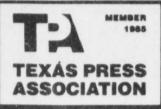
# Spring Break Next Week

March 17-22: Spring break April 26: Band banquet May 6: FFA banquet

May 10: All Sports banquet May 17: Junior, Senior banquet May 23: Awards assembly

May 25: Baccalaureate May 29: Last day of school May 30: Graduation



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# Bollman, Schacht, Teeters honored

## Outstanding citizens cited at chamber banquet

## Lockney CofC founded in 1913

Lockney Chamber of Commerce was officially founded on November 13, 1913, according to files of The Beacon.

An exerpt from the November 14, 1913, issue of this newspaper stated: "Last night the businessmen of Lockney met and organized the Chamber of Commerce.

Geo. W. Brewester was elected as the initial president. J. Kendrick, secretary, and W.N. Dillard, treasurer, were other officers. "The businessmen are enthusiastic and mean business," according to the article.

One of the most important committees appointed during the initital meeting was a Road and Improvement Committee.

In another milestone 16 years

later, the Chamber of Commerce dedicated the new city auditorium as "the community meeting place" in August 1929.

According to another Beacon article, the 1956 banquet was regarded as "the best one ever held." R.L. Knox Jr. was revealed as "outstanding citizen for 1955."

One hundred and 80 persons attended in the Lockney High School cafeteria. Dr. Leon Hill of Amarillo, the speaker, "kept the group in a roar of laughter most of the night with one funny story after another" and another feature was the "Boresome Fourson.e" quartet composed of J.D. Copeland, Cleatis Jeffcoat, J.B. Seale and Arthur Barker Sr.

Friday night a crowd of about 250 people gathered in the Lockney Elementary Cafetorium to see the outstanding citizens of 1985 named at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Mary Lou Bollman was named outstanding Woman of the Year, Clar Schacht was named Man of the Year, and the Eddie Teeter family received the third award ever presented for the Family of the Year.

#### WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Mary Lou Bollman was nominated for the Woman of the Year award for her interest in genealogy that has served the Lockney community in a wide variety of ways.

Mrs. Bollman is often called upon by the local funeral directors for information. She has spent a great many years working on the mapping and identifying of graves at the Lockney Cemetery.

Her research in the local cemetery has lead to the identification of many unmarked graves and the location of numerous lost graves. This research

"has become very useful in that many years ago the records for the earlier part of the cemetery were lost in a fire.'

"Mrs. Bollman is very conscious of the fact that history needs to be recorded," quoted her letter of nomina-

One little known fact is that Mrs. Bollman led the campaign to save the Lockney cannery in 1982 when the Floyd County commissioners proposed to close it. At her prompting, others joined her in the effort to save the cannery and got a petition together and ran it as a one page ad in the Beacon. Mrs. Bollman had every intention of paying the full cost of the ad herself but three others insisted on helping to pay for the

The cannery in Floydada was closed due to lack of interest but the Lockney facility remained open until last 1985. Again, Mrs. Bollman was ready to man a drive to keep the cannery open at that time but it was decided that the closing of the cannery was inevitable.

Mrs. Bollman and husband Henry raised four children, two boys and two girls. It was after her children were raised that she began her genealogical work in earnest.

She is more than willing to assist the novice in "finding his or her roots."

She generously shares her collected books on genealogy, area cemeteries, in family histories with those who would like to use them and she is often enlisted to help with or lead genealogical workshops.

'During her many travels in pursuit of genelogical information, she has been an excellent ambassador for the City of Lockney," commented the letter of nomination.

#### MAN OF THE YEAR

"In these fast-paced times it is very difficult to find a person who does most everything that he is asked to do and best of all, says 'yes' cheerfully," quoted the opening line of the letter of nomination for the Man of the Year, Clar Schacht.

He has been active in the Lockney community for many years, from serving as the Santa Claus for the Care Center and to presenting his special talents as a "Ballerina" on special occasions such as the Floyd County

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ELITE CITIZENS-Mary Lou Bollman and Clar Schacht were spotlighted as outstanding citizens at the Lockney Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Friday

## Three act comedy-drama Scheduled March 21-22

"A Wind Between the Houses", a comedy-drama in three acts by Maurice J. Hill, will be presented at the Floyd County Arts Association's 1986 Spring Arts Festival on Friday and Saturday nights, March 21 and 22. This delightful and thought-provoking play is being directed by Cecil Osborne, pastor of South Plains Baptist Church, with Joy Lawson, of Floydada, serving as his assistant. Pat Franklin has assumed the double-duties of Prompter and Stage Manager.

