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Board, tax votes scheduled Saturday

Voters will go to the polls Saturday for annual municipal elections, while voters will decide sales tax issues in Dimmitt and county-wide.

Castro County voters, at the county clerk's office, Hale County State Bank—Hart Branch and Nazareth High School homemaking department, will decide whether the county should assess a one-half cent sales tax to reduce property taxes. Voters in Dimmitt will decide on a similar levy in the election at City Hall, also the site of the city, school and hospital board election.

The only contested race on the ballot is for the Dimmitt school board, where five persons—David Schaeffer, Danny Rice, Arlie Petty, Joe King and Jim Killingsworth will compete for two spots on the board.

Reeford Burrous has announced as a write-in candidate for the Castro County Hospital Board. Three incumbents—Garland Coleman, Ettie McDermitt and James Welch—are on the ballot.

Polls will open at 7 a.m. Saturday and close at 7 p.m.

Local candidates appeared at a Voters' Forum Monday at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce to give their reasons for running for office and to answer limited questions from the public.

Hospital

Making a pitch to increase use of Plains Memorial Hospital and for past patients to pay their almost \$1 million in bills to PMH, current Castro County Hospital District board members Garland Coleman, Ettie McDermitt and James Welch and write-in candidate Reeford Burrous outlined plans for the debt-ridden hospital.

The incumbent trio revealed the hospital's accounts receivable total \$949,593.70 — "inexcusable," Coleman said, and that CCHD had borrowed \$150,000 in February and March to remain in operation.

Coleman also announced that Joe Stevens, administrator of a Gonzales hospital for eight years, would begin duties Wednesday as

PMH administrator — the fourth since September.

The candidates were optimistic they could make PMH solvent:

Burrous, current Dimmitt city manager, said years in management in Contel, and service as county auditor and city manager would help on the board. "I want to keep a good hospital going. Some of the programs could be good or bad, and some could be worth more tax dollars."

Coleman, finishing his first term, was hopeful Stevens would address the hospital's problems and allow PMH to progress and improve. "We have taken it for granted, and I

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School

The most crowded race on the ballot is the Dimmitt school board contest, with five persons vying for two spots on the board.

The candidates, and their reasons for running, include:

■ Jim Killingsworth, who cited his service on several boards. "I'm acquainted with how boards work. I have a construction background, I

am a decision maker, I can accept criticism, and I can say no."

■ Joe King, calling on 32 years in "the school business, and 16 years of that was in administration. The hospital has problems we've heard tonight, and our schools have problems, too."

■ Arlie Petty, who replaced Don

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City

Mayor Wayne Collins and Board of Aldermen candidates Jack Thompson and Richard Stahl started Monday's voter's forum, outlining their experience and some of their goals for the city.

Collins, who began service as an alderman in 1979 and has served as Dimmitt mayor since 1984, said he was "proud of Dimmitt. It's a good community, and this is one way to repay the debt I feel I owe for getting to live here."

"We've also been blessed with good government, and I want to continue that tradition, and continue our progress." Collins also

praised the current city staff "from the people in the front office to the people driving trucks. We want to continue to provide more goods and services at a reasonable cost."

Thompson, seeking his second term as alderman, outlined needs the city is facing, including a possible restructuring of sanitation and sewer rates as costs continue to climb over budget while looking at a new sewage treatment facility.

Thompson said that as the city is faced with diminishing sales tax revenues and cuts in federal funding, "we need to look at reducing some services, maintaining some

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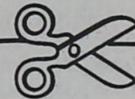
Taxes

County commissioners and Dimmitt city aldermen said basically the same thing when they brought up the new sales tax idea—"let's let the voters decide."

Saturday, voters will either endorse or turn down a proposal to add up to 1% to the current sales tax.

If the issue passes, property taxes set in August-September, 1988 will go down by the amount expected to be brought in by the new, additional sales taxes.

If both issues pass, sales taxes in Dimmitt would rise to 7.25%. If the county issue passes, sales taxes throughout the county would be at least 5.75% in unincorporated areas and 6.75% in Hart and Nazareth.



How can .5% sales tax cut your property tax?

For Castro County:

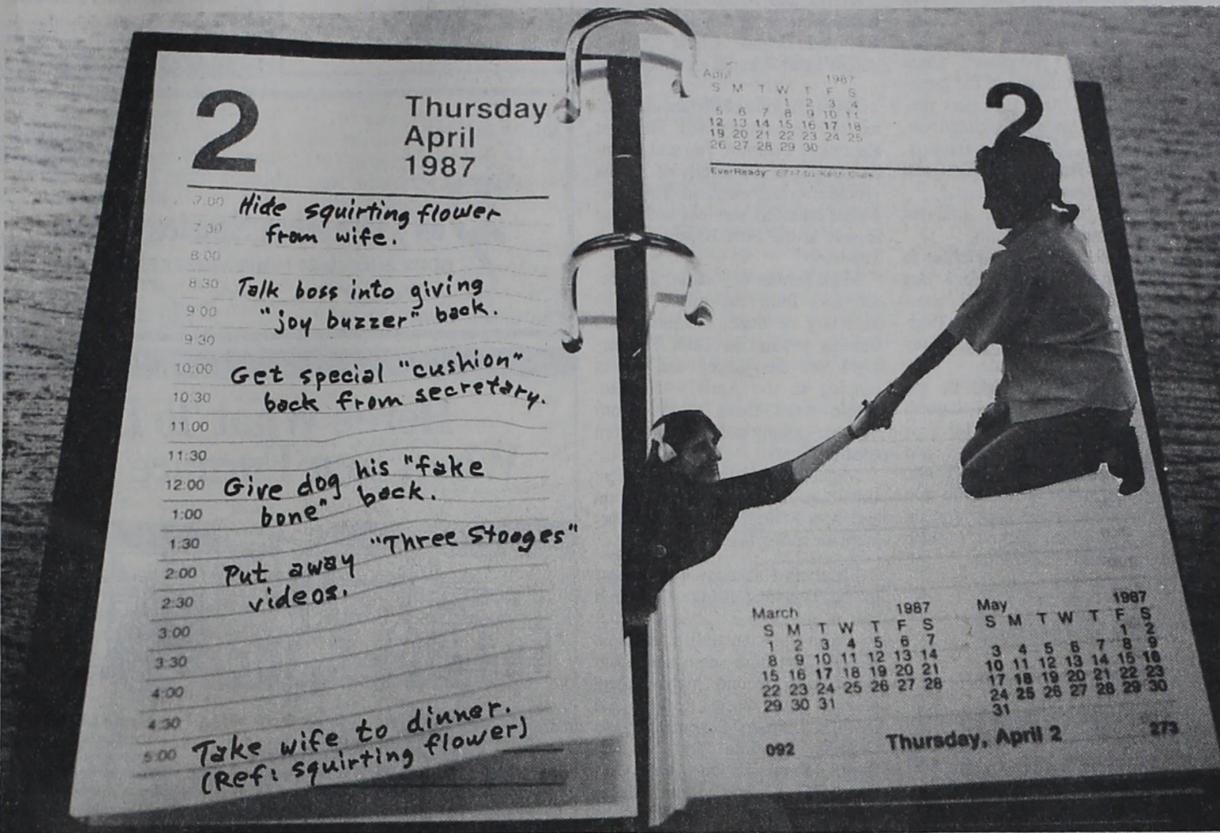
- 1986 property tax levy \$586,684.
- .5% of last four quarters of taxable sales (\$22.3 million) \$111,719.
- Reduced property tax levy \$474,965.
- Tax rate for 1986 \$1.848.
- Adjusted rate with new sales tax \$1.518.

✂ Taxes reduced by 28%.

For City of Dimmitt:

- 1986 property tax levy \$308,717.90.
- 50% of last four quarters of regular 1% sales tax allocations (\$179,748) \$89,874.
- Reduced property tax levy \$218,843.90.
- Tax rate for 1986 \$2.804
- Adjusted tax rate with new sales tax \$1.988.

✂ Taxes reduced by 30%.



Safe at last!

After surviving all of the practical jokes and pernicious pranks of April Fool's Day, Vickie Murillo pulls Toni Small through to the blessed relief and safety of April 2. Vickie is a senior and Toni is a freshman in Dimmitt High School.

NWTF optimistic about fund cuts

The head of the Dimmitt-based Nuclear Waste Task Force said he "feels encouraged right now" after a House subcommittee voted last week to delete up to 50% of the funds needed by the Dept. of Energy to keep its nuclear waste program going.

"The only way to stop this creature is to chop its head off, and money is where the head is," said NWTF Chairman Delbert Devin.

"When you cut off the money is when you cut off the operation." DOE had requested \$500 million in fiscal year 1988 to conduct site characterization work and other activities in Deaf Smith County, Hanford, Wash., and Yucca Mountain, Nev. The Energy Research Subcommittee of the House Science and Technology Committee, however, recommended the request be cut to \$269 and that characterization work in Texas and Washington end in October.

"We want to shock the administration to force them to revisit the nuclear waste issue," said Tennessee Rep. Marilyn Lloyd, subcommittee chairman.

Lloyd's district is the site of a proposed Monitored Retrievable Storage facility that would be cut out of the picture if the recommendation is accepted by the full committee.

The recommendation, however, would not stop work in Nevada, and comes on the heels of the introduction of a bill by Louisiana Sen. J. Bennett Johnston that would pay \$100 million a year to any state willing to be the home of the repository.

"There is not enough money to buy our assent to the project," said Rep. Larry Combest, who represents the district where the dump would be placed if Deaf Smith County were selected. "We have several questions about the process,

all of which would have to be answered first. I would be surprised if a single mind in West Texas were changed because of the money. The opposition is not for sale."

"I called Larry's office and told him he said exactly what I was thinking," Devin said. "The opposition is definitely not for sale. I also don't believe science and technology should be pitched out the window, which is what Johnston's bill would do. I don't believe in bribing states to take the dump site."

