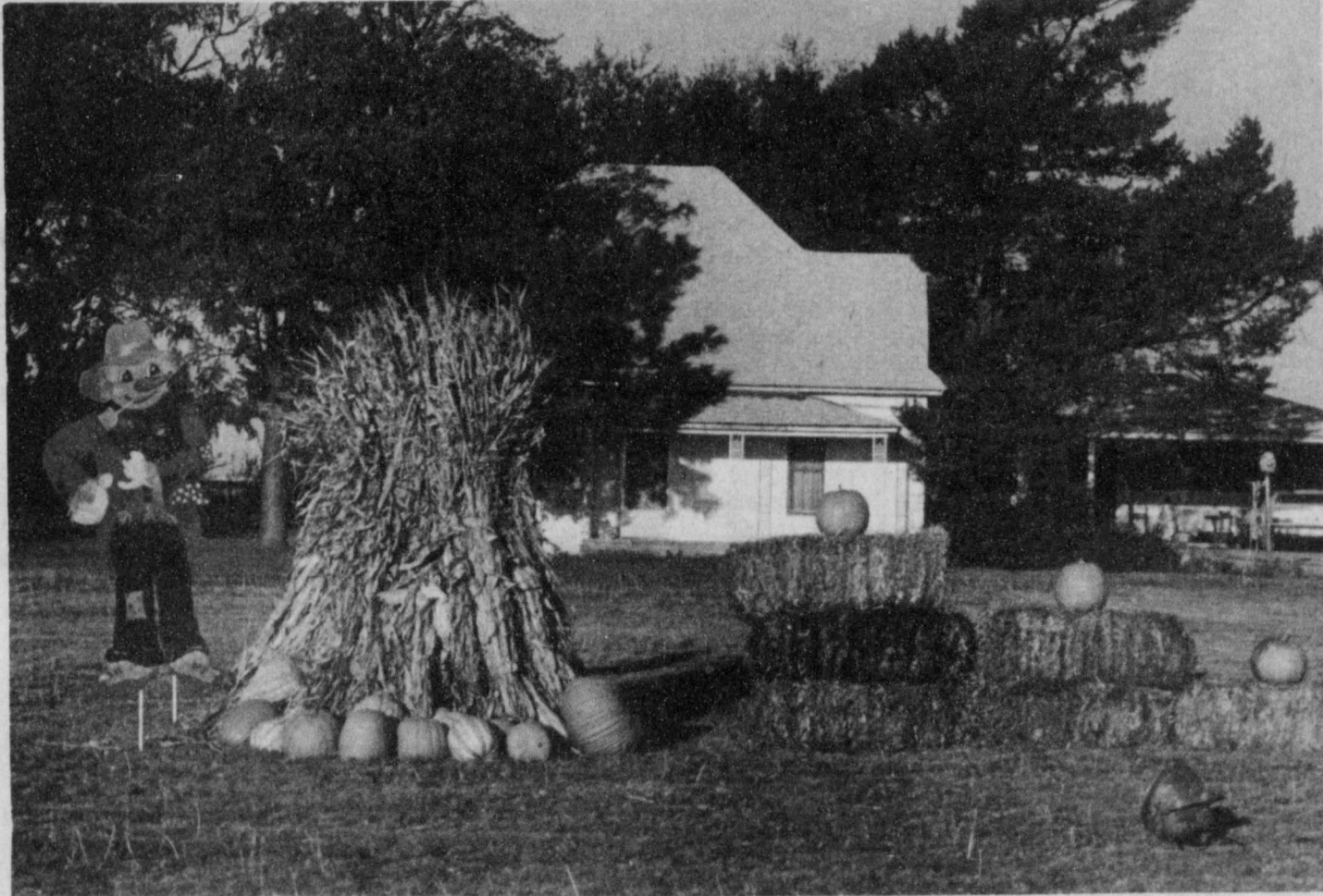


## Open house Sunday at senior citizen center



**SHADES OF FALL**—Beth Kropp's residence, immediately south of the city limits, bears signs of fall with pumpkins, gourds, a shock and a jolly gent. Mrs. Kropp is one of the county's pumpkin growers. [Please see story on front page of Hesperian.] —Staff photo

Entering 1987, a senior citizens organization for Lockney was a pipe-dream and the Lena Fae dry goods store building remained abandoned — as it had for several years — with various items stored inside.

Approximately 42 interested individuals gathered in the Community Center on January 29 to determine whether sufficient interest existed to pursue organization of a senior citizens organization here. Robert Work, who retired December 31 as Crosby County

judge and who had been instrumental in organizing such a group in Crosbyton, offered suggestions to the Lockneyites.

In the unbelievable span of slightly more than eight months, Lockney Senior Citizens has been founded, currently has 188 members and is planning an open house this Sunday, October 11, at its new center, the former Lena Fae building at 118 West College.

Senior citizens, who have devoted hundreds and hundreds of hours on the

building, are inviting the public to view the facilities during the special open house from 2-5 p.m. Members are anxious to "show off our new center."

Residents of other towns with senior organizations marvel at the enthusiasm and number of the local organization and the manner in which the center was purchased and renovated, almost exclusively with volunteer labor.

"This is the best thing that has happened to our town in years," is a statement heard repeatedly.

### OPEN HOUSE ACTIVITIES

Schedule for the open house includes a number of interesting activities. Beginning at 2:00 p.m. there will be a presentation of the colors and flag raising ceremony with the Lockney VFW members presiding, while the LHS band plays. Following this, Lockney Mayor Dan Smith will conduct a ribbon cutting, officially opening the center.

From the front of the building the gathering will then enter the building where senior organization president O.C. Allison will give the welcome address and will introduce special guests.

State representative Foster Whaley will then word the dedication of the building.

Following the ceremonies to officially open the building, those present will be provided with refreshments of punch, coffee, cookies and hors d'ouvres. And everyone will be given the chance to see the building completed.

Hazel Johnson has been appointed to oversee the open house. She and the other committee chairmen have "worked very hard to see that the public has a good time and is able to see where all the money and hard work have gone."

### FOUNDING THE ORGANIZATION

Lockney Senior Citizens was officially founded on February 5 of this year with the appointment of the first board members. These board members include O.C. Allison, president; Hazel Johnson, secretary; Virginia Sissney, secretary. Other board members include Claude Brown, Ray Sissney, Velma Harrison, Helen Hodel, Edna Workman, Harmon Handley, Willis Reynolds, and C.L. Henderson.

### THE BEGINNING

Purchased in May for \$10,000 the center has equipment and improvements which have cost another \$27,251.80.

