

# The Castro County News

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By Don Nelson

There's a Christmas greeting ad on Page 14 from the First Bank of Muleshoe, Dimmitt Branch.

Let me explain. It comes under the heading of post-holiday clean-up.

Bank Manager Morris Wilcox approved the greeting ad for the Christmas edition. It was designed and written specifically for a financial institution.

The heading says, "Our Christmas 'Statement!'"

But below the heading and illustration, there was no Christmas statement.

The message block of the ad had to be clipped and moved up to make room for the bank's signature logo. And somewhere between the paste-up deck and the press, the message fell off.

The ad looked dumb without a message.

We could have discounted the bank's billing (*What am I saying!*) but that wouldn't have solved anything for the bank or the reader.

The most direct way to solve the problem was to just re-run the ad with the message.

So, a belated Merry Christmas from your friends at the First Bank of Muleshoe—even if they have run out of punch and cookies.

Verbie and I spent Christmas week with our youngest son and daughter-in-law, Nathan and Karen, in their beautiful new home in Houston.

Everybody there asked us, "What do you think of Houston now? Hasn't it changed since the last time you saw it?"

Well, yeah, I thought, *I've been to Washington, New York, London, San Francisco, Shiner and Luchenbach more times than I've been to Houston in the last 20 years, except*

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WE'RE READY TO ROLL--Carl King, left, and Lois Wales of Texas Corn show off their new ethanol-powered Chevrolet. The special-ordered car is designed to run on ethanol, which is now one of the favored fuels in the federal government's clean air directives. The new clean air and fuel rules could be a boon to area corn producers.

Photo by John Brooks

## Ag's future is focus of TCGA annual meeting Wednesday

Questions about USDA restructuring, the future of production agriculture, and important state and national issues will be aired at the 21st annual meeting of the Texas Corn Growers Association and Texas Corn Producers Board, Wednesday at the Castro County Expo building in Dimmitt.

The meeting's theme will be *Can Farmers Survive Now?*

"With the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), corn farmers will face some confusing marketing situations," said Carl King, TCGA president. "With questions about the future use of irrigation, the environment and farm management issues, corn production will likely be altered in the future."

"This meeting should help give

growers a better understanding of how the future will affect them."

Keynote speakers will be State Rep. Pete Laney (D-Hale Center), Texas Speaker of the House, and Gary Goldberg, president of American Corn Growers Association.

"Pete Laney's leadership is helping force downstate legislators to pay closer attention to problems surrounding rural West Texas," said King.

Two panel discussions will highlight the meeting.

One panel will include King, Ray Joe Riley, chairman of the Texas State ASCS Committee; Harold Bob Bennett, state ASCS executive director; George Ellis, state FmHA director; and Grant Bruntlock, national ASCS administrator. The panel will discuss the shifting of responsibilities

within ASCS, FmHA and other USDA agencies.

Another panel will discuss issues which will impact crop production techniques. The group will include moderator Lois Wales of Dimmitt, a TCPB director; David Senter, a private ag consultant in Washington, D.C.; Corky Jones, a Nebraska corn farmer; Harney Joe Sanner, an Arkansas farmer and past national president of the American Agriculture Movement; Larry Mitchell, a Washington ag consultant; and Dr. Steve Amosson, an ag economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Amarillo.

After lunch served by the Dimmitt chapter of Women Involved in Farm Economics (WIFE), reports on corn research will be presented. Speakers from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will include Dr. Brent Bean, who will discuss new short-season corns, Eddie Bynum, corn hybrids; Dr. Pat Morrison, insect research; and Dr. Leon New, high frequency deficit irrigation.

TCPB Chairman Bert Williams will report on the group's status and review the 1994 budget.



Shirley Hollums

## Hollums seeks clerk's office

Shirley Hollums has announced her candidacy for Castro County-District Clerk in the March 8 Republican primary. Hollums has been a resident of Castro County for 45 years. She graduated from Dimmitt High School.

She has had extensive experience in the business world, including a year of lumber and hardware accounting, four years of wholesale buying for a retail store, six years of agriculture-related accounting, four years of salesmanship training with General Electric, 12 years computer experience, 27 years in the banking profession, and 10 years assisting her husband in his business.

Hollums has obtained certificates in courses such as electronic accounting, Dale Carnegie, Bill Burton Memory Course and Principles of Banking. She also has attended several seminars given by the Colorado Institute of Banking.

Hollums and her husband, Kenneth, have two daughters, Kimmie Moyers and Cindy Odom; and three grandchildren including Brooke Moyers and Rae and Shae Odom.

"Given the opportunity, I wish to support the people of Castro County as they have supported me. If elected, I would have the opportunity to administer the duties of the office in a professional, efficient and effective manner," Hollums said. "Your support in the Republican primary would be appreciated."

## City considering curfews for kids

Dimmitt's city council will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on Jan. 17 to hear from residents about a possible curfew for young people.

A curfew has been informally discussed through the years by the council, but has never come to a formal hearing. The council is looking at a curfew a little more seriously now because curfews have passed tests in state and federal courts.

Police Chief Dewayne Haney gave council members copies of ordinances from Dallas, Lubbock, Olton and Floydada.

"Most towns restrict youngsters being out between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m.," Haney told the council at its meeting Monday. "There are exceptions for kids who have to be out, but there wouldn't be a problem with enforcing anything."

Council members and others at the meeting said they have seen youngsters out at all times of the night. Haney said his officers stop any group of kids seen late at night. Unless the kids are seen doing something unlawful, the only thing police can do is strongly urge the youths to go home.

With a curfew, there could be penalties (including fines) against parents whose kids are unlawfully on the street. Exceptions would likely include youngsters who are working, youngsters going to and from ballgames, and other bonafide excuses. The curfew would probably begin later on Friday and Saturday nights than on other nights.

"At first I wanted a curfew, and now I feel I don't want to do this unless it's absolutely necessary," said Councilman Wayne Proffitt. "It's infringing on rights to a degree, and kids who aren't troublemakers won't be out anyway."

Councilwoman Carole Dyer agreed with Councilman Lloyd White that "it ought to be handled at home," but "Some of our parents are not doing anything," Dyer said.

The council agreed to a resolution submitted by James Killough, director of public works, calling for reworking of the Safe Drinking Water Act and relief from new rules made by the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission.

TNRCC recently charged the city \$1,700, a new charge the city didn't know about until it received a bill from the agency. Fees from the Texas Water Commission had been \$70 a year. TWC and the Texas Air Control Board merged Sept. 1 to form TNRCC.

Killough said the agency recently took samples from booster wells and will bill the city another \$1,000 to do those tests, although the city does the same test each month for about \$100. Another test will be done later in the year that will cost the city \$900, Killough said.

"They are increasing our fees and there's no way we can recover," Killough said. "I don't know why they are doing this, because our water system is rated superior. We just want to stop all of these mandates that are unnecessary for us and do nothing but cost us money."

Council members agreed to negotiate with Classic Cable about not adding QVC, a home shopping channel, to the local cable lineup, and installing American Movie Classics instead.

Steven Smith, president of Classic Cable, told the council last month that the company wants to add QVC and four other channels to the local system in exchange for a \$1 increase.

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## Collins makes bid official with petition filings

Dimmitt Mayor Wayne Collins made his bid for Congress official Thursday when he presented petitions with almost 600 names to Republican Party officials in Austin.

Collins also visited with political consultant Buddy Barfield and Dimmitt native Kent Hance while in the state capitol.

Collins announced his bid for Congress last month, but couldn't make it official until he presented petitions with the names of at least 500 registered voters.

The petitions came mostly from Castro, Hale, Floyd, Potter and Hemphill counties. Had Collins not filed by petition, he would have had to pay a steep filing fee.

"Why pay the extra expense if there's a less-expensive way of doing the same thing?" Collins said. "That's the kind of common sense approach I want to use in Washington for the people of the 13th District instead of the out-of-control tax-and-spend spiral."

"I also want to thank every person who helped throughout the area. It gives me great satisfaction to know that people were willing to commit to voting in the Republican Primary

and to work for a united effort."

Collins has also designated Mayor Burl Buchanan of Spearman to serve as his campaign treasurer. The designation must be made to meet the requirements of the Federal Elections Commission.

Collins said he picked up several tips from Hance, who served in congress and on the Railroad Commission of Texas, and from Barfield. Barfield has been a consultant and analyst for several years.

With the filing finished, Collins and supporters will spend the next two months on the campaign trail before the March 8 primary.

"I have already visited with several newspapers, townspeople, community groups, civic leaders and many other fantastic people throughout this district," Collins said. "Now that we have the certification process complete, we can work on getting out to meet even more voters all over the 13th District. It's a lot of territory, but I hope we can use our network of friends to reach out to the voters of the district with our very important message."

## Reception is planned for Dr. Lee

Dr. Bill Lee, who recently retired after practicing medicine in Dimmitt for 33 years, will be honored at a reception today (Thursday).

The come-and-go appreciation reception will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Dimmitt Senior Citizens Center and the public is invited to attend.

Persons attending the reception are asked to bring personal recollections and anecdotes about their experiences with Dr. Lee.

The reception is being cosponsored by Plains Memorial Hospital and the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

## Weather

Temperatures and precipitation are recorded each day at 7 a.m. by KDHN Radio, official NWS observer.

Thursday	49	19
Friday	55	20
Saturday	57	22
Sunday	56	20
Monday	53	21
Tuesday	64	20
Wednesday	53	21

1993 precipitation: 16.66  
1994 precipitation: none

Forecast: Partly cloudy and colder. Highs in the 30s, lows near 10 through Saturday.

## New physician welcomes return to small town life

Dr. Joe Wayne Morrow, D.O. of Amarillo grew up in a small town and he has hoped to return to a small town for a long time.

His wish has come true and it led him to Dimmitt.

Dr. Morrow is Castro County's new physician and he will serve as medical director of the newly-opened Medical Center of Dimmitt, formerly operated by the now retired Dr. Bill Lee as High Plains Clinic.

Medical Center of Dimmitt will be operated under the direction of Castro County Community Clinics, which is part of the Castro County Hospital District.

The clinic will be staffed by Dr. Morrow and Dr. Dhiraj S. Patel, M.D.

Dr. Morrow grew up in Clarendon and his wife, Betty, was raised in McLean. The couple said they had been trying to get back to the country and small town life.

"We were contacted by recruiters and looked at probably 30 towns, but nothing fit what we wanted," said Dr. Morrow. "Then someone mentioned we might contact Joe Stevens at Plains Memorial Hospital. We did and he told us what was available."

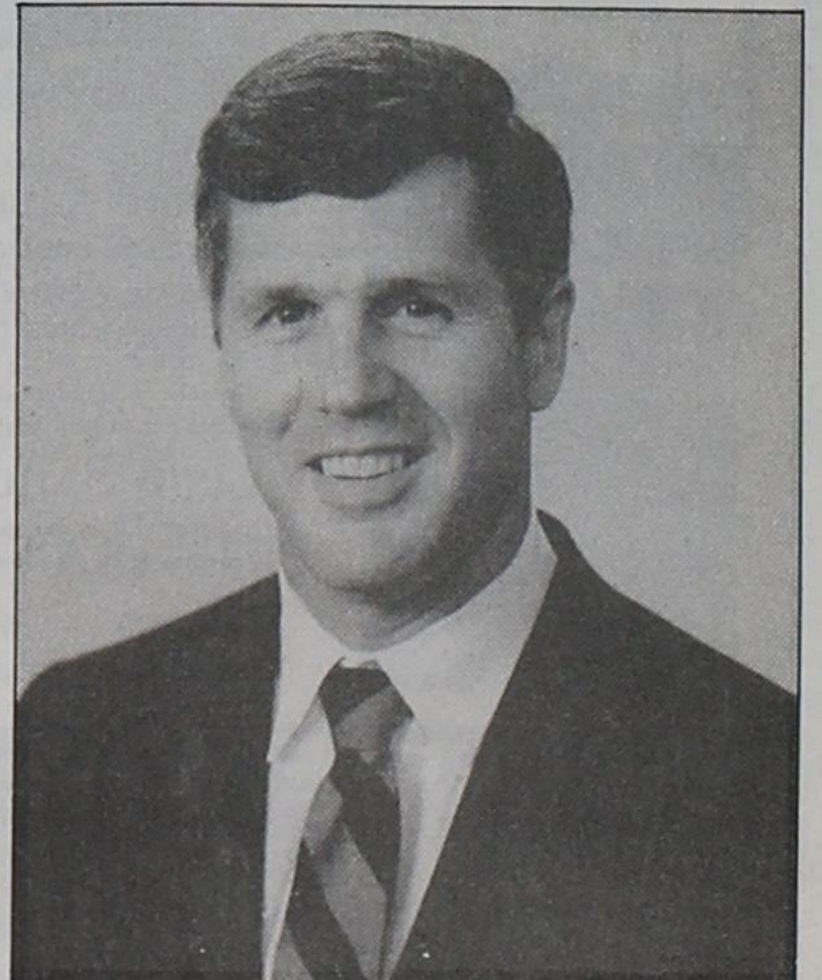
"It just felt right here," said Mrs. Morrow. "We wanted to stay in West Texas. There's just something about a small town. Once you get used to it, nothing's the same."

The couple has three children, Joe Adam, 19, of Clarendon; Nick, 17, of Amarillo; and Jonathan, 8. They also are expecting their fourth child.

Dr. Morrow saw his first patient in Castro County Tuesday when Medical Center of Dimmitt officially opened its doors.

Dr. Morrow graduated from West Texas State University, then attended the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth. He did his internship in Corpus Christi.

Before accepting the position here, he operated Family Medical Center in Amarillo for the past four years. He currently serves District 1 as a delegate to the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association and is on



Dr. Joe Wayne Morrow



# On the Go

With Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Courtenay Armstrong enjoyed having her family home for Christmas. Those present were Brent and Rachel Armstrong and children, Mia and Skeete of Grady, N.M.; Laura and Danny Anderson and children, Jarred, Jacob and Matthew of Gainesville; and Ross and Shayla Armstrong and children, Brandon and Maggie of Amarillo. On Monday, Scott and Karen Armstrong and children, Joey, Danny and Kristin came from Otis, Colo.

The family missed Clay Armstrong and his children, Cathleen, Lacy and Charlie, who live in Gainesville and were unable to visit.

Courtenay reported the family had lots of fun and "too much food."

James, Suzzie, Amy and Zane Hubble spent New Year's Day at "Open House on the Hill" in Salina, Kan.

This is an annual gathering of amateur radio operators. Approximately 75 friends gathered from seven states this year. During the day a 10-foot helium balloon was assembled for launch. It carried a payload containing an amateur radio video camera, beacon, model rocket (which failed to fire at 55,000 feet) and the necessary antennae. The balloon rose to an altitude of 18.27 miles before bursting, which far exceeded expectations. It traveled approximately 90 miles from the launch site.

"Eureka" was the call for the completed mission since the payload was recovered in Eureka, Kan. Recovery was a challenge in itself since the payload landed in a tree.

Scott and Linda Talley of Waco and Charles and Linda Bruton and Shelly of Amarillo visited in the Gennie Bruton home recently.

The Charles Axtells slipped away for a family skiing vacation this Christmas.

The Bill Clarks, V.C. Hopsons, George Sidces and the Vernon O'Kellys dropped in on the Percy Parsons family at their lakeside cabin by Lake Hubbard near Breckenridge over the New Year's holiday.

Marguerite Cole joined her family in Santa Fe, N.M. for a ski trip during the Christmas holidays.

Jeremy Langford made it home for Christmas school break as did Nikki Kenley. Steve Birdwell also is home for a few days.

Christmas in California was a warm and sunny time for Aural Davis, who visited her daughter and son-in-law, Dr. Keitha K. Scott and Bill Thiederman; her grandson, Keir F. Scott; and Bill's daughter, Shea Thiederman.

They enjoyed Christmas dinner with Roberta Thiederman, Bill's mother, and many relatives in Westwood, Calif.

On her first day there, Aural was taken out to lunch by one of Keitha's and Bill's friends, Allison Moore, who works in the "foley" division of Glen-Glenn Sound, where Bill is employed. A foley technician puts the sound of footsteps on flooring, carpet, gravel, grass and cement, along with slamming doors, etc., in the movies. The luncheon they went to was at the exquisite Neiman Marcus Tea Room in Beverly Hills. Allison's mother, Carolyn, along with Keitha, also were invited. After lunch they all stopped on Rodeo Drive for several hours, then Keitha took them to a "tea" at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel.

Ed and Betty Freeman flew from Amarillo to Portland, Ore. on Dec. 22 to celebrate Christmas at the new home of their son, Paul, and his wife, Ricki. Their daughter, Susan Gose, flew from Huron, S.D. to Portland on Thursday. Their daughter, Carol, and her fiancé, Chuck Donnelly, flew from Minneapolis to Portland on Christmas Day.

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When all of the family had arrived, Christmas dinner was served and presents were opened.

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On another day, Keitha took Aural to a fascinating restaurant, Peter Fonda's "Thunder Roadhouse," for lunch. It was a very good place to eat, and it also serves as a museum of motorcycle memorabilia. The seats at the bar were motorcycle seats and the light fixtures were fashioned from gas tanks. There were posters signed by movie stars. Aural said it was "typically Hollywood."

Most of the week in California was spent visiting old friends, entertaining drop-in friends, exchanging Christmas gifts and attending parties.

The final day of Aural's visit was spent attending three parties. The first was held in the home of Keitha's and Bill's friends, Sherl and Bill. They live in a beautiful house in the Hollywood Hills. It had been a brothel many, many years ago. The owners had some interesting stories to tell about the house. The present residents have owned the house for 20 years and have completely redecorated it, so it has lost a lot of the flavor of its past history. The second and third parties were held in separate homes in the Valley, but were planned together. The first hosts served hors d'oeuvres and a sumptuous dinner while the second had many delicious desserts and coffee. It was a very pleasant day and night as it started at 3 in the afternoon and continued late that night.

Aural returned home Monday after Christmas, still warm and glowing from a very interesting week's trip.

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## Nazareth

By Uirgle Gerber, 945-2669

Father Harold Heiman of Subiaco, Ark., spent several days over Christmas in Nazareth with his family. He visited with his sister, Ella Hoelting, and Easy Schulte at Canterbury Villa in Dimmitt; with Andy and Oleda Schumacher; and with many other relatives and friends in Nazareth. He also visited with a brother, Florence Heiman and his wife, Hilda in Amarillo. This was his way of celebrating his 80th birthday.

Gene and Susie Gerber of Odesa, Natalie of Houston and Jenny of San Marcus visited after Christmas with the Louise Braddock families and Virgie Gerber families.

Fritz and Julene Gerber and Mary Gerber drove to San Jon, N.M. on Dec. 27 to attend funeral services for Lola Mae Barber, 87, mother of Mrs. Jerome Gerber of Carlsbad.

Jerome Gerber is a patient at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo, where he will undergo more testing.

Dorothy Pohlmeier was the honoree at a surprise 70th birthday party last Wednesday evening at the home of Karen and Greg Schulte. The party was hosted by her family, Linda Kendrick, Pam Bogle, Brenda Conrad, J.C. Pohlmeier, Monette Schilling, Jolene Schulte, Karen Schulte, Chelle Wil-

Sara. The family stayed overnight at the Kings'.

On Dec. 27, the family drove to Seattle and had lunch with Francis and Alice Wilson and then took the ferry at Edmunds to Kingston to have supper with Glenn and Kathy Wilson and children, David and Martha. They returned to Portland that evening.

On Dec. 28, the Freemans had lunch with Amie and Doris Pearson. That evening the whole family ate at McMennamin's Pub in the old powerhouse of the former Multnomah County Poor Farm.

On Dec. 29, the Freemans flew home, arriving in Dimmitt around 9 p.m.

Randy Morgan and Renise Blair visited relatives in Bovina on Dec. 23, including Buster and Mearle Morgan and Rick, Gary and Deanna Cooner and Amy of Oklahoma City, and Jonathan and Leigh-Anne Harris and Ostyn of Dimmitt. On Dec. 24-25, Randy and Renise went to Spur to celebrate Christmas with W.D. and Florene Blair and Rena Noack of Lubbock.