Devin, who is lobbying in the US Capitol today and Friday, said the subcommittee recommendations must go to the full committee before going to budget and appropriation committees. Devin said if cuts are coming, he will try to work with budget and appropriation committee members to put limits on the work that can be done with the money.

"One place where we fell short

last year was that DOE was allowed to do land acquisition work even though their budget was cut," Devin said. "Hopefully, we will be able to have more restrictions placed on where the money can be spent and how it can be spent."

★ The National Nuclear Waste Task Force has called for Congress to establish an independent commission to review DOE's repository and MRS programs, as well as a funding stop for all siting activities and MRS development work, while increasing funding for waste storage technological studies at reactor sites.

In a letter hand-delivered to the Texas Congressional delegation, National NWTF Coordinator Caroline Petti said "the time has come for Congress to take steps to restore the credibility of the federal program and better insure the safety of future federal waste management efforts."

Petti said that only four years after the passage of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act "the program is on the verge of technical, legal and political collapse. DOE mismanagement and misguided emphasis on fast tracking a 'solution' to the problem has resulted in:

○ "Political considerations taking precedence over scientific considerations in waste facility siting;

○ "The selection of first and second repository sites which appear technically unfit for the purpose;

○ "Improper and inadequate consultation and cooperation with affected states and Indian tribes;

○ "A proposal for an unnecessary MRS facility to make up for expected delays in the repository schedule."

"The entire selection process is in total disarray," Devin said. "With DOE's credibility being questioned in many Congressional hearings, a deletion of funds for siting activities at first, second and MRS locations is a responsible approach."

Weather

Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.

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Friday	47	33	.03
Saturday	63	23	
Sunday	39	14	
Monday	26	11	Tr
Tuesday	51	23	
Wednesday	66	28	
March Moisture			0.23
1987 Moisture			1.76

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After Monday night's Voters' Forum, sponsored by the Government and Education Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, the main question I heard was: "Are we going to have one of these every year?"

I hope so. It was an excellent community service, well attended and well conducted.

If you didn't get to attend or listen on KDHN or Cable Channel 6, study the key questions and answers in this issue of the News before you vote Saturday

Time change comes Sunday

The annual Daylight Savings Time change, and its annual loss of sleep, comes earlier than usual this year—this Sunday at 2 a.m.

In the past, the time change hasn't occurred until the last Sunday of April, but a law passed last year by the US Congress changed the date to the first Sunday of the month.

Most US residents will "spring forward" before going to bed Saturday night, and will regain the lost hour of sleep on Oct. 25.

in the city, school and hospital district elections.

* Verbie was doping our mama-cat recently with some oral medicine from a metal tube. You've probably seen or been through the routine—you put the cat in your lap, hold her head with one hand and the tube of goop with the other, wedge her body with your elbow, try to force her mouth open, then yell for help.

Anyway, after administering the medicine, Verbie commented, "This stuff is expensive—I wish it wouldn't keep coming out of the tube."

Whereupon I showed her how to get the stuff back into the tube.

"When did you learn how to do that?" she asked. I couldn't resist.

"It's just something you learn when you live 30 years with a woman who squeezes the middle of the tube," I said.

You really don't need to know what she said next.

* Now, I told you that so I could tell you this:

I'm not a big fan of plastic. But these new plastic squeeze-

tubes they've come out with are great. It doesn't matter if your wife, sister or daughter squeeze the middle (ALL females squeeze the middle of the tube, don't they? I mean, it's a characteristic of the gender). These plastic tubes spring right back to their original shape after being squeezed, and the stuff doesn't keep coming out of them.

The new plastic squeeze-tubes can assuage aggravation, reduce hostility, promote healthier language over the lavatory. They could save marriages.

They're being used not only for toothpaste and medicinal salves, but for shampoo, cosmetic creams, suntan lotions and peanut butter.

That's what I said: peanut butter.

Higginbotham - Bartlett Co., which promotes Comanche (Texas) Peanuts, now has Comanche Golden Peanut Butter in a squeeze-tube.

Now, before you finish saying to yourself, "Real Texas men don't eat peanut butter out of a squeeze-tube," consider this crowning touch of Texas ingenuity: this tube is camouflage colored. Which means you can

On the Go

with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

The Walser family held their family reunion Sunday at the Easter Community Building. They honored Charles Richard Walser on his 99th birthday. His oldest granddaughter shared some of his history.

He was born in Montague County on March 26, 1888. He moved to Hardeman County and in 1908, at the age of 20, he married Della Lance in Chillicothe. In fact, his sister, Della Walser and T.J. Smith decided to make it a double wedding. The Walsers kept moving west until they located on a farm in Deaf Smith County near Summerfield in 1917. They had four children, Guy, Letus, D.C. and Hollis. They have 18 grandchildren, 42 great-grandchildren, and 20 great-great grandchildren.

Mr. Walser was a deacon in the Summerfield Baptist Church and was a member of the Summerfield School Board. He and his wife moved into Hereford in 1954, where his wife died. Now his son Hollis takes him to the coffee shop twice a day.

The Walser family was always welcome in their parents home and they all gathered there on Sundays for good food and fellowship. Other

members of the family told of interesting incidents that happened at the Walser home.

Once they were in Palo Duro Canyon and needed milk for the baby, so the men chased a cow and milked her.

One son told about chewing some of his dad's tobacco. He learned a lesson after it made him sick. Guy said he learned that lesson before his brother did.

The Walsers were among the first in the community to have indoor plumbing so all the kids wanted to go there—just to flush the toilet!

Oleta Walser told about visiting with Mr. Walser when she was applying for a job as a teacher in the Summerfield school. She got the job and he said he got the teacher. She made \$75 a month in the form of a voucher. She had to take the voucher to White and Kirks in Amarillo, buy something and get the change to spend elsewhere.

There were 75 relatives from Temple, Irving, Fort Worth, Chillicothe, Sudan, Canadian, Pampa, Lockney, Canyon, Amarillo, Friona, Hereford, Summerfield and Dimmitt attending the reunion enjoying the delicious food and fel-

lowship. They had three large decorated birthday cakes.

Irene Carpenter and I were special guests of Guy and Oleta Walser. We visited with Sammy (Lane) Lance during the dinner hour.

The Castro County Museum board members met last Thursday night for their monthly meeting. H.C. Nelson presided in the absence of Lon Woodburn. Clara Vick read the minutes of the previous meeting. Other members present were Helen Richardson, Madge Robb, Mary Edna Hendrix, Don Moke, Ralph Lambright and George Bagwell.

Several people were stranded during the recent blizzard!

Ysleta Ball went to Amarillo to spend Sunday with her Aunt Ura Ginn. Monday morning the snow storm hit so she stayed until Tuesday afternoon. Sunday night they ate at the Sirlon Stockade.

Some others stranded in the snow were Ivor and Hazel Bagwell who stayed in their car for four hours near Umbarger, Alex and Jaquita Glass, Maxine Myers who was riding a bus to Amarillo that was stranded in the snow for six hours, and Ruth Cochran's plane was grounded in Texarkana.

And now this week Joyce Autry was in Dimmitt and needed to go to Rocky Ford, Colo., but the roads were closed for a few days. She was visiting her mother, Irene Carpenter, and her mother-in-law, Mrs. W.J. Autry, who had been in the hospital.

Tonya and Adam Brewer from Chicago were in Dimmitt visiting Bill and Deanne Clark, Tonya's parent's and Adam's grandparents.

Jewel Parsons of Oklahoma visited her son, Percy and Margaret Parsons in Dimmitt. Jim and Rhonda Murphree and family of Friona visited over the weekend. The Murphrees attended services with their friends at the First Baptist Church Sunday.

Mark Jordan of Austin, a representative from the office of the Secretary of State, conducted the training session in Tulia Tuesday night for the judges and clerks running in the April 4 election. There were three clerks from Swisher County and 30 clerks from Castro County.

Miguelo, Seth, Jordan and Jaime Hamilton of Odessa visited Don and Ann Ethington last week during their spring break.

Elizabeth Huckabay was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center for lunch and a day of bridge. Ferne Dickey won high score and Edith Graef won second high. Others playing were Susie Reeves, Sal DiCuffa, Oleada Schumacher, Jo Gregory, Virginia Crider, Opha Burks, Johnnie Vannoy, Alice Collyer, Cleo Forson, Retta Cluck, Helen Braafadt, Tina Rawlings and Rosalee Hawkins.

Guy and Oleta Walser attended the Rural Telephone annual meeting in Hereford Tuesday night. The Chamber Singers entertained during the evening.

Brother Ken Cole celebrated his birthday Saturday. His daughter, Sherri Cole was here from Plainview.

Carole Farris from Dalhart spent the weekend in Dimmitt visiting her mother, Myrna Cowser and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Farris of Hart.

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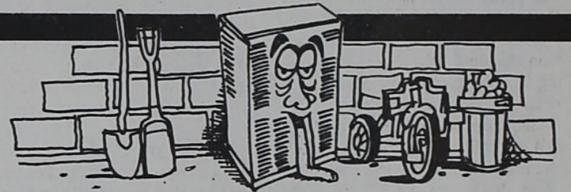
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think we would miss the services and the payroll if we lose the hospital. We are very dedicated to keeping it open, resolving the problems, and getting the hospital solvent.

McDermitt, a long-time nurse elected to the board in 1985, said "I want the hospital here. We want to keep it. We may have to raise taxes, and you might pray for a miracle and that might not happen. There are problems we are still trying to eliminate."

Welch, a 12-year board veteran, said the board was "interested in quality care, and we want to keep the hospital open. We can with

More about

City . . .

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Stahl, a newcomer to local government, said his seven years in public accounting and four years in private accounting should help him on the board.

"I help set policy and make decisions, and I'm willing to take whatever time it takes."

