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Pheasant season to open in snow



GROUND BREAKING CEREMONIES for the new Dimmitt Senior Citizens Housing, Ltd., were held Friday morning. The new housing project will be for senior citizens with qualifying income. On hand for the ceremony were City Alderman Jack

Thompson, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Delores Heller, Mayor Wayne Collins, owners Dick Sorrell and Jack Sanders, City Manager Reeford Burrous and Garland Coleman.

Construction begins on new senior citizens housing project

Senior Citizens in Castro County will soon have the option of moving into a retirement home on NW Fifth Street.

S&S Properties out of San Marcos, owned by Dick Sorrell and Jack Sanders, a former Hart resident, is in the process of constructing a 24-unit complex in northwest Dimmitt that will be rented out to qualifying Senior Citizens based on the individual's income.

The project, known as Dimmitt Senior Citizens Housing, Ltd., is being undertaken along guidelines established by the Farmers Home Administrations 515 Housing Program, according to Sorrell. According to FmHA regulations, the project has to be constructed in a rural area with population under 20,000. Dimmitt was a perfect candidate for the housing project "because the area doesn't have one," Sorrell said.

"The demand is better here because the people want something like this. Where we are (in San Marcos) there just isn't much that hasn't already been developed or

where we could afford to build it. You really have to get in smaller areas," Sorrell said.

The project is constructed in a horseshoe design like a cul-de-sac with ten buildings including one office and a community center. Of the 24 units under construction, 20 are one bedroom, one bath; and four are two bedrooms and one bath. 10 acres has been reserved for the project, and the first phase, which is now under construction, sits on four acres. The first phase of the project covers 21,000 square feet.

"All of the units are carpeted, have central heat and air conditioning, storm doors and windows, complete kitchens and washer and dryer connections. A security system is also featured in all units," Sorrell said.

Only senior citizens (62 years of age and older) on Social Security who qualify will be accepted as residents of the complex. Rent for each unit will be based on income, with most units renting for "low to moderate cost," according to Sor-

rell. Applications for renters are not being accepted yet, and no names can be taken now, according to Sorrell.

"Before we can accept any applications, we have to reach a certain period in the construction of the building. From what I've heard, we've had lots and lots of calls about the project already. When we do take applications, it will be on a first-come basis," he said.

Sorrell and Sanders started work on the project here two years ago and are now beginning to see their project "rise."

"We're right on schedule now. We're just where we want to be," Sorrell said. "We're just pouring the slabs now, and if we can get that finished the weather won't hold us up too much."

Sorrell said the projected completion date for the project is March 1.

Chamber membership meeting set

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce will elect four board members at its annual membership meeting tonight (Thursday) at 7.

Nominated for director positions this year are Acie Boyd, Harry Jones, Gary Ross, Reta Welch, Wally Wallace and incumbents Don Nelson, Carol Schroeder and Bob Towler. Elected board members serve a three-year term and may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

All members are encouraged to attend and are urged to vote in the election of directors. Absentee voting will be held at the Chamber office, 115 West Bedford.

A financial statement and 1989 budget will be presented to the membership. One minute committee reports will be given as an update on the year. Members will take part in a brain-storming and goal setting session as plans are made for the 1989-90 program of work.

Hunters from several states will invade the county's fields, lake bottoms and fence rows Saturday in search of the colorful king of game birds, the ringneck pheasant.

Fields are expected to be covered with snow on opening weekend following midweek snowfalls and the prospect of more Saturday. But the National Weather Service in Lubbock said this storm isn't expected to be nearly as disastrous as the one that dumped 16-18 inches of snow here on the second day of the season last year.

The season opens 30 minutes before sunrise Saturday, and legal shooting hours end 30 minutes after sunset each day. Daily bag limit is two cock pheasants, and the possession limit is four. The season runs through Christmas day—two full weeks and three weekends.

The number of hunters coming in for opening weekend, as well as the number of adult roosters available, are both expected to be down this season.

"The oil companies and other corporations that used to lease land for hunting haven't been doing it as much this year because of economic conditions," County Agent Seth Ralston said. "That holds true for deer leases downstate, too."

Most of this year's visiting hunters are in private parties, leasing on an individual basis, land owners report.

David Dvorak of Lubbock, a biologist with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept., said hunters should expect to find the pheasant population down substantially from last year.

That's despite a big snowfall on the second day of the season last year that virtually stopped the hunt for the first week, and continued bad weather that favored the pheasants throughout last season.

"The census indicates a decrease in the pheasant population throughout the Panhandle overall, including in Castro County," Dvorak said.

He blamed unfavorable weather conditions during the year—a dry spell during hatching season, spring and summer hail storms, etc.—for the decrease in the pheasant population.

"It's difficult to say, but I think it will be an average year at best," Dvorak predicted.

Still, there are plenty of the wily birds out there and, as Bob Reed of the Hart Lions Club said, "If a guy can shoot straight, he ought to be able to get some."

Shotgun Shells?

Dimmitt was in the embarrassing position of not having a store where hunters could find an ample supply of shotgun shells until Thriftway Supermarket and Dimmitt Market ordered some in this week.

"We're stocking 100 boxes for opening weekend," Thriftway Manager Doug Pybus said. "We're just trying to provide a service during the season; it's not something we stock all the time."

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce also will have shotgun shells

available at the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club's annual Pheasant Hunters' Breakfast Saturday morning.

Other stores in the county that have shells available are:

DIMMITT—Red X Travel Center.

NAZARETH—Joe's Beer and Wine, three miles north of town, open 7 a.m. to midnight Saturday and noon to midnight Sunday; Home Mercantile, open 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday and 9 to 12 noon Sunday.

HART—Ed Harris Lumber Co., open from 7:30 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday; Hart Auto, open 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday; Tole Auto Parts, open 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Hunting Licenses

The only place in Dimmitt where hunting licenses are available is the county clerk's office in the courthouse. The office will be open from 8 to 5 Thursday and Friday, and will be closed Saturday.

Hunting licenses also are available at Hart Auto and Ed Harris Lumber Co. in Hart, at Home Mercantile in Nazareth and at Joe's Beer & Wine, three miles north of Nazareth.

Prices are \$10 for a resident hunting license; \$6 for a special resident hunting license (for those under 17 or 65 and older); \$200 for a general non-resident hunting license; \$75 for a special non-resident license (valid for small game only, including pheasant); and \$25 for a non-resident five-day special hunting license.

Hunters' Meals

DIMMITT KIWANIS CLUB will serve its annual Pheasant Hunters' Breakfast from 5:30 to 8 a.m. Saturday in the County Expo Building. Scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits, gravy, coffee and orange juice will be served at \$4 for all you can eat. 300 or more are expected. Shotgun shells will be available.

HART LIONS CLUB will serve breakfast in the school cafeteria, starting at 5:30 a.m. Scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, biscuits, orange juice and coffee will be free to those signed up for the club's pheasant hunt and \$4 per plate for all others. Hunting licenses and shotgun shells will be available.

Nazareth plans Christmas pageant

Holy Family Parish in Nazareth will present its Christmas pageant Sunday, Dec. 18 and Monday, Dec. 19 at 8 p.m. in Holy Family Catholic Church.

The pageant depicts the story of Christ's life beginning with the "Annunciation" and continuing through the first 12 years of Jesus' life to his return to the Biblical town of Nazareth. The pageant

Hunters' outlook

SATURDAY: Sunrise 7:39; sunset 5:31. Legal shooting hours 7:09 a.m. to 6:01 p.m. Low 18 before dawn; cloudy with chance of continued snow early in day. Light southeast wind. High 30-32 by 4 p.m. Field conditions firm with snow cover throughout day.

SUNDAY: Sunrise 7:40; sunset 5:30. Legal shooting hours 7:10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Low 12-15 before dawn, with gusty southwest wind 10-20 mph during day. Clear skies. High 48. Field conditions firm early morning, becoming muddy and slippery on bare ground and around ditches later in day. Stubble fields firm early, soft but stable rest of day.

EASTER LIONS CLUB will serve coffee and doughnuts Saturday, starting at 6 a.m. in the Easter Lions Community Building.

HART GOLDEN GROUP will serve a chili and stew lunch from 12 to 2 or later in Bill Rich's barn, a mile south of town on Highway 168. The meal will include chili, stew, miniature pecan pie desserts and drinks at \$5 per plate.

EASTER LIONS CLUB will serve a barbecue lunch at the Easter Lions Community Building from 11 to 2 for \$5 per plate.

DIMMITT SENIOR CITIZENS will serve a hunters' supper from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Senior Citizens Center, 218 W. Jones St. A meal of "old fashioned beef stew," salad, dessert and drink will be served at \$5 per person for all you can eat.

Leases and Prices

Leases on private land range from \$100 per day per hunter and up, according to Delores Heller, executive director of the Chamber of Commerce. The chamber has a listing of land still available for lease, and has had "lots of calls during the past week, mostly from hunters in the Dallas and Lubbock areas," according to Leisa Thomas, chamber secretary.

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Deadline next Thursday for 'Community Card'

If you want your family's name on the Community Greeting Card in the Christmas edition of the News, be sure to sign up and make your donation before 1 p.m. next Thursday.

That's the deadline for all three community cards that will appear in the Dec. 22 issue.

Many signed up for Dimmitt's community card during the Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary's recent bazaar. Those who haven't may sign up at the First State Bank of Dimmitt, making checks payable to the Hospital Auxiliary Fund.

In Hart, make donations to the Hart Cemetery Fund at the Hart Bank. In Nazareth, donations should be made to the Holy Family Cemetery Fund and left in boxes provided at the church or at Home Mercantile.

The banks and the parish will provide the lists of participating families to the News next Thursday afternoon. (The newspaper does not take names or donations for the signature lists.)

To participate, compute the amount you would normally spend on Christmas cards to local friends, and donate that amount to the community card project. When you donate, sign your name the way you want it to appear on the community card.

Proceeds from the Hart and Nazareth projects will go to help with the upkeep and beautification of the cemeteries.

Proceeds from the Dimmitt-area community card will go to help purchase new equipment and fixtures for Plains Memorial Hospital.



Holiday Calendar

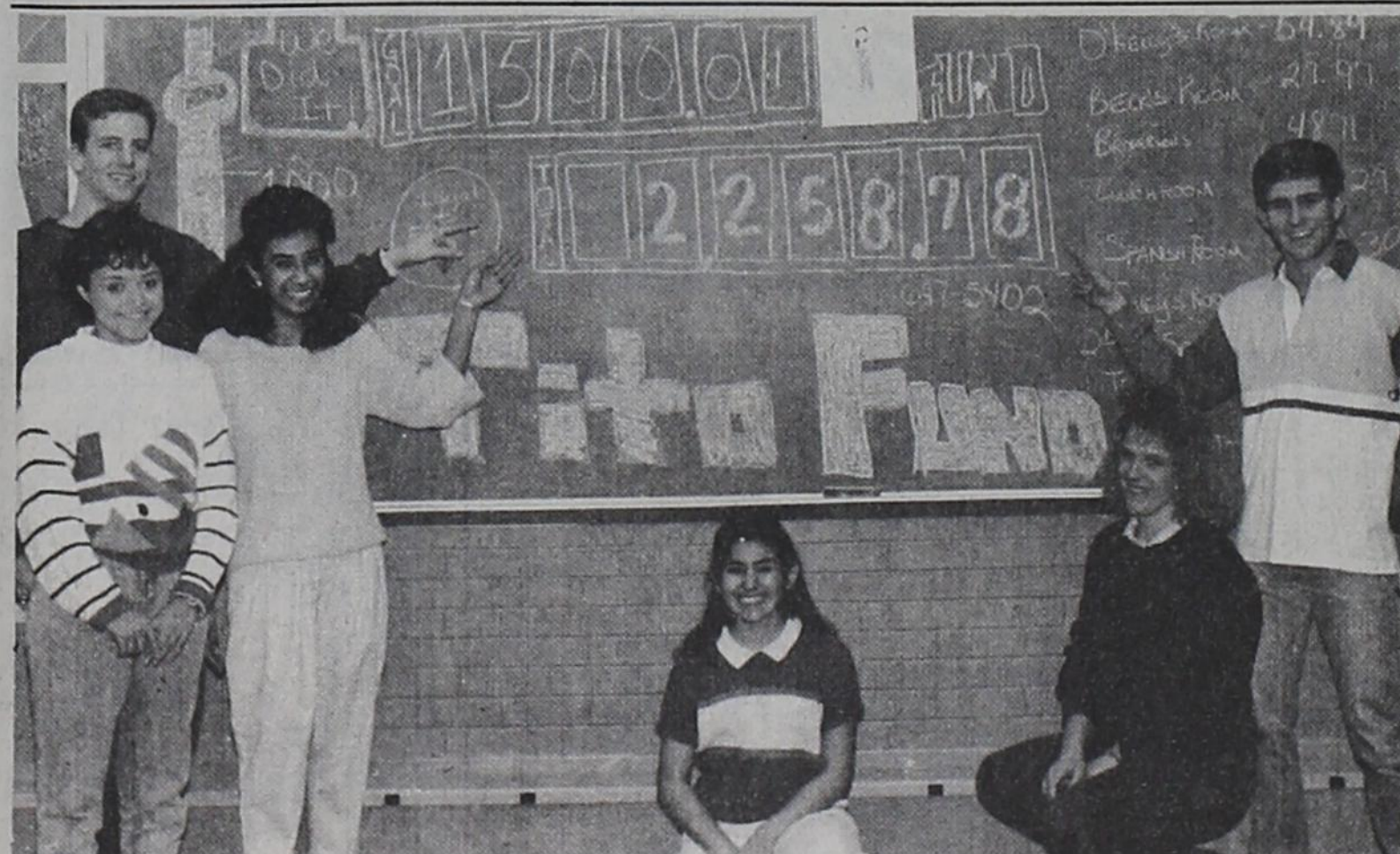
MONDAY—The second grade class at Richardson Elementary School will present "Santa and the Snowmobile" tonight at 7 in the High School Auditorium. Second graders need to be there by 6:30.

NEXT THURSDAY—Deadline at 1 p.m. for signatures on Community Greeting Cards for Christmas

edition. Dimmitt residents sign up and donate at First State Bank; Hart residents at the Hart Bank; Nazareth residents at Holy Family Church.

