Basketball games

Haskell JV-VGB vs Olney Fri., 4 p.m. at Haskell JV-VGB vs Seymour Tues., 4 p.m. at Seymour

JH Girls vs Archer City Mon., 5 p.m. at Archer City JH Boys vs Archer City Mon., 5 p.m. at Haskell ********

Paint Creek P.C. Open Friday Paint Creek vs Rochester Tues., 6:30 at Paint Creek

Calendar Partners for Children

Tues., Jan. 28 Partners for Children will meet with the topic "Encouraging Social Skills." The PPE meeting starts at 7 p.m. in the Haskell Elementary Cafeteria. Free babysitting is always provided, but the school needs to be notified of the number of children coming so adequate helpers can be available. Just call

Benefit steak dinner

864-2654.

A steak dinner benefitting the Bill Dumas family will be held Feb. 1 at the Haskell Country Club from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets will be \$10 per plate and are available it the door. A pastry auction will follow the dinner. Those wanting to donate cakes, pies, cookies and etc are encouraged to bring them. For more information, contact Michael Underwood at 864-3806. Everyone is invited.

Dinner Theatre

The Noah Project-North's third annual Mystery Dinner Theatre, "Death by Chocolate," will be held Sat., Feb. 15. Tickets are \$10 each or \$20 per couple. A ilent auction will begin the xciting evening. A delicious omecooked brisket dinner will be served before the play at the Haskell Civic Center. If you have a handmade item that you would ke to donate for the auction, call onna Sue Anders at 817-864-2551. One of the members will be happy to pick up your item.

Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Saturday, Jan. 25 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The best little concession stand in Texas will open at 5:30 and the nusic will start at 6 p.m. There is 10 admission charge. Proceeds of he concessions and any donations vill go to offset Community Center expenses. For further nformation call 817-989-2925.

dunter's safety

Copper Breaks State Park, near Quanah, is offering the stateapproved hunter safety course on at. Jan. 25 and Sun., Jan. 26. The irst part of the two-day instrucion will begin at 9 a.m. in the park headquarters conference oom. For more information or to ign up for the course, call Copper 3reaks State Park between 8 a.m. ınd 9 p.m. at 817-839-4331.

Super Bowl contest

Deadline for entries for the Haskell Free Press Super Bowl ontest is 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24. intries will be dated as they are ubmitted and in case of a tie, the earliest entry will win.

Kiwanisfest Feb. 16

The Haskell Kiwanis Club has cheduled its annual Kiwanisfest unday, Feb. 16 from 11:30 am. o 1 p.m. at the Haskell Civic enter. Tickets are \$6.00 in dvance and \$6.50 at the door. Tickets for children are \$3.00.

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'The People's Choice'

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GETTING READY: These entries are being readled for judging during last year's Haskell County Junior Livestock Show. Families play a big part in helping boys and girls get their entries ready for the show.

new area code May 25

The new area codes for much of the present 817 area code will go in service May 25, according to GTE.

The Fort Worth metropolitan area will retain the 817 area code including the GTE exchanges of

Azle, Grapevine, Keller, Reno and Springtown.

GTE service areas going to the 940 area code will be Argyle, Aspermont, Bartonville, Benjamin, Denton, Haskell, Holliday, Justin,

Kamay, Knox City, Megargel, Munday, Pilot Point, Rochester, Rule, Seymour, Throckmorton, Tioga and Weinert.

GTE service areas going to the new 254 area code are Burlington,



LOTS OF ACTIVITY: The Haskell County Junior Livestock Show and Sale offers lots of activity for those who attend. Exhibitors are shown in the show ring with their lamb entries while the poultry judging is going in the background. Show days are Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Haskell County Show Barn.

Cheek elected to TAGT Board



KIMBERLY CHEEK

Kimberly Griffith Cheek, "Synthesizing Our Academic Resources" (SOAR), teacher for the Wylie Independent School District was elected to the executive board of the Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented.

Cheek was installed in her position Nov. 23 at the TAGT Annual Business Meeting which concluded TAGT's 19th Annual Professional Development

Conference held at the Austin Convention Center and Hyatt Regency Hotel in Austin.

The Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented, founded in 1978, is a nonprofit organization that advocates educational opportunities for the gifted and talented children of Texas.

Cheek will serve as Region XIV Director on the TAGT Executive Board through November of 1998. As a member of the executive board, Cheek will help determine and monitor the organization's programs and membership services as well as serve as Region XIV's representative at all association events. She also will help to promote advocacy of challenging educational opportunities for gifted/talented students in the

Kimberly is the daughter of Dan and Earlene Griffith of Lake Stamford. She is a graduate of Haskell High School and Hardin-Simmons University with a B.S. and Master's Degrees in Gifted Education and Reading.

Bynum, Chilton, Crawford, Cross Plains, Dawson, Glen Rose, Hubbard, Irene, Lott, Malone, May, Morgan, Mount Calm, Riesel, Rising Star, Rogers, Rosebud, Walnut Springs and Whitney.

The new 940 and 254 area codes will go in service May 25. A three month permissive dialing period will allow customers to receive calls dialed to their former area code as well as the newly-assigned area code. Beginning Aug. 24, the new area code must be dialed for the call to complete to the party being

Callers dialing the incorrect area code beginning August 24 will receive a recording until September 21 telling them the area code has changed or they cannot complete the call as dialed, or in some cases, they may reach another party who has been assigned the number in the 817 area.

Jr. Livestock show is this weekend

The Haskell Junior Livestock Show will be held this Thursday Friday and Saturday, Jan. 23, 24 and 25, at the Haskell County Show Barn on the fairgrounds Weighing and classifying of animals will begin at 4 p.m. on Thursday. All animals should be in the barn by 4 p.m.

Friday's schedule begins at 9 a.m., with the rabbit, poultry and sheep show, followed by the swine show at 11 a.m.

The steer show will be held Saturday morning beginning at 9 a.m., followed by the heifer show.

The Premium Sale will begin at 1 p.m. with auctioneers, Mike Fouts and Rex Ford.

Concessions at show by FCE Club

The Haskell County FCE (Family-Community Education) Council will sponsor a concession stand at the Junior Livestock Show, Thurs., Fri. and Sat., Jan. 23, 24 and 25.

The concession will open at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday afternoon, with hot dogs, drinks, chips, brownies, rice crispie bars and candy available.

The ladies will serve biscuit, sausage and orange juice for breakfast on Friday and Saturday mornings. They will not be selling hot dogs on Friday or Saturday, but all of the other items listed above will be available. Come by the concession stand and let the Council ladies assist you with your

The Council uses the proceeds of the concession stand to help furnish a 4-H Scholarship for a deserving Haskell County student; to assist with 4-H Food and Fashion Show individual awards and to help send qualifying students to the State Food and Fashion

The concession stand will be open from 8:00 a.m. to closing time on both Friday and Saturday.

Haskell City Council holds meeting

In the regular meeting of the Haskell City Council held Jan. 14, Sam Watson, city administrator, said that Kent Oil wanted to lease a narrow strip of land south of Kent Oil's property on South Avenue E. The company is bringing a truck convenience stop to Haskell. No action was taken on the matter.

The November city and EDC sales tax refund was down 19 percent. Sales tax refunds for 1996 was up a total of 6 percent.

Bob Pheil, Haskell CISD Superintendent, is interested in leasing the old Corral Building at the fairgrounds for the school. The Brazos West Art Association had turned back their lease.

Discussion was held on the state of some vacant buildings around the city and the regulations in condemning these buildings. The council will address this matter at future meetings.



WATER LEAK-City employees are shown working on a water leak at the corner of North 2nd Street and Hwy. 277. Several water leaks occurred during the week as freezing temperatures gave way to warmer weather conditions. Parts of the city were without water for a brief period while employees worked to repair the leaks.