Funds for the building purchase and renovations have come in the form of donations, 13 fundraising projects, and annual membership dues, which are kept to a minimal fee of \$10 in order that the cost will not deprive an interested individual of membership.

Those belonging to the organization range in age from early 60s to early 90s. Initially, Lockney Senior Citizens met

## Burglars strike C. L. Mooney residence Monday afternoon

A color TV, jewelry, electric blankets, coats, a vacuum cleaner and miscellaneous items were stolen Monday afternoon during a burglary of the C.L. (Mike) Mooney residence, located five miles north and one mile west of Lockney.

Time of the burglary was placed at "between 1:30 and 4:10 p.m."

The yeggs "jimmied the front door open."

Anyone seeing a vehicle at the Mooney residence "about this time" is asked to contact the sheriff's office.

J.D. Boedeker of Providence

community was the victim of a burglary "on approximately Sept. 18." Two hundred and 80 dollars worth of tools and a \$40 pair of rubber boots were stolen from the back of his pickup.

The pickup had been in Plainview, Floydada and at home, and the owner is not sure exactly where the burglary occurred.

Lawmen point out that when an individual enters any portion of a vehicle — including the back of a pickup — to commit theft, this offense is regarded as a burglary.

## Horns launch District 3-AA chase

### Red and White host Springlake-Earth squad Friday

Forget about the first five warmup games. They were important, but the next five outings are the ones which count in the district standings.

Step one in district warfare unfolds Friday night when the Longhorns host Springlake-Earth. Kickoff for this and other conference matches is set for 7:30 p.m.

After a rugged non-conference schedule and a maze of injuries, Coach Jim

Clark's crew is now ready to shine in action against the Wolverines. Other players who have been sidelined or slowed by injuries are again rounding into form.

Boosters are hoping the home stadium will be packed Friday night to

show support for the team and coaching staff.

Last week's Harris Rating System placed the District 3-AA teams in the following order (state rating): 43. Abernathy, 125. Hale Center, 132. Lockney, 153. Hart, 164. Olton.

## Dorman new leader for football tickets

The leader in the race for the Cowboys tickets changed after the fifth week of the annual football contest in The Lockney Beacon.

After this week's grading process was through and the points were tabulated, Johnny Dorman pulled ahead in the race for the tickets. Dorman now has the leading point count of 54.

Also changing places in the race was Cindy Means, who moved to second place with 53 points this week.

Following closely behind Means and Dorman are Slick Stennett (the leader until this week), Boyd Lee, and Mike Means with 52 points each.

Those with 51 points include Dr. Gary Mangold and girls, Ronnie Hardin, and

Kenneth Wofford. Having a 50 point tally in the race are Joe Copeland, Dickie McCarty, Retha Wofford, and Jared Mosley.

Both Roy Saucedo and Karla Josey have 49 points; Eddie Fortenberry, W.L. Carthel, and Phil Cotham each have 48; and Mrs. W.L. Carthel has 47 points.

As one may note, the race for the tickets is heating up, with only seven points separating the top 18 entrants at this time. Remember to each week and not only are the tickets at stake, there is also \$20 in prize money awarded weekly.

### FIFTH WEEK WINNERS

Winners this week, which is the

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## Longhorn mania led by 'Slick' and horn

What would a Longhorn football game be without Jimmy (Slick) Stennett and his horn?

Few people can remember!

Since moving to Lockney in 1956, Stennett and his trusty horn have missed few games. The graduation in 1981 of his youngest son didn't daunt "Slick's" enthusiasm for Longhorn football.

"If anything, he may be more relaxed now," (not having a son wearing a red and white uniform) Teresa Stennett observes.

Stennett "never misses a home game" unless he is ill, and "he tries to make the road games."

As familiar as Longhorn fans are with Slick's horn, few realize its age or background.

His dad, the late Edd Stennett of Hale Center, designed the noisemaker from "a real longhorn's horn" in 1924. This was the year his son was born in Hale Center.

When Jimmy and Teresa moved their family to Lockney in 1956, he took the horn out of mothballs, figuring it would blend in well with the "Longhorns" mascot.

Jack Tayrien, a former Lockney

coach - now a member of the Texas Tech University football coaching staff — "went over the printing with ink." The touch-up was necessary because the word "Longhorn" printed on the horn was badly faded.

All four of the Stennett sons are Lockney High School graduates and former Longhorns. Kevin was forced to drop out of football due to a neck injury his junior year, but his siblings played through their eligibility.

"All four of our boys — Gary, Doug, Kevin and Mike — played in the band from fifth grade on and also played football," Mrs. Stennett says. "Some people say kids can't play football and be in the band, but our boys did."

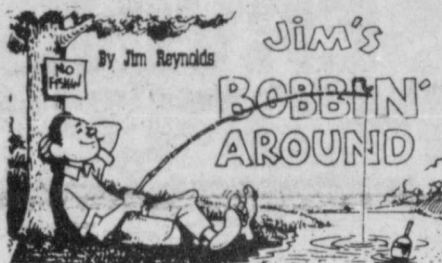
"Some people look forward to the horn" and other fans are not as fond of it, Mrs. Stennett observes.

Her husband, a medical technologist who retired in 1983, and his horn have become the same fixture to Longhorn football what "Crazy Ray" is to Dallas Cowboys football.

(Editor's note: This story was written at the suggestion of another Longhorn fan who appreciates Jimmy Stennett's continued support of the school's athletic program. It was compiled without Stennett's knowledge.)



**SLICK AND HIS HORN**—Jimmy (Slick) Stennett, surrounded by fellow Longhorn fans, is a ringleader for enthusiasm and cheering for the Red and White. His hat, which dates back several years, is almost as much a Stennett trademark as his horn. "Slick" could amply be termed "Super Fan." —Staff photo



### STRAIGHT TALK

'Ol Whistle Britches at the Shiny Ridge Ranch offers thoughts on a variety of topics:

\* Banks — There's a bank in California that has a "western window" for those who are quick on the draw.

\* Postal Service — If the price of postage goes up again, receiving junk mail may become a status symbol.

\* Life insurance — Life insurance is like a football game — our relatives sit around and wait for us to "kick off."

\* Faith — There are some whose faith is not strong enough to bring them to church services, but they expect it to take them to heaven.

\* Juvenile delinquency — When adults behave like children we call them juvenile; when children behave like adults we call them delinquents.

\* Marriage — Funny how all forms of gambling are frowned upon by preachers — except marriage.

\* Actresses — The age of an actress is like the speedometer on a used car — you know it's been set back, but you can't tell how far.

\* Children — The child who always complains he's getting the short end of the stick should be given more of it.