DEC. 18—Public Fiesta Dinner sponsored by Children's Protective Services Board, Expo Building, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Adults \$4, children under 12 \$2.

Weather			
Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.			
	Hi	Lo	Pr.
Thursday	50	25	
Friday	61	25	
Saturday	64	28	
Sunday	64	24	
Monday	53	24	
Tuesday	60	28	
Wednesday	54	24	
December Moisture	.00		
1988 Moisture	22.22		
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WE'VE REACHED OUR GOAL AND MORE!—Spanish Club members Mary Jane Lumbra, Diane Peralez and Chad Yokum (group at left) and Kara Schulte and Barry Hill (far right) show the total dollar amount they received from dona-

tions for Tito Villanueva (seated at center). The club organized a drive to raise funds for Villanueva's medical bills and started out with a goal of \$1,500. They have raised \$2,258.78.

On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Together We Can

Aural Davis spent a great week in Hollywood and Los Angeles, Calif. during the Thanksgiving holiday with her daughter, Dr. Keitha Scott and her husband, Bill Thiederman and Aural's grandson, Keir Scott. They enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner with Bill's mother, Roberta Thiederman and all her family in Westwood, Calif.

During the week they went to the Raiders-Falcons game and saw the musical of the year, "Les Misera-

bles" at the Schubert Theater in Century City in Beverly Hills, Calif.

One of the highlights of the trip was the invitation to lunch from her grandson, Keir. He took her to a unique restaurant that restored the home of John Barrymore. Other interesting places in which they ate were "El Cholle," a Mexican restaurant owned by the same family for 50 years and the favorite of everyone in that area. Another in-

teresting place was a Korean Restaurant that has just recently opened.

She also enjoyed a nice luncheon at Saks Fifth Ave. dining room while shopping one day.

J'Lynn, Robert and Stephanie Ryan went to Robert's mother's at Hawley for Thanksgiving. Robin, Cindy and grandbaby Daryl Leigh, met them there. On Friday Stephanie was back in Lubbock to work. J'Lynn went to Brownwood to visit

her sister. On Saturday, they joined their parents in Arlington for a 50th anniversary celebration of an aunt and uncle. There they visited with some 30 cousins and uncles and aunts. J'Lynn and her sister managed to do some Christmas shopping too. J'Lynn and Robert returned to Dimmitt Sunday. They report that having a grandbaby is truly "grand!"

Larry and Susie Gonzales recently attended homcoming activities at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview. Among the events was an assembly in which ten alumni were recognized and presented a plaque for their achievements. Included among the honored was a friend of Susie's, Ramon Magallanes, director of bilingual education in the Fort Worth ISD.

The Republican Organization for Women held their annual Tour of Homes on Saturday. The homes were beautifully decorated for Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Garcia and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Killingsworth.

Emily Clingsmith was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met for lunch at the Senior Citizens Center and a day of bridge. Helen Braafladt was high score and Johnnie Vannoy was second high.

Out of town visitors at the museum recently were Benny and Mary Mitchell, Heather and Heath and Chadie Mitchell of Boonesville, Ark.; Bob and Genny Estes of Hugo, Okla. and their two daughters, Karen and Kathy from Dallas.

Jimmy and Della Chapman entertained relatives Max and Jane Ball from Arlington for Thanksgiving. The Balls' are parents of Jason Ball, who is attending Dimmitt High School and is playing basketball. They all went to Borger for the basketball tournament during the holidays. Jason is living with the Chapmans.

Jim Bob Leinen, grandson of the Chapmans and Rae Casey, is on the USS Nemitz, the ship that was in the news recently. They have not heard from Jim Bob recently but they think "no news is good news."

Honor students named at Dimmitt

Students in the third grade at Richardson Elementary School and Dimmitt Middle School students were honored for achievements during the second six weeks of school.

Students receiving awards were:

Benny Navarro.
Hardest Worker—Miguel Garcia.
Best Citizens—Hank Morgan, Miguel Garcia, Angelica Vidal, Dora Rodriguez, Ysela Gonzales.

Best Citizens—Joy Long, Billy Joe Rhynes, Joel Ramirez, Timothy Proffitt, Regina Barrios, Rudy Alaniz.
Honor Roll—Joy Long, Mekesha Atchley, Rudy Alaniz.
Hardest Worker—Jesus Lopez.

Third Grade

MYATT'S ROOM
Honor Roll—Vanessa Acevedo, Kacie Bell, Jami Fewell, Hollie Houck, Terry Miller, Allison Moore, Jared Townsend and Lisa Velo.
Citizenship—Clarissa Gomez, Marlene Martinez, Lacsia Sherman, Jami Fewell, Tony Leal.
Top Spellers—Kacie Bell, Jami Fewell, Clarissa Gomez, Aaron Guzman, Marlene Martinez, Allison Moore, Mary Revina, Jessica Saucedo, Jared Townsend, Lisa Velo and Holly Houck.
Hardest Worker—Lisa Velo and Kristina Gonzales.

BAIN'S ROOM

Honor Roll—Jacy Buckley, Jill Davis, Amber Matthews, Jeremy Matthews, Charley Sanders, Kaci Schulte, Stuart Sutton.
Best Worker—Jose Chavez, Linda Trigo.
Best Citizen—Amber Matthews, Kaci Schulte.
Top Spellers—Jacy Buckley and Jeremy Matthews.

Middle School

Fourth Grade
Honor Roll—Brad Beck, Shaun Furr, Joshua Roberts, Tawnie Matthews, Sy Olson, Kim Proffitt, Lindsey Garza, Chad Ewing, Jerry Rivera, Jason Nino.

KOCH'S ROOM

Honor Roll—Vanessa Brandt, Nathan Killough, Vanessa Sanchez, Kourtney Robertson, Leslie Steffy, Dominic Abalos.
Citizenship—Angie Silerio, Jayson Heck, Mark Romero, David Lee King.
Top Spellers—Doyle Fuller, Carlos Caldera, Nathan Killough, Vanessa Brandt, Dominic Abalos.
Hardest Worker—Tonya Powers.

AXTELL'S ROOM

Hardest Worker—Tracy Dameron.
Best Citizen—Michael Keith, Chris Garcia, Amy Garcia, Shae Hanes, Leah Beth Thomas, Michael Bell.
Top Spellers—Andy Hill, Michael Bell, Leah Beth Thomas, Shae Hanes.
Honor Roll—Leah Beth Thomas, Shae Hanes, Michael Keith, Amy Garcia, Michael Bell.

Fifth Grade

Honor Roll—Justin Dameron, Chad Rogers, Joel Townsend, Wesley Ralston, Justin Newman, Jimmy Bryan, Laura Correa, Chris Sammann.

MERRITT'S ROOM

Honor Roll—Hank Morgan, Ysela Gonzales, Shane Ethridge.
Top Spellers—Angelica Vidal,

NUTT'S ROOM

Honor Roll—Juary Cavazos.
Best Citizens—Rudy Dominguez, Eddie Maldonado.
Hardest Worker—Rudy Dominguez.
Top Spellers—Noel Rodriguez, Estella Saucedo, Rudy Dominguez.

Sixth Grade

Honor Roll—Zachary Bell, Carla Petty, Carrie Sheffy, Joe Juarez, Moriah Olson, Beth Teaschner, Stephan Villanueva.

Seventh Grade

Honor Roll—Katrina Acker, Angelica Garcia, Jennifer Harris, Aaron Salinas, Brian Simpson and Amy Wooten.

Eighth Grade

Honor Roll—Julie Atchley, Amy Beck, Halley Bradley, Rala Byrnes, Wendi Ethridge, Monica Garcia, Renee Garcia, Amber Griffith, Kyle Hanes, Jeremy Langford, Shad McDaniel, Lizandra Oliviero, Shanna Schaeffer, Matt Sims, Zachary Smith, Haylei Wall.

What's Cooking

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for Dec. 8-Dec. 16.

DIMMITT
THURSDAY—Beef tacos with cheese, whole kernel corn, lettuce and tomato salad, Jello with fruit and milk.
FRIDAY—Barbecued weiners, buttered potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, peanut butter cups and milk.
MONDAY—Spaghetti with meat sauce, whole kernel corn, green beans, rolls, butter, fruit cocktail and milk.
TUESDAY—Sausage patties with gravy, creamed potatoes, peas and carrots, rolls, butter, pink applesauce and milk.
WEDNESDAY—Corn dogs, cheese cube, French fries, pork and beans, chocolate pudding and milk.
THURSDAY—Pizza, fried okra, corn on the cob, Jello and milk.
FRIDAY—Beef tacos with cheese, pinto beans, shredded lettuce, peach cobbler and milk.

MONDAY—Pizza, tossed salad, buttered corn, cake and milk.
TUESDAY—Chicken fried steak, hot rolls, green beans, creamed potatoes, cobbler and milk.
WEDNESDAY—Cheeseburgers, French fries, salad, pickles, mixed fruit and milk.
THURSDAY—Enchilada casserole, tortillas, tossed salad, corn, pineapple cake and milk.
FRIDAY—Chicken strips, yeast rolls, whipped potatoes, green beans, apple cobbler and milk.

NAZARETH
THURSDAY—Sausage and saurkraut, scalloped potatoes, hot buttered bread, fruit salad and milk.
FRIDAY—Roast, mashed potatoes and gravy, English peas, hot rolls, chocolate cake and milk.
MONDAY—Chili dogs, coleslaw, peaches and milk.
TUESDAY—Sloppy joes, corn, tossed salad, cherry cobbler and milk.
WEDNESDAY—Cheeseburgers, French fries, lettuce, pickles, onions, dessert and milk.
THURSDAY—Frito pie, cauliflower, cornbread and syrup, pears and milk.
FRIDAY—Turkey and dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, hot buttered bread, fruit salad and milk.

Seventh grade honor students are Jennifer Harris, English, history and science; Gabriel Reyes and Julian Gil, math; Ramiro Rosales, reading; Amy Smithson and Robert Moss, band; Ty Waller, industrial arts; Nora Rosada and Sonia Cardona, homemaking; Ramiro Rosales, machine repair; and Laura McIntire, choir.

Eighth grade honor students are Renee Garcia and Shad McDaniel, English; Halley Bradley, history; Rala Byrnes and Matt Sims, math; Haylei Wall and Matt Sims, reading; Amber Griffith, Halley Bradley and Shad McDaniel, science; Kathy Patterson and David West, band; Daniel Gil, industrial arts; Jana Waggoner and Denicia Barrios, homemaking; Jamie Puente, machine repair; Leslie Chavers, choir; Jeremy Langford, Halley Bradley and Rala Byrnes, computer.

Try our Smoked Sausage!

The Dimmitt Young Homemakers held its annual holiday arts and crafts bazaar on Saturday at the Expo Building. Many pretty and useful items were on sale. We ate lunch with them. I left before Santa Claus arrived so I missed seeing him. Garner Ball had planned to take my picture with Santa.

On Sunday several from Dimmitt went to Hereford to hear the Hereford Chamber Singers present "A Choral Fanfare for Christmas."

In Dimmitt Sunday night we attended the early evening services at the Presbyterian Church where they were having special services.

Sunday night the Castro County Singers and orchestra presented the beautiful cantata, "Come Celebrate Jesus, A Christmas Invitation." This was directed by Nelson Dotson of Hart, narrated by Reta Welch and Don Nelson. Singers were from the churches in Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth along with a few from the Church of Latter Day Saints in Olton and the Church on the Rock in Lubbock.

Soloists were Wayne Proffitt, Jerry Jansa, Tami Griffith, Robin Gonzales, Karen Moss, Dr. Bill Murphy, Susan Coleman, Charles Axtell, Marlos May, Vivian Bennett and Richard Young. Walter Maynard was the pianist. There were about 80 in the children's choir.

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Not for many years has an event drawn such a crowd to Dimmitt High School auditorium. Approximately 900 attended the Christmas musical, *Celebrate Jesus*, performed Sunday evening by the Castro County Singers, a 12-piece orchestra and a children's choir.

It was a memorable event that extolled the true meaning of Christmas. And the professional quality of the performance was proof of the impressive amount of musical talent we have in our county.

Our musicians, both amateur and professional, are necessary all year round, but never moreso than at Christmastime, our most musical season. Their music makes the celebration of the holiday more meaningful to all of us.

Celebrate Jesus was a beautiful and powerful program, and brought together singers and instrumentalists from throughout the county. The Castro County Singers and Orchestra included people from 12 different churches—the First Baptist, Lee Street Baptist, First United Methodist, First Presbyterian, First Christian and Immaculate Conception of Dimmitt; First Baptist and First United Methodist of Hart; Holy Family of Nazareth; the Church of Latter Day Saints of Olton; and the Church on the Rock, Lubbock.

Nelson Dodson, Hart High School band director and music director of the First Baptist Church of Hart, was the conductor. The county's other two high school band directors, Michael Johnson of Dimmitt and Bernie Tackitt of Nazareth, were in the orchestra, as were Priscilla Garrett, DHS assistant band director, and Deanne Tackitt, Dimmitt elementary school music teacher, along with other talented instrumentalists from the farms, offices and homes of the county.

The adult choir had a couple of "pros" in it, too, but most were volunteers who sing for the joy of it, including four members of the Weldon Davis family of Hart. Soloists were Wayne Proffitt, Jerry Jansa, Tami Griffith, Robin Gonzales, Karen Moss, Dr. Bill Murphy, Susan Coleman, Charles Axtell, Marlos May, Vivian Bennett and Richard Young.

When they all got together from their various occupations and communities, the Castro County Singers and Orchestra made a truly joyful sound, and impressed all of us with the amount of musical talent in our county.

The Castro County Ministerial Alliance deserves credit for initiating the idea of a county-wide Christmas musical and bringing the singers and orchestra members together.

To all our musicians, let us say that we really appreciate you, especially at Christmastime. Your performance Sunday evening was truly memorable. Please do it again next year!