In answer to a question about Dimmitt using general law instead of being a "home rule" city, the candidates said:

■Collins: "A general law city is limited by laws prescribing what a city can do. Home rule is a charter, where a city is more in control of its destiny. For instance, we currently can't annex property into Dimmitt unless a property owner petitions the city for annexation. Some people on the edge of the city are receiving city services but don't have to pay city taxes. With home rule, we could annex property into the city, and make things more equitable."

■Stahl: "We would be able to customize our government with home rule."

■Thompson: "We really have no obligation to one or the other."

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your support."

On specific issues the candidates addressed:

"Has home health care been eliminated?" Carol Lantz asked.

■"Our home health care agency has not been dissolved," Coleman said. "It is not the policy of the board to do away with it, because it is a needed service. With our personnel changes, it is going to be one of our top priorities."

Are you going to import more specialists into PMH?

■"Our new administrator will follow up on that," McDermitt said. We want to keep more patients here because they want to stay at home."

■Coleman said efforts have included upgraded respiratory thera-

py, the recent breast screening clinic, plans for a new physical therapy department, and a urologist who is in Dimmitt one day a week.

■"We fully support those efforts and encourage that," Welch said.

"Is there anything that can be done besides being ill and paying taxes?" Ann Cox asked.

■"The problem is we provide a service that no one wants, and when they get it, they are in a bad mood," Welch said.

■"The hospital needs to get itself in order before tax dollars are messed with," Burrous said. "A tax raise is the last thing it needs."

■"People with unpaid bills need to figure some way to pay," McDermitt said.

We Salute

The Open Forum

The Voters' Forum at the Chamber of Commerce office Monday night was an excellent exercise in democracy.

Twelve candidates for positions on the Dimmitt Board of Aldermen, Castro County Hospital District Board and Dimmitt School Board took turns outlining their experience, goals, and specific programs and problems that concerned them. Then they answered questions from the standing-room-only crowd.

For the incumbents, it was a time of reckoning—an opportunity to explain the problems facing the city, hospital district and school district, and the reasons for actions taken or policies established by the respective boards. For the "challenger" candidates, it provided an opportunity to explain why they were running, and what issues concerned them.

For those in the audience, as well as those listening on radio and cable TV, it was an educational forum. Several significant and important facts were brought out that had not yet been announced publicly or reported in the media.

Reta Welch, chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce Government and Education Committee, did a thoroughly professional job of moderating the forum.

Virtually all the questions were valid, and some were tough. The candidates answered straight from the shoulder, and with honest concern.

This is what democracy is all about.

The forum gave voters the opportunity to cast a more informed ballot in Saturday's local elections, and gave us all an appreciation of those in our community who are willing to serve on our governing boards.

We salute the Chamber of Commerce for organizing the Voters' Forum and for establishing the format that kept it on a high plane; KDHN Radio for broadcasting the forum live; and the candidates and participants for making the experiment work.



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Wednesday—
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Sunday Morning Mass 11:00

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Bible Study 9:30
Morning Worship 10:30
Evening Worship 6:00
Wednesday—
Bible Class for all 7:30

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Rev. James Alexander, Pastor

Sunday—
Sunday School 10:00
Morning Worship 11:00
Evening Worship 7:30
Wednesday—
Mid-Week Services 7:30

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Sunday—
Sunday School 10:00
Morning Worship 11:00
Training Union 6:00
Evening Worship 7:00
Wednesday—
Prayer Service 7:30

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Wednesday—
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Wednesday—
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Choir, Night 7:30

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Wednesday—
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So, eat chicken, and, if you watched *60 Minutes* Sunday night, die today from salmonella poisoning instead.

★
Still dribbling...

The Cutters won the men's All-University Basketball Championship recently at Texas Tech—and probably could have won the Southwest Conference Post-Season Tournament, if Coach Gerald Myers had a hankerin'.

The team had a distinct Dimmitt flavor — John David King, Jeff Watts, Dwight McDonald, Randy Washington and Robert Nelson, along with Donald Kuehler (a former Morton all-stater) and Greg Martin.

Jeff recently teamed with John Smith, an all-state teammate on the back-to-back state champion teams of 1982 and 1983, on the Plainview squad that finished second in the recent outsider's basketball tournament. The team that beat them was pretty tough—members of the Nazareth boys' teams that finished as state runners-up in 1985 and won the state title in 1986, including Coach Johnny Hampton, another former Dimmitt all-stater.

The Dimmitt team finished third, and probably could have won the championship if their best three-point shooter hadn't left the team, but Kenneth Cleveland decided to take a few days off over spring break. Coach might have lost a step or three, but he can still put it in the hole.

100 will attend meet

Over 100 Dimmitt and Hart youngsters will attend the Diocesan Youth Convention April 11 and 12 in Amarillo.

"Last year, just over 20 youths from the Immaculate Conception Church attended the convention with none from St. John's in Hart," said Rev. Norbert Choong, administrator of the churches. "This year, with 119 to attend, we will probably have the biggest contingent at the convention."

"This sharp increase can be attributed to the discarding of the traditional Catholic Youth Organization concept that has not really worked. Only 20 to 35% of the youth of most parishes join the CYO. Hart and Dimmitt have replaced CYO with Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM) which is integrated into their CCD program."

"Now, all youth attending CCD are involved."
For Advent in 1986, every high school CCD class in Dimmitt was asked to have a fund-raising activity, and over \$200 was raised. This year, with youth co-ordinators Mary Lou Lumbrera and Paul Abundez and CCD coordinators Robin Gonzales and Florinda Alcocer, over \$1,800 has been raised through dances, food drives, can-

Florida has become a haven for unwellcome wildlife from other countries, according to *National Wildlife* magazine. These "exotic" species include rhesus monkeys descended from the stars of early Tarzan movies filmed in the state. Many exotic parrots and parakeets dine on the state's citrus and other crops.

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Johnny and Sharon Hampton had a daughter, Jordan Shea, the other day.

Reckon the kid will be able to play some basketball?

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It has already been enacted in Florida and California, and now it is coming to Texas—the move to make English the official language of Texas.

The current petition drive is being headed by Texas members of US English, whose goal is to secure legal protection for English as the common language of the state and the nation.

Lest you think the proposal wouldn't pass, let me remind you that Florida has a larger Hispanic population than does Texas, while California has many more people that use many more languages—Spanish, Japanese and Chinese, primarily. Yet, these states had an easier-than-expected time passing their amendments to make English the official language.

Such a constitutional amendment would not bar or outlaw or anything any other language. If you're an Hispanic defendant in court, for instance, and the only language you know is Spanish, you can bet you will have, at the least, an interpreter.

If you go to live and work in France, you had better know some French. If you go to live and work in Mexico or Spain, you had better know some Spanish. If you live in Portugal or Brazil, bone up on your Portuguese. If you go to Egypt, you need to learn to speak—and walk—

teens and other activities in Dimmitt and Hart.

"The youth have collected food for the poor and collected and distributed the food," Choong said. "We have built a volleyball court in the car-park area and the Dimmitt youths have enjoyed these games, and finished second and third in the last two diocesan volleyball tournaments."

"The students also participated in the recent 'Timothy Table' youth spiritual and leadership programs in Amarillo and Hereford."

By John Brooks

like an Egyptian.

This law is not going to force you to learn English—if you don't want to learn it, that's all right. This law would simply make English the official language of the state.

Chili—a Spanish word, by the way — is the official dish, mockingbird the official bird, the bluebonnet the official flower, of the State of Texas.

Isn't it time we gave English a similar status?

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Anyone who is a Christian or claims to be a Christian, regardless of whether you are Catholic or Southern Baptist or Methodist or Church of Christ or African Episcopalian or charismatic or aromatic, must feel, at the least, a little hurt by the recent revelations concerning Jim and Tammy Bakker and the PTL bunch.

What Jim did, and what Tammy Faye did, was wrong, but I have done wrong, you have done wrong, we've all done wrong.

Since Jim and Tammy were at the forefront of electronic evangelism, they are having to suffer for their wrong-doing. But is their sin any more wrong than, say, Oral Roberts trying to improve his kingdom on Earth? Personally, I feel Pat Robertson is wrong in running for President. My ancestors came over here—Jan Vandeventer, on the *Hope*—almost 400 years ago because the leadership had gone over the edge as far as religion was concerned, and I don't want to run that risk. I feel he can accomplish more by keeping CBN going.

These aren't the first preachers to ever be ridiculed. In fact, of the billions of people who have walked on the Earth since the First Day, only one person has been perfect. That person was perfect for 33 years—and then he was killed for it.

That man had all of the gifts—including the gift of forgiveness, a gift he attempted to teach his disciples. They, through their divinely-inspired writings, have tried to pass that gift along to us.

This is a time for all followers of Jesus Christ to forgive Jim and Tammy, and time to quit judging, and time to get on with the good parts of being a Christian.

Friona choir performs Sunday

The children's choir of the First Baptist Church in Friona will present the musical "Amazing Grace" at the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt Sunday at 7 p.m.

The Friona choir consists of about 40 children. There will be a fellowship after the program, and everyone is invited to attend.

Happy Anniversary

[Compiled from the Community Birthday Calendars sponsored by the Castro County Extension Homemakers, the Nazareth Swift Band and the Hart Band.]

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BLESS YOU,
LON AND MARY WOODBURN
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15—LEGAL NOTICES

**LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Panhandle Community Services is seeking financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation under the Section 18 Grant Program. Grant funds will be used to provide operational support for existing public transportation in Potter, Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Hall, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Parmer, Randall, Swisher, Wheeler, Gray, Childress, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Roberts and Oldham counties and expand those services as specific area transportation needs increase. Copies of the grant proposal are available for inspection by the public at: Panhandle Community Services, 1605 West Seventh Ave., Amarillo, TX. Any person wishing to request a public hearing on the proposed project must submit that request in writing to: Panhandle Community Services, P.O. Box 32150, Amarillo, TX 79120, or at the above address prior to April 17, 1987.