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January 31, 1997

TAXPAYERS

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Bobcats, Lady Cats begin district play

The Rule Lady Cats and Bobcats played Moran Bulldogs Tues., Jan. 7. Lady Cats defeated Moran 71-11. Bobcats were edged out 35-46.

Isabell Baez and Kalilah Mason led Lady Cat offense with 11 points each. Amy Hisey and Latisha Trussell followed with 10 points each and Stephanie Stegemoeller had eight.

Bobcat scoring was led by Michael Murray with 10 points, followed by Michael Hertel with nine and Kalith Trussell with

After a poor showing against the Bulldogs last week Rule was ready for action at home. Lady Cats won 58-42 and Bobcats won 46-44.

Hisey led the Lady Cats with 16 points, followed by Jennifer Lehrmann with 14, Kalilah Mason with 12 and Deborah Wilson with nine points.

Bobcats were led by Michael Hertel with 13 points and Grant Hisey with 10. Jeremy Hertel had seven points and Murray and Trussell each made six.

Rule and Rochester opened

district against one another Friday

The Lady Cats defeated the Lady Steers 55-48. The game was close all the way.

Leading scorers for Rule were Deborah Wilson with 16, Amy Hisey with 11 and Kalilah Mason with nine points.

The Bobcats and Steers also had a close game, ending in the Steers 59-57 victory in overtime.

Bobcats leading scorer was Kalith Trussell with 27 points, followed by Jeremy Hertel with 10, Cody Tibbets with nine and Michael Hertel with eight.

Charlie Parks led the Steers with 14 points, followed by Michael Adkins and Cody Byrd with 13 each and David Strickland with 11.

ATTENTION PROPERTY OWNERS

Property owners should be aware that they have certain rights which may reduce their property tax burden. A pamphlet published by the Comptroller's Property Tax Division, which details all taxpayer's rights, remedies, and responsibilities is available free of charge at the Appraisal District Office. The Appraisal District or the Comptroller's Property Tax Division will be happy to answer your questions and to provide any forms necessary for filing.

Persons who own their residence on January 1, 1997 may claim their home as a homestead. This filing of homestead is only necessary if the homeowner has not previously filed a homestead, or if the homeowner has moved or become 65 during 1996. Disabled Veterans should bring or mail the letter they received from V.A. to the Appraisal District to receive proper tax credit if the percentage of disability has changed.

EXEMPTION APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE FROM EACH APPRAISAL DISTRICT OR THE COMPTROLLER'S PROPERTY TAX DIVISION

TYPES OF EXEMPTION	FILING REQUIREMENT	FOOTNOTE
Residence Homestead	One-time application	2
Cemeteries (Nonprofit)	One-time application	2
Charitable Organizations	One-time application	2
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Physical Development Assoc.	One-time application	2
Religious Organizations	One-time application	2
Privately Owned School (Nonprofit)	One-time application	2
Disable Veterans & Survivors	One-time application	2
Historic Sites	Annual application/renewal	1
Solar & Wind-powered	VILL HUMBUTI	
Energy Devices	Annual application/renewal	1
Nonprofit Water Supply or	d license Court Constant	
Wastewater Service Corp.	One-time application	2

1. All annual applications must be filed prior May 1 with the Haskell County Appraisal District.

2. Any property ownership change that has occurred since January 1, 1996, requires a new application.

Non-Profit organizations may qualify for a total exemption from property taxes, but they must apply for the exemption no later than May 1, 1997.

PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. "RENDER" YOUR TAXABLE PROPERTY BY APRIL 14TH.

Businesses must render their property with county appraisal districts by April 14th. To "render" means to list

the taxable property that the business owned or managed as of January 1, 1997.

While state law requires business owners and operators to render, any property owner-including homeowners, farmers and ranchers-may render their property with county appraisal districts. By filing a rendition, property owners are ensuring that the appraisal district has their correct address so they will receive notices of any actions that affect their property or tax bills.

ATTENTION: FARM AND RANCH OWNERS

Texas law allows farmers, ranchers and timber growers to pay property taxes based upon the "production value" of their land rather than on its market value. This "productivity appraisal" means qualified land is taxed on its ability to produce crops, livestock or timber-not on its value on the real estate market. If your land has never had a productivity appraisal, you must apply to your appraisal district by April 30 to take advantage of this benefit on your 1997 property taxes.

PERSONS WHO ARE OVER 65 YEARS OLD

State Law allows a person who is over 65 to defer (postpone) the tax on his home. The tax will continue to accumulate, but no procedures to collect the tax will be implemented until the owner no longer lives in the home nor intends to return. An interest rate of eight percent (8%) per year is charged. Details and an application can be acquired at the Appraisal District Office.

For more information, call or come by:

HASKELL COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

604 North First Street • P. O. Box 467 Haskell, Texas 79521

> 817-864-3805 Or contact:

COMPTROLLER'S PROPERTY TAX DIVISION

P. O. Box 13528 Austin, Texas 78711-3528

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Obituaries

Gail Brown Newcomb

Services were held for Gail Brown Newcomb, 86, on Sun., Jan. 19, at the First Baptist Church in Haskell with Dr. Troy Culpepper officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Newcomb died Sat., Jan. 18 at a hospital in Lewisville. She was born on July 20, 1910 in Sylvester the daughter of John and Annie Brown. She grew up in Rotan and graduated from Rotan High School. She taught school in a one room school house before marrying Welton Yarborough and having her only child, Irene Newcomb Maddox. After Welton's death, she met and married Jay S. Newcomb.

She was a graduate of Mary Hardin Baylor and spent

most of her life devoting herself to teaching. She live in Haskell for almost 30 years where she taught 1s. grade and the Junior Department Sunday School at the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one sister, Annabelle Brown c Seymour; 2 granddaughters, Melisande Maddox o Denton and Robbie Johnson of Matthews, NC; 4 great grandchildren, Jennifer, Jay, Heather and Jon Johnson, all of Matthews, NC.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Irene ir May of 1995.

Pallbearers were Dave Miller, Gentry Middleton, Harvey Simmons, Felton Everett, Bob Aycock and

Lester Omer 'Les' Bunde

Services will be held for Lester Omer "Les" Bunde, 89, of Haskell and formerly of Yuma, AZ, Fri., Jan. 24 at 2:00 p.m. at the East Side Baptist Church with the Rev. David Page officiating. Burial will follow in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Bunde died Sat., Jan. 18 at a Haskell care home. He was born on October 15, 1907 in South Dakota. He graduated from the University of South Dakota and worked all his life as a pharmacist. He later married Gussie Bunde in Arlington, she preceded him in deatl on December 14, 1996. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include two daughters, Nancy Jackson of Durham, NC and Barbara Call of Lafayette, CO; two step-sons Charles Taylor of Mesa, AZ and Joe Taylor of Tracy, CA and 14 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Laurine

Gennie D. Ray

Services will be held for Gennie D. Ray, 63, of Haskell on Thurs., Jan. 23 at the Greater Independence Baptist Church with the Rev. Floyd Chenault officiating. Burial will be in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Ray died Sat., Jan. 18 at a Haskell hospital. He was born on March 31, 1933 in Crocket. He married Billie Sue Mays on April 15, 1973 in Haskell. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He had worked as the foreman of the Haskell County Cotton Warehouse for 46 years.

Survivors include his wife, Billie Sue, of the home; his mother, Estella Thompson of Haskell; one son, Joey Lee Hawkins of Dallas; four step-sons, Ed Mays of Ft. Worth, Kenneth Mays of Greenville, Donald Ray Mays and Larry Mays, both of Stamford; four brothers Robert Ray of Lubbock, James Auther Ray of Nev York, Wayne Thompson of Stamford, Hershe Thompson of Viola, WI; five sisters, Henreitta Ray, Ruthie Randle, and Gladys Whitaker, all of Haskell, Wilma Clark of Stamford and Zepherine Thompson of Snyder; 1 grandchild, Lisa Atkison of Stamford; 11 step-grandchildren and many loving nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Curtis Kilgore, L.C. Johnson, John Earl Billington, Carl Dean Thompson, Lloyd Bennett, Daniel Riley and James Standifer.

