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Special fund

A special fund for Sid Hester has been established at Farmers National Bank, P. O. Box 10, Rule, TX 79547. Hester is awaiting a heart transplant in Houston. The fund would help with his medical expenses.

Bible School

Calvary Baptist Church at 600 S. 7th in Haskell will hold Vacation Bible School June 7 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for pre-school through sixth grade children. Lunch will be provided. Call Betty Enriquez at 864-2391 after 5:30 p.m. for information.

Book signing

Wyman Meinzer and Dr. William O. (Doc) Beazley will be featured at a book signing session Thurs., June 5 from 10 a.m. til noon at the lobby of Haskell National Bank. Dr. Lawrence Clayton will be featured on Fri., June 6 from 1:30 until 3 p.m. in the lobby. Refreshments will be served.

3 on 3 basketball

St. George Catholic Youth Organization will host a 3 on 3 basketball tournament June 14 at the Haskell City Park at 8 a.m. Seven mens teams and seven womens teams will be registered at a fee of \$40. Ages will include freshmen and up with a limit of four per team. Deadline to register in June 7. For information call Zeff and Hope Perez 864-3670, Joel and Jovita Torres 864-2158 or Tony and Maria Martinez 915-773-3922.

Car wash

St. George Catholic Youth Group will sponsor a car wash Sat., June 7 beginning at 8 a.m. at Eloy's Garage on the Throckmorton Hwy. in Haskell.

Swimming lessons

Swimming lessons will be taught at the Haskell pool June 23-July 2. Classes will be offered for beginner through immediate students. Classes are scheduled for evenings from 5 to 8 p.m. Call 864-8185 or 864-3820 to register.

Summer lunches

Haskell Schools summer lunch program is free to everyone 18 and under every Monday through Friday during June and July. Meals are served from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Computer course

A two-week course on Microsoft Word will be taught at Haskell High School beginning June 17. To register, call Amanda Hadaway at 864-2780 by Mon., June 9.

Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the City Hall annex today, Thurs., June 5 at 9:30 a.m.

Mammography

Haskell Memorial Hospital will sponsor a mammography screening day Mon., June 9. The service, through Bethania's Mobile Mammography Van, will be located on the parking lot of the hospital. Mammograms are available to the public for the complete cost of \$65.00 (includes both the technical and professional fee). Pre-registration is a requirement and can be done by contacting Delia at 817-864-2621.

Camp Goodenough

Camp Goodenough at Hardin Simmons Mabee Complex has been set. Day camp will be offered for first through sixth grade girls June 16-20 from 1 to 4 p.m. Cost is \$75. Overnight camp will be offered for sixth through twelfth grade girls June 26-28. Cost is \$15 for residents and \$100 for commuters. Call Coach Julie Goodenough for information at 915-670-1468 or 915-675-5233.