15-27-2tc

**LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Sealed bids addressed to the City Manager, City of Dimmitt, Dimmitt, Texas, P.O. Box 146, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, for the purchase of several Police vehicles, herein specified, will be received at the office of the City Manager at the Dimmitt City Hall until 5:00 P.M., Friday, April 17, 1987, at which time they will be opened and read. Bids shall then be tabulated and presented to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen at their regular session on Monday, April 20, 1987.

The Mayor, Board of Aldermen and City Manager reserve the right to reject any and all bids to waive all formalities. Detailed specifications may be obtained from the Chief of Police of the City of Dimmitt, Texas.

Bid envelope shall be plainly marked: Police Vehicles Bid. The price, or prices, quoted shall include all transportation, assembly and service charges fully prepaid to address at destination. Equipment shall be complete and ready for service.

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CITY OF DIMMITT
15-27-2tc

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**REAL ESTATE
FORECLOSURE SALE**

Property owned by Thomas A. Falcon and wife, Natalia B. Falcon. Lots Thirteen (13) and Fourteen (14), Block Fifty-Eight (58), Original Town of Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas. PLACE: North Steps of Castro County Courthouse, Dimmitt, Texas. DATE: Tuesday, April 7, 1987. TIME: 10:05 A.M. TERMS: Said Real Estate will be sold for cash to highest bidder. Selling subject to all taxes due therein. Title to be conveyed by Substitute Trustee's Deed. For information, contact Williams & Webb, Inc. at 806-374-9387. 15-24-5tp

LEGAL NOTICE

Bids are being taken for an Inter-Communications system for the Castro County Sheriff's Department. Specifications can be obtained at the Sheriff's office and bids will be opened at 10:00 A.M., April 13, 1987. Castro County reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

-s-Mrs. M.L. Simpson, Jr.
MRS. M.L. SIMPSON, JR.
CASTRO COUNTY JUDGE
CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS
15-28-2tc

15—LEGAL NOTICE

**LEGAL NOTICE
NO. 1849**

THE ESTATE OF
LOYD NELSON GLIDEWELL,
DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF
CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS
HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST
THE ESTATE OF
LOYD NELSON GLIDEWELL,
DECEASED**

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Independent Administration issued for the Estate of LOYD NELSON GLIDEWELL, Deceased, were issued on the 30th day of March, 1987, in Cause No. 1849, in the proceedings in the Estate of LOYD NELSON GLIDEWELL, Deceased, pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, to BILLY LOYD GLIDEWELL, 607 Oak Street, Dimmitt, Texas, 79027. All persons having claims against said Estate, are required to present the same to me at the above address, within the time and within the manner prescribed by law.

-s-Billy Loyd Glidewell
BILLY LOYD GLIDEWELL
Independent Administrator of
the Estate of Loyd Nelson Glidewell,
Deceased
15-28-1tc

Handling, cooking are important for chicken

Proper handling and cooking are the keys to avoiding salmonella poisoning from poultry, says an Extension Service official.

Dr. James Denton, a poultry marketing specialist, says a recent US Dept. of Agriculture report "pointing the finger" at salmonella bacteria in chickens states a situation that is not unusual. The report noted that almost 40% of all chickens sold to consumers are contaminated with salmonella, bacteria that cause flu-like symptoms of fever, diarrhea and vomiting for two to seven days and may even cause death.

Denton says the poultry industry is aware of the problem and that proper processing eliminates 95% of the bacteria on a live bird, but "further decontamination would be prohibitively expensive or require certain techniques, like chemical dips or irradiation, that the public might not accept.

"Salmonella can be killed by heat during proper cooking, and thorough washing of hands after handling uncooked meat can help prevent contamination."

Denton recommends that consumers follow the four "C's" to avoid potential salmonella problems with chicken: maintain "clean" working areas for handling poultry; "cook" poultry thoroughly to kill bacteria; "chill" meat as quickly as possible following cooking and serving; and

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WIFE to meet

Panhandle Agri Partners, the local WIFE chapter, will meet Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt.

An Olympics of the Mind team will present a program, and a film will be shown about the first-round sites for the nation's first high-level nuclear waste repository.

Everyone is invited to attend.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients in the Hospital: Derrel Musick, Bobby Mayhew, George Estrada, Tana Young, Lupe Pina, Beral Hance.

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don't "cross-contaminate" cooked meat with bacteria from raw meat.

All animal products contain bacteria in one form or another, Denton said, and most of these are removed by proper cleaning and sanitation. "To grow and multiply, bacteria must have proper nutrients, adequate moisture, proper temperature and adequate time," Denton said. "Removing any of these ingredients will keep bacteria in check.

"If poultry is to be refrigerated, keep it at 40 degrees or less. When keeping poultry warm for serving, hold it at 140 degrees or greater. Keep the holding time of poultry between those temperatures to an absolute minimum.

"Never use a cutting board, platter, knife or other utensil or container that has been previously used for raw poultry meat without completely cleaning with soap and hot water prior to using them to handle or store cooked poultry meat."

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People



James Clearman and Krystal Scott

June 6 vows planned

Ben G. and Mollie Scott of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Krystal Michelle to James Keith Clearman, son of Jamie and Ann Clearman of Ovalo.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows June 6 at 5 p.m. in the Fourth and Bedford Street Church of Christ at Dimmitt.

The bride-elect is a 1984 graduate of Dimmitt High School and is attending Abilene Christian University majoring in word processing. She is employed with the First National Bank in Abilene.

Clearman is a 1979 graduate of Jim Ned High School and is store manager of Donnell Ag Products.

The couple will make their home south of Abilene at Lawn.



Dennis Burnam and Kim Howell

Couple set June wedding

Jimmie and Sue Howell of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kim to Dennis Burnam, son of Carroll and Eileen Burnam of Dimmitt.

The couple will exchange wedding vows June 6 in the First Baptist Church at Dimmitt.

The bride-to-be graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1985 and

is a sophomore nursing major at West Texas State University in Canyon.

The prospective groom is a 1985 graduate of Escondido High School in California and served in the US Marine Corps for three years. He is employed with Stanford's Body Works in Dimmitt.

The couple plans to make their home in Dimmitt.



Raymond Earl Brock and Leslie Diane Suiter

Brock, Suiter to wed

Leslie Diane Suiter and Raymond Earl Brock will exchange wedding vows June 13 at 4 p.m. in the Shepherd of the Valley United Methodist Church in Phoenix, Ariz., with Rev. Steven Kalas officiating.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cook and Robert Suiter, all of Phoenix.

Brock is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert A. Brock of Phoenix. Mrs. Brock is the former Patricia Wilson, formerly of Dimmitt.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Mrs. Earl J. Brock of

Dimmitt, the late Earl Brock, and the late Raymond E. and Margaret Wilson.

Suiter is a junior at Arizona State University majoring in physical education. She is presently employed part-time at Dillard's Department Store.

Brock is a graduate of Indiana University with a degree in history. He is working for a master's degree in strength and conditioning at Arizona State University. He is an assistant football coach at Glendale Community College and works as a rehabilitation counselor at the Phoenix Center for Sports Medicine and Orthopedics.



ALICIA HEARD, daughter of Tammy and Danny Heard of Dimmitt, won fourth place overall in the second annual Beautiful Baby contest sponsored by the children's pavilion at Lubbock General Hospital. Alicia won first place in the photo class of the 12 to 14 month-old division, then won fourth place overall in the contest, which had over 1,100 entries. Donations from local persons and businesses went to benefit the pavilion.

Couple feted with wedding shower

Trent Armstrong and Cindy Schaper were honored with a wedding shower Saturday in the home of Doris Petty.

Guests were greeted by Schaper; Ann Armstrong, mother of the prospective groom; his grandmother, Nancy Smith; Janet Schaper, the bride-to-be's mother; and her sister, Kristi Schaper.

Crystal Howell registered the guests.

The table was covered with a white cut-work linen cloth and featured silver appointments and a

silver candelabra entwined with flowers. Dainty pick-up foods with banana punch were served by D.D. Bishop, Kim Pond and Susan Collins.

The couple were presented with a Cuisinart food processor by the 22 hostesses.

Out-of-town guests were Vicki Cates of Floydada, Sharon Wilkie and Ann Philpot, both of Lubbock, Rowena Cleavinger of Springlake, and Janet and Kristi Schaper of St. Louis, Mo.



OUT OF TOWN

George and Mimi Hochstein of Amarillo are the parents of a baby boy, Jeremy Lewis, born March 18 at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. He weighed 7 lbs., 6 oz., and was 20 inches long. His paternal grandmother is May Hochstein of Nazareth. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roberto Soto of Dimmitt.

Presbyterian happenings

Presbyterians are responsible for the service Sunday at 9 a.m. at Canterbury Villa.

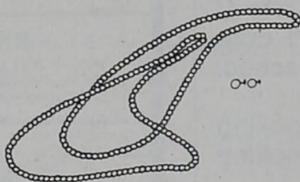
There is a Sunday Church School class for everyone every Sunday at 10 a.m. The Adult Bible class meets at the home of Emily Clingsmith. All other classes meet at the church.

"The Victory of a Deathless Life" will be the subject of Pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the 11 a.m. worship service.

Women of the Palo Duro Presbytery meet Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. at Vernon.

Lenten services will be Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Morning prayers will be said April 9 from 6:45 to 7:45 a.m.



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Sara McClung and Rodney Hunter

Wedding plans are made

Mr. and Mrs. R.L. McClung of Seymour announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Sara, to Rodney Hunter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hunter of Dimmitt.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Rachel Hunter of Dimmitt and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Sutton of Happy.

The couple plans to wed June 5 in the First Baptist Church at Seymour.

The bride-elect received a bachelors degree in elementary education from Texas A&M University in 1986. She is employed with the Wichita Falls School System.

Hunter is a graduate of Dimmitt High School and majored in ag economics at Texas A&M University. He is self-employed as a farmer.

The pair will make their home in Dimmitt.

Nazareth By Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

A "Day of Recollection," sponsored by the Christian Mothers Society was held Sunday afternoon in Holy Family Church with the Stations of the Cross and Benediction as the closing. Thanks to Father Brendan Sherry who made the afternoon very special.