\* Restaurants — In the San Francisco area there's a Chinese restaurant that serves all you can eat for one dollar — but they give you only one chopstick.

\* Family trees — Family trees seem to produce a variety of nuts.

\* Prayer — Some people talk about heaven being so far away. It is within speaking distance of those who belong there.

\* Taxes — If the folks in Washington are so disturbed about human suffering, they ought to take a look at the American taxpayer.

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### RAPID MATURITY

Cotton is maturing more rapidly this fall than last year, we've heard several farmers say.

Why?

Heat units supposedly are vital to cotton maturity, and this has been a mild summer. The best explanation we've heard is that higher than normal humidity has aided maturity.

## Blood drive slated October 19

Lockney General Hospital and The Lockney Beacon will be sponsoring their next blood drive on October 19 and due to the overwhelming response to the August drive the location has been changed to the Masonic Lodge on North Main Street.

Sponsors would like to extend their thanks to the members of the lodge for

allowing the drive to be held there.

The drive will again be from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the lodge building and anyone who would like to make an appointment may call the Beacon office or Dimple Adams at Lockney General Hospital. Appointments are not necessary to donate. Mark your calendar and make plans to be there.



# Senior Center open house Sunday

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 in the Community Center. Activities were moved in July to the new building, although improvements had not yet been completed.  
 The facility now is open daily for games and various other activities. Hours are from 8:30 to 5:30 daily.  
 Dominoes, 42 and other games are favorites of participants. Monthly birthday parties, potluck meals, and sandwich suppers are regular fare. Weekly meetings are held on Thursdays.  
 One of the future events will be the October birthday party which will be a costume event, on October 29.

With only occasional fund-raisers now, such as bake sales prior to Mother's Day and Father's Day, the organization staged various meals for the public while securing funds needed early. Community support has been "fantastic," according to one member.  
 Members are planning a noon stew and cornbread feed with cobbler for dessert on October 22 for the public. A \$4.00 donation is all it will cost to sample food cooked by "some of the best cooks in Floyd County."

At the present time, the center does not have a director. In lieu of a director, a monthly hostess or hostesses are selected and these ladies direct functions and/or fund raising activities for a month's time. Velma Harrison is in charge of the monthly hostess selection.

Beginning in March, the new center began to take shape. A verbal agreement was reached with the owner of the building, and renovations began with repairs to the roof. Also, members began cleaning out the inside of the building and prepared to dispose of the contents through garage sales. The first, in March, netted \$890.00 for the organization. Another garage sale was held in May and it brought in \$1,000.

In addition to work on the building, April was highlighted by three different fundraising meals for the public.  
 In May, the board approved the purchase of the kitchen equipment which included a cook stove, refrigerator, freezer, vent-a-hood, and sinks. Also in May, members of the organization constructed a float for the Old Settlers parade and garnered second place.

June was highlighted by the arrival of the refrigerator and freezer, and new ceiling tiles were installed inside.  
 July saw the building beginning to take shape well as the parking areas were paved and the dishwasher installed.

Also in July, the new carpet and kitchen flooring were installed, chairs

were purchased and mini-blinds for the front windows were ordered and installed.

July was also marked by the first trip the seniors took as a group. In all about 35 members of the organization and their guests journeyed by charter bus to view the outdoor melodrama "Texas."

August saw members very busy as they prepared for their booth at the fair. They took the booth which had formerly been operated by the Eastern Star. Several donations were also made. The school donated 10 tables and the hospital donated an ice machine to the organization. Handrails were installed at all doors of the building.

Also in August, members entered another float in the Floyd County Fair parade and the drawing for a quilt, made by members, was presented to Almeda Phillips during the fair.

In September, members were able to begin putting things in order in the new building. Cabinets were stained, knobs installed, and the cabinets were ready to hold all the acquired kitchen utensils, plates, glasses, and the like. Also the vent-a-hood was installed over the stove, and nine ceiling fans, which had been donated to the group were installed.

Also donated in September was an upright piano. This gift to the center came from John L., Elizabeth, Martha, and Sandy Riley. This piano will be used during the open house with three or four local women providing music.

Also during September, members of the organization had their first program. Lockney General Hospital administrator Terry Keltz and Suzie Frizzell, another LGH employee, presented a program on Medicare to about 70 members.

And October will be remembered as the month that the center is officially opened with full ceremonies benefitting the occasion.

**FUNDRAISERS AND DONATIONS**  
 As of September 1, total donations to the center had reached \$35,651.14. Also a total of \$6600.00 has been cleared "on fund raising projects." These totals do not reflect money raised through the booth at the fair and the donations received on the quilt which was awarded to a winner during the fair.

**WELL EQUIPPED CENTER**  
 The new center, as one may note from all the new renovations and purchases, is well equipped. It is also fully accommodating to handicapped individuals with the concrete ramps, handrails outside, and restrooms with hand-

rails. The center, which contains some 3,000 square feet of space, houses the kitchen area and game room.

The largest part of the building, the south end, is furnished with large and small tables and chairs, both for eating and games. The north end of the structure houses the kitchen and serving areas. There is also a basement under the kitchen area, but this space will be used for storage only. The dining area will seat about 100 people at one time.

With the renovations, purchased equipment, tables and chairs, and fully paved parking areas, this center will be well used by its members.

As one member expressed so well, "A lot of love went into every hour of volunteer work done on this building. It is something that everyone can be proud of and it will provide hours and hours of enjoyment for the members of the organization. It is something that we have needed for a long time and it has been nice to see it become a reality for the senior citizens of Lockney."

## Go Horns!

### Dorman new leader...

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 midpoint in the 1987 contest, turned in entries which only had one or two missed games and the tie-breaker scores played a large part in the winning entries.

Taking first place this week was Cindy Means who only missed one game and had a tie-breaker score of 34. She will receive the \$10 prize.

Second place this week goes to Ronnie Hardin who also missed only one game on his entry, but his tie-breaker score was 35. He gets the \$6 check.



**LOCKNEY HIGH GRAD AT ENMU—** Randy Race, a 1986 graduate of Lockney High School, is currently playing football for the Eastern New Mexico University Greyhounds. Race, a 6-2, 248-pound freshman, is playing nose guard for Eastern. While attending Lockney High School Race was a four-year letterman in football and was named to the all-district and all-state teams. Race was also a four-year letterman in track. Randy is a physical education major and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Race. ENMU is a member of the NCAA II Lone Star Conference.