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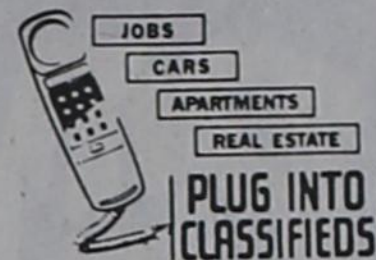
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15—Legal Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that original letters Testamentary for the Estate of George W. Book, Deceased, were issued on November 10, 1988, in Docket No. 1919, pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, to: GEORGE H. BOOK as Independent Executor.
The residence of the Independent Executor is in Llano County, Texas. The post office address is: c/o Christopher Cullen, 1058 Villa Linda Way, El Paso, Texas 79932.
All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
DATED this 28th day of November, 1988.
-s-CHRISTOPHER CULLEN
Christopher Cullen
Attorney for the Estate
15-12-1tp

BID NOTICE
The Castro County Appraisal District is accepting bids on behalf of Castro County, Dimmitt ISD and the City of Dimmitt for residential property described as Lots 3 and 4, Block 25, Original Town of Dimmitt. Sealed bids must be received by December 21, 1988, at 5 p.m. at the Castro County Appraisal District, 204 SE Third (rear), Dimmitt, Texas 79027. Castro County, Dimmitt ISD and the City of Dimmitt each reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive formalities. Further information may be obtained at the Appraisal District, 204 SE Third, (rear), Dimmitt, Texas 79027. 15-12-2tc

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX ABATEMENT ZONE

The Dimmitt Independent School District Board of Directors will hold a public hearing on a proposed Tax Abatement Zone Program at 7:30 o'clock p.m. on Monday, December 12, 1988, in the Board Room of the school administration building located at 608 West Halsell in Dimmitt, Texas. The proposed Zone consists of Census Tract 526 (being that part of the City of Dimmitt, Texas east of 4th Street and north of Bedford Avenue and east of SW 2nd Street and south of Bedford Avenue) and a part of Census Tract 531 (property adjacent to the city limits of the City of Dimmitt.) The proposed Zone would provide incentives such as tax abatements for businesses that locate or expand in the Zone. All interested persons, including residents of the proposed Zone, are encouraged to present their views at the hearing.
15-12-1tc

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE WATER UTILITY SERVICE IN DEAF SMITH AND CASTRO COUNTIES

Coronado Water, Inc. has filed an application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity with the Texas Water Commission to provide water utility service in Deaf Smith and Castro Counties. The proposed service area is approximately five miles South of Hereford, Texas and generally bounded by Highway 385 on the east, Section line 83 on the South and Section line 93 on the West. The total area being requested includes approximately 436.46 acres.
Persons who wish to intervene or comment should write the Rates Section, Water Utilities Division, Texas Water Commission, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 within 30 days from the date of this publication or notice. No public hearing will be held unless a request for hearing is received. Only those individuals who submit a written request to be notified of hearing schedules will receive notice if a hearing is scheduled.
15-12-2tc

SS rep here today

A representative from the social security administration will be in Dimmitt at the Courthouse today (Thursday) from 9 to 11 a.m. The representative will meet with people and answer questions on Medicare and Social Security problems.

Shot clinic set

An immunization clinic offering vaccines that protect against several childhood diseases will be held in Dimmitt Friday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dimmitt Middle School Auditorium.

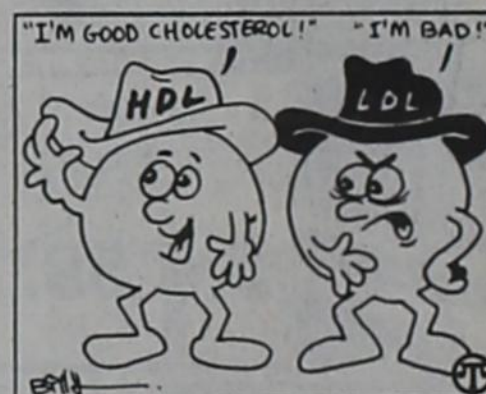
The vaccinations will offer protection against polio, diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, measles, rubella and mumps.

The Texas Dept. of Health is charging money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size and the ability to pay.

Cholesterol and You

"Good" and "Bad" Cholesterol

Surprisingly, not all cholesterol can harm health. Cholesterol is used by the body to build cells and make hormones. We also get cholesterol in foods such as eggs, fatty meats, butter and whole milk.



There are some kinds of cholesterol that help your body get rid of other kinds that may hurt you.

Cholesterol travels in the blood in "packages" of fat called lipoproteins. High density lipoproteins appear to clear excess cholesterol from the arteries while low density lipoproteins, the "bad" cholesterol can lead to cholesterol build-up in artery walls. Your doctor can determine your LDL and HDL levels and help you get them in proper balance.

You can get a free copy of a booklet on cholesterol and your health from a citizens group with grant support from pharmaceutical manufacturer Merck Sharp & Dohme. Write: the Citizens for Public Action on Cholesterol, 1101 17th St., NW, Suite 608, Washington, D.C. 20036.

Take a load off your heart.

1—Real Estate, Homes & Land

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE

All real estate advertised in this newspaper is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination."
This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising or real estate advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are informed that dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis.
1-28-tfx

TWO BUILDINGS—18 x 20 wood frame, wood floor, metal siding and roof; and 58 X 20 lumber shed covered with metal. 647-3428. 1-31-tfx

NICE, NEW DOUBLE WIDE mobile home for sale. Three bedroom, two bath, fireplace. Call Rick Bell, 647-4593. 1-17-tfx

MOBILE HOME FOR SALE. 16X80, two years old, with "country" look. Three bedrooms, two full baths, fireplace, cooking island, central air conditioning. Jimmy Huseman, 647-3677. 1-42-tfx

SELL, LEASE, rent-to-own Morgan Storage Buildings. 8X6-8X16's. Little as \$25 per month, delivered. . . . 364-7713, Hereford. 1-39-tfx

FOR SALE BY OWNER: 10 acres located five miles north of Dimmitt. Includes older country home, newly redecorated, large barn corrals, shops and good fence. Owner will carry, excellent terms. Call 647-5369. 1-12-tfx

2—For Rent

ONE & TWO BEDROOM apartments for rent. Country Arms Apartments. 111 NW 11th. 647-3318. 2-49-tfx

FOR RENT: Nice three bedroom apartment in Hart. 938-2411. 2-28-tfx

MOBILE HOME LOTS for rent. Water furnished. Call 647-4409. 2-31-tfx

NICE TWO BEDROOM house in Southwest Dimmitt. Permanent family. References, deposit. Write Box 403, CANYON. 2-7-tfx

STORAGE SPACES for rent. Call 647-3447 or 647-2577. 2-3-tfx

3—For Sale, Misc.

CRP HAY FOR SALE. Call 806-747-3917. 3-5-tfx

Jay Cross Investments

NEW LISTING! Southwest Dimmitt, beautiful well built home with all the extras, call for details.

TWO ON OAK: We now have two nice homes on Oak Street. Both are brick with siding on the trim. One has a fireplace, sprinkler system and much more.

COME LOOK at this large home, approximately 2700 square feet. This home has plenty of living area, lots of bedrooms and a beautiful kitchen. This one is priced to sell.

COUNTRY HOME: 3 bedroom, 1 bath, natural gas, water well, storm cellar, also has some extra land available if desired.

FMHA: Nice 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home, recently remodeled and ready to go. Call on this one today!

3 BEDROOM, 1 bath, nice location, corner lot. This home shows well and is close to the schools. Owner is anxious to sell as they have already moved.

CALL US TODAY so we can assist you in buying or selling a home. We have homes in all price ranges.

Jerry Cartwright, Broker/Owner
Patti Cartwright, Owner
810 W. Halsell 647-2604

3—For Sale, Misc.

GUNS AND AMMUNITION for sale at Joe's Beer and Wine, 3 miles north of Nazareth on Hwy. 168. Call 945-2538. 3-5-tfx

SHOP FRIONA'S CHRISTMAS GIVEAWAY! Become eligible for over \$500 in Friona cash prizes. 19 participating merchants. Begins Nov. 14. Drawing Dec. 22, 1988. 3-9-5tc

FOR SALE: One girl's 20" bike and one boy's 20" bike. \$20 each. Call 945-2559. 3-12-tfx

SATELLITE RECEIVERS, prices to fit any budget. Bank rate financing. We install and service. KITTRELL ELECTRONICS, Dimmitt, 647-2197. 3-17-tfx

THREE CEMETERY LOTS in Westlawn Memorial Park for sale at half-price. Call Irvin Ott, 1-257-3939. 3-9-tfx

WANTED: Someone who really wants to lose those pounds and inches in a sensible way with nutritive foods combination (with products), corrective metabolism and passive exercise on the symmetrical unit at PAT WALKER'S! 647-5192. 3-12-tfx

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4—Household Goods

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5—Farm Equipment

WE REPAIR all makes of fence chargers. Dimmitt Consumers Electric Shop. NE Third and Etter. 5-16-tfx

6—Automotive

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***** WE CLOSED 309 Western in Hereford and 607 Maple in Dimmitt. *****

***** OWNER FINANCING available on cute two bedroom. Nice kitchen area. \$25,000. *****

***** NICE well located three bedroom in Nazareth. \$27,500. *****

***** THREE BEDROOMS, 1 3/4 bath, nice fenced yard, 2 car garage. Make an offer. *****

***** BEAUTIFUL large home in Earth. A good buy at 60,000. *****

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945-2679

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Shirley Underwood.....647-5642
Danna Beck.....647-5456

Jimmie R. George, Broker

6—Automotive

FOR SALE: 1973 GMC 1/2-ton pickup, \$2,400. 1984 Honda 3-wheeler, \$400. Two utility trailers, \$500. Or all four for \$3000. Call 647-3633. 6-12-2tc

30' SOUTHWIND MOTOR HOME. 1984 model, new tires, dual air conditioning, microwave oven, island bed in back. Percy Parsons, 647-4352 or 647-5671. 6-12-tfx

1983 TORONADO. Make an offer. King size water bed, \$250. Both in excellent condition. Call 647-3657. 6-11-2tc

7—Business Opportunities

OWN YOUR OWN apparel or shoe store. Choose from jeans/sportswear, ladies', men's, children/maternity, large sizes, petite, dancewear/aerobic, bridal, lingerie or accessories store. Add color analysis. Brand names: Liz Claiborne, Healthtex, Chaus, Lee, St. Michele, Forenza, Bugle Boy, Levi, Camp Beverly Hills, Organically Grown, Lucia, over 2,000 others. Or \$13.99 one-price designer, multi-tier pricing discount or family shoe store. Retail prices unbelievable for top quality shoes normally priced from \$19 to \$60. Over 250 brands, \$2,600 styles. \$17,900 to \$29,900. Inventory, training, fixtures, airfare, grand opening, etc. Can open 15 days. Mr. Morphis, 612-888-1009. 7-12-1tp

8—Services

STEAM WAY OF HEREFORD
Carpet and Upholstery Cleaning
Free Estimates Call Eddie 364-2315

HENDERSON TV & APPLIANCE sells and services televisions, satellites and appliances. 647-4342. 8-3-tfx

CUSTOM FARMING: We specialize in minimum tillage, regular plowing or wheat sowing. Laverne Wilhelm family. 647-5425, 945-2518. 8-3-tfx

FOR THOSE EVENTS you want to remember, VIDEOS UNLIMITED. Cyndy Reynolds, 647-3255. 8-46-tfx

CALL ME FOR ALL YOUR CARPENTER NEEDS, large or small jobs, paneling or roofing, inside or outside work. Nathan Pevehouse. 938-2411. 8-32-tfx

REYNA TREE TRIMMING, Hart, Texas. 806-938-2170. 8-9-tfx

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WILL PLOW yards and gardens, mow yards. 647-4586. 8-28-tfx

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS. 945-2553. 8-45-23tp

9—Help Wanted

ATTENTION — HIRING! Government jobs in your area. \$17,840 to \$69,485. Call 602-838-8885, Ext. J-4486. 9-9-4tp

LADIES!—Need extra Christmas money? Part-time, \$50 and full-time, \$125 weekly. 647-5465. 9-9-4tc

THE DIMMITT POLICE DEPT. is now taking applications for the position of patrolman. Applicants must be PCLEOSE certified. Applications will close Monday, Dec. 12, 1988. For application or information, call 806-647-5151, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. 9-11-2tc

HELP WANTED: Plainview Company expanding into Dimmitt area. Looking for neat, reliable individuals with ambition and willingness to work. Seven positions available in advertising department. No experience necessary. Complete company training and advancement opportunities. Also holiday openings. Call 293-4304. 9-12-2tc

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GOVERNMENT JOBS \$15,400 to \$72,500 now hiring, excellent benefits. Call 1-312-742-1142, Ext. J-6904. 9-12-4tc

9—Help Wanted

CONTEL IS TAKING janitorial services for eight exchanges. If interested in bidding, please call 1-935-7676 or 647-5247. Also come by local office at 113 NE Second, Dimmitt. 9-12-1tc

10—Wanted, Misc.

I WOULD LIKE TO BUY your used gold jewelry—broken, worn out or otherwise. Call 647-3250, evenings. 10-30-tfx

11—Livestock, Pets

CALL YOUR LOCAL used cow dealer for 7 days a week dead stock removal. 364-0951 or 1-800-692-4043. Serving cattlemen for the last 20 years. 11-52-26tc

12—Notices

IF ALCOHOL IS CAUSING a problem in your life, call Al-Anon, 647-4594. 12-17-tfx

IF YOU WERE ONCE AN ELK but are no longer one, call 364-7713, Hereford. 12-48-tfx

14—Cards of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS
The family of J.V. Messenger wishes to thank the community of Dimmitt for all of the prayers, visits, food and memorials given. We appreciate all of the love and concern given during his long illness and his passing from this world. Thanks again. In Christ's love,
THE FAMILY OF J.V. MESSENGER
14-12-1tp

CARD OF THANKS
We would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for all the acts of love and kindness shown to our family during our tragic loss. Dear friends, we thank you for all the food, flowers, phone calls, visits, words of concern and your prayers. Your kindness will always be remembered. May God bless you all.
THE FAMILY OF BILL HICKEY
JO HICKEY
NEVA HICKEY
JANET, HAL & MICHELLE HOUSE
SHELLEY, JIMBO & HALLEY ROBISON
BETTY & JIMMY JACK BUTLER
JO DAWN AND TODD WARDELL
14-12-1tc

15—Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY given that NANUBHAI N. PATEL has filed an application with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Wine and Beer Retailers Off-Premise Permit and Grocery Store permit, the substance of such application being as follows:

TYPE OF LICENCE OR PERMIT: Wine and Beer Retailers Off-Premise Permit and Grocery Store.
LOCATION OF BUSINESS: 804 E. Bedford.
TRADE NAME: Pik - A - Boo Korner.