Congratulations to Johnny and Sharon Hampton on the birth of a daughter, Jordan Shae, March 25 in Swisher Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Travis and Jeanette Hampton of Dimmitt and Vincent and Toby Gerber of Nazareth.

Greg and Tinie Hoelting and Dora Albracht attended the funeral of a cousin, Butch Schroer in Lawrence, Neb., last week.

Jerome and Glenda Gerber and family spent the weekend here with the Toney Gerber family.

Emaline Pohlmeier and children of Yukon, Okla., spent the week here visiting with her parents, the Arnold Husemans and the Philip Pohlmeiers.

The American Legion mixed couple's pool tournament to benefit Boys State was held Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon at the Legion Hall. Winners were Keith Gerber and Tammye Ramackers, 1st, Danny Gerber and Mona Schulte, 2nd, Olen Schulte and Bobbie Schmucker, 3rd, Clyde Schulte and Delese Ellison, 4th. The men's singles tournament will be held this weekend.

Jamie Lynn, infant daughter of Greg and Glenda Birkenfeld was baptized Sunday morning in Holy Family Church with Rev. Brendan Sherry, officiating. A Baptismal dinner was enjoyed at the Birkenfeld home by the grandparents.

Herman and Marilyn Birkenfeld and Albert and Virgie Gerber, the godparents, Shana Birkenfeld and Joel Birkenfeld who stood as a proxy for Darryl Birkenfeld, Rev. Brendan Sherry and great-grandmother, Meta Stork.

Tom Brockman of Friona is recuperating at home after being treated for a heart attack in Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

Bill Gerber of Umbarger is being treated in St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

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What's Cooking?

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of April 6 through 10.

DIMMITT
MONDAY — Beef tacos with cheese, whole kernel corn, shredded lettuce, fruit and milk.
TUESDAY — Hot dogs with chili and cheese, corn fritters, vegetable salad, wacky cake and milk.
WEDNESDAY — Fried chicken with gravy, creamed potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, honey butter and milk.
THURSDAY — Cheeseburgers, french fries, lettuce, pickles, onion, Jello and milk.
FRIDAY — Vegetable soup, cheese sandwiches, apple sticks, pudding pops and milk.

HART
MONDAY — Enchilada casserole, tortillas, tossed salad, buttered hominy, pineapple cake and milk.
TUESDAY — Barbecue beef, cornbread, pinto beans, cole slaw, apricot cobbler and milk.
WEDNESDAY — Cheeseburgers, salad, french fries, fruit and milk.
THURSDAY — Chicken pot pies, June peas, buttered corn, peanut butter cake and milk.
FRIDAY — Salmon croquette, hot rolls, new potatoes in cheese sauce, green beans, buttered rice and milk.

NAZARETH
MONDAY — Mexican casserole, sopapillas, peas, peaches and milk.
TUESDAY — Barquitos, fried okra, hot rolls, applesauce and milk.
WEDNESDAY — Hamburgers, french fries, pudding and milk.
THURSDAY — Ham, corn, sweet potatoes, cornbread, cherry cobbler and milk.
FRIDAY — Chalupas, cauliflower, peach cobbler and milk.

Here is the menu for the Castro County Senior Citizens Center for April 2 through 10:

THURSDAY — Meat loaf, macaroni and cheese, English peas, salad, bread, tea, coffee and rice pudding.
FRIDAY — Chicken casserole, corn, salad, bread, tea, coffee and cake.
MONDAY — Chicken strips, potatoes and gravy, broccoli and cheese, salad, bread, tea, coffee, fruit and cookies.
TUESDAY — Hamburger patties in mushroom soup, potatoes, English peas, salad, bread, tea, coffee and cake.
WEDNESDAY — Oven-fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, green beans, salad, bread, tea, coffee and rice pudding.
APRIL 9 — Pork chops, sweet potatoes, beets, salad, bread, tea, coffee and cherry cobbler.
APRIL 10 — Stew, cornbread, salad, tea, coffee and dessert.



Mr. and Mrs. Homer E. Herring

Reception to honor Herrings on anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Homer E. Herring of Tyler will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. with an open house reception at their home.

The event will be hosted by the couple's children, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Herring of Arlington and Glenda Herring of Tyler.

Homer Herring married the former Thelma Bankhead on April 3, 1937. The couple lived in Lamesa for seven years then made their home in Dimmitt for 17 years. Homer was an elder of the Fourth

and Bedford Street Church of Christ for five years. The couple lived in Fort Worth for 26 years with Homer serving as an elder for the Rosemont Church of Christ for 22 years. After their retirement, they made their home in Tyler.

They attend the University Church of Christ.

The Herrings have two grandsons, Mark Herring and Steve Herring and two great-granddaughters, Kendra Herring and Patricia Herring.

Roberts, Vick to lead revival

Dr. Bob Roberts and Paul Vick will lead the spring "Alive in Christ" revival April 12 through 17 at Dimmitt's First Baptist Church.

"Dr. Roberts is a warm-hearted energetic preacher with a burden on his heart for people to be reconciled to God and to one another," said Richard Young, FBC minister of music, youth and education. Roberts was born in San Augustine and is a graduate of Baylor University and Luther Rice Seminary in Jacksonville, Fla. He is involved in evangelistic work with his wife, Gay, in the US and in Central America.

Leading music at the revival is Paul Vick, who has led crusades and presented concerts across the US, Central America and Europe. He toured as a soloist with Continental Singers and Orchestra in 1977, and speaks at schools and on college campuses.

Services will be held daily at 12 noon and 7:30 p.m., with special activities slated every night before services.

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MONDAY — Cheesy Broccoli Soup, Smoked Turkey on Homemade Bread, Dutch Apple Tart.
TUESDAY — Chicken Stew Oriental, Angel Biscuits, Fruit Salad, Pecan Tarts.
WEDNESDAY — Wild Rice Soup, Salad Firenze, Spicy Sour Cream Muffin, Cherry Tarts.
THURSDAY — Chef's Salad, Cream of Cauliflower Soup, Cherry Banana Pie.
FRIDAY — Harvest Pitas, Leafy Salad, Baked Apples, Lemon Chess Tarts.

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Sports

Record-busters ready for Relays

22 teams in three divisions will meet Saturday in the sixth annual Bobcat Relays in Dimmitt.

After the Division II two-mile at 8:30 a.m., field events and running preliminaries will begin at 9 a.m. Finals start at 2 p.m.

Last year, 22 records were set as Dimmitt (Division I), Littlefield (Division II) and Idalou (Girls) won the team titles in 1986, but only the Bobcats will be back to defend their championship.

Joining Dimmitt in Division I are Hale Center, Hart, Littlefield, Muleshoe, Tahoka, Brownfield and Ralls. Last year, Dimmitt held off a challenge by the Mules in the mile and mile relay after the Bobcats had built a big lead going into the last two events of the meet. The Bobcats were forced to finish

fourth or better in the mile relay, and claimed a comfortable second.

The Bobcats, Littlefield and Brownfield should fight for team honors.

Returning for Dimmitt is last year's high point individual, Milton Carrasco, who won the shot put and the 440 plus running legs on the mile relay and sprint relay. Also

back this year is James Alexander, meet record holder (6-2) in the high jump and Ruben Martinez in the 220.

Other top individuals include Hart's Chris Rodriguez in the 330 intermediate hurdles and Muleshoe's always-tough distance runners.

In Division II, Nazareth will face

junior varsity teams from Dimmitt, Boys Ranch, Tahoka, Brownfield and Lubbock Monterey.

Idalou claimed the girls' team title last year with a first-place finish in the mile relay while Muleshoe finished third in the final event, giving Idalou an 82-79 team win. Four teams, including Dimmitt, finished within 12 points at the top of the team totals.

Girls' teams this year include Dimmitt, Hart, Hale Center, Littlefield, Muleshoe, Nazareth, Brownfield and Clovis. Brownfield, Clovis and Dimmitt should vie for team honors.

Hart's long-distance tandem of Lupe Mijares and Tammy Menchaca will be challenged by Lydia Trejo of Littlefield in the mile and two-mile, while Sydelle McDonald and Brownfield's Swopes, in the 200, and Dimmitt's Cara Odom in the 400, should be among the top individuals.

Volunteer workers for the Relays will meet Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the DHS Cafeteria for assignments and instructions for the meet. Anyone who would like to work should contact Coach George Rasor and attend the meeting.

Records for the varsity divisions include:

BOYS
 3200—Luna, Muleshoe, 11:30.13, 1985.
 440 RELAY—Lubbock Christian, 45.06, 1985.
 880—Logsdon, Muleshoe, 2:03.79, 1986.
 120 HH—Glass, Dimmitt, 15.35, 1986.
 100—Hoelting, Nazareth, 10.82, 1985.
 440—Moton, Muleshoe, 51.60, 1985.
 330 IH—Rodriguez, Hart, 40.22, 1986.
 220—Willard, Littlefield, 22.41, 1986.
 MILE—Luna, Muleshoe, 4:48.42, 1985.
 MILE RELAY—Shallowater, 3:37.49, 1984.
 HIGH JUMP—Alexander, Dimmitt, 6-4, 1986.
 LONG JUMP—Huerta, Kress, 21-1, 1983.
 POLE VAULT—Mendez, Cooper, 12-6, 1985.
 DISCUS—Brisco, New Deal, 150-3 1/2, 1985.
 SHOT—Carrasco, Dimmitt, 49-5, 1986.

GIRLS
 3200—Menchaca, Hart, 12:53.85, 1986.
 440 RELAY—Hale Center, 52.60, 1982.
 880—Osborne, Friona, 2:28.65, 1985.
 100 LH—Pesch, Bovina, 15.33, 1985.
 100—Killingsworth, Dimmitt, 12.92, 1986.
 880 RELAY—Hale Center, 1:54.69, 1982.