Peggy Roberts, of Sterley, has served as overall Production Manager. Under her able supervision Margaret Kitchens is Lights and Sound Chairman, Kathy Green is chairman of make-up, Sara Probasco has been in charge of set design, Sara and Don Probasco are co-chairmen of scenery construction, Pauline McCormick is props chairman and Dale Lawson is stage crew chair-

The basic story line of the play centers around Gracie (played by Virginia Stringer), a recent widow who lives alone. Her late husband's cremated remains reside in an urn on her mantle. As has been her custom for several decades (while he was still alive), she chats with her "husband" frequently, setting a cup of tea on the mantle for him whenever she pours some for herself, and refering to him in conversation as if he were still alive.

Her closest friend and neighbor. Amelia (Darlynn Hambright), accepts this harmless charade for the comfort that it affords Gracie. Such is not the case with Gracie's middle-aged son, John (Jerry Thompson), and daughter, Sheila (Elaine Galloway). They feel that their mother has become the laughing stock of the town and are determined to put an end to her strange behavior, amid the objections of Sheila's husband, Morton (Dallas Ramsey). Gracie's granddaughter, Laurette (Jana Lawson) and friend Jason (Rusty Galloway) inject warmth and humor in their relationship to Gracie, and cause us to examine some of the "motives" behind the interactions. Humor builds when Lucinda (Sue Chesshir), another friend of Gracie's, returns from an extended trip and comes to pay her respects to the "bereaved widow". Finally, all is resolved with a visit from Mr. Farrington (Don Chesshir), who bears some surprising news.

In addition to members of the cast and production crew, many others have been involved in bringing together the dinner-theatre portion of the Arts Festival. Chairmen of the various volunteer areas are: Jackie Gregory (volunteers), Neta Marble (programs,) Sara Probasco (ad sales; poster and program art), Polly Cardinal and Peggy Roberts, (co-chairmen of ticket sales),

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FAMILY OF THE YEAR—The Eddie Teeter family received a double surprise Friday night as they were named Family of the Year for 1985 by the Lockney Chamber of Commerce. Just after the announcement, son Monty, who has been at college

in San Angelo, appeared at the back of the cafetorium. The Teeter family includes Wesley, Eddie, Rusty, Cheryl and Monty.

#### JUST LIKE A **BAD PENNY**

Like the proverbial bad penny which kept reappearing, we're back helping out with the two Floyd County newspapers. Folks in this county are just as friendly as ever.

At least for now, we'll be assisting Pam at The Beacon each Thursday. If you have a humorous happening you would share with us, if we can help with either an article or an advertisement or if you just want to say "hi", come by The Beacon any Thursday. Part of the day will be devoted to advertising solicitation, but we'll be in the office at least a portion of the day.

To be totally blunt, if The Beacon's advertising revenue perks up a bit we'll be able to make the Thursday visit to Lockney a weekly happening. A newspaper is no different from any other business...it takes income to balance the expenses!

This is the second time that the "Jim's Bobbin' Around" column head has been dusted off. Originally the theme, suggested by Bill McCarter and others, was used for several years in

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# FmHA loan approval rate higher than media hints

Facial expressions of persons leaving the Farmers Home Administration office in Floydada after making farm loan applications are immediate indications of those whose loans have been ap-

Contrary to public opinion, those bearing smiles far outnumber those

with gloomy expressions. In other words, the agriculture production loan picture is not as bleak as the media has spelled out.

Becky Via, manager of the FmHA office in Floydada-which serves Floyd and Briscoe counties-believes that "it appears we can probably continue with 90 percent' of the loan applications

submitted to her office to date. Traditionally, however, many of the stronger operators are among the first to make loan requests. This means that Ms. Via's current 90 percent estimate may be slightly high after all requests have been received.

Ms. Via estimates that "95 percent or greater" of the requests for farm operating loans at the local FmHA office have been approved in recent years.

Thus, the number of '86 farm loan denials probably will be five to 10 percent greater.

POSITIVE CASH FLOW

In the past, FmHA has been allowed to approve loans with some debt service carryover. That regulation has been changed this year, and now an operator must have a "positive cash flow" in order for his/her loan to be considered by FmHA, which is recognized as the farm lender of last resort for those who are unable to secure financing through conventional sources.