Honorary pallbearers will be his stepsons, Ed Mays, Donald Ray Mays, Larry Mays and Kenneth Mays.

Dollie Blanche Feemster

Services were held for Dollie Blanche Feemster, 75, of Haskell on Wed., Jan. 22 at the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Stanley Wilson officiating. Burial was in Knox City Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Feemster died Mon., Jan. 20 at an Abilene hospital. She was born on November 28, 1921 in Knox City. She married Lloyd Feemster on November 23, 1941 in Knox City. He preceded her in death on July 24, 1981. She was a member of Tascoe and served as

its treasurer for 15 years. She had been a resident of Haskell for 39 years and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include one son, Edward "Skeeter" Feemster of Haskell; two sisters, Ida Pack and Connie King, both of Knox City; one brother, George Hodges of Knox City; 2 grandchildren, Bret Proctor and Cindy Carver of Haskell; and 2 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Cora Feemster Collier; two brothers and one sister.

Graveside services will be held for Lucille Shaw, 77, of Roswell, NM on Thurs., Jan. 23, at Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley

ASSESSED FOR THE LOCAL PROPERTY.

Mrs. Shaw died Mon., Jan. 20, at a hospital in Roswell, NM.

Cecil B. Lackey

Services were held for Cecil B. Lackey, 91, of Haskell on Thurs., Jan. 16 at East Side Baptist Church in Haskell with the Revs. Ron Lackey and David Page officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Lackey died Tues., Jan. 14 at a local hospital. He was born in 1905 in Haskell County to John and Beulah Lackey. He married Quillie West in 1933 in

He worked as a building contractor and was an antique dealer. He was a lifelong member of the community. He helped organize and was a charter member of East Side Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Quillie Lackey, of the

home; one son, Johnny Lackey of Lubbock; one daughter, Barbara Jenkins of Waco; two brothers, Robert J. Lackey of Kennedale and Jay M. Lackey of Irving; one sister, Lois Nicholson of Haskell; 6 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were his nephews, Jerry Davis, Jay E. Lackey, Boyd A. Andress, Ken Speaks, Greg Nicholson, Frank Scholz, Ronnie L. Lackey and Eddie

Honorary pallbearers were Frank Jenkins, Tommy Ballard, John Larned, Bill Shaw, Doyle High and Bennie Bassing.

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LIFESTYLES

Kretschmer family holds Christmas get-together

Joe, Margie and daughter-in-law,

Suzanne "Frenchie" Kretschmer.

wife of the late Harold Kretschmer.

Dorinda and her husband, Dick Lain

are from Illinois. They were joined

by Errol and his wife, Jamie from Illinois also. Their son,

Christopher and his wife, Christine

and daughter, Emily, of

Pennsylvania, were unable to

attend. Joe Kretschmer and his

wife, Diane from Lubbock attended.

Margie Hogan and her husband,

Jackie are from Olney and attended

with their son, Ethan. Suzanne

Kretschmer and children, Derrick

and Kimberly attended from San

her children, Joyce and JoAnn

attended with their families. Joyce

and her husband, Gary Weishuhn

Lena Halfman of Rowena and

Sun., Dec. 22, the Herman and Mary Kretschmer children came together for a special Christmas at the Haskell American Legion Hall. This was the first time that the children had gathered as a family.

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During the day everyone looked at old family photo albums and shared a Christmas feast in which everyone had prepared his or her favorite foods. Family pictures were also taken to insure lasting memories of the day. The families were all represented at this special

Families in attendance were: Walter and Marie Kretschmer, their son Don, his wife Julie and their sons Cody and Chad, all of

Bettie and Albert Bittner and their children, Curtis and Ina Rea attended also. Curtis and his wife, Carol came from Los Lunas, NM with their son, Christopher. Their son, Stephen could not attend. Ina Rea Robertson and her husband, Gary are from Carlsbad, NM and were in attendance along with their with their children, Justin and children, Charles and Lisa. Shae. JoAnn and her husband, Herbert and Dora Kretschmer Allan Weishuhn are from Van from Haskell were in attendance Court and their children, Brady and along with their children, Dorinda, Lori enjoyed the day also.

The Helen and Clement Dudensing family attended from Stamford, Kenneth and Becky Dudensing are from Sweetwater and attended along with their children, Jamie and Jeffrey. Glen and his wife, Debbie Dudensing from Abilene were in attendance with their children, Matt and Michelle. Peggy Jones also of Abilene, attended. Clement was too ill to attend. Son-in-law Gene Jones could not be present, either.

Lydia Ivy of Stamford, and her son, Danny and his wife, Valerie also attended. Danny and Valerie are from Hale Center along with their sons, Jon and Kevin. Jon and his wife, Mindie also reside in Hale Center. Jon, Mindie and Kevin had prior commitments and could not

Kathy Hager promoted to vice president

Santa Fe Energy Resources recently announced the promotion of Kathy E. Hager to the position of Vice President, Public Affairs. In her new position Ms. Hager directs the Investor Relations, Shareholder Services, Corporate Communications Governmental Affairs of this Houston-based independent oil and gas company.

Ms. Hager joined Santa Fe Energy in 1980 and has held various supervisory and management positions in Tax, Corporate Planning and Investor Relations. Since 1994 as Director, Investor Relations, Ms. Hager has been the Company's primary spokesperson to the institutional investment community.

Ms. Hager, graduate of Texas Tech University, is a Certified Public Accountant. She currently serves on the Executive Committee of the Institute of Management Accountants and is a member of the National Investor Relations Institute, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and various trade organizations.

Ms. Hager is a native of Haskell County and graduate of Weinert High School. She is the daughter of W.R. and Joyce Hager of Weinert and the granddaughter of Bill and Bertha Hager of Lueders and the late John and Eunice Grand.



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South Side of Square

Haskell, Texas

are from San Angelo and attended Club holds workshop Rule Philadelphian

Rule Philadelphian Club met Thurs., Jan. 16, in the Clubhouse for their first meeting of the new year and their annual business

Members answered roll call with how they had spent their Christmas holidays. Thank You's were read from Donna Sue Anders and Janis Brzozowski, workers with the Noah Project, to acknowledge and thank the club for their contributions

made to the Noah Project. Items donated to Wichita Falls State Hospital had also been distributed.

Tomi May and Mr. and Mrs. Sid Hester were thanked for providing transportation for the club's field trip in December.

Members were reminded that the club had voted to make the Noah Project an on-going project and members were to bring nonperishable items to all meetings.

Ladies gather to quilt in Pampa

Aunts and nieces of Agnes Oliphant gathered in Pampa recently to quilt, something they do at least twice a year. Attending were Lorene Nichols, Oleta Bowers and Sue Conner, all of Haskell; Bennie Ammons and Agnes Oliphant of Pampa. They worked on a hexagon pattern quilt belonging to Sally Gavlik, a relative of Mrs. Bowers.

Franciene Johnson is national delegate

Franciene Johnson of Haskell was selected as a delegate for the National Silver-Haired Congress to be held in Washington Feb. 8-14.

The National Congress is

necktie quilt that Ms. Oliphant's son, Jerry Don Oliphant of Pampa, wanted made of neckties that belonged to his father. The women are also working on a flower basket pattern quilt and on an embroidery horse qult to be auctioned off at the Oliphant-Ammons reunion.

Other quilts in the making are a

composed of volunteers from all

patterned after the U.S. Congress and House of Representatives.