Earlier, Renise's brother, Kerry Blair of Pahoa, Hawaii, and his children, Jacob and Julianna, were in Spur visiting his parents, W.D. and Florene. Kerry's wife went to see her parents, who live in Singapore. While in Spur, they celebrated Jacob's fifth birthday.

J. Paul and Gertie Waggoner entertained their family for Christmas in their home, including Stacy, Amy and Forest Waggoner, Jana, Jonathan and Kody Waggoner of Amarillo and Jim Waggoner of Dimmitt. Mickey Waggoner of Middletown, Ohio visited earlier in December.

Coby and Kendra Moke were guests in the home of Don and Carolyn Moke during the Christmas holidays.

Matt Howell of Oklahoma City was in Dimmitt during the Christmas holidays visiting his parents, Jack and Charlene Howell.

Visiting with Becky Bridges during the Christmas holidays were Phyllis, Jonathan and Robin Bridges; Sharon, Shana, Christina, Megan and Tyler Bridges; and Evelyn Bridges of Ruidoso.

On Monday, Mrs. Willard McClog of Sunray and her daughter, Keina Clark of Colorado Springs, visited with Becky Bridges.

Sgt. F.C. Rick and Sandy Yates, Sean and Linzy of Wichita, Kan., and Kip Yates and his friend, Jamie Brewer of Broomfield, Colo., visited with their parents, Bill and Dee Brisco, during Christmas. Also vi-

siting was their grandson, Lil Kyle Yates of Fort Worth.

Cleo Forson spent her Christmas holidays in Lubbock with a friend, Mary Judkins. While she was in Lubbock she had lunch with her stepson, K.G. Forson and his family, Natalie Sanders of Lubbock and Margaret Forson of Bowie.

Rosemary Steffens visited her mother, Regina Steffens, during the holidays.

Heather and Tyler Hucks of Pampa spent a few days with their grandparents, Bay and Bobbie Baldrige, during the Christmas holidays.

Ysleta Ball gave the devotional Thursday morning at Canterbury Villa and she told a story titled "Wake Up, It's Christmas." When we were children we didn't want to share our toys, but we should share Jesus with everyone.

She read the scripture, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life," from John 3:16.

Renise Blair sang a beautiful song, *For Those Tears I Died* and played the guitar.

Others who were there to sing were Bobbie Baldrige, Gertie Waggoner, Mauzee Youts and Mary Edna Hendrix.

Cleo Forson was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center. She served fruit salad and cookies for dessert, and party mix for a snack. Ina Rae Cates won high score and Susie Reeves finished second. Others playing were Emily Clinging-smith, Gladys Benson, Neva Hickley, Louise Mears, Dugan Butler, Edith Graef, Ferne Dickey, Bernice Hill, Johnnie Vannoy, Virginia Cridder, Helen Braafladt, Dude Mc-Lauren and Retta Cluck.

I had lunch in Tulia on Monday with my sister and her family, Lynna and Troy Cloer, their son, Kelley Cloer of Ottawa, Canada; and my granddaughter and her family, Lauren, Dale and baby Caleb of Houston.

Oleada Hance was a guest in her daughter's family's home in Plano for Christmas. Those present were Sandra and David Honea, Jerry and Lisa Keith, Shari Mason and children, Ashley and Allison, all of Dumas; Martha Kay and Lonnie Rhynes of Sherman; and Paul and Opal Wilson of Clovis, N.M.

Dr. Grady Higgs died in Norfolk, Neb., in Nov. Two of his sons were minister of education in the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt several years ago, including Joe and Joyce Higgs and Charles and Nancy Higgs. Joe now lives in Kansas and Charles is living in Groves, where he is pastor of First Baptist Church. Their daughter, Andrea, is a senior at Baylor. Nancy is the pastor's secretary at the Northend Baptist Church in Beaumont.

The Singing Farmers of Hart will present a gospel concert Sunday night at 6 at the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt. Everyone is invited to attend.



### FIND "NEWSY"

We've hidden "Newsy" somewhere in the CASTRO COUNTY NEWS.

If you find him (and he may be any size, anywhere), come to the *Castro County News* office, 108 W. Bedford St., during business hours, 8-5 Monday through Friday.

The first two to come in and show us where they found "Newsy" in this issue will win a 2-liter bottle of soft drink. (One win per month, per family. No phone calls, please.)

Last week's winners:  
Oma Lilley  
Twila West

## Sunnyside

By Teeny Bowden, 647-5703

On Christmas Eve, Hal and Richele Gilbreath, Codi and Colt of Sunnyside; Matt and Ronda Gilbreath, Dustin and Tanner of Dimmitt; and Coby and Connie Gilbreath, Chauncey and Cailee of Dimmitt were all at Dorothy Gilbreath's for supper and a visit. Charlotte, Zay and Mark Gilbreath of Amarillo came by for awhile. Matt and Ronda were in their new house by the last of November. Santa Claus had no trouble finding them in a new house.

Alan and Glenda Turnello of El Paso arrived Christmas morning with Jazz and Alex to spend the Christmas holidays with Glenn and LaWanda Wilson. Gwen and Keith of Long Island, N.Y. arrived a week before to spend the holidays. One of his brothers is a missionary; his life, and the lives of his family, is in danger in Indonesia. They have been trying to get out, but a new baby has made that almost impossible. Several missionaries have already lost their lives. Melinda and Brian came in from Plainview when they could to spend Christmas with the family.

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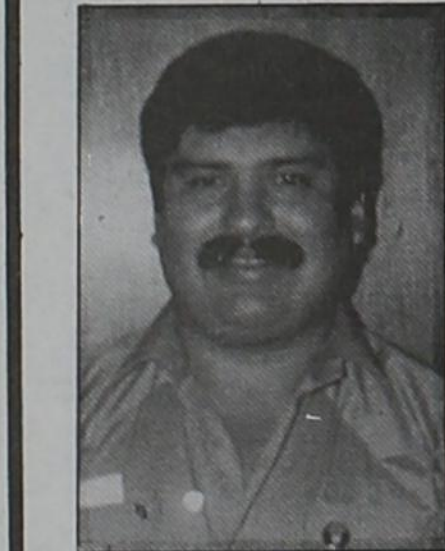
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## Dr. Dhiraj S. Patel, M.D. and Dr. Joe W. Morrow, D.O.

will begin seeing patients by appointment

### Medical Center of Dimmitt

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starting January 4, 1994

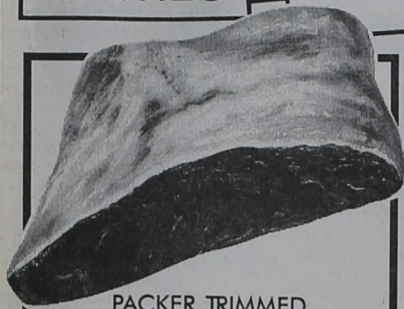
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Monday through Friday

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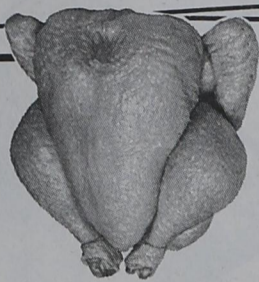
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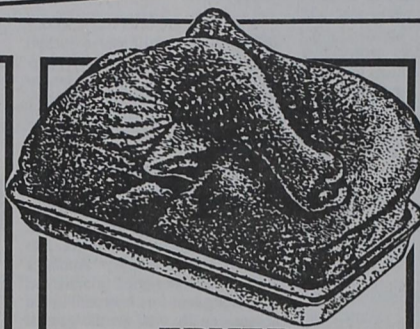
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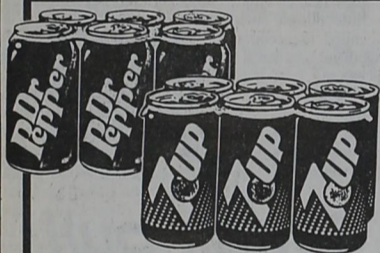
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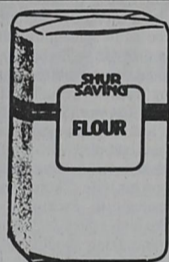
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## Behind the Headlines

### 'Demystifying' the stock market

By PHILIP C. CLARK  
A few generations ago, most Americans thought the stock market was only for millionaires, big business and high flying speculators.

Today, a record number of ordinary individuals own stocks, even as many would-be investors still wonder how the stock market works.

If the Durell Institute of Monetary Science has its way, the newest generation of Americans will learn all it needs to know about the stock market before graduating from high school. The Institute, situated at Shenandoah University in Winchester, Va., has produced a comprehensive new study course designed to "demystify" the stock market and help students learn the basics of intelligent investing.

Designed specifically for high schoolers, *Demystifying the Stock Market* comes with a study kit containing a textbook, workbook, wall charts and videotape. Included are games and other classroom activities to help make the course simple and enjoyable. Written by John Charles Pool, adjunct professor of economics at St. John Fisher college in Rochester, N.Y., the basic textbook addresses such questions as how stock and bond markets operate and how one goes about buying shares. It also has some

practical advice on what reasonably can be expected in the way of returns.

As Professor Pool writes, "Some barriers exist to starting a good portfolio of investments that will beat inflation and taxes... We hope to help readers cross these barriers by explaining how the markets work... and how the economy and basic economic principles affect investments and financial markets."

While steering clear of any get-rich-quick strategies, the professor suggests that "smart investing is simply a little know-how, a little common sense, and some patience."

*Demystifying the Stock Market* is the Durell Institute's second such course for high schools. Last year, Professor Pool and the Institute introduced a study course and teaching kit on *The ABC's of Money and Banking*. After perusing the material, one impressed layman said, "It makes the arcane subject of currency and finance both understandable and even fascinating. It might have been titled, 'What You Always Wanted to Know About Money But Didn't Know Where to Start.'"

*The ABC's* covers in easy to understand terms a broad spectrum of subjects, ranging from the history of money to micro- and macroeconomics and "Reconciling Key-

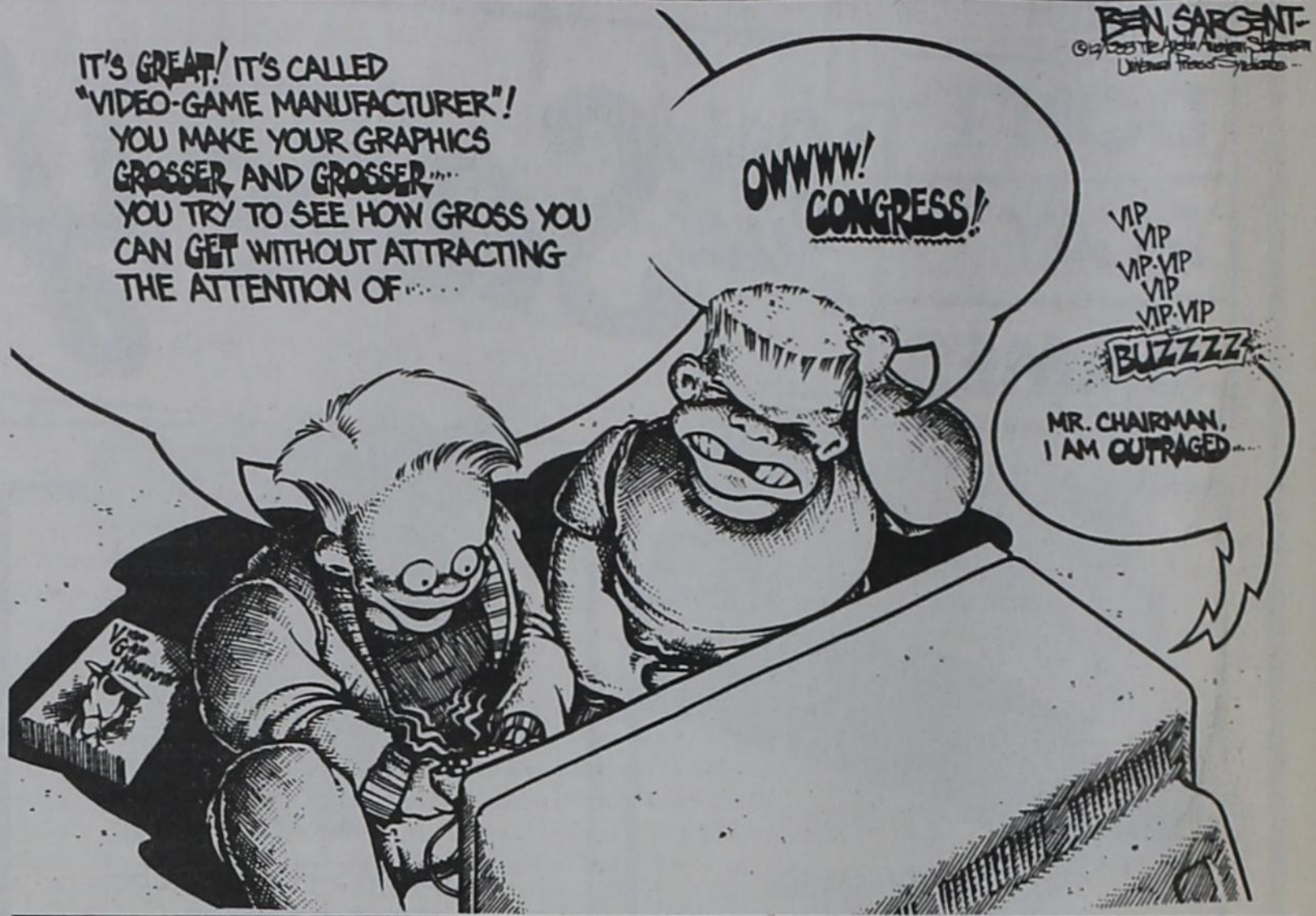
esian and Monetarist Views."

Other classroom topics clarify such questions as "Why Money is Money" and "Whatever Happened to Gold?"

There also are brief explanations of how the Federal Reserve System functions, what causes unemployment and inflation and why limitations are necessary in monetary policy—all questions that baffle the ordinary citizen.

In fact, *The ABC's of Money and Banking* appears to be catching on not only in high schools around the country, but among adults as well. As Durell Institute Director Elizabeth E. Racer says, "Although the *ABC's* is designed primarily as a teaching tool for classroom use, it serves equally well for the general public... avoiding technical jargon and theoretical subtleties which make most economic texts heavy going."

With more and more Americans investing in equities at a time of dwindling interest from ordinary bank deposits, more and more investors are looking to Wall Street. At the same time, the world of finance and investment has become ever more complex. The Durell Institute's bottom line is to promote a better understanding of money and banking and now the stock market, beginning in high school.



### Clinton: a threat to conservatives

E. J. Dionne in *The Washington Post*:

David Brock, the conservative writer, was so upset by what he saw as the unfair charges brought by Anita Hill against Clarence Thomas that he wrote a whole book aimed at trying to discredit Hill and everything she said. After all, said Brock, liberals were prepared to do everything in their power to defeat Thomas. You couldn't, he insisted, accept these charges at face value.

This is the same David Brock who has produced an 11,000-word article on Bill Clinton's sex life as governor of Arkansas. In his piece in the *American Spectator* magazine, the tough-minded, skeptical Brock has disappeared. Brock simply repeats verbatim charges and dirty stories offered by two named and two unnamed Arkansas state troopers, the slimier and more prurient the better. What he claims as fact elides easily into gossip.

The next time my conservative friends criticize the "irresponsible liberal media" or talk about "the decline of civility in American life," I'll just give them a copy of the Brock article.

For years, conservatives have had great fun attacking "liberal hypocrisy," and at least some of the time, I thought they had a point. But with the rise of Bill Clinton, conservatives seem quite willing to abandon principles they held to be sacrosanct when they were in power.

The real question raised by these charges is: Why do conservatives hate Bill Clinton so? If you listen to conservatives a lot, you hear ugly and salacious jokes about the president and first lady and talk suggesting this president is the most evil, dishonest, scheming character ever to live in the White House. Something special is going on here.

For starters, let's exempt two groups whose dislike for Clinton is rooted in something other than politics. Vietnam veterans served their country in an unpopular war and got treated very shabbily when they got home. A lot of young men—including the president—escaped service in that war. Some in their ranks won't forgive Clinton, and who can really blame them?

Then there are people who really do object to having as president someone who effectively acknowledged cheating on his wife. These Americans genuinely want a president to exemplify certain virtues. They'll never like him, which is their right.

The group I am talking about is different: ideological conservatives who would have forgiven Ronald Reagan anything, and Ollie North almost anything. They are willing to go to great lengths to bring Clinton down because they see in him a threat they never saw in Jimmy Carter or Walter Mondale or Michael Dukakis. In their bones, ideological conservatives know Clinton is the toughest adversary they have faced in a long time. He is trying to alter the country's

political landscape and its assumptions about government. And he's actually doing it.

Take just three issues. Conservatives spent years arguing that the key to prosperity was cutting "high marginal tax rates," i.e., lowering taxes on the rich. Yet when Clinton proposed raising taxes on the rich, few conservatives were willing to defend outright the interests of the wealthy. They had to pretend that Clinton's tax increase was going to hit everyone hard, which it didn't. The new taxes on the wealthy passed. So far, the economy is improving anyway.

Conservatives have successfully beaten back proposals for universal health coverage since the days of Harry Truman. All they had to do was yell "socialized medicine" and the American Medical Association took care of the rest. But suddenly the assumptions on health care have changed. The country really is sympathetic to action.

Finally, Clinton has simply not allowed conservatives to have a monopoly on issues such as crime and welfare. No one gives tougher speeches on crime, the value of work or the dangers of family breakup than Clinton. The voters have noticed.

It would be nice, of course, if some of the many honorable conservatives out there lectured their own side on the value of civility and suggested that beating Clinton on the merits would be far better than spreading sleazy stories about him. But politics being what it is, a few lectures won't do much good. So Clinton will face a paradox—the more successful he is, the more bitter conservatives will get and the harsher the attacks will become.

Which simply means that Clinton won't be cut any slack. He can't mishandle or finesse the Arkansas bank deal now much in the news. He can't mess up on little things, such as that upscale haircut. He'll be called to account for any departure from the high ethical standards he loudly proclaimed for his White House.

Hardest of all, Clinton can't even complain publicly that all this is unfair. That will be held against him, too. Clinton, who prides himself on having a great many friends, will just have to live with a great many enemies.

### Speak out!

Do you have an opinion about any of the articles on these pages, or about any of the things happening in our local, state or national government? Write and tell us about it. (*Castro County News*, Box 67, Dimmitt, 79027.)

And if it's an issue that needs the attention of our legislators, contact us for a list of where you can write or call them, as well.

## Letters

### Stop bickering and pray

Dear Editor:  
It is said when Satan is faced with really tough cases—souls too virtuous to be easily lured into sin—the old serpent has a trump card that seldom fails. He simply whispers, "There's still plenty of time."

He must be laughing now. While we bicker in the churches about issues better left to a higher power, the world is going to Hell in a handcart. Christians are wasting precious prayer time interfering with issues God carved in stone a long time ago. If just a portion of this bickering time would be spent praying together, think of the miracles that could be wrought! Families being torn apart by divorce could be healed. Unborn children in danger of being aborted could be saved. Those whose lives are ruined by drugs or alcohol could be freed. The violence in our land could stop.

For those who think prayer, fasting, sin, Satan, and the wrath of God are old-fashioned, consider this: AIDS victims, with their low immune systems, carry numerous other diseases. One illness now being spread by AIDS victims is a new strain of tuberculosis. Antibiotics are useless against it, and the death rate is 50%. Unlike AIDS,

this killer is airborne. In other words, we catch it by BREATHING. There is no known cure, and half who have it will die.

When are we going to wake up and realize the prophecies of Revelation are all around us? It's far too late for bickering about anything. It's time to gather together in prayer as never before. Our mission is clear: to repent of our sins and to pray with all our might—not in fear, as fear is a tool of Satan—but with peaceful hearts, secure in the love of Christ Jesus.

SHIRLEY ANDERSON  
Hereford

### Textbook selections questioned

Dear Editor:  
Why has there been little media coverage concerning the State Board of Education and their decision to accept textbooks which promote acceptance of sexual immorality, homosexuality and physician-assisted suicide, abortion, and alcohol use?