Third place this week was decided on the tie-breaker also. Both Johnny Dorman and Steve Stansell missed two games on their entries, however Dorman had a perfect score of 28 on the tie-breaker and Stansell had 25. Dorman gets the \$4 third place check.  
 Missing only three games on their entries and receiving honorable mention were Mike Means, Dr. Gary Mangold and girls, Joe Copeland, Phil Cotham, Mrs. W.L. Carthel, T.C. Bilbrey, W.L. Carthel, Jared Mosley, Boyd Lee, Retha Wofford, and Karla Josey.

## Letter to the Editor...

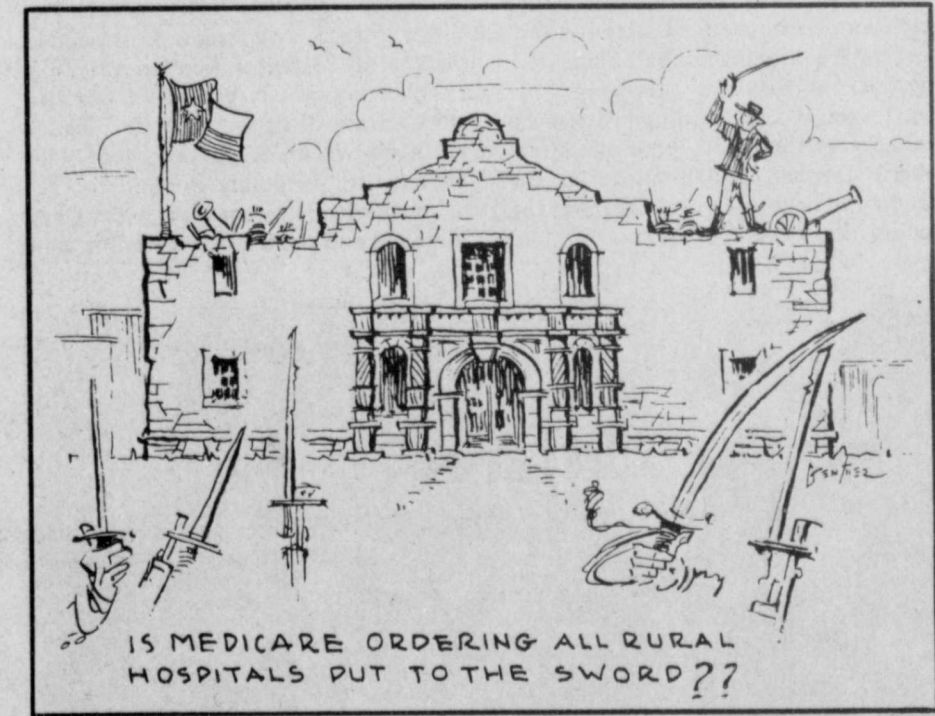
To all newspaper editors of Texas  
 In times like these when rural America is fighting for its very existence, there is no room for the added burden of increased taxes on farmers, ranchers and landowners to support rural hospitals. The unrealistic reimbursement policy of the medicare system is quickly bankrupting rural hospitals.

A number of rural hospitals have been closed and many are facing closure due to the cuts in medicare reimbursement and the "No Votes" of the rural farmers and ranchers to new taxes.  
 Editors, let us stand up for rural

Texas by contributing stories and editorials on the small hospitals plight. Together we can help our Congressmen of Texas in their efforts and push the bill through to raise Medicare's reimbursement on patient care.

This appeal of support has been sent to all editors in the State of Texas. If we are not willing to protect the life of rural America by protecting the health of the rural elderly and youth, the very foundation of the country is destined to crumble.

/s/ Gary Cobb  
 Gary Cobb, Publisher/Editor



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## Boulter fights for PRO reform

Congressman Beau Boulter was called to testify before a congressional hearing last month on legislation he has offered to restore due process and fairness to the state peer review organizations that evaluate doctors who treat Medicare patients.

Along with Texas congressman Ralph Hall and Charlie Stenholm, legislation was recently introduced in Congress to correct inequities in this process that have led to the sanctioning of 23 rural doctors in Texas who treat Medicare patients.

A disproportionate number of rural doctors have been placed under sanction by the Texas Medical Foundation (TMF). Of the 23 doctors in Texas who have been sanctioned, only one lives in a town larger than 12,000 people, and most of the remaining doctors live in towns much smaller.

Medicare and elderly patients make up more than half of the practice of many rural doctors.

This legislation would allow doctors to appeal sanctions before they go into effect, a right doctors in Texas do not presently enjoy.

In addition, the bill would require the state peer review organizations to place a greater emphasis on education. It is shocking to note that any funds used to educate local doctors must be taken out of TMF's operating budget. In other words, plush offices and surroundings for TMF win out over bringing our good doctors up to speed with medical advancements and medical regulations.

Boulter, who serves on the steering committee of the Congressional Rural Health Care Coalition, will continue to work to see that those Texans who chose to live in the smaller communities of rural America can still enjoy the high standard of medical care they are used to and to insure that our local doctors are treated fairly by the Texas Medical Foundation.

## Lockney 4-H Club meets

**By Kip Holt**  
 The Lockney 4-H Club met in the Junior High on Monday, September 28, for a Project Carnival and guest night. Jared Mosley started the meeting off with a guessing game that divided members and guests into groups which then went from one room to another where 4-Hers had their various projects set up and explained them to the members and guests.

Those who had project booths set up were: Chelsea Patridge, Max Green, Allen Martin, Lance Patridge, Cynthia Martin, Mark Terrell, Phillip Glasson, Joel Mitchell, Kip Holt, Mandy Turner, Tami Vernon, Angie Hooten, Amy Turner, Carolyn Turner and Gwen Lane. These 4-Hers answered questions about their various projects.

During the business meeting, Mark Terrell led the group in the 4-H pledge and motto and Jared Mosley gave the pledge. It was decided that the club

would have in addition to the Senior officers, a slate of Junior officers.

The following were elected: President, Jessica Lemons; Vice President, Jennifer Fortenberry; Secretary, Max Green and callers, Kori Kellison and Jerry Don Evans.

In other business, it was announced that the club would once again sell "Irish Acres" peans the week of November 7-14. Susan Patridge will be the adult leader in charge of the sales. People may place the orders with any 4-Her. It was also decided to have a booth at the Halloween Carnival on Oct. 31 sponsored by the PTA.

Refreshments were served by Jessica and Diana Lemons, Jennifer Fortenberry, Michelle and Robert Delgado, Loreta, Amy, Carolyn and David Turner and Jerry Don Evans. There were approximately 80 guests and members present.

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# PEOPLE SERVING PEOPLE

### NOTICE OF NEW TARIFF OFFERING CENTRANET<sup>SM</sup> SERVICE

General Telephone Company of the Southwest gives notice of its proposed new tariff offering, Centranet<sup>SM</sup> Service, which is to be offered in all company wire centers where such facilities exist to provide the service.