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Program director for the day, Orheana Greeson led the group in the pledge to the United States Flag. Federation news was presented by Nell Estes telling members of TFWC 100 year birthday which will be recognized in Waco, at the state convention to be held April 30 thru May 2, 1997. TFWC was organized in Waco in

1897 with only 21 members and has grown now to be world wide. With Ms. Greeson presiding, members reviewed the Club's Constitution and By-Laws and members were asked several questions of "Did You Know?", which proved to be very informative. The meeting concluded with members reading the Club

Following the meeting, a workshop was held to make plans for the Club's Diamond Jubilee Celebration which will be held on Sat., March 15, at 2 p.m. in the Clubhouse. At that time the Rule Philadelphian Club will celebrate their 75th anniversary with a brief history of the Philadelphian Club and special recognition of past officers and invited guests.



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OPINION



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock said the state Legislature, which convened Jan. 14, may change the law that requires wealthy school districts to share their tax revenue with poor districts.

Bullock said that because Gov. George W. Bush is urging legislators to reform the school property tax system, it would be appropriate to address the 1993 "Robin Hood" school finance law.

"It has always offended me somewhat to take money away from a wealthier district and give it to a poor district because I have always felt it was really the obligation of the state to bring the (education) system up instead of leveling it out," he was quoted by the Houston Chronicle.

About 100 of the state's 1,000 school districts have to share their local revenue.

Bullock had said it would be hard to lower school taxes without opening the debate on how education dollars are spent and thus endanger the school finance system's delicate balance.

But last week, in a meeting with reporters, he said the system may be repealed because "a number of senators and House members have been extremely critical of the school finance system we have today, specifically Robin Hood, and this will be their opportunity."

Bullock, a Democrat who presides over the Senate, said that if the new (16-14) Republican majority in the Senate wants to change the system, "they're going to have the opportunity to do it with no roadblock, certainly, from me."

Senate rules require a two-thirds vote to pass legislation.

Lottery Director is Fired
The Texas Lottery Commission
last week fired Nora Linares, who
has been director of the Texas
Lottery since its founding in 1991.

The commission voted 3-0 to dismiss Linares, without stating an official reason, after an ethics investigation revealed that her close friend, Mike Moeller, earned \$30,000 in 1992-93 from a contract with GTECH Corp., the company that runs the lottery.

Moeller is serving a federal prison sentence on bribery allegations that accused him of trading state and federal contracts for campaign contributions while he was a deputy commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Last spring the lottery commission voted to renew GTECH's contract to run the lottery for five years without taking bids.

After the vote, Linares said, "I've done nothing that justifies the actions taken by this commission today. When the dust settles and the

air is cleared and everything comes out in the open, I will be cleared."

Linares' lawyer, Buck Wood, said there is no evidence that Linares ever gave GTECH any favorable treatment or benefits because of Moeller's contract.

Wood also accused Texas Lottery Commission Chairwoman Harriet Miers, a Republican, of stirring up the ethics controversy to get rid of Linares, a Democratic activist, the *Chronicle* reported.

The commission named Zoann Attwood, the lottery's deputy director since 1992, to serve as interim acting director. Attwood is former director of the Montana Lottery.

Special Elections to Fill Seats

Two vacancies in the Texas Legislature will be filled by special elections to be held Jan. 28, two weeks after the 75th Texas Legislature convenes.

One vacancy was created when state Sen. Jim Turner, D-Crockett, was elected to Congress. The second vacancy resulted when state Rep. Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, notified Gov. Bush he was resigning from office to run for the seat vacated by Turner.

Also running for the seat Turner had held since 1991 is Democrat Mary Moore of Bryan, a certified public accountant and the daughter-in-law of former state Sen. Bill Moore, D-Bryan.

Other Capital Highlights
Attorney General Dan Morales
advised several hundred state
employees who work in two state
office buildings to take a day off
while bomb-sniffing dogs, state
troopers and other investigators
combed the buildings for
explosives. Morales' office received
a threat apparently connected with
his dispute with the so-called

"Republic of Texas," an antigovernment group.

•Gov. Bush appointed John Hill, former chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court, to the threemember Texas Lottery Commission on Jan. 3. Hill, who formerly served as Texas attorney general, joined Lottery Commission Chairwoman Miers

and commissioner Anthony

Sadberry on Jan. 7 in voting to fire Linares.

•The three-member Texas Railroad Commission elected Commissioner Charles Matthews as chairman on a 3-0 vote. Matthews, a former mayor of Garland, was elected to the commission in 1994. As chairman, he succeeds Carol Keeton Rylander, who remains a commissioner. Rylander and Matthews, as well as Commissioner Barry Williamson, are Republicans. The TRC

regulates the state's oil and gas



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago Jan. 22, 1987

Haskell County football players making the 6-man All State Football Team are: Richard Shaver, Larry Reid, Paul Ortiz, John Wyatt, Scott O'Neal, and David McNally of Rochester and Ricky Perez and Lewis Perez of Weinert.

Shelly Hester, Rochester and Charles Thornhill, Haskell each took a second-place ribbon and Frank Oman, Haskell won third in the West Texas Regional Pecan Show in San Angelo last month.

20 Years Ago Jan. 27, 1977

Morris Haynes killed two-four foot long rattlesnakes.

Don Flippen was named as head coach at Haskell High. Flippin is a graduate of Colorado City High school and McMurry College and his last coaching position was in Iowa Park.

The Rule Elementary School is saving Post Cereal box tops for playground equipment.

30 Years Ago Jan. 26, 1967

Joyce Cook became Haskell High School's 1967 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow. Joyce is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cook and is a senior in Haskell High School.

Fire gutted the Western Auto Store, 417 South First Street Sunday night. Cofield's Department Store, located next door (west) to the Western Auto, suffered heavy smoke damage. The Montgomery Ward Catalog Agency next door (east), had slight smoke damage.

40 Years Ago Jan. 24, 1957

Wood and Mathis Insurance Agency will be opening with partners and owners of the agency being Richard E. Mathis and Charles A. Wood.

Six Haskell High School twirlers won first division rating on their ensemble sextet performance in Region II contests held at Winters. They are Sara Sue and Robbie Lou Roberson, juniors; Janice Hester, junior, Sandra Hadaway, junior; Norma Dale Mullins, senior and Nancy Fancher, junior.

50 Years Ago Jan. 23, 1947 Pace was named judge

Joe E. Pace was named judge of City Court.

Miss Grace Gore, daughter of Mrs. Joe Chapman, has returned to Haskell and accepted a position with Walling Beauty Salon as an operator.

Veda Warren, Judy Campbell and Sally Simpkins, who appear in person on Hearld Goodman's famous Saddle Mountain Round-up, Radio Stage Show will be at the Texas, Friday, Jan. 24.

Jan. 15, 1898
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The wagons reached Haskell with the telephone poles the first of the week. At last accounts the construction force had reached the point about five miles this side of Throckmorton, and they are probably about half way by the time this is printed.

Mr. Todd from Missouri, who has been looking over a good portion of West Texas, arrived here Thursday and expressed himself as being better pleased with Haskell County than any section he has visited. If he can make a suitable deal he will likely make his home here.

To accommodate ranchers and cattlemen of this section who are planning to attend the meeting of the Livestock Association at San Antonio Jan. 18-19, the railroad has announced special round trip rate of \$13.15 from Seymour to San Antonio for this occasion.

Texas Senate Review

On Tues., Jan. 14, the 75th Texas Legislature convened at 12:00 noon marking a historic event in Texas history. For the first time in 125 years, the Republican party holds the majority in the Texas Senate with 16 Republican members.

The first order of business was the swearing-in ceremonies of newly elected senators and officers by Chief Justice Thomas Phillips of the Texas Supreme Court. New members of the Senate are Troy Fraser of Horseshoe Bay, Eliot Shapleigh of El Paso, Robert Duncan of Lubbock, Jon Lindsay of Houston and John J. Carona of Dallas.

Laredo State Senator Judith Zaffirini was sworn in as president pro tempore of the Senate of the 75th Legislative Session. Hailed by her peers as a legislator with an impeccable service record and a sincere dedication for public service, Zaffirini is the first hispanic female and only the fifth woman to hold this position. "It is a wonderful honor because it reflects the greatest traditions of the Texas Senate, our belief and our support in the seniority system, and in Senatorial courtesy..."-Senator Judith Zaffirini.