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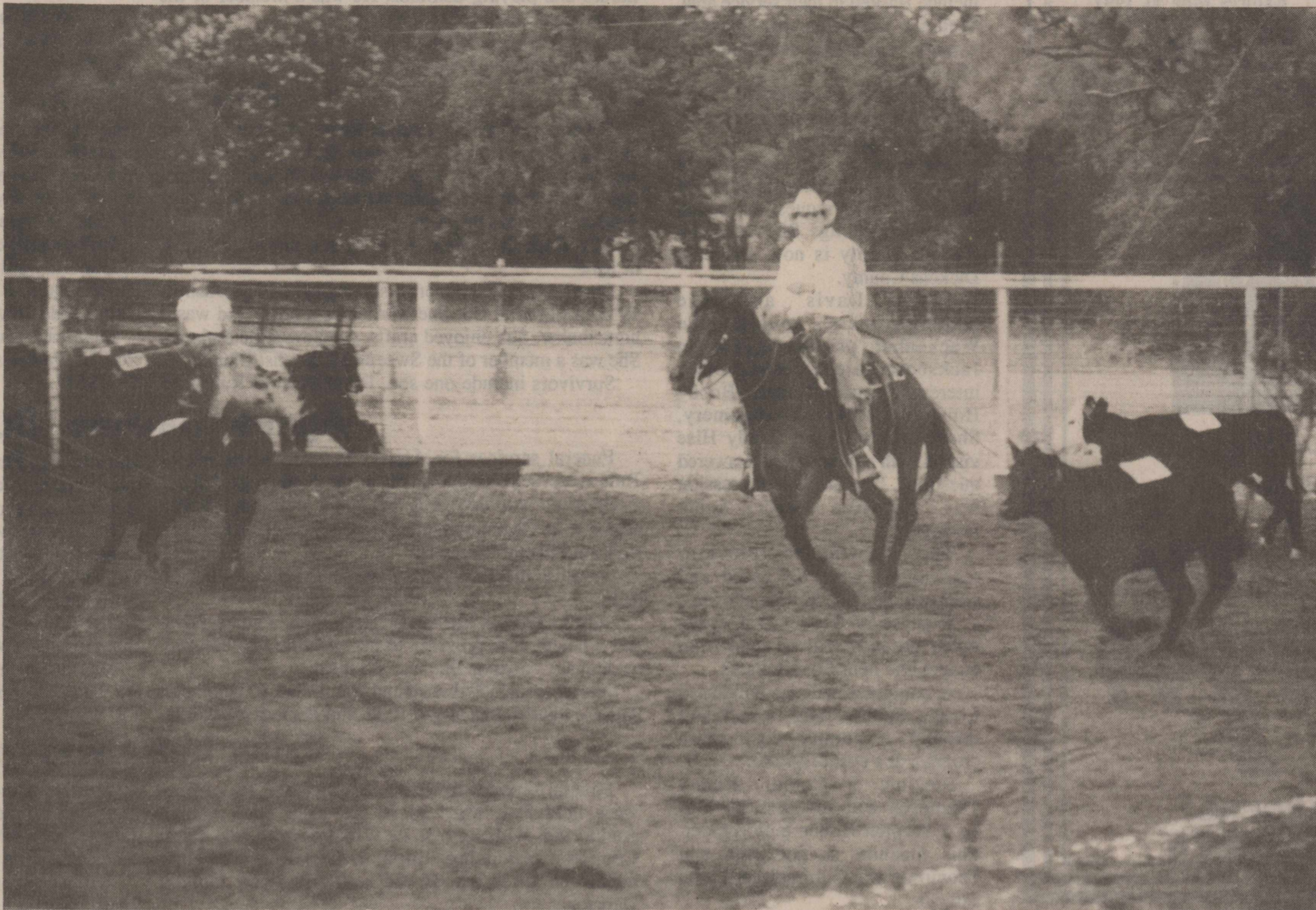
Welcome to Wild Horse Prairie Days in Haskell

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YA'LL COME—Wild Horse Prairie Days are schedule this weekend in Haskell. The fun-filled weekend will feature food and merchandise, an invitational ranch rodeo, childrens rodeo, poets and

musicians, chuckwagon brisket and rib cook-off, chuckwagon meals, and a cowboy church service. It's a weekend guaranteed to offer something for everyone.

Wild Horse Prairie Days set this weekend

In the 1800's, wild horses roamed all over this portion of the plains, especially on the prairies in the western part of Haskell County, thus giving it the name, Wild Horse Prairie. In honor of the history of this special name, the Haskell Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring Wild Horse Prairie Days on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 6, 7 and 8 in Haskell.

The three day event features an Invitational Ranch Rodeo, dances, a Chuck Wagon Brisket and Rib Cook-off, childrens rodeo, team roping, cowboy poetry reading, open calf roping, a Cowboy Church Service and food and merchandise vendors.

The Ranch Rodeo will be held Friday and Saturday nights beginning at 7:00 p.m. nightly and will include team sorting, double mugging, wild cow milking, team branding, team roping and buddy pick-up. A Top Hand and Top Horse award will be given.