A copy of the application for the permit is filed and made under oath to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission in Austin, Travis County, Texas with a copy to the District Office of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission.
15-11-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE
New rules and regulations from the Texas Department of Health Division of Solid Waste Management. For all city and county officials solid waste managers and interested persons.

The revision to the criteria for Municipal Solid Waste Landfills were published in the Federal Register on August 30, 1988. These revisions entitled "Criteria for Municipal Solid Waste Landfills" will be published under Title 40 Code of Federal Regulation, Part 258.

A brief summary of the rules follows:
1. Open burning will be prohibited.
2. 24-hour access control will be required on all sites.
3. No discharge of water from a landfill will be permitted unless it is in accordance with the Clean Water Act.
4. Liquids will not be allowed to be accepted at a landfill to include vacuum truck waste.

The city of Dimmitt has installed a new gate at the landfill site to comply with these rules and signs have been posted. The landfill site will be patrolled by the City Police Dept. and a \$200 fine will be imposed on any person caught in the landfill after the gate is locked.
15-12-2tc

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647-2326, Office 106 NW 3rd, Dimmitt

Police Calls

The Sheriff's Dept. arrested two Dimmitt men, aged 22 and 20, Sunday evening on charges of burglarizing a home on West Bedford Street Nov. 22.

Justice of the Peace Marshall Young set bond at \$4,000 each, and both men were jailed pending Grand Jury action on the felony charges.

They are accused of having taken a .25-caliber automatic pistol and \$50 to \$60 cash from a home just outside the city limits on West Bedford.

The 20-year-old is currently on parole for a burglary conviction and the 22-year-old also is charged with perjury, Sheriff Lonny Rhynes reported.

Sheriff's officers arrested and jailed Rodney Charles Jones, 36, of Lubbock last week on a charge of violating probation. Jones originally was charged with a 1980 cattle theft, and will face a probation revocation hearing in 242nd District Court here.

The Dimmitt Police Dept. jailed Nemesio Torres Barrios, 46, last Wednesday on a felony warrant from Bonneville County, Idaho. An anonymous Crime Line call led to local officers locating and arresting Barrios, who is wanted in Idaho for failure to appear for sentencing on a felony conviction of delivering a controlled substance.

Dept. of Public Safety troopers "threw the book" at a 26-year-old Dimmitt man Saturday night. After being stopped by officers, the man was charged with driving while intoxicated, driving a car with an expired registration, and failure to maintain financial responsibility. The man spent the weekend in jail.

An Earth man complained to city police Sunday that a woman he had picked up in Earth and taken to a Dimmitt motel Friday night had stolen his wallet containing \$130,

his driver's license and identification papers, plus his car keys, watch and miscellaneous keys.

The man said he went to sleep about 11:30 p.m. and when he awoke he realized his woman companion was gone and his clothes were hidden. When he found his clothes, he discovered he had been robbed, he said.

When police contacted the suspect, she told them she knew nothing about the matter, officers said.

A customer at Dimmitt Market notified owner Walt Hansen Friday afternoon that as she was parking her car, she had seen a youth come out of the store "acting like he was hiding something." She reported that the young man later took a cut of meat from under his jacket, handed it to another male youth and went back into the store.

Hansen told police that when he attempted to talk to the youth, the young man left the store. Thomas Merritt, a store employee, followed the youth outside and reported that both young men ran west across a vacant lot. Police were unable to locate the two suspects.

In an accident Saturday afternoon in the 100 block of South Broadway, a 1977 Ford pickup driven by Juan Castillo, 17, of Dimmitt, struck the rear of a 1979 Pontiac sedan driven by Jason Kyle Smotherman, 18, of Hereford.

Castillo was cited for following too closely and for having no driver's license and no liability insurance.

Neither driver nor any of their passengers were injured, police said. The mishap caused moderate damage to Castillo's pickup and light damage to Smotherman's car.

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70 YEARS' SERVICE—E. G. Underwood of Dimmitt was presented this certificate by the Grand Lodge of Texas for 70 years' service to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows (IOOF). Underwood, 92, first joined the IOOF in Lane, Okla., in 1918 after serving in World War I, and has been a member of Dimmitt Lodge 159 since 1963. He is the past noble grand of the local lodge. "It's a good organization," he said. "We have a children's home, a retirement home and a lot of other good projects." His certificate was presented during a recent four-lodge "circle" meeting in Friona.

Eat healthy when eating out

It is not surprising to discover that, on average, Americans eat out about four times each week. Our fast-paced lifestyles and the convenience of restaurants have made dining out the norm rather than the exception it once was. Even though you may eat out often, you do not have to sacrifice healthy eating habits, says the Texas Medical Association.

Many restaurants have become more health-wise and offer food that is grilled, poached, steamed, or baked rather than fried or sauteed. Even fast-food places are offering alternatives to burgers and fries, such as salads and baked potatoes.

Business travelers, who often eat on airplanes, can order special meals. Place an order at least 24 hours before your flight, and you can receive meals that are low in

calories, cholesterol, and sodium.

You can also make special requests in restaurants. Slight changes in food preparation and serving can be easy for the cook and healthy for you.

For instance, ask the waiter to put dressings and sauces on the side. Use small amounts rather than the entire serving. Ask that the fat and/or skin be trimmed from meat before it is cooked and that no butter or fat be added to the meat as it is prepared.

Order a baked potato instead of French fries and go easy on the butter and sour cream. Try substituting yogurt or lemon on your potato.

The salad bar can be a great source of nutrition while low in calories if you do not over do it with dressing, cheese, and croutons.



We want your blood!

Blood Drive

Tuesday, December 13, 1988
2:00 to 6:00 p.m. — City Hall

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Castro County Extension Service



Since when is it a crime to turn 18?

Of course turning 18 isn't a crime at all. However, turning 18 without registering with Selective Service is.

That's why we need your help. We need parents to tell their sons to register with Selective Service within a month of turning 18. And we need teachers, friends, employers and others who can influence these young men to reinforce the message.

Why? Because, for one reason, it's the law. But in addition to risking prosecution by not registering, your son or young friend is disqualifying himself from eligibility for federal student loans, federal employment and job training programs.

America's future security depends upon today's young men registering with Selective Service on time. Every young man must register within 30 days of his 18th birthday by completing a simple form at any post office. You can help. Ask a young man you know if he is registered.

Selective Service Registration. It's Quick. It's Easy. And it's the Law.

A public service message of this publication and Selective Service System.

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Angela Hund and Joe Hochstein

Hochstein, Hund to wed

Angela Hund and Joseph M. Hochstein plan to exchange wedding vows Feb. 4, 1989, at 4 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church in Hereford. The bride-to-be is the daughter of James and Alice Hund of Hereford. Hochstein is the son of Mrs. E.L. Hochstein of Nazareth. Hund is a 1983 graduate of Hereford High School. She graduated from West Texas State University in August with a bachelor's degree in education. She is employed as a teacher at St. Anthony's School in Hereford.

County youth to compete for district food honors

Twelve winners in the recent Castro County 4-H food show will put their culinary skills and knowledge of nutrition on the line Saturday at the South Plains District 4-H food show in Lubbock. Representing Castro County in the Junior I division will be Heather Braddock of Nazareth, main dish; Kourtney Kendall of Hart, bread/cereal; Leah Beth Thomas of Bethel, snacks and desserts; and Kaci Schulte of Easter, fruits and vegetables. Senior division contestants from the county are Danna Ralston of Easter, main dish; Lorelea Acker of Nazareth, breads and cereals; Kalina Pohlmeier of Nazareth, snacks and desserts; and Rachel Carson of Bethel, fruits and vegetables. Contestants from 20 counties will vie for awards in four food categories and three age divisions. Winners in the senior division will advance to state next summer. Contestants will register at the Texas Tech University Center ballroom at 9 a.m. Judging will begin at 9:45 a.m. The public is invited to view the dishes and witness the presentation of awards in the ballroom at 1:30 p.m.

Cheerleading clinic planned

The 1988-89 varsity cheerleaders at Dimmitt High School will hold a one-day cheerleader clinic Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the high school gym. Students will learn cheers and chants and a pompon routine which they will perform at half-time of the varsity girls' game Dec. 16. Cost of the clinic is \$10 and may be paid the day of the camp. The registration fee will include a completion certificate, spirit stick and ribbons. Anyone wishing more information should contact any varsity cheerleader or their sponsor, Allison Davis at 647-3105.

Anniversary reception set

Weldon and Irene Bradley of Dimmitt will be honored with a reception celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, Dec. 18. The reception, hosted by the couple's children, Omata, Carl, Molly and Lee, will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Dimmitt. Friends of the couple are invited to attend.

Style show, lunch is set

A holiday style show and luncheon will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 in the Nazareth school cafeteria. Sponsored by the Catholic Daughters Society from Nazareth, the style show features selections from the Village Shop, Tots and Teens, and the Company Store. Admission is \$3 per person and door prizes will be given away throughout the afternoon.

Presbyterian Happenings

There is a Sunday school class for everyone at 10 a.m. The adult Bible class meets at the home of Emily Clingsmith. All other classes meet at the church. "Living in the Last Days," will be the subject of pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the morning church worship service at 11 a.m. The session will meet Monday at 7 p.m. Morning prayers are Wednesday at 6:30 a.m. Mid-week Bible study is Wednesday at 7 p.m. Mark 15 will be the Bible study this week.



GAIL AND MARILYN WILSON of Olton announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kelly Elizabeth McNeely, to Keith Venable, son of Nelda Hardin of Abernathy and Travis Venable of Lubbock. The bride-to-be is the daughter of the late Lewis McNeely and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Braddock of Nazareth. The couple plan to exchange wedding vows Jan. 14, 1989, at 7 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Olton.

Senior Citizens

Senior Citizens Menu
MONDAY—Hamburger patties in mushroom sauce, potatoes and gravy, English peas, salad, bread, dessert, tea and coffee.
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THURSDAY—Roast, potatoes and gravy, green beans, salad, bread, dessert, tea and coffee.
FRIDAY—Chicken strips, scalloped potatoes, beets, salad, bread, dessert, tea and coffee.

DYF to meet

The Dimmitt Young Farmers will meet next Thursday (Dec. 15) at the Dimmitt High School ag shop. The meeting will be held at 8 p.m. and everyone is invited to attend.

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Sunnyside By Teeny Bowden

Betty Rose Loudder underwent open heart surgery at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock Friday morning. She was in satisfactory condition Sunday.

K.R. Norrell of Levelland, father of James Norrell, was admitted to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock Saturday morning. James and Joan stayed with him and returned home Sunday night.

Deputy Joe Hoard showed his slide presentation of "America's Toughest Gang" at the Neighborhood Crime Watch program last Thursday. Signs have been ordered and more orders were placed at the meeting. Security measures were discussed and coffee and cookies were served. The next meeting will be Jan. 5, 1989, at 7 p.m. Joe will show the slide presentation, "On the Lookout."

John B. and Shorty Lilley visited in St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock Friday afternoon with friends.

Rev. Glenn and Donna Clark and children Lex and Amanda of Plainview visited at the morning and evening services Sunday and spent the day with the Fletchers. Donna brought the special music Sunday morning and sang three songs Sunday night. Phyllis Mooney of Dimmitt played for the Sunday morning service and Donna played for the evening service. Glenn brought the message Sunday night.

Ezell and Verba Sadler went to Ballinger and Canton last Thursday. They spent the night at Hubbard Creek Lake Saturday. They returned home Sunday night.

Dorothy Gilbreath and Teeny Bowden visited with Betty Huckabay Wednesday afternoon.

DHS names top students

Dimmitt High School has announced its top ten students in each grade and students making the honor roll for the second six weeks of school.

Freshmen on the honor roll are Holly Axtell, Brant Baca, Robyne Boyd, Holly Campbell, Shawn Christian, Misty Correa, Michelle Garcia, Amy Glidewell, Kris Keith, Christy Killough, Loretta Leingang, Wynema March, Candy Matthews, Heather Moore, Monty Moore, Yogi Patel, Luciano Quiroz, Maria Rosada, Reyes Sanchez, Miguel Saucedo, Leslie Shippy, Kim Spring, Gina Thurman, Christina Velasquez, Monica Villanueva, Susan Waggoner and Kristi Wright.

Freshmen on the top ten list are Waggoner, Garcia, Killough, Villanueva, Thurman, Keith, Moore, Randy Rodriguez, Rosada, and Wright.

Honor students in the sophomore class are Filiberto Alafa, Paul Axtell, Christian Braafladt, Tessa Chavers, Jeanne Davis, Casey Gentry, Denea Hanes, Michelle Hardee, Ryan Hardee, Renea Harman, Cindy Honeycutt, Leigh Hyman, Re-

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Sophomores on the top ten list are Ryan and Michelle Hardee, Killingsworth, Gentry, Hanes, Carol Petty, Schulte, Stahl, Jason Nelson, and Davis.

Junior honor students are Elaine Cavazos, Priscilla Garcia, Kay Gleghorn, Jennifer Hanners, Barry Hill, Cory Joiner, Jerry Lopez, Mary Jane Lumbrera, Tish Miller, Linda Mora, Charlie Nino, Diane Peralaz, Danna Ralston, Linda Ramos, Juanita Rodriguez, Rebecca Rodriguez, Sandra Sandoval, Kara Schulte, Justin Shultz, Kristi Sims, Irma Soler, Scott Stahl.

Top ten juniors are Ralston, Sandoval, Schulte, Garcia, Gleghorn, Sims, Hanners, Shultz, Miller and Joiner.

Seniors on the honor roll include Matt Bradley, Kevin Bruton, Rich-

ard Crespin, Tiffany Davis, Krystal Derrick, Kalinda Dutton, Sharon Ellison, Paul Espinosa, Debbie Fuentes, Lori Glidewell, Josh Gonzales, Kelly Goolsby, Jeanna Hanson, Kelly Howell, Jo Hyman, Noemi Ibarra, Jason Long, Clay Lytle, Sydelle McDonald, Victor Medelline, Coby Moke, Ann Morris, Justin Nelson, Aaron Odom, Kevin Petty, Irene Ramirez, Rebecca Rutkowski, Beth Sams, Wayne Schacher, Alicia Shippy, Brian Stewart and Lisa Widick.

