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Jones family hosts exchange student

Before coming to Floydada as an AFS exchange student, Raphael Steiner, woke up every morning to a view of a crystal blue lake surrounded by green pastures and snow covered mountains.

When looking at pictures of his homeland in Zug, Switzerland you can't help but wonder how anyone would want to leave. However, Steiner likes his new view of the South Plains, from the home of his host family, Larry and Renee Jones.

Steiner says his hometown of Oberageri, with a population of 4,500, is not much bigger than Floydada. However there are many smaller towns very nearby which makes the area seem more populated.

Oberageri is bordered by the Aegerisee lake and very near the town of Unterageri. "The closest town is not as far away as Lockney," said host mom, Renee Jones.

According to Steiner his hometown of Oberageri is in Zug, Switzerland, which is similar to saying, "Floydada is in Texas, which is part of the United States."

Steiner, 17, says he is enjoying his senior year at Floydada High School and his favorite part of living in Floydada, so far, has been the people. "Everyone has been very nice to me," said Steiner.

The hardest part for Steiner has been learning to quickly translate English into his native Swiss German tongue, and vice versa.

"We learned British English in school," said Steiner. "It is very different than the English you speak



A GROWING FAMILY--The Jones family has welcomed AFS student, Raphael Steiner into their home for his senior year at FHS. Shown here are: (l-r) family friend Josh Payne, Raphael Steiner, Renee Jones, Larry Jones and Dustin Jones.

in the United States."

Because of the language difficulties Steiner's hardest subjects in school have been History and Biology. "There are so many words to read and translate," said Steiner. "It takes me a long time to do homework and sometimes the teachers are hard to understand because they talk so fast."

When asked if he found school to be harder or easier in the United States, Steiner said, "I believe if I

could translate quicker, school would be easier here."

The school curriculum in the last grade Steiner attended, before leaving for the U.S. included: physics, chemistry, biology, math, English, Latin, French, German, history, geography, art and physical education.

In Oberageri, Steiner's school day begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 5:00 or 6:00 p.m.

"We do not have athletics in our

schools. It is not considered an important part of school."

According to Steiner anyone wishing to participate in sports will join sports clubs outside of the school.

Steiner's favorite sports are inline hockey, roller blading, snow boarding, and horseback riding.

Football is not played in Oberageri, but it hasn't stopped him

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Lockney's Main Street ready for celebration

LOCKNEY—Old Fashioned Saturday will kick off at 10:00 a.m. on Main Street between Locust and College.

The main attraction of the day will be the finals for the Texas State Pedal Pull. Youngsters who have won their division in competitions across the state throughout the year will converge on Lockney for the final event before the national finals. Those who place in the local event Saturday will be eligible to compete at the nationals to be held in Nebraska in September. Signup will begin at 11:00 a.m. and the pulls at 1:00 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Texas Pedal Pullers Association. Roy and Doris Ray will be in charge of this event.

Entertainment scheduled for the after noon include: Individuals who will sing one or two songs beginning at 2:30 will be LaTasha Perales, Christopher Torrez, Cassandra Torrez, Leticia Garcia, Caitlynn Wiley, Erin Mangold, Rebekah Thornton, Alex Hall and Travis Thornton.

At 4:00 p.m. Heaven's Country Band, a country gospel group from Lubbock, will play. Now and Again, a blue grass group from Amarillo, will take the stage at 5:15 p.m.

Us Pickers & Friends, a blue grass and country group from Floyd County will play at 6:30 p.m.

The street dance featuring the Country Nights will start at 8:00 p.m. and continue until 12:00.

Stores, as well as craft and food booths will be open for shopping and eating.

Food booths include: The Lockney Band Boosters, J&S Video, Irene and Jesse Garza, San Jose Church, Lisa's Restaurant, Pinner's Beef Jerky, Lockney Rehabilitation and Care Center, Max Ramirez, Templo Bautista Salem Youth Group, and

Kimmie and Mary. Il Penseroso Study Club will be selling lemonade, J. Otwell Caribbean Ice, and Lockney Girl Scouts popcorn.

The Lockney Lion's Club will hold a broom sale. This will benefit the Caravan for the Blind. Donna McCarter will have a booth demonstrating Nikken Magnets.

Hospice Hands of West Texas will be selling toys and games. Rev. Farril DeFoor will have a booth in front of J.B. Briskeys.

Ted and Mona Samples will be selling their woodcraft. Betty Swinney will be selling crafts. Rosa the Clown will be painting faces and selling balloons. The Lockney Athletic Boosters Club will man their annual dunking booth.

Lockney Library Associates will hold a book sale at the Hesperian-Beacon office. They will also have baked goods and popcorn for sale. Anyone who would like to donate books or baked goods should bring them by the Beacon office on Friday or Saturday morning.

The Lockney Band Boosters will be holding a garage sale in the old Lee's Home and Auto building. The sale will open at 9:00 a.m. Anyone with anything to donate to the sale can call: Milton Schaeffer at 652-3795.

Archie Jones at 652-3836 or Jim Huggins at 652-3115 by Friday. They will pick up your items if needed. Brenda Mangold will be at the Lee's building Thursday from 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. for your convenience in bringing your garage sale items.

Jack Yeary will open his building (formerly Baccus Motor Co) and display antique tractors and vehicles.

Everyone is encouraged to visit Lockney for this day of fun and are reminded to bring their lawn chairs.

Floydada Council approves property taxes

3-2 vote ushers in new tax for year 2000

FLOYDADA--In a 3-2 vote Tuesday night, August 18, Floydada City Councilmen went out on the wire and voted to begin taxing personal property of residents in the year 2000.

The discussion was initiated by Mayor Hulon Carthel who asked the councilmen to consider the taxing of personal property. "I believe we should look at taxing personal property," said Carthel, "however if we chose to do that I also believe we should lower the tax rate."

Councilman Hill asked the mayor to explain personal property taxation and Carthel said, "It is taxation of personal items such as boats and cars. Residents who own no real estate pay no city taxes on their personal property. We are the only taxing entity in the county which does not tax personal property."

Carthel went on to say, "I'm not going to be mayor for another term so I won't have to answer for this decision."

Councilman Clar Schacht then made the motion to tax personal property to take affect for the year 2000 tax roll.

Councilman Lawson seconded the motion and Hill voted in favor.

Voting against the motion were Councilmen Eric Cornelius and Sheldon Sue.

Councilman Jon Nielson was not present for the meeting and the vote carried 3-2.

The Council also voted unanimously to leave the current tax rate for 1998-99 at .36¢ per \$100 valuation.

"For the past 25 years there has been no increase in the tax rate for the City," said Carthel. "That is something to be proud of."

WELL CONTROLS BIG EXPENSE FOR CITY

The council also spent a great deal of time listening to a proposal from Jay Jenkins, of South Plains Commu-

nications, on installing a wireless control and computer system to monitor all water functions of city wells.

Jenkins told city officials the wireless control (an antennae mounted on the water tower) would eliminate the current system of using phone lines to turn the wells on and off. The system would also eliminate a person having to manually check the wells to make sure they are functioning properly.

The elimination of the phone lines would ultimately save the city approximately \$300-\$350 per month.

"This computer system would notify the city immediately if there is any trouble with any of the wells," said Jenkins, "and the system is also capable to handle future expansions. It can be used with sewer lift stations, as a storm warning system (sirens), and in the electrical distribution system."

The cost for the master unit was quoted as \$28,600. Each remote ter-

minal unit (RTU) would be \$6,900. Councilmen were told they may need 12 RTU's.

After much discussion Councilman Schacht made the motion to purchase the new system. Councilman Hill seconded the motion and all were in favor.

ELECTRIC PROJECTS UPDATES

City Manager Gary Brown told the council that the joint WTMPA generation project was still moving forward and should be operational the middle of May 1999.

After discussion the councilmen then voted unanimously to hold off on re-winding or rewiring a city generator. "We won't need the generator in the winter," said Cornelius, "and I think we should wait and see if we are up and running with WTMPA."

WATER COSTS INCREASE CITY FEES INCREASE

Gail Wyatt presented the 1998-99 **Continued On Page 3**

LISD makes plans to increase property taxes

LOCKNEY--The Lockney Independent School District Board of Directors held a public hearing on the proposed tax rate Thursday, August 20. No one attended the meeting. Members of the board set Monday, August 31 at 8:00 p.m. as the date and time for the vote on the tax proposal.

The district is proposing to increase property taxes 7.4 percent. This will be the first increase the school district has had in three years. The tax rate set by the district at this time will maximize the Tier II money received from the state through the year 2002.

During the regular meeting Superintendent Raymond Lusk reported 98 percent of the 1997 property taxes have been received. This is under the 98.69 percent collected at the same time in 1996.

Members of the school board discussed proposals on property and casualty insurance. Bids were received from National American and from Hartford. They voted to accept the bid of \$11,395 from National American. The bid from Hartford was \$14,700.

The insurance for LISD vehicles

was also discussed and the proposal from Farm Bureau was accepted.

Bids from Lockney Oil and Butane, Lockney Cooperatives and Consumer's Fuel were received for fuel for school vehicles. The bid of .45 for diesel and .51 for gasoline from Lockney Oil and Butane was accepted for the year. The bids from Consumers were .649 for diesel and .679 for gasoline. Lockney Cooperatives bid .7828 for diesel and .6819 for gasoline.

Work on the budget continues. The board went over the proposed budget and will discuss it again at the September meeting.

The following letter from the Region 17 Education Service Center to James Poole, Principal at Lockney High was read:

"Dear Mr. Poole: Congratulations on being designated as an Exemplary Campus in the 1997-98 Accountability Ratings! Being one of only thirty-eight campuses in Region 17 to receive exemplary status is quite an accomplishment and an honor of which I know you are very proud.

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CHAMBER THANKS MEMBERS--The Floydada Chamber of Commerce served up homemade hot biscuits, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, orange juice and coffee to chamber members at the annual appreciation breakfast, Friday morning, August 21. **Staff Photo**

Pickup rollover leads to death of Lubbock man

Jason Mack Tilson, 21, of Lubbock and formerly of Floydada, died Saturday, August 26, from injuries he sustained in a traffic accident in Floyd County August 15th. Two other young men were injured in the accident.

According to DPS Trooper Jesse Valdez the accident occurred at approximately 7:00 p.m. on FM 784, 8.5 miles west of Floydada.

"The accident is still under investigation," said Valdez, "however it appears at this point the driver, Skeeter Ryan Smith, 21, of Floydada, failed to negotiate the "S" curve, lost control, and the pickup rolled 2 3/4 times. None of the three occupants were

wearing seat belts and all were ejected from the pickup."

Smith suffered a displaced hip and was transported by Aero Care One to Methodist Hospital.

Tilson sustained critical head injuries and was taken by a second Aero Care helicopter to Methodist Hospital.

Another passenger, Tommie James Long, 21, of Dickens, was taken by ambulance to Methodist Hospital where he was treated for lacerations to his left elbow and released.

The pickup, a 1997 Ford 150, was totaled.

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2A teams prepare for their new district battles

By Bill Gray

High School Football, referred to far and wide as the National Sport of Texas, gets underway in another week. Last February's U.I.L. biennial realignment created major changes all across the state. Perhaps one of the governing agency's more significant moves was the addition of a third playoff representative throughout all classifications. The third play-off team format has been used in Class 4A and 5A for several years, but Classes 2A and 3A have been included in the expanded playoff system for 1998.