MILTON CARRASCO set a new record in the shot put last year with his heave of 49 feet, 5 inches at the Bobcat Relays. Carrasco will return to defend his championship, and his record, Saturday.

Track Results

Abernathy Relays

BOYS
 High Jump—1. Alexander, Dimmitt, 6-1.
 Long Jump—1. Gonzales, Dimmitt, 20-2; 2. Brown, Hart, 18-11; 6. McDonald, Dimmitt, 18-1.
 Shot—3. Carrasco, Dimmitt, 45-10; 4. Sava, Dimmitt, 43-6; 5. Durham, Dimmitt, 42-0.
 Discus—1. Durham, Dimmitt, 136-8; 6. Jackson, Dimmitt, 122-6.
 400 RELAY—2. Hart, 46.39; 3. Dimmitt, 46.42.
 100—2. Brown, Hart, 11.0; 3. Davis, Dimmitt, 11.37.
 400—1. Carrasco, Dimmitt, 53.6.
 300 IH—1. Rodriguez, Hart, 43.0; 5. Davis, Dimmitt, 45.5; 6. Howell, Dimmitt, 45.8.
 200—1. Martinez, Dimmitt, 22.9.
 1600 RELAY—3. Dimmitt, 3:41.3.

GIRLS
 Long Jump—4. Odom, Dimmitt, 15-4.
 Shot—5. Mendez, Dimmitt, 30-3.
 3200—1. Mijares, Hart (no time); 6. Perez, Dimmitt, 13:59.
 400 RELAY—5. Dimmitt, 56.53.
 400—1. Odom, Dimmitt, 67.7.
 200—2. McDonald, Dimmitt, 28.36.
 1600—1. Mijares, Hart, 5:54.
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 Gregory on the school board: "I have served since August, and I want to continue our high standards. We were able to reduce the tax rate, and we're in good financial shape."

■Danny Rice. "Danny Rice by himself is not anything. There are six other board members, and with the administration, together, we can be the board you want. We will be able to disagree and still be friends."

■David Schaeffer, "proud to be a graduate of Dimmitt High School, said he was running "because I believe in community service. We have an excellent system and excellent teachers. All of our seniors have passed their EXCET tests and we continue to rank among the state's highest on ACT scores."

In response to questions:
 "Why is it difficult for elementary teachers to obtain supplies when we can spend \$6,000 on basketball shoes?" Jerry Stump asked.

■"We have to have balance," Killingsworth said. "It's high time academics were on the same level as athletics."

■"We should double the amount for supplies," King said. King said the schools should also "challenge the better students."

■"I'm proud of our athletic programs," Petty said. "I was not aware there was that much of a shortage, but it's very important that we find out."

■"We need to look at all sides," Rice said. "This sounds one-sided."

■"My understanding is the problem was not communicated through the budget or to administrators," said Schaeffer.

"Will you set policies and let the administration enforce them, or are you going to enforce them?" questioned Eddie Sutton.

■"The board should make policies and be informed," King said.

"Once they are set, the administration should carry them out."

■"The superintendent is the professional leader of the board," Petty answered. "The board should not be involved in the everyday operation of the school, and the superintendent should enforce the board's policies."

■"It should be a policy making board," Rice said. "The administrators and teachers run the school."

■"The board and board members should not run the day-to-day operations," Schaeffer stressed. "You need qualified people to run the schools, and you need to represent the people when you make the policies."

■"If the board is not involved, then people take over and carry the ball," Killingsworth said. "It becomes a power situation, and the board is not involved."

An unidentified caller asked about deleting two Easter holidays for days off during the boys' state tournament.

■"We need to look at that seriously," Schaeffer said. "There are several scheduling alternatives."

■"The schedule is presented before the year," Killingsworth said. "It's up to the board and administration on changes. We need faculty involvement. Input is the way to make policy changes."

■"We should use the second week in March for spring break," King said.

■"We can't satisfy everyone," Petty said. "We do have a survey that says we should take three days in March. We need to take the time to work it out for everyone."

■"This is a scheduling problem and we need input from the board and the teachers," Rice said. "Everyone want out of school before June, but you have to go to school 175 days. It was not a hasty decision to take the days off for the state tournament."



EXCHANGING GIFTS—Dimmitt Mayor Wayne Collins presented a key to the city Friday to Shaoguo Diao (center) and Rushan Wang (right), head of the Chinese delegation that visited Dimmitt's American Fructose Corp. plant. Below, Wang, assisted by Eddie Adams, presented Collins with a silk drawing on bamboo. The Chinese group, with assistance from Abay, a Belgian engineering company, will soon construct China's first corn wet-milling plant.



Wilson is all-state

Hart's Gwen Wilson was named to the Class 2A all-state first team Sunday by the Texas Sports Writers Association.

Wilson, a 6-1 post, averaged 18.8 points, 14.9 rebounds and 5.7 blocked shots a game for the Lady Longhorns, who finished 16-12.

Also picking up honors over the weekend were James Alexander of Dimmitt and Darla Leavitt of Nazareth.

Alexander was named to the first team of the Super Team announced Sunday by the *Amarillo Sunday News-Globe*, while Leavitt was named girls' freshman of the year on the team.

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Kudos to Congressman Larry Combest for his quick retort to Sen. J. Bennett Johnston's proposal to have the federal government pay \$100 million a year to any state willing to volunteer to take the high-level nuclear waste repository. Sen. Johnston, (D-La.) is chairman of the Senate Energy Committee.

"I would be surprised if a single mind in West Texas was changed because of the money," Combest said. "The opposition is not for sale."

AFS host family needed

Dimmitt will have no American Field Service exchange student next school year unless a host family is found soon.

AFS Chapter President Marty Benton said mid-May is the "absolute final deadline" for applications to be sent to AFS' international headquarters, but the sooner a family is found to host a student the better the process will work.

"We know times are hard," Benton said, "but we would really like to hear from anyone who has any

interest at all. We've had AFS students in Dimmitt for the last 27 years, and we would hate to have to drop the program this year."

Anyone interested in knowing more about the program may contact Benton at 647-2311 or Cheryl Pybus at 647-4226.

For walrus, getting long in the tooth is something to be proud of. *National Wildlife* magazine reports that scientists believed that walrus used their yard-long teeth to haul themselves up onto the arctic ice. Now researchers think the tusks serve as ornaments to attract mates and intimidate rivals.



OUT OF TOWN
 It's a boy for Mickey and Pam Oglesby of Dimmitt. He was born at 1:45 a.m. Friday in Lubbock Methodist Hospital, weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces, was 20 inches long, and has been named Ryan Blake. The father is the new manager of the C. R. Anthony store in Dimmitt.

CPR classes to be offered

A basic cardio-pulmonary resuscitation class will be held Monday night at 7:30 at Flagg Fertilizer.

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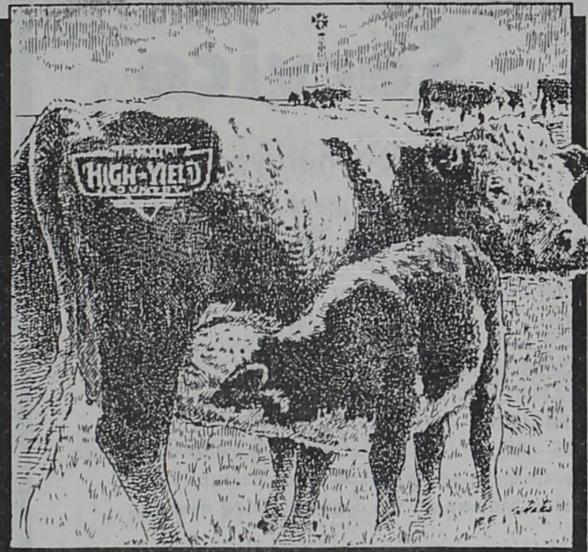
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Hog, cattle markets good

Hog and cattle producers are making a little money right now due to improved market prices, but that could change if inventories increase.

Hogs are bringing more than \$50 per hundredweight while fed cattle have remained above the \$60 per hundredweight level. Both markets have remained strong during the first quarter of 1987, but the key to maintaining the improved prices will be the size of inventories.

The December, 1986 hog and pig report showed US numbers down 3% from the previous December and the lowest December inventory since 1975. The breeding hog inventory was also 3% lower, the lowest since breeding records began in 1963.

Despite those declines, there are indication producers will expand inventories this spring. Farrowings increased last fall and will likely be

up this spring from year-ago levels. These increased farrowings could boost pork supplies during the last quarter of the year to 10 to 15% above 1986 levels and push prices below the \$40 per hundredweight mark.

Cattle on feed numbers as of Jan. 1 were the lowest since 1982, while placements during the last quarter of 1986 were down 9% from 1985 and 11% below 1984 levels. However, fourth quarter marketings last year were up 3% from 1985 numbers.

In Texas, cattle on feed were down 7% from a year ago while fourth quarter placements were down 11% from the previous year. Cattle marketings were up 2%, while total marketings from Texas feedlots during 1986 set a new record — 5.26 million head, surpassing the old mark of 5.09 million in 1984.

Lower numbers of cattle on feed could mean cattle prices will remain high for several months.

Field fertility could be problem

More than half of the area's farms may have a serious fertility problem, according to a recent study by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District, but an Extension Service agronomist says now is a good time, economically, to correct the problem.

"Because of the steady drop in fertilizer costs over the last two years, this is a good time to take care of soil fertility needs," said Amarillo-based specialist Dr. Brent Bean.

Anhydrous ammonia prices have ropped about \$45 a ton over the past three years.

Results of lab analysis of 853 soil samples collected from 215 farms was recently released by HPUWD. The study indicated that 69% of the samples, collected from the top two feet of soil, were low to very low in nitrate nitrogen, and 52% were low in phosphorus.

"Unless the fertility problem is corrected, these farms won't produce acceptable crop yields, regardless of weather conditions or water supply," Bean said. "The only way to insure that a field has an adequate nutrient supply is to collect soil samples from the field and have them analyzed."