Top ten seniors for the second six weeks are Stewart, Schacher, Hyman, Odom, Goolsby, Bradley, Nelson, Ibarra, Sams and McDonald.

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Sports

Naz beats Canyon to win tourney

The Nazareth Swiftettes captured their first tournament trophy of the year Saturday in the Canyon Classic, and they gained a little confidence that was missing in the Queen's Classic just a week earlier.

After demolishing Palo Duro in the opening round Saturday, the Swiftettes exacted revenge for last week's loss to Spearman in the Queen's Classic by beating the Lynxettes 40 to 34.

Then came the real test — Canyon.

The determined Swiftettes extended a precarious 14-13 halftime lead over Joe Lombard's undefeated Lady Eagles to 32-25 after three periods and never looked back.

The Swiftettes had no problems with Palo Duro in the opening round, winning 87 to 41 behind Darla Leavitt's game-high 32 point performance. Nazareth held a 28-9 lead after the opening period, and the game was never in doubt after that.

Spearman was another story. The Swiftettes came out determined to give the Lynxettes a run for their money and that's just what they did. Spearman never held a lead in the first period, or the game.

Nazareth guards Stephanie Brockman and Tami Ball drove inside on the Lynxettes, drawing fouls and shaking up the team that beat them in the Queen's Classic.

A stubborn Swiftette defense gave up only 12 points in the first half, and allowed Spearman's leading scorer, Krista Kirkland, just four points in the opening 16 minutes.

In the third quarter the Swiftettes didn't score until the 4:50 mark, but when they did it spelled the end of Spearman's hopes for a run. Leavitt, who finished with 16 points, scored six over the next two minutes to help extend the Swiftettes lead to 27-14. Spearman's Kirkland finally found her mark after that, scoring eight points in the final minute to narrow the gap to 29-22 after three quarters, but they were unable to overtake Nazareth in the final minutes of the game.

Nazareth took a 40-34 victory, and a growing confidence in themselves, into the championship match Saturday against Canyon.

The Swiftettes and Canyon (who



IT'S UP FOR GRABS, and everyone wants the ball, especially Nazareth's Stephanie Brockman, (10) and Dana Schulte (22) and Spearman's Heather Murrell (31) and Krista Kirkland (21). The battle for the dead-ball rebound was won by

Nazareth and so was the semifinal game, by a 40-34 count. Nazareth went on to win the Canyon Classic Saturday with a 48-35 victory over Canyon in the finals.

won the Queen's Classic championship) fought for and traded the lead several times in the first half, but it was Nazareth who had the edge on the scoreboard after 16 minutes.

It was in the third quarter that the Swiftettes finally pulled together and took over the lead for good.

Leavitt scored seven of her 16 points in the third period and Shanna Birkenfeld added another six in the stanza to help boost the Swiftettes to a 32-25 lead heading into the final quarter.

The score was tied at 21 until Birkenfeld hit a turnaround jumper

with 3:05 left. That was the turning point in the game. Ball connected on a three-pointer just a few seconds later to give the Swiftettes their biggest lead of the game.

Canyon didn't score again until three minutes were left in the game, and by then the Swiftettes had jumped out to a 12-point lead, 37-25. Canyon's Jara Behrens nailed a three-pointer with 1:30 left in the game to draw her team within seven, but Nazareth, who had been plagued by missed free throws earlier in the tournament, connected on eight of ten charity tosses to seal a 48-35 win and the tournament championship.

Dimmitt's Bobbies dropped their opening round match to Spearman in the Canyon Classic Thursday, but it was a hard-fought match all the way.

The Bobbies jumped out with a 10-6 lead over Spearman in the first quarter, but hit a cold streak, scoring only two points in the entire second period. Spearman took advantage and outscored the Bobbies 9-2 in the second stanza for a 15-12 halftime lead.

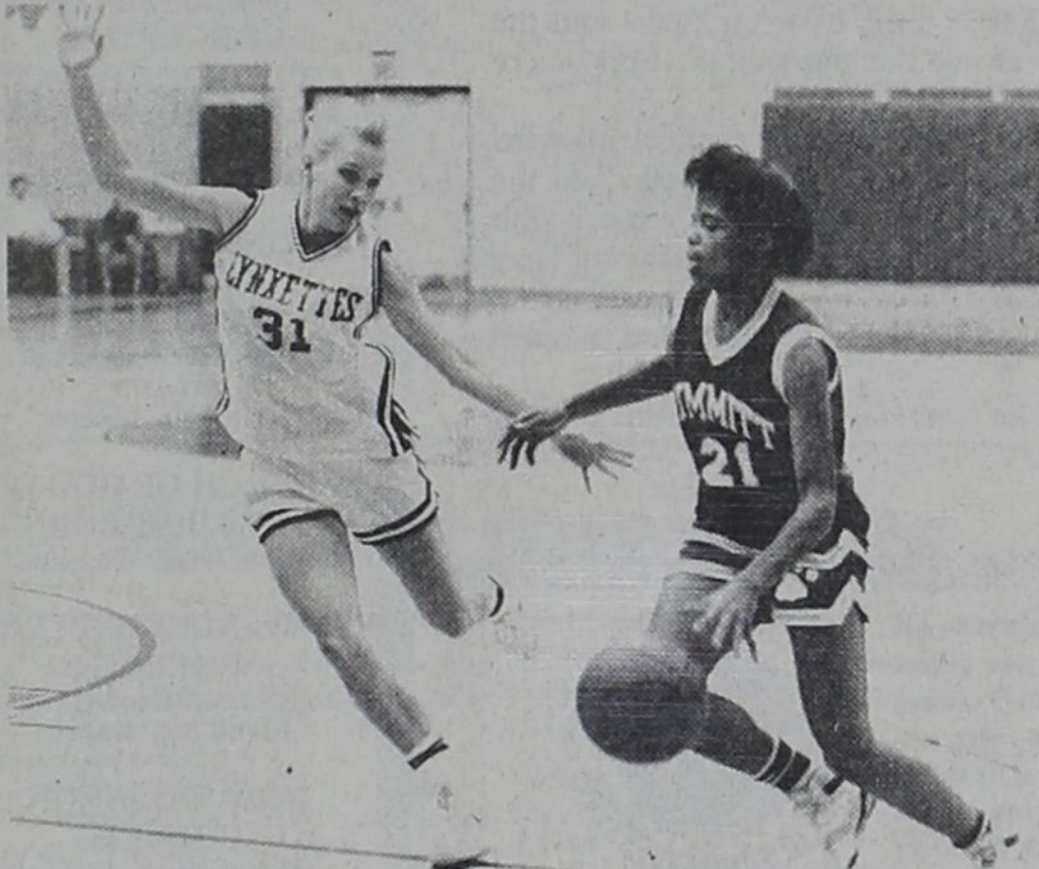
Over the next 16 minutes, the teams battled to a 16-16 tie, with Spearman winning the battle in the third period by 9-7 and Dimmitt taking the fourth 9-7, but the three-

point halftime margin made all the difference and the Bobbies dropped the match 31-28. Sydelle McDonald and Gloria Gauna each scored 8 points to lead the Bobbies.

A strong third quarter performance lifted the Bobbies over Palo Duro in the consolation semifinal.

Dimmitt was down by a point, 23-22 at halftime, but outscored Palo Duro 14-5 in the third to take over the lead. They held on with an 18-point performance in the final stanza and advanced into the consolation championship game with a 54-41 victory.

The Bobbies held a 10-point lead after the first quarter against Tascosa, but allowed the Lady Rebels to win the next three quarters and force the game into overtime. The Bobbies were outscored 5-2 in the extra period and lost 44-41.



DIMMITT'S SYDELLE McDONALD (21) brings the ball down the floor against Spearman's Heather Murrell (31) during first round action last Thursday in the Canyon Classic. McDonald led the Bobbies in scoring with 8, but it wasn't enough.

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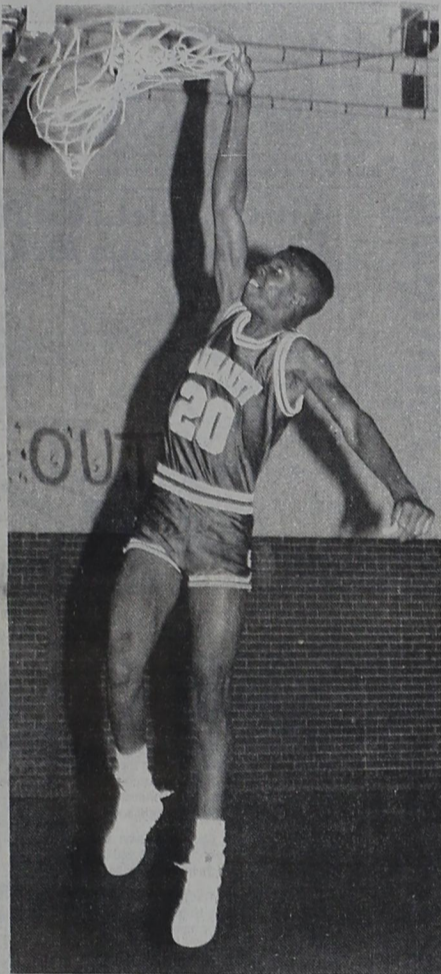
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61, Palo Duro 64
(Sixth Place)
58, Brownfield 63

Pioneer Classic:

68, Estacado 79
81, Paducah 67
52, Caprock 47
(Consolation)
79, Morton 40

Bobbies:

58, River Road 22
61, Hale Center 40
45, Hereford 44

Frenship Classic:

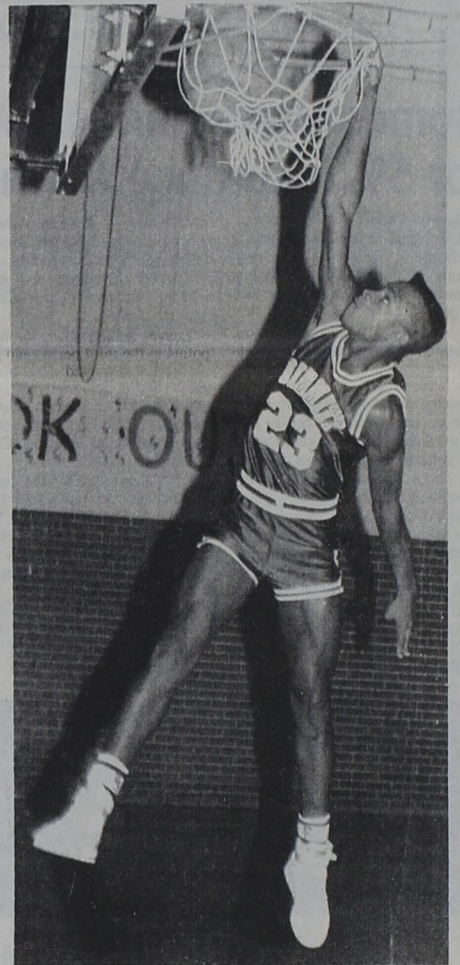
83, Lubbock Dunbar 35
41, Happy 40
55, Frenship 51
(Championship)
47, Caprock 48

Canyon Classic:

28, Spearman 31
54, Palo Duro 41
41, Tascosa 44 (OT)
(Sixth Place)
78, Morton 22

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NAZARETH'S DARLA LEAVITT reaches high in the air above Canyon's Missy Kraai, Joanie Stevens, Jara Behrens and Amie Taylor to score during championship action in the Canyon Classic Saturday night. Leavitt lead her team in scoring throughout the tournament, scoring 64 points over three games. She scored a game high 16 against Canyon Saturday to lead the Swiftettes to victory in the Canyon Classic championship.

Bobcats, Longhorns do well in tourneys

The Bobcats won the consolation championship of the rugged Plainview Lions Classic while the Longhorns captured third place in the Anton Tournament.

The Swifts, though, had a rough time in the big Plainview Lions Classic field as they got knocked to eighth place.

Plainview Lions Classic

After building a 36-34 halftime lead against Lubbock Estacado, the Bobcats couldn't hold onto it as the Matadors won the third quarter 20-10 and coasted to a 79-68 win. But the loss, Dimmitt's fourth of the season, was to be the last in the tourney.

Emilio Arce paced the Bobcats with 16 points while Mat Bradley and Justin Shultz scored 12 each.

In the Bobcats' consolation semifinals game, the defending Class A state champion Paducah Dragons proved to not be the weak sisters they were tabbed to be after the loss of last year's superstars. The tall, well-balanced Dragons had played Plainview tough in the opening round and did a repeat performance against the Bobcats.

The Bobcats had a good first quarter as they moved to a 20-13 lead with Coach Ken Cleveland rotating his players freely. But the Dragons closed the lead to five points by halftime, 38-33, and caught up during the third. Paducah led 51-50 going into the final frame.

The game remained nip-and-tuck in the opening minutes of the fourth until the Bobcats took control with their biggest scoring burst so far this season, sinking 31 points before the final buzzer to take an 81-67 victory.

Five Bobcats scored in double figures. Arce scored 20, Brac Wardlaw 18, Shultz 12, and Bradley and Jason Long 11 each.

In the consolation championship game Saturday, the Bobcats built a six-point halftime lead against Amarillo Caprock, then held on for a hard-earned 52-47 victory. Dimmitt's scoring was well balanced with Shultz and Long scoring 10 each to lead the way.

"I thought the kids played awfully well against Caprock," Coach Ken Cleveland said. "We've played two tournaments now and we've certainly gotten out of them what I had hoped we would. I feel like we're advancing."

The Bobcats came out of the Plainview Lions Classic with a 6-4 record.

The tourney was a rocky road for the Swifts, though. In their opener they suffered a 99-35 drubbing at the hands of powerful Andrews, which ran away with the tournament championship.

Kyle Schilling and Scott Huseman paced the Swifts with 11 points each in the tourney opener.

In their consolation semifinals game against Amarillo Caprock Friday, Nazareth had an ice-cold first quarter and fell behind, 20-6. They found the basket in the second for 18 points, but the Longhorns answered with 24 to take a 44-24 halftime lead, then coasted to an 81-57 victory.

