

Calendar

Death by Chocolate

The Noah Project North's annual Mystery Dinner Theatre is Sat., Feb. 15 at the Haskell Civic Center. A silent auction with many wonderful items will be held during the dinner. "Death by Chocolate" promises to be very entertaining. A brisket dinner will be served and many chocolate desserts for your dining pleasure. Tickets are available from any Advisory Committee member, by calling the Noah Project office at 817-864-2551 or at the door.

Homework workshop

Region 14 Education Center will be hosting 'Homework a Family Affair,' a homework workshop for parents and staff, at Haskell Elementary from 6:30 to 8 p.m. March 6. Anyone who has a loved one in school and wants them to be successful is invited to come. Other schools in our region will be sending staff and parents. Childcare is provided. Registration is a must so enough material will be provided for all in attendance. Call 864-2654 to register by Feb. 17.

Kiwanisfest Feb. 16

The Haskell Kiwanis Club has scheduled its annual Kiwanisfest Sunday, Feb. 16 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Haskell Civic center. Tickets are \$6.00 in advance and \$6.50 at the door. Tickets for children are \$3.00. Tickets are available at First National Bank, Modern Way, Haskell National Bank, The Drug Store, and Lane-Felker.

Weinert anniversary

The Weinert Foursquare Church is celebrating their 60th anniversary on Feb. 16. Friends and members are invited to attend two special services at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Dr. Sydney Westbrook will be the guest speaker at both services.

Basketball shirts

The National Honor Society is selling basketball T-shirts to support the Haskell basketball teams all the way to state. T-shirts may be purchased from any NHS member or see Donnie Rieger at the Sport-About. Sizes are adult S, M, L, XL, XXL, and child S, M, and L. Cost of the shirts are \$12 for short sleeve and \$14 for long sleeve.

Study Club meeting

The Progressive Study Club of Haskell will meet in a change of time to 7 p.m. on Thurs., Feb. 13 in the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Lana Cunningham from Abilene Hospice will be the guest speaker. Her topic will be Nursing--Then and Now.

Philadelphian Club

The Rule Philadelphian Club will observe Americanism Day Thurs., Feb. 20 at 2 p.m. in the clubhouse with Greg Melton of Haskell as guest speaker. Melton will look at the life of Jane Herbert Wilkinson Long, a pioneer of Anglo-American women in Texas.

Partners for Children

Partners for Children will begin a new series, Understanding Parenting and Power, Tues., Feb. 18. Since discipline is such a difficult area of parenting, "Effective Discipline Techniques" will continue for two sessions, Feb. 18 and 25. PPE does not promote one method or technique over another, but will provide a variety of options for parents to explore. The session on March 4 is titled "Giving Children Responsibility". Sessions begin at 7 p.m. at Haskell Elementary School. Child care is provided when the parent has preregistered by calling 864-2654.

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TWO POINTS: Indian Casey Burgess #11 shoots for two points against Seymour. Haskell won 78 to 45. The Indians will begin their post season play next week. The first playoff game is tentatively set for Fri., Feb. 21 against Nocona in Vernon.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

Repairs for the County Library concern Haskell County Commissioners

Commissioner Kenny Thompson gave a report on the recent school he attended with Judge David Davis at the meeting of the Haskell County Commissioners Court Feb. 10. All commissioners must now make a report on the condition of all roads and bridges every quarter. These reports will be brought before the Grand Jury.

Kim Bassett, constable, was granted permission to use an office in the courthouse.

Judge Davis reported that the County Library is in need of repair. The ceiling and floor are giving away and need bracing. Commissioners are to inspect the building and confer on the repairs.

The public is asked to donate to the library fund for the purpose of remodeling, rebuilding or improving the library. This money will be separate from the County funds and will be handled by a group called "Friends of the Library." Any expenditure involving maintenance must be approved by the Commissioners Court. Joan Strickland and Judge Davis are researching the possibility of getting available grants to help expand the library services and enlarge the facility.

The Historical Commission will meet each Monday in February at 4 p.m. at City Hall. The Historical Commission will have access to their money with new signature cards from the bank.

Willie Faye Tidrow, County

New FDA regulations effect tobacco product sales

Effective Feb. 28, new FDA Regulations regarding the sale of cigarettes and smokeless will go into effect.

Under the new regulations retailers will be prohibited from selling cigarettes, smokeless tobacco and tobacco products to anyone younger than 18 years of age.

Retailers must verify that purchasers of cigarettes, smokeless tobacco and tobacco products are 18 or older by checking identification

Treasurer, requested clarification of a question concerning the County Employee Handbook and the interpretation of vacation time. The court cleared all employees to count vacation time from the anniversary date of their employment with the County.

Commissioner Thompson reported that a grievance committee from Jeffcoat Camp has requested a lower speed limit. The matter was tabled until further investigation.

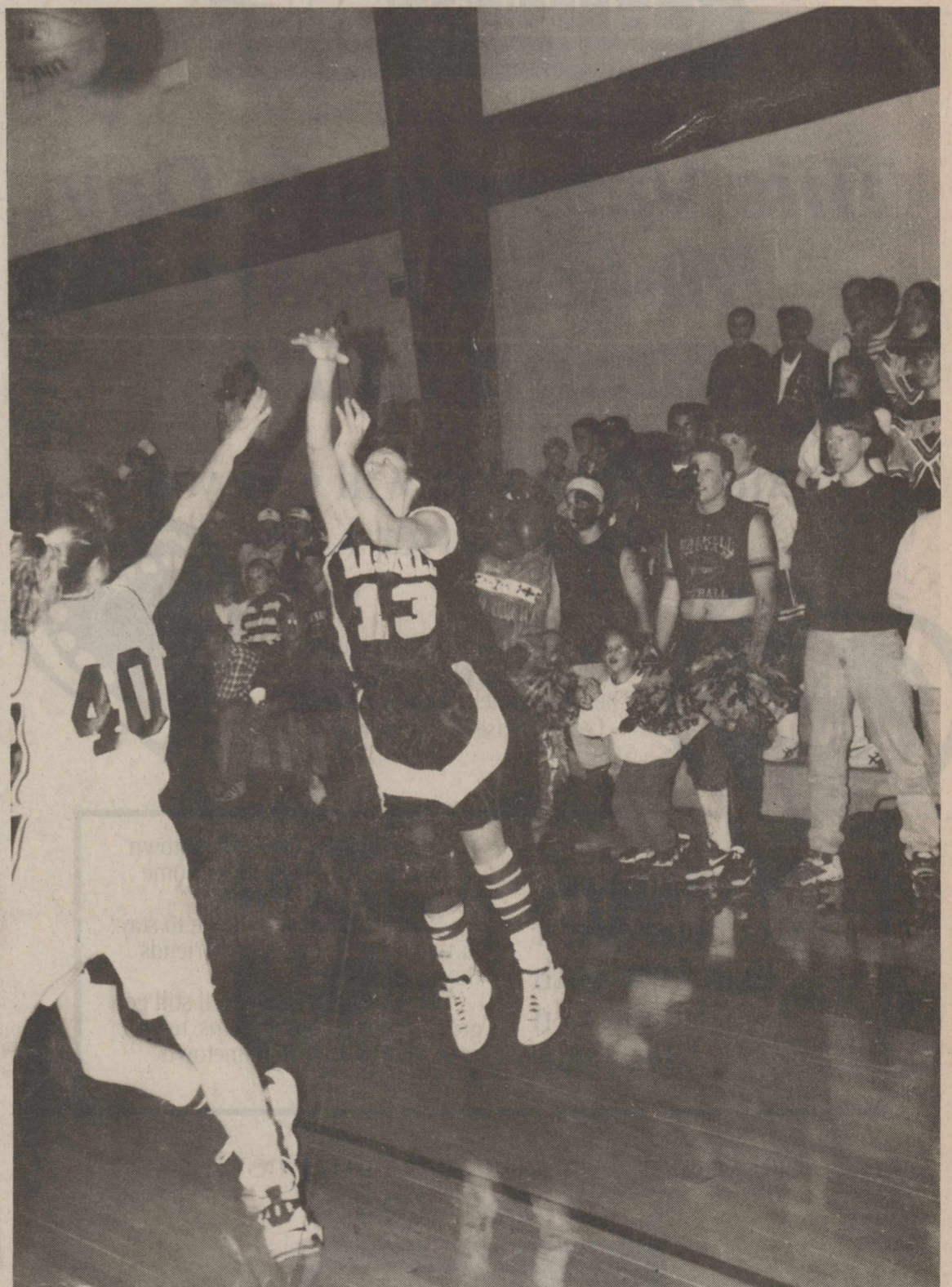
Bobby Morrison of the Anchor questioned the Court's ruling on the visitors to permanent residents of the Anchor at Lake Stamford. The court upheld their ruling of overnight visitors being able to park on private citizens permanently leased property without charge. These vehicles cannot be on vacant county lots or in the road.