The TAES soil testing lab at Lubbock charges \$6 a sample to test for nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium. Samples will be tested for those three nutrients and micro-nutrients for \$10.

Higher-than-normal rains in the area may have caused nitrates to leach deeper into the soils, and could lead to misleading recommendations, Bean warned.

"If a sample at eight inches contained 20 parts per million of nitrate-nitrogen and a sample at 15 inches contained 20 PPM, but only the eight-inch sample was tested, too high a nitrogen fertilizer would be given," Bean said. "This could result in a significant amount of money being spent unnecessarily on fertilizer. A fertilizer recommendation is only as good as the sample being tested, so care should be taken to collect representative soil samples."

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19 Mixed	575 lbs.	\$73.00
14 Whiteface	458 lbs.	\$82.50
13 Mixed	475 lbs.	\$78.50

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8 Whiteface	652 lbs.	\$64.50
17 Mixed	659 lbs.	\$67.30
10 Mixed	624 lbs.	\$64.75
7 Whiteface	623 lbs.	\$63.70
6 Crossbred	673 lbs.	\$64.20

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3 Charolais	683 lbs.	\$70.25
7 Mixed	611 lbs.	\$70.00
9 Mixed	681 lbs.	\$69.00
10 Mixed	619 lbs.	\$69.75
25 Crossbred	671 lbs.	\$68.50
11 Red	609 lbs.	\$74.50
7 Mixed	757 lbs.	\$71.00
18 Mixed	704 lbs.	\$69.10
12 Mixed	758 lbs.	\$68.00
64 Mixed	662 lbs.	\$72.00
42 Mixed	569 lbs.	\$74.00
52 Mixed	622 lbs.	\$74.10

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DMS names science winners

Dimmitt Middle School held its annual Science Fair Thursday and Friday.

The top winners in biological and physical science exhibits in each grade will advance to the South Plains Regional Science Fair Friday and Saturday at Wayland Baptist University.

Winners at DMS included:

Fourth Grade—Biological: 1. Zachary Bell, Carrie Sheffy; 2. Dolores Dimas; 3. Jill Gfeller, Amy Boothe, Eric Kinzer; 4. Kristi Leal; 5. Stephan Villanueva.

Physical: 1. Brandi Rice/Molly Young; 2. Holly Wise; 3. Chad Jennings, Carla Petty, Ron McKay; 4. Kelly Mayhew; 5. Christina Granado, Poppy Cline; 6. Kelly Boyd.

Fifth Grade—Biological: 1. Gretchen Moore; 2. Leslie Nelson, Kasey Wheelless; 3. Brandi Morgan, Amy Wooten; 4. Amy Smithson; 5. Mitzie Heller, Gabe Sheffy.

Physical: 1. Garland Coleman; 2. Jennifer Hucks; 3. Robert Moss, Jennifer Harris, Erin Killingsworth, Stace McDaniel; 4. Jeremy Strickland; 6. Kyle Jones, Katrina Waller, Pat Moctezuma.

Sixth Grade—Biological: 1. Matt Sims; 2. Brady Nelson, Shad McDaniel; 3. Kristie Salinas, Michelle Schumacher, Stacy Evans; 4. Haylei Wall; 5. Lynn Hand; 6. Jimmy Tilley.

Physical: 1. Chad Smith; 2. Amy Beck; 3. Holly Edwards, Kathy Patterson, Halley Bradley; 4. Matt Moore; 5. Michael Garza; 6. Ben Barrera.



TOP WINNERS in the Dimmitt Middle School Science Fair were, from left, Brandi Rice, Matt Sims, Carrie Sheffy, Molly Young, Gretchen Moore, Chad Smith, Kristie Kinzer, Garland

Coleman and Zachary Bell. The local winners will compete this weekend at the Regional Science Fair in Plainview.

Sarpalius says lottery is a gamble

By State Sen. Bill Sarpalius

Talk of a state lottery, which hasn't been heard since the end of last summer's special sessions, resurfaced here last week as yet another drive began to make Texas a lottery state.

The sponsors of this year's lottery package naturally are hoping to capitalize on the state's budget troubles. With the state facing an ever-growing deficit and lawmakers looking for any way to avoid new taxes, the lottery indeed may become an attractive option for some.

We, of course, have made clear our dislike for lotteries. We believe they prey on the poor, enticing them with promises of riches and sending them into an even deeper financial hole. Lotteries in fact tend to drive up the overall cost of social programs.

Lotteries, in our opinion, also take entertainment dollars out of the private sector and funnel that money straight into government. Entertainment dollars spent in the private sector stimulate the state's economy. Those same dollars spent on a lottery stimulate only the state budget.

But, our purpose really isn't to focus on our personal feelings

about the proposed lottery. Instead, we've gathered some solid facts—pro and con—about the lottery, facts we hope will help you form your own opinion on this crucial issue.

✓A lottery will raise money for the state, possibly as much as \$750 million for the coming biennium. The state is facing a \$5.8 billion deficit. The lottery might help with the deficit; it will not eliminate the need for deep budget cuts or a large tax increase.

✓Lotteries also cost money to operate. State Comptroller Bob Bullock this week sent a memorandum to all legislators pointing out the expense associated with a lottery. Bullock said some states require up to 100,000 square feet of space for central lottery administration plus field offices in all major metropolitan areas.

Bullock also said at least 200 new people would have to be added to the state payroll to administer the lottery. Some of these people would be high-priced marketing and games experts that could not be lured cheaply into state employment. The payroll for any agency administering the lottery would be large.

Most of these costs, excluding payroll, would be one-time start-up costs paid during the coming biennium, thus hampering the lottery's ability to help with the current deficit.

✓State law requires a lottery by Sept. 1 to be in place or have a definite start-up date if Bullock is to use anticipated lottery revenue for projecting the budget. In order

for a lottery proposal to be submitted to the voters by Sept. 1, the proposal would have to clear both houses by April 1. That obviously is not going to happen.

✓There is conflicting evidence as to whether lotteries are regressive, taking disproportionate amounts from the poor. A National Tax Journal article concluded lotteries were three to four times as regressive as a sales tax, which is considered the most regressive of all taxes. Statistics from the California state lottery, one of the newest lotteries, indicates lottery players cannot be classified into any single group.

The lottery issue clearly has a single pro and a number of cons. A lottery will raise money, fairly large amounts of money. No question about that.

A Texas lottery probably would not raise the money quickly enough, definitely would not take care of our deficit problem and could wind up hurting the people who need help the most.

Those are the facts. The issue really boils down to whether the money a lottery generates outweighs the problems it creates. Let us know what you think. Write us at P.O. Box 12068, Austin, Tex., 78711.

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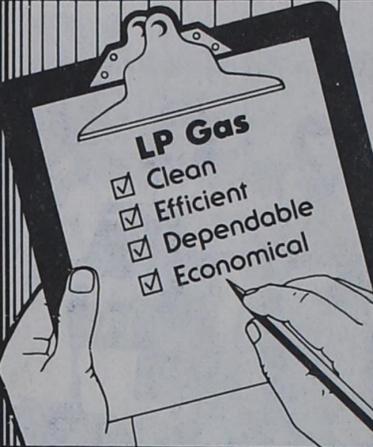
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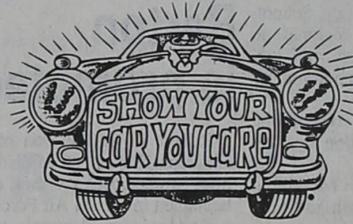
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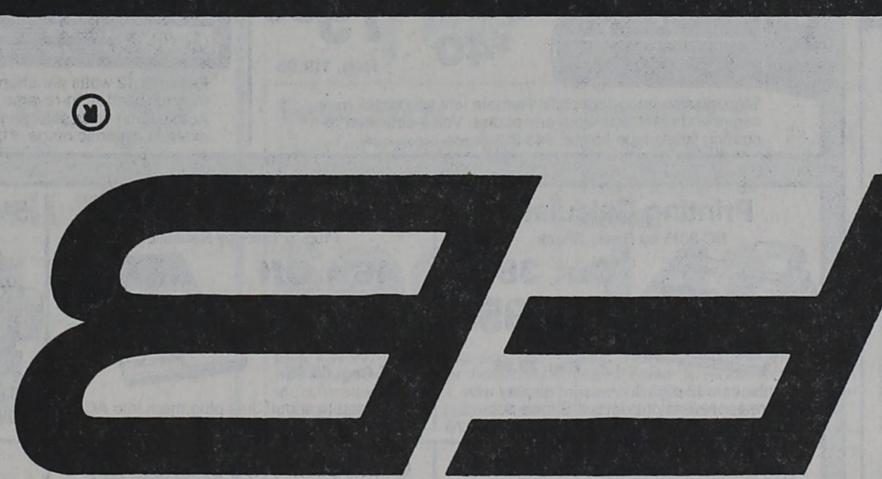
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JESSE GUERRERO (second from right) cut the ribbon to open Dimmitt Meat Market last Friday. The market, selling a variety of meats, is located at 314 N. Broadway. The ribbon cutting was sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

1987 looks promising for SEC

Members of Swisher Electric Cooperative can "look forward to a better year in 1987," officials said at the recent SEC annual meeting in Tulia.

Barbee Word, a certified public accountant, said SEC's expenses for the 1986 audit period actually exceeded revenue by \$451,000, with the net deficit over \$286,000.

"As a result of a two-year deficit, SEC had to get a rate increase... necessary because of the deficits and because SEC was not meeting mortgage agreements with REA. With a rate increase and increase in sales this year, we're looking forward to a better year in 1987."

SEC Manager Lyle Robinson acknowledged that some members are angry about changes when irrigation minimum payments are due, and said a letter explaining the changes was sent to all SEC members in November.