On Wed., Jan. 15, the Senate's Criminal justice Committee gave top priority to Senate Bill (SB) 97, known as the stalking bill. Prior legislation regarding stalking was declared unconstitutional by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. The current bill, sponsored by Fort Worth Senator Mike Moncrief, has been given "emergency" status by Governor Bush to pass through the Legislature due to the fact that Texas is one of only two states with no stalking laws.

At 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, the Texas Senate convened to discuss several resolutions. The senators voted unanimously in support of Senate Resolution (SR) Five sponsored by Senator Rodney Ellis of Houston and Senator Royce West of Dallas which commemorates the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King. The Senate also passed a resolution sponsored by Senator Carlos F. Truan of Corpus Christi that recognized Betty King for 20 years of service as Secretary of the Texas Senate and 50 years of state service.

On Thurs., Jan. 16, the Senate unanimously passed SB 97, the stalking bill. The bill was cosponsored by all 30 of the senators and the 29 members present voted in favor of the bill. During a press conference, Senator Moncrief commented, "This is something we can do...It (the Legislature) has the tools to accomplish and to do so in a timely fashion, to send this bill to the governor's desk for his signature and to immediately become the law."

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In observation of the Martin Luther King holiday, the Senate will not convene until Tues., Jan. 21 at 11 a.m.

Texas citrus good buy in January

About the only thing to look forward to at the grocery store after the holiday is citrus.

The first few months of the year are the weakest time for fresh produce. But Extension Agricultural Economist Dr. Richard Edwards says you can count on Texas citrus to be extra good this year

Production is up and quality is high. Look for large, sweet oranges and grapefruits grown right here in the state.

January also ushers in the Chilean fruit season. You'll see grapes, peaches and other soft fruit import from Chile. But Edwards says it takes two weeks or more for that fruit to make it here from South America. Since it is picked really early and spends a long time in shipping, the quality suffers.

Edwards says prices for those imported fruit were high lass January-certainly higher than they were in 1995. He says it will be interesting to see if prices stay high or drop back down.

Legal Matters

By Attorney General Dan Morales

Crime

The rates of both murders and robberies have dropped for the past five consecutive years in Texas. In fact, the state's 1995 annual crime survey shows the lowest murder rate since Texas started keeping statewide statistics, while the robbery rate is at a 10-year low. This is very good news.

We at the Office of the Attorney General feel that Texas' get-toughon-crime agenda is working to deter violent crimes.

Strengthened law enforcement

The strategy to cut down on

The strategy to cut down on violent crime has a number of components. The first was to hire more police—nearly four officers for every 1,000 Texans this year, double the number of officers last year.

Improved policing technique play a role, too. When local law enforcement agencies ask, we can provide them with technical support in several specialized areas of law enforcement. In addition, sexual assault prevention services are available through our office for training professionals and providing grants for local sexual assault crisis intervention agencies. We also serve as a source of information, publishing Criminal Law Update, a quarterly journal for law enforcement personnel.

While others may debate the causes of the decrease, we believe that a number of other factors have also helped lower the violent crime rate. These include:

Keeping weapons out of the hands of criminals. Texas' weapons arrest rate decreased 20 percent in 1995 and dropped 15.2 percent the first half of 1996. Firearms are the murder weapon of choice in 70 percent of Texas murders. Convicted felons have been prevented from buying handguns and some of the most dangerous weapons have been taken off the market because of stringent federal gun-control measures.

Citizen involvement. The goal of community policing is to make all members of the community active allies of the police. One good example is TRIAD, the three-way agreement among sheriffs' offices, one or more police chiefs in a county and senior citizen leaders. The program is carried out through Seniors and Law Enforcement Together (SALT) advisory councils. Our Elder Law and Public Health Division plays an active role in putting together TRIADs all over the state.

Juvenile justice reforms. Our office helped build a constructive coalition of diverse practitioners to craft meaningful and effective reform of th state's juvenile justice laws. These reforms have gained national attention for their innovation. They would not have been possible without the hard work of representatives from all sectors of the juvenile justice system: the judiciary, the probation system, law enforcement and the Texas Youth Commission. The cooperation of those officials and the commitment of legislators to a sound, thoughtful policy in this area produced a truly revolutionary response to juvenile crime. We worked closely with the Legislature in 1995 to reform the system. The tough, new reforms that lawmakers

enacted took effect this year.

our juvenile corrections facilities. The Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program for disruptive school students helps keep truancy and dropout rates down. While there is little data available yet to evaluate the impact of these reforms on crime rates, I expect them to help win the war against juvenile crime.

Tougher sentencing laws. The state's tougher sentencing laws doubled prison time for violent criminals and mandated that they

spend at least half of their sentences

behind bars. Currently, those who

use weapons in violent crimes

serve an average of 80 percent of

their sentences. About two-thirds of

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consequences. Violent young

criminals will be kept off the street

thanks to the doubled capacity of

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sexual offenders serve all of their sentences.

Sufficient prison space. It is not enough to arrest and convict criminals. They must be put in prison. Since 1989, Texas has spent almost \$2 billion on prison construction, tripling prison capacity. Texas' 135,000-bed prison system can run at or below 98 percent capacity with relatively minor construction until 2002. Last year, the county jails also had

room to spare.

The strategy is working. More police on the street, tougher sentencing of convicted criminals and prisons with adequate capacity to hold them, fewer paroles, weapons bans and a watchful citizenry are working. Together, these measures are bringing crime rates in Texas down.

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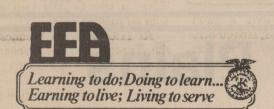
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THURS., JAN. 23 4 p.m.

> Classifying of all animals

FRI., JAN. 24 Rabbit, Poultry,

Sheep Show 11 a.m. Swine Show

SAT., JAN. 25 Steer Show followed

by Heifer Show

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The youth representing the 4-H and FFA Clubs of **Haskell County are very** enthusiastic about this year's show, and thank you for supporting them as they build for the future.



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Around Town

Brian Brzozowski of Wichita

Cynthia and Lisa Rodriquez of

Jason Torris of Lubbock visited

Falls visited his parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Glen Brzozowski over the

Arlington visited their parents, Mr.

and Mrs. Andy Rodriquez over the

his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joel

By Joyce Hawkins

Jonathan Tatum and Candis Powers and her mother, Vanna Powers of Texhoma, OK visited Mr. and Mrs. Billy Tatum and other relatives from Wednesday until Sunday. On Saturday, Jonathan and Candis were united in marriage in the home of his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Walters with Rev. Kenneth Blair officiating.

Eddie Gonzales of Medford, OK visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rocky Gonzales over the

Torris over the weekend. Marty Decker of Lubbock visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Decker over the weekend.

Eddie, Brian, Cynthia, Lisa, Jason and Marty all attended the Tatum-Powers wedding on Saturday

Charlene and Tamera Hawkins of Irving were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Walters and Joyce Hawkins and attended the

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Tatum-Powers wedding. Also attending were Will Dunovan of Krooked River Ranch and Jeremy Andress of Haskell.

Letha Walters of Abilene also attended the Tatum-Powers

Recent visitors of Neat Bevel and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harvey were children, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Harvey of Odessa.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Glen Merchant was her nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson from Alva, OK. They had lunch at the ECC on Monday with the Merchants.

Billie Jean Walters and Doris Butler attended the funeral services for Mrs. Leon Cardell's sister, Vera in Hawley Sunday afternoon.