Other questions by Morrison were on the building of a Reunion Hall and the heating/cooling of the camp store and house. The court will explore the possibility of a Reunion Hall, but declined to take any action on the store-house heating and cooling.

The first installment on the new ambulance will be paid with available state money. This will eliminate getting time warrants until later funds are needed.

Commissioner Hester brought before the Court the possibility of a burn ban if necessary. This was prompted by the recent CRP burn by a citizen that went out of control

and caused considerable damage in Precinct 1.



THREE POINTS: Wendy Gray #13 puts up three points for Haskell against Seymour. The Lady Panthers defeated the Maidens 34 to 59. The Maidens played Monday night in Graham against Holliday for the District runner-up slot but were defeated 47-31 to end their post season bid.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

Youth basketball program begins today

The Haskell Youth Basketball program will begin their season with the boys opening ceremony Feb. 13 at 5:45 in the Little Gym.

Opening ceremonies will be followed by the first game of the season matching the Apaches against the Kiowas. The Spurs vs. Blackhawks game will follow.

Friday will keep up the pace with the girls opening ceremonies at 5:45. The girls first game will feature the Jazz against the Roadrunners. The Bandits vs. the Robins game will follow.

Other scheduled games include:

Monday, Feb. 17

5:30 Yoyos vs. Rockets
6:30 Blazers vs. Supersonics
7:30 Sioux vs. Warhoops

Tuesday, Feb. 18

5:30 Tomahawks vs. Comanches
6:30 Jokers vs. Roadrunners
7:30 Apaches vs. Mohawks

Thursday, Feb. 20

5:30 Sioux vs. Tejas
6:30 Jazz vs. Robins
7:30 Kiowas vs. Blackhawks

Saturday, Feb. 22

5:30 Warhoops vs. Comanches
6:30 Tejas vs. Tomahawks
7:30 Bandits vs. Jokers

Monday, Feb. 24

5:30 Robins vs. Roadrunners
6:30 Apaches vs. Blackhawks
7:30 Spurs vs. Mohawks

Tuesday, Feb. 25

5:30 Yoyos vs. Supersonics
6:30 Rockets vs. Blazers
7:30 Sioux vs. Comanches

Thursday, Feb. 27

5:30 Warhoops vs. Tomahawks
6:30 Jazz vs. Bandits
7:30 Kiowas vs. Spurs

Friday, Feb. 28

5:30 Tejas vs. Comanches
6:30 Robins vs. Jokers
7:30 Mohawks vs. Blackhawks

Saturday, March 1

5:30 Yoyos vs. Blazers
6:30 Rockets vs. Supersonics
7:30 Bandits vs. Roadrunners

Monday, March 3

5:30 Warhoops vs. Tejas
6:30 Apaches vs. Spurs
7:30 Kiowas vs. Mohawks

Tuesday, March 4

5:30 Yoyos vs. Rockets
6:30 Sioux vs. Tomahawks
7:30 Jazz vs. Jokers

A concession stand will be provided at the games by the Haskell Girl Scouts.

Rule banquet set March 4

Rule Chamber of Commerce's 43rd annual banquet will be held Tuesday, March 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Nominations for Rule's Man and Woman of the Year should be submitted to Marsha at the City Hall by Fri., Feb. 14. Please state why you think your nominee deserves to be named.

A Western theme has been chosen for the banquet. Wear your denims and enjoy a meal catered by the Junior Class mothers. Advance tickets are \$7.50 and can be purchased in Haskell at W.T.U. or from Carolyn Reynolds. In Rule you may purchase tickets at the City Hall, BG's Small Mall, Sorrells Texaco, Tanner Grocery, or a Chamber member. Tickets will be \$8.00 at the door.

Country Jukebox 1997 will be the featured entertainment. This is a group of students from South Plains College. They will perform a variety of numbers along with their instructors.

Rule Lady Cats are District Champs, Bobcats end regular season play

The Rule Lady Cats are district champions after defeating Throckmorton 41-36 Fri. night.

Lezlie Jenkins led scoring with 12 points followed by Amy Hisey with 10, Kalilah Mason with

seven, and Deborah Wilson with six.

The Lady Cats will play Rotan Feb. 14, 6:30 p.m., at Wylie gym for Bi-District championships.

The Lady Cats played Throckmorton Jan. 28 and won 51-34. Jennifer Lehrmann led scoring with 16, followed by Wilson with nine and Hisey with eight.

Rule defeated Rochester Jan. 31 by a score of 43-20. Wilson led the Lady Cats with 11 points, followed by Laura Tibbets with eight. Veronica Slaughter led Rochester with seven points.

The Lady Cats won 60-37 against Paint Creek Feb. 4, Lehrmann and Jenkins led the Lady Cats with 12 points, followed by Hisey with 10.

The Rule Bobcats finished their season Fri. night in Throckmorton. They were defeated 39-64. Michael Hertel led scoring with 14 points, followed by Jeremy Hertel with nine and Marcus McIntosh with six.

Rule lost to Throckmorton Jan. 28, 40-62. Michael Murray, Michael Hertel, and Grant Hisey led scoring with eight points each, followed by Kalith Trussell with seven.

Rule was defeated 49-50 by Rochester on Jan. 31. McIntosh led the Bobcats with 13 points followed by Tibbets with 11. Charlie Parks led the Steers with 22 points.

The Bobcats lost 41-82 to Paint Creek Feb. 4. Kalith Trussell led the Bobcats with 16 points, and McIntosh followed with 11.

Hospital

Admissions

Lucy Fullbright, Rule
Thelma Atkinson, Haskell
Ileta Moon, Haskell
John Smith Jr., Haskell
Aline Bristow, Rule
Brian Hearn, Rochester
David Hamilton, Rochester
Cheryl Robinson, Rule

Dismissals

Carlton Middleton, Antonio
Martinez, Mariae Martinez, Grace
Skipworth

Obituaries

Alta Mae Jarred

Services were held for Alta Mae Jarred, 74, of Haskell on Thurs., Feb. 6 at the East Side Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. David Page officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Jarred died Tues., Feb. 4 at an Abilene hospital. Born in 1922 in Haskell, she married Jack Jarred in 1940 in Haskell. She was a homemaker and a seamstress. She was a member of the East Side Baptist Church where she was very active, attending the Ruth Sunday School class, and teaching Sunday School for many years.

Survivors include her husband, Jack, of the home; one son, Kenneth Jarred of Haskell; two sisters, Jean

Wadlington of Belton and Patsy Decker of Rockdale; 2 grandchildren, Diana Hoover of Cisco, and Susan Martin of Haskell; 2 great grandchildren, Hannah Hoover of Cisco, and Harrison Martin of Haskell.