Centranet is a central office based service which provides PBX type features to multi-line business customers. Basic operating features include Direct Inward Dialing (DID), Direct Outward Dialing (DOD), Station-to-Station Dialing, Automatic Identified Outward Dialing (AIOD), and Touch Calling. The tariff is designed for Centranet customers with a minimum of 2 and maximum of 100 main station lines.


Effective with this tariff, ECENTREX Service will be limited to existing installations only.

The proposed new tariff offering has been assigned Docket No. 7652, and will become effective upon approval of the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

Rates for service will be applicable to customers who subscribe to the service, therefore, there will be no effect on any other rates of the company. The new offering will increase the company's gross annual revenues by approximately \$423,013 or less than one percent annually.

The proposed rates are on file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas, and are available for public inspection at the offices of General Telephone Company of the Southwest. Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this notice. The deadline to intervene in this docket is November 9, 1987.

A request to intervene, participate, or for further information, should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 400N, Austin, Texas, 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227 or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.

**General Telephone** 

## Lockney School Menu

October 8 - 16

- Thursday:**  
 Breakfast — Fruit cocktail, milk, sausage, toast  
 Lunch — Pork ribs with barbeque sauce, fried okra, pork and beans, pear half, hot rolls, milk
- Friday:**  
 Breakfast — Apple, cereal, milk  
 Lunch — Char broiled burgers, hamburger salad, French fried potatoes, milk, peach cobbler
- Monday:**  
 Breakfast — Toast and cheese, pears, milk  
 Lunch — Tuna salad on lettuce, fried okra, buttered corn, sliced bread, bananas
- Tuesday:**  
 Breakfast — Cinnamon biscuits.

- milk, apples  
 Lunch — Corn dog w/mustard, potato chips, pea salad, milk, apricots, cake
- Wednesday:**  
 Breakfast — Sausage, toast, milk, peaches  
 Lunch — Salmon patties, spinach, milk, new potatoes, cornbread
- Thursday:**  
 Breakfast — Pancakes, milk, French fried potatoes  
 Lunch — Chicken and dumplings, sweet potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, milk, apple cobbler
- Friday:**  
 Rice, milk, oranges  
 Lunch — Sloppy Joe on bun, French fried potatoes, salad, milk, cherry cobbler

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## In times like these...

By Mary Jo Fielding

It might have been a scene from one of Africa's guerilla wars; four men wearing green fatigues and packing FN assault rifles fanned out across a wooded ridge. The bush crackled under a punishing afternoon sun as the government patrol scoured the hillside for enemy tracks. Then they heard it; the low murmur of voices drawing closer. Below them, a file of four men, three carrying AK-47 rifles, slowly advanced through a yellow sea of elephant grass. Without warning, the government patrol opened fire gunning down all four in 4 seconds. When the bodies were searched, they recovered 278 rounds of ammunition, two tusks and the horns of a black rhinoceros.

This recent skirmish in Zimbabwe's Zambezi Valley was no military operation. The government patrol consisted of game rangers from the country's Department of National Parks and Wildlife Management. The enemy was a gang of poachers that had crossed the border from neighboring Zambia to plunder one of Zimbabwe's most treasured resources, the last great population of black rhinos living in the wild.

In 1970 there were 65,000 of the beasts roaming the rough bush country of east, central and southern Africa. Today there are fewer than 4,000, half of them in Zimbabwe. To defend them, the

country has launched a controversial shoot-on-sight war against poachers who are killing the rhinos at the rate of one a day. "We have an obligation to the rest of the world to save our rhinos" declares Willie K. Ndukes, Zimbabwe's director of national parks. "We won't spare our ammunition."

## Copeland hosts

### El Progreso

El Progreso Study Club met Sept. 23 in the home of Arla Copeland.

"A lovely program" was given by the guest speaker, Maria Flores. The program was entitled "My Treasures, Home Decorating."

Members answered roll call with "What my home means to me."

Present were Linnie Abbott, Katherine Ball, Mary Blanchard, Edythe Clark, Faye Ferguson, Cornelia Johnson, Hazel Johnson, Bobbie Kellison, Alice Mitchell, Pauline Sams, Dimon Schacht, Dorothy Smith, Kathleen Thornton and hostess Arla Copeland.

Next meeting will be Oct. 14 in the home of Linnie Abbott, with Pauline Sams as hostess.

# SPAG and SPS institute program to aid elderly

South Plains Association of Government's Resources United Program and Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) have instituted a program to identify vulnerable elderly citizens in Lockney who may need help, but are unable or reluctant to ask for it.

The Gatekeeper program, as it is called, locates and trains "Gatekeepers" to "open the gates" between isolated older people and local organizations that can provide the assistance these people may occasionally need.

"The Gatekeeper concept is remarkably simple," says SPS's Lockney manager, Robert Webb. "SPS employ-

ees with day-to-day customer contacts, such as meter readers and servicemen, are asked to watch out for elderly customers on their routes. If these Gatekeepers see any of several warning signs that indicate an older customer may be experiencing difficulties, they simply report the situation to their local service organization."

This organization then is responsible for contacting the elderly person, assessing the situation, and matching that person with the community services or resources they may need.

SPS employees involved in the program have been trained to look and

listen for certain warning signs — a change in appearance or behavior, signs of confusion or disability, a normally well-kept yard that is left unattended, even an accumulation of newspapers or mail — that may indicate an elderly person in distress.

The program will be administered by

South Plains Association of Government's Resources United Program with Southwestern Public Service Company employees serving as the program's "eyes and ears" in the community.

Similar programs are being instituted throughout the SPS service territory by SPS and local community organizations.



**GHOSTLY FIGURE**—This ghostly figure awaits the arrival of Halloween. He is located in the front yard of mayor Dan Smith home. He is surrounded by corn shocks, pumpkins, and gourds. He is actually a yard light disguised by a sheet, however with the light on at night and the wind blowing, he can be somewhat of a shock to those driving by.

## Annual Miss Mackenzie contest set October 24

L.O.A. Junior Study Club of Silverton will be sponsoring the fourteenth Miss Mackenzie Pageant at 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, in the Silverton High School Auditorium.

"Purpose of the pageant is to achieve unity between the four towns in the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority, and to promote Lake Mackenzie," according to the sponsor.

A get-acquainted party will be held at 4:00 p.m. Oct. 24 in the Pioneer Room at the First State Bank in Silverton. The Coke party is hosted by the Progressive Extension Homemakers of Silverton, and at this time the contestants will be interviewed by the judges.