Paint Creek School Menu

Jan. 27-31 Breakfast Milk and juice are served daily. Monday: Toast with jelly Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy Wednesday: Cinnamon toast Thursday: Pancake and sausage

Friday: Donuts Lunch Milk is served daily. Monday: Steakfingers, cream

potatoes, applesauce, salad, bread Tuesday: Stew, cheese toast, macaroni salad, crackers, peaches Wednesday: Bar-b-que wieners! green beans, salad, pears, rolls Thursday: Tuna and ham sandwiches, lettuce, cheese, pork and beans, fruit cobbler, chips,

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Haskell School Menu

Jan. 27-31 Breakfast

Juice or fruit and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu. Monday: Cereal, donuts Tuesday: Breakfast burrito

Wednesday: Blueberry muffins Thursday: Biscuits with gravy, and sausage

Friday: Breakfast pizza

Lunch A choice of baked potato with choice of topping or salad bar plus milk and tea are offered daily at the High School. Milk and juice are served daily at the Elementary

Monday: Beef and vegetable stew, grilled cheese sandwich, applesauce, cookies

Tuesday: Chalupas, grated cheese, lettuce/tomatoes, buttered corn, cinnamon roll

Wednesday: Chicken and spaghetti, seasoned green beans, breaded okra, buttered hot rolls, fruit salad

Thursday: Beef nachos, refried beans, Spanish rice, apple crisp Friday: Hamburger, tater tots, h.b. trimmings, ice cream

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We urge you to attend this year's show. If you haven't been contacted for a contribution to the premium sale, Saturday at 1:00 p.m., call Duane Gilly or James Bevel at 864-3310, or Joey Kimbrough at 864-2249. Good kids need support too! . . . and these kids and their families are some of the cream of the crop. Come out Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 23-24-25.



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When the weather gets too bad for activities in Sagerton...that's bad...but that's just what happened last week. Regularly scheduled meetings were called off and your correspondent went into hibernation. This week we've thawed out and are getting into full swing again.

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Stock shows are like mailmen...neither sleet, snow, rain...so we offer our congratulations to three of our local youth who participated in the Tri-Area show in Stamford last week.

Paige Lammert, daughter of Danny and Helen placed third with her lightweight Poland/Spot Barrow. Josh Freeman, son of Tony and Billie Jo placed third with his medium weight Poland/Spot Barrow. Marcia Swoyer, daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Mel Swoyer placed first with her heavyweight Poland/Spot Barrow and Champion Poland/Spot Barrow. Paige Lammert also won third with her lightweight crossbred barrow. Good job kids!!

Upcoming meeting for the week of Jan. 26 at Faith Lutheran includes the worship committee meeting on Wednesday night, Jan. 29 at 7:30 p.m.

The regular Wednesday morning farmers breakfast was held at the gin this week with twenty-seven in attendance including the following dignitaries: Congressman Charlie Stenholm and Don Starr, Greg Barnet with the Soil Conservation Service, Glynn Brzozowski with F.S.A., Larry Smith representing

the Boll Weevil Eradication program, Bud Turnbow, commission for Precinct 4, County Judge Davis and Lindon Patton with the cotton council. Upcoming farm programs, problems and possible solutions were discussed.

The Friendship Club met on Thursday with the following in attendance: Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Pastor Jeff Zell, J.B. and Dorothy Toney, Leona Schonerstedt, Frances Clark, Isabell Mrazek, Doris Lehrmann, Larry LeFevre, Joe and Dorothy Clark, Bubba Mrazek, Anthony Rash, Gustav Arias, Bob and Lana Culpepper and Alvin Ulmer. The birthday song was sung for Alvin Ulmer and Joe Clark who celebrated

birthdays in January.

Frances Clark visited recently with Lee Weaks of Stamford.

Visitors in the home of Frances last week were Lottie Belle Park of Paducah and her sister, Dorothea of Denver, CO.

The Hobby Club held their regular monthly meeting Thursday in the community center after a postponement from the previous week. Christine Stremmel was the hostess. Jo Brown was appointed to serve as activity director to replace Marie Zell who has begun a new job. The quilt committee for the coming year was selected and includes Leona Letz, Ev Ulmer, Christine Stremmel, Peggy Tabor, Joyce LeFevre and Margaret Wendeborn. Dorothy Toney reported that scholarships had been sent to Lisa Macias and Kacy Baitz.

For a bit of humor for the day, Dorothy Toney read a poem by Erma Bombeck entitled "The Best Cake I've Never Tasted." Isabell Mrazek of Aspermont was a guest for the day and showed the ladies how to make a cathedral window quilt. Members attending were Dorothy Toney, Yvonne Swofford, Mary Neinast, Leona Letz, Wilma Teichelman, Ev Ulmer, Margaret Wendeborn, Joyce LeFevre, the hostess and guest.

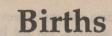
The monthly men's breakfast was held at Faith Lutheran Church Friday morning with the following meeting for good food and fellowship: Pastor Jeff Zell, Clarence Teichelman, Eugene Teichelman, Melvin Baitz, Carl Lunn, Leon Stegemoeller, Ronnie Teichelman, Clancy Lehrmann, David Letz, Lewis Corzine, Clayton Stegemoeller, J.B. Toney, Marvin Stegemoeller, Alvin Ulmer, Alvin Bredthauer, Jack Jones, Dean Quade and Marchel Nauert.

The home of Delbert and Joyce LeFevre was the scene for a sleepover birthday party honoring their grandson, Tully Brown. Tully's younger brother joined 8 and 9 year old classmates for a great party. Classmates attending were Emory Dudensing, Jacob Manske, Colt Kittley and Lucas Hisey. The boys probably all agreed that there's no place like a grandma's house for a party.

Emma Raphelt of Stamford spent Sunday with her daughter, Dorothy and Joe Clark. Visiting her that night were Tami and Kami Baitz.

Joe and Dorothy Clark were in Valley View Saturday visiting with Don, Patsy and Tom Bivins.

Thought for the week: (copied) Enthusiasm finds the opportunities, and energy makes the most of them.



Roger, Maureen, Will, Arron and Kasey Duniven of Haskell welcome their granddaughter and niece, Kellie Breanne Jenkins.

She was born in Lubbock on Jan. 8 and weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz.

Her parents are Scott and Wendy Jenkins of Wolfforth. Paternal grandparents are Roy and Cherie Jenkins, also of Wolfforth.

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Todd and Holly Jennings and daughter, Kenzi of Junction announce the arrival of a son and brother, Jace Tanner on January 14, 1997

Jace Tanner weighed 6 lb. 10 oz. Grandparents are Ted and Mary Jennings of Haskell and Waymon and Bettye McBroom of Corpus Christi SHOULDN'T YOUR INSURANCE BE AFFORDABLE?

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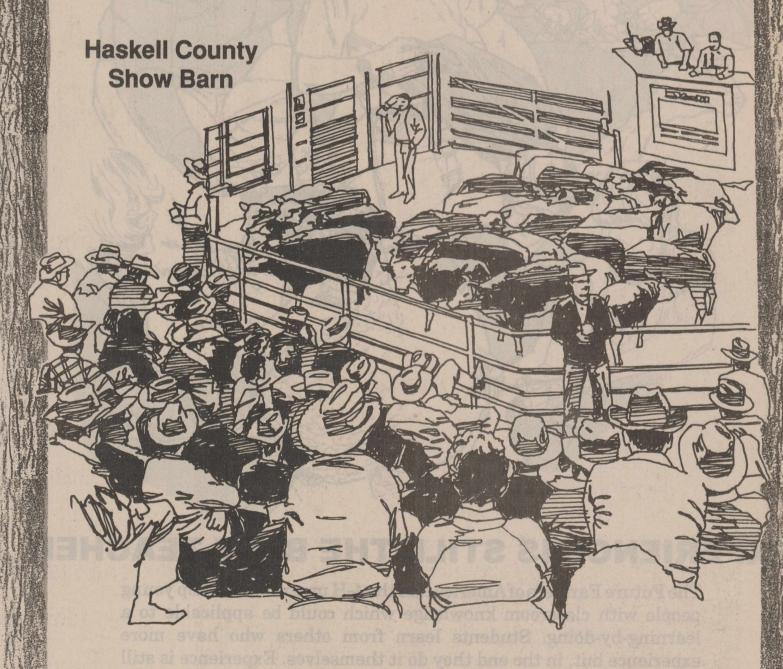
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Partners for Children are These will be set up for each grade level and will be from 11:00 to 12:00 o'clock. Working parents will be notified in advance so they can hopefully arrange their lunch hour to coincide with the session.