The U.I.L. realignment last Spring has made a major impact in Floyd County - not only for 1998, but also for years to come. The minimum school enrollment for Class 3A was increased, resulting in the Whirlwinds' re-classification into 2A. With a projected enrollment of 311, Floydada ranks #16 in size in Texas 2A schools, and would compete in the Division I bracket should the 'Winds reach post-season play. Lockney's projected enrollment (266) would more than likely position the Longhorns into Division II should they qualify for the post-season.

A virtually new district was created, with Floydada, Lockney, Abernathy,

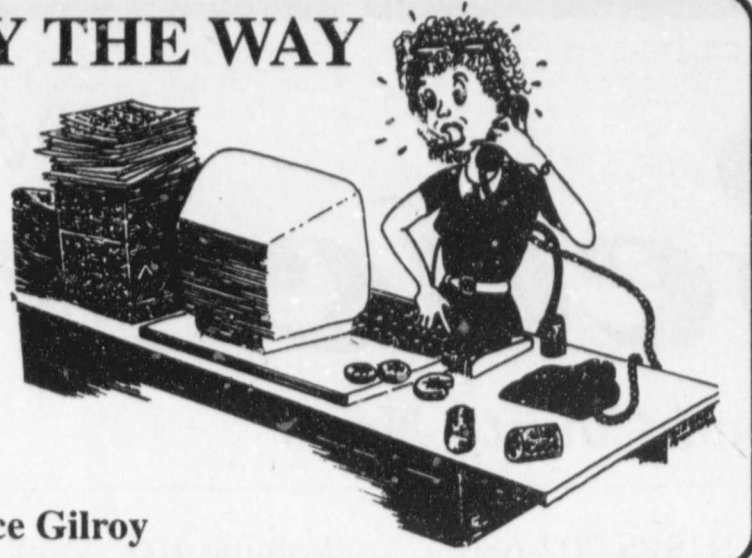
New Deal, Ralls, and Idalou joining to form District 7-2A. For the first time in almost two decades, Floydada and Lockney will be in the same district, making the November 6 date at Floydada's Wester Field more meaningful than just for the football supremacy of Floyd County.

With two-a-days and pre-season scrimmages almost behind us, it's time to dust off the crystal ball, consult the tea leaves and fortune cookies, and make the prognostications for the coming year. In this day of computer analysis, the predictions should come easier than in the past. As unpredictable as schoolboy football can be, it would probably have been more accurate to consult the "Gypsy Lady." However, the last time she was seen in these parts was when she forecasted a Texas Tech victory over Southern Cal in the 1995 Cotton Bowl!

(Predicted order of finish in District 7-2A)

1. Floydada Whirlwinds - Such observance is not just wishful thinking or personal loyalty. The 'Winds have been very competitive the last several years against some schools that had twice the enrollment. A move to Class 2A is a big boost for a team **Continued On Page 6**

BY THE WAY



By Alice Gilroy

The following came off the internet and was sent to us by a former employee, Cindy Perez. No telling where she got it. Looking at the e-mail addresses at the top of my transmission it looks like it has been all over the United States.

It is a translated version of the President's speech with added commentary (in brackets).

Good evening (this is going to be one heck of a night back at the White House).

This afternoon in this room, from this chair (an accurate accounting so far), I testified before (was finally cornered by) the Office of Independent Counsel and the grand jury.

I answered their questions (at least the ones that I did answer) truthfully (in a "legally accurate" sense per the standard illustrated below), including questions about my private (sleazy) life, questions no American citizen would ever want to (or have put themselves in any position to have to) answer.

Still, I must (as a last-ditch effort for damage control) take complete responsibility (since trying to blame everybody else didn't work) for all my (power trip) actions, both public and private. And that (in addition to the fact that the media would've really had a field day had I not made a public statement) is why I am speaking to you tonight.

As you know, in a deposition in January, I was asked questions about my (illicit) relationship with Monica ("big lips") Lewinsky. While my answers were legally accurate (and quite deliberately fabricated to mislead), I did not volunteer (and actually withheld essential) information (at the expense of other less important people).

Indeed, I did have a (quite steamy) relationship with Ms. Lewinsky that was (or so they tell me) not appropriate (this could be nominated for understatement of the year). In fact, it was wrong (but only in the sense that I was caught this time). It constituted a critical lapse in judgment (since I really didn't think she would say anything) and a personal failure on my part (to cover this thing up) for which I am solely and completely responsible (everybody told me it was stupid to play these games so openly).

But I told the grand jury today and I say to you now (you believe me, don't you?) that at no time did I ask (OK, OK; told, suggested, indicated, ordered, or commanded maybe, but never did I ask) anyone to lie, to hide or destroy evidence (what about washing the dress?) or to take any other unlawful action.

I know that my public comments (lies) and my silence about this matter (worked exactly as I had intended and) gave a false impression.

(This time when I was caught) I misled people, including even my (ugly) wife. I deeply regret that (I wasn't more careful).

I can only tell you (that) I was motivated by many factors (and was not thinking with my head). First, by a desire to protect myself from (prosecution and) the embarrassment of my own conduct.

I was also very concerned about protecting my family. The fact that these questions were being asked in a politically inspired lawsuit, which has since been dismissed, was a consideration, too (and is a completely logical reason for considering myself above the law and not revealing the truth).

In addition, I had real and serious concerns about an independent counsel investigation that began with private business dealings 20 years ago, dealings, I might add, about which an independent federal agency found no evidence of any wrongdoing by me or my wife over two years ago (because the 'missing' files showed up exactly two days past the date that the statute of limitations ran out).

The independent counsel investigation moved on to my staff and friends, then into my private life (Oh what a tangled web we weave). And now the investigation itself is also under investigation (a great diversionary tactic).

This has gone on too long, cost too much (OK, Bill--please feel free to reimburse the Treasury since it was your screwing around that got this thing going) and hurt too many innocent people.

Now, this matter is between me, the two people I love most--my wife and our daughter--and our God (could Slick Willy really believe that just by saying this, the American people forget it about it and the media will just go away?) (answer yes!--He does, and they likely will).

I must put it right, and I am prepared to do whatever it takes (except resign) to do so.

Nothing (other than pretty young girls impressed by my importance) is more important to me personally. But it is private, and I intend to reclaim my family life for my family. It's nobody's business but ours (me, Hillary, Chelsea, Monica, Paula, Jennifer, etc.).

Even Presidents have (and screw up their) private lives. It is time (for me) to stop the pursuit of personal destruction and the prying into private lives and get on with our national life (let's just forget this, OK?).

Our country has been distracted by this matter for too long (it's somebody else's turn in the spotlight now), and I take my responsibility for my part in all of this. That is all I can do.

Now it is time--in fact, it is past time--to move on (OK, so resign why don't you?).

We have important work to do--real opportunities (and new staffers) to seize, real problems to solve (which one first?), real security matters to face (this stuff can't leak out again, at any cost).

And so tonight, I ask you to turn away from the spectacle (nice try, Bill) of the past seven months, to repair the fabric (wash the dress) of our national discourse, and to return our attention to all the challenges (new staffers) and all the promise (new staffers) of the next American century.

Thank-you for watching (as if you had any other choice besides football). And good night. (P.S. And I never inhaled.)



A view from **The Lamplighter**

By Ken Towery

I never could really fathom the old saying "misery loves company." In fact, I never really believed it. I've never figured out how, or why, my own misery would be made less by the knowledge that someone else was also miserable.

Nevertheless, in the off chance that some of our readers (who have lost their crops on account of the weather, and have seen the value of their herds drop like rocks in a well) may take some satisfaction in the terrible plight of others, we offer the following, gleaned from our capitol city's daily newspaper.

The University of Texas Regents have granted a request made by the system's "Chancellor" that his publicly stated income be "frozen" this year. That means the Chancellor will have to scrape by on \$441,519, of which some \$70,000 is in "salary", with the rest from various sources and perks. The income of the university's

president will also be "frozen" for a year, at a mere \$200,000. The system's General Counsel (former State Senator Ray Farabee) had his salary frozen at \$208,000. Another "Vice Chancellor", Ray Mullen, had his income frozen at \$325,000, but he gets an additional \$70,000 per annum in "deferred" salary, plus \$8,400 in car allowances, and \$16,344 for "housekeeping." (Mr. Mullen, however, is an "executive" Vice Chancellor, so that probably accounts for the difference in incidentals).

This measure of austerity was brought on by rumblings of unhappiness, and perhaps envy, on the part of lower ranking professors and staff who somehow got the idea they weren't properly sharing in the goodies.

So the next time you go out and examine the crops, or where the crops should be, or the next time you load up those old, skinny cows with their

calves, and take them off to a depressed market, you can bask in the happiness of knowing that others, particularly in the tax-supported arena of higher education, share your misery, that others "feel your pain."

On another note, the average per capita income of Texans has jumped to \$23,656. That may not do much for my own ego, but it should help the national economy. The more people make, the more taxes they pay, and the more is available for government to solve our problems, of course, come to think of it, the more money people make, the less there should be for government to do. Which may be another argument for shrinking the government during "good times", financially speaking.

And speaking a little further about money....we see where President Clinton's legal defense fund is rolling in money. His first legal defense fund went nowhere fast, but that one had a

self imposed legal maximum of \$1,000 on voluntary contributions. This effort is much more productive. It has a maximum individual limit of \$10,000, which allows certain Hollywood friends to be more forthcoming. The husband can give \$10,000, the wife or live-in can give \$10,000, their legal children, if they have any, can give \$10,000, etc. The fund now surpasses \$2 million. Our President's lawyers should feel secure. If we had to guess, we would guess that, in the final analysis, their legal fees will match the contributions, whatever they are.

And speaking further about friends, and Hollywood: We see certain news reports indicating that friends of our President are scouting the Hollywood area for a future home for Mr. Clinton and Hillary. Speculation, based on rumors, is that the President, a rather skillful lawyer, may join the Dreamworks studio as general counsel, upon leaving office.

Lockney Police Report

LOCKNEY—Lockney Police received two reports of the burglary of a vehicle on the morning of August 13. The first was from the 400 block of North Main. The vehicle was entered sometime during the morning and several items were taken.

The second report came from the owner of a vehicle parked behind W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital. Nothing was taken in this attempt but damage to the vehicle was noted.

A resident in the 300 block of S.W. 2nd reported someone had attempted to enter his residence through the overhead garage doors. Nothing was reported missing.

Investigation continues in these three reports.

On August 14 Benjamin Rodriguez Jr., 51, of Lockney was arrested for Public Intoxication in the 100 block of East Spruce.

Police received the report August 17 from a resident in the 400 block of North Main of a windshield broken in a vehicle parked in front of the residence. The occurrence happened between 11:00 and 11:45 a.m. The investigation continues.

On August 18 police were contacted by a resident in the 400 block of South Main about a fifty dollar bill that turned out to be counterfeit.

Businesses and residents are reminded to be cautious when accepting large bills as there are numerous counterfeit bills in the area.

Police responded August 19 to a domestic violence call in the 600 block of North Main at approximately 2:00 p.m. Neither party wished to prosecute and they agreed to go their

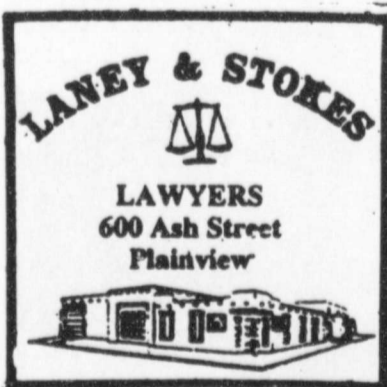
Volunteers needed to serve food Archeologists return to dig

Archeologists will resume excavations of the Coronado site, in Blanco Canyon, the first week in September and volunteers are needed to help feed the crews.