Schilling had a big game as he scored 28 to account for almost half of the Swifts' total. Brian Schmucker also finished in double figures with 13.

The Nazareth-Paducah game for seventh place Saturday was a good contest, with the Dragons building a 34-31 halftime lead and the Swifts still within striking distance at 43-48 going into the fourth period. But the Dragons put together a 21-point final quarter to win it, 69-58.

Anton Tournament

An overtime loss to Lubbock Christian cost the Longhorns a berth in the championship game, but they still finished the tourney with two wins and brought home the third-place trophy.

In their opener, the Longhorns had little trouble putting away Sundown, 61-43, as Steve Lee found the nets for 26 points and Ricky Ojeda sank 10. The first quarter was close, 18-16, but the Longhorns outscored the Roughnecks 19-10 in the second to take control.

In the championship semifinals, the Longhorns battled to a four-point lead going into the fourth quarter, but Lubbock Christian's Eagles fought back to tie it at 44 by the final buzzer. Then the Eagles kept their momentum going in overtime, winning a wild 13-6 shootout to turn back the Longhorns, 57-50.

Pacing the Longhorns were Junior Washington with 14 and Andy Castillo with 12.

The Longhorns were still struggling as they fell behind Texico, N.M., 13-16, in the opening quarter of the third place bout. But the Longhorn defense shut down the Texico lads with 8 and 9 points in the second and third periods as Hart won going away, 58-46.



SKY HOOK — Dimmitt's Emilio Arce (14) makes a leaping interception to foil a Paducah fast break in the second quarter of the consolation semifinals game of the Plainview Lions Classic Friday. The Bobcats won the game, 81-67, and went on to defeat Caprock for the consolation championship.



For the first time in modern history, the world population growth rate is declining reports the United Nations.

Homeowners can qualify for 5% insurance saving

Deputy Sheriff Joe Hoard can qualify local homeowners for a reduction in their insurance premiums because of a licensing school he attended recently in San Antonio.

Hoard, who serves as the county's crime prevention officer, is now licensed as a crime prevention inspector and homeowners' insurance inspector, and can certify any homeowner for a reduction of up to 5% in insurance premiums if his or her home passes a basic crime-prevention inspection.

Hoard earned his new license after 40 hours of classroom training through the Texas Crime Prevention Institute, a branch of Southwest Texas State College. The extensive course dealt with crime prevention techniques for homeowners, business owners, children, neighborhoods, etc.

"A law went into effect last Jan.

5 designing a program whereby police officers graduating from this course could be licensed as crime prevention inspectors and homeowners' insurance inspectors," Hoard explained.

"Under the Texas code, it certifies me to conduct premium reduction inspections of homes, which would authorize the homeowner for up to a 5% rate reduction after I inspect the home and certify it under the Texas Insurance Code," he said.

Criteria covered by the inspection include door types, lock types, auxiliary locks on sliding glass doors and windows, key locks on garage doors and other such measures that enhance the security of a home, he said.

Any homeowner in the county who would like an insurance reduction inspection conducted may contact the Sheriff's Dept. at 647-3311.

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Scoreboard

CANYON CLASSIC (First Round)

Bobbes 28, Spearman 31
 Dimmitt 10 2 7 9 — 28
 Spearman 6 9 9 7 — 31
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Sydelle McDonald 8, Gloria Gauna 8.

Swiftettes 87, Palo Duro 41
 Nazareth 28 19 22 18 — 87
 Palo Duro 9 13 4 15 — 41
 Scoring: NAZ — Darla Leavitt 32, Dana Schulte 11, Shana Birkenfeld 10; PD — Wallace 13.

(Championship Semis)

Swiftettes 40, Spearman 34
 Nazareth 11 8 10 11 — 40
 Spearman 6 4 12 12 — 34
 Scoring: NAZ — Darla Leavitt 16, Stephanie Brockman 13; SPEARMAN — Krista Kirkland 18, Londee Bradley 8.

(Consolation Semifinals)

Bobbes 54, Palo Duro 41
 Dimmitt 14 8 14 18 — 54
 Palo Duro 10 13 5 13 — 41
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Renae Josselet 15, Sydelle McDonald 15, Gloria Gauna 13.

(Consolation Championship)

Bobbes 41, Tascosa 44 (OT)
 Dimmitt 16 9 5 9 2 — 41
 Tascosa 6 12 7 14 5 — 44

(Championship)

Swiftettes, 48, Canyon 35
 Nazareth 6 8 18 16 — 48
 Canyon 7 6 12 10 — 35
 Scoring: NAZ — Darla Leavitt 16, Stephanie Brockman and Shan Birkenfeld 10; CANYON — Missy Kraai 11, Jara Behrens 10.

PLAINVIEW LIONS CLASSIC (First Round)

Swifts 35, Andrews 99
 Nazareth 6 7 15 7 — 35
 Andrews 29 19 20 31 — 99
 Scoring: NAZ — Kyle Schilling 11, Scott Huseman 11; ANDREWS — Bice 28, Baten 22, D. Clay and Hammond 14.

Bobcats 68, Estacado 79
 Dimmitt 12 24 10 22 — 68
 Estacado 16 18 20 25 — 79
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Emilio Arce 16, Justin Shultz 13; ESTACADO — Moore 25.

(Consolation Semis)

Swifts 57, Caprock 81
 Nazareth 6 18 14 19 — 57
 Caprock 20 24 18 19 — 81
 Scoring: NAZ — Kyle Schilling 28, Brian Schmucker 13; CAPROCK — Jay Fennell 30.

Bobcats 81, Paducah 67
 Dimmitt 20 18 12 31 — 81
 Paducah 13 20 18 16 — 67
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Emilio Arce 20, Brac Wardlaw 17; PADUCAH — H. Bartlett 23, A. Hurd 16.

Seventh Place

Swifts 58, Paducah 69
 Nazareth 13 18 12 15 — 58
 Paducah 15 19 14 21 — 69
 Scoring: NAZ — Kyle Schilling 22, Brad Kleman 12; PADUCAH — Hurd and Bartlett 21.

Consolation Championship

Bobcats 52, Caprock 47
 Dimmitt 13 13 14 12 — 52
 Caprock 12 8 14 13 — 47
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Jason Long and Justin Shultz 10; CAPROCK — Fennell 16.

ANTON TOURNAMENT (First Round)

Longhorns 61, Sundown 43
 Hart 18 19 12 12 — 61

Sundown 16 10 7 10 — 43
 Scoring: HART — Steve Lee 26, Ojeda 10; SUNDOWN — Wells 17, Lockhart 10.

Lady Horns 46, Sundown 53
 Hart 6 13 16 11 — 46
 Sundown 14 10 16 13 — 53
 Scoring: HART — Diaz 24; Knox 16; SUNDOWN — Smith 18.

(Consolation Semis)

Lady Horns 51, Lubbock Christian 46
 Hart 13 10 14 14 — 51
 LCHS 14 18 6 8 — 46
 Scoring: HART — Cecelia Diaz 22; LCHS — Phillips 15.

(Championship Semis)

Longhorns 50, Lubbock Christian 57
 OT
 Hart 15 10 11 8 6 — 50
 LCHS 10 12 10 12 13 — 57
 Scoring: HART — Junior Washington 14, Andy Castillo 12; LCHS — Toby Rogers 24, Mark Perrin 11.

(Consolation Championship)

Lady Horns 40, Lazbuddie 53
 Hart 13 8 6 13 — 40
 Lazbuddie 9 16 18 10 — 53
 Scoring: HART — Diaz 16, Knox 11; LAZBUDDIE — M. Jennings 13, McGeehee 13.

(Third Place)

Longhorns 58, Texico, N.M. 46
 Hart 13 13 14 18 — 58
 Texico 16 9 8 13 — 46
 Scoring: HART — Ramirez 17, Washington 13, Ojeda 10; TEXICO — Fuentes 12, Estrada 10.

HEREFORD JUNIOR HIGH TOURNAMENT

First Round

7th Bobcats 46, Hereford Maroon B 11
8th Bobcats 49, Hereford Maroon B 11

Championship Semis

7th Bobcats 31, Canyon 15
8th Bobcats 39, Hereford White 36

Championship

7th Bobcats 27, Valley View 52
8th Bobcats 27, Hereford Maroon 45

DUMAS VARSITY TOURNEY

First Round

JV Bobcats 25, Dalhart Varsity 53
 Dimmitt 11 7 4 3 — 25
 Dalhart 15 12 9 17 — 53
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Billy Ray Thomas 6.

Consolation Semis

JV Bobcats 58, Spearman Varsity 52
 Dimmitt 16 17 10 15 — 58
 Spearman 12 16 15 9 — 52
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Miguel Ontiveros 15, Chip Thrasher 12, Billy Ray Thomas 10.

Consolation

JV Bobcats 43, Dumas JV 37
 Dimmitt 3 17 11 12 — 43
 Dumas 9 9 13 6 — 37
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Chip Thrasher 9, Billy Ray Thomas 9.

HEREFORD FRESHMAN TOURNEY

First Round

Freshman Bobcats 60, Plainview Red 45
 Dimmitt 17 12 19 12 — 60
 Plainview 7 16 11 11 — 45

Scoring: DIMMITT — Armando Arce 22, Miguel Saucedo 15.

Championship Semis

Freshman Bobcats 77, Canyon 40
 Dimmitt 13 24 22 18 — 77
 Canyon 16 11 13 0 — 40
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Armando Arce 33 and Miguel Saucedo 22.

Championship

Freshman Bobcats 46, Randall 45
 Dimmitt 8 15 15 8 — 46
 Randall 17 7 10 11 — 45
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Armando Arce 15, Richard Newman 12.

FRIDAY

JV Bobcats 67, Brownfield 43
 Dimmitt 22 15 19 11 — 67
 Brownfield 6 14 13 10 — 43
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Chip Thrasher 14, Dennis Petty 13, Freddie Martinez 10.

MONDAY

Freshman Bobcats 74, Friona 38
 Dimmitt 17 24 13 20 — 74
 Friona 11 5 13 9 — 38
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Miguel Saucedo 29, Armando Arce 21.

7th Bobcats 45, Friona 17

8th Bobcats 44, Friona 18

TUESDAY

Bobcats 79, Morton 40
 Dimmitt 11 21 21 26 — 79
 Morton 10 11 6 13 — 40
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Emilio Arce 20, Mat Bradley 16.

Longhorns 56, Kress 25

Hart 17 3 20 16 — 56
 Kress 4 4 7 10 — 25
 Scoring: HART — Ojeda 15, Lee 14.

Swiftettes 53, Abernathy 42

Nazareth 10 17 13 13 — 53
 Abernathy 9 10 15 8 — 42
 Scoring: NAZ — Darla Leavitt 26, Tami Ball and Stephanie Brockman 8.

Bobbes 78, Morton 22

Dimmitt 15 22 25 16 — 78
 Morton 1 5 11 5 — 22
 Scoring: DIMMITT — Renae Josselet 12, Floria Gauna 12.

JV Swiftettes 34, Abernathy 46

JV Bobcats 89, Morton 29

More about Pheasant season . . .

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"We've had only one landowner notify us that he was full-up and couldn't handle any more hunters," Thomas reported.

On organized hunts on club-leas land, the price generally is \$100 per hunter for the opening weekend.

The Texas Parks & Wildlife Service is opening a new program here this year — a Type II Wildlife Management area for hunters on 10,000 acres in northeastern Castro and southeastern Deaf Smith County, where hunters can go after pheasants, ducks, geese or sandhill cranes under the state hunting regulations.

Permits to hunt on the Type II land are \$35 for the season and are on sale at the Amarillo district office of the TP&WS, 2736 S. Georgia, Amarillo, 79109. Permits may be purchased either in person at the district office or by mail. Any hunter requesting a permit by mail should include with the request an in-state check, name, height, weight, color of hair and eyes, date of birth and county of residence.

"This is not in the prime area for pheasants," said Calvin Towe, lieutenant game warden. "It's mainly dryland, CRP land and pasture land."

"The pheasant hunting on this land will probably be from good to spotty," added David Rideout, technical guidance biologist. "This is the first year we've leased land in Castro County; we hope to be able to lease more and better land next year. If any landowners would be willing to lease out their land for an average of \$1 per acre, I'd like to hear from them after the first of the year. We want the hunters and landowners to all get a decent deal out of it."

Organized hunts

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few more" hunters for its opening weekend hunt, but the organized hunts conducted by the Easter Lions and the Nazareth Lions are "full up," club officers reported.

The Hart Lions have signed up 150 hunters so far, and have leased approximately 30,000 acres of land on 65-70 farms in the area.

For a price of \$100 for the season, the Hart Lions serve their hunters breakfast, give them a souvenir cap apiece, take them out on opening morning, then provide them with maps showing all the leased land available to them.

"We've had good response this year," Boss Lion Tony Leibel reported. "We have hunters coming in from Alabama, Louisiana, Arkansas and South Texas. One year

we even had a couple of guys from Pennsylvania, and one year we had a guy from Connecticut."

The Nazareth Lions Club will host 104 hunters and has 3,500 to 4,000 acres of land leased, 2,000 of it "real good hunting," according to hunt chairman David Bownds. The Lions will serve breakfast and lunch for their paid hunters, provide them with souvenir caps and guide them during opening weekend, at a price of \$100 for the weekend.

The Easter Lions Club will host 90 hunters on 12 farms, at a charge of \$100 per hunter for the opening weekend, according to hunt chairman Eddie Matthews. The Lions will serve breakfast and lunch and will provide a guide service on opening day.

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Fiesta dinner slated Dec. 18

The county's Child Protective Services Board (formerly Child Welfare Board) will serve a Mexican fiesta dinner Sunday, Dec. 18 in the Expo Building.

Serving hours will be 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and the cost will be \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under 12.

Money raised through the event will be used to help buy Christmas gifts and clothing for abused children who are in foster care.

The local volunteer board serves as a liaison between local governments, foster families and the state Child Protective Services program, which is carried out by a full-time case worker here.



GOING FOR IT — Nazareth's Bob Kern (22) stretches for a rebound but a Caprock player gets it in the fourth quarter of the Swifts' consolation

semifinals game of the Plainview Lions Classic Friday. At right is Nazareth's Brad Kleman (34). Caprock won the game, 81-57.