Pallbearers were Bobby Tidwell, Glenn Darden, Hollis Callaway, Wallace Bird, Mike New and Frank Jenkins. Honorary pallbearers were James Bevel, W. O. Elmore, Jim Bowers, Scotty Langford, David Kruger and Michael Copeland.

The family requests memorials be made to the East Side Baptist Church Building Fund, 600 N. 1st East, Haskell, TX 79521.

Laura Mae Boyd

April of 1953. She was a homemaker, and a life-long resident of Rule.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Mary F. Pierce, two brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law, Joy and Burton Norman of Abilene; one son and daughter-in-law, Billy and Verna Boyd of Lubbock; 5 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; and one great great grandchild.

Wallace Delman Allison

Services were held for Wallace Delman Allison, 70, of Rule Sat. Feb. 8 at the First Baptist Church in Rule with John Greeson, Rev. J. R. Williams and Rev. Don Meyers officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mr. Allison died Thurs., Feb. 6 at an Abilene hospital. Born Oct. 16, 1926 in Rule, he was a U. S. Army veteran of World War II. He married Helen Roddy on Feb. 12, 1948 in Stamford. He had been owner of Allison Farm Supply since the early 1960s. He had also worked as a real estate agent and was a farmer. He was a charter member of the Lions Club, a member and past president of the Chamber of Commerce, and president of the stockholders board for the Rule Co-op Gin and Elevator. He was past president of the Rule Cemetery Association, and the Haskell County Pecan Show. In 1994, he was named "Man of the Year" by the Rule Chamber of Commerce. He was a 32nd degree Mason and Shriner, a member of the Rule Masonic Lodge and a

member of the First Baptist Church in Rule.

Survivors include his wife, Helen, of Rule; one son and daughter-in-law, John and Celinda Allison of Rule; two daughters and sons-in-law, Brenda and James Griggs of Lubbock and Jan and Art Briles of Stephenville; one brother, Desmond Allison of Smithville; four sisters, Olga Hayes of Carlsbad, N.M., Novis Pittcock of Rule, Lois Matchett of Hereford, and Joyce Newman of Stamford; 7 grandchildren, Craig and Brooke Griggs of Lubbock, Kayla and Jonathan Allison of Rule, and Jancy, Staley, and Kendal Briles of Stephenville.

Pallbearers were Festus Hunt, Bill Bowles, Lavon Beakley, Speedy Smith, Don Foil, Lee Roy Wilson, Eddie Briles, Ernie Simpson and Bud Turnbow. Honorary pallbearers were members of the Lions Club, Bob Bishop, Danny Hisey and Jay Beakley.

The family requests memorials be made to the Briles Memorial Fund, c/o The Farmers National Bank, P. O. Box 10, Rule, TX 79547.

Faye Dunnam

Services were held for Faye Dunnam, 80, of Rule Mon., Feb. 10 at the First Baptist Church in Rule with Rev. Stewart Ferrell and Rev. Don Meyers officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Dunnam died Fri., Feb. 7 at an Abilene hospital. Born Dec. 14, 1916 in Coryell County, she came to Rule in 1924. She was a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University and West Texas State, with a masters degree in education.

She was a teacher in Rule for 34 years, before retiring. She was director of the Rule One Act Plays, which won state in competition two years, under her direction. She enjoyed china painting, painting, and flowers. She was a member of the Retired Teachers

Association and past director of Rule Chamber of Commerce. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Rule.

She was the widow of Bains Young and Bill Dunnam.

Survivors include three sons, Victor Lee Trammell of Pampa, Kenneth Banis Young of Ft. Worth, and Kent Dunnam of Troy, Idaho; 9 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives.

Pallbearers were Eugene Rhoads, Jerry Saffel, Jerry Cannon, Harold Wood, Kenny Tanner, Clifton Rinehart, and E. L. Elmore.

Memorials may be made to the Briles Scholarship Fund, P. O. Box 10, Rule, TX 79547.

Ramon Castorena, Sr.

Services were held for Ramon Castorena, Sr., 55 of Weinert Sat., Feb. 8 at the St. George Catholic Church with the Father Michael Melcher officiating. Burial was Sun., Feb. 9 at Camado under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Castorena died Fri., Feb. 7 at his home.

Survivors include twelve children: Juanita Graciano, Margaret Pena, Secila Zavala, all of Weinert; Ana Robledo, Guadalupe Castorena, and Angel Castorena, all of Haskell; Ramon Castorena Jr., John Castorena, Daniel Castorena, Felipe Castorena, and Jessie Castorena, all of Munday; and Samson Castorena of Anson, and 25 grandchildren.

Henry Lawton Self

Services were held for Henry Lawton Self, 70, of Wichita Falls Sat., Feb. 8 at Grant Street Methodist Church with the Rev. Gene Browder officiating.

Mr. Self died Thurs., Feb. 6. Born July 25, 1926 in Rule, he married Vonna Louise Elmore June 16, 1945 in O'Brien. He was a plumber and a member of Plumbers Local No. 387. He was a member of Grant Street Methodist Church and was a Sunday School

teacher. He was a member of the American Bowling Conference.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Carol Ann Chatterton of Wichita Falls; a sister, Iva Lee Shaw of Richardson; two brothers, Cecil of Garland and Billy Gene of Malakoff; and 3 grandchildren.

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ECC Menu and Calendar

Monday, Feb. 17
Lunch—Ham, cranberry sauce, buttered beans, mixed greens, corn cobbler, bread, milk, tea or coffee.
China painting—1 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 19
Exercise—10:30
Lou Gilly—11:45 a.m.
Lunch—Pork chops, potatoes, green beans/tomatoes, cabbage slaw, mixed fruit, bread, milk, tea or coffee.

Friday, Feb. 21
Belton Hearing—10 a.m.
Lunch—Hamburgers, lettuce/tomatoes, tator tots, cobbler, bread, milk, tea or coffee.
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LIFESTYLES

Coffee honors Emfinger

A gift coffee honoring Mrs. Keith Emfinger, former Kathleen Kutch, was held Sat., Feb. 8 in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church of Rule.

The bride's mother, Mrs. Tom Kutch, and grandmother, Mrs. Rex Murray, greeted guests with the honoree.

Guests registered at a small table covered with an ecru lace cloth over satin. A burgundy candle in a crystal holder was centered on the table with the bride's book and feathered pen. Mrs. Jo Simpson registered guests.

The serving table was covered with an ecru crocheted and cutwork tablecloth. An arrangement of fresh flowers in shades of burgundy with greenery in a flower basket was the

centerpiece. Plates and napkins were in the bride's chosen colors. Serving appointments were crystal and white. Guests were served by Mrs. Oleta Baird and Mrs. Faye Simpson.

Other hostesses were Mrs. Reba Mahler, Mrs. Lou Hisey and Mrs. Oleta Cornelius.

Mr. and Mrs. Emfinger were married Nov. 30 in Lamesa and where they are making their home.

Mrs. Emfinger is a graduate of Rule High School and Texas Tech and is employed by Dawson County MHMR. Mr. Emfinger is a graduate of Tarleton and served four years in the Air Force. He is employed by Lamesa National Bank.



MARCELLETTE (EDIE) ALLEN AND AARON McFADDEN

Allen, McFadden engagement told

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Foster of Brownfield announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their niece, Marcellette (Edie) Allen to Aaron McFadden,

son of Mr. and Mrs. James McFadden of Haskell.

The couple plans to marry Thurs., Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the First Assembly of God in Haskell.

Hope Josselet celebrates 80th birthday with party

Hope Josselet celebrated her 80th birthday at her home, Feb. 1. A party was given in her honor by her children; Brenda Baccus, Mansfield; David Josselet, Abilene; Joe Josselet, Dimmitt; and Ron Josselet, Austin.