Despite the change in regulations, Ms. Via believes that the total dollar value of farm operating loans received from the Floyd-Briscoe office this year will be "about the same as they have been in recent years."

The manager of the office located at 107 West California in Floydada says that the number of '86 farm operating loan requests presently number "a-

The office case load number some 400, and the number of farm operating loans last year totaled between 300 and 350. Ag operating loan requests widely vary, with one loan request for only \$5,000 and others in excess of \$200,000.

Due to the new "positive cash flow" provision established by FmHA, Ms. Via says many loans are being resched-

In addition, she says considerably more full or partial subordinated loans are being made this year. This is attributed to fewer FmHA funds.

Subordinated loans are those which involve loans guaranteed by the FmHA and actually made by a bank or Production Credit Association.

Interest rate assessed by FmHA for farm operating loans this year is 101/4

Both local and state FmHA offices presently are "backlogged" due to the recent influx of applications.

In answer to a question, Ms. Via responds that loan applications ranging up to \$175,000 can be handled through the local office. Requests above \$175,000 and "problem cases" must be forwarded to the state FmHA office in Temple for processing.

Throughout the farm belt, Farmers Home Administration offices become beehives of activity as agricultural operators begin mapping plans for yearly endeavors. Loans bear greater restrictions in 1986, but the number of loans being made is much greater than the mass media has suggested.

# This Week CHAPM SCHOOL

Whirlers will have a student half way dance on Saturday, March 15 at

8:00 p.m. at the MAC. Sid Perkins from Plainview will call. Lessons will be held as usual on Thursday (tonight) at 7:30 p.m. at the MAC. **Commodity Distribution** 

The American Agricultural movement will hold commodity distributions for Floyd County in Lockney on Thursday, March 20, at the Lockney Community Center from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All food recipients must bring proof of esidency.

Is hair care and accessories top on your list? Come to the charm school sponsored by Floyd County 4-H. You will learn some fun new things to do with your hair including using styling foam, accessories for your hair, etc. Belts, sashes, and ties are great accessories. Learn to tie the perfect bow everytime. Find out some great new ways to tie the same old sash. This program is open to everyone between the ages of 9 and 19 so don't miss out! Come

to the Lighthouse Electric Saturday,

March 8. The program will be from

9:30 to 11:30.



## In times like these... By Mary Jo Fielding

Connecting vital U.S. interests in Western Europe and Northeast Asia are the oil resources of the Mideast. important to the United States but absolutely vital to its allies.

Although the United States has pledged use of military force to guarantee access to the regions petro chemical wealth, bringing American military power to bear there remains extremely difficult. The temporary use of bases in Egypt and Oman helps. Also the United States has conducted a variety of military exercises in Egypt, the Sudan and Somalia.

However, the only permanent American base in the area is on the island of Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean, and the only continuing American combat presence is a carrier battle group detached from the U.S. Seventh Fleet in

the Pacific. How would the United States respond to an attack that threatened the flow of oil.

Because of the lack of dependable allies in the Persian Gulf area, the United States probably would have to go it alone. First to be committed would be the limited naval and air forces in the immediate area, followed by an airlift of the 82nd Airborne Division and the 101st Air Assault Division from the United States. These forces would be reinforced by the seaborne units of the II Marine Amphibious Force and the Army's 24th Mechanized Infantry Division. Some American combat forces could get to the area with relative speed. However, supplying them on the battlefield would be another matter. On the other hand, Soviet forces could be resupplied overland.

## Varsity girls and boys participate in Floydada track meet Saturday

The Lockney boys varsity track team also placed fifth in the shotput with a took sixth place in the Floydada track meet this past weekend with a total of

46 points. Participating for Lockney were Jessie Castro who had first place in both the one and two mile runs. His times were 4:52.74 and 10:42 respectively. Eddie Garza placed fourth in the 200 meter run and second in the mile with a time of 4:53.23.

The two mile relay team of Castro, Garza, Corny Luna and Albert Martinez placed second with a time of 8:56.38. The girls team placed seventh with a

total of 37 points in the same meet. Ron Thomas, another Lockney participant, placed third in the discus with a throw of 113 feet, five inches. Thomas

throw of 31 feet, 11/2 inches. Sundai Workman and Ester Silva were also participants in the discus but did not make the finals.

Varie Harris took first place in the long jump with a 15 feet, six inch jump and won second in the triple jump with a total jump of 32 feet, four inches.