In November, the board voted 10-5 in favor of adoption of new health textbooks. Parents should inquire of their representative on the Texas Board of Education and look into what these books actually "teach."

The textbooks are:  
1. *Making Life Choices*, published by West.

2. *Holt Health*, published by Holt, Rinehart & Winston.  
3. *Perspectives on Health*, published by D.C. Heath.  
4. *Health Skills for Wellness*, published by Prentice Hall.

The following board representatives voted in favor of the new health books which inform students how to contact the Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Planned Parenthood and the National Organization for Reform of Marijuana Laws: Rene Nunez (D-El Paso), 915-584-5644; Mary Helen Berlanga (D-Corpus Christi), 512-882-8284; Esteban Sosa (D-San Antonio),

512-922-4376; Dr. Alma Allen (D-Houston), 713-892-7331; Carolyn Crawford (D-Beaumont), 409-899-9972; Mary Knot Perkins (D-Lufkin), 409-634-7108; Patsy Johnson (D-Sulphur Springs), 903-885-8866; Will Davis (D-Austin), 512-478-5671; Diane Patrick (D-Arlington), 817-461-2501; and Eleanor Conrad (D-Dallas), 214-943-9301.  
The following board representatives rejected the textbooks: Robert H. Offutt (R-San Antonio), 210-344-3577; Dr. Jack Christie (R-Houston), 713-467-5367; Geraldine Miller (R-Dallas), 214-239-8000; William Hudson (D-Wichita Falls), 817-691-4243; and Monte Hasie (R-Lubbock), 806-792-0015.  
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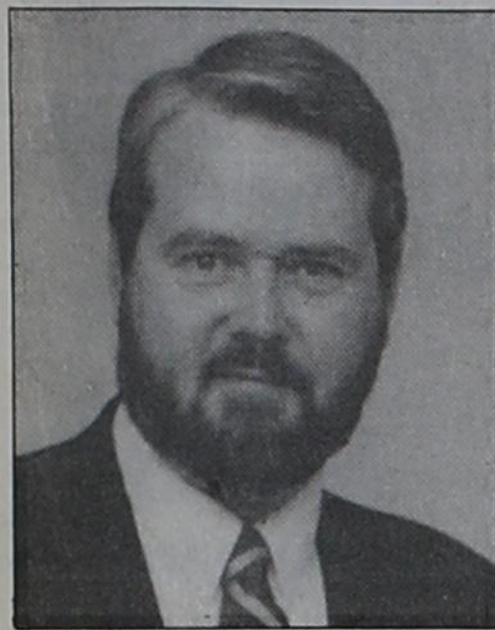
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# ABI Agriculture Business Industry

## MINDING YOUR OWN BUSINESS



By DON TAYLOR

### The numbers game

Steven's business has shown steady sales increases for the last three years. Each year as his accountant figures his taxes, Steven hopes that this will be a big year for personal income.

However, though sales increased again, net income is much lower than last year. Steven is frustrated and wonders how his business can continue to grow and yet produce less profit. He finds all of this financial stuff confusing.

Carey's venture, though only 18 months old, has more than doubled in size. When she went to the bank to get a small loan to purchase larger equipment, her banker asked several questions she couldn't answer.

Later, she quizzed her brother who had taken an accounting class in college. "What is a 'PNL' and a 'balance statement?'" she asked. Her brother couldn't remember.

Lou and Barbara just bought a retail store. The previous owner told them that he used a multiplier of 1.45 to set prices. Lou wants to know what percentage markup that represents, and Barbara wonders if their

prices are too high. The big discount store down the street sells several of the same items for less.

### The real world

Welcome to the real world of financial management. Defined simply, financial management is a process where the manager of a business uses the numbers generated by the business to make operational decisions.

We've worked with nearly 2,000 small business clients at West Texas A&M University's Small Business Development Center. We know financial management is an area that many business owners and managers struggle with. Profit and loss statements (P and L's), balance sheets and cash flow statements remain a mystery to many entrepreneurs.

Understanding the numbers game does not require an advanced degree in rocket science or calculus. It does require mastering a few basic business principles and learning how to use your financial information for making decisions.

### Financial basics

All the numbers used for making financial decisions come from your accounting and record keeping system. Good record keeping is the foundation of, and a prerequisite to, good financial management.

Your accounting system should include the following records as a minimum: a sales journal, an expense journal, accounts receivable and payable records, a payroll journal, a schedule of fixed assets (a record of property and equipment owned by the business), an owner's journal (a record of monies the owner has put into or taken from the business), a notes payable schedule and a listing of inventory. You can use these records to create income and cash flow statements and balance sheets.

We recommend that you create monthly income and cash flow statements and balance sheets. As a small business owner or financial manager, you must have regular access to this information. You cannot manage numbers you don't have, and you can't make good decisions from bad numbers.

Once you are getting good information in a timely manner, you can employ several management procedures. For example, you can compare your sales and expense data with data from previous months or years. In addition, you can compare your financial performance with other similar-sized businesses in your industry.

You can glean other important management information from your statements as well. Tracking and comparing expenses by category, managing inventory levels and turnover, calculating cash break-even points and monitoring profit margins are examples.

If you would like more information on winning the numbers game, we'll send you our free guide. Send a self-addressed envelope with 52 cents postage to: The Numbers Game, c/o Minding Your Own Business, P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105. Please note that we will only honor requests that include an envelope with postage.

You may write to Don Taylor in care of "Minding Your Own Business," PO Box 67, Amarillo 79105.

# Irrigation conference set

Organizers of the 1994 irrigation conference and trade show have lined up a program where the top issues of concern to equipment dealers and growers alike will be addressed on Monday and Tuesday in the Amarillo Civic Center.

Continuing education credit will be offered for commercial and non-commercial pesticide applicator certification during each concurrent session. A total of seven CEU's may be earned upon completion of the full two-day program.

Roy Bolter, marketing director for U.S. Electric Motors of St. Louis, Mo., will open Monday's general session with a discussion of the impact of the 1992 energy regulations industry-wide.

The latest agribusiness trends and marketing strategies, chemigation, EEOC guidelines, the American Disabilities Act, and workers' compensation laws affecting agribusiness will be among the topics covered during some of the ses-

sions, along with how to deal with regulatory agencies, how to document handling of agricultural chemicals, and an overview of worker protection standards. Also, a panel discussion will be held on regulations affecting equipment dealers.

Speakers will include Mark Perrin, Bill Lyle, Olan Moore, Bob McCarn, David Smith, Lavon Harman, Charlie Thomas, and Walt Clark.

The noon luncheon program will feature Bob Givens, news director for KGNC - Radio in Amarillo, broadcasting direct from the banquet hall. Givens also will moderate a panel discussion.

Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association will host its annual membership meeting beginning at 4 p.m., led by Mike Stephens, president. TAIA events are open to members and non-members attending the two-day conference. The TAIA awards banquet will feature Buck Ramsey, noted cowboy poet

and musician.

Sessions on Tuesday will begin at 9:30 a.m. and will focus on agricultural commodity production and management programs which run concurrently throughout the day. Presentations will highlight production issues facing growers of six major agricultural food, feed and fiber crops — corn, peanuts, sugar beets, cotton, grain sorghum and wheat.

Speakers will include Brent Bean, Jimmy Schrib, and Jim Reinart, on corn; Charles Rush, Monty Schoehals, Steve Winter, and Dennis Printz, on sugar beets; Kater Hake on cotton; Professor Dan Kreig, on sound field practices and sorghum; Jerry O'Rear, Karl Johnson, and Robert Dietrick, on sorghum; and David Worrall, Travis Miller and Dietrick, on wheat.

Rep. Pete Laney of Hale Center, speaker of the Texas House, will deliver the keynote address during

the Tuesday noon luncheon program.

The afternoon session will begin at 1:45 p.m.

NAFTA issues will be addressed by TAEX grain marketing specialist Mark Waller of College Station. Also, Texas Wheat Producers Board and Association executive Bill Nelson of Amarillo will moderate a closing session presented by Waller, who will address international and domestic wheat marketing concerns.

The conference will adjourn by 4:15 p.m. with the presentation of CEU certificates to participants.

For more information, contact Leon New, TAEX irrigation specialist, in Amarillo at 806-359-5401, or any irrigation equipment dealer and county extension agent in your area.

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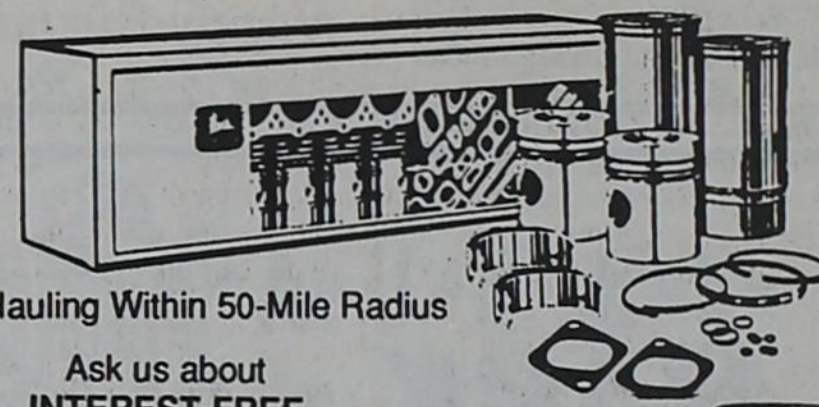
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# AAM national convention set Jan. 13-16 in Lubbock

Discussions of the 1995 Farm Bill, workshops and opportunities for producers from across the nation to work together with state and national officials on issues that can make a difference now will highlight the American Agriculture Movement's convention scheduled Jan. 13-16.

The convention will be held in the Civic Center Holiday Inn at 801 Ave. Q in Lubbock.

The Texas chapter of AAM will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. on Jan. 13. Officers will be elected and an agenda for 1994 will be set.

Speakers and workshops are featured on the agenda Jan. 14 and 16 beginning at 9 a.m. and featured speakers will be Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy, Texas Speaker of the House Pete Laney, Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) State Director George Ellis and Agricultural Stabilization and Con-

servation Service State Director Harold Bob Bennett.

"All of these people have proven themselves to be friends of production agriculture," said a spokesperson for AAM, "Pete Laney is a farmer himself and is a great asset to our area and state. We are extremely fortunate to have a person with his qualities to serve as Speaker of the House. Pete recognizes the importance of people working together to solve problems. He can help provide the leadership to draw people together in a working coalition."

"George Ellis and Harold Bob Bennett already have tackled some of the toughest problems that have plagued farmers in the past," said Don Kimbrell, Texas AAM president. "Some very positive results have come about from their efforts. By working with farm groups and individuals, these men have given

real meaning to the term 'farmer friendly.'"

Willie Nelson, country singer and president of Farm Aid, also will speak at the convention. Other guest speakers include David Senter of Senter and Associates from Washington, D.C. and formerly a national coordinator for AAM; Larry Mitchell, former director of state and federal relations for AAM who was recently named to direct National Farmers Union's Washington office; and Gary Goldberg, national president of American Corn Growers; and others.

Topics covered at workshops will be financial planning, ostrich breeding, and a panel discussion dealing with improving agency and producer relations.

A Texas barbecue is planned for Jan. 14 beginning at 5 p.m. and on Jan. 15, those attending will see the West Texas Opry.

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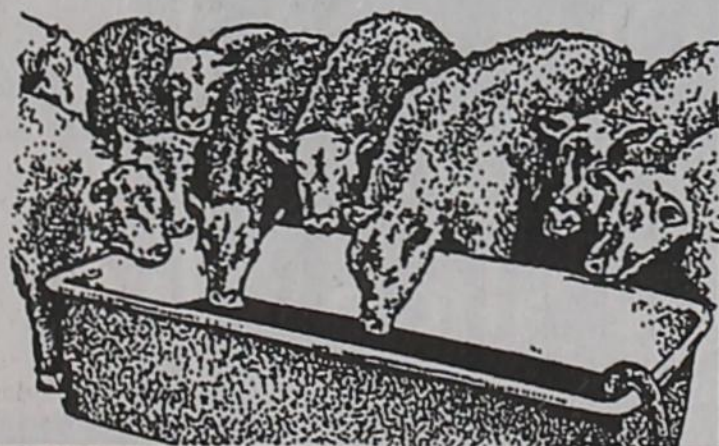
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# People



**FIVE GENERATIONS** of Ollie Choate's family gathered at Canterbury Villa for a reunion with her during the holidays. From left are Mrs. Choate's great-grandson, Ronnie Martin of Clovis; great-great-granddaughter Misty Dawn Martin; granddaughter Cynthia Burress of Houston;

daughter Sylvia Stubblefield of Dimmitt; and Mrs. Choate. Mrs. Choate, 86, has been a Canterbury Villa resident five years, having moved here from Calumet, Okla. Mrs. Choate has nine sons, six of whom are still living, and four daughters.

Courtesy Photo

## Trio named to Who's Who

Three students from Castro County are among 70 students at West Texas A&M University who have been named to *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

Named were Darlene Chauntell Heck, a junior elementary education major from Nazareth; Lyle Corbett Joiner, a senior majoring in accounting and finance from Dimmitt; and Royce Wayne Schulte, a Dimmitt junior majoring in agricultural business and economics.

The students were nominated based on having at least 60 hours of college credit, a minimum GPA of 2.75; a record of participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities; service to the university, and potential for future achievement.

The students will be honored April 28 at the All-University Honors Reception and Banquet.

## Three inducted into KDP at WT

Three Dimmitt students were recently inducted into the Iota Theta Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi at West Texas A&M University at Canyon.

Beth Casas, a senior reading education major; Tammy Heard, a junior majoring in math education; and Kristi Sims, a senior majoring in biology, were among the 28 inductees.

Membership in Kappa Delta Pi is limited to students with an overall grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.25 on a 4.0 scale. In addition, students must have a GPA of 3.0 or better in professional education classes and must have maintained at least a 3.0 in all work at WTAMU.

## Blood drive was a success

Castro County residents donated 44 pints of blood at a recent blood drive sponsored by the Castro County 4-H.

The drive was conducted by Coffee Memorial Blood Center and Castro County 4-H'ers served as hosts and registrars for the drive. Those working were event chairman Kaci Schulte, Rusty Wooten, Rusty McDaniel, Tawnee Matthews, Carrie Bradley, Jana Nelson and Amy Matthews.

According to Kitty Weidauer of Coffee Memorial Blood Center, Dimmitt is a community that always comes through with excellent participation and support.

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# Program to focus on meat in diets

Tips on how to lower the fat content in your meat and economical ways to buy and prepare meats while keeping preparation time to a minimum will be the focus of the first "Lunch and Learn" program in 1994.

"Meats in the Diet" is the topic

of the program, which will be presented Tuesday from 12:10 to 12:50 p.m. in the assembly room at the courthouse.

The program will be presented by Marilyn Neal, county Extension agent.

"Living in the heart of the beef production area of the United States makes red meat an important part of the average Castro County diet," said Neal.

Those attending may bring a brown bag lunch. Iced tea and coffee will be provided.

For more information contact the Extension office.

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## Who's New?

### Plains Memorial

It's a girl for Lupe and Isabel Gonzales of Friona. Their daughter, Rebecca Marie Gonzales, was born at 8:05 p.m. on Dec. 26 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed 7 lbs. 9 oz. Rebecca has two older siblings, Desiree Renee and Vincent Michael. Paternal grandparent is Guadalupe Cordova of Friona. Maternal grandparents are Genaro and Maria Gonzales of Friona.

Ester Lugo of Dimmitt and Genaro Jaramillo are the parents of a girl, Destiny Gloria Lugo, who was born at 7:20 p.m. Dec. 16 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed 7 lbs. and was 18-1/2 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Juan and Oralia Lugo of Dimmitt. Great-grandparents are Andrew and Gloria Gonzales of Dimmitt. Great-great-grandmother is Rebecca Vargas of Dimmitt. The baby also has a great-great-great-grandmother, Maria Aviles of Uvalde.

Bryan and Paula Reynolds of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby girl, Harley Kay, who was born at 7:20 a.m. on Dec. 31 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed in at 6 lbs., 3 oz. and was 19 inches long. Paternal grandparents are Darrell and Wanda Reynolds of Amarillo. Paul and Marilou Bennett of Amarillo are maternal grandparents. Great-grandparents are Bernice Reynolds and Geraldine White.

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# 4-H livestock show, clinic set Saturday

The Castro County Livestock Clinic and annual 4-H stock show will be held Saturday at the Castro County Expo Building.

All 4-H and FFA livestock participants are urged to attend the clinic, which will be held Saturday morning.

4-H'ers planning on entering the show should bring barrows and lambs to the show barns between 12 noon and 7 p.m. Friday. Entry cards and livestock scales will be available.

4-H'ers also may bring animals to the barns Saturday morning beginning at 8 a.m., but all entry cards and weights must be turned in to show officials before 10 a.m.

The 4-H show, open only to 4-H livestock exhibitors, will be held Saturday afternoon with steers showing at 1, lambs at 2 and barrows at 3.

The livestock clinic will begin

with a classroom type discussion on "Home Care and Management for Show Barrows" at 8:30 a.m. A grooming and showmanship demonstration on barrows will begin at 9 a.m.

A care and management program on lambs will be held at 9:30 a.m. At 10 a.m., a shearing and showmanship demonstration will be held.

At 10:30 a.m., a care and management seminar on steers and heifers will be held, followed by a dressing and showmanship demonstration at 11 a.m.

A Castro County pig jackpot show will be held Sunday and entries are due by 10 a.m. that day.

Entry fee is \$20 and must be paid in cash. The show will begin at 1 p.m. at the Expo Building and Joe Tarter will be the judge.

# Farmers Union will hold annual meeting Thursday

The Castro County Farmers Union will hold its annual meeting next Thursday night in the Hart School Cafeteria.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 with a fish-and-chicken dinner catered by River Smith of Lubbock.

Texas Farmers Union President Joe Rankin and Texas ASCS Executive Director Harold Bob Bennett are both scheduled to speak, according to CCFU President Daniel Higgins of Hart.

The business session will be devoted mainly to drafting policy statements and electing county de-

legates to the Texas Farmers Union convention to be held Jan. 28-29 in Fort Worth, Higgins said.

Door prizes also will be awarded.

The Castro County Farmers Union currently has 118 members. Officers are Higgins, president; Rex Ramaekers of Nazareth, first vice-president; Richard Jackson of Dimmitt, second vice-president; and Kent Birkenfeld of Nazareth, secretary-treasurer.

Higgins urged all Farmers Union members and other interested persons to attend.



## Church Happenings

### Presbyterian Happenings

Today (Thursday) is Epiphany, when we celebrate the coming of the Magi to see the infant Jesus.

Sunday is the Baptism of the Lord. Sunday Church School classes meet at 10 a.m.

"The Beginning" will be the subject of Pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the morning church worship services at 11.

The annual congregational meeting

to receive the reports of the church and its organizations will follow the morning church worship services.

Mid-week Bible study will be Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the manse.

### First Baptist Church

The Singing Farmers of Hart will be featured in concert Sunday at 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 1201 Western Circle Drive in Dimmitt.

There will not be an admission charge, but a love offering will be taken. Everyone is invited to attend.

## What's Cooking?

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart, and Nazareth from Jan. 10 to 14.

### DIMMITT

MONDAY: Chicken fried steak with gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, rolls, butter, honey and milk.

TUESDAY: Hot dogs with chili, tater tots, pinto beans, fruit and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Sea Wonder fish, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw, cornbread, oranges and milk.

THURSDAY: Burritos, corn on the cob, grapes, chocolate clusters and milk.

FRIDAY: Rib-b-cue on a bun, corn nuggets, dill spears, carrot sticks, fruit and milk.

### HART

MONDAY: Lasagna, salad, corn, sliced garlic bread, chocolate pudding with topping and milk.

TUESDAY: Barbecued wieners, ma-

caroni and cheese, pinto beans, cornbread and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken strips, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, strawberry shortcake and milk.

THURSDAY: Burrito supreme, tomato and lettuce, fruit, brownies and milk.

FRIDAY: Cheeseburgers, sliced tomatoes, lettuce, pickles, potato chips, fresh fruit and milk.

### NAZARETH

MONDAY: Chili dogs, pork and beans, cherry cobbler and milk.