Contestants will be judged on appearance, poise and personality. Each is asked to submit a billfold size picture of herself (preferably black and white glossy photo) with her entry form.

Contestants must be 16-18 years of age, single and never have been

married, and an American citizen. She must be of good character and possess poise, and be sponsored by a civic organization, club, or business. She will be asked to appear in formal and sportswear during the pageant. She must be attending school in Lockney, Floydada, Silverton or Tulia. She will be expected to advertise and promote Lake Mackenzie.

Deadline for entering is Oct. 17, and the girls must have their entry forms in by that date. Entries are to be mailed to Jealeta Baird, Box 462, Silverton, TX 79257 or Mrs. Marsha Brunson, Box 477, Silverton. For further information, call 823-2476 or 823-2463.

Rehearsal will be Tuesday, Oct. 20 at 6 p.m. in the Silverton High School Auditorium.

Entry forms may be picked up at the high school office. The sponsor must pay \$15.00 fee which is to accompany entry form.

## Tips for a safe Halloween

Halloween evokes images of goblins, witches, and other cleverly-disguised children who go trick-or-treating each year. But it also can bring images of danger if parents, motorists, and homeowners do not take certain safety precautions, according to the Texas Medical Association.

Costumes, especially dark-colored ones, are difficult for motorists to see at night. Parents should include reflective tape or reflective liquid "paint" (available in hardware stores) on costumes and bags to improve a child's visibility.

Make certain the costume is not so long that a child can trip on it, or so loose that it may catch on bushes and other obstacles.

Cloth masks and entire head masks can block a child's vision or breathing.

Instead, consider painting a mask on the child's face with cosmetics or grease paint.

Parents should review safety rules with their children, including walking on sidewalks or staying to the side of the road, and not eating any candy or fruit they receive until it has been checked at home.

Motorists must be especially attentive on Halloween. Slow down and drive with extra caution through residential areas.

Homeowners can help out by having outside lights on as a sign of welcome and so trick-or-treaters do not trip over stairs or other obstacles.

The Texas Medical Association suggests follow these easy guidelines and help make Halloween fun and safe.

## Third graders receive books

Students in the third grade at Lockney Elementary have received the gift-book entitled **Feeling Good About Me**.

**Feeling Good About Me** is a large, handsomely bound volume that contains eight lessons. Each lesson is illustrated in full-color and comes complete with teacher's guide.

Each teacher's guide covers lesson objectives, discussion starters and follow-up applications. The purpose of the lessons is to provide a forum for communicating values and to encourage further discussion of values between children, their parents, and other family members in a home setting.

The title **Feeling Good About Me** was chosen because the eight stories reflect positive influences which will help build a child's self esteem. The lessons deal with right and wrong, the meaning of friendship, family relationships, respect for others, loyalty, developing full potential, and being your own unique self.

Local sponsors provide this important gift to the children because they know that young people are the most precious resource of this community.

The local sponsors are: Moore-Rose Funeral Home, Schacht Flowers, Jewelry & Gifts and Lockney Insurance Agency.

## Lockney Care Center

By Lanita Cantwell

The residents at Lockney Care Center were pleased to have all the special visits last week from friends. Mrs. Stephens had a special treat on Wednesday — she went to the home of her daughter to get acquainted with her latest great-grandchild. Mary Jo Fielding also had a visit away from the nursing home a few days.

We had a volunteer, Donna Francis, who came and showed us how to make some cute things from wooden clothes

pins. Bonnie Julian and Bessie Jackson completed their projects and we hope other residents will participate at our next session.

We had a fair amount of interest in the Bingo games last week. Most everyone got raisins or apples for prizes.

October is under way, so we are getting prepared with fall decorating. We will celebrate the October birthdays this week. Soon there's going to be frost on the punkin', but we hope it waits awhile.



## Look Who's New

DEGGE

Kyle and Mollie Degge of Dekalb, Illinois are proud to announce the arrival of their third child, a son, born September 22 at Kishwaukee Community Hospital.

David Christopher weighed eight pounds and 7½ ounces. He has two older sisters, Whitney Leigh, age 3½ and Jennie Rebecca, age 2½.

Grandparents are Douglas and Mary Glenn Degge of Lockney and C.L. and Pat Cox of Newnan, Georgia.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Floyd Huff of Lockney and Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Bryant of Cabot, Arkansas.

## College Bound support pledged

More than 100,000 eighth graders in Texas' predominantly minority school districts will receive a pledge this week from the state's higher education commissioner to aid in their search for financial aid to attend college.

Lockney and Floydada are included. College Bound, a pilot project sponsored by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, builds on the commissioner's pledge in a new campaign to improve the college-going rates of Texas students.

Gov. Bill Clements signed a proclamation earlier this month designating September 27 through October 3, 1987 as College Bound Week in Texas.

The Coordinating Board developed the pilot project in response to the state's dropout rate. Thirty-five percent of all young Texans leave high school before graduation; the dropout rate for black students is 38 percent and for Hispanics, 45 percent.

"Mexican Americans comprise only 9.5 percent of current enrollments at Texas colleges and universities. By the year 2000, more than 30 percent of the state's population will be Mexican American, and the college-going rate of Hispanic young people will need to triple if they are to be represented in college in the same ratio as the total population," said Commissioner of Higher Education Kenneth Ashworth.

The commissioner said the concept for College Bound evolved from a commencement address he gave last May at Corpus Christi State University.

"I concluded my talk by making a pledge to the younger brothers and sisters of those college graduates. I told them that, if they would hold onto my business card and return it prior to graduation from high school, I would provide them with the information and contacts they would need to apply for the financial aid necessary to attend college," Ashworth said.

"I gave away hundreds of business cards, some of them to children just about to enter the first grade — and the response inspired me to try to reach other young people to encourage them to attend college," he said.

College Bound is designed to reach middle school students in time to influence their decision to attend college and their course selections in high school. This week, approximately 100,500 eighth graders in 240 predominantly minority school districts will receive copies of the commissioner's

pledge and his business card.

From the time they enter the College Bound program as eighth graders until they graduate from high school, interested students will receive a semiannual newsletter with information on college entrance requirements, financial aid, choosing a career, test taking and study tips. As they approach graduation, students will be reminded of the commissioner's pledge to aid in their search for financial aid to attend college. Journalism students at Ander-

son High School in Austin will serve as editorial board advisors for the College Bound newsletter in 1987-88.

The College Bound project will encourage more minority students to attend college as required by the federal government under the Texas Equal Educational Opportunity Plan. This project will be closely coordinated with Youth Opportunities Unlimited, another program sponsored by the Coordinating Board to encourage potential dropouts to stay in school.