In the running events Lockney's Linda Cruz placed third in the two mile run with a time of 14:28 and Joann Castro placed fourth with a time of

Other Lockney girls participating in the meet but not making the finals included Linda Coronado, Veronica Blanco, Soila Luna, Melinda Molina and Bertha Garcia.

For fast and reliable service

WHIRLERS ENTERTAIN-The Floyd County Whirlers Square Dance Club performed at the Frontier Days celebration Saturday afternoon in Floydada. Sid Perkins of Plainview was the caller for the dancers.

## Whirlers dance at Frontier Days

Whirlers had two squares for their regular dance Friday, March 7. Cyndy Reynolds from Dimmitt called a really fun dance. Refreshments were served by Rusty and Jody Baccus and R.V. and Rita Webster. Donald Reecer won the door prize.

We had over two squares dancing at the pavillion in downtown Floydada on Saturday, March 8 during Frontier Days. Sid Perkins called, and he even did one tip with the Bluegrass band from Levelland accompanying him. Dancers and spectators alike had a good

Whirlers next dance will be the student halfway dance on March 15.

## Care Center Capers

By Lavona Pitchford

We would like to welcome two new residents to our family, Bessie Smith and Fidela Nuncio.

We had planned to put up the fence we have worked so hard for this month, but in a resident council held Monday the motion was made and passed by an overwhelming majority to buy patio furniture instead.

We plan to check on this in Lubbock Tuesday and hope to have it by the end of the week.

Bingo was a big success as usual Friday, with all those attending winning lots of prizes. It is always heartwarming when I see the residents sharing their

Shop Floyd County First! bounty with those unable to play. Our Resident of the Month is Hallie

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· Prescriptions filled

Roberts and Employee is Tina Nuncio, food supervisor, who provides all those delicious meals. Congratulations!

We are collecting aluminum cans now for our activity fund so if you have any, save them for us. Have a good week.

### **Lockney Hospital Report**

Don Barrick, Plainview, adm. 2-23, continues care.

transferred 3-3. Guadalupe Ramirez, Plainview, adm. 2-25, baby girl Ada Laura born 2-25,

dis. 3-3. Josefina Peralez, Lockney, adm. 3-1, dis. 3-3.

Erlinda Sanchez, Floydada, adm. 2-28, baby boy Joel born 2-28, dis. 3-4. Leona Vardell, Silverton, adm. 2-27,

Margareta Saucedo, Lockney, adm. 3-3, continues care.

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Dominga Morales, Lockney, adm. 3-3, transferred 3-4.

Tom Jones, Lockney, adm. 3-4,

Otelia Martinez, Plainview, adm. 3-4, baby girl Gina born 3-4, dis. 3-5. David Jones, Floydada, adm. 3-5, dis.

Karla Stapp, Lockney, adm. 3-5, baby

Tommy Martin, Plainview, adm. 3-9,

boy Louis born 3-5, dis. 3-7. Kari Guevara, Lockney, adm. 3-8. baby girl Kimberly born 3-8, dis. 3-10.

continues care. Jesus Lozano, Plainview, adm. 3-8, continues care.

**Monterey Center** 

"A freeway is something that is not free when one considers the emotional

#### THOUSANDS OF MOVI GODZILLA Brewster's Return of the Jedi BIEVIERLY COP Silverado MILLIONS CHEVY CHASE is Fletch = "RAMBO - First Slugger's Wife Blood Part II" (R) Out of town specials available VHS - BETA - DISC MOVIES Keep up to one (1) week. Beta Movies at 2660 34th St.



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### Lockney School Menu

March 24-28

Monday:

Breakfast-Sweet rolls, juice, raisins, Lunch-Pizza w/cheese and beef,

green beans, buttered corn, fruit cocktail, cinnamon fig biscuit, milk Tuesday: Breakfast-Sausage, toast, egg,

pineapple, milk Lunch-Chicken & dumplins, butter-

ed spinach, pears, hot rolls, mixed vegetables, milk Wednesday: Breakfast-Cereal, peaches, milk

Lunch-Enchiladas, Spanish rice, pinto beans, sopapillias w/honey, fruit gelatin, milk Thursday: Breakfast-Oats, tropical fruit, milk

Lunch-B.B.Q. beef & franks, sweetpotatoes, broccoli & cheese, pears, hot rolls, milk Friday:

