvels as the typewriter.

The electric typewriter was still decades in the future and few could even conceive of a computer -much less one that would some day sit on a desk!

There was no e-mail, but we all thought business communication

was virtually instantaneous with the good old telephone and telegraph.

Today we have the internet and e-mail, and business people really do communicate at the speed of light.

Of course all this instant communication can't make an organization successful by itself. Today it still takes personal relationships with members and a true commitment to excellence to survive. Just like at First State Bank of Mobeetie -- since 1906.



What You See Today What You Might See in 1906

First State Bank of Mobeetie Discusses...

The Importance of a Business Anniversary

A Business Anniversary is more than simply a celebration. Years of continuing service point to a company that has gained valuable experience -- a company that excels in customer satisfaction.

When people look for companies to do business with, they look for strength, stability and plenty of good old fashioned on-the-job experience.

This is really what our 100th Anniversary celebration is all about. We want to tell the world that First State Bank of Mobeetie is a company they can count on.

We're not "Here today, gone tomorrow." Our 100 year history of excellence is something we're very proud of -- and we're looking forward to working with our valuable customers for many more years to come.

The price of a loaf of bread

.03¢ 1906 \$1.99 2006



The price of gas per gallon

\$0.04 1906 \$3.10 2006

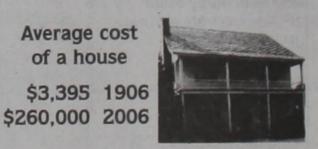


Average cost of an automobile

\$775 1906 \$20,700 2006



Average cost of a house \$3,395 1906



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