> Community Bulletin Board are used to get information out. A successful dinner meeting was

Babysitting will not be provided

Topics will be grade appropriate.

Watch for notes on these and

respond promptly so the correct

number of lunches can be prepared.

Besides notices sent home with

children, KVRP and channel 7

for these sessions, but the lunch

will be free.

held January 14 with over a hundred plates being served. The parents who attended deemed it a success. The topic was "Self Esteem in Parents and Children."

Although night meetings are at the Elementary School at 7:00 p.m., they are for any parent or grandparent of children from birth to 18 years old. To date there has been no costs to the parent for attending meetings.

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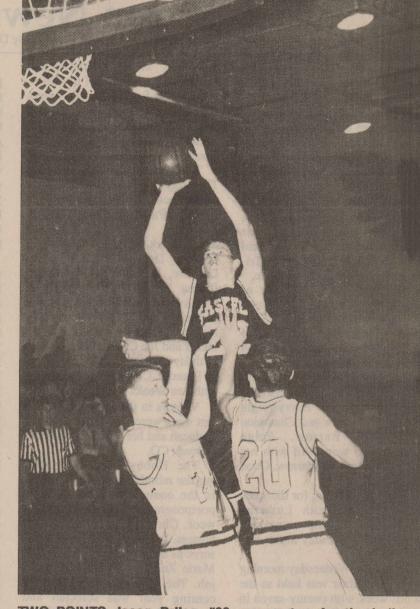
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TWO POINTS-Jason Briles, #22, scores two for the Indians against Holliday. The Indians won the game by 27 points, defeating Holliday 84-57.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 807 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Jan. 18, 1997 according to Gary Tate reporter.

The market was \$30 higher on all 300-650# feeder and stocker cattle. Better demand on stock cows and pairs. Packer cows \$3 to \$4

Cows: fat .30-.36; cutters, .28-.38; canners .20-.28.

Bulls: bologna, .38-.45; feeder, .55-.65; utility, .25-.38.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .75-.85; 300-400 lbs., .68-.80; 400-500 lbs., .62-.75; 500-600 lbs., .62-.75; 600-700 lbs., .62-.72; 700-800 lbs., .62-.685; 800-up lbs., .58-

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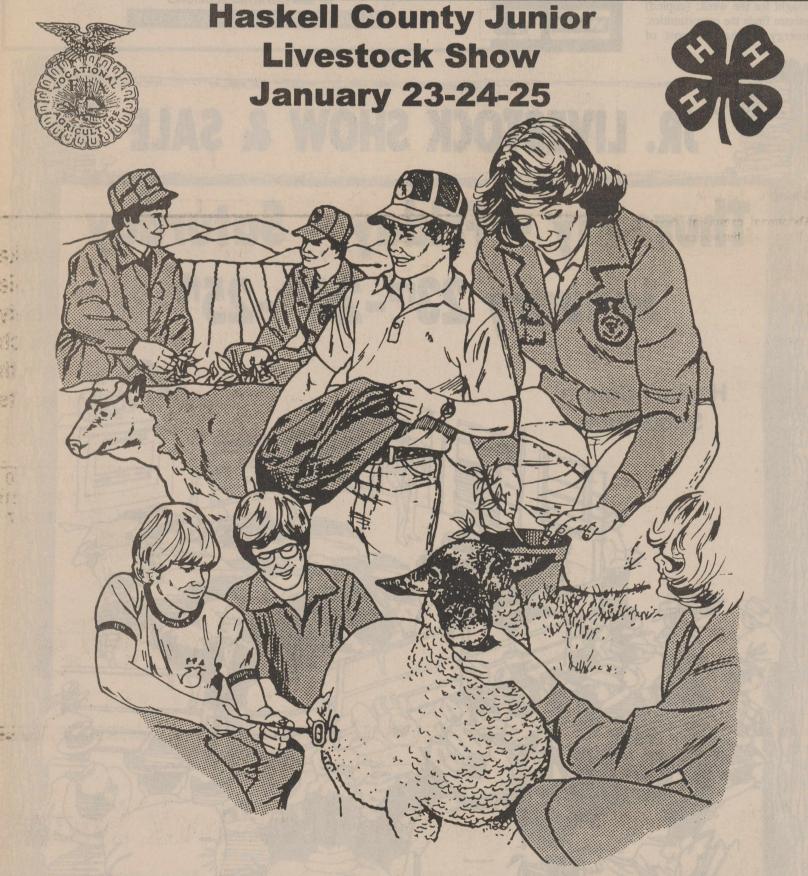
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Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .65-.75; 300-400 lbs., .62-.72; 400-500 lbs., .58-.68; 500-600 lbs., .56-.67; 600-up lbs., .48-.64.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, \$400-\$525; aged or small, \$250-\$400.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, \$525-\$650; small or aged, \$350-\$525.



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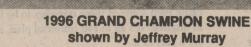
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Rule City Council meets

The Rule City Council met Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. after the regular meeting on Jan. 7 was rescheduled.

The Investment Policy, as written, for the City of Rule was approved. Copies of the policy are on file at the City Hall for public

A vote to discontinue half-time compensation to part-time employee, Jose Anchonco, carried. Anchondo has been on medical leave since Oct. 15 after suffering a stroke. Upon receipt of full medical discharge, the city will reconsider his position.

The December police report was reviewed by Alan Beard, Chief of Police.

Crunches create better abs

Abdominal exercising devices are all the rage, but you can get the same results working out on your living-room floor.

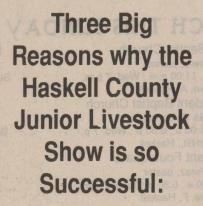
"You're probably better off learning to do crunches-and variations of them- than you are using a device that may work one or two muscles," said Dr. John Cianca, an assistant professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Crunches, sit-ups and most of the abdominal exercisers work primarily the rectus abdominous, the uppermost layer of muscles in the center of the body.

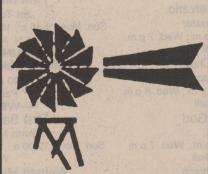
Although no device or movement can exercise all four layers of muscle in the abdominal group, Cianca said crunches offer the greatest versatility.

"Some of the aerobic videos provide excellent instruction in crunches, crunch variations and other exercises that are tremendous for strengthening the abdomen," he

Strong abdominal muscles not only look good, they promote better stability of the mid-section, support and protect the spine and aid in breathing.









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Teenage years filled with risk

Four leading risk categories

"Drinking alcohol while doing

make the teen years especially

other activities, failure to use safety

devices, access to firearms and

sports are the big four," said Dr.

Albert C. Hergenroeder, chief of

adolescent and sports medicine at

Baylor College of Medicine and

Texas Children's Hospital, both in

In the 1940's, school "dangers"

for teens included being caught

chewing gum, running in the

hallways or wearing improper

clothing. Today's teen must

fraught with hazards.

ONE MORE BASKET-Brittany Bartley, #51, goes up for two

points against the Holliday Lady Eagles. The Maldens suffered

their first district loss to Holliday, 70-55. Photo by Bill Blankenship

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What's a parent to do? Talk,

"Don't wait for them to talk to

inquire and wait, Hergenroeder said.

you," he said. "Talk with them

first. Many parents fall for the "not

my child" myth and fail to realize

their teen could be engaging in

sometimes blunt, questions: What

do you do for fun? Do you drink and drive? Do your friends? If your

teen's behavior is not risky,

congratulate them. Even the best

teenagers will do dangerous things.