TUESDAY: Chalupas, lettuce, cheese, corn, applesauce and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Beef stew, cheese slice, cornbread, fruit salad and milk.

THURSDAY: Pizza, tossed salad, pears and milk.

FRIDAY: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots, rolls, Jell-o and milk.

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Resources include the things you own. Changes to your resources commonly include changes in the value of bank accounts, stocks or bonds, certificates of deposit or Christmas club accounts. You also need to report if you, your spouse, or your child buy, sell or become the owner of any real estate, a car or personal property.

If someone moves into or out of your home, if someone who lives with you dies, if you or someone who lives with you has a baby, if you start living in someone else's

home or if you move out of someone else's home, your living arrangements may have changed and this must be reported to Social Security.

You should report changes in any of these circumstances to Social Security within 10 days after the month in which the change happens. But, the change usually will not affect your check for the first two months after the event. There are penalties for not reporting changes or for making false statements about changes in your income or resources. In addition, if you have received an overpayment, you'll have to pay it back.

You can report changes by phone by calling Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213.

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Sunnyside  
Anthony Sisemore.....647-5712

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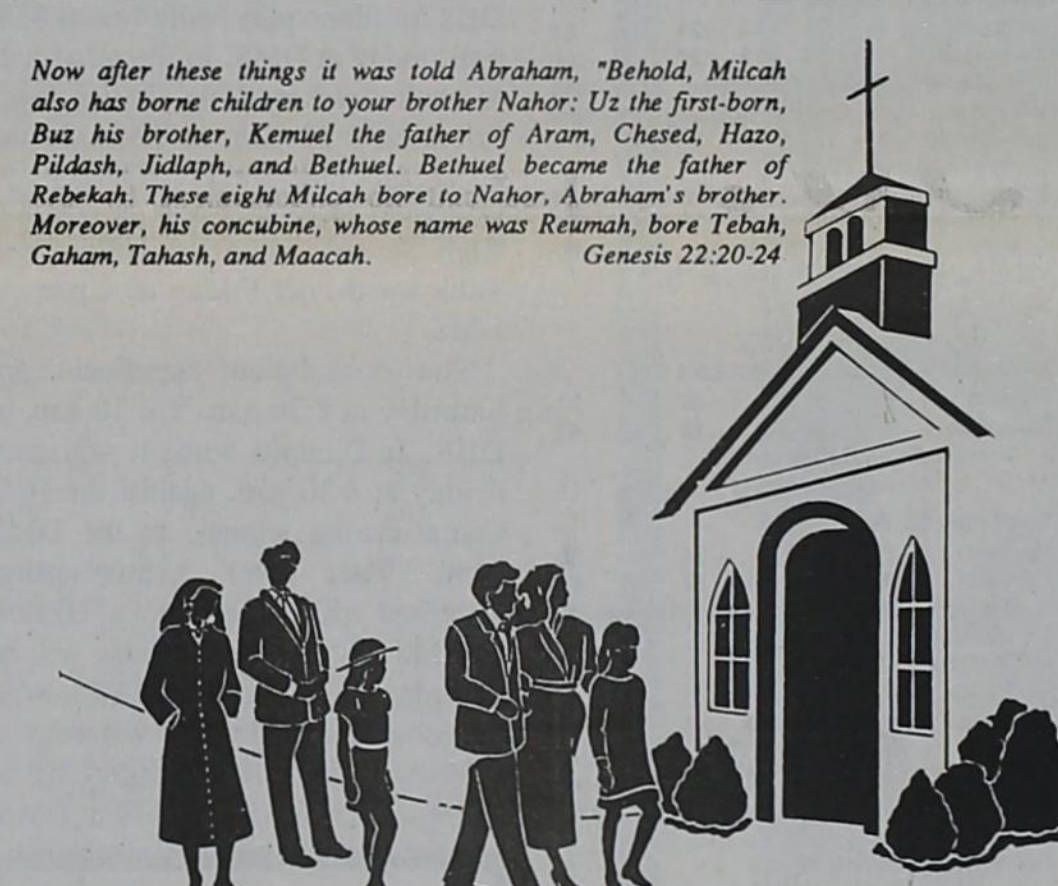
E. Lee & SE 3rd, Dimmitt  
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1001 W. Halsell, Dimmitt  
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Now after these things it was told Abraham, "Behold, Milcah also has borne children to your brother Nahor: Uz the first-born, Buz his brother, Kemuel the father of Aram, Chesed, Hazo, Pildash, Jidlaph, and Bethuel. Bethuel became the father of Rebekah. These eight Milcah bore to Nahor, Abraham's brother. Moreover, his concubine, whose name was Reumah, bore Tebah, Gaham, Tahash, and Maacah. Genesis 22:20-24

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611 E. Halsell, Dimmitt

### Immanuel Baptist

501 SE 3rd, Dimmitt

### Rosa de Saron

411 NE 6th, Dimmitt  
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SW 4th at Bedford, Dimmitt  
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# Sports

## Bobbies down Rebs, lose to Mustangs in Caprock ABC tourney

Dimmitt surged past Midland Lee early, then fell late to Coronado in the Caprock ABC Holiday Tournament, Wednesday in Lubbock.

The Bobbies dumped the Lady Rebels, 70-63, in a consolation matinee Wednesday, then rallied late Wednesday night against the Mustangs before Coronado stormed back for a 59-58 win.

Midland Lee raced to a six-point lead against the Bobbies in the first quarter and led 15-10 at the end of the period. Dimmitt scooted back into the lead, taking a 24-23 lead at the half.

Dimmitt put the game away in the third period, outscoring the Lady Rebels 21-14 in the quarter.

Dimmitt defeated the Lady Rebels despite Midland Lee's height advantage. Dimmitt's tallest players are 5-8 (Dolores Dimas, Tiffany Wilcox and Leslie Nelson). Midland Lee started two players--Deborah York and Krissy Woodard--who are over six feet.

Since the Bobbies couldn't outjump 'em, they outquicked the Lady Rebels. Dimmitt pressed Midland Lee from end to end over the last three quarters. The Lady Rebels couldn't handle the pressure, and Dimmitt took the easy win.

Despite the height disadvantage, Katrina Acker led Dimmitt with 18 points. Kara Josselet had 17, Kim

Thomas 14 and Dolores Dimas 10 to lead the Bobbies.

In the nightcap, Dimmitt withstood a three-point barrage by Jill Skipper to take a seven-point lead in the fourth quarter, but the Lady Mustangs came back to take the one-point win in the consolation "A" semifinals.

Skipper had five three-pointers in the first half to lead the Lady Mustangs to a 37-27 halftime lead. The Bobbies pressured Skipper more in the third quarter and pounded away at Coronado, outscoring the Mustangs 23-10 in the period to take a 50-47 lead at the end of three.

Dimmitt scored four quick points in the period, but scored just three over the last six minutes while Coronado chipped away at the Dimmitt lead. With the last three of the team's 11 three-pointers, Coronado closed within one, then scored with four seconds left on a two-pointer for the 59-58 lead.

After a moment's confusion by the officials, the Bobbies inbounded the ball in the backcourt. Thomas took the ball on the run but missed a layup at the buzzer.

Dimas led Dimmitt with 17 points, including all three of the team's three-point goals. Acker added 13 and Thomas 10 for the Bobbies.

## Thomas makes all-tourney team at Caprock

Derrick Thomas was named to the all-tournament team at the Caprock ABC Holiday Tournament, but his best efforts weren't enough to help the Bobcats last Wednesday through a tough loss to Amarillo Caprock.

The Bobcats fell to 7-9 on the season after the 66-64 loss to the Longhorns in the consolation round of the Lubbock tourney. Dimmitt won its first game, 73-61, over Lamesa, then fell to Lubbock High, 65-53, in the second round to go to the consolation bracket.

Dimmitt fought back from an eight-point halftime deficit, 32-24, to the Longhorns but couldn't cut it to less

than five until Thomas hit a long three-pointer at the buzzer for the two-point difference.

Thomas ended up with 65 points in the three games. Derrick was 9-for-20, 45%, on two-point field goals, and hit 50%, 13-of-26, from behind the three-point arc. He also hit 8 of 12 free throws, pulled down 18 rebounds, had 35 credits and made just 12 mistakes in the three games.

After that performance, he was still surprised to hear his name called Thursday in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum for the all-tournament team. "It was a real nice surprise for me," Thomas, a junior, said Monday. "I

didn't think I played that good in the last couple of games. But I was real happy to make it."

Thomas had to fight through sickness during the first two games. Against Lamesa, he hit 29 points; against Lubbock High, he scored 18. Thomas said he felt better in the Caprock game, and had 18 in the contest.

Dimmitt was up-and-down during the tournament. The Bobcats ended up shooting 47% from the field on two-point FGs and 36% (15-of-42) on three pointers. The Bobcats were 41-of-74, 55%, from the free-throw line.

Thomas thinks the tournament will pay dividends for the Bobcats as they prepare for District, which starts Tuesday at Floydada.

"This tournament and all of our games should help us a lot, because we've played a lot of good 4A and 5A teams," Thomas said. "Other teams in our district don't play teams like we do. We have more experience in tight games, and we'll be ready for district."



## DHS teams favored in 9th tourney

Dimmitt teams are favored in both brackets of the annual Dimmitt Freshman Tournament, today (Thursday) through Saturday.

Most games will be held at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium at Dimmitt Middle School.

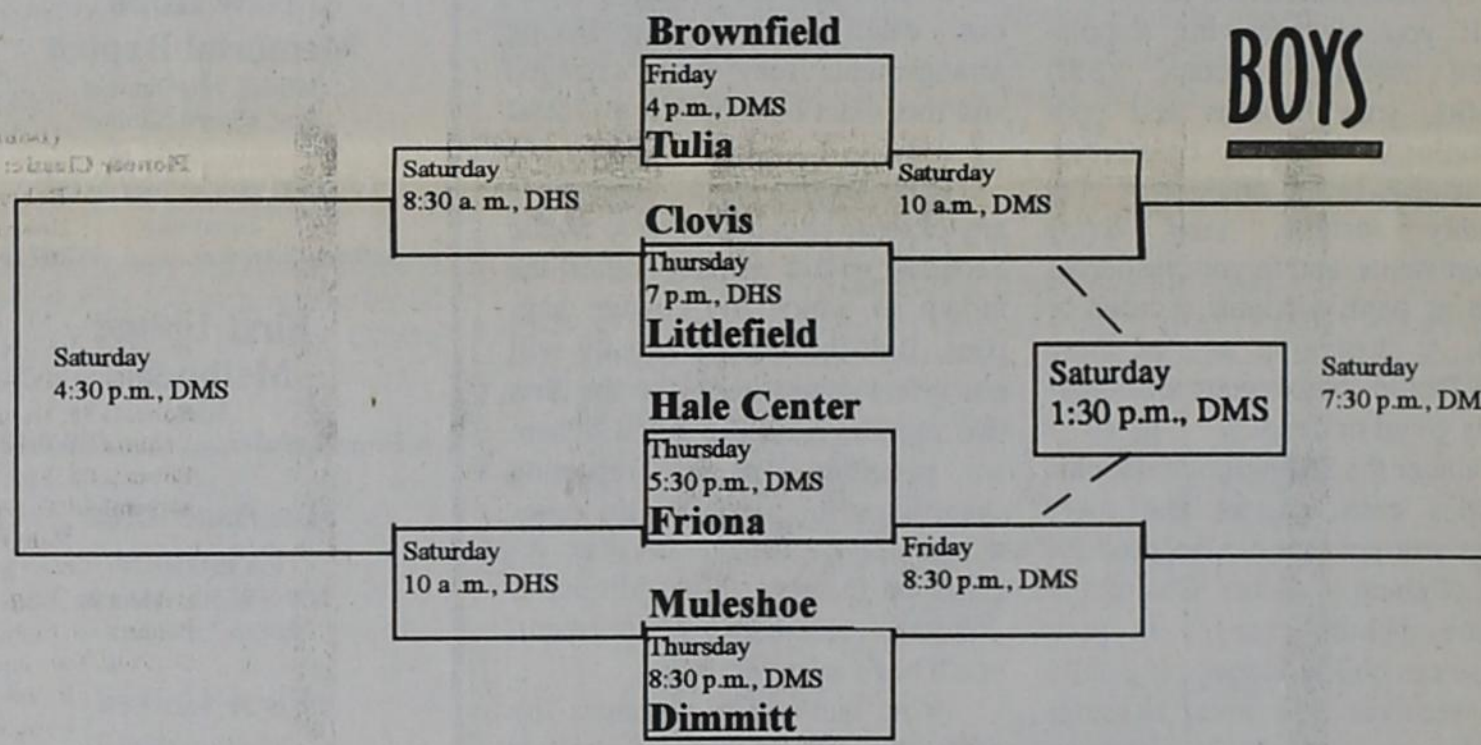
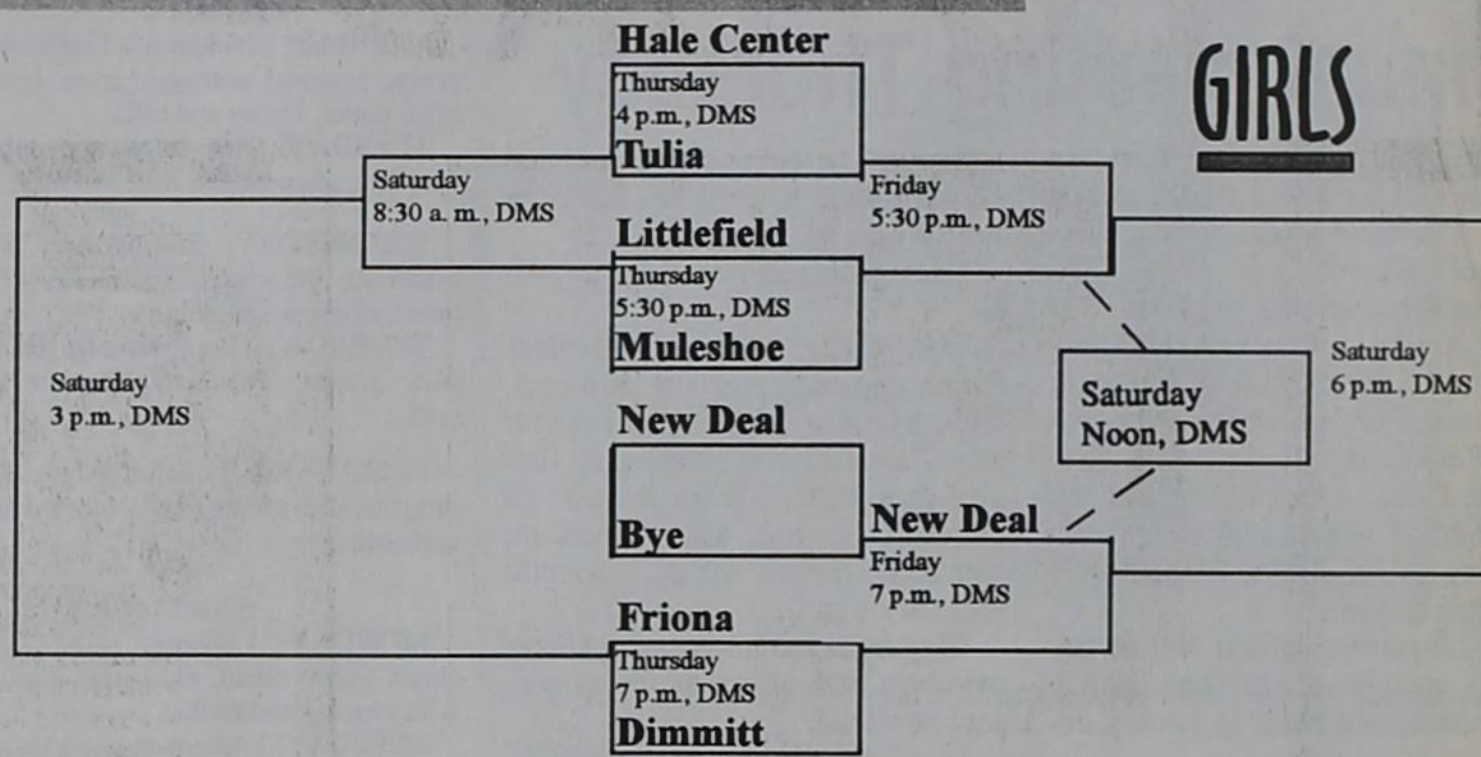
Dimmitt's freshman girls, 6-2 on the year, play Friona at 7 p.m. today at Dimmitt Middle School. The winner plays New Deal, Friday at 7 p.m. at DMS. The championship finals are Saturday at 6 p.m. at DMS, with the third-place game Saturday noon at DMS.

In the other half of the girls bracket, Hale Center plays Tulia at 4 p.m. at DMS, and Littlefield faces Muleshoe at 5:30 p.m. at DMS. The losers play Saturday at 8:30 a.m. at DMS, while the winners play Friday at 5:30 p.m. at DMS.

In the boys bracket, the undefeated DHS freshmen play Muleshoe at 8:30 p.m. today at DMS. In the other half of their bracket, Hale Center faces Friona at 5:30 p.m. at DMS. In the upper half of the bracket, Clovis plays Littlefield today at 7 p.m. at Dimmitt High School, while Brownfield and Tulia square off Friday at 4 p.m. at DMS.

The consolation semifinals are Saturday at 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. at DHS. If Dimmitt wins, it will play Friday at 8:30 p.m. against the Hale Center-Friona winner, at the DMS gym. The other championship semifinal will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at DMS. The third place game will be Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at DMS, with the consolation title game Saturday at 4:30 p.m. and the championship at 7:30 p.m. Both games will be at DMS.

## Dimmitt Freshman Tournament



## SCOREBOARD

### Caprock ABC Tournament

Caprock 66, Bobcats 64  
 Dimmitt 9 15 15 25 - 64  
 Caprock 14 18 17 17 - 66  
 Dimmitt: Derrick Thomas 18, Chad Ellis 10.  
 Bobbies 70, Midland Lee 63  
 Midland Lee 15 8 14 26 - 63  
 Dimmitt 10 14 21 26 - 70  
 Dimmitt: Katrina Acker 18, Kara Josselet 17, Dolores Dimas 10.  
 Lubbock Coronado 59, Bobbies 58  
 Dimmitt 18 9 23 8 - 58  
 Coronado 16 19 10 14 - 59  
 Dimmitt: Dolores Dimas 17, Katrina Acker 13, Kim Thomas 10.

Swifts 83, Crosbyton 60  
 Nazareth 27 21 14 21 - 83  
 Crosbyton 11 16 13 20 - 60  
 Nazareth: Colby Pohlmeier 22, Justin Wethington 18, Gaylon Schilling 11, Nick Johnson 10.  
 Swifts 54, Anton 53  
 Anton 16 12 10 15 - 53  
 Nazareth 10 14 17 13 - 54  
 Nazareth: Scott Brockman 21, Justin Wethington 14, Colby Pohlmeier 10.  
 (Swifts win championship.)

### Monday

Muleshoe 43, Freshman Bobbies 31  
 Dimmitt 6 11 4 10 - 31  
 Muleshoe 7 15 9 12 - 43  
 Dimmitt: Emily Robertson 19.

### Tuesday

Swiftettes 58, Friona 52  
 Nazareth 11 25 8 14 - 58  
 Friona 15 12 6 19 - 52  
 Nazareth: Kelley Boyd 19, Kristin Brockman 13, Melinda Schmucker 13.  
 JV Swiftettes 48, Friona 37  
 Swifts 89, Friona 48  
 Nazareth 22 22 23 22 - 89  
 Friona 10 10 7 21 - 48  
 Nazareth: Scott Brockman 21, Justin Wethington 16, Colby Pohlmeier 11, Brad Keel 11.  
 JV Swifts 54, Friona 52  
 Lady Horns 50, Anton 39  
 Anton 12 14 2 11 - 39  
 Hart 11 14 10 15 - 50  
 Hart: Shea Bennett 19, Jodi Card 11.  
 JV Lady Horns 44, Anton 20  
 Anton 73, Hart 49  
 Anton 17 19 17 20 - 73  
 Hart 6 13 21 9 - 49  
 Hart: J.R. Lee 20, Eddy Chavers 17.  
 Anton 47, JV Horns 42  
 Caprock 61, JV Bobcats 56

### Littlefield Tournament

Lady Horns 56, Floydada 41  
 Hart 13 17 15 11 - 56  
 Floydada 11 7 11 12 - 41  
 Hart: Shea Bennett 24.  
 Lady Horns 66, Littlefield 58  
 Hart 14 12 17 23 - 66  
 Littlefield 7 18 12 21 - 58  
 Hart: Shea Bennett 27, Brandi Key 12.  
 (Lady Horns win third tourney of year.)