Ranches that are participating in the rodeo are: Bar S Ranch of Aspermont; Bar S Ranch of Munday; Brown and Bellah Ranch of Throckmorton; R. A. Brown Ranch of Throckmorton; Clark Cattle Co. of Breckenridge; Flat Top 8 Ranch of Haskell; Flowers Cattle Co. of Aspermont; Guitar Ranch of Abilene; Lyles Ranch of Benjamin; Moorhouse Ranch Co. of Benjamin; Nail Ranch of Albany; Pitchfork Land and Cattle of Guthrie; Spikebox Ranch of Benjamin; Swenson Ranch of Stamford; Thompson Ranch of Munday; Throckmorton Land and Cattle Co. of Throckmorton;

Triangle Ranch of Paducah; Waggoner Ranch of Electra; Beggs Ranch; and J-Y Masterson Ranch.

Rodeo fans will also be able to enjoy day-time rodeo events on Saturday with a childrens rodeo at the show bawn from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and a team roping beginning at noon.

The cooks or would-like-to-be cooks can mosey on over to the Chuck Wagon Brisket and Rib Cook-off, with some down-home-on-the-ranch type of cooking, at the Fairgrounds area.

Poetry lovers will be able to enjoy hours of entertainment from cowboy poets and musicians beginning at 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday, at the Haskell Civic Center.

For the dancers in the crowd, it's time to dust off your hat and don your boots and jeans for a boot-skootin' good time at the Haskell Civic Center on Friday and Saturday nights from 9:00 to 12:30. Tickets are \$7 each. Children under 12 years of age, accompanied by an adult will not be charged admission.

Friday night will feature Little Rock. On Saturday night, dance fans will be able to kick up their heels to a variety of music, provided by Southern Cross from Abilene.

A Sunday morning Cowboy Church Service will be held at 10 a.m. at the Civic Center. The featured speaker will be Jeff Gore, well known for his ministry in music.

The Haskell Horse Club and the Roping club will host an Open

Childrens rodeo set

Hey all you yougens! Time to lasso your horse and grab your cowboy hat for the first annual Wild Horse Prairie Days Stickhorse Rodeo, Fine Fat Piglet Chase and Dummy Steer Roping contest. Kuehler Irrigation and Supply So. in Munday and Safeguard DeWormer is sponsoring this event for young cowgirls and cowboys during the Wild Horse Prairie Days.

The event will be held on Sat., June 7 starting at 10 a.m. in the Showbarn arena. Participants need to arrive between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. to sign up for the events.

Wrangler, Tony Lama, Justin

Boots and Heads or Tails Western Wear will be awarding prizes. Prizes will include Wrangler jeans, boots, coloring books, and Justin stickhorses. Prizes will be awarded for the Best Dressed Cowboy and Cowgirl. Judging will be during the Stickhorse Rodeo.

The Justin Stickhorse Rodeo will begin at 10 a.m. Divisions will be Bulls and Barrels (ages 2-6) and Dummy Steer Roping (ages 7-9, and 10-12).

The Fine Fat Piglet Chase will begin at 11 a.m. with three age groups: ages 4-6, 7-9 and 10-12.

Roping on Sunday afternoon, beginning at 2 p.m. at the Haskell Co. arena. Some tough cowboys and good horses are expected and a day of exciting competition is planned.

The week of June 2-8 will be

western week in Haskell. Residents of the community and merchants are encouraged to dress in western attire and decorate their businesses in a western theme to welcome visitors and promote the Wild Horse Prairie Days celebration.