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A RIBBON CUTTING Tuesday morning marked the completion of an extensive remodeling project at the Dimmitt Veterinary Clinic. Here, Andy Hill mans the Chamber of Commerce scissors while Betty Wallace of the Dimmitt Dynamos and Sally Stanton hold the ribbon. Others in foreground, from left, are Barry Hill, Sara Hill and W. J. Hill, D.V.M. In background are clinic employees Donna Newton and Pam Josselet and representatives of the city and Chamber of Commerce. (Not pictured is clinic employee Kim Roper.)

Conservation Conversation

Running Water Soil & Water Conservation District

The Conservation Reserve Program, part of the Food Security Act signed by President Ronald Reagan in December, 1985, has become a major topic of discussion among farmers, ranchers, agribusinesses, loan institutions, realtors and a host

of other people and businesses who may or may not have a vested interest in agriculture. It is a voluntary program designed to improve soil and water resources by encouraging landowners to remove highly erodible land from crop production.

The CRP is a 10-year agreement between the landowner and the United States Dept. of Agriculture. It carries detailed obligations for both parties. In essence, the landowner agrees to establish his CRP land to a permanent vegetative cover while the USDA agrees to pay annual rental payments to the landowner for the 10-year period as well as a 50% cost-share rate for cover establishment.

Expected results of the CRP are a noted reduction in soil erosion, soil and water conservation, improved water quality in streams and rivers, reducing the production of surplus commodities, an increase in future timber supply and improvements in fish and wildlife habitats.

Under the CRP, each county is allowed up to 25% of its cropland to go into the program. Castro County has 459,576 acres of cropland according to ASCS. 25% of this cropland would allow 114,894 acres that could eventually go into CRP. To date, there are 145 CRP contracts with a total of 42,261.9 acres enrolled in the program in Castro County. While other counties have reached or are rapidly approaching the 25% limit, Castro County has attained 9.2% of its limit.

It is always wise to look at programs such as this from an economic standpoint. At the present time we have 115 contracts which have grass planted on them. Approximately 20% of these are considered established and are complete with their cost-share practices. The remaining contracts will have additional expenses upcoming in the form of weed controls. The total to date expenses of getting these CRP contracts to their present condition is \$2,025,567.70 on a total of 33,000 acres. This does not include expenses on those contracts which have not been planted to grass. Of this \$2 million plus, it is estimated that 65 to 70% of it has

been spent within the county.

Looking from another standpoint, there are 42,261.9 acres of Castro County cropland enrolled in CRP. Using a \$38 per acre average annual rental payment, we see \$1.6 million going to local land owners. Over a ten-year period, there will be better than \$16 million being paid to landowners in Castro County, of which a large portion will be spent locally. Granted, the revenue paid to landowners in the form of rental payments is a portion of our tax dollars, but satisfaction can be taken in the fact that these are tax dollars coming back into the local communities and will aid in supporting the area's economy.

For those landowners who are considering participation in the Conservation Reserve Program, here is some information which may be of help. The total cost of establishing the land to vegetative cover is going to be in the neighborhood of \$30 to \$45 per acre, depending on the type of grass planted and the extensiveness of seedbed preparation, cover crop and weed controls. The following will give some idea as to the most common grass mixtures used on Castro County CRP land.

Grass Mixture	Acres in Castro County
Blue Grama	9780.6
Blue Grama/Green Sprangletop	7739.1
Blue Grama/Side Oats	5843.9
Blue Grama/Kleingrass	5060.7
Blue Grama/Bluestem and Green Sprangletop	1231.2

The above mixtures have been used on a large percent of the acres enrolled in CRP in Castro County. Other mixtures have been used to a lesser degree. Blue grama is the most common variety and is found to be used in nearly all of the CRP contracts in the county. The type of mixture used will be based largely on cost, soil types, and the landowner's future plans for that land after the 10-year period is up.

For more information contact the Soil Conservation Service at 221 West Bedford, Suite 103, Dimmitt, Texas 79027; phone (806) 647-4324.

Contel to lower telephone rates

Contel of Texas has approved a refund proposal that will lower basic monthly rates, upgrade equipment, provide low-income telephone assistance and ultimately insure that one-party phone service is available in all areas.

Approved by the Texas Public Utilities Commission earlier this month, Contel's proposal was possible through the 1986 Tax Reform Act. More than \$6 million in tax rate reductions will be returned directly to customers.

"This is a win-win situation for Contel and all customers," said Bill Hegmann, president of the company. "Contel is the first telephone company in Texas to identify plans for the Tax Reform Act differential.

We're giving our refund back to the customer through lower rates, better service and improved equipment."

Customers will be seeing credits on their bill in November and December. The refund is retroactive to June 1988 and subsequent bills will show a reduction on the cost of Contel's monthly flat-rate service and a credit for toll charges.

In addition to the credits, new group rates will be set. For customers living in larger metropolitan areas, the implementation of the new groups will account for a larger rate reduction.

Contel will also establish an ambitious one-party service program. Currently more than 21,000 customers have two, four or multi-party phone service. While multi-party service is usually provided at a lower rate than one-party service, Contel's proposal will allow the customers the benefits of having their own telephone line without having to incur high phone costs.

All customers will be offered the

opportunity to upgrade to one-party service. During 1989, 72 serving areas will be converted to total one-party service. Other exchanges will be converted within three years. And as exchanges are converted to one party, mileage fees will be eliminated and a uniform rural flat rate will be established. For customers living outside the base rate the savings could be substantial.

"Our one-party proposal will give customers a significant decrease in cost with a better grade of service," noted Hegmann. "We're expanding our central offices and installing new cables. It will be easier for us in testing, installation and record-keeping. This should also reduce our operating costs."

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ASCS News

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The cotton loan deficiency payment rate is equal to the difference between the loan rate and the loan repayment rate in effect during the week in which the cotton is sold and if applicable, any coarse count adjustment. An application for loan deficiency payment and acceptable documentation must be submitted to your local ASCS Office within 30 days of the date the cotton is sold, but not later than May 31, 1989.

Cotton loan deficiency payments will be paid to eligible producers who agree to forego loan eligibility on the production which a loan deficiency payment is requested. The loan deficiency payment will be determined on a farm by farm basis. The loan deficiency will be paid on a bale by bale basis, which means that an eligible producer may place bales produced on the same farm under loan and get a loan deficiency payment on the eligible production that is not placed under loan. The maximum production on a farm that is eligible for loan deficiency is determined by multiplying the farm program planted acreage (not to exceed the maximum permitted acreage on the farm) by the program payment yield for the farm.

When requesting a loan deficiency payment, you will need to bring in either class cards or other acceptable AMS class documentation or gin tag lists, and all sales copies of the documents on which the sales date is based. Loan deficiency payment proceeds will be counted against a producer's \$250,000 payment limitation.

Effective Dec. 6, the Castro County ASCS Office will be closed on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. This is being done to allow us time to prepare for the 1989 farm sign-up which begins Dec. 19, and also allows us time to complete work on disaster payments.

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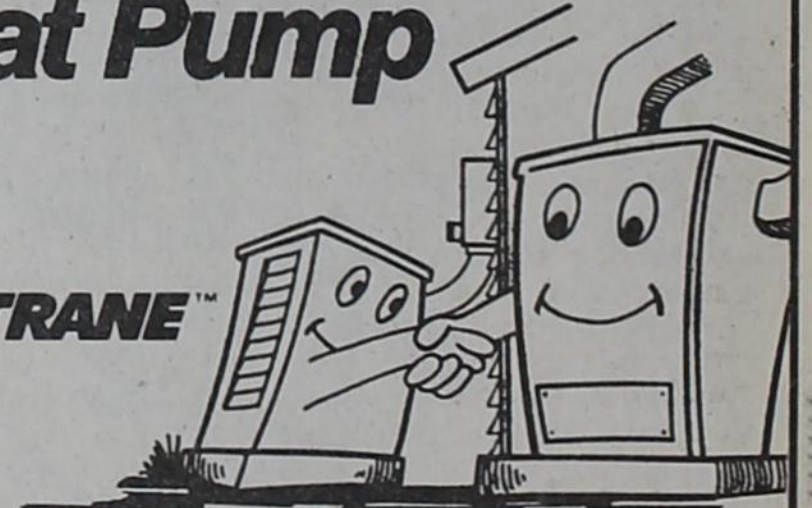
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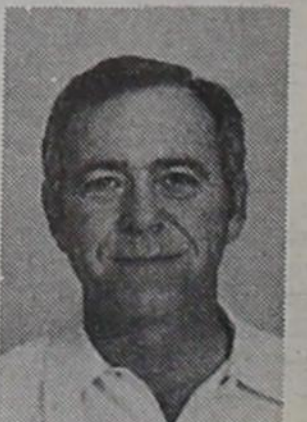


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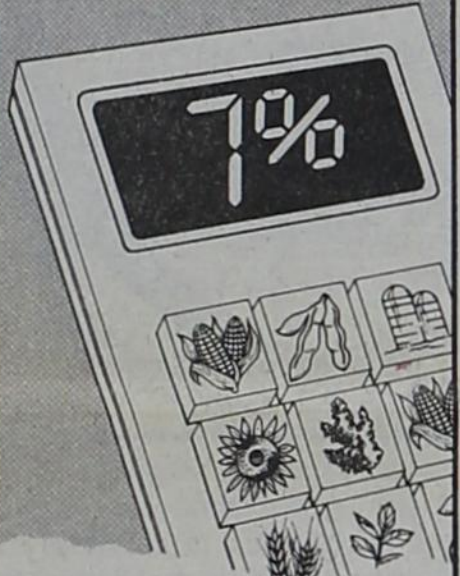
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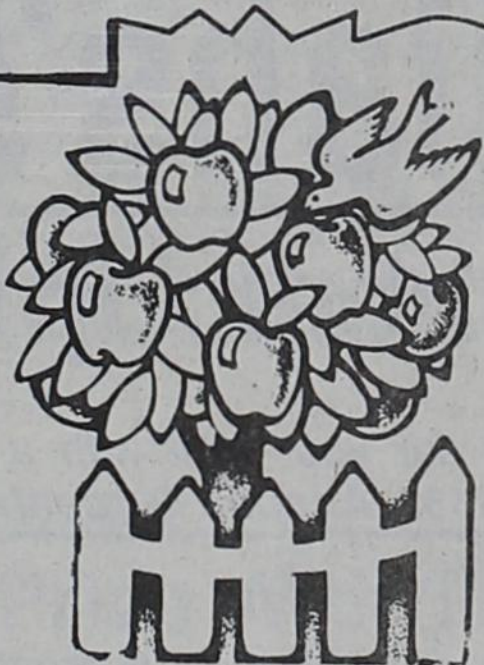


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Letters

Dear Editor:
I feel I must respond to the letter from M. L. Schmucker in which she said, "Thank God the majority of Americans do not want a man of those values (the ACLU) to lead their country."

I am wondering if people really know what this organization has meant to the freedoms of the ordinary people in this country.

Our country was founded because minority people were escaping repression and so the First Amendment came into being. In 1920, when the ACLU was founded, the Supreme Court had never struck down a law on First Amendment grounds. The freedom to publish, freedom of the press, the freedom to speak existed only if the majority agreed with what you said. And if they did not, and if the police came to break up your meeting or prohibit your leafleting or prevent you from organizing, nothing protected you; because the people whose rights were violated first were the powerless who did not know their rights and could not afford a lawyer to protect them. And so began a long struggle to make the Bill of Rights a reality.

At that time, in 1920, religious majorities oppressed religious minorities; the major feminist issue was whether women could vote. Racism was firmly entrenched. Blacks, of course, could not vote and had few rights. Working people could not organize in any fashion without suffering violence, and on and on.

The rights that most people take for granted today were the result of unpopular cases that the ACLU brought some years ago! They were attacked then as they are today, and called subversive.

When Japanese-Americans were interned in 1942, the ACLU was the only national organization to condemn the internment and fight it in court. People like George Bush said they were unpatriotic, disloyal. Now, 45 years later, Ronald Reagan signed a bill that gives reparation to these people for what they suffered, calling the act "hysteria" and "racism." It is wonderful to decide 30 years later that what happened to the blacks in this country was an outrage. It is great now to decide that women ought to have equal rights and pay in employment. To get these rights, you have to be there when they are violated, before they are popular, and risk being called subversive, disloyal and unpatriotic.

Frankly, it is frightening to me to have a man leading our country who condemns such an organization. In the past, Eisenhower, Truman, Earl Warren, Kennedy, hosts of police chiefs and many more have praised the ACLU for the principled organization that it is—unpartisan (they defended Richard Nixon and Oliver North); defending constitutional rights, regardless of race, sex, or creed. They knew such an organization was necessary to protect all our rights even if they

did not agree with every stand taken. (In the debate, George Bush stated four positions of the ACLU, three of which were wrong.)

Remember during the election the lady who wanted the right to put a George Bush poster in her front yard and called on the ACLU to defend her right—and won?

I am a proud member of the American Civil Liberties Union; and, thank God, with their help I will keep the right to say so.

NORMA DAWSON

Dear Editor:

I want to say thanks to all who supported our hospital auxiliary bazaar and lunch.

As most of you know we (the auxiliary) are volunteers and we enjoy it very much. Through your support our bazaar, Christmas greetings project and Memorial Fund, we have been able to buy some new equipment for the hospital to make it more efficient. This year we have purchased an electrolyte analyzer that will give the patients and doctors the results of flood tests in less than ten minutes after the blood test has been drawn. We have also purchased a Doppler O.B. Probe. This instrument is very important in picking up the baby's heart beat in very early pregnancy. Last, but not least, we helped pay for the incinerator to burn trash from the hospital. OSHA will not let any trash from the hospital go in a landfill anymore! This year we have spent \$22,294. We could not have done this without your support and all the work of the Aux-

iliary.

Remember our Christmas Greeting Card project. You can go by the First State Bank in Dimmitt to put your name on the list. The list will be printed in the Castro County News. Mrs. Pat Hardy will be glad to take care of your memorial and send a card to relatives.

Thank you again for all your support.

Nell Ingram

Dear Editor:

Last Saturday evening a potential disaster at our home was averted by a group of gentlemen locally known as the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Department. They answered our call for help in less than four minutes, thereby avoiding the spread of a garage-contained fire to other areas of our home.