"Babe Jones has volunteered to feed them one day," said Nancy Marble of the Floyd County Historical Museum. "We still have September 6th and 7th open for anyone who would like to volunteer to feed 20-25 people."

For more information contact Marble or Sherry Colston at the Museum, 983-2415.

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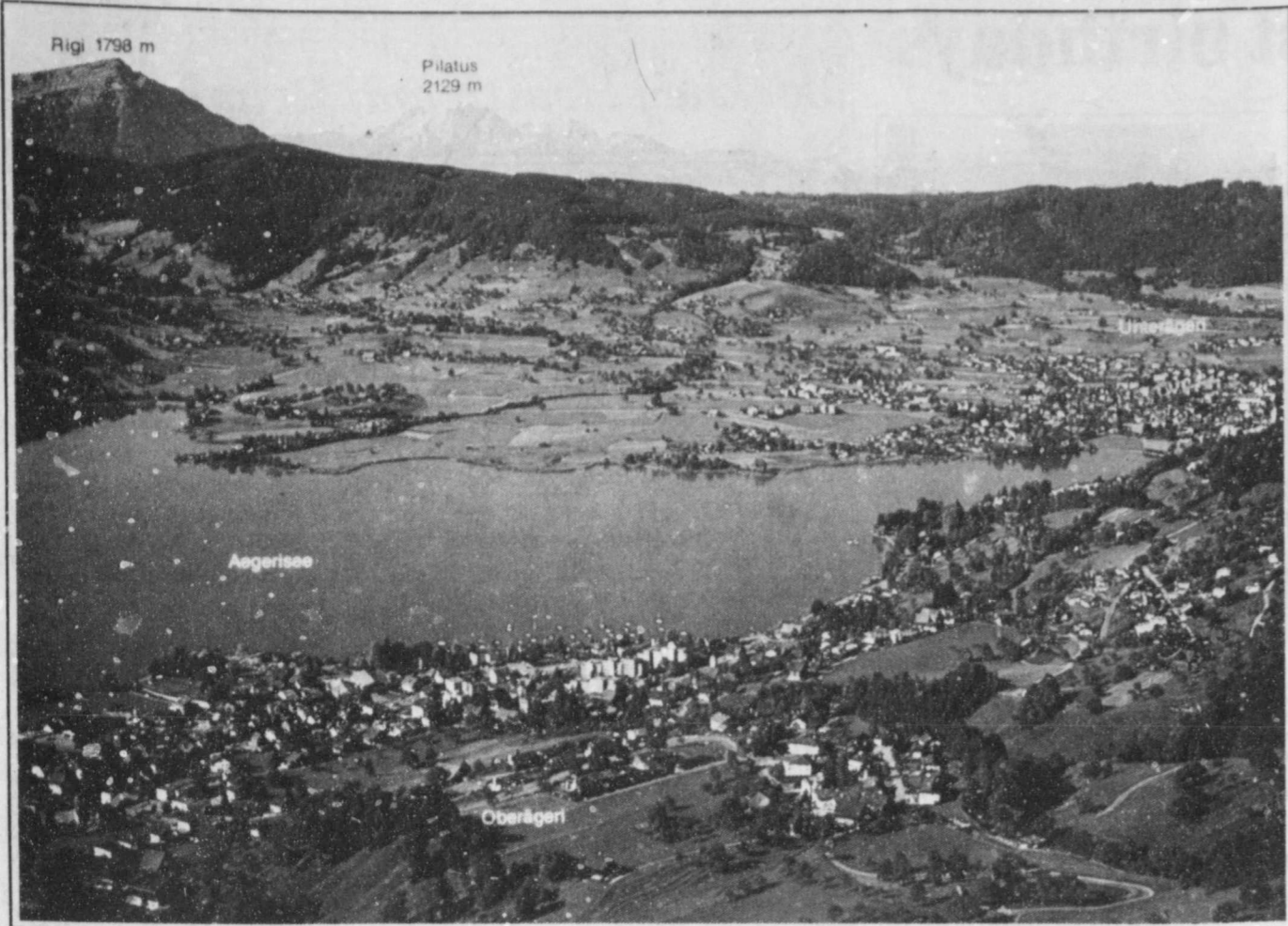
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OBERAGERI--The town of Oberageri in Zug, Switzerland is the home of AFS Raphael Steiner who has moved in with host family Larry and Renee Jones, in Floyd County. Steiner is attending FHS his senior year.

AFS student joins Jones family

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from giving it a try in Floydada.

As part of the Whirlwinds J.V. team, Steiner is working hard at understanding the rules of American football and the instructions of the American coaches.

Steiner is not alone in the United States. Not only has he made numerous friends, but his 16 year old

brother, Manuel, is now living in Minnesota as an exchange student.

Steiner says he father has died and his mother stays busy with social work.

After he finishes his senior year in Floydada, Steiner will return to Oberageri and will enter the 12th grade again. Because of his desire to attend a University, Steiner has to at-

tend 7 years of high school and will graduate in the year 2001.

"If you do not want to attend a University you can go to high school for only 3 years."

Steiner says he doesn't really know what kind of career he wants to pursue when he gets out of school. "I still have a long time to decide," said Steiner.

Council hears report of rising water costs

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water supply budget of Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority to the council.

Wyatt told the councilmen the city would see an increase of \$559.00 per month for water. The city is currently paying \$22,085.97 per month for Mackenzie water.

Councilmen accepted the budget and in other action voted to increase the city's residential sewer fees by \$1.00 a month, and the residential

sanitation fees by \$1.00 a month.

PENDING LITIGATION DISCUSSED

The council entered into executive session to discuss possible litigation by former Floydada Police Chief, James Hale.

After the session Councilman Clar Schacht made a motion that the city offer no monetary settlement to James Hale at this time. Hill seconded the motion and all councilmen voted in

agreement.

In other action:

Council voted to sell Lot 9, Block 48, 200 W. Virginia, to Gloria Cavazos for \$500.00;

Dr. Ahmad was appointed the health officer for the City of Floydada;

City employees were given additional holiday time off. All employees would have the day off on Friday, November 27. Half of the employees would be off on Thursday, December 24th and the other half would be off on Monday, December 28th.

Teachers Assoc. praises Haywood

Senator Tom Haywood (R-Wichita Falls) was recently recognized for his service and support for agriculture science and technology in Texas at the 1998 Vocational Agriculture Teacher's Association of Texas Conference. The annual professional development conference was held July 27-31, 1998 in Wichita Falls.

Senator Haywood is a native Texan who is currently serving District 30 as State Senator. He is a conservative Republican who has served on the Education, Natural Resources, and Economic Development Committees, and was appointed by Lt. Governor Bob Bullock as the Chairman of the Sub-committee on Agriculture. Senator Haywood is an active advocate of streamlined government, individual responsibility, fewer regulations and an equitable tax system.

Senator Haywood has served both his community and state in various capacities ranging from teacher to independent businessman. He is currently an independent business owner in Wichita Falls and is completing his first term in the Texas Senate. While serving in the Senate, Senator Haywood has worked on juvenile justice reform, reduced regulations for the oil and gas industry, tort reform, and the Community Enrichment Act.

Approximately 1,400 agricultural science and technology teachers attended the Ag Teacher's Conference this year. The annual conference will be held in 1999 in Waco.



HISTORY SCHOLARSHIP--Joyce Williams (right) presented a \$153.00 Floyd County Historical Museum History Scholarship to Cecil Pope (left). Pope attended Floydada High School and has maintained a life long interest in history. The history course will be taught by South Plains College, Floydada campus, at Floydada High School during evening classes, starting September 1998. Staff Photo

Region 17 congratulates LHS for good work

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As you well know, achieving "the Gold" does not come easy! It takes the determination and hard work of an entire team--including administrators, teachers, support staff, students, and community--to set goals of excellence for student learning and to do what it takes to achieve them.

Please know that all of us at Region 17 ESC share in your pride and wish you continued success in 1998-99. We look forward to beginning a new school year with a renewed enthusiasm for helping all students to be the very best they can be. Sincerely, Kyler Wargo, Executive Director."

In regular business before the board the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, current bills

Heart Association says Americans are getting fatter

Americans are getting fatter, according to the American Heart Association. Nearly 66 million American adults are 20 percent or more above a desirable (healthy) weight. That's an increase of 43 percent from about 1960 to 1994.

About 51 percent of U.S. adults have blood cholesterol levels of 200 milligrams per deciliter and above. At that level, says the American Heart Association, the risk of coronary heart disease begins to rise sharply.

To reduce your risk of heart disease follow these American Heart Association dietary guidelines: Keep fat to 30 percent of calories or less, saturated fat from 8 to 10 percent of calories, cholesterol to less than 300 mg per day, and sodium to less than 2,400 mg per day.

were reviewed and approved for payment and the financial statement reviewed.

Present at the meeting were board members Jim Bob Martin, Mike



ISSUE UPDATE

with Mac Thornberry

War Against Terrorism will Require a Strong Defense and Even Stronger Resolve

A lot of folks thought that when the Soviet Union collapsed, we could relax our defense efforts a while and not worry as much about those who might want to hurt us. The events of the past few weeks remind us that we can't afford to relax at all -- in fact, in some ways the world is more dangerous than ever.

One of the reasons we have to have a strong defense is terrorism. There are a number of groups around the world which have essentially declared war against the United States. They look for ways to attack us here at home and around the world. They want to cause the maximum amount of terror and damage. They don't distinguish between military and civilian targets. They just try to kill Americans and all that America stands for.

Many of these groups are

willing to sacrifice their own lives to hurt us. They are actively seeking ever more dangerous weapons -- including weapons of mass destruction, like chemical, biological, and nuclear weapons. If they continue to gain strength, many more Americans will die in the months and years to come. We must hit back, and we must hit back hard.

The war against terrorism will not be won in a month or a year. It will require a constant effort to gather information about terrorists, to prevent their attacks where possible, and to retaliate against them when necessary.

But the war against terrorism will be a fact of life for some time to come and is one of the reasons we must make sure that our military and intelligence capability is the best in the world.

For more information on this or any other issue before Congress, please write Mac Thornberry at 412 Cannon Building, Washington, DC 20515.

Tax rebates up in Floyd County's cities

August 1998 sales tax rebates made to Floyd County cities from the state comptroller's office have been received. Both Floydada and Lockney show an increase for the month when compared to rebates for the same period in 1997.

Total rebates received in Floyd County this month were \$19,621.19, an increase of 19.83 percent overall when compared to the \$16,374.13 received in August of 1997. The year to date total rebates received in Floyd County now stand at \$125,037.77, an overall increase of 7.24 percent from the \$116,589.12 received to date in 1997.

Lockney displayed an increase of 23.07 percent over the same period for 1997 in over all receipts. The city's August check was in the amount of \$5,796.44 compared to \$4,709.69 received in 1997. Total Lockney rebates to date in 1998 are \$37,764.43 or 8.74 percent more than total rebates of \$34,727.31 at this time in 1997.

Floydada's check from the state comptroller's office was in the amount of \$13,824.75 showing an increase of 18.52 percent from the \$11,664.44 payment received in August 1997. Total rebates for the year now stand at \$87,273.34 compared to \$81,861.81 received at this time last year. This represents an overall 6.61 percent in-

crease.

August 1998 rebates and percentage of change for area cities are listed below.