Guests who attended were: Clinton & Brenda Baccus; Garry, Kim, Kara & Austin Baccus, San Antonio; Dyrel, Gina, Dustin & Britni Hamrick, Abbott; David & Jackie Josselet; Randy, Tonya, Brian & Brandon Josselet; Michelle & Devin Torres, all of Abilene; Joe & Pam Josselet; Renae Josselet,

Wichita Falls; Ron Josselet; Jackie, Jackie & Todd Pickens, Campbell; Chris, Carrie & Kevin Sullivan and friend, Olney; Carl & Sue Gillet, Lampasas; Donald & Nan Campbell, Odessa; Homer & Jerry Josselet; Bobby & Sandra Sanford; Jack & Ruby Medford; Leroy & Evonne Medford, all of Haskell.

Her grandson, Major Garry Baccus, who is currently stationed in Cyprus, was very glad he was able to attend. Everyone enjoyed reminiscing and catching up on current happenings.

Weinert FCE Club meets

The Weinert FCE Club met Feb. 4 in the Extension Office Kitchen with Faye Jetton as hostess.

President Alice Yates led the group in prayer. Opening exercise consisted of members answering roll call with their favorite love song, followed by the reading of a news article on "Things We Need To Do This Year" by Faye Jetton.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Jonita Felty gave the treasurer's report.

President Alice Yates reported the Haskell County FCE Club Concession Stand at the Junior Livestock Show was a big success due to the ladies donating food, drinks, and valuable time.

Estalynn Liles, Tri-County Rally Day Chairman, reported plans were being made for Tri-County Rally Day on March 26. Committee members Jane Smith, Betty Sanders, and Alice Yates will meet after Council on Feb. 19 to make further preparations. President Alice Yates stated Weinert is Council Hostess on Feb. 19.

Lou Gilly gave a very informative program on the Food Guide Pyramid. Gilly stressed in 1977, the American Heart and American Cancer Societies did research through an appointed senate committee to find out why

Americans were killing themselves through diet. The research committee came to the conclusion that by the year 2000, the daily dietary goal would ideally be 10% sugar, 48% starch, 30% fat and 12% protein. Gilly encouraged the group to eat sensibly from the food groups and to read food labels carefully. After the agent's speech, the members enjoyed playing Pyramid Power, a food game.

A salad luncheon was enjoyed by the following guests: Margaret Jones, Mildred Robertson, Dorothy Trussell, and Lou Gilly. The members present were Cordie Cunningham, Jonita Felty, Faye Jetton, Erma Liles, Estalynn Liles, Myrtle Therwanger, Henrietta Rueffer, Betty Sanders, Kathryn Schonerstedt, and Alice Yates.

The next meeting will be March 4 at the Extension Office Kitchen, 12 o'clock noon, with Jonita Felty as hostess. Members are encouraged to bring a salad.

Tea to honor Paces

Will Pace and Sylvia Torres were married Jan. 24. A tea will be held in their honor on Feb. 16 at 2 p.m. at the First Christian Church Fellowship Hall in Haskell. Family and friends of Will and Sylvia are invited.

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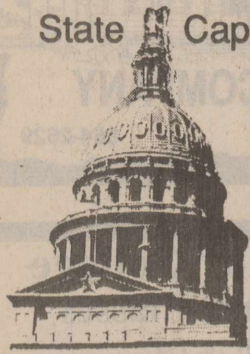
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By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
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Texans under 21 caught with alcohol on their breath, in their possession or merely appear to have consumed alcohol, would lose their driver's license under a bill approved by the Senate Justice Committee last week.

The legislation, sponsored by Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, hits underage drinkers where it hurts most: it takes away their "wheels," the Dallas Morning News reported.

"What we're trying to do is send a message . . . that we have zero tolerance for drinking and driving," West said.

In Texas during the past five years, 1,330 alcohol-related traffic deaths have involved drivers between the ages of 15 and 20. Half of all traffic fatalities in that age group are alcohol related, compared with 36 percent nationally.

Texas law currently allows drivers under the age 21 to operate a motor vehicle with a blood-alcohol level of up to 0.07. A reading of 0.10 is considered legally intoxicated.

Under West's bill, even a trace of alcohol would bring stiff penalties:

- Minors stopped for driving under the influence, depending on first, second or third offense, would face suspension of their driver's license for 120 days to 180 days; a fine of \$500 to \$2,000; up to 180 days in jail and from 20 to 40 days of community service.

- Police would be allowed a choice of either taking a minor who is not driving, but in possession of alcohol, to the police station for a breath or blood test or issuing a citation on the spot.

- For those who were not driving but have been consuming alcohol or have misrepresented their age, penalties would be similar to those assessed to minors caught driving under the influence.

Panel OKs Abortion Bill

A Senate committee last week approved legislation which would require doctors who perform abortions to notify a parent or guardian of a minor seeking an abortion.

Abortion opponents cheered the approval of the parental notification bill sponsored by Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano. They said its early consideration in the legislative session could give the bill momentum as it moves to the full Senate.

"It gives us a boost," said Bill Price, president of Texans United for Life. "The pro-life movement in this state has not been successful in passing pro-life legislation. We've never gotten a hearing on a bill like this so early in the session."

"This bill doesn't ban abortion, and the purpose is not to mandate parent-child communications, but to proclaim the right of parents to know their daughter is in distress," Sen. Shapiro told committee

members.

A similar bill failed in the Senate in 1995. But observers believe the new Republican majority in the Senate will assure passage. The measure is expected to face stiff opposition in the House, where Rep. Kenny Marchant, R-Carrollton, is the sponsor.

Affirmative Action Nixed
Affirmative action programs are illegal, state Attorney General Dan Morales advised Texas' universities last week.

In an opinion issued at the request of University of Houston Chancellor Bill Hobby, Morales cited the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals decision issued last spring that ruled that University of Texas School of Law may not consider race in its admission policy.

"Let us focus our time, energy and creativity on finding alternative ways to promote cultural diversity and equal opportunity in our universities instead of fighting a legal reality," Morales wrote.

Morales warned schools to not consider race or ethnicity in programs affecting students and advised them to use only race-neutral criteria in handling admissions, financial aid, scholarships, recruitment and retention program.

Other Capital Highlights

- More than 2,500 people gathered Feb. 3 at St. Leo's Catholic Church in San Antonio to mourn the death of Congressman Frank Tejeda, 51, who died Jan. 30 of complications from brain cancer. Gov. George W. Bush last week scheduled a March 15 special election to fill Tejeda's seat.

- Acting Texas Lottery director Zoann Atwood resigned last week, after less than a month on the job. Atwood was appointed to the post Jan. 7, after the Texas Lottery Commission fired former lottery director Nora Linares. The commission named Kim Liplin, who has worked as a general counsel for the lottery since 1993, as acting director.

- Gov. Bush has proposed \$70 million reading initiative designed to ensure that all Texas school children can read by the third grade. Last week, three Democratic legislators filed a bill that would pump \$200 million into public school reading programs over two years.

- The state's Permanent School Fund sold \$3.5 million worth of stock in Seagram Co. after Sen. Bill Ratliff, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, objected to the "filth" on recordings marketed by Seagram subsidiary MCA Inc.

- Rep. Hug Berlanga, D-Corpus Christi, was re-elected chairman of the Mexican American Legislative Caucus. Rep. Leticia Van De Putte, D-San Antonio, was elected vice chair of the 35-member legislators' group.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago Feb. 12, 1987

Trinity Lutheran Church is to celebrate its 70th anniversary next Sunday. The church was founded Feb. 12, 1917. A new church building was dedicated April 15, 1951.

Joseph Address, Casey Thompson and Brian Brzozowski were winners in the Chisholm Council Northern District Pinewood Derby in Sweetwater.

The Haskell High School basketball teams, both varsity boys and girls, have made it to the playoffs.

20 Years Ago Feb. 10, 1977

Mr. and Mrs. August Balzer were honored with open house at their home in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary.