We don't know what specific duties each fireman is assigned when called to a fire, but these well-trained men went about their jobs with the efficiency of a professional unit of a much larger city. At no time did we see any inability or ineptness on their part while going about their duties.

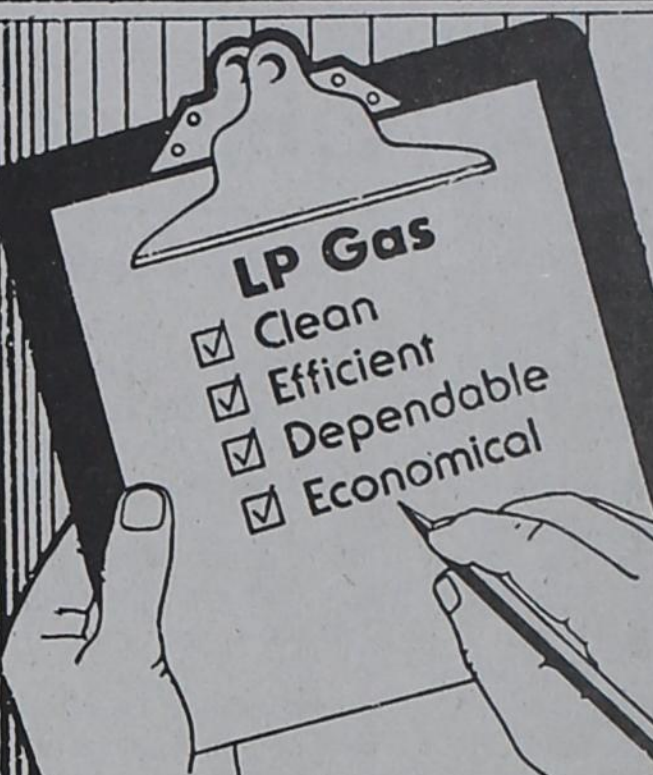
We as citizens of a small, close-knit community can be proud of and should be extremely thankful to these men and their often thankless and taken-for-granted jobs. They are there to protect our families and property because they want to serve and Dimmitt is very fortunate indeed to have them.

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Social Security in Castro County

By TERRY J. CLEMENTS

There are special provisions in the Social Security law designed to encourage blind and disabled supplemental security income recipients to try to work. These provisions allow recipients to attempt to work without fear of losing all their SSI checks or Medicaid coverage. Also, recipients whose SSI checks were stopped because their earnings made their income too high to receive checks may be able to receive checks again if they find they are no longer able to work.

Recognizing that a disabled recipient's return to work may not follow a steady progression, the law allows the recipient to use SSI as a stepping stone to employment. Recipients may continue to receive some money from SSI while testing their ability to work. The amount received depends on the amount of earnings—as earnings increase, the SSI payment decreases or stops. A recipient who finds his or her work attempt is unsuccessful, however, may have payments started again—

often without filing a new SSI application.

In addition, many blind and disabled recipients can keep their eligibility for Medicaid coverage even when their checks stop because their earnings make their income too high to continue receiving checks. To keep Medicaid coverage, a recipient must continue to be blind or disabled, meet all other non-earnings SSI eligibility requirements, depend on Medicaid coverage to continue working, and be unable to purchase similar medical care.

Blind or disabled recipients who work also are encouraged to develop a "plan for achieving self-support." This plan allows them to set aside income and/or resources for a work goal and can mean an increased SSI payment. Some examples of work goals include education, vocational training, starting a business or purchasing work-related equipment.

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Nazareth

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The sacrament of reconciliation was celebrated Sunday night in Holy Family Church with the penitential liturgy beginning at 7. Nine area priests participated along with Rev. Brendan Sherry. Many parishioners attended.

The Faithful Friends Choir will sing for the 7 a.m. mass Thursday morning, the feast of the Immaculate Conception, patron feast of the United States of America.

Fred Ball spent the Thanksgiving holidays in McKinney with his sister, Esther Braddock and her family. Esther returned here with Fred and spent several days with Carl Dean and Mary Kleman and the Braddock relatives. The Klemans and Urban Ball took Esther back to McKinney on Friday.

The Christmas pageant will be

presented in Holy Family Church Sunday, Dec. 18 and Monday, Dec. 19.

The Faithful Friends Children's Choir from Holy Family Church were invited to participate in the County Cantata Sunday night in Dimmitt at the high school auditorium. They were part of an 80-voice children's choir, 60-voice Castro County singers and a 12-piece orchestra in presenting the Christmas musical, "Come Celebrate Jesus." It was sponsored by the Castro County Ministerial Alliance.

A free will offering was taken up at the close of the musical to be used to buy food for the Christmas food distribution to needy families of the county. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the music and singing.

Even Santa Needs New Ideas.

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Two sentenced here on marijuana charges

Judge Jack Miller sentenced two men last week after they pleaded guilty in 64th District Court to marijuana charges.

Elmo Williams, 62, of Dimmitt, was sentenced to serve two seven-year terms in the Texas Dept. of Corrections and pay \$10,000 in fines last Wednesday morning after pleading guilty to sales of marijuana to an undercover narcotics officer March 1 and May 16 in Dimmitt.

Chemical tests revealed less than one-half ounce of marijuana sold on each occasion.

Williams, who had been serving a felony probation for aggravated assault, had received a five-year sentence the preceding Wednesday in Judge Marvin Marshall's 242nd District Court. Williams had denied the charges in the probation revocation hearing, but Judge Marshall had revoked his probation after hearing testimony from the narcotics officer and a Dept. of Public Safety chemist.

Judge Miller sentenced Larry Don Vaughn, 32, to serve 45 days in jail and pay a \$300 fine after Vaughn changed his plea to guilty early Friday morning on a charge of possession of one ounce of marijuana.

Vaughn initially was charged with a felony, but further testing by a chemical laboratory indicated only one ounce of usable marijuana, District Attorney Jimmy Davis said.

A seven-woman, five-man jury had been selected in Judge Miller's court and was prepared to hear testimony early Friday morning when the chemical calculations were revealed to Davis' office. It was after this revelation that Vaughn changed his plea to guilty.

Davis said Vaughn also faces four felony theft charges or revoca-

tion of his probation in Bailey County, and will later be facing sexual assault charges in Fannin County (Bonham).

Obituary

Edwin Stewart

Services for Edwin Everett Stewart, 80, of Hereford, were held Monday in the First Baptist Church at Ringling, Okla., with Rev. Charles McConnell, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Eastman, Okla., Cemetery under the direction of Gililand-Watson Funeral Home in Hereford.

Mr. Stewart died last Wednesday in Deaf Smith General Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Born in Garden Valley, Okla., he moved from Ardmore, Okla., to Hereford in 1968. He married Nona Newbury Sept. 3, 1970, in Dimmitt. He was a retired oil field driller. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Mack of Houston and Jack of Akron, Ohio; a daughter, Honda Wildman of Romstien, Germany; a brother, J.D. of Newkirk, Okla.; three sisters, Kelo Loving and Oda Province, both of Ringling, and Velda Strothers of Ardmore; and eight grandchildren.

Ministerial Alliance

Norbert Choong will lead the Castro County Ministerial Alliance in a study of Luke 1:39-55 at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church rectory.

Auditor says city 'had a good year'

"Although a lot of businesses are having hard times right now, the City of Dimmitt had a good year," Doug Conder told the Dimmitt Aldermen at their Monday night meeting.

Conder, a representative of Doshier, Pickens and Francis, P.C., of Amarillo, presented the audit report for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1988.

He noted that a good sign for any business is an increase in working capital, with the city showing a \$91,133 increase. Conder also pointed out that general revenues were more than planned, while utility revenues fell only a little short of the budget; and while expenses

were also more than budgeted, there was more revenue than expenditures.

Conder complimented city employees on the smoothness of the audit procedure compared with past years, and noted that only very minor changes were recommended for next year.

The aldermen voted to accept the audit report and pay the bill for it, \$6,200.

In other business, the aldermen voted to set the hours of operation at the city landfill from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Mondays through Fridays, and from 8 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturdays. They agreed that changes could be made later if it is deemed necessary.

City Manager Reeford Burros asked the aldermen to approve an expenditure of \$10,316 for sewer and water lines in the north part of

town, including lines to "loop" the Youts Addition to improve water pressure, and lines for the senior citizens' housing project being constructed on the east side of Northwest Fifth Street.

Burros noted that the cost is for lines, fittings, and a fire hydrant, and that the city would be providing all the labor.

The aldermen also voted to ad-

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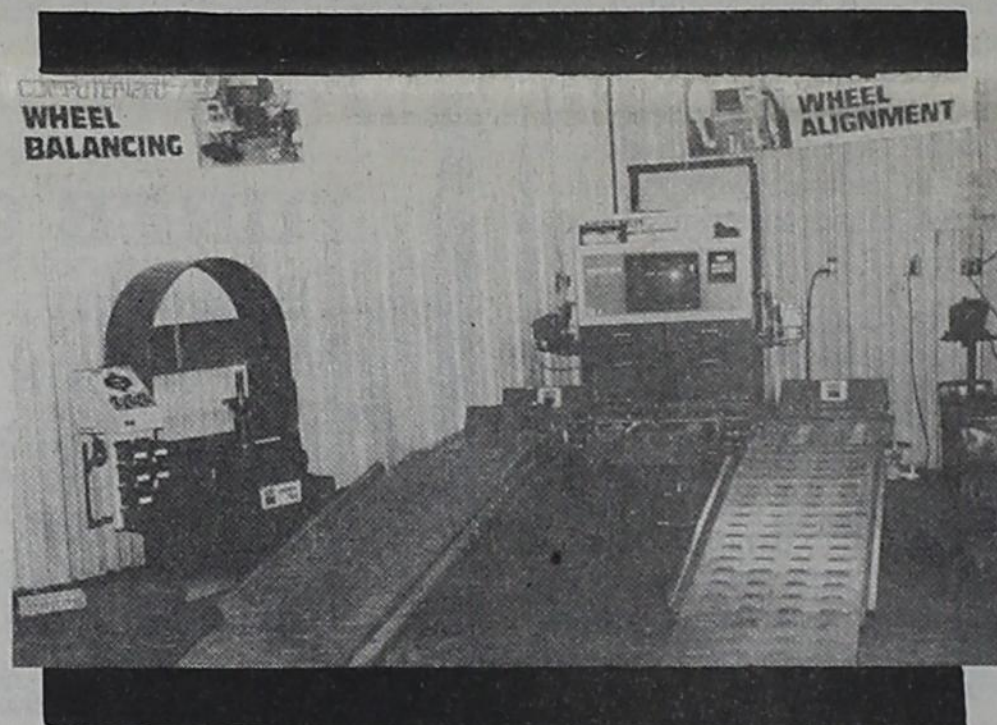
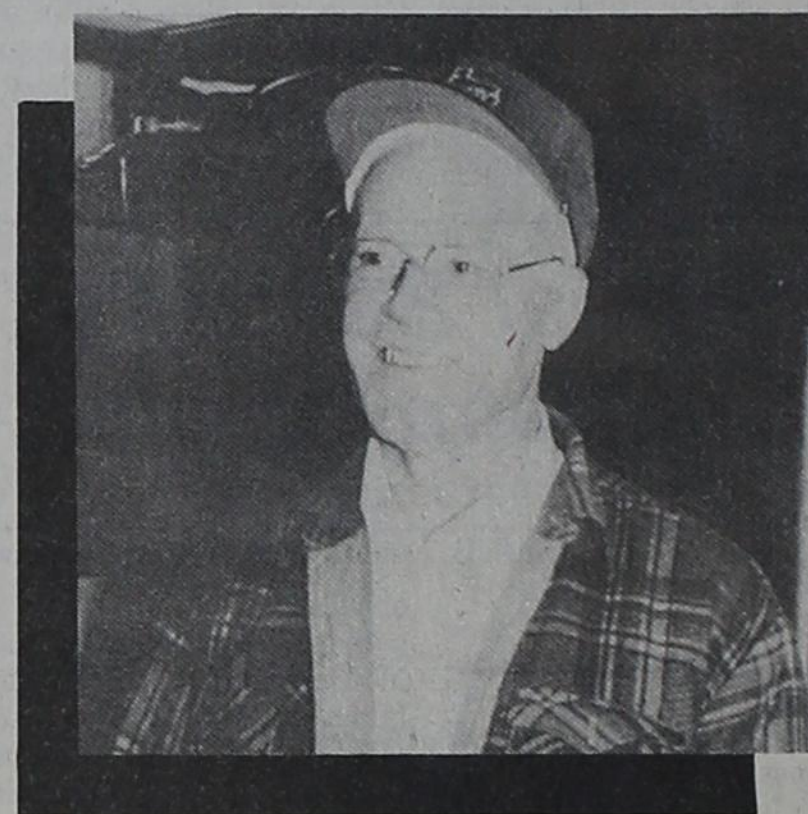
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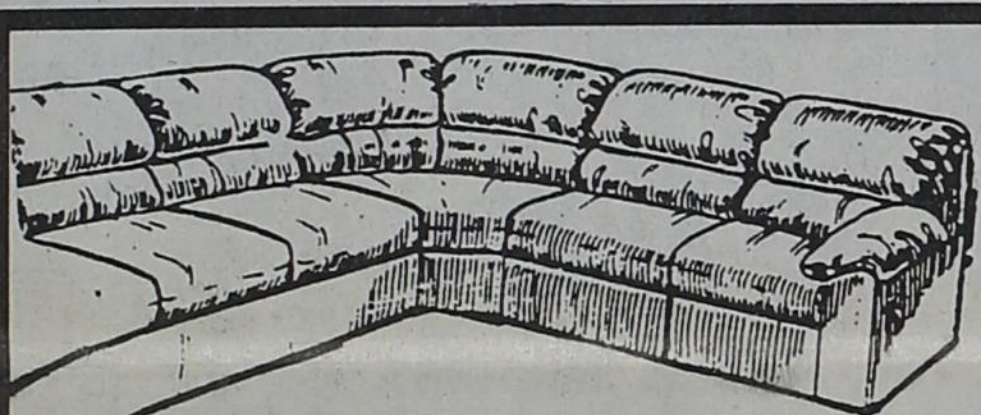
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