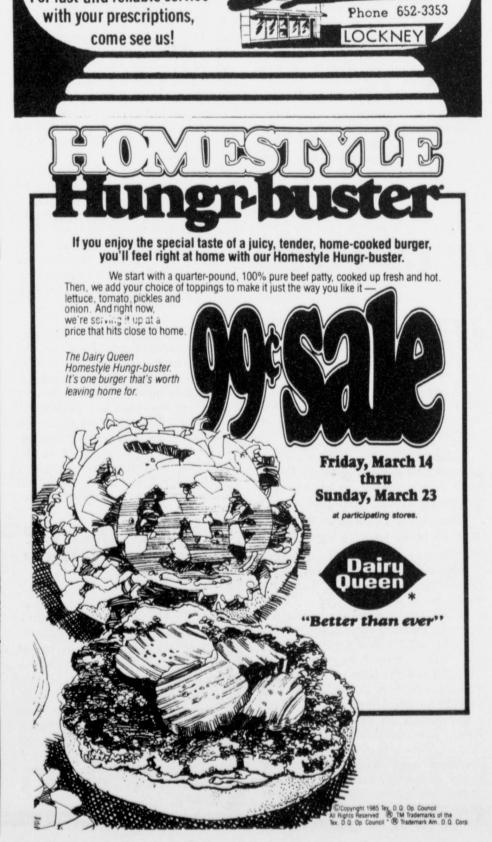
Breakfast-Toast w/cheese, applesauce, milk Lunch-Hamburger, hamburger salad, French fried potatoes, cherry

cobbler, milk

### March Subscriptions Local-\$12.50

Out-of -County-LaDora Aufill \$13.50 Jerry Bigham Wayne Bramlet L.B. Brandes Virgil Brasher W.H. Counts J.B. Cumbie Dicks Automotive Mrs. Melvin Ezell Buck Ford David Foster Eddie Joe Foster Melanie Foster Larry Golden Billie Hamlin Clark Harris M.W. Hartman Verner Hodel Paul Mangum Mike Mathis Ricky Mosley Louzilla Nichols Annie Lou Phenis John Quebe G.E. Reves Janice Rogers Roszell Sams Hattie Scheele George Schuster Mrs. Lee Seaman Ray Sissney Clyde Smith Southwestern Public Service Don Sutterfield Orville Towler Mrs. Margaret Bryant White White's Auto Store James Wigington

Chuck Wilson Tom Word



# Bollman, Schacht, Teeters feted

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Fair, to acting as superintendent of the sheep division at the local stock shows, to being superintendent of Sunday school at the First Baptist Church of Lockney, this man serves all ages of the community.

Schacht was born and raised in Lockney and has lived here most of his life. He has received both Bachelor and Masters degrees in Agriculture Education from Texas Tech University and taught agriculture education in Tribune, Kansas, for two years before returning to Lockney to farm.

At the present time he is an agent with Floyd County Farm Bureau. He maintains a tie with agriculture education in Lockney, being a "big supporter" of the FFA organization and was instrumental in establishing the Elvin Lyon Scholarship fund which is presented each year to a senior who is interested in furthering his education in the agriculture field.

In the past Schacht has served as president of the Lockney Chamber of Commerce and continues to work with this organization as a director. He is also the immediate past president of the Ex-Students Association and organized the 1984 Homecoming activities. He has also served as secretary of the Floyd County Fair Association and continues to participate in Fair activities each year. He is also a past member of the Lions Club.

The Lockney native has been a member of the Lockney School Board for six years and works with other board members and the administration to see that the students who attend Lockney schools receive the best education.

Quoting from the letter of nomination, "We feel that the right attitude is just as important as the deeds you are doing and no one has a better attitude than Clar. His ever present smile lets you know that people are important to him and his influence on all that he comes in contact with is reason enough to say that Clar is a very special person."

#### **FAMILY OF THE YEAR**

The Eddie Teeter family, the 1985 Family of the Year, is an extremely active family in the community.

The children, Monty, Rusty and Wesley, are all active in athletics, band, U.I.L. literary events, various clubs and in their church

An in whatever event the children are involved in, "Eddie and Cheryl are there to lend their support, not only of their children, but all those involved in the events."

Teeter is one of Lockney's biggest supporters through athletic events, the fair, and his church. He has served for three years as the chairman of the board, chairman for the pastor parish relations committee, on the finance committee, and the chairman of the

#### Jim's Bobbin Around ...

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The Beacon. The cobwebs were dusted off for a few months in '79 when we were associated with The Hesperian. LONG DISTANCE CALL

Within a week after joining The Hesperian staff, Alice Gilroy was working late one evening with a young employee. A call had been received from Turkey, she was informed, with the caller desiring to talk with another staff member.