Quitaque; \$3,610.49, -5.08%
Silverton; \$1,911.74, -13.85%
Crosbyton; \$7,896.34, -21.30%
Ralls; \$7,821.24, -4.10%
Abernathy; \$11,881.00, +15.01%
Hale Center; \$7,377.67, +13.16%
Petersburg; \$3,009.19, +2.47%
Plainview; \$293,163.86, +14.27%
Lubbock; \$2,407,243.50, +4.64%
Matador; \$3,296.10, +10.35%
Roaring Spgs; \$2,016.47, +55.09%
Tulia; \$25,321.01, +14.54%
August payments totaling \$255.8 million in local sales tax rebates went back to 1,094 Texas cities and 118 counties, according to the state comptroller's office. This month's sales tax payments include taxes collected on sales in June and reported to the comptroller by businesses filing monthly returns in July. Quarterly filers are also reporting sales in April, May and June.

Sales taxes are collected by merchants and forwarded to the state which retains a 6.25 percent share and returns the city sales tax portion to each city, county, or special interest district such as hospital districts or qualifying transit systems. Neither Floyd County, Lockney General Hospital District or Caprock Hospital Dis-

trict levies a sales tax at this time. No qualifying transit system, which could also levy a sales tax, operates within the county.

Please join the folks at

Floydada Cooperative Gins, Inc.

26th Annual Stockholders Meeting

Tuesday, September 8, 1998
at 7:00 p.m.
Duncan Elementary Cafeteria

Business Meeting - Elect 3 Directors
Dividend Checks - Door Prizes

Catering by Whistlin' Dixie BBQ
Serving begins at 6:30 p.m.

Come and Enjoy
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Old Fashioned
Saturday--August 29th

Care center residents celebrate August birthdays

By Lorilla Bradley
FLOYDADA--August is a so-so month.

The start of "Indian" summer...
One day so hot, another cool!
And now and then a "stunner!"

Ruth Harrison we now honor
....She counts from 1909....
She loves to visit with her friends
So drop in any time!

We welcome Terry Watson
....He dates from 1910....
To count another birthday
Is always fine with him!

Another one we welcome
Is Mrs. Clara Hicks....
The many years she's counting
Has taught her life has "tricks!"

Ruth McIntosh we honor
....She counts from "22....
She is a lovely person....
A lady tried and true!

Salutes to Mr. Eakin....
....His years are 95....
With cows and cars he loved his
"trade"....
They helped him to survive!

To serenade these people
Lets do the Birthday song....



HAPPY BIRTHDAY--(L to R) Ruth Harrison, Terry Watson, Clara Hicks, Willie B. Eakin and Ruth McIntosh, residents of the Floydada Rehab and Care Center, recently celebrated their birthdays with a party from City Park Church of Christ.

So join us in the singing
And come out good and strong!

Thursday, August 20 was party time at the care center. Members of the City Park Church of Christ hosted. The Hesperian photographer came for the picture taking.

The honorees were seated at the "honor" table and each wore a lovely

red carnation compliments of Williams Floral and Card Shop.

The table was laid with a blue cloth and centered with a floral arrangement in shades of pink and red. Special cards marked their places. The poem was read and all joined in singing the Happy Birthday Song.

Seated with Mr. Eakin were his wife and daughter, Betty Chowning. Mrs. Harrison had as her guests, her chil-

dren Jerry and Jerry Bob Harrison and Jaynette and Joe Max Harrison.

A delicious refreshment plate of pink-iced cherry cake and angel food cake along with a tasty orange drink, was served to the honorees, guests, home residents and employees.

The next party will be Thursday, September 17, at 3:00 p.m. You are invited to be with your friends and loved ones at that time.

Hawaiian luau is theme for Class of '88 reunion

Palm trees, pineapples, torches and Hawaiian leis were the theme of the luau for the Graduates of 1988. The Hawaiian gathering was held at Roaring Springs Ranch on July 18, at 6:00 p.m. for all members of the Class of '88' and their guests.

Hosting the tropical event were: Ange Shurbet Armstrong and Gary Armstrong, Tana Turner Bates and Corey Bates, Denise Morren Holcombe and Rex Holcombe, Becky Reeves Ross and Mitch Ross, and Ty Stovall.

A luau meal of Hawaiian chicken over rice, steak kabobs, grilled corn on the cob, salad, Hawaiian bread, carved watermelons with assorted fruit and key-lime pie for dessert was served.

The meal was prepared by Tana and Corey Bates, Becky and Mitch Ross and Denise and Rex Holcombe.



CLASS OF '88 REUNITES WITH LUAU--Pictured are the members that enjoyed the luau. Back row (l to r): Kelli LaBaume Childre, Pam Lockwood Cooke, Pam Woody Meador, Andrea Bonner, Cathy Langley Webster, Julie Smith Anderson, Marti Stepp, Tonya Ogden Gooch, Scotty Battey, Ty Stovall, Chad Pernel,

and Michael Hicks. Front row (l to r): Tana Turner Bates, Denise Morren Holcombe, Angie Bertrand Long, Becky Reeves Ross, Crystal Rowley Sansom, Ange Shurbet Armstrong, Gina Prisk Bass, Ludusfia Leatherman Prisk, John Taylor and Corey Bates. Not pictured is Randy Enriquez. Courtesy Photo

Forbes commisioned 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Marine Corps

Craig Forbes, a computer information systems major at SOSU was commissioned as a U.S. Marine Corps second lieutenant Friday, May 15, on the SOSU campus.

Forbes lived in Floydada for 15 years and attended Floydada Elementary and Junior High schools. He also played Junior High sports and summer league baseball.

He moved to Plainview in his freshman year and graduated from Pampa High School in 1990.

Forbes led his platoon and completed the U.S. Marine Corps Office Candidate School (OCS) in first place.

He has been accepted to study for his Masters and plans to apply for the NASA program after his contract with the Marines.

Forbes came to SOSU in 1995 af-

ter four years in the Marines.

U.S. Marine Corps Commissioning Office Captain Montgomery gave Forbes his charge of duty. Forbes was pinned by both his father and brother.

Special guests at the commissioning ceremony were his parents, Jim Forbes and Judy Wellman, and Dr. Robert Masters, Dean of the SOSU School of Business.

Contracted to be a pilot, Lt. Forbes' future plans are to complete flight school and fly helicopters for the Marines.



CRAIG FORBES

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

NO PEEK STEW
2 lbs. stew meat
1 (10 1/2-oz.) can cream of mushroom soup
1 (1.25-oz.) package onion soup mix
1 c. thinly sliced carrots
1 c. thinly sliced celery
3/4 red wine
Marjoram, dash

Thyme, dash
Paprika, dash
Salt and pepper, dash
Minced parsley, dash
Combine all ingredients. Place in 3 to 5-quart baking dish. Cover. Bake at 300 degrees for 3 hours. Don't peek!
Yield: 6 servings.

Note: Good served with buttered noodles or rice.

BOOK & BAKE SALE

The Lockney Library is hosting a Book and Bake Sale in conjunction with Old Fashioned Saturday August 29 10 til ?

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Lockney Health and Rehab News

By Rebecca Rodriguez, A.D.
LOCKNEY--Hello to everyone once again from all the residents and staff of Lockney Health and Rehabilitation Center.

We will be setting up a booth at our annual "Old Fashioned Saturday" on August 29, 1998. We will be having cookies and we will also have a fishing game. We hope to see you there.

We sold our "Las Vegas Trip" tickets. The drawing was held on August 21st. The winner chosen, was Olivia Vasquez from Brownfield. A big con-

gratulations goes out to her! All of our proceeds are going to our Extendicare Foundation for Alzheimer's Research. A special thank you to all of you who participated in our raffle donation.

Here is a little poem I would like to share:

Don't walk in front of me,
I may not follow.
Don't walk behind me,
I may not lead.
Walk beside me
and just be my friend.

By Albert Camus

West and Towry annual reunion held at the MAC

FLOYDADA--The annual West and Towry reunion was held August 15 and 16, 1998 in the Massey Activity Center.

Saturday evening began the activities with a sandwich and salad supper. Twenty five were present on Saturday evening and thirty-seven on Sunday.

A delicious covered dish luncheon was served on Sunday. The prayer for the meal was voiced by Andy Coats.

A business meeting was held and it was voted to have the reunion again in 1999 at the same time and place. The same officers remained in office. After the meeting a lot of visiting and picture taking was enjoyed by all.

Those attending from out of town were: Joe and Belle Sutherland, and James Elza, Amarillo; M.K. West,

Austin, Corty and Wanda West, Fort Worth; Emma B. Baker, Burkburnett; Elmo and Anita Patton, Wichita Falls; Tony and Cleve Elza, Odessa; S.L. and Irene West, Sulphur, Oklahoma; Lyn, Peggy, Shannon, Amy, Shane, and Jacob Martin, Bowie; Tammi Lee, Andy and Belanda Coats and Anna, and Andrew, Wendi and Jacob Coats, Lubbock; and Kay Hilderbrandt, Lindsay, Oklahoma.

Attending from Floydada were: Shorty and Leona Neff, Jerry and Winola Galloway, Sarah West, Sherry and Maggie Vicks, Sherron McCravey, Floyd and Euna Bradford, Lavada Neff, Raymond and Voncel Colston.

Guests were: Sue Guthrie of Floydada and Melvin and Quida Powell of Ralls.

Remember your lawn chairs for the Entertainment & Dance at Lockney's Old Fashioned Saturday, August 29

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Floyd County Lifestyles

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word

FLOYDADA--The center is open Monday through Friday. If you are 60 years or older - we need you to be a part of this center. If you plan on eating lunch please call the center at 983-2032 by 10 a.m. Come eat a good hot meal, reasonably priced, visit with your friends and enjoy the outing.

Lovene Moore and her bridge club spent last week in Ruidoso, New Mexico, playing bridge and doing some sightseeing.

Pauline McCormick went to Colorado City, to be with her daughter Anita Elliott. While there Pauline attended a baby shower for Anita given by friends. Pauline went home with Amy who lives in Fort Worth and spent a few days.

Congratulations to Rev. Gene and Louise Hawkins who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Friday, August 21st.

Dr. Keith and June Patzer have just returned from a 5-day "Country Tour" trip. They flew into Salt Lake City, Utah and met the group. They toured the 250,000 acre ranch of the Mador Ranch in Montana, visited dairy farms and all kinds of other farms along the way. They visited Yellowstone National Park and took a rubber raft trip down the Snake River seeing the Tetons along the way

with bald eagles sweeping down on them. Their last day was in Montpelier, Idaho and then on to Salt Lake City and flew home. They had a wonderful, exciting trip.

Thank you for the donations coming in. At the end of this month I will have in my article a list of those who have made donations. Two of our employees have not been paid for the past two months in order to pay other bills that are owed. We do appreciate any help financially that you give to us.

Many of you have come to eat lunch with us and this helps so much. The larger the number we serve meals to really helps. Please call the center if you plan on eating so there will be enough prepared to feed everyone. Thanks for your help.

Joe Rainer is very ill after having a liver transplant. He is in Dallas.

Floyd Bradford had hip surgery recently. He is at home and feeling good.

Gladys Jones was taken back to the Methodist Hospital this past weekend.

Our sympathy to Rev. Gene and Louise Hawkins on the loss of a cousin.

Jane McCulley was in the hospital last week. She is at home now.

Kenneth Poole had surgery last week.

Our sympathy to the family of

Mabel McCAda.

Our sympathy to Lula Teague of Fort Worth on the loss of her great-grandson, Jason Tilson.