Hergenroeder urges parents not to

When talking, ask specific,

risky behavior."

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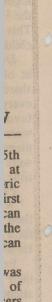
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Food for thought

by Charles H. Spurgeon "Grown in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."-2 Peter 3:18

"Grow in grace"-not in one grace only, but in all grace. Grow in that root-grace, faith. Believe the promises more firmly than you have done. Let faith increase in fulness, constancy, simplicity.

Grow also in love. Ask that your love may become extended,

more intense, more practical, influencing every thought, word and deed.

Grow likewise in humility. Seek to lie very low, and know more of your own nothingness. As you grow downward in humility, seek also to grow upward-having nearer approaches to God in prayer and more intimate fellowship with

May God the Holy Spirit enable you to "grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour." He who grows not in the knowledge of Jesus, refuses to be blessed. To know Him is "life eternal," and to advance in the knowledge of Him is to increase in happiness.

He who does not long to know more of Christ, knows nothing of Him yet. Whoever hath sipped this wine will thirst for more, for although Christ doth satisfy, yet it is such a satisfaction, that the

appetite is not cloyed, but whetted. If you know the love of Jesus-

as the hart panteth for the waterbrooks, so will you pant after deeper draughts of his love. If you do not desire to know Him better, then you love Him not, for love always cries, "Nearer, nearer."

Absence from Christ is hell; but the presence of Jesus is heaven. Rest not then content without an increasing acquaintance with Jesus. Seek to know more of Him in His divine nature, in His human relationship, in His finished work, in His death, in His resurrection, in His present glorious intercession, and in His future royal advent.

Abide hard by the Cross, and search the mystery of His wounds. An increase of love to Jesus, and a more perfect apprehension of His love to us is one of the best tests of growth in grace.

submitted by Sam Bitner

This Week's Devotional Message:



NOTHING IN THIS WORLD IS PERMANENT EXCEPT GOD'S LOVE

We all make the mistake of assuming that anything on this earth will go on forever, and building our lives upon it; for this is simply not true. The tides of business can turn, and even long-established companies may suddenly go under. Whole towns can be leveled by earthquakes or tornadoes. Mountains rise and fall; shorelines advance and recede. Even the stars change positions, however

imperceptibly, during our lifetimes. The lives of human beings are in a constant state of change, with the passage of time. The only thing in this world that remains unchanged is the love of God. We should thank Him for it and realize that it may cause even some of these tragedies to be blessings in disguise. It's all in His universal plan, and you

Katherine Byrd, minister

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Hwy 6, Rochester

First United Methodist Church

Dolan Brinson, pastor

Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

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-HASKELL-East Side Baptist Church David Page, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 600 N. 1st East, Haskell Christian Church Frank Summers, preacher Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell

Church of God Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m East Hwy 380, Haskell

Trinity Lutheran Church Gary Bruns, pastor Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 Hwy 380 East, Haskell Iglesia Bautista El Calvario Vergil Smith, interim pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

First United Methodist Church Sidney Parsley, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. 201 N. Ave. F, Haskell First Assembly of God

607 S. 7th, Haskell

Rev. J.C. Amburn Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell St. George Catholic Church

Father Michael Melcher Sat. Mass 7:15 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m. 901 N. 16th, Haskell Church of Christ Dale Huff, minister

Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m. 510 N. Ave. E, Haskell First Presbyterian Church

Jasper McClellan, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m. 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell **Trinity Baptist Church** Rev. Kenneth Blair

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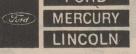
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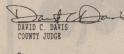
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The Olen Bartley family

We wish to thank the doctors, nurses, paramedics, hospital staff and home health for the excellent care given to Cecil while he was ill. We're especially thankful to our relatives, friends and neighbors for the prayers, food, flowers, cards, visits and other expressions of sympathy. Brother David Page and our church family at East Side Baptist Church were there for us in our time of need as were the compassionate staff from Holden-Mc-Cauley Funeral Home.

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EDC News

Monty Montgomery

With the announcement of the Expanding Local Calling (ELC) start up schedule in last week's paper, I am sure there are questions in everyone's mind on when Abilene will be a local telephone call from Haskell. Hamlin and Stamford have passed Haskell for their ELC and are currently not available for the same reasons as Abilene. I am going to try my best to explain to you all what the situation is concerning this subject, and how each one of you can help the city in its efforts to get Abilene, Hamlin and Stamford as a local telephone call.

Currently Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Abilene, Hamlin and Stamford's local telephone provider) is not in the long distance business; because of this Southwestern Bell cannot provide phone service across the Local Access Transport Area (LATA) boundaries. Haskell is in the Wichita Falls LATA and Abilene is in the Abilene LATA. Haskell is the only city in the Wichita Falls LATA that qualifies for ELC to Abilene, this is because we fall within the maximum 50 mile ELC limit from Abilene. For a map of the current LATA boundaries for Texas, please refer to page 16 of your August 1996 edition of the Haskell GTE Phone

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Texas Public Utilities Commission (PUC) are requiring Southwestern Bell to meet certain criteria before they are authorized to begin their long distance service. Southwestern Bell does not believe it should have to meet all of these criteria and is challenging the FCC and the PUC on these proposed regulations. The situation currently is that all three of these organizations are trying to reach some kind of mutual agreement. When this will be accomplished is the question being asked throughout Texas. According to the PUC there are currently 54 communities like Haskell that have passed ELC to cities in adjoining LATA's that have Southwestern Bell as their local telephone provider. Some of these cities have been waiting since 1993 for this situation to be resolved.

While Southwestern Bell, the FCC and the PUC continue to negotiate there is a second possibility that could occur to resolve this situation. Currently a movement in the FCC is underway to abolish all of the LATA's in the United States. If this were to happen, in theory it would not be necessary for Southwestern Bell to be in the long distance business to cross LATA lines because they would no longer exist and we should be able to have local calling to Abilene, Hamlin and Stamford. Anybody confused?

Haskell City officials and the Development Corporation of Haskell, Inc. (DCOH) are working with state and federal elected representatives to help our efforts in resolving this situation. On Friday, January 10, 1997, the City and the DCOH formally petitioned the PUC to allow us to participate in the public hearings that will be held in the near future concerning Southwestern Bell's entry into the long distance business. Our goal is to have this situation straightened out within the next 12 months if not sooner. As all of you know, when the federal government is involved, anything can happen. All of you can help by writing letters to these folks supporting our efforts to accomplish our goal of achieving local telephone calling to Abilene, Hamlin and Stamford. Listed below are the names and addresses of the FCC, PUC and our state and federal representatives that need to hear from all of you concerning this matter. To make this an easier process for all concerned, there is a pre-written letter available to the public that

will require you write in the date, the addressee, your signature, address and phone number. Copies of this letter can be picked up Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. at the Haskell City Hall. Please do not forget to bring your own stamped envelopes when you pick up your copies of this letter. As always the City of Haskell and the DCOH appreciate your continued support on our efforts to make Haskell a better place to live.

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Millions of Americans unable to digest lactose, a sugar found in milk and other diary products, may not be getting the recommended daily allowances, according to Dr. Alan Buchman, gastroenterologist

If you're lactose intolerant, you

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needed calcium in your diet.

at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Lactose intolerant? - Don't miss out on calcium requirements

"There are lactase substitutes over-the-counter in most pharmacies, and lactase-containing milk in many grocery stores," Buchman said. Buchman said there are other ways to enrich the diet with calcium. He recommends substituting dairy products with calcium-rich items like leafy green vegetable, nuts, broccoli, salmon and fermented milk products like yogurt, which contain active cultures that partially break down lactose. Instead of dairy ice cream, try ice cream made with tofu or frozen yogurt with fruit.

Steak Dinner Benefit

A Steak Dinner benefit and Pastry Auction will be held for the Bill Dumas Family **February 1, 1997**

6 p.m. to 8 p.m. **Haskell Country Club**

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Cakes - Pies - Cookies

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