Being an accomodating sort, Alice answered the call since the other person would not return until the next day.

The man on the other end of the "l-o-n-g" distance call identified himself before Alice asked if he would like the home phone number of the co-worker with whom he desired to speak. Wondering aloud, she said, "But I guess a call from Turkey would be pretty expensive."

No, the call wouldn't be terribly expensive, the Turkey man replied. Her congeniality continuing to show, Alice asked the fellow what time it was

"About 6:30," he responded.

in Turkey.

A glance at the wall clock revealed to the present Hesperian editor that it was 6:30 in Floydada, too. Wondering about the time difference, she asked "Is it yesterday or today in Turkey?"

This statement produced a chuckle from the man in Turkey...and from Alice's co-worker.

Shoot, Alice had never before lived in West Texas. Who would have imagined a Turkey, Texas?

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Alice Gilroy

Publisher Office Manager/ Advertising Methodist Men organization of First United Methodist Church.

Active in the community, Teeter has

served on the school board the past six years and is a member of the Floyd County Appraisal Board. He has also been active in the 4-H organization and the Floyd County Livestock Show activities. He has also helped organize the Little Dribblers basketball games for several years.

Cheryl Teeter is also active in her home community. She has chaired the American Heart Association drives in Lockney, the March of Dimes, the Heart Fund, and the Salvation Army drives.

She was also an active member of the Il Penseroso Junior Study Club for many years and served her community through her club activities.

She has been active for many years with the vouth of Lockney when she began supporting her sons in their individual endeavors in school and 4-H. From Little Dribblers, through the Shorthorn years to Longhorn football, basketball, track and tennis she is their to support Lockney youth.

Known for her flare for decorating, she has been called on to make centerpieces for proms, senior and county stock show banquets, and many

other parties that involved the youth of Lockney

Presently she serves as the secretary for the First United Methodist Church and has served as the Harvest Festival chairman and kitchen director for the past three years. She is also active in teaching the youth of her church. She has been the first, second and third grade department teacher for six years and she has directed the Vacation Bible School or taught in it for a number of

Jointly the Teeters have served as the presidents of the Quarterback Club for three years, vice-presidents of the Boys Athletic Boosters for one year, and were commissioners of the Little Dribblers organization.

In 1985 they took on a task which proved to be a great success for the Lockney community. They were the presidents of the Floyd County Fair Association and proved that, despite the fair being canceled at one time, there was still an interest in seeing the fair continue, for many more years.

"Being helpful, trustworthy, loving, and supportive are only a few of the words we can use to summerize in a nutshell our most deserving family of 1985," read Patti Purser from the letter of nomination.

Those attending the banquet were treated to a chicken strip dinner served by members of the Lockney FHA organization.

Mayor J.D. Copeland introduced special guests for the evening. These included Representative Foster Whaley and his wife from Pampa; David and Joy Cave of Spur; Alton and Francis Rose, Edell and Laveen Moore, Mary Sherbert, and Mayor Parnell Powell, all of Floydada; and Ricky and Martha Cross of Plainview.

Providing dinner music was David Jamison of Plainview.

Incoming president of the Chamber of Commerce. Joe Zorger introduced directors for 1986. These include: Vice President Terry Keltz, Secretary Merle Mooney, and Treasurer J.D. Copeland. Copeland has served the Chamber as treasurer for the past 27 years.

Newly elected directors include: Johnny Dorman, David Foster, Nelda Howard, and Gayle Sherman. Holdover directors include: Jim Bob Martin. David Workman, Cindy Smith, Jack Covington, Gayle Jackson, Donnie Meriwether, Vera Jo Bybee, and Kathy

Appointed directors for 1986 are: Clar Schacht, Mike Mooney, and Gary Marr and the retiring directors include Buddy

Wiley, Boyd Lee, and Jeff Race. Outgoing president Jack Covington recognized new businesses in Lockney and their owners. These were: Cablevision of Texas, owners Jim Doucette and Danny Smith; Shear Country, owner Connie Wood; Caprock Industries; El Gallito, owners the Naranjos; Helping Hands, owners Ricky and Lisa Mosley; Country Candles, owners Doylene Dipprey and Tina Graves; Cooper Auto Sales, owner Paul Cooper; and Laura's Creations, owner Laura Wilson.