### Lazbuddie Tournament

O'Donnell 57, Longhorns 54  
 Hart 9 17 13 15 - 54  
 O'Donnell 9 19 6 23 - 57  
 Hart: Jason Aven 19, J.R. Lee 17.  
 Happy 64, Longhorns 55  
 Happy 13 13 18 20 - 64  
 Hart 11 16 15 13 - 55  
 Hart: J.R. Lee 14, Eddy Chavers 12, Jeremy Card 10.

### Sudan Tournament

Swiftettes 86, Portales 32  
 Nazareth 27 15 19 25 - 86  
 Portales 6 7 5 14 - 32  
 Nazareth: Kristin Brockman 21, Melinda Schmucker 15, Courtney Hoelting 14, Kelley Boyd 13, Lynette Klemman 11.  
 (Swiftettes win fifth.)

Caprock 57, Bobcats 55  
 Caprock 14 16 12 15 - 57  
 Dimmitt 18 10 12 15 - 55  
 Dimmitt: Derrick Thomas 15, Chad Ellis 10.  
 Clovis 71, JV Bobbies 28  
 Bobbies 40, Clovis 33  
 Clovis 7 5 5 16 - 33  
 Dimmitt 9 4 14 13 - 40  
 Dimmitt: Kim Thomas 12, Katrina Acker 12.

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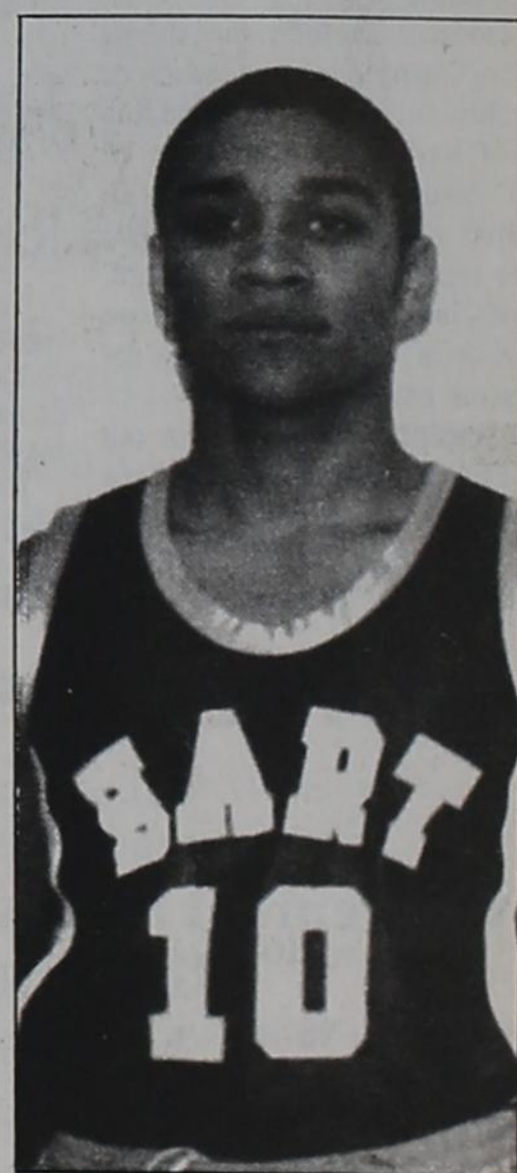
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 Friday, There and  
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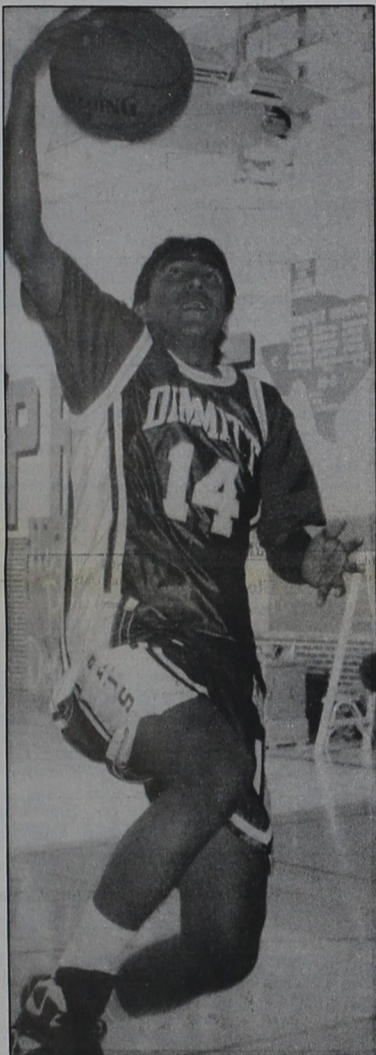
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## Schedule and Scores

Bobcats 85, River Road 78 (OT)  
Bobbies 47, River Road 33  
Bobbies 38, Levelland 51  
Bobcats 42, Levelland 61  
Bobbies 28, Borger 60  
Bobcats 55, Borger 77

Queens Classic:  
Bobbies 51, Amarillo High 84  
Bobbies 62, Plainview 61  
Bobbies 36, Levelland 56

(Sixth Place)  
Bobcats 62, Randall 68  
Bobbies 47, Petersburg 33  
Bobcats 73, Petersburg 44

Levelland Tournament:  
Bobbies 33, Denver City 48  
Bobbies 49, EP Montwood 46  
Bobbies 44, Abernathy 38  
(Bobbies win consolation)

Pioneer Classic:  
Bobcats 71, Andrews 32  
Bobcats 48, Plainview 77  
Bobcats 61, Estacado 73  
(Bobcats place fourth)

Bobbies 43, Monterey 69  
Bobcats 51, Hereford 48  
Bobbies 78, Estacado 28  
Bobcats 56, Slaton 55  
Bobbies 55, Petersburg 37  
Bobcats 65, Petersburg 56

Brownfield Tournament  
Bobcats 34, Snyder 46  
Bobcats 57, Slaton 61

Bobbies 49, Ralls 45  
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Bobbies 47, Lubbock Christian 51  
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Bobcats 64, Caprock 66

Bobbies 40, Clovis 33  
Bobcats 55, Caprock 57  
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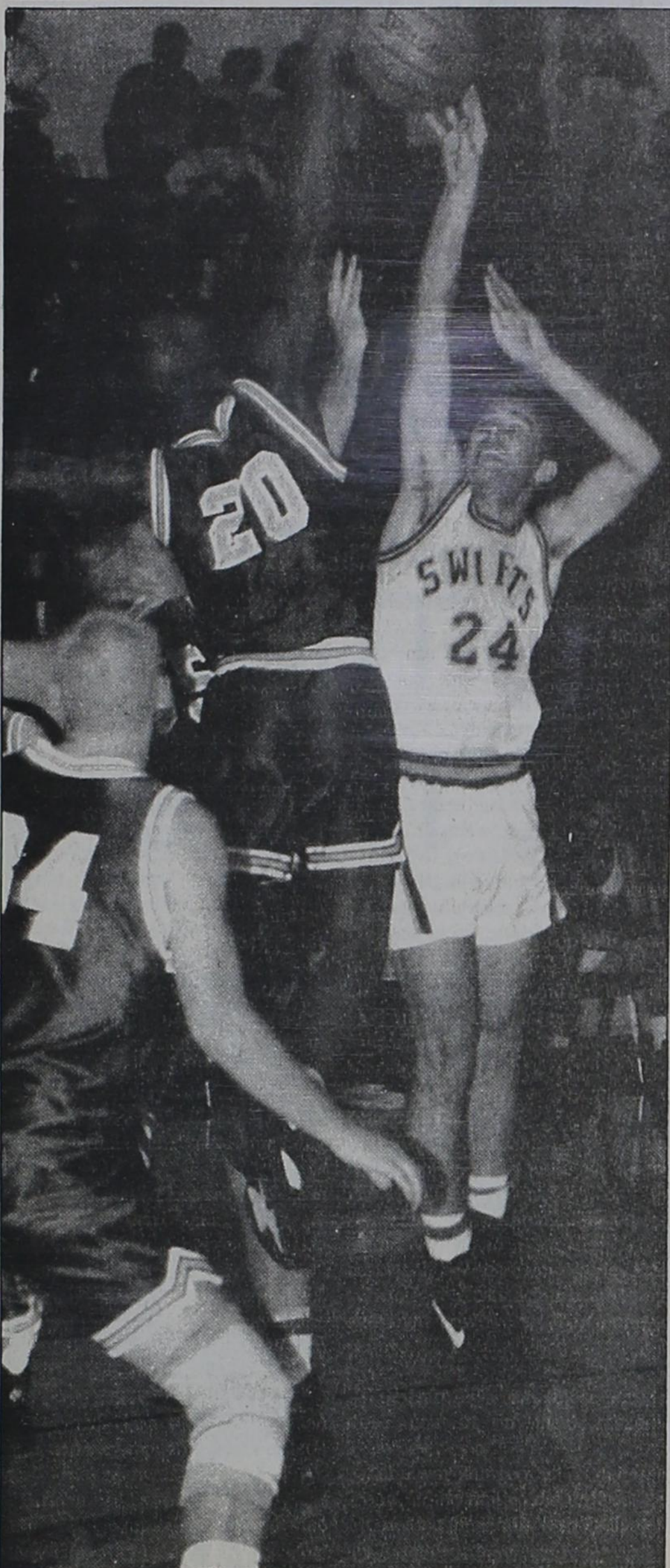
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**FOUL!**—Anton's Deshon Jenkins (20) reaches up and blocks a shot by Nazareth's Gaylon Schilling (24), but Jenkins is whistled for a foul on the play. The Swifts and Bulldogs, ranked No. 10 and 9 in the state, respectively, squared off last Thursday in the championship of the Sudan Tournament, with Nazareth prevailing, 54-53, over the previously unbeaten Bulldogs. Photo by Anne Acker

# Swifts edge No. 9 Anton to win Sudan Tournament

Nazareth overcame a 10-point deficit to claim a 9-point lead, then watched that lead evaporate with seconds left in the championship game of the Sudan Tournament last Thursday.

Anton and Nazareth, ranked No. 9 and 10 in the state, respectively, battled to a tie with six seconds left before Nazareth's Brad Keel sank a game-winning free throw to put his team on top, 54-53.

After Keel's free throw, Anton inbounded the ball and advanced to a mid-court before calling a time-out with two seconds left.

The Bulldogs attempted a last-second three-pointer, but the shot rimmed out and Nazareth claimed the 54-53 win and tournament championship.

"We had a nine-point lead in the fourth quarter and we got outscored 9-1 in the last half of the fourth quarter," said Nazareth Coach Mark Makeever. "After we built up the lead we let it slip away. We couldn't hit our shots. We should have won by 9 or 10 points, but we froze. It wasn't one of our better games."

But Makeever added that he was pleased that his team was able to pull off the win over the Bulldogs, who were undefeated (14-0) before last Thursday's showdown.

The Swifts were 22 of 46 from the floor while Anton shot 24 of 47 for 51%. From the charity strip the Swifts were 3 of 6 while Anton was a perfect 2 of 2.

The difference came from the three-point circle, from which Nazareth shooters swished the net five times while Anton managed to make just three shots.

Nazareth got on the board first, but found itself down by six, 16-10, at the end of the first period.

Colby Pohlmeier pulled the Swifts within two by scoring on a short jumper and a put-back, both in the first 50 seconds of the second quarter. Nick Johnson nailed a fall-away jumper with 6:12 left to tie the game at 16, then Justin Wethington took a downcourt pass from Johnson

and scored on a fast-break layup to give the Swifts a lead.

After that the teams exchanged possession of the lead several times before Anton pulled ahead in the last 1:20 on a three-pointer by Clint Conkin and a three-footer by Deshon Jenkins and held a 28-24 lead at intermission.

The Swifts were cold at the start of the third stanza, and watched as Anton's leading scorer, James Stewart, scored four quick points and Jenkins added another basket for a 10-point Bulldog lead with 6:03 left.

The Swifts called a time out and Makeever settled his team down.

"We were missing shots and we weren't playing as aggressively on defense. We just weren't stopping them," Makeever said.

Nazareth returned to the floor and virtually shut down Anton for the next eight minutes.

Scott Brockman sparked a 29-10 Nazareth run by scoring 17 of his 21 points over the next eight minutes. He canned five three-pointers during that spurt.

"Scott had missed quite a few shots in the first half, but we told him to keep taking the shot if it was there. He's one of our better shooters and eventually his shots started falling."

Down by 51-42 with 4:12 left in the game, Anton called a time out.

With 3:59 left Gaylon Schilling fouled Stewart and the latter sank two free throws. With 2:26 left he added a three-point which cut Nazareth's lead to 53-47.

Anthony Trantham scored with 1:49 left, cutting the Swift edge to four points and Stewart made it a two-point game with 1:21 left before Nazareth called a time out.

Calvin Kilby tied the game at 53 with 25 seconds left, but turned around and fouled Keel at the other end of the floor with six seconds left.

Keel stepped to the line and sank the first charity toss, but watched the second one fall into the waiting hands of an Anton rebounder, who traveled to mid-court before calling time out with two seconds left.

Conkin took the inbound pass and launched an off-target three-pointer.

"We told the kids (during the time out with two seconds left) that they needed to stay between the ball and basket, and deny any shot, without fouling," said Makeever. "We wanted to make sure they wouldn't inbound the ball and lob it to Stewart. I really thought that's what they would try to do."

The Swifts improved to 15-3 on the season while Anton fell to 14-1.

Nazareth earned a trip to the championship game by posting a first-round win over Idalou, 74-27; and an 83-60 semifinal win over Crosbyton.

In the first game, four Swifts scored in double figures including Wethington with 18, Pohlmeier and Schilling with 12 each and Keel with 11.

In the semifinal game with Crosbyton, Nazareth placed four players in double figures again--Pohlmeier had 22, Wethington finished with 18, Schilling had 11 and Johnson had 10.

Leading scorers against Anton were Brockman with 21, Wethington with 14 and Pohlmeier with 10.

## Clothing workshop set Jan. 18

A clothing leadership workshop for Castro County 4-H'ers will be held in the assembly room at the courthouse on Jan. 18.

The workshop will begin at 7 p.m. and plans will be made for this year's fashion show and clothing projects.

All 4-H'ers planning to have a clothing project this year are urged to attend. If you are not able to attend, you are asked to call the Extension office at 647-4115 with suggestions.



**HIGH FLYING** — Nazareth's Justin Wethington leaps high and drops the ball through the net after stealing it from an Idalou ballhandler during action last week in the Sudan Tournament. Nazareth won the game, 60-43, then beat Crosbyton and Anton to claim the tournament championship. Photo by Anne Acker

## Lady Horns win third tournament

Hart's Lady Horns breezed past three Class 2A and 3A teams to take the championship in the Wildcat Holiday Classic last week in Littlefield.

The Lady Horns defeated Lockney, 61-46, on Dec. 28; dumped Floydada, 56-41, on Dec. 29; then downed the hosts, 66-60, to take the title.

Before the season, Hart coach Rachelle Wilcox had set a team goal to win all three tournaments.

"We came through and I'm thrilled to death," Wilcox said Tuesday. "This was a good tournament for us."

Hart was paced by Shea Bennett, who had 71 points in the three games. Bennett had 28 against Lockney. Hart jumped to a 28-21 halftime lead, then put Lockney away with a 15-6 third quarter to stake a 43-27 lead.

Jodi Card added 10 to aid the Lady Horns.

"We had played Lockney earlier in the year," Wilcox said. "They are better than they were, but our kids also played well."

In the championship semifinals, Hart put the Whirlwinds away in the first half, outscoring Floydada 17-7 in the second period to claim a 30-18 lead at the half.

"Floydada is a bigger team than most, and they challenged us," Wilcox said. "They made us work hard."

Bennett had 24 to lead Hart.

In the championship round, the Lady Horns jumped to a 14-7 lead at the end of the first quarter, but Littlefield charged back to close within one, 26-25, at intermission. Hart extended its lead to 43-37 at the end of three, and eased to the six-point win.

"The score doesn't indicate how close the game really was," Wilcox said. "Littlefield is going to contend in its district (2-3A) for the playoffs. They're a very scrappy ball club, and that was a very good win for us."

Friday, the Lady Horns will face Lazbuddie in a key matchup between two top squads.

"We've played 17 games and only three of them have been at home," Wilcox said. "It's going to matter a lot that we play our best over there. We didn't play that well against them the first time."

Hart defeated Lazbuddie, 46-45, in that first matchup Dec. 20. It's the final tune-up before district begins, and Wilcox knows the Lady Horns will have to keep working to prevail in a strong district, including top-ranked Sudan.

"We have to work on our team defense," Wilcox said. "Everything else is going smooth and our kids are working hard, but our team defense is a top priority, and we still need outside scoring."

The team is also beginning to believe in itself.

"Before the season, I believed we would be where we are now, but the girls absolutely did not," Wilcox said. "Now they are beginning to believe in themselves and playing good basketball. When you believe in yourself you can achieve anything, and right now we are beginning to believe."

The Hart boys came close but lost three contests in the Lazbuddie Tournament.

Sundown dumped the Longhorns, 73-56, in the first round on Dec. 28. J.R. Lee led the Horns with 23 against the Roughnecks.

In the consolation semifinal the Horns came up just short, falling 57-54 to O'Donnell. Hart trailed just 28-26 at halftime, and rallied to lead 39-34 after three periods. O'Donnell outscored the Longhorns by eight down the stretch to take the win.

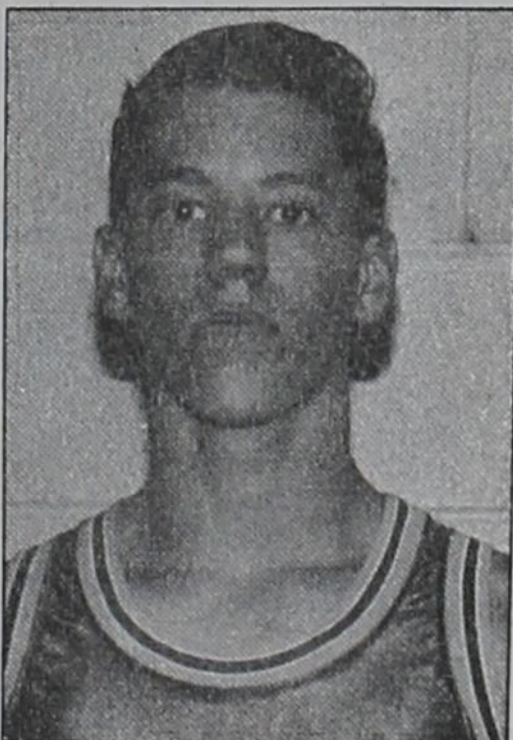
Jason Aven scored 19 and Lee 17 to lead Hart.

In the seventh place game, Hart led Happy 27-26 at halftime, but the Cowboys outscored the Horns by 38-28 in the final two periods to take a 64-55 win.

Lee had 14, Eddy Chavers 12 and Jeremy Card 10 to lead Hart.



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# Citrus specials are expected

Consumers can expect to find market specials on citrus fruit and juices in January, but expect meat prices to remain stable through the first half of 1994, according to a food marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Citrus prices are relatively low and the fruit is sweet in January and February," said Extension economist Dr. Richard Edwards of College Station.

Prices for oranges and grapefruit will range from 20 to 40 cents per pound, depending on the size and variety.

Consumers will find good specials on orange juice during the month, with prices as low as \$1.25 for a half-gallon of the refrigerated juice and 89 to 99 cents per eight-ounce can of frozen concentrate.

A combination of good production years in Florida, which produces a majority of juice oranges, and the international influence of fruit from Brazil have heavily influenced prices.