## Senior Citizens Rockin's

Lorene Arterburn, Georgia Galloway and Dorothy Shipp were in Plainview last Tuesday visiting with a former Lockneyite, Irene Fowler, who resides at Plains Convalescent Center.

Bertha Rolling spent two days in Lubbock last week. Her brother A. Barnett underwent surgery.

Melvin and Edith Cooper just returned from a two week trip through Oklahoma and Arkansas, visiting with relatives and sight seeing.

Ross and Kathryn Cooper and Mae Chandler took a trip back east. In Memphis, Tennessee they stopped to visit with Ross and Mae's sister. Mae stayed while Ross and Kathryn traveled on to Chicago to visit with their son.

Archie and Nora Bybee were at Lake Whitney. They visited with Archie's

sister, Betty Stevenson, then on to Dallas to visit another sister, Freddie Schaffer.

The activities for the rest of the month: Open house, Sunday, Oct. 11, 2 to 5 p.m.; Thursday, Oct. 15, pot luck supper; Thursday, Oct. 22, stew, cornbread and coffee luncheon. It is open for the public from 11:30 a.m. til ?

Thursday, Oct. 29, birthday and Halloween costume party combined.

Birthdays: Sunday, Oct. 4: J.B. Mercer, O.D. Tarpley Monday, Oct. 5: Ruby Hartman Tuesday, Oct. 6: Ina Phillips Thursday, Oct. 8: Dorothy Merrell Friday, Oct. 9: Viola Rowell, Linnie Abbott

Saturday, Oct. 10: Les Ferguson

## Lockney Hospital Report

Sept. 28-Oct. 5  
 Renee Brotherton, Aiken, adm. 9-25, dis. 9-30  
 Charles Ball, Lockney, adm. 9-24, dis. 10-1  
 Sergio Leal, Lockney, adm. 9-24, dis. 9-29  
 Armando Garcia, Amarillo, adm. 9-24, dis. 9-28  
 Angela Henderson, Lockney, adm. 9-23, dis. 10-1  
 Irene Morales, Floydada, adm. 9-25, dis. 9-29  
 Bridget Martinez, Matador, adm. 9-28, baby girl Sonya, born 9-28, dis. 10-4  
 Esperanza Sanderson, Plainview, adm. 9-27, baby boy Bryan, born 9-27, dis. 9-30  
 Delores Wilkins, Roaring Springs, adm. 9-28, baby girl Betsy Lyn, born 9-28, dis. 10-1  
 Paul Ramsey, Quitaque, adm. 9-28, dis. 9-30  
 Pabla Sustiatu, Lockney, adm. 9-29  
 Francisca Carbajal, Lockney, adm. 9-29, dis. 10-5

Seropio Ovalle, Floydada, adm. 9-23, dis. 9-29  
 Norberta Huerta, Plainview, adm. 9-28, dis. 10-1  
 Mary Lopez, Plainview, adm. 10-2, baby girl Monica, born 10-3, dis. 10-5  
 Cindy Beaty, Lubbock, adm. 9-30, dis. 10-2  
 Jeanean Wood, Plainview, adm. 10-1, baby girl Haley Michelle, born 10-1, dis. 10-5  
 Roberta Garcia, Plainview, adm. 10-2, dis. 10-4  
 Maria Tijerina, Plainview, adm. 10-3  
 Abeline Vasquez, Tulia, adm. 10-3, continues care  
 Renee Dean, Silverton, adm. 10-3  
 Jesus Duenas, Lockney, adm. 10-4  
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# JV posts first '87 win

The Lockney Longhorns junior varsity posted its first win of the 1987 football season with a 26-24 decision over the Muleshoe Mules last Thursday afternoon. The Horns scored one in each quarter and allowed the Mules only scoring in the first and fourth quarters of the game.

The Horns' first score in the first quarter of play came on a 20 yard fumble recovery in the air by Arelio Jimenez. Lockney scored a touchdown in the second quarter of play on an eight yard pass from Kip Holt.

Scoring the Horns third touchdown was Henry Ruiz on a three yard run, and the fourth touchdown came when Louis Luna ran in three yards for the score.

The Mules scored on a 30 yard run, a four yard run, and an eight yard run.

Lockney	STATS	Muleshoe
16	First downs	8
162	Yards rushing	101
60	Yards passing	21
3-5	Passes	2-6
1	Interceptions	1
0	Punts	3-32
3	Fumbles lost	2

Lockney	SCORE BY QUARTERS	Muleshoe
	8 6 6 6—26	
	8 0 0 16—24	

Lockney	INDIVIDUAL LEADERS	Muleshoe
	Rushing, Louis Luna 12/79, passing, Kip Holt 3/5 60 yards including one touchdown and one two point conversion.	