Chuckwagon lunch, breakfast to be served at Fairgrounds

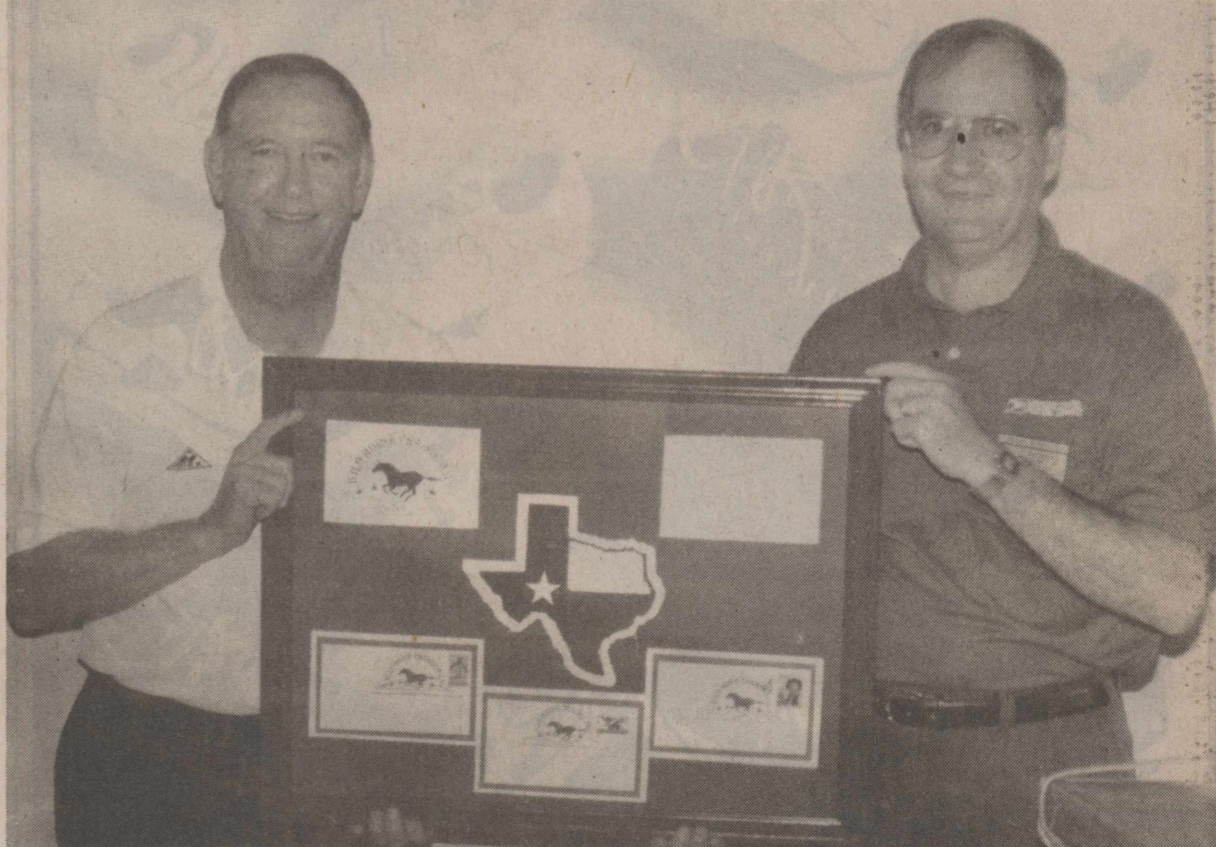
In conjunction with Wild Horse Prairie Days, a chuckwagon lunch will be served Sat., June 7 from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. The meal will follow the Second Annual Chuckwagon Cook-Off to be held in the grass lot south of the Haskell Memorial Civic Center.

A cowboy breakfast will be held in the same location on Sun., June 8 from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m.

Tickets to the lunch are \$7 for

adults and \$4 for children 12 and under. Tickets to the breakfast are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under.

Both the lunch and the breakfast tickets are available at the Chamber of Commerce, First National Bank, Haskell National Bank, The Drug Store, City Hall, Heads or Tails Western Wear, and Personality-Slipper Shoppe.