Our sympathy to the family of Olive Neff.

William Bertrand had knee surgery on an out-patient basis, Monday August 24th.

*Thought for the Week--
Today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday, and all is well.*

MENU

August 31-September 4

Monday: BBQ Polish sausage, baked potato, broccoli w/cheese, wheat roll, pears

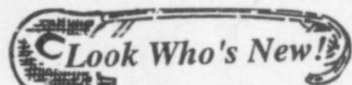
Tuesday: Baked chicken, scallop potatoes, spinach, tossed salad/ranch, wheat roll, frosted cake

Wednesday: Green burritos, lime rice, squash casserole, lettuce tomato salad, Chilean salad dressing, pumpkin turnover

Thursday: Beef roast, candied sweet potatoes, wax or green beans, sliced onions, wheat roll or cornbread, pineapple gelatin

Friday: Ham salad sandwich on wheat bread, fried potatoes or tots, broccoli and cheese, lettuce tomato slices, carrot cake

Milk or beverage of choice served with each meal



PERRYMAN

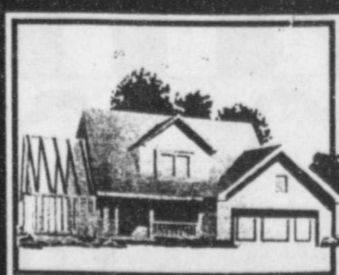
Scott and Jayna Perryman of Ralls, wish to announce the birth of their daughter, Bailee Jordan on August 6, 1998. Bailee measured 19 1/4" long and weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz. She is blessed with an older sister, Kaitlan and brother, Payden, who are 3 years old. Proud grandparents are Freida Dunn of Floydada, Darrell and Barbara Dunn of Ralls; and Jim and Judy Perryman of Afton.

WILSON

Randy and Cheryl Wilson of Floydada, would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Savannah Hope. She weighed 7 lbs. and 13 oz. and was 19 inches long. She has two brothers, Skylar, 8 and AJ, 7, and one sister Melissa, 5. Grandparents are Phil and Kay Wilson of Floydada, and Terry and Dorise House of Canton, Georgia. Great-grandparents are Bessie Wilson, Agnes Baker and G.A. and Florence Van Hoose, all of Floydada, and L.W. and Maudetha House of Levelland. Great-great-grandmother is Vada Sullivan of Lubbock.

Take in all the activities 10:00 a.m. till midnight at Lockney's Old Fashioned Saturday, August 29

SHAKLEE 983-5246

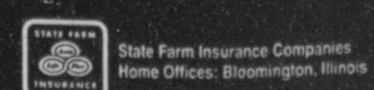


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McCandless and Fox exchange vows in double ring ceremony

Saturday, August 15, 1998, was a very special day for Dana McCandless and Tim Fox as they were united in marriage. The double ring ceremony was held at 6 p.m. in Floydada's First United Methodist Church with Rev. Wendell Horn, pastor, officiating.

Parents of the bride are Don and LaNell McCandless of Floydada and Jim and Cynthia Fox of Petersburg. Dana is the granddaughter of Jerry and Ouida Gage of Clarendon and Laura Jackson of Forestburg. Tim is the grandson of Roxie Fox, Udell and Joyce Adams, all of Petersburg.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a white sleeveless gown with a basque waistline bodice and a bouffant tulle skirt. The neckline of the matte satin bodice was outlined with large pearls and pearl bugle beads covered the bodice with a diamond design. Inside the diamond design were large pearls and flower designs made of pearls and rhinestones. Pearl buttons fastened the back from neckline to waistline. The skirt fell to a semi-cathedral train and was bordered with wide matte satin ribbon. She wore a fingertip veil and carried a cascade bouquet of white roses, fire and ice roses, stephanotis and greenery.

For "something old," the bride wore a dinner ring which belonged to her grandmother, the late Mildred Thrasher. Her wedding gown was "something new," a bracelet belonging to her future mother-in-law was "something borrowed" and a satin, lace and hand beaded garter (made by a friend of the groom's family, Chris Pierson) was "something blue."

Lyndi Probasco of Floydada, served her long time friend as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Tara and Lana McCandless, sisters of the bride and both of Floydada; Laura Lotz of Clearwater, Florida; Alicia Kubena and Casey Townsend, both of Lubbock.

The bridesmaids wore black, full



MRS. TIM FOX (nee Dana McCandless)

length dresses which featured an empire waist and a triple-bow-back. They carried nosegays of roses, each carrying a different color.

Jay Fox of Lubbock, served his brother as best man. Groomsman were Justin Blair of Petersburg; Jerry Fillingim and Scott Henry, both of Wolforth; Bill Low and Mark Blankenship, both of Lubbock.

The church was decorated with candles, greenery and tulle. A single bouquet of mixed color roses surrounded the unity candle at the altar table. Jennifer Noland of Floydada, sang "Standing Right Next to Me" as

the couple lit the unity candle. Pianist Wendy Pierce of Floydada, played the traditional wedding march for the ceremony.

The couple traveled to Cancun, Mexico for their honeymoon. They will make their home in Wolforth.

The bride is a graduate of Floydada High School. She attends Texas Tech University and is employed as a private child care worker in Lubbock.

The groom, a graduate of Petersburg High School, is employed as a sales representative for Mutual of Omaha Insurance Companies of Lubbock.

Extension service hosts Octoberfest

By Melissa Long, CEA-FCS

Experience fall and nature at it's best this year "Deep in the Heart of Texas". That's what folks 50 and over will be doing at the Texas 4-H Center on Lake Brownwood when adults will enjoy the annual Octoberfest during October 12-16 says Melissa Long, Floyd County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences.

Sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Octoberfest is offered for men and women alike to enjoy the wonderful activities offered during the week. Opportunities include "hands-on" learning centers where one can learn painting, wood-working, bead projects, Christmas projects and other exciting things. Educational programs on topics such as horticulture, photography, nutrition, finances and other current interests are

a popular highlight.

Boat rides (weather permitting) and fishing on Lake Brownwood add popularity to your stay. Lighted tennis courts, horseshoes, billiards, volleyball, shuffleboard, dominoes, and card and table games are all popular activities. Fun and educational tours are also an option for those who prefer this type of fun!

A special "Rock Around The Decades!" theme featuring a costume contest will provide a festive atmosphere to the event. The theme party will feature some exciting activities and entertainment as will the closing banquet.

October '98! Are you 50 or older? Then it's for you! Each week is limited to 165 participants at a nominal fee. Get away and learn to make the most of the best years of your life.

Call Melissa Long at the County Extension Office today at 983-4912.

Lockney Senior Citizens Menu

August 31 - September 4

Monday - Frito Pie, vegetables, salad, dessert

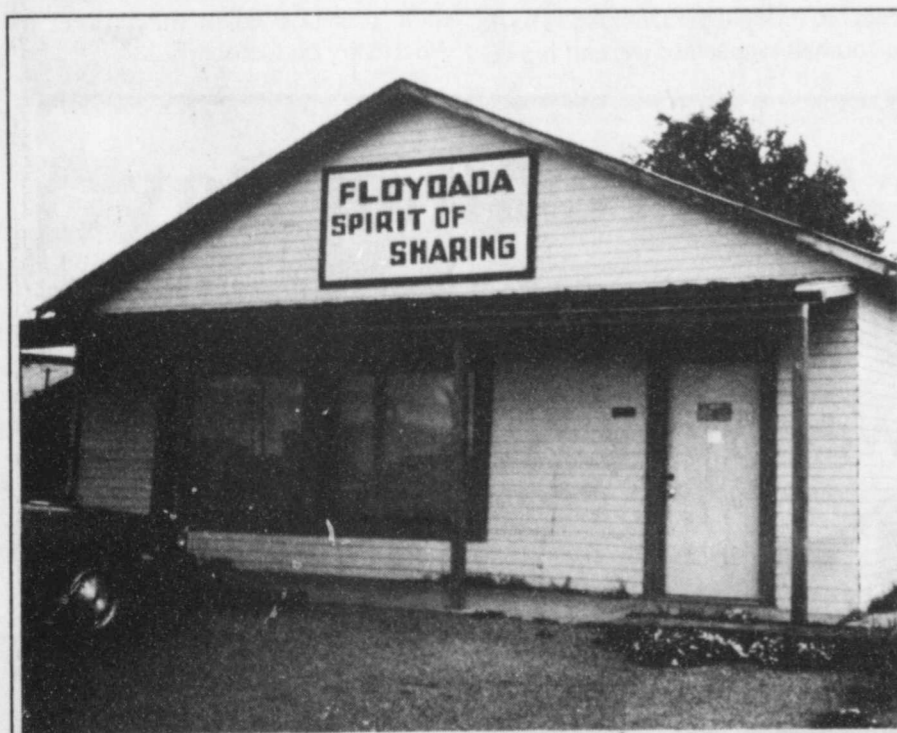
Tuesday - Salmon patties, vegetables, salad, dessert

Wednesday - Chicken fried steak, vegetables, salad, dessert

Thursday - Hamburger steak, vegetables, salad, dessert

Friday - Beef enchiladas, vegetables, salad, dessert

Meals are served with coffee, tea and rolls.



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SPORTS



SIGNING UP--Former Floydada golfer Justin Payne signs a letter of intent to play for Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches. Observing (from l to r) are Floydada golf coach Lee Hurt, Jenna Payne, and Justin's parents, Denise and Stan Payne. Staff Photo

Payne signs letter of intent

By Bill Gray
Justin Payne, a 1998 graduate of Floydada High School, has signed a National Letter of Intent to play golf for Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches. He is one of the first (if not only) Floydada graduate to receive a golf scholarship at a Division I University.
His uncle, Royce Chadwick, is the head women's basketball coach at Nacogdoches school. The Lumberjack golfers practice at the Crown Colony course in Lufkin.
Payne played varsity golf all four years at F.H.S. and competed in the Class 3A Region I Tournament during his freshman and junior seasons. While at Floydada High School, he was a 2-year basketball letterman, a U.I.L. Academic participant, and was president of the Jr. Chapter Conduct-

ing Team in agriculture. He has also been active in the First Baptist Church youth group.
In June, Justin won the Dr. Pepper classic for the second year in a row at Amarillo's Ross Rogers Course. He also finished in the top 20 at the Texas-Oklahoma Tournament in Wichita Falls, and placed 15th in the World Cup National Finals at Charlotte, North Carolina. In July, he placed 2nd in the N.T.P.G.A. Maxfli State Championship at the Hyatt Bear Creek West Course in Dallas. Payne also finished 7th in the Independent Insurance Agents State Tournament at Houston's Woodlands TPC Course.
Justin is the son of Stan and Denise Payne, and has one sister, Jenna. He is the grandson of long-time Floydada educator and coach, Jackie Chadwick.