In the Rule news: Mrs. Orheana Greenon was honored with a come and go coffee in honor of her (?) birthday.

The Haskell County CowBelles honored Mrs. Melba Howard, past president, in the home of Mrs. Nancy Morales with a surprise gathering.

30 Years Ago Feb. 9, 1967

Ben McGee was named president of the Haskell Jaycees. He replaced

James Franklin, who resigned. Mrs. W. E. Payne, assistant county superintendent of schools since August, 1947, retired from active service on Feb. 1.

Bill Cox, Mike Dulaney, Gary Black, Randell Arend, Larry Jewell, Terry Hutsun and Bobby Cobb received their God and Country awards at the Christian Church in Haskell.

40 Years Ago Feb. 14, 1957

Dee Larned was elected president of the Haskell Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Supt. Robert R. King was re-elected and given a three-year contract as head of the Haskell Public Schools.

A bill for one bushel of corn? The City Council questioned paying the bill for \$3.75. Councilman Brooks Middleton explained—"Well, it's like this. A hog got loose in town and got into some lady's yard. She called us madder'n hops. Since we couldn't find the owner we had to pen him up and feed him. Then the owner came and got the confounded animal before we could suck him for the feed bill." The bill was paid, but not without a protest!!!

50 Years Ago Feb. 13, 1947

Glen Humphreys, Jr., has purchased the Blair Service Station on north main street. He has plans to install machinery and equipment for a modern machine and welding shop on the site.

James Strain was named the winner of the Favorite Future Farmer.

O.C. Stockton, retired Fire Chief of a city in Oklahoma moved to Haskell and will open a new business to be known as Stockton Furniture Company.

99 Years Ago Feb. 5, 1898

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed J. Hammer Tuesday.

R. M. Dickerson requests us to ask the party who borrowed his oats last week to close the door next time so the cows won't waste the remaining grain.

The most honest and appropriate sign we have seen in many a day is that which Messrs. Keister and Hazelwood have had painted on the front of their saloon this week. It reads "Whis (Key) The Road to Ruin. The word whiskey is made by painting "Whis" over a large key. It is certainly a fair warning to all who are inclined to take that road.

Consumers pay price for local phone monopolies delaying games

By Luis Wilmot
Executive Director
Partnership for a
Competitive Texas

Today in Texas huge telephone monopolies take advantage of the legal and political system to deny Texans choice and savings in local phone service.

The phone monopolies are Southwestern Bell and GTE. Together they provide the lion's share of local phone service to Texans. The two telephone giants continue to operate largely as monopolies in Texas in spite of years of work by state and federal governments to bring about competition.

They have used their wealth and power to hire an army of lobbyists in an effort to use the Legislature to influence public policy or to intimidate the Public Utility Commission.

The losers in this delaying game are Texas consumers and businesses. Texans continue to pay more for phone service than they should have to, and they are being denied advanced technology and services.

In 1993 Texas legislators debated opening the state to full competition for local phone service. Legitimate disagreements prompted the Legislature that year to set up extensive interim studies on local competition.

In 1995, Texas lawmakers came back and this time tackled local telephone competition. The bill that passed gave the local telephone monopolies a great deal of

regulatory freedom. In return, local monopolies assured state leaders and all Texans that competition would come.

Adding to the drive for local competition was the federal government. In 1996, Congress passed and the President signed a bill that was intended to bring about local competition. The bill was supported by telecommunications companies across the board, including Southwestern Bell.

Today it's a year since the federal law passed and almost two years since the Texas law was enacted. If you wanted to change local service providers, who would you call? For the overwhelming majority of Texans, there is still no choice.

In fact, the local monopolies have done everything they can to delay and block competition. They have tried to block it through the Legislature, the Congress and now the judiciary.

After saying they supported the federal telecommunications reform act, Southwestern Bell and GTE filed lawsuits challenging the Federal Communication Commission's authority to enact rules. The Texas Public Utility Commission worked for months before reaching its decision. Bell was involved with those efforts. But when the PUC issued a decision opening the state to competition, Southwestern Bell filed state and federal lawsuits to block the decision.

In the meantime, Texans are

paying more and getting less because of the monopoly hold on local service. Today it costs Texans more to make a three-minute long distance phone call from Marfa to Midland (\$1.40) than from Marfa to Honolulu, Hawaii (96 cents). That is because the local phone monopolies assess a 12-cent per-minute fee for in-state calls. The same fee in California is 2-cents per minute.

And instead of using its \$2.1 billion in earnings to benefit Texas phone infrastructure, Bell has invested in an Australian publishing company, an Israeli advertising agency and British cable television company. Now they are spending \$17 billion to purchase the California local telephone company.

Other telecommunications companies, both large and small, want to provide Texans a choice in local service. But working with the local monopolies to bring

competition is like sending lettuce home by rabbit.

Texans have a right to be mad. As consumers of local telephone service, we deserve a right to choose. If we can bring to an end the non-stop delays by the telephone monopolies, Texans can start benefiting from the lower rates, better service and advanced technology that competition will bring.

Luis Wilmot is executive director of Partnership for a Competitive Texas and a longtime consumer advocate.

Texas Senate Review

Four bills were quickly passed in the Senate on Mon., Feb. 3. Senate Bill (SB) 197, sponsored by Senator Judith Zaffirini of Laredo, will require the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA) to establish rules and monitor alcohol awareness programs across the state. TCADA certifies over 106 alcohol awareness programs and is currently working on approving an alcohol awareness program for under-age drinkers that have been charged with possession or the consumption of alcohol.

Senator Drew Nixon of Carthage sponsored SB 145, a bill which outlines uniform procedures, guidelines, and restrictions for all agencies authorized to accept gifts, providing consistency with public records.

Senator David Sibley of Waco sponsored two bills regarding real estate regulations. SB 221 authorizes real estate brokers to enter into property management agreements that do not have definite termination dates. SB 223 changes the minimum daily classroom course segments for real estate continuing education requirements from three hours to one hour without changing the total hours required for renewal.

On Tues., Feb. 4, Senator Gonzalo Barrientos of Austin introduced a bill in an attempt to solve a problem that has plagued the Texas education system for many years—illiteracy. The Basics First reading bill is aimed at ensuring that all students can read by the time they leave the third grade. The bill would equip school districts with the resources they need to provide extra help in reading to all students. The bill also requires school districts to spend this money on new, intensive programs to help Texas' youngest at-risk readers. The program is expected to cost \$200 million over a period of two years, funds which would primarily come from state appropriations.

The Senate unanimously passed SB 168, a bill regarding financial incentives to high-performance schools. Currently, campus performance evaluations provide financial incentives to principals. Senator Tom Haywood of Wichita Falls sponsored SB 168 which indicates that while principals are a significant factor in the success of a high-performance school, distribution of financial incentives will benefit the entire campus.

In other Senate activity, Senator-elect Steve Ogden of Bryan was officially sworn in by Lieutenant Governor Bob Bullock. The former Texas representative will represent District 5.

On Wed., Feb. 5, Senator Bill Ratliff of Mount Pleasant sponsored two bills that went into final passage on the Senate floor. Senate Bill (SB) 218 allows the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners the authorization to raise the fee of exams that license architects. The bill was passed unanimously and will be effective upon passage in the House.

SB 297 concerns the allotment of money for technology in Texas public schools. Currently, school districts are given 30 dollars per student for technological aids, such as computers and other high-tech equipment. The school districts are having to go to other funds to find the additional money needed for these items. This bill would give the districts an additional 97 million dollars to use for these purposes.

In an effort to broaden awareness among Texans of the serious drought problems the state faces, Governor George W. Bush proclaimed Feb. as Drought and Wildfire Awareness Month. As a companion to his comprehensive water bill (SB 1) filed last month, Senator J.E. "Buster" Brown of Lake Jackson kicked off the event Thursday. The month's activities and projects focus on current water supply conditions, key water issues, water techniques in agriculture and wildfire awareness.