"With the approval of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), consumers probably will see even better prices due to increased shipments from Mexico," said Edwards. "It's almost assured that orange juice will be a bargain for years to come."

Other featured produce will be fruit imported from Chile, which will probably arrive after the middle of the month. Specials on peaches and plums will be from 79 to 89 cents per pound.

Typical winter vegetable crops such as broccoli and cauliflower also will be on special, he said.

"If you find a sale on certain types of frozen and canned vegetables, you might want to stock up. The flooding in the Midwest has reduced supplies of vegetables such as corn, green beans, lima beans and peas by as much as a third," he said.

Canned tomato products and frozen carrots, onions and spinach are not in short supply, however.

The flooding and lower supplies of grain for livestock feed should not affect meat prices, either.

"Even though we have higher grain prices, it doesn't mean we're going to have lower meat supplies and higher meat prices," said Dr. Ernest Davis of College Station, Extension livestock marketing specialist.

"We're going to have larger supplies of beef for the next three months. That has the potential to lower prices to consumers during January and February," he said.

Per capita beef production is expected to be up for the first time in eight years.

"We're in the build-up phase of the cattle cycle," he said. Additionally, record supplies of poultry are expected.

"Poultry supplies set records every year; it's up 4 to 6% each year," said Davis.

What will happen is that the profit margin will narrow for meat producers, according to Davis.

"The consumer is probably not going to be affected as much as the cow/calf producer who will get a lower price for his product."

With beef, poultry and pork competing for the consumer's dollar, prices should remain near 1993 levels for at least the first half of the year, Edwards said. Beef specials will center on the lower-priced cuts. Chuck roasts and steaks will be discounted to \$1.29 to \$1.49 per pound. Round and Swiss steaks will be marked at \$1.69 to \$1.89 per pound and ground beef will be available for \$1.10 to \$1.25 per pound.

The best buy in poultry will be the leg-thigh cut. Prices will range from 29 to 39 cents per pound. Whole birds will be priced from 49 to 59 cents per pound.

# More about 1:1

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for flying in and out of the airport there.

Nathan and Karen were married in Sugar Land. But that isn't really Houston — it's a southwestern suburb. I had not been in downtown Houston since a press convention cons ago.

But this time we went into the jaws of Houston, among all the tall buildings. Nathan works in one of them—the *Houston Chronicle*.

We had a guided tour of the *Chronicle* while we were there. They do things much the same way as we do here, except on an 11-floor scale, and the building is full of good, friendly people.

Their pressroom is two stories high, with three huge rotary web presses and custom-built inserting equipment. A small railroad track runs around and among the presses, with 20 or more little carts, each carrying a roll of newsprint, wandering slowly along the track. Anytime a pressman needs to reload a unit, he just throws a switch and the next cart brings him a fresh roll of newsprint. Empty carts all go back to a big loading bin near the side of the building and wait their turns to be reloaded.

Lord only knows how many trees are used up every day in that pressroom. (Nathan's paper and mine, between them, have the second largest combined circulation in the state of Texas.)

In the photography department, they showed us a large darkroom with eight cubicles along two walls, each cubicle containing an enlarger/printer, and with large stainless-steel developing tanks in the center of the room. This was the black-and-white lab; they also have a similar color lab.

But these photo labs are now, suddenly, obsolete. The *Chronicle* has converted to electronic photography. Instead of taking a picture, developing the film and making a photo print for processing, they now develop the film and feed the negative through a scanner onto a computer screen. There, using a program called Photo Shop, they can size and crop the picture and enhance it any way they want to on screen, then feed it through a high-powered laser printer and produce a screened print ready for paste-up.

For full-color photos, the same program even separates the primary colors and prints out four screened prints ready for plating.

We're still using our old-fashioned darkroom here, but we plan to switch over to electronic photography within the next year, as we can afford the equipment. Afterward, the new equipment should pay for itself in savings on darkroom chemicals and photo papers.

The next step is filmless photography. There are cameras on the market now that record an image digitally onto a tape or compact disk. You feed the tape or CD into a computer and it puts the image on screen, and you go from there.

These are still exciting times.

(Oh, about Christmas: I don't remember much. I had a 102 fever for three days. That flu shot I had may have been foolproof, but not very. This new bug is really going around. Boy, do we need a good rain or snow.)

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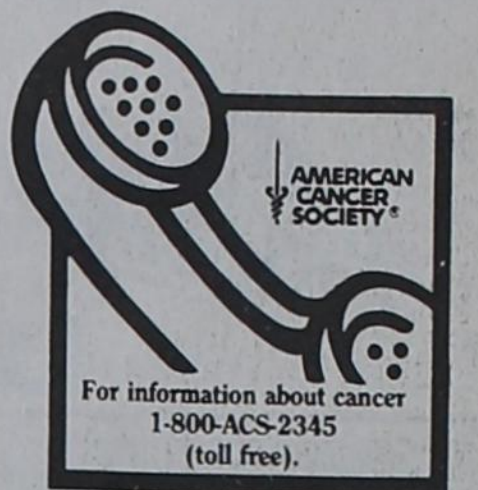
Councilman Don Sheffy, owner of Sheffy's Western and Casual Wear, made the motion "as a representative of the retail merchants of Dimmitt" to ask the cable system to not add QVC.

The council heard from Margaret Parsons, who asked the council to urge Classic Cable to reinstate AMC. The channel, which shows older movies, had been on the local system until Classic Cable bought the system two years ago. Because Classic did not have an agreement with AMC, the company dropped the channel and added the Disney Channel.

The council also heard the annual audit report from Henry Ramaekers of Brown, Graham and Co. Ramaekers said the audit was "totally clean."

"In fact, this city has better controls and segregation of funds of any city we do," Ramaekers said.

The audit showed the city's fund balance on Sept. 30 was \$623,745, down from the \$800,400 on Oct. 1, 1992. The decrease stems from the \$270,000 settlement paid to former Dimmitt policeman Felix Balderas. The city spent \$1.54 million during the year, \$176,000 more than its revenues.



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# Naz girls finish fifth at Sudan

The Nazareth Swiftettes rebounded from a championship quarterfinal loss to Muleshoe and poured on the goals to beat Portales, 86-32, and claim fifth place in the Sudan Tournament.

Nazareth won its first-round game, 64-49 over Olton before losing to Muleshoe, 60-43.

The Swiftettes started off slow against Olton, holding a narrow 14-12 lead after the first quarter, and things got worse before halftime. Nazareth found itself down by eight points, 31-23, at intermission.

But after the break, Olton fell apart and the Swiftettes started to click.

Nazareth outscored the Lady Mustangs 26-14 in the third quarter and 15-4 in the final stanza to claim the win.

Melinda Schmucker paced the Swiftettes with 25 points while Kristin Brockman added 16.

Nazareth never got on track against Muleshoe, despite a 17-

point scoring performance by Brockman and an 11-point finish by Schmucker.

The Swiftettes found themselves down by 11 at the end of the first quarter and saw Muleshoe add another six-point advantage through the next three stanzas.

That loss forced the Swiftettes into the fifth-place game against Portales, and they had no problems handling the Lady Rams.

Five Swiftettes reached double-figure scoring including Brockman with 21, Schmucker with 15, Courtney Hoelting with 14, Kelley Boyd with 13 and Lynette Kleman with 11.

The Swiftettes had a big first quarter, outscoring Portales 27-6. Things quieted down in the second quarter, but the Swiftettes held a commanding 42-22 halftime advantage. Nazareth outscored Portales 44-19 in the second half for the 86-32 win.

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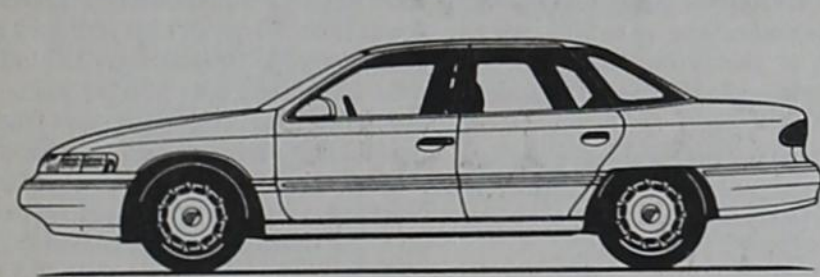
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22-Notices

**Political Announcements**

The News has been authorized to list the names of the following candidates for public office, subject to the March 8 primary.

**DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY**

- For County Treasurer: Oleta Raper (I)
- For County-District Clerk: Betty Rickert, Joyce Thomas, Debra Ball
- For County Judge: Irene Miller, Mrs. M.L. (Polly) Simpson Jr. (I)
- For Commissioner, Pct. 4: Vincent Guggemos (I)
- For Judge, 64th District Court: Jack R. Miller (I)
- For Justice of the Peace: Marshall Young

**REPUBLICAN PRIMARY**

- For County Judge: Robert Hawkins
- For County-District Clerk: Shirley Hollums

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**CONFISCATED ALCOHOL**--Dimmitt Police officers, Capt. Ray Aleman, left, and Chief Dewayne Haney, stand behind a pile of beer and malt liquor confiscated by officers over the past few months. Most of the alcohol was confiscated from under-age drinkers. The beverages were turned over last week to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, which destroyed the goods. Photo by John Brooks

**Police Calls**

Dimmitt police sewed up a vandalism report from two weeks ago when they arrested a Dimmitt youth for throwing a beer bottle through a door at Ruskin Racquet and Swim Club.

The youngster was charged with criminal mischief. Damage was about \$150.

Several other reports of broken windows were made to police over the

past week. Windows were broken at a house in the 800 block of W. Allen, a vehicle in the 800 block of W. Jones, and at the Castro County Senior Citizens.

Officers were also summoned to the post office, where glass windows were broken in mail boxes in an apparent vandalism.

Police were involved in several alcohol-related cases. At 12:52 a.m. on New Year's Day, police arrested a man for driving while intoxicated, fleeing from a peace officer and resisting arrest. Police reported the man made an illegal turn in the 300 block of W. Bedford, then accelerated so rapidly the tires spun on his 1979 Ford F-150 pickup. Police took 15 beers from the pickup.

A Dimmitt man was jailed for driving while intoxicated on New

Year's Eve. The man was stopped by officers in the 700 block of E. Halsell at 9:38 p.m. Friday. Police took eight, 12 oz. cans of beer from the man's pickup.

A Dimmitt man was arrested for driving while intoxicated and for contributing to the delinquency of a minor in an arrest New Year's Eve at 11:42 p.m. He was stopped by Dimmitt police in the 600 block of E. Dulin.

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We are especially grateful to the home health care nurses, to Dr. Bill Lee, to the nurses and staff of Plains Memorial Hospital, and to the members of the Lee Street Baptist Church whom she loved dearly.

For all the cards, visits, flowers and other expressions of friendship and concern, we will always be grateful. Thank you and God bless you.

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# Obituaries

## Carrie Barden

Carrie Barden, 98, of Dimmitt died Dec. 21, 1993.

Services were Dec. 23 at Earth Church of Christ with Danny Sneed, minister, officiating.

Burial was in Springlake Cemetery by Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home in Earth.

Mrs. Barden was born March 31, 1895, in Pocahontas, Ark. She married Claude C. Barden on Nov. 16, 1919, in Pocahontas. He died on March 8, 1986. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include three sons, Dean of Greeley, Colo., and Jerry and Sam, both of Springlake; two daughters, Arwilda Harrington of Greeley and Sue Hollingsworth of Hereford; 17 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

## Thelma Bull

Thelma Bull, 87, of Dimmitt, died Friday.

Services were Monday at Ivey Chapel at Foskey Funeral Home with the Rev. Paul Kenley, pastor of First Baptist Church of Dimmitt, officiating. Burial was in Castro Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Bull was born April 3, 1906 at Wichita Falls. She moved to Dimmitt in 1940. She married Earl Alvin Bull on July 8, 1927 in Wichita Falls. He died April 8, 1991. She was a Baptist and a homemaker.

Survivors include three sons, David Bull of Plainview, Larry Bull of Lubbock and Alvin Malone of Hereford; a daughter, Patsy Hudman of Dimmitt; a sister, Delvina Pearson of Ozona; 17 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials to Castro Memorial Gardens, PO Box 452, Dimmitt.

## Licha Castillo

Licha Castillo, 84, of Spur, died Dec. 27, 1993 in Crosbyton.

Mass was Thursday in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spur with the Rev. William Brennen officiating. Burial

was in Spur Memorial Cemetery by Campbell Funeral Home.

Mrs. Castillo married Mancho Castillo on July 26, 1936 in Georgetown. He died on July 30, 1989. She was a homemaker and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Cursillista and the Guadalupanas.

Survivors include two sons, Cruz of Spur and Joe of Silverton; four daughters, Amelia Castro of Ralls, Bebe Galindo of Dimmitt and Mary Molina and Dominga Vasquez, both of Spur; a brother, Louis Montemayor of Liberty Hill; a sister, Lidao Montemayor of Taylor; 41 grandchildren; and 38 great-grandchildren.

## Raul Enriquez

Raul Enriquez, 55, of Boynton Beach, Fla., died Dec. 19, 1993.

Services were Dec. 23, 1993 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Brownsville with the Rev. Ruben Lozano, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Villa Nueva Cemetery by Trevino Funeral Home.

Mr. Enriquez was born June 23, 1938 in Brownsville. He lived in Brownsville most of his life. He moved to Florida in 1985.

Survivors include his daughter, Udelia Loa of Boynton Beach; four stepdaughters, Egnacia Sanchez, Rosa Sanchez and Maria Teresa Sanchez, all of Boynton Beach, and Maria De La Cruz of Atlanta, Ga.; two stepsons, Ramon Sanchez and Luciano Sanchez, both of Boynton Beach; two brothers, Reyes Enriquez of Brownsville and Rafael Enriquez of Dimmitt; and two grandchildren.

## George Hudson

George L. Hudson, 77, of Dimmitt, died Sunday.

Services were Tuesday at 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church with the Rev. Paul Kenley, pastor, the Rev. Ron Redding, pastor of Lee Street Baptist Church, and Alan Steidle officiating. Burial followed in West Park Cemetery in Hereford by Foskey Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Hudson was born April 16, 1916 in Anadarko, Okla. He married Barbara Conway on Nov. 19, 1938 in Erick Okla. Mr. Hudson moved to Dimmitt from Hereford in 1961. He was manager of Big T Pump Co. in Dimmitt for 36 years, and a member of Lee Street Baptist Church, where he was a deacon for 32 years.

Survivors include his son, Bobby Hudson of Waco; four daughters, Sunny Brush of Plainview, Jean Fillpot of San Angelo, Alona Hagberg of Lubbock, and Donna Newton of Dimmitt; a brother, Harvey Hudson of Alvin; 13 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Jay Fillpot, Steve Brush, Clint Birdwell, Dagon Newton, Rick Lee and Gary Don Conway. Honorary pallbearers were Doyle Underwood, Chalres Summers, Charles Doss, Pete Stewart, Henry Morrison, Joe Wall and Kenneth Malone.

The family requests memorials to the American Lung Association.

## Artie Jennings

Artie Jennings, 85, of Lubbock, died Saturday.

Services were Monday in First Baptist Church of Morton with the Rev. Danny Jackson officiating. Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery by Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Jennings was born in Caney, Okla. She moved to Lubbock in 1984 from Morton. She married Bert LaRue Jennings in 1928 at Elk City, Okla. He died in 1978. She was a Sunday School teacher and a member of First Baptist Church for several years. She worked for five years at Morton Hospital. A son, Curtis Wayne Jennings, died in 1974.

Survivors include a son, Melton Jennings of Medford, Ore.; three daughters, Jean Padgett of Lubbock, Gwen Sniiker of Hart and Lois Hogan of Burleson; three brothers, Charlie Melton and George Melton, both of Klamath Falls, Ore., and Cecil Melton of Iowa Park; three sisters, Gladys Kellum of Oakland, Ore., Lorene Archie of Millerton, Okla., and Wanda Berryhill of Antlers, Okla.; and

several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorial be to First Baptist Church in Morton or to a favorite charity.

## Hubert Spraberry

Graveside services for Hubert "Hub" Spraberry, 95, of Brownwood, brother of Una Ward of Dimmitt, were held Friday at Littlefield Memorial Park with Eric Dickey officiating.

Mr. Spraberry died at 11:02 p.m. Dec. 28 at Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

He was born Aug. 8, 1898 in Texas. He lived in Whitharral from 1942 to 1965, then lived in Dimmitt, Littlefield and Plainview before moving to Brownwood.

He married Arline Owen. She died in 1980. He served in the National Guard during World War II. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Church of Christ.

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culum requirements, fine arts/vocational/homemaking needs of many students and continuation of a move toward local control of our schools.

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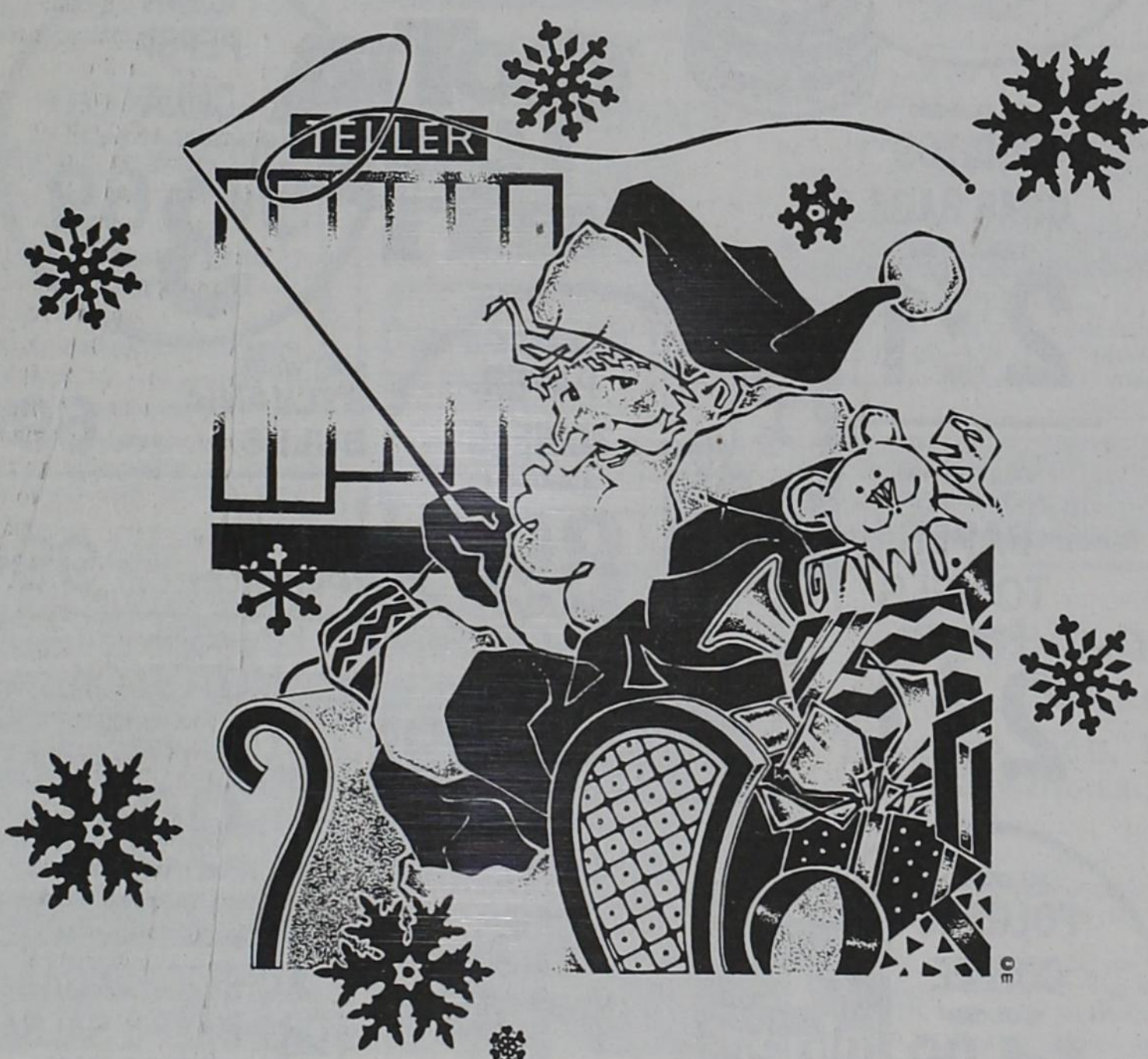


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### Espy, Willie Nelson to attend AAM meet

**LUBBOCK** — The 1994 American Agriculture Movement convention will be held in Lubbock Jan 13-16 and with featured speakers tentatively to include Ag Secretary Mike Espy and Farm Aid president Willie Nelson.