Whirlwind Booster's invite parents and friends to join

By Irene Hernandez
The Whirlwind Booster Club is in the process of having a membership drive for the 1998-1999 school year. The cost to join the Booster Club is \$10.00 per family. The Club will have a tent set up at each home game to sign up new members. You may also attend any of the Monday night meetings to join. All meetings are at 7:00 p.m. each Monday night during the football season and periodically throughout the school year.
Yard signs, the Athletic Banquet, concession stands and Whirlwinds painted on driveways and on the city streets are just some of the projects that the Booster Club provides for the athletes every year.
In the last few years the Booster Club has spent money in the following ways:
Athletic Department /General:
Carpet (Kirk & Sons)-\$560.00-Coach/Referees rooms/new gym; Mat (FHS Athletic Department)-\$1,000.00-Weight room/Power Lift/ off-season, football.
Baseball Department:
Bat Cage (FHS Athletic Department)-\$500.00-donated money/batting cage material; Mean Green Wall-\$250.00-donated money for material; Pitching machine-\$1,000.00-pitching machine purchase
Golf Department--Boys/Girls:
Golf bags-\$500.00; Balls (Raven Ball Co.)-\$170.00-boys and girls combined; Balls (Raver Ball Co.)-

\$174.90-boys
Basketball/Track/Off Season Department--Girls:
Trophies (Made to Order)-\$350.00-Basketball Tournament; Sleds (Springco Co.)-\$327.27-track, cross country, off season basketball; Benches (FHS Athletic Department)-\$300.00-weight room; Stat machine (O.E.M.)-\$1188.50-basketball; Trophies (Made to Order)-\$405.50-Basketball Tournament; Travel bags-\$525.50-basketball; FHS Athletics-\$1,200.00-weight room equipment
Football Department:
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The Whirlwind Booster Club tries to purchase as much of the needed items locally to support our businesses. All coaches are encouraged to attend meetings and let us know what items are needed for their athletes. Again, we urge anyone to attend and participate at our meetings on Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. at the high school cafeteria.

Floydada and Lockney School Menus

LOCKNEY
August 31-September 4
Monday:
Breakfast: Waffles, cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch: Frito Pie/BBQ on bun, pinto beans, spinach, fruit, cornbread, milk
Tuesday:
Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast, cereal, juice, milk
Lunch: Deluxe burrito/P.B.J. sandwich, tossed salad, fruit, milk
Wednesday:
Breakfast: Sausage, toast, cereal, juice, milk
Lunch: Turkey w/gravy/corndog, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit, hot roll, milk
Thursday:
Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch: Beef fajitas/grilled cheese, refried beans, Spanish rice, fruit, milk, flour tortilla
Friday:
Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, toast, cereal, juice, milk
Lunch: Hamburger/P.B.J. sandwich, french fries, lettuce, tomatoes and pickles, fruit, cookie, milk

FLOYDADA
August 31 - September 4
Monday:
Breakfast - Juice, cinnamon toast, milk
Lunch - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, peaches, hot roll, milk
Tuesday:
Breakfast - Juice, pancake sausage on a stick, milk
Lunch - Frito pie, pork and beans, pickle spears, cornbread, cookie, milk
Wednesday:
Breakfast - Juice, toast, jelly, milk
Lunch - Chicken spaghetti, peas, carrots, hot roll, chocolate pudding, hot roll, milk
Thursday:
Breakfast - Juice, pancakes, syrup, milk
Lunch - Taco salad, pinto beans, tossed salad, fruit cup, cornbread, milk
Friday:
Breakfast - Juice, dry cereal, granham crackers, milk
Lunch - Pizza, corn, tossed salad, sherbet, milk

Troop 357 works on merit badges at Tres Ritos Camp

Troop 357 recently returned from summer camp at Tres Ritos, New Mexico Boy Scout Camp. The scouts enjoyed a week in the mountains working on merit badges, playing games, and white water rafting.
For their work as a patrol, the scouts received the Stars and Stripes Award for Best Flag Ceremony and named Honor Troop for their activities during the week. Scouts attending were B.J. Chappell, Jay McGaugh, Joey Snell, J.D. Chaparro and Patrick Odom. Leaders present were Jerry Chappell, Curtis Emert, and Bob Gilliland. If you want to come join in the adventure, Cub Scout and Boy Scout sign-up is Friday, August 28th, from 6:30 to 7:30 at A.B. Duncan Cafeteria.



TROOP 357 ON THE RIO GRANDE--On the banks of the Rio Grande, prior to their white water raft trip, are (bottom to r) B.J. Chappell, Jay McGaugh, Joey Snell, J.D. Chaparro, and (top l to r) Jerry Chappell, Bob Gilliland, Curtis Emert, and Patrick Odom. Courtesy Photo

Longhorns travel to Kress

LOCKNEY--The Lockney Longhorn football team will travel to Kress Thursday, August 27th for their second scrimmage of the season. The game will begin at 6:00 p.m.



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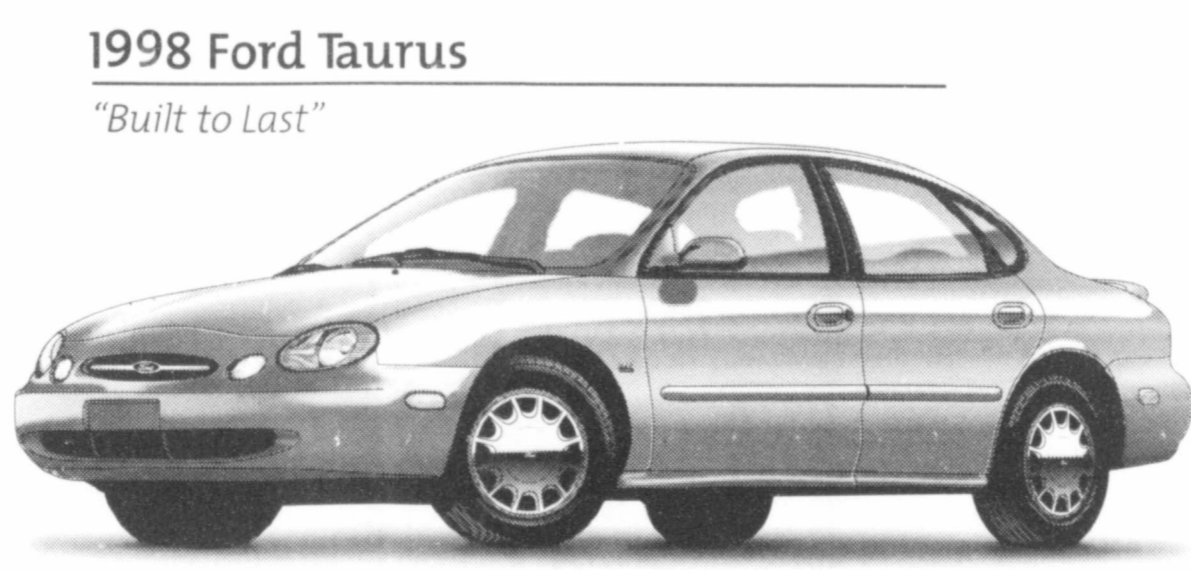
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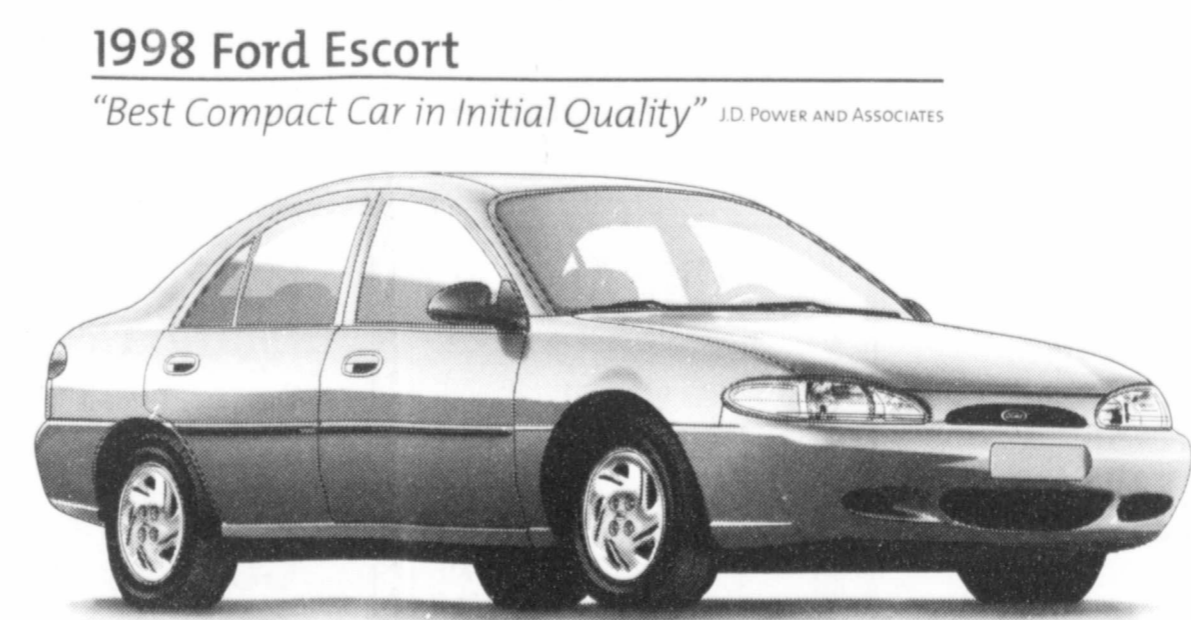


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PCG issues reports

By Shawn Wade
Producers will receive final 1998 Production Flexibility Contract (PFC) payments between August 21 and September 30, 1998.

The final payment rate was announced August 19. PFC payments for Upland Cotton in 1998 will total just under 8.2 cents per pound. Producers may have received an advance of up to 50 percent of this payment earlier in the year. Producers could request advance 1998 PFC payments on either December 15, 1997 or January 15, 1998.

Statutory authority for the 1998 payment expires September 30 and any payments not made by that time because of lack of necessary paperwork will not be made.

Also noted in the bulletin released by FSA was the notice that the Emergency Farm Financial Relief Act, which was recently signed into law, will impact 1999 PFC payment schedules and requirements. It is thought at this time that 1999 payments will be available sometime in October or shortly thereafter. Growers and landlords interested in obtaining information about their 1999 PFC payments and options for receiving it should stay in contact with their local FSA offices.

The light at the end of the tunnel turned out to be a train from the looks of consternation on many faces following announcement of final details of the crop insurance deviation reported in last week's "COTTON NEWS". USDA Risk Management Agency issued the deviation for 1998 dryland cotton August 17.

Contrary to the information received last week the final deviation issued for dryland cotton included a boll count factor of 400 green bolls per pound of lint, not 500. The deviation also noted that all green bolls present at the time of the appraisal would be counted.

Another change from the information received Friday is that fields will not be required to be in "cut-out" and

all stages of plant growth will be eligible for appraisal.

While appraisals in each field will vary, a general rule of thumb, calculated by PCG, is that fields which average one boll per foot of row would receive a 35 pound yield appraisal.

The deviation and the 400 boll per pound factor applies to all non irrigated cotton in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas.

A new program designed to help farmers and ranchers develop risk management strategies is scheduled to kick off September 15.

The program, named FARM Assist, will provide producers the opportunity to analyze their operations with risk management economists from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Producers will be able to analyze production, management, financial and economic aspects of their operations and then develop long-term strategies for the future. FARM Assist has a subscription fee of \$250.

High Plains producers wanting to participate in FARM Assist can enroll by contacting Craig Fincham, TAEX risk management economist, at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center north of Lubbock. Fincham can be reached by calling 806-746-6101.

The West Texas Ag Chemical Institute will hold its 46th Annual Conference September 9 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

The WTACI Conference will feature keynote speaker Denis Avery, author of the book "Saving the Planet Through Pesticides and Plastics".

Continuing Education credits for commercial and private applicators, as well as Certified Crop Advisors, will be available. Registration fee for the conference is \$70 and additional information can be obtained by calling the Plains Cotton Growers office in Lubbock, 806-792-4904.



BOYCE MOSLEY wished to share this photo with our readers. He said his cotton may not have grown very tall but this bull snake that startled him by his irrigation motor, 7 1/2 miles north of Lockney, was plenty tall.