During the evening Linda Terrell, junior high teacher from Lockney pre-

ELECT

**DAVID CAVE** 

sented a historical account of Floyd County and Texas in a tribute to the 150th birthday of Texas. This account is printed in this edition of the Beacon.

In other discussion, Covington announced the winner of the oil painting donated by Mrs. Elfie Sherman. The winner was Alton Rose of Floydada. He also announced that the Chamber of Commerce has purchased Sesquicentennial flags to be flown at each of the Lockney schools. He also read excerpts from old editions of the Beacon concerning the Lockney Chamber of Commerce organization.

"In all it was an enjoyable evening for those who attended and held a few surprises for the winners," officials believe.

# Settlement of Floyd County

By Linda Terrell

We, the people of Floyd County, salute the Sesquicentennial celebration of our state. To us, this is really a tribute to the men and women who formed and shaped this land.

Each of them invested in this county. Most of them never became great in their nation. But they were great people because each gave his life and his part.

The men were strong men, who would look up at the stars at night, and know that in tomorrow there was new hope for taming this land.

The pioneer woman would bear a baby, raise a cabin, clear a field, bind a wound, weave a garment, teach a child to read, lay out the dead, and encourage a despondent husband back to faith

The wagon-trains are moving A magic word has come, and they set out, the seekers of a distant Canaan,

Tall determined men with a dream of harvest in their eyes; And sturdy women with their babes

in their arms. The pioneers are coming.

### Three Act play ...

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Jo Goen (poster distribution), Gale Ramsey (publicity), Ruth Walker (table decorations), and Nettie Ruth Whittle (rehearsal suppers).

Tickets for the dinner-theatre are now available at the First National Banks in both Lockney and Floydada, or by calling Polly Cardinal (983-2903) or Peggy Roberts (652-3102). Deadline for dinner reservations is Tuesday, March Give them room!

These men and women lived by a simple Trinity of land, God, and work. And, they had the will to endure the extreme cold of winter, the overpowering heat of summer, dust storms, and that eternal wind.

By 1875, their lives began to change. The Indian occupation of Floyd County had come to an end, along with the disappearance of the buffalo. Later came the railroad...and barbwire. Yes, barbwire changed the face of the open range forever. In fact, the first Floyd Co. Courthouse was surrounded by a barbed wire fence to protect it from roaming cattle.

In 1876, we became a county named after Dolphin Floyd, a martyr of the with their loves and lives

Still later, their lives changed even more. Electricity meant burying the kerosene lantern forever. And as World War II ended, farmers were seized by a well-digging fever, and water gushed forth to grow crops in irrigated fields.

Some of us, like myself, are transplanted natives of Floyd County. Some of us may have planned to live here for only a few years, but instead we've stayed a lifetime. All of us have raised our children here—some of them left to live in other parts; some of them went to war and never returned.

During this Sesquicentennial, we realize that we, too, are pioneers. Like the man who built a store in a dugout. our Floyd County businessmen have foregone the riches of the city to serve the needs of small towns.

Like the determined men who cleared this land for crops, today's farmer has courage. With a faltering agricultural economy, he wonders if his children will be able to make their life on this land he

loves so much.

Like the pioneers who gathered outside to sing church hymns, we gather in our modern places of worship.

Like the teacher in the one-roomschoolhouse, we educate our young people. And, to our Governor, I must say, that the education of children in this county is superior. Right here, reading, writing, and arithmetic were learned by future doctors, agronomists, lawyers, engineers and professors the list could go on and on. I believe those results speak for themselves and that the education in this county has always been superior.

The human tide of men advanced

Into a land of untamed spirit. Men saw a vision in the sunset fires And brought that vision down to

They worked for it and fought for it and died for it. And as they passed, they left behind A vision new in sunset fires for other

Some hundred years ago.

Gone is that wilderness But not the spirit whose home it was, For men still dream and men still

Even some hundred years from now.

Here, we can still enjoy the beauty of a pheasant, the orange glow of a sunset, or a moment of silence.

In a time when man is faced with the conquests of space, we, here, are faced with depletion of water. You see, we are still pioneers...but we will endure. Happy Birthday, dear state, and God



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# FARM NEWS



MATT WILLIAMS showed the Junior Breeding Beef Reserve Champion Angus heifer at the Houston Livestock Show. Matt also showed the winner in the lightweight other breeds Crossbred steer class.