The Senate will reconvene on Mon., Feb. 10, at noon.

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Around Town

by Joyce Hawkins

Judy Hicks of Abilene visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Gray on Sat.

Visiting with Joyce Hawkins over the weekend were granddaughter and children, Shelly Hawkins, Taylor and Stacy of Burnet.

Mr. and Mrs. David Conn spent the weekend with his parents John and Darlene Conn in Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bryon McCallum spent the weekend visiting his mother Audree McCallum in Rice Spring Care Home and Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCauley.

Marilou Farmingham of Levnon KY. spent the week with parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCauley and visited her Grandmother, Audree McCallum in Rice Spring Care Home.

Keith Vaughn of Irving spent 2 days visiting his brother and family, Ronnie Vaughn.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Dean Druessedow of Abilene, Ann Druessedow, Francis Fischer and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fischer visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Peiser Sat. afternoon and enjoyed playing eighty-four and then all went out to eat.

James Lee and daughter Nina visited his mother Peggy Burnett and the Willis of Rule.

Bernice Hilliard visited sister-in-law Ellen Hilliard and Jean Ballard in Abilene and attended the Country Brothers dance at the Wagon Wheel with Leon Ivey being the caller and Maxine Ivey doing the line dance.

Gale and Donna Tidrow visited their sister Sue of Roundrock over the weekend and attended a baby shower honoring Sue.

Volunteers are vital to American Heart Association

Each year, millions of people volunteer their time and talent to the American Heart Association to help in the fight against cardiovascular disease—this nation's leading killer—and stroke. Recognizing the need for all Americans to take part in the continuing battle against heart disease and stroke, in 1963, the U. S. Congress mandated that the President issue a proclamation annually designating February as American Heart Month. The AHA works with the Administration in the drafting and signing of this annual proclamation.

Each February during American Heart Month, the American Heart Association launches a nationwide educational campaign. The educational message for February 1997 is, "Get in on the Action!" which urges citizens to make physical activity a part of their daily lives. Research clearly shows that regular exercise is an important way to reduce the risk of heart attack.

The AHA is committed to funding research to learn more about the treatment and prevention of heart disease and stroke. Today, the changes of saving a life and reducing disability from heart disease and stroke are better than ever because of research done in our lifetimes. Much has been accomplished, but more needs to be done to educate people on the benefits of physical activity.

During American Heart Month, American Heart Association volunteers across the country visit their neighbors to provide educational information about cardiovascular disease and stroke while soliciting funds to help support the AHA's ongoing research and educational initiatives.

Births

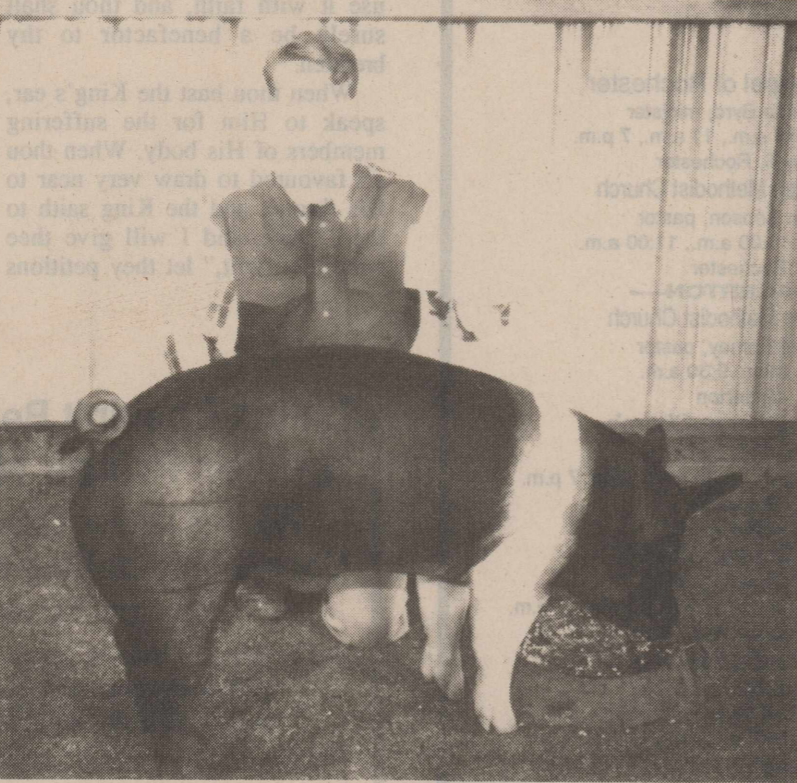
Angel Jr. and Angela Pena welcome their brother, Angelo Mario Pena. Angelo was born in Abilene at Hendrick Medical Center on Jan. 21 weighing 7 lbs. 15 oz.

Parents are Angel and Angie Pena of Haskell. Grandparents are Cruz and Antonia Pena of Haskell.

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COUNTRY JUKEBOX: The Country Jukebox 1997 band will be the featured entertainment for the Rule Chamber of Commerce banquet, March 4. The group of students is from South Plains College. Students in the ensemble enroll in order to gain skills in a commercial country band. Students are encouraged to move toward the expectations of the music industry while implementing their studies in vocal and instrumental training from their private music lessons. Class members include Richie Dorman, Rusty Hudelson, Schahara Hudelson, Cory Williams, Jason Milliken, Larry Amos, Dena Skelley, Tommy Horton, Mindy Hash and John Harton. The band encompasses a wide range of musical styles including country, bluegrass, rock, contemporary Christian, gospel and Tejano music and are sure to be a hit at the banquet. Banquet tickets are \$7.50 in advance and \$8.00 at the door.



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Ann Young receives recertification

On Jan. 30, Ann Young, Haskell City Secretary of ten years, was recertified by the Texas Municipal Clerks Certification Program.

Certification and recertification are neither easy nor automatic. Original certification required successful completion of approximately 200 hours of individual home study over a four course curriculum and attendance at eight two-day professional development seminars. Recertification requires 72

classroom hours of instruction, completion of three texts and three comprehensive written papers.

The Certification Program offered at the University of North Texas, the only university-level professional education program for city clerks and secretaries in Texas, is the third oldest of thirty-three such programs in the country.

The Certification Program is recognized and endorsed by Section 22.074 of the Local Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated. The statute mandates recertification every five years.

Food for thought

by Charles H. Spurgeon
"Pray one for another."

—James 5:16
As an encouragement cheerfully to offer intercessory prayer, remember that such prayer is the sweetest God ever hears, for the prayer of Christ is of this character. In all the incense which our Great High Priest now puts into the golden censer, there is not a single grain for himself.

His intercession must be the most acceptable of all supplications—and the more like our prayer is to Christ's, the sweeter it will be; thus while petitions for ourselves will be accepted, our pleadings for others, having in them more of the fruits of the Spirit, more love, more faith, more brotherly kindness, will be, through the precious merits of Jesus, the sweetest oblation that we can offer to God, the very fat of our sacrifice.

Remember, again, that intercessory prayer is exceedingly prevalent. What wonders it has wrought! The Word of God teems with its marvellous deeds. Believe, thou hast a mighty engine in thy hand, use it well, use it constantly, use it with faith, and thou shalt surely be a benefactor to thy brethren.

When thou hast the King's ear, speak to Him for the suffering members of His body. When thou art favoured to draw very near to His throne, and the King saith to thee, "Ask, and I will give thee what thou wilt," let thy petitions

be, not for thyself alone, but for the many who need His aid. If thou hast grace at all, and art not an intercessor, that grace must be small as a grain of mustard seed. Thou hast just enough grace to float thy soul clear from the quicksand, but thou hast no deep floods of grace, or else thou wouldst carry in thy joyous bark a weighty cargo of the wants of others, and thou wouldst bring back from thy Lord, for them, rich blessings which but for thee they might not have obtained.