SPECIAL PICTORIAL CANCELLATION—The U. S. Postal Service has announced that the Haskell Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a special pictorial cancellation to commemorate The Wild Horse Prairie Days in Haskell. A branch post office at Rodeo Station will be located on the rodeo grounds on Fri., June 6 from 2 to 4 p.m., on Sat., June 7 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Sun., June 8 from 2 to 4 p.m. Those who would like to have their mail postmarked with the special cancellation should come to the rodeo station post office during this time. To receive the cancellation, items must bare first class postage of at least 20 cents for postcard or 32 cents for letter mail. Envelopes and postage will be available at the rodeo postal station. The special pictorial cancellation will include the Wild Horse Prairie Days logo and brand, marked Rodeo Station, Haskell, TX 79521 and the date.

GTE adds Aspermont to ELC

GTE Telephone Operations will extend local calling for all customers in the Haskell telephone service area. Beginning June 25, customers can place toll-free calls to Aspermont from Haskell. Haskell already has Extended Local Calling to Munday, Seymour, and Throckmorton. Calls from those communities to Haskell also will be local calls.

"Prior to the start of Extended Local Calling, each call between these areas was billed separately as a long-distance call, and customers would see a long-distance charge per call on their monthly bills," said Joe Thornton, Area Manager-Customer Operations.

"Now, these calls are equivalent to local calls, and all customers in the towns having the new Expanded Local Calling (ELC) must now dial all seven digits, both for local calls and ELC calls," explained Mr. Thornton.

No long-distance charges when you call Aspermont beginning June 25. Calls from Aspermont to Haskell will also be local calls. You currently have ELC to Munday, Seymour, and Throckmorton; therefore, with the implementation of ELC to Aspermont:

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All customer in these towns having the new Expanded Local Calling (ELC) must now dial all seven-digits, both for local and ELC calls.

Expanded Local Calling between Haskell and Abilene will be provided once legal and regulatory approvals are received.

This is a result of balloting which took place in the Haskell telephone service area under the rules of Senate Bill 632 and the Public Utility Commission Rule 23.49 (c).

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Total dispatchers use discussed

At the regular meeting of the Haskell Co. Commissioners Court on May 27, Judge David Davis reported the county jail dispatch use over the last four months. Use for Rule averages 2.5 percent, use for Rochester averages 8.25 percent and Haskell averages a use of 48 percent. These figures will be a factor in the financing of the full time dispatchers.

Effective Aug. 1, the weather service out of San Angelo will include Haskell in their service area. Weather bulletins for Haskell County will be issued from the office there.

The jail will be inspected by the Texas Commission of Jail Standards on June 3.

Mary Lee of Headstream Memorial Health Center approached the Court with a request for repairs to their building. She said the Haskell facility is now servicing Dickens County.

Judge Davis and the commissioners toured the Wackenhut prison facility in Jacksboro along with other interested county leaders. Bobby Hobgood, Monty Montgomery, Shane Hadaway and Randy Hise visited with the court and answered questions. The overall impression was positive with some reservations.

The courthouse elevator renovations were discussed and work will be done as time allows.

Expense of \$1600 used at the rodeo grounds will be paid from budget line item County Parks.

A computer will be purchased for the County Judge's secretary through a county cost share program at a cost of \$1200.

Precinct 3 Comm. Kenny Thompson will advertise for bids on a surplus Huber motorgrader. This machine is not used and Thompson wants to replace it with a tractor.

Obituaries

Cleo Bush

Funeral services for Cleo Bush, 83, of Rule were held Fri., May 30 at 3 p.m. in the Rule High School Auditorium with the Rev. J. R. Williams officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mr. Bush died Mon., May 26 in a fire at his home in Rule.

Born in 1914 in Eastland Co., he married Pauline Paralee on Dec. 19, 1935 in Eastland Co. He was a farmer and retired from the Rule Co-op Gin. He loved horses and playing dominos. He was a member of the Sweet Home Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Dural Bush of Rule; one daughter, Norman Sherman of Midland; one sister,

Earlene Smith of Rule; one brother, J. A. Bush of Plainview; five