# AROUND THE COUNTY

First, seedling disease is more severe

when soils are cold even though this is

not the basic cause. When plants are

placed at a disadvantage and soil borne

disease organisms are favored, an ideal

condition exists for the seedling disease

Seed function differently in cold soils

than they do in warm soils. In cold soils

germination is slow and seedlings

emerge slowly, making them vulnerable to soil organisms over a longer period of

time. During that time micro-organisms

may produce seed decay, or pre or post

emergence damping-off. A skippy stand

consideration. High quality seed have a

better chance of producing a healthy

seedling in a cold soil. Weak seed may

lose nutrients from their cell walls, thus attracting soil pathogens that feed on the nutrients. Generally, a cold test is

used to tell which seed losts are of high

Replanting is often necessary when

seedling disease reduces the stand below acceptable levels. Remember,

however, that destruction of an existing

stand will cause the crop to be later,

making it more vulnerable to hot temperatures, drouth and insect attack.

In some cases it may be best to retain

the skippy stand if the crop in question has the ability to compensate. Cotton,

grain sorghum and corn compensate

well while peanuts and some melon

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Seed quality is a most important

may result.

By Richard Crow

Crops often have a hard time becoming established due to cold soils and severe seedling disease. Understanding what is happening may help farmers and gardeners deal effectively with the problem.

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# USDA to help lenders make low interest loans

The U.S. Department of Agriculture will join with commercial banks and other agriculture lenders in a three-year interest "buy-down" of its guaranteed farmer program loans, Acting Secretary Frank W. Naylor, Jr., announces.

Designed to help farmers having trouble repaying their loans or obtaining new ones, the \$490 million program will enable lenders to make or refinance loans to eligible farmers at interest rates reduced by up to 4 percentage points, with the lenders absorbing one-half the loss of revenue from the

The Farmers Home Administration would pay the lender the remaining half of the interest "buy-down." The end result will be that the borrower gets a break on interest; the lender gives up points of interest; and the government makes a direct contribution of up to 2

interest points.

"This could mean the difference between success and failure to many hard-pressed family farmers," said Naylor. "They just can't afford a loan at today's interest rates. And many agriculture lenders can't cut interest rates enough to make the loan affordable,

students and endowed another \$30,000

for scholarships and \$10,000 in a fund to

be used for student trips and education.

because their loss of interest income would be too great. But, with this interest rate "buy-down" program, FmHA will pick up half the lender's

"I urge all agriculture lenders to particpate. This program should strengthen their agriculture loan portfolios and give a much-needed boost to our farm economy," Naylor said.

"Combined with our guaranteed loans, the interest rate "buy-down" program is another indication of the Federal government's determination to work with the financial community in the private sector to help America's family farmers, and offer yet another

opportunity for farmers to continue operations in 1986."

A borrower may qualify for the program by being unable to get a loan elsewhere at reasonable rates and terms; must be unable to make loan payments unless the interest rate is reduced; and must show enough projected income to make the reduced-rate loan payments.

Lenders wanting additional information should contact the Farmers Home Administration office in their local area for details. Regulations for the administration of this program will be published in the Federal Register this week.

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John R. Hunter named outstanding teacher Two Texas Tech University range and Hunter's contributions to students extend beyond the classroom. He and wildlife management professors have been honored at the international his wife Kathryn and daughter Susanne have donated \$10,000 in scholarships to meeting of the Society for Range

Management. Department Chairperson Henry A. Wright received the Frederick G. Renner Award and Professor John R. Hunter, son of Mrs. J.D. Hunter of Lockney, was named the outstanding undergraduate teacher at the February 9-14 meeting in Orlando, Florida.

The Renner Award is the highest honor the Society for Range Management can bestow. Wright was honored for his contributions to the profession through the use of fire as an ecological tool for improving and managing rangelands in North America.

Hunter received the first teaching award ever presented by the society. He was recognized for his time, talent and devotion to undergraduate range science education.

Hunter was honored for his dedication to students both in and out of the classroom. The society's award notes that Hunter "epitomizes the undergraduate teacher. Above all else, he has the students' interest, performance and well-being at heart. He offers them something that they can use in their every day life on their ranches and hunting leases. John not only teaches his classes the technical material that they should know to be productive professionals, but he also teaches them

Hunter continually ranks in the upper 10 percent of the ratings of all College of Agricultural Sciences faculty based on student evaluations. He has received the President's Excellence in Teaching Award, presented to one faculty member college each year, and the AMOCO Teaching Award, presented to three faculty members in the university each

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