Along with discussions of the 1995 Farm Bill, the group will hold workshops on ag issues.

**SPEAKERS AND** workshops are scheduled for Friday, Jan. 14, and Saturday, Jan. 15, beginning at 9 a.m.

Joining Espy and Nelson on the program will be Texas Speaker of the House Pete Laney, FmHA State Director George Ellis and Harold Bob Bennett, Hart farmer and state director of ASCS.

Other speakers include: David Senter of Senter and Associates, Washington, D.C. He is a former national coordinator for AAM in Washington; Larry Mitchell, former director of state and federal regulations for AAM and recently named to direct the National Farmer's Union in Washington; and Gary Goldburg, national president of American Corn Growers.

**WORKSHOPS WILL** include subjects such as financial planning, ostrich breeding and a panel dis-

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### New year, new crop ahead

Ray Gant, busy plowing corn ground for rotation into cotton this year, says his 1993 cotton was almost a career best. Cotton yield was 931 pounds, or nearly two bales per acre, slightly below the two-bale record he set on his farm near Aiken in 1991. Quality of his HS200 was also excellent.

## 'Farm Survival' is topic of corn meeting

Special to AgReview

**DIMITT** — The future of production agriculture and ongoing USDA structuring will be key topics of discussion at the 21st annual meeting of the Texas Corn Growers Association Wednesday.

The meeting will be highlighted by panel discussions and begins at 8

a.m. in the Castro County Exposition Building in Dimmitt.

Carl King, TCGA president and Texas Corn Producers Board executive director, discussed the theme of the meeting, "Can Farmers Survive Now?"

With the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), and more recently the signing of the Gen-

eral Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), corn farmers will undoubtedly face some confusing marketing situations," King said.

"And with questions about the future use of irrigation, the environment and farm management issues, corn production itself will likely be altered in the future. This meeting should help give growers a better understanding of how the future will affect them."

Guest speaker will be Texas House Speaker Pete Laney of Hale Center. Gary

Goldberg, president of the American Corn Growers Association, will be another key speaker.

The first of two panel discussions will include Lois Wales, a TCPB director, who will serve as moderator.

David Senter, a private agricultural consultant from Washington will join Corky Jones, a Nebraska corn farmer; Harvey Joe Sanner, Arkansas farmer and executive vice president of the American Agri-

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**BELTWISE COTTON CONFERENCE** — Annual cotton meet to discuss the state of the industry will be held in the San Diego, Calif., Marriott Hotel and Marina.

Jan. 11

**HALE COUNTY SOIL FERTILITY MEET** — Morning meeting at Ollie Liner Center concludes with a noon meal.

Jan. 12

**LUBBOCK COTTON AND CONSERVATION TILLAGE MEET** — Annual gathering of Lubbock County farmers to discuss conservation efforts.

Jan. 10-11

**IRRIGATION CONFERENCE** — A two-day conference and trade show sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association and the A&M Extension Service will include discussion of critical issues impacting irrigated agriculture.

Monday begins with a session on energy regulations. Tuesday highlights a program on ag commodities with a morning session devoted to peanuts, corn and sugar beets and afternoon program on cotton, wheat and grain sorghum. Information is available from Leon New at 359-5401.

## Irrigation conference Monday draws widest audience ever

By PAMELA DILLARD  
A&M Extension Journalist

**AMARILLO** -- The annual irrigation conference for High Plains growers and equipment dealers has been around for more than two decades according to Leon New, Extension Service irrigation specialist and conference chairman.

But this year the conference takes on a new look.

"The-1994 conference will be quite different because we're encompassing all of Texas and going out to other states as well," said New.

**THE IRRIGATION** Conference and Trade Show, sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will be held at the Amarillo Civic Center on Monday and Tuesday.

The expanded program includes two full days of seminars and workshops and a much larger trade show, according to Mike Stephens, TAIA president from Lubbock.

"We are targeting a much wider audience ranging from the Texas agricultural producer and equipment dealer to their counterparts in five neighboring states with some dealers coming from as far away as Minnesota and North Dakota," said Stephens.

**REP. PETE LANEY**, Texas House speaker, will deliver the keynote address at Tuesday's noon luncheon. Bob Givens, KGNC agribusiness news director and popular host of "Agribusiness News at Noon", will broadcast his show live during both days of the conference. More than 75 industry equipment and service vendors will be on hand for the trade show.

New said the concurrent sessions will run both days and provide indepth programs on innovations in chemigation, business management, marketing, and state and federal regulations -- all of which have application for producers and dealers.

"On Tuesday, we are placing a heavy emphasis on six major commodities, including corn, grain sorghum, wheat, peanuts, sugar beets and cotton. All six commodities are further repre-

ented by individual grower associations which co-sponsor this year's conference", New said.

**RESEARCH SCIENTISTS** will brief producers on current research in short season and dryland corn production, breeding programs, crop physiology, managing production, and marketing. Three CEUs may be earned by participants on Monday and four on Tuesday.

Other supporting hosts, including KGNC-Radio, are the Texas Corn Producers Board, Texas Peanut Producers Board, Texas Wheat Producers, Texas Sugar Beet Growers Association, Texas Grain Sorghum Producers, and Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

All conference sessions including the annual TAL awards banquet are open to everyone. There is no charge to attend and participants will pay only for meals. Cost of the noon meal is \$10 on Monday and \$15 on Tuesday. TAIA banquet meal ticket price is \$15 per person.

For more information, contact Leon New at (806) 359-5401 or your local irrigation dealer and county extension agent.

## Cattle prices in '93 a pleasant surprise

A year ago, expectations were for lower cattle prices in 1993. 1992 had been a year of lower prices as cattle numbers had begun to slowly increase.

A that time, 1992 prices for 700-800 pound feeder steers had dropped \$5.97 per hundredweight (cwt.) from the record prices received in 1991. Feeder calf prices also dropped substantially from 1991 to 1992. For example, 400-500 pound feeder steer calf prices fell from an all time annual average high of \$106.29 cwt. in 1991 to an average of \$97.72 in 1992.

Cattle herds had continued to expand during 1992. U.S. cattlemen would be facing larger supplies of feeder cattle and calves in 1993. Consequently, most people were expecting lower prices in 1993. That did not happen, in fact cattlemen experienced a "wind-fall" year in 1993.

The severe winter of 1993 disrupted marketings and lowered feedlot cattle weight gains and total U.S.

beef production. Those impacts affected the 1993 market at least through June.

Fed cattle prices averaged \$80.68 cwt. in the Texas Panhandle through the first half of 1993. This price strength boosted 500-600 pound feeder steer prices to a \$94.66 cwt. average, nearly \$5 cwt. over the same period in 1992. The greatest price strength came in the heavier weight feeder cattle as the demand for feeding cattle increased. Through the first half of 1993, 700-800 pound feeder steer prices averaged \$85.35 cwt., \$6 cwt. above 1992's



### LIVESTOCK MARKET UPDATE

Dr. Ernie Davis

prices.

Amarillo fed cattle prices averaged \$77.43 cwt. through the first week in December, up from an average of \$75.72 cwt. in 1992. This was a 2.3 percent increase over last year's average, and a 3.2 percent increase over the 5-year average from 1988-1992.

Amarillo 700-800 pound feeder steer prices averaged \$84.94 cwt. during 1993, up \$4.33 cwt. from 1992. 1993 prices were \$2.50 cwt. above the 5-year average (1988-1992) of \$82.44 cwt.

Amarillo 400-500 pound feeder steer calf prices

averaged \$103.04 cwt. during 1993, a 5.2 percent increase above the average price of \$97.97 cwt. received in 1992. Again, these higher prices were stimulated by the increased demand to feed cattle, driven by the higher prices received for fed cattle during the first half of 1993. 1993 calf prices were \$3.21 cwt. above the 5-year average of \$99.83 cwt.

Unlike the feeder cattle and calf markets, slaughter cow markets saw prices erode during 1993. Utility 2-3 cows averaged \$48.39 cwt. at the San Angelo market. This was \$0.78 cwt. less than the 1992

average price of \$49.17 cwt. The lower slaughter cow prices were caused by the increased marketings of slaughter cows, both dairy and beef, during 1993. Through October of 1993, cow slaughter was 5 percent greater for the same period in 1992.

The 1993 cattle prices were welcomed by cattlemen, but unfortunately probably sent wrong signals to the industry. For this particular cattle cycle of inventory numbers that began in 1989, cattle and calf prices probably reached their peaks in 1991.

Should 1994 experience a more normal winter, fed and feeder cattle prices are not expected to be as high as those received in 1993. In fact the price adjustments could push fed and feeder cattle averages below those received in 1992.

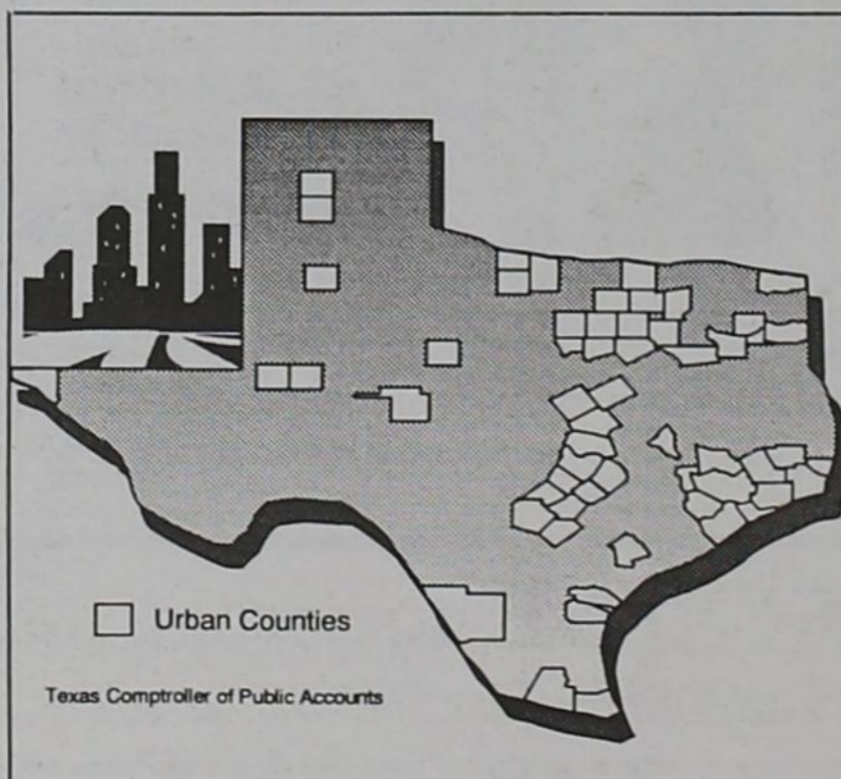
There are two primary reasons for this outlook. One, beef supplies should be higher in 1994 even with

smaller corn supplies. Two, the expected higher corn prices should put pressure on feeder cattle prices, especially the lighter weight feeder cattle and calves that would require more grain to reach finished weights and conditions.

Texas Panhandle fed cattle prices averaged just over \$77 cwt. in 1993. Fed cattle prices for 1994 could average closer to \$74.50 cwt. Feeder steer prices for those in the 500 600 pound weight group averaged \$93 cwt. in 1993 and could drop off to an \$86 cwt. average in 1994.

During 1993, total commercial red meat production was 40.5 billion pounds, down slightly from 1992. Commercial poultry production increased from 26.4 billion pounds in 1992 to 27.5 billion in 1993.

(Dr. Ernie Davis, Livestock Marketing Specialist with the Texas A&M Extension Service, is an authority on the livestock markets.)



### More Urban, Still Rural

- ◆ Eighty-two percent of Texans (13.9 million) now live in metropolitan areas.
- ◆ In 1993, nine Texas counties were added to the state's 27 metropolitan areas.
- ◆ Texas has more metro areas than any other state but is also the second most rural state in total rural population.
- ◆ Twenty percent of the Texas population is rural, but they live on 80 percent of the land.



# Texas pecan crop sees bumper year

By BEVERLY BUNDY

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FORT WORTH — Jerry Nance is itching to get cracking.

As general manager of Ellis Pecan Co., Nance can't wait to have a go at the nut crop, particularly since early predictions are that this year's yield may be the largest in history.

Ellis has been shelling pecans for more than 50 years on Fort Worth's north side.

THE COMPANY buys whole nuts in the shell ('from growers, harvesters and families who've picked up 50 pounds while they're out on a picnic'), and then cracks, peels and packages the meat for supermarkets. Ellis markets its nuts, always under its own name, in the 48 contiguous states with the bulk of its sales in Texas and bordering neighbors.

The problem is that Mother Nature isn't cooperating. Earlier this year, she gave pecan trees ideal weather for a stellar crop — a wet spring and cool, dry winds in mid-September. But pecans need a mid-November frost to enable the green hulls to turn black and release the nut inside.

THIS YEAR THAT freeze came in late October, probably damaging 10 to 15 percent of the crop by

"gluing" the hull to the shell. But because the crop is so large, that loss shouldn't take much of a toll. Now shellers are waiting for the trees to release their mature crop.

Nance predicts that there may be as many of 400 million pounds of pecans harvested this year, compared to 166 million last year — the worst crop in 25 years.

"Consumers will probably start seeing prices go down in the supermarket around the first or the middle of December," Nance said.

The pecans shoppers are seeing on supermarket shelves now are from the 1992-93 crop. Nance says that is one of the marvels of pecans.

"PECANS (WHOLE OR SHELLED) will keep in the freezer for two years and in the refrigerator for six to seven months," Nance said. "We store our nuts in a cooler and ship them to stores with a six-months expiration date."

Expired nuts are picked up from stores, re-cleaned and sold to food manufacturers who will roast and salt the nuts for their products. The nuts aren't bad at this point, but are considered only "choice," one step below the best grade of "fancy" or "select."

At this time of the year, though, pecans move off

the shelves so fast that dates don't have time to expire. Nance says that 65 percent to 75 percent of his sales are during the last three months of the year, when home baking heats up. About 40 percent of Ellis' sales is pecan halves, 60 percent is pieces.

THE PECAN BELT stretches southwest from South Carolina to new groves in California, with Texas the second-largest grower behind Georgia. There are about 500 varieties of pecans, but all evolve from the native or "seedling" pecan, the nuts Native Americans so treasured they were used for trade with European settlers.

The native nut is thick-shelled, but over the years

horticulturists have developed thin-shelled nuts with a higher proportion of meat. Many of these thin-shelled nuts have Indian-inspired names like Wichita, Cheyenne, Choctaw and Shawnee.

Ellis Pecan Co. is almost as historic as the nut it shells. Established in 1935 by the Ellis family of Fort Worth, the company was sold two years ago to the Hammons Products Co. of Missouri, the world's largest sheller of Eastern black walnuts.

The following recipes are from the Ellis Pecan Co.

## SIMPLY SUPERB PECAN PIE

(Serves 6-8)  
3 eggs, beaten

1 cup sugar  
1/2 cup dark corn syrup  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
6 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted  
1 1/4 cups chopped pecans or halves  
1 unbaked 9-inch pie crust

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Beat eggs thoroughly with sugar, corn syrup, vanilla and melted butter or margarine. Add pecans.

Pour into unbaked pie shell. Bake for 45 minutes to 1 hour, or until knife inserted halfway between outer crust and center comes out clean.

## CANTALOUPE BASKET

(With honey pecan dressing)

(Serves 4)  
1 cantaloupe, quartered and seeded  
1 cup cut-up fresh fruit (strawberries, bananas or blueberries or a combination)  
1/2 cup large-curd cottage cheese  
1 tablespoon honey  
1 tablespoon fresh orange juice  
1 teaspoon grated orange peel  
1/2 cup chopped pecans

Place cantaloupe quarters on a platter; spoon 1/4 cup of fresh fruit in center of each piece of cantaloupe. Place remaining ingredients, except pecans, in blender or food processor and blend until smooth. Stir in pecans and spoon over cantaloupe and fruit.

## Graddy Tunnell is 'Friend of Extension'

Plainview attorney Graddy Tunnell received the "State Friend of Extension" award in special ceremonies at Texas A&M University recently.

THE AWARD was presented by the Texas Alpha Zeta Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Phi, the national honorary fraternity of Extension Service professionals.

The award is presented annually to outstanding professionals with the Tex-

as Agricultural Extension Service who have provided exemplary leadership to educational programs and

who have used innovative techniques in delivering those programs to various audiences.

Tunnell was honored in 1993 by the Plainview Chamber of Commerce as Man of the Year.

## AAM

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cussion dealing with improving agency and producer relations.

AAM is a grass roots organization representing farmers. Texas AAM will

have a state meeting at 7 p.m. on Jan. 13.

On Friday at 5 p.m. AAM will host a Texas barbecue. Saturday night's entertainment includes a West Texas Oprey performance.

Clifford Hamilton is coordinator for this year's convention.

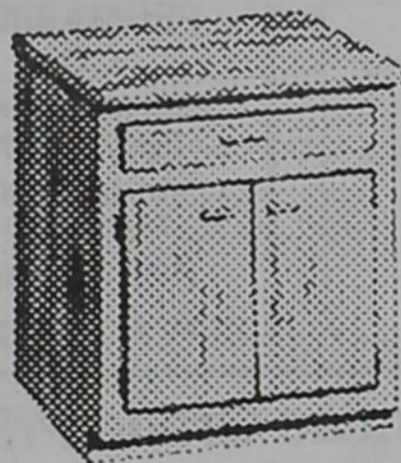
AAM Texas President

Don Kimbrell of Happy commented on issues to be discussed.

"The same problem that has destroyed many family farms and deteriorated communities continues to plague America," Kimbrell said. "Farm prices are out of balance with the cost of production. They buying power of agriculture is not what it should be."

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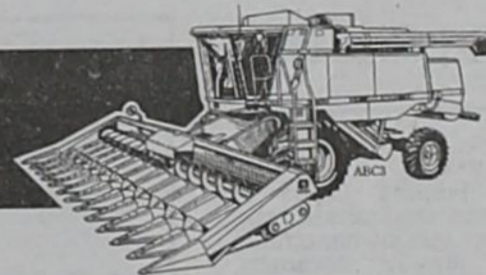
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# ASCS veteran likes working for second busiest U.S. ag office

By GORDON ZEIGLER

AgReview

As anyone who's watched the nation's farm programs over three and a half decades can tell you, there have been plenty of changes.

Ramona Mallow, for one, has been able to watch many of those from a close perspective.

Mrs. Mallow, honored recently for 35 years service to the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, made some observations recently about the natural cycle of things she has witnessed.

"I've seen a lot of farms where grass was planted three different times," she observed.

TWO TIMES, she has seen county grassland acres plowed back up and put back into crops.

"I saw the last of the soil bank. Now, we've been all the way through a second program, the Cropland Adjustment Program or CAP," she explained. "Now, since 1986, we've put it back in CRP."

The programs she helped administer were all aimed at taking land out of production and, by putting grass on it, attempting to raise the price of what farmers grow rather than having excess commodities.

She first joined the office, then known only as ASC, in 1956. Manager at that time was John Martin. ASC was located at 6th and Ash Streets. From there, the office was moved to 5th and Quincy in 1962.

SHE SAID IT DIDN'T take her long to realize that Hale County had one of the busiest ASCS offices in the state — due to the diversity of crops in the region.

In fact, at a recent statewide meeting, Hale County was publicly recognized as having been rated the second busiest office in the United States.

"We have all the crops — wheat, corn, grain sorghum, soybeans, sunflowers, sugar beets," she said. "We have a little bit of everything, we even have wool and honey programs."

Mrs. Mallow is one of 17 employees at the Hale County ASCS. If you add her

experience and that of some fellow veterans, there is more than 100 years combined experience in the office.