## Mules issue Longhorns second season shutout

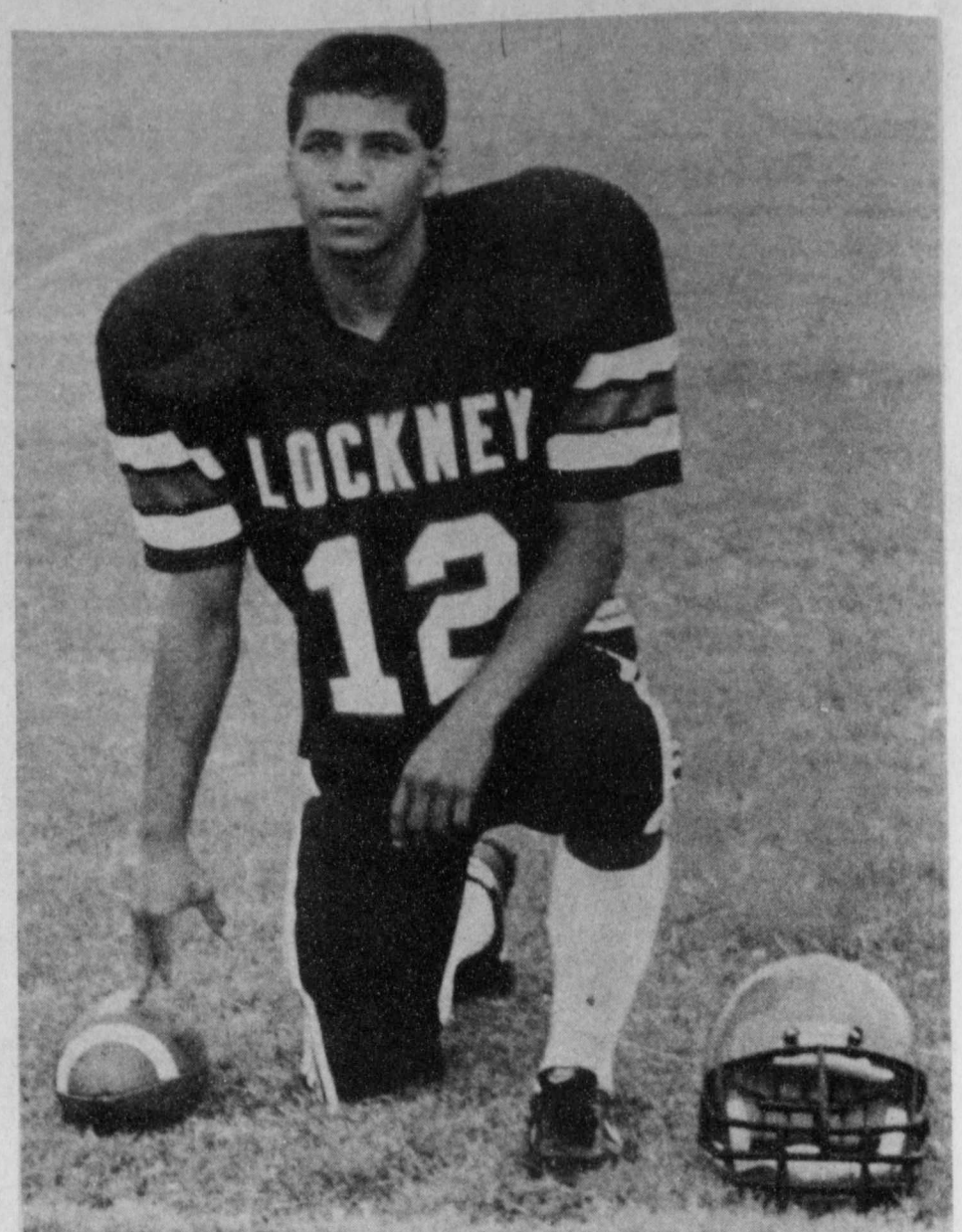
The Lockney Longhorns were handed their second shutout of the 1987 season by the Muleshoe Mules last Friday night in Muleshoe. Final score of the game was 28 to 0.

Of the game Coach Jim Clark commented "We played excellent defense for all of the first three quarters and the first three minutes of the fourth quarter, then we just gave out. We probably played our best defensive game of the season. Offensively we just couldn't get it rolling."

**READY FOR SPRINGLAKE-EARTH**  
Of this week's games with the Springlake-Earth Wolverines, Coach

Clark commented, "The kids are ready for this game. We have our full team back in uniform and as of today (Monday) there are no injury problems. In facing this team we will have to stop their passing game. Their quarterback is very good and they also have several good receivers."

The Horns open district play this Friday night in Lockney and the game times, beginning this week, are changed to 7:30. The Horns will play Springlake-Earth in Lockney, so make plans to be there, form a victory line and cheer the home team to their first win of district play.



**JIMMY BALLEJO** is the son of Dora Esparza. Jimmy is an outstanding athlete of LHS who has participated in cross country, football, basketball, tennis, and track. He earned honors in football last year as all-district cornerback on defense. Jimmy was also in all-region band as a sophomore. Come on out on Friday night and support this 5'7", 149 lb. nifty-swifty senior, Jimmy [Black] Ballejo.

## Shorthorn eighth graders post first win of season

Lockney Junior High eighth grade Shorthorns have posted their first win of the 1987 football season in a 16 to 8 decision over the Muleshoe Little Mules last Thursday afternoon in Lockney.

The Shorthorns scored in both the second and fourth quarters and allowed the Mules to score only once, in the third quarter.

The first score for the Lockney team came when Juan Vargas was on the receiving end of a 50 yard pass from Cody Jackson. Vargas then took over as quarterback and ran in a two point conversion to put the Horns eight points up.

The Mules scored on a four yard run and a two point conversion and at the end of the third quarter the score was tied at eight-all.

With less than three minutes left in the game, Vargas pitched the ball to Augustine Perez who went the distance to put the Horns ahead to stay. The scoring drive was capped by a toss from Jackson to Matt Workman, who added the two point conversion to the Horn

Lockney	STATS	Muleshoe
5	First downs	6
115	Yards rushing	207
50	Yards passing	69
1/3	Passes	7/12
0	Punts	0
1	Fumbles	0
1/5	Penalties	4/40

Lockney	SCORE BY QUARTERS	Muleshoe
	0 8 0 8—16	
	0 0 8 0—8	

Lockney	INDIVIDUAL LEADERS	Muleshoe
	Rushing, Augustine Perez 5/30, one touchdown; passing, Cody Jackson 1/1, one touchdown and one two point conversion; receiving, Juan Vargas 4/57 and one touchdown and one two point conversion; tackles, Domingo Luna, nine tackles.	
	Other outstanding players: Rushers, Ignacio Luna 3/15, Tony Ascencio 1/2. Outstanding defensive Robbie Reyes, and Tony Ascencio.	

## Seventh grade falls to Mules

The Lockney Junior High seventh grade Shorthorns fell to the Muleshoe Little Mules last Thursday evening by a score of 14 to 24. Coach Tommy Kelly commented, "Our biggest problem at this point is in our defense. We have to be able to stop our opponents and at this point we're having a small problem with this area. Offensively we are doing quite well."

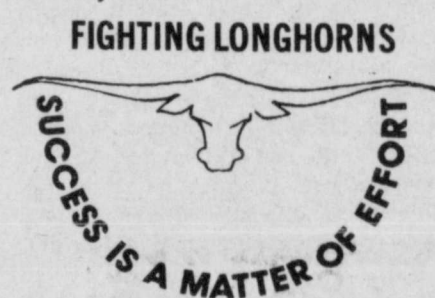
Lockney scored in the first quarter of the Muleshoe game. Upon receiving the opening kickoff, they covered 65 yards in 17 plays and scored on a Jake Jones three yard run around the right end. Sammy Salas added two points on the conversion play.

Muleshoe scored twice in the second quarter with 33 yard and five yard runs and scored in the third quarter on a three yard run.

Lockney's final score of the game came in the fourth quarter on a 48 yard run by Sammy Salas. The two point conversion try failed.

Outstanding leaders in the game were Sammy Salas, who carried nine times for 87 yards and one touchdown and one two point conversion. He averaged 9.7 yards per carry. Daniel Perez carried six times for 30 yards and averaged 5 yards per carry. Jake Jones carried four times for 15 yards and scored one touchdown for the Horns.

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