Drought impacts quail

While folks complain about the heat, cost of watering a yard or expected crop losses like from this year's drought, another impact is being felt by perhaps less noticeable victims--Texas quail.

Dry conditions translate into no hatch, no shelter and no food for the popular Texas bird, according to wildlife specialists for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"The drought is most drastically felt on things like quail," said Dr. Don Steinbach, Extension Service wildlife specialist in College Station. "There is no question that in South Texas this year, there will be a dramatic impact on quail."

Steinbach said that's because the quail's reproductive season has the mother quail making a nest on the ground in basketball-size clumps of grass to hide from predators in late April, sitting on eggs in May, hatching the little birds the first part of June and feeding them a lot of insects until they are old enough to start the cycle themselves.

"Lack of moisture causes three significant detriments to quail--a lack of protective nesting sites, not enough moisture in the air for incubating eggs, and not enough food to raise the 10-14 babies typically in quail nests," Steinbach said.

"I very much appreciate what a quail hen has to do laying 14 eggs, incubating them for 23 days and not getting killed herself in the process," said Dr. Dale Rollins, Extension wildlife specialist in San Angelo. And quail can't go long distances in search of needs like some animals do, Rollins said. They are born and die usually within a space of no more than 40 acres.

In dry West Texas, Rollins noted, one study this year put radio transmitters on 90 quail prior to the breeding season. Only 15 nests have been documented from those transmitters and only one had surviving quail chicks. "So, that's a long way of saying that drought has an impact on quail. The most sinister manifestation of the



Floyd County Farm News

Floyd County Pest Management Report

By Ron Graves
Extension Agent-IPM
Crosby/Floyd Counties

CURRENT SITUATION

In scouting program fields we continue to find bollworms, beet armyworms, aphids, and boll weevils. Bollworm egg counts have ranged from 0 to 7,000 and worm counts are ranging from 0 to 12,000 per acre. Boll weevil punctured bolls are ranging from 2% to 20% and continue to increase.

This summer is going to be remembered for a long time. Problems from drought, high irrigation cost, insect cost, aflatoxin in corn, and crop yields below expectations.

Bollworms continue to be found at treatable levels in several fields across the area. Most problems are with later

maturing cotton that has adequate food source for small worm development. Pyrethroids are still the product of choice because of the additional control of boll weevils.

Beet armyworms continue in moderate to high numbers across Crosby and Floyd counties. It would take considerably high numbers to damage the crop at this time. In fact moderate levels of BAW have been effective at removing squares from cotton in some fields which reduces boll weevil food supply.

Cotton aphids continue to build across the area. Program field infestations range from an average of 3 to 25 per leaf. Most fields are mature enough that aphids should not cause yield reduction, but sticky cotton is still of concern. Furadan 4F was cleared for use in our area. The section 18 exemption provides two distinct thresholds: 1) At 5% or less open boll you must have 100 aphids per leaf, or 2) At greater than 5% open boll you must have an average of 15 aphids per leaf.

Boll weevils are the most significant concern at this point in time. Phone calls received on Monday and Tuesday morning re-affirm this state-

ment. The boll weevil is a challenging pest. You go through most of the season thinking your crop is safe and fairly mature, and then one day you discover that 10-50% of the bolls on your crop have a grub feeding in them. Don't let this happen to you. Scout your fields on a regular basis for the next 3 weeks. Minimum checks should include 25 soft bolls from at least 4 locations per field. If 15% of these bolls are damaged, and 2 or more vulnerable bolls are present per 10 row feet that you expect to harvest, then treatment is justified. At this point treatment may be required at 5 day intervals until harvestable bolls are safe from feeding and egg-laying. See Table 1 food suggested insecticides and their labeled rates.

Suggested insecticides for in-season boll weevil control and rates are as follows:

Guthion 2L (or ULV 2lb) at 1 pt.; Guthion 3F at 0.67 pt.; Sevin 80S at 2.0-2.5 lbs.; Phaser 3E at 1-4 pts.; Thiodan 3E at 1-4 pts.; Thiodan 2CO at 1.5-6 pts.; Fyfanon ULV 9.79 at 12-16 oz.; Methyl Parathion 4E at 12-32 oz.; Methyl Parathion 7.5E at 6.4-17.1 oz.; PennCap M 2F 1 pt.; Vydate 2L at 1 pt.; Vydate 3.76 C-LV at 8.5 oz.

Farmers Union urges support

For the region's financially strapped livestock producers, two key measures before Congress would provide a badly needed boost, Wes Sims, president of Texas Farmers Union said today.

The proposals, to require price reporting on all livestock sales and the labeling of imported meat, will help make the market more fair and competitive for the nation's producers.

Mandatory price reporting will help end anti-competitive practices that have kept prices low for producers. Nearly 80 percent of red meat processing nationwide is controlled by just three multinational firms. And, despite precipitous drops in the prices of live animals, consumer prices for meat have remained constant.

"Mandatory price reporting will help end secret deals in the livestock industry that drive prices down," said Sims. "Producers, like anyone else selling a product, deserve full information in order to make sound, mar-

ket-driven business decisions. Without price transparency, the buyer rules and the seller gets a low price. That is by no means a fair, free or competitive market."

The second measure will require "domestic" or "imported" labels on most beef and lamb products. Meat produced in the U.S. meets the most rigorous health standards in the world. Labeling will give consumers, who have invested in our food safety, the right to choose U.S.-produced meat.

"U.S. producers provide the safest food supply in the world, and we're proud of it. Labeling will allow consumers to support that proud tradition," Sims said.

Producers should call their senators and member of Congress and ask them to support mandatory price reporting and country-of-origin labeling. They can be contacted through the Capitol operator at (202) 224-2131. For more information, call National Farmers Union at 1-877-466-2277.

MATTER OF FACT

By Rick Perry
Texas Agriculture Commissioner

If you've ever shopped for a home computer, and asked a question about a particular model, chances are you've been hit with a slew of technical terms that might have you wondering if you've been transported to another planet. It's easy to get lost when the conversation turns to "megabytes" and "RAMS" if you're not familiar with such terms.

Believe it or not, it's the same in agriculture when we talk about issues important to our industry with folks who just aren't up to speed with the terms we use. A study by the National Association of Conservation Districts reveals most folks just don't know the technical terms of our industry such as "integrated pest management" or "drip irrigation" or "sustainable agri-

culture" or "biodiversity."

This lack of understanding is a major hurdle when discussing issues important to farming and ranching. That's why it's important to keep it simple when talking about farming and ranching issues with folks who are not familiar with terms commonly used in agriculture. The only way for everyone to appreciate what we do and how we do it is with understanding. All of us need to have a hand in helping the public grasp issues that affect not only agriculture but also consumers in the long run.

Just as with that home computer, it's easy to shake your head like you know what's being said. But a blank stare usually doesn't get much done when it counts.

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Obituaries



JAMES CURRY

Services for James F. Curry, 82, of McAdoo were at 3 p.m. Tuesday, August 25, 1998 at Kress First Baptist Church, with the Rev. Kerry Gross officiating and the Rev. Brad Gathright of Van assisting.

Burial followed in the Kress Cemetery under direction of Adams Funeral Home, Crosbyton.

Curry died Saturday, August 22, 1998, at his home.

He was born June 16, 1916, in Pocatello, Idaho, and married Mary E. Williams on July 19, 1936, in Lockney.

Curry moved to McAdoo in 1969 from Petersburg. He was a Baptist and worked as a farmer, butcher and grocer. He ran a linen route for Sunbeam. He also worked at Baker Flash-O-Gas in Lockney.

Curry was preceded in death by a daughter, Deborah Suzanne Curry, in March 1956.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Jim of McAdoo and Johnny of Flower Mound; two daughters, Carolyn Hunsucker of McAdoo and Washington state and Karen Collins of Petersburg; 10 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

BILL HAMMONDS

Funeral services for Bill Hammonds, 71, of Foard County were at 2 p.m., Monday, August 24, 1998, in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Richard White, pastor, and Leslie Thomas officiating.

Burial followed in Crowell Cemetery by Womack-Manard Funeral Home.

Hammonds died Saturday, August 22, 1998, at his residence.

He was born July 29, 1925 in Thalia. He married Patsy Fox on November 27, 1948 in Vernon. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Crowell. He was a member of Thalia Masonic Lodge 666 and he served on the Thalia Water Board. He was a farmer and a rancher.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Kathy Carroll of Lubbock; a son, Rick of Thalia; three sisters, Mona Moore and Annabelle Henry, both of Thalia, and Virginia Pyle of Floydada; and six grandchildren.

VERONA MILLER JACK

Services for Verona Miller Jack, 76, of Hereford were held on August 21, 1998 with Garland Lipe of Havana, Arkansas, officiating.

Burial followed in West Park Cemetery under direction of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

Jack died Sunday, August 9, 1998 in Hereford Care Center after an illness of several months.

She was born March 22, 1922 to Bill and Alta Miller of the Sandhill community. She married Bertram Jack on September 16, 1946. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Diane Perkins of Hereford.

Jack was a life long member of the Church of Christ and a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Galen and Kent of Friona; and one daughter, Marla Baker of Blanco, New Mexico.

MABEL A. MCADA

Funeral services for Mabel A. McAda, 97, of Plainview were at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 26, 1998 in Moore-Rose-White Memorial Chapel with Reverend Don Robertson, pastor of College Heights Baptist Church in Plainview officiating.

Burial followed in Floydada Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

McAda died Monday, August 24, 1998 at Prairie House Living Center in Plainview.

She was born February 21, 1901 in Telico, Ellis County. She attended school in Baylor and Jones Counties. She married A.O. McAda in 1920 in Haskell. The resided in Jones County until 1921 when they settled in Floyd County. He preceded her in death in 1961. She was also preceded in death by a son, Billie Ray McAda in 1947.

McAda assisted her husband in the ice plant business in Floydada and had previously run the Commercial Hotel Coffee Shop in Floydada.

She is survived by a son, Cecil A. McAda of Wichita Falls; four daughters, Ruth Ray and Loretta Cargill of Amarillo, Lajuana Cooper of Plainview, and Barbara Jones of Massillon, Ohio; 18 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, and 22 great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Prairie House Living Center, 1301 Mesa Drive, Plainview, Texas 79072.

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O.A. "SHORTY" NEFF

Funeral services for Olvie Aubrey "Shorty" Neff, 79, of Floydada were at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 25, 1998 at New Salem Primitive Baptist Church in Floydada with Elder George Johnson of Lubbock Primitive Baptist Church and Elder Don Martin of Perryton Primitive Baptist Church officiating.

Burial followed in Lakeview Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Moore-Rose-White funeral Home of Floydada.

Neff died Sunday, August 23, 1998 in Methodist Hospital at Lubbock.

Neff was born August 13, 1919, to William Pinckney and Annie Lavada Neff in Cotton County, Oklahoma. He moved to Floyd County in 1923. He attended school in Lakeview and Fairview Communities. He served in the Army from 1942-1946 rising to the rank of Technical Sergeant. He was stationed in the Philippines during World War II. He married Leona Juanel West on April 6, 1946 in Clovis, New Mexico.

He was preceded in death by three brothers: Buil Neff, Eli Neff, and Lee Neff all of Floydada; and one sister: Lillian Guffee of Plainview. Neff was employed by Lighthouse Electric Co-Op in Floydada in 1949 until his retirement in 1982 after 33 years. He was a member of New Salem Primitive Baptist Church in Floydada.