"The minimum payment is not a pre-payment," Robinson said, "although you may feel like it is. That (power) line has been at that place and there is interest, principal and depreciation on it every month." Robinson said the change in due dates for irrigation minimums was necessitated, in part, because some members refused to pay their mini-

mums at the end of the year when they became due, simply letting SEC disconnect the service.

Robinson also outlined the new community meter reader program, which should keep bills more current, rather than being 30 to 56 days behind.

Service awards were presented to Bud George, J.C. Mabry, Rick Milloway, Emmett Pittman, W.D. Inglis, Gus Raymond, Albert Lange, Mike Ferguson, Ray Tomlinson and Joe Favela.

Members re-elected directors Eddie Bryan and Inglis and named Richard Tye to succeed Pittman.

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Police calls

Investigations are continuing into the burglary and vandalism at Richardson Elementary School over the weekend.

Police report that unknown persons entered the school by unknown means sometime between 11 a.m. Saturday and 2:15 p.m. Sunday.

According to reports, the vandals ransacked room 506, the principal's office and rooms 507 and 508.

In room 508, they broke into a coin operated candy machine and they also broke into a coin operated school supply machine in the lobby and removed an undisclosed amount of cash.

Officials believe the culprits left the building through a door in the center wing. The door was locked from the inside, but when investigating the incident, officers noticed the door was open and ajar.

Students qualify for regional UIL

Several Dimmitt High School students qualified for regional in UIL literary competition with top finishes at district competition in Friona last week.

DHS will send three competitors to the regional competition Apr. 26 in Odessa.

Jayne Cotton, Jerry McMillon and Greg Gentry all qualified while Alex Trigo will be an alternate.

Cotton finished first in prose interpretation, McMillon captured the gold medal in accounting and Gentry finished third in ready writing. Trigo competed in extemporaneous reading.

The DHS Drama Club finished fourth in the One-Act-Play competition and Cotton earned honorable mention all-star cast honors.

Members of the cast are Beth Sams, Lori Glidewell, Cara Odom, Brad Buchanan, Chad Yokum and Cotton. Crew members include Trigo, Scott Sava and Kerry Buchanan.

SS rep here today

A representative of the Social Security Administration will be at the Castro County Courthouse from 10 a.m. until 12 noon today to meet with persons with problems or questions about Social Security or Medicare.

Many questions about Medicare claims may be answered by calling 1-800-442-2620, while Social Security matters may be handled by calling 1-293-9623.

The representative will meet with residents today in the commissioners' courtroom.

Barton is promoted

Robert K. Barton, son of Cecil and Nina Barton of Midland, has been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant in the US Air Force.

Barton is an electronic warfare officer with the 596th Bombardment Squadron at Barksdale AFB, La.

His wife, KaKa, is the daughter of Fred and Bobbie Bruegel of Dimmitt.

Burke to speak at FCA meeting

Todd Burke, pastor of Calvary Temple in Plainview and a former missionary in Cambodia, will speak at an Area Christian Fellowship Conference at the Hereford Community Church today through Saturday.

Evening services Thursday and Friday are at 7 p.m. and open to the public.

Ministerial Alliance

Edward D. Freeman, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, will be the benevolence chairman for April.

Allie Balko will lead the CCMA in a study of I Timothy 2:1-15 Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Hart.

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Obituaries

Chloe Cathey

Chloe Nena Cathey, 80, of Plainview, died Sunday.

Services were held Tuesday in Wood-Dunning Colonial Chapel in Plainview with Rev. Hollis Payne, pastor of Vigo Park Baptist Church, officiating. Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens in Dimmitt.

She was born in Amity, Ark., and married William Maut Cathey on Oct. 25, 1924 in Bonham. He died on June 20, 1957. She moved to Dimmitt in 1949 from Bonham, and helped keep the nursery at First Baptist Church. She moved to Plainview in 1963.

Survivors include two sons, Leon of Kress and James Carlton of Quitaque; two daughters, Charlene Bivens of Tulsa and Lozetta Bussey of Plainview; a daughter-in-law, Jeane Cathey of Quinlan; three sisters, Clydia Culifer of Tulsa, Mary Edith Bryant of Whitewright and Pearlene Russey of Durant, Okla.; 21 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Harvey C. Davis

Funeral services for Harvey C. Davis, 72, of Hart, were held Wednesday afternoon in the First Baptist Church at Hart with Rev. Alley Balko, pastor, and the Rev. James Mitchell of Jackson Avenue Baptist Church in Lovington, N.M., officiating. Burial will be in the Hart Cemetery under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home in Plainview.

Born in Jermyn, Mr. Davis was reared in Castro County. He moved

to Terry County in 1923 and attended the public schools at Gomez. He married Delphia Durham in 1934 in Brownfield. He returned to Castro County in 1946 and settled in Hart in 1976. He was a retired farmer. He was a member of the First Baptist Church and taught Bible classes, was a Sunday school superintendent and was a church trustee. He was a member of the building committee and the pulpit committee.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Elizabeth Jo Light of Olton and Marie Clevenger of Hart; three sons, Weldon, Jimmy Ray and Roger, all of Hart; a sister, Mattie Lee Carnes of Mesa, Ariz.; 14 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Grady Herrington

Funeral services for Grady Herrington, 77 of Farwell, were held Wednesday afternoon in the Farwell Church of Christ with Ralph Gates, Leonard Jennings and Virgil Fisk, minister, officiating.

Burial followed in Bailey County Memorial Park at Muleshoe under the direction of Steed-Todd Funeral Home of Clovis.

Mr. Herrington died Sunday. He was born at Schleicher County and moved to Parmer County at an early age. He was a farmer for 50 years. He was a member of the Farwell Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Dolly; two daughters, Joyce Holland of Lubbock and Judy Waggoner of Dimmitt; two sons, John of St. Paul, Minn., and Jerry of Farwell; a sister, Beatrice Venson of Burlington; 12 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Lee Jones

Lee Jones, 47, of Hereford died Friday.

Services were held Monday in the Church of the Nazarene with Rev. Ruben Flores, pastor of Primera Iglesia Bautista, and Rev. Don Kirklen, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial followed in West Park Cemetery by Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

He was born at Sulphur Springs and married Betty Hobratschk in 1961 in Dimmitt. They moved to Hereford in 1970 from Dimmitt. He was an employee at Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative, and was a past exalted ruler of the Elks Lodge.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Kirk and Craig; a daughter, Tanya; his mother, Shirley Lewis of Austin; and a brother, Kenneth of Aztec, N.M.

Maude Kay

Maude Kay, 98, of Mooreland, Okla., died March 18 in the Golden Age Nursing Center in Mooreland.

Funeral services were held March 21 in the Mooreland United Methodist Church with Rev. Randy Hodgson, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Mooreland Cemetery under the direction of Billings Funeral Home.

Born Maude Ann Gore on Oct. 14, 1888, in Blaine County, Kan., Mrs. Kay came with her parents in a covered wagon to Woodward County, Okla., near Curtis, Okla., and attended school in Curtis. She married J.L. "Katy" Kay in Mooreland on Jan. 13, 1907. They made their home for a short time in Curtis before moving into Mooreland. He preceded her in death on June 7, 1965. She moved to the Golden Age Nursing Center in 1981.

She was a member of the Mooreland United Methodist Church.

Survivors include five daughters, Alta Mae Robinson of Woodward, Marie Tate of Dimmitt, Gladys Briix of Vici, Okla., and Elaine Hart and Joan Lockwood, both of Mooreland; two sons, Cecil Kay of Yakima, Wash., and Clifton Kay of Ponca City, Okla.; three sisters, Nellie Fields of Mooreland, Opal Fiel of Woodward and Thelma Roberts of Parsons, Kan.; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Henry Warren

Henry Warren, 81, of Amarillo died Thursday.

Services were held Saturday in Hudman Funeral Home Chapel in Post. Burial followed in Terrace Cemetery.

He was born at Near Point and was a former Canyon resident. He was a retired cook. He married Belva Hudman on March 24, 1925 in Post.

Survivors include two sons, Jack of Canyon and Henry Jr. of Dimmitt; a daughter, Wanda Shahan of Canyon; a sister, Lottie Roberts of Sand Springs, Okla.; 17 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

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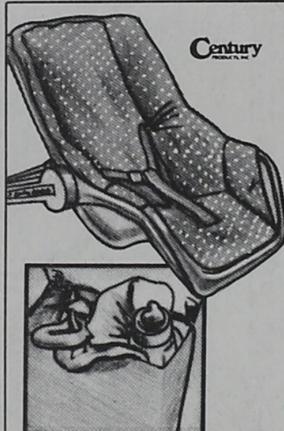
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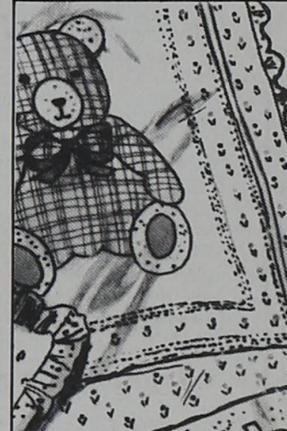
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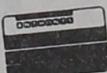
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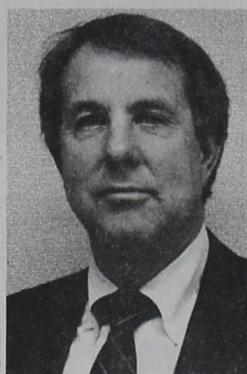
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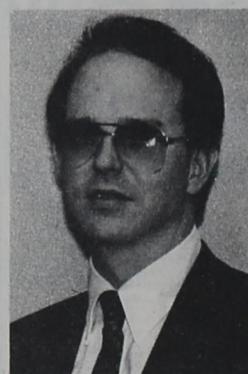
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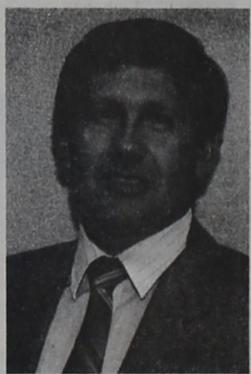
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