Other longtime employees include Eva Seely, 37 years; and Susie Wyatt, Debbie Balk, Marilyn Gary, Tory Gilliland and Minnie Cerda, each 10 years.

IN ALL HER YEARS, she says she has enjoyed her association with the farming public — the ASCS here has about 1,800 farm clients at present.

"There is not anyone more cooperative to work for than our farmers," she said.

One of the most memorable experiences in her career so far was a near-disaster when the ASCS office, then located at 5th and Quincy, burned along with an adjoining grocery store in 1970.

"All the maps were burned," she recalls. "But all the farmers were very cooperative in bringing us their own maps so we could recover the records."

THE ASC was later located in the Haynes Building, and later in Winchester Plaza before new offices were built in 1992 near Ennis and Southwest Third.

Three have served as County Executive Directors since she started — Martin, Pat Guy (who came on board from 1972 until he became a district director in 1986) and now Jack London.

She has worked in all departments of ASCS, spending a considerable amount of time in compliance and loans.

"There have been so many changes in the past 35 years it has been unbelievable," she said. "We used to use chains to measure the land."

Now we fly the county twice a year, taking aerial photos.

ASCS EMPLOYEES NOW use a viewing machine which utilizes the color slides to compute, almost instantaneously, the crop acreages of field plots.

"These new methods save us 50 percent of the time or more," she says.

Born and raised in Kress (she grew up in Center Plains west of Kress), she graduated from Kress High School. She is the daughter of the late George and Edna Rousser.

She has two sons. Gary, a surgical nurse at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock and wife Zandra have two sons, Chad, a pharmacy student in Weatherford, Okla., and Neil, a sophomore at Texas Tech. Greg, an employee at the USDA Agricultural Research lab in Lubbock and wife, Brenda, have two daughters, Amanda and Ashley, both students in Lubbock schools.

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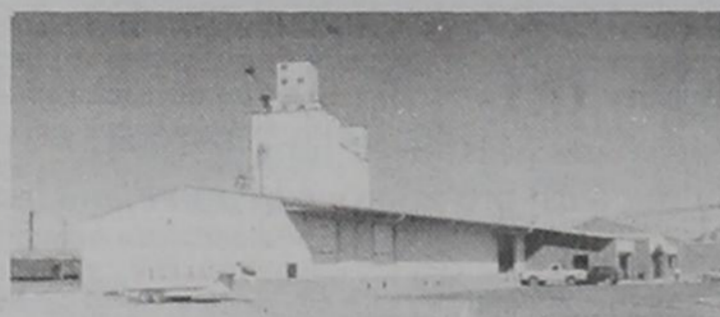
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# Fort Worth hopes to land Cowgirl Hall of Fame

FORT WORTH (AP) — Already billed as "Cowtown" and the point "where the West begins," Fort Worth officials say their city is the perfect home for yet another Western attraction — the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame and Western Heritage Center.

"It's a natural," said Hub Baker, general manager of the Cowtown Coliseum and the organizer of a

team group trying to woo the museum to the city's Stockyards historic district. The 19-year-old museum, which keeps alive the spirit of western women such as Annie Oakley and pioneer Mary Ann Goodnight, is looking for a new home because it has outgrown its site in Hereford, 50 miles southwest of Amarillo.

Fort Worth is among about a dozen Texas towns

and cities in four other states vying for the facility.

Anne W. Marion, owner of the 6666 Ranch about 75 miles east of Lubbock, and billionaire Ed Bass are among the leaders of the Fort Worth bid.

The Chamber of Commerce's economic development department has joined the hunt by putting together a packaged sales pitch and letters from the mayor and

City Council. One possible site is an 81-year-old, red-brick horse and mule barn in the Stockyards national historic district just north of downtown, which is an increasingly visible tourist attraction with its historic atmosphere, shops and attractions that include Billy Bob's, the world's largest honky tonk. Another enticement is the chance to expand the

annual Cowtown Cowgirl Classic Rodeo from a three-day event to a weeklong festival capped by induction ceremonies into the Cowgirl Hall of Fame, Baker said.

"I don't know any city or site that's going to compare with what the Stockyards has to offer — not only with its 1.3 million visitors a year but with the authenticity of the surrounding western lifes-

tyle," said rodeo broadcaster Shelly Burmeister, a Cowgirl Hall of Fame member.

Margaret Formby, the hall's founder and director, has asked for written proposals by the middle of next month.

Cities in Kansas, Oklahoma, Wyoming and New Mexico have expressed interest in attracting the heritage center.

## 'Ogallala' shows why water went underground, how much is left

Special to AgReview

"Irrigation is as old as civilization; it is one of humanity's great historical innovations," writes John Opie in "Ogallala: Water for a Dry Land." But today the future of irrigation farming is under scrutiny.

The Ogallala aquifer, a vast store of underground water reserves extending

from South Dakota through Texas, is the product of eons of accumulated glacial melts, ancient Rocky Mountain snow melts, and rainfall. Irrigation of the aquifer has allowed the former Dust Bowl to prosper, but recent concern about the depletion of the aquifer has thrown the region's continued prosperity into

### BOOK REVIEW

**Title:** *Ogallala: Water for a Dry Land*  
**Author:** John Opie  
**Publisher:** University of Nebraska Press

question. In his new book, "Ogallala: Water for a Dry Land," John Opie uses history as a foundation for

plotting the area's future. Focusing on the aquifer, he vividly portrays the south-central plains — its natural resources, its history, and the remarkable irrigation technologies that revolutionized its farming.

Opie then describes the operations, insights, and fragile hopes of several irrigation-farming families who have lived and worked successfully on the High Plains since the 1950s — two in southwest Kansas, and another in Texas County, Okla. He also recounts state and local efforts in groundwater management, using as examples the Texas High Plains District #1, the Southwest and Northwest Kansas Districts #3 and #4, and the Oklahoma Water Resource Board. In doing so, he illustrates that the aquifer is not merely a local resource, nor simply a regional treasure: its influence is felt in farming, food and trade at the national and international levels and its careful management should be undertaken accordingly.

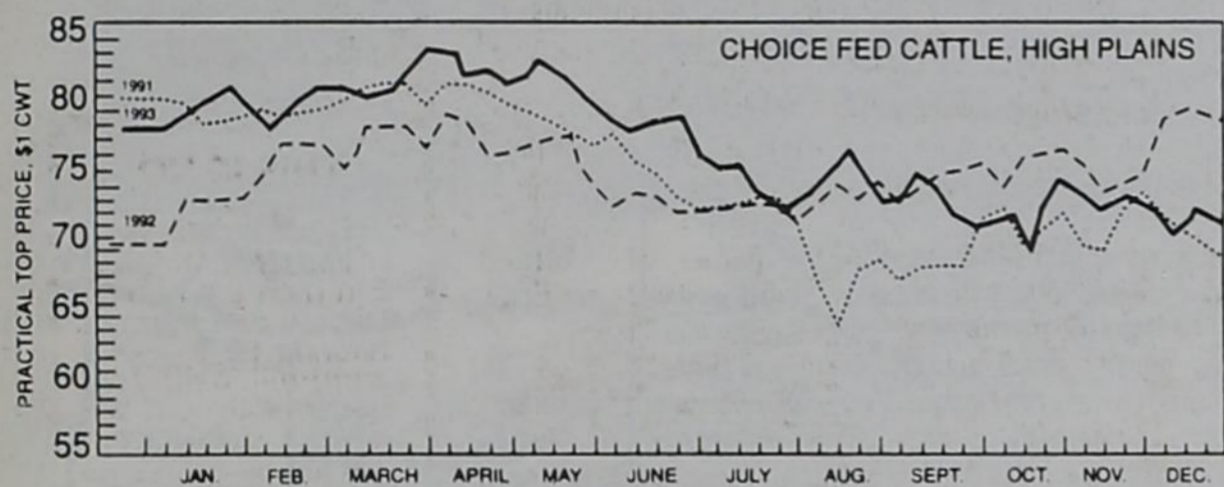
Opie concludes by describing an alternative-crop, reduced-irrigation farm in Haskell County, Kan., and by examining how sustainable agriculture could work to preserve the Ogallala aquifer for future generations.

John Opie is founding editor of "Environmental History Review." His other books include "The Law of the Land: Two Hundred Years of American Farm-

land Policy" (University of Nebraska Press, 1987).

Published earlier this year, "Ogallala" is the first book in the series "Our

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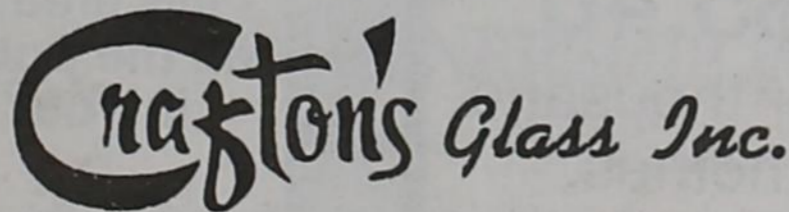
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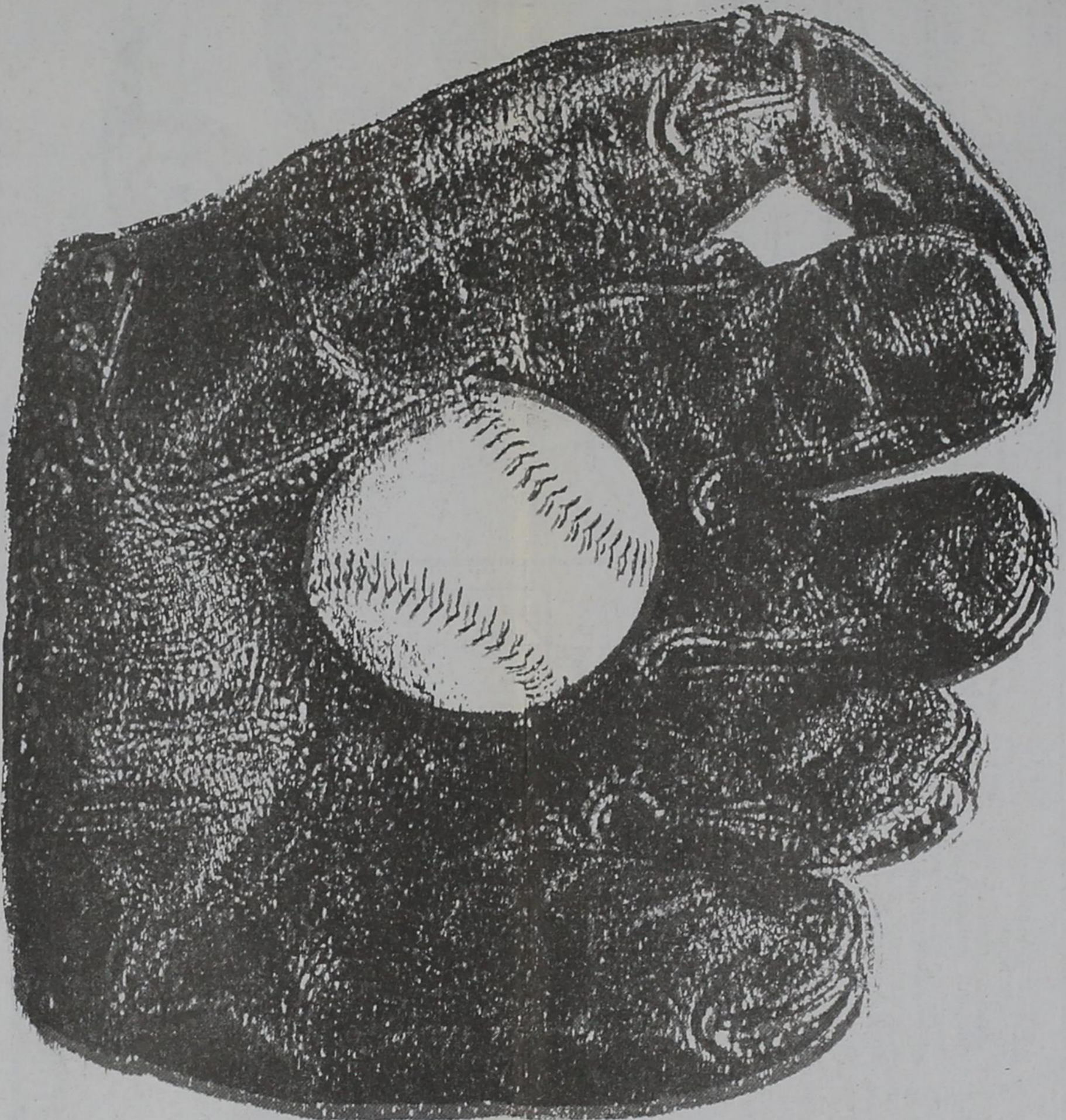
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# Corn sweeteners play widened role in food industry

By JENNIFER LOVEN

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The use of corn sweetener in food and beverages is on the rise, exceeding the use of cane and beet sugar for the eighth consecutive year, the Agriculture Department reported.

U.S. corn sweetener pro-

duction uses between 7 and 10 percent of annual corn crops — and is expected to increase. As a sign of the industry's growing significance, the report is the first published by USDA to compile all data on corn sweetener trends in one place.

The 10 U.S. companies that manufacture the sweeteners use well over 600

million bushels of corn each year — producing more than 10 million tons of the sugary flavoring — at 21 facilities in 11 states, according to the "U.S. Corn Sweetener Statistical Compendium."

Corn is abundantly available in the United States at relatively low costs. And the wet-milling process used to turn the corn into a flavoring

bears corn gluten feed and meal and corn oil, which can be resold by the manufacturer.

Because of this, it is much cheaper to produce sweetener in the United States than cane or beet sugar, the department said.

Use of corn sweetener in fiscal 1993 was up more than three percent from the year

before, to about 10.1 million tons. Two-thirds of that is high fructose corn syrup, used primarily in drinks. Glucose and dextrose — used in commercially prepared foods — account for the rest.

The report said an expansion in trade could take advantage of increased pro-

duction. Because of high sugar prices in Canada, the United States' major sweetener trading partner, imports still exceed exports, the report found.

Production for fiscal year 1994 are expected to rise an additional 1.7 percent, with prices remaining steady or a little higher.

# More women, less men are leasing out land

By ROBERT GREEN

AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farmers today are more likely to rent land than they once were, and the odds are greater that the landlord may be a woman.

A recent study by the Agriculture Department found a growing trend among farmers to lease land, combining owned and rented land in a farming operation. In the past, leasing was seen as a step toward full ownership.

By leasing, farmers can

quickly expand or contract their operations. Cash from the rent can be used to pay for operations.

Forty-five percent of all agricultural land was leased in 1988. And 41 percent of farmers operated some leased land.

Tenant farmers, those who leased all the land they operated, accounted for only 12 percent of all operators in 1988, compared with 39 percent in 1940.

The farm population has been steadily aging as well. Fewer people have taken up

agriculture, with newcomers unable to replace the steady number of farmers who have abandoned the land.

Because women often outlive men, the number of

women owning and leasing out farmland has been increasing, USDA researchers said. Women control 40 percent of the privately held farmland being rented out.

## CORN

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culture Movement; Larry Mitchell, a Washington ag consultant; and Dr. Steve Amosson, area economist for the A&M Extension Service in Amarillo.

The group will discuss the main facets of corn production and production agriculture in general. They will also take ample time to answer questions from anyone attending the meeting.

Restructuring of USDA will be another topic of discussion, since there is confusion about the shift of responsibilities within the

ASCS, FmHA and other USDA branches.

Panel members on that topic will include King, moderator; Grant Buntrock, national ASCS administrator in Washington; Ray Joe Riley, chairman of the Texas State ASCS Committee; Harold Bob Bennett, State ASCS executive director; and George Ellis, Texas State FmHA director.

The afternoon session will be highlighted by reports on corn research results, and two CEU credits will be available. Dr. Brent Bean, Amarillo area A&M agronomist, will discuss new short season corns. Eddie Bynum, a

TAEX research assistant, will discuss the potential for mite resistant corn hybrids. Dr. Pat Morrison, TAEX Lubbock area entomologist, will provide an update on additional insect research results, including the potential for receiving a conditional clearance for use of Capture miticide.

High frequency deficit irrigation for corn will be examined by Dr. Leon New, A&M extension

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The status of the TCPB and report on its 1994 budget will be discussed by TCPB Chairman Bert Williams.

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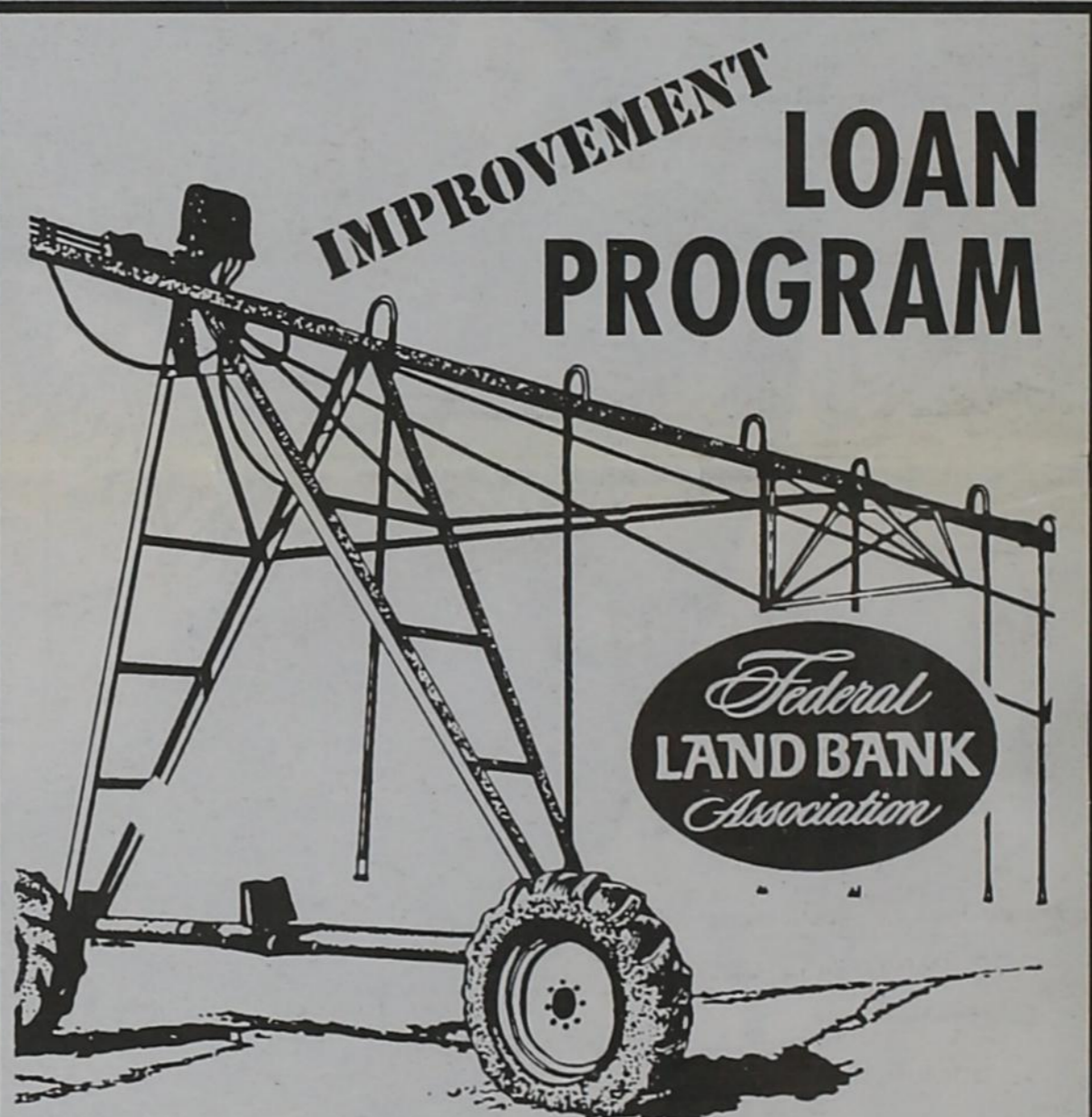
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