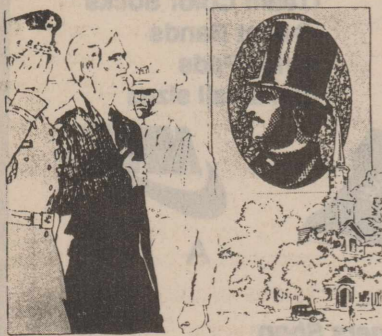
"Oh, let my hands forget their skill, My tongue be silent, cold, and still, This bounding heart forget to beat, If I forget the mercy-seat!"
submitted by Sam Binner

Haskell Co. Gin Report

February 10, 1997

Haskell:	
Farmers Co-op Gin	4,500
Haskell Co-op Gin	8,645
Rochester:	
Farmers Co-op Gin	3,850
Rule:	
Rule Co-op Gin	4,678
Sagerton Gin	1,700
O'Brien:	
O'Brien Gin	16,184
Weinert:	
Paymaster Gin	4,003
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Total bales	48,554

This Week's Devotional Message: BEHIND OUR GREAT LEADERS WAS THEIR FAITH IN GOD



One fact emerges throughout the history of the world's free nations: all the celebrated leaders who ever brought their countries to a position of greatness had one thing in common. Despite their differences in personality or the circumstances which brought about their attainment of leadership, all of them were aware that whatever power might result in the benefit of the nation was received from the

Almighty, and that they were merely the instruments chosen to make good use of it. When things went well they thanked God for the blessings, and in hours of darkness they prayed for His help and guidance. Not only when we celebrate their birthdays but at all times let us pray for this same divine guidance which gave our leaders the greatness for which we remember them.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

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.
607 S. 7th, Haskell
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
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
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.
401 S. Ave. D, Haskell

Hopewell Baptist Church
John Lewis, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell
Greater Independent Baptist Church
Rev. Camellia Wade, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell
New Covenant Foursquare
Freddy Perez, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Tues. 7 p.m.
200 S. Ave. F, Haskell
Mission Revival Center
Rev. William Hodge
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell
First Baptist Church
Jim Turner, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell
PAINT CREEK
Paint Creek Baptist Church
Sidney Parsley, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
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Rev. James Patterson
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
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Weinert Foursquare Church
Rev. Joyce Goossen and Rev. Diane Crowmover
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Weinert
ROCHESTER
Church of Christ
Jim Pratt, minister
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First Baptist Church
Ed Buerkle, pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester
Union Chapel Baptist Church
Rev. Andrew
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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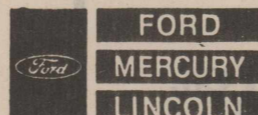
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Sid and Joyce Hester

We want to express our many thanks to all who helped make our burden lighter during our time of grief. We may have missed someone in the thank you notes, but please forgive us and accept our thanks again. May God forever bless you is our prayer.
The family of Robert Yeldell

We want to thank everyone for the love, prayers, support and good food during our loss of our Dad and our brother, John 'Jay' Walker. God bless you all.
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We can't begin to thank everyone for the visits, food, cards, donations and especially your prayers since Bill's accident.
To everyone who helped with the Rodriguez Inn lunch and the Haskell Country Club benefit, we truly appreciate each and everyone of you.
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Lunch

A choice of baked potato with choice of toppings or salad bar plus milk and tea are offered daily at the High School. Milk and juice are served daily at the Elementary School. Monday: Comdog, macaroni and cheese, pork and beans, pickle spears, congo bars. Tuesday: Oven fried chicken with gravy, creamed potatoes, blackeyed peas, buttered hot rolls, ice cream. Wednesday: BBQ on bun, tater tots, pickle spears, cookies. Thursday: Burritos, Spanish rice, tossed salad, sliced peaches. Friday: Hamburger, curly fries, hamburger trimmings, pudding cake.

Paint Creek School Menu

Feb. 17-21 Breakfast

Milk and juice are served daily. Monday: Cereal Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy Wednesday: Cinnamon toast Thursday: Toast with jelly Friday: Donuts

Lunch

Milk is served daily. Monday: Chicken pot pie, whole potatoes, green beans, peaches Tuesday: Burritos, baked potatoes, cabbage slaw, fruit salad Wednesday: Frito pie, baked beans, salad, cheese, cinnamon rolls Thursday: Macaroni-cheese-wieners, green peas & carrots, salad, rolls, apples Friday: Hamburgers, fries, lettuce, pickles, cheese, tomatoes, ice cream

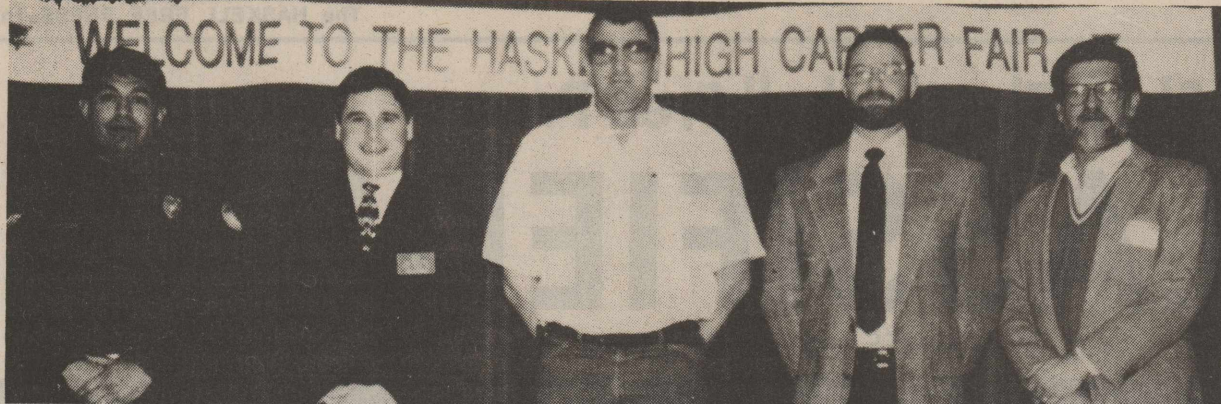
Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 754 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Feb. 8, according to Gary Tate reporter.

The market was fully steady! Cows: fat .32-.37; cutters .30-.385; canners .25-.35. Bulls: bologna 40-46; feeder .55-.65; utility .25-.35. Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .85-1.04; 300-400 lbs., .75-.95; 400-500 lbs., .70-.90; 500-600 lbs., .65-.825; 600-700 lbs., .65-.82; 700-800 lbs., .62-.70; 800-up lbs., .55-.64. Heifers: medium and large frame No.1 200-300 lbs., .75-.85; 300-400 lbs., .64-.74; 400-500 lbs., .58-.68; 500-600 lbs., .56-.67; 600-up lbs., .50-.65. Bred Heifers: medium frame, \$300-\$400. Bred Cows: young to middle aged, \$400-\$500; aged or small, \$250-\$400. Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, \$500-\$650; small or aged, \$350-\$500.

McCaulley Musical set February 14

The McCaulley Recreational Development Corp. will host its monthly musical on Fri., Feb. 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the community center on the old school grounds.



CAREER FAIR PRESENTERS: Haskell exes (from left) Patrick Perez, Bo Watson, Trey Burson, Don Kretschmer and Dr. Michael Felker were among the thirty presenters at the Haskell Career Fair held Fri., Jan. 31.



HASKELL EXES: Haskell Career Fair presenters included these exes (from left): Nancy Tolver, Sharon Bird, Melissa Robison, Susan Blanks, Wallace Cox, Lanny Ivy and Joe Yates (Weinert ex).

Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

Wintertime is back among us. Last week we were thinking of planting gardens and this week we are stacking up more firewood in anticipation of more cold weather. Most of the area received an inch of rain and everyone is thankful for that. Even the cows had smiley faces!!

Upcoming events include Valentine's Day on Friday...don't forget. Midweek Lenten worship will be held at Faith Lutheran Wednesday night, the 19th at 7:30 and the men's breakfast will be held Friday morning, February 21 at 7:00. The Friendship club will meet at noon on Thursday, February 20.

The regular monthly community was held at the center last Tuesday, Feb. 4 with Charles and Dorothy Clark, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, and Frances Clark hosting a sandwich supper. During the business meeting it was decided upon to panel and paint the dining room and auditorium and paint the library in preparation for Hee Haw and Homecoming. The next meeting will be on the first Tuesday in March. Hostesses are needed and volunteers may contact any of the following ladies who serve on the food committee: Helen Lehrmann,

Odene Dudensing, Sue Guinn and Mrs. Joe Clark. Those in attendance were Corene Lowack, Mary Neinast, Alvin and Alice Bredthauer, J.J. Gellner; Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Pastor Jeff and Marie Zell, John and Sue Guinn, Charles and Dorothy Clark, Frances Clark, Joe and Dorothy Clark, Sylvia Crowe of Hillsboro, Deborah Jean Guinn of Lubbock, and Emmalee Bivins of Rule.

Alvin and Alice Bredthauer attended the 90th birthday celebration for Tullie Herring of Amarillo recently. Tullie is a former resident of Sagerton and is especially remembered as the driver of the big green school bus. He enjoyed the handwritten birthday card signed by friends at the last community meeting.

Sealed bids are being taken for the job of mowing the park, community center grounds and cemetery. An hourly fee should be submitted to Joyce LeFevre, Dorothy Toney or Leon Stegemoeller by March 15.

The community is saddened again by the death of a Rule school teacher. Faye Dunnam was a longtime teacher in Rule and taught many Sagerton students over the years, taking them all the way to

state competition in U.I.L. one act plays. Her perseverance and dedication will be long remembered.

Guests visiting in the home of Pastor and Marie Zell were Bee Hun and Ken Smith of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Grandchildren and great-grandchildren livened up the home of Alvin and Ev Ulmer this past weekend as they entertained Brad, Dora, Tyler and Madison Ulmer of Webster, near Houston.

The Rule basketball girls won their final district game last Friday when they defeated Throckmorton, making them the District champs. They will play Rotan Friday night at Wylie. Sagerton girls on the team are Jennifer Lehrmann and Stephanie and Michelle Stegemoeller. Good luck girls as you move on in th play-offs.

A thought for the week: (Copied) As you ramble on through live, brother, whatever be your goal: keep your eyes upon the donut and not upon the hole.

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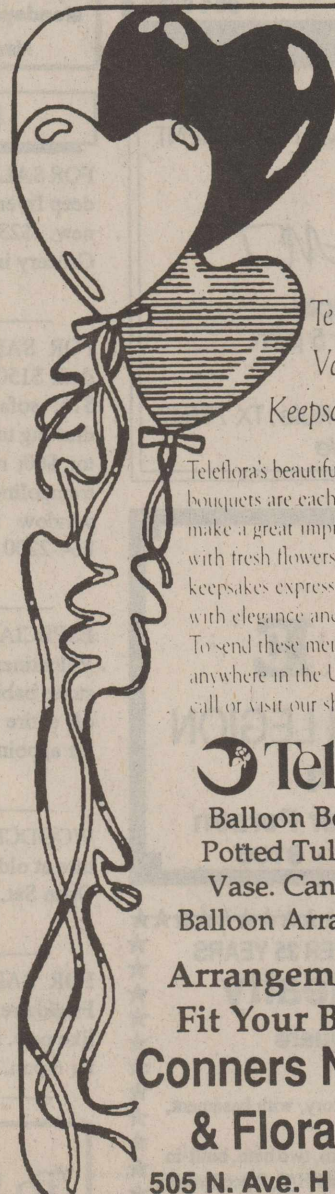
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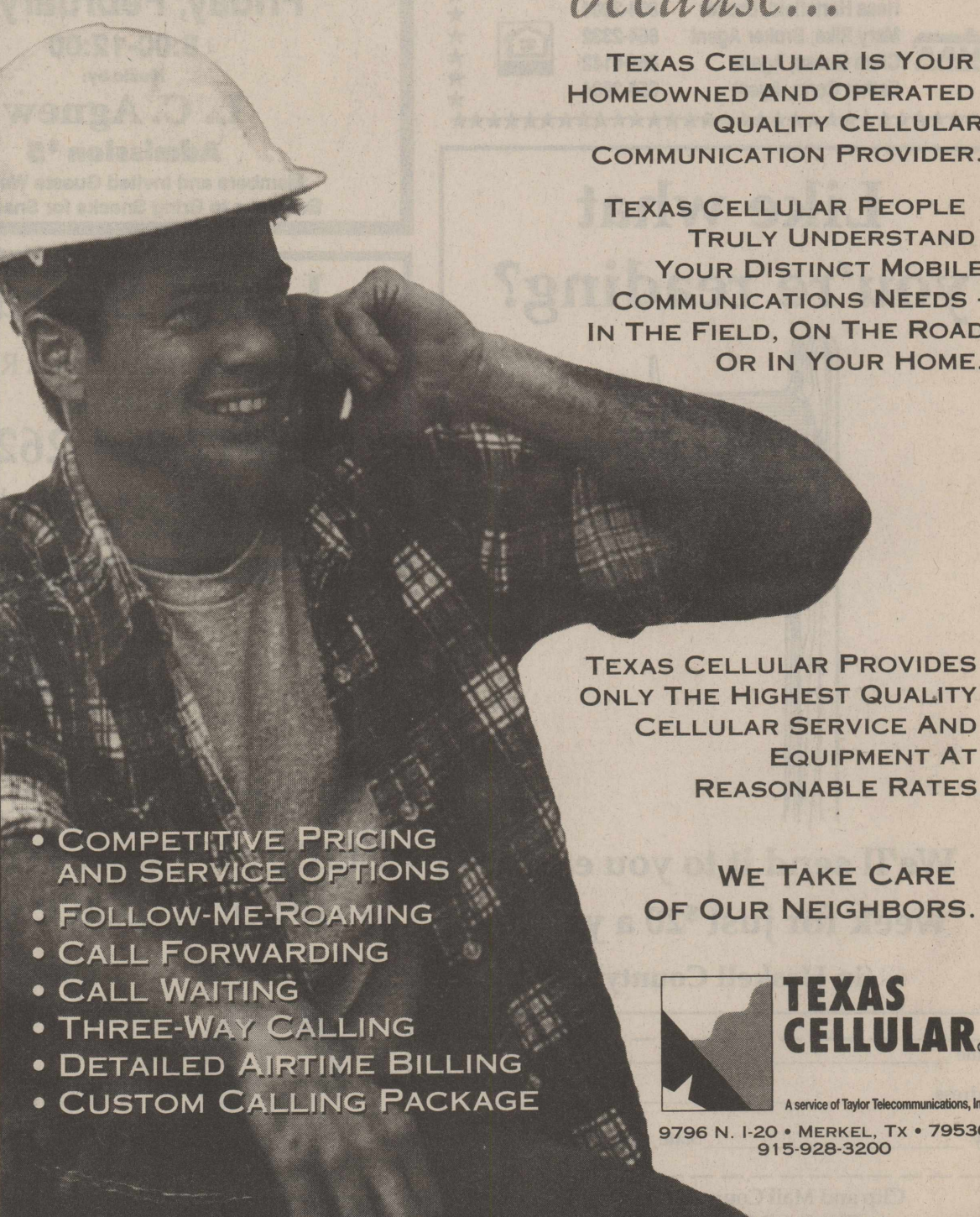
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