He is survived by his wife; one son, Aubrey Lynn Neff of Dalhart; two grandchildren; two brothers, W.A. Neff of Amarillo, and Ed Neff of Floydada; three sisters, Barbara Hauteerly Woody of Lubbock, Pauline Eatherly of Prescott, Arizona, and Lela Fay Capshaw of Fayetteville, Arkansas.

The family suggests memorials to New Salem Primitive Baptist Church, c/o Gale McPherson, Rt.1, Box 69, Lockney, Texas 79241, or the American Heart Association, 3403 73rd St., Lubbock, Texas 79410.

PEARL WRIGHT

Services for Pearl Wright, 80, of Plainview were at 2 p.m., Thursday, August 20, 1998 in Lemons Funeral Home Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Roger Foote, pastor of North Side Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial followed in the Floydada Cemetery.

She died Tuesday, August 18, 1998, in Denton.

She was born July 17, 1918, in Turkey. She attended Turkey schools. She moved to Plainview from Lockney in 1972. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Lynda Thomas of Denton; a son, Doyle Poole Jr. of Lockney; two brothers, Ray Perkins of Cleburne and Jake Perkins of Washington, D.C.; a sister, Lois Melton of Amarillo; 13 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Tilson dies from injuries received in pickup accident

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Services for Tilson were at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 25, at First United Methodist Church in Lubbock. Rev. John Reynolds, of San Angelo's First United Methodist Church officiated. Rev. Stan House of United Church of Lubbock assisted.

Local arrangements were under the direction of Sanders Funeral Home.

Additional services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 26, 1998, at First United Methodist Church in San Saba with burial in the Colony Cemetery under the direction of Howell-Doran Funeral Home of San Saba.

Tilson was born March 16, 1977, in Lubbock. He attended elementary schools in Floydada, and graduated from San Saba High School in 1995. He was voted Mr. Football and MVP of his football team and basketball teams and lettered as a quarterback three times. He attended Angelo State University and South Plains College in Levelland. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of San Saba, the Chrysalis Community of United Methodist Church, the Amateur PRCA as a team roper, the Mission program and the Methodist Youth Fellowship. He also was an active participant in LOGOS.

Survivors include his mother, Sherry Hall of Lubbock; his father, Joe Mack Tilson of San Saba; his brothers, Charles William Tilson and John Cody Tilson, both of San Saba; his maternal grandfather, Jewell Loring of Blowing Rock, North Carolina, maternal great-grandmother, Vivian Hall of Lubbock; and paternal great-grandmother, Lula Teague of Fort Worth.

Memorials are suggested to City National Bank of San Saba c/o the Jason Mack Tilson Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 98, San Saba, Texas 76877.

Thanks for Helping Lil Miki

Thank-you Floydada EMS, Quetha, and Police Officers Pete Vallejo and Bryan Brogden for the fast, efficient life saving work they did on our "Lil Miki" and mom, Kami Chance. Kami went into early labor Aug. 16th in her home and delivered a baby boy, "Miki", 1 pound, 4 ozs. Having no phone she sent her sister, Bambi, next door to use the phone to call 911.

The doctors told us that the medical procedures performed on "Lil Miki" were just what he needed. Pete and Bryan knew to keep him warm until EMS got there and when Quetha cut the cord--she knew how to do it correctly.

Sadly "Lil Miki" died a week later at UMC because of complications, but we are still very appreciative of the work that went into helping him. Thank-you again: Pete, Bryan, Quetha--EMS and 911 for a job well done.

Sincerely,
Kami, Mason & Lil Miki,
Chance, Sudy, Misti, Bambi, Kylene Cochran.

Thank you to everyone who provided food and support during the time of Mother's illness and death in May. She truly loved Floydada and it's people. It is not difficult to understand why this English rose chose to bloom on the plains of West Texas. Thanks again for everything, Floydada friends.

Mark Goen
Melinda Hardage and Family

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce would like to thank Floydada Ford Mercury, City Auto, Oden Chevrolet and American Legion Post #118 for sponsoring the Annual Appreciation Breakfast.

We would also like to thank Judge Hardin and all the members who came and showed their support for the Chamber. Thanks again!!

I want to thank each one of my relatives and friends who made my 90th birthday such a wonderful time for me.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Statewide Cotton Company dba Barwise Gin has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 38807 to authorize expansion of a Cotton Gin located ten miles west of Floydada on Highway 784, Floyd County, Texas. The existing facility will emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter and oxides of nitrogen from the combustion of natural gas. A person who may be affected by air contaminants emitted from the existing facility may request a hearing.

If the applicant demonstrates the existing will comply with all applicable air quality requirements, the applicant will qualify for issuance of a permit. The subject of a hearing will be limited to applicable air quality requirements, who do not include issues such as water quality, noise, traffic safety, or zoning. If a hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to civil trials in state district court.

To request a hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) the applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "I/we request a public hearing;" (4) a brief, specific statement of how and why emissions from the existing facility would adversely affect you in a way not common to members of the general public; and (5) the location of your property relative to the existing facility.

Hearing requests or comments on the application must be received in writing at the Chief Clerk's Office, MC-105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, within 30 days after the second publication of this notice. This notice is to be published on 8-27-98 and 9-2-98.

The application and the TNRCC's preliminary analysis are available for review and reproduction at the TNRCC Office of Air Quality, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Building C, Austin, Texas 78753. Application documents, a compliance file if any exists, and further information may be obtained from the TNRCC Lubbock Regional Office, Air Program at 4630 50th Street, Suite 600, Lubbock, Texas 79414-3509, telephone (806) 796-7092. Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting processes, should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, toll free, at 1-800-687-4040.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Floyd County Central Appraisal District will hold its regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, September 3, 1998 at 104 E. California, Floydada.

8-27c

NOTICE OF ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF THELMA J. CRAWFORD, DECEASED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Thelma J. Crawford, Deceased, were issued on August 20, 1998, in Docket No. 5426, pending in the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, to:

Jim Crawford

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are hereby required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. The representative of the referenced Estate has directed that any such claims shall be presented to the following:

Stephen J. Stone, Attorney for the Estate of Thelma J. Crawford, Deceased
CLIFFORD, FIELD, KRIER, MANNING,
GREAK & STONE, P.C.
2112 Indiana Avenue
Lubbock, Texas 79410

DATED this 24th day of August, 1998

STEPHEN J. STONE, Attorney for the Estate of Thelma J. Crawford, Deceased
CLIFFORD, FIELD, KRIER, MANNING,
GREAK & STONE, P.C.
2112 Indiana Avenue
Lubbock, Texas 79410

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Guardianship for the Estate of William Lowell Billrey, An Incapacitated Person, were issued on August 20, 1998, in Cause No. 5427, pending in the County Court, Floyd County, Texas, to: JUDY GAYE ATKINSON.

The residence of the Guardian is Plainview, Hale County, Texas; the post office address is:

c/o: PETER I. CLARKE
 Attorney at Law
 P.O. Box 830
 Plainview, Texas 79073-0830
 Phone (806) 293-8463
 Fax (806) 293-8466
 State Bar No. 04317120

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 the 22nd day of August, 1998.

By: PETER L. CLARK
 Attorney for the Estate
 State Bar No. 04317120

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ALTA THURSTON, DECEASED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Alta Thurston, Deceased, were issued on August 20, 1998, in Docket No. 5417, pending in the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, to:

Joe R. Thurston

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are hereby required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. The representative of the referenced Estate has directed that any such claims shall be presented to the following:

Stephen J. Stone, Attorney for the Estate of Alta Thurston, Deceased
 CLIFFORD, FIELD, KRIER, MANNING, GREAK & STONE, P.C.
 2112 Indiana Avenue
 Lubbock, Texas 79410

DATED this 24th day of August, 1998.

STEPHEN J. STONE, Attorney for the Estate of Alta Thurston,
 CLIFFORD, FIELD, KRIER, MANNING,
 GREAK & STONE, P.C.
 2112 Indiana Avenue
 Lubbock, Texas 79410

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THANKS FOR READING THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

(Correction)

The Floydada Independent School District will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll by **16.18** percent. Your individual taxes may increase or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on **Thursday, August 27, 1998, at 7:00 a.m. at the Floydada L.S.D. Administrative Office at 226 W. California Street, Floydada.**

FOR the proposal: Charlene Brown, Bill Dean, Steve Lloyd and Mitch Probasco

AGAINST the proposal: Billy Joe Villarreal and Amado Morales

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: Jack Robertson

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average residence homestead value	\$23,974	\$25,426
General exemptions available (amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$15,000	\$15,000
Average taxable value	\$ 8,974	\$10,426
Tax rate	\$1,24855	\$1,24855
Tax	\$112.04	\$130.17

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would **increase** by **18.13** or **16.18** percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax would **remain the same** per \$100 of taxable value compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

8-27c

Dry weather is contributing to large population of crickets in area

They cling to outdoor walls like bad graffiti. They keep you awake with their incessant chirruping. And when they die, they leave an offensive smell. They're crickets, and the unrelenting hot and dry weather has brought hordes of them to Central, East and North Texas.

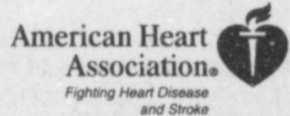
"They're great for fish bait and food for birds, but that's about it," said Dr. Cliff Hoelscher, entomologist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Female crickets can lay from 150-400 eggs at a time. The eggs are laid in the soil, with as many as three generations a year in southern areas. The massive population descending on Texas now is the second generation. The drought has enabled hatching nymphs to survive normally-lethal fungus and bacteria that accompany rainfall.

Crickets can damage ornamental and garden plants. Inside homes and other buildings, they not only keep you awake with their lovesick chirruping, but can feed on fabrics, especially clothing stained with perspiration or food.

Hoelscher suggested cleaning yard and garden areas to reduce cricket feeding and breeding sites. This includes destroying weeds and dense vegetation around homes and other buildings and removing piles of bricks, stones, wood and other debris where crickets may hide. Trash dumps also should be cleaned.

Turning off outside lights at night also helps to keep crickets away from buildings, and making sure all screens and doors fit tightly will help keep the pests out of the home.

Sevin is the safest, cheapest and best insecticide to use on crickets if they become a nuisance, Hoelscher said. A border of the insecticide, 20 feet wide, may be applied around the home, next to the foundation and around doorways. Label directions should be followed carefully, he added.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

The City of Lockney will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll by **5.25** percent. Your individual taxes may increase or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on **Monday, August 31, 1998, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 218 E. Locust, Lockney, Texas 79241**

FOR the proposal: Mayor Gary Marr, Bil Anderson, and J.D. Copeland

AGAINST the proposal: Tina Graves and Rodger Stapp

PRESENT and not voting: 0

ABSENT: Connie Duenas

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average residence homestead value	\$24,657	\$26,386
General exemptions available (amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$5,000	\$5,000
Average taxable value	\$19,657	\$21,386
Tax rate	\$ 0.37906	\$0.37906
Tax	\$74.51	\$81.07

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would **increase** by **\$6.56** or **0.1618** percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax would **remain the same** per \$100 of taxable value compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

8-27c

Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The Lockney Independent School District Board of Trustees conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase your property taxes by 7.4 percent on August 20, 1998 at 8:00 p.m.

The Lockney Independent School District Board of Trustees is scheduled to vote on the tax rate at a public meeting to be held on Monday, August 31, 1998 at 8:00 p.m. at 416 W. Willow, Lockney, Texas, in the Lockney ISD Board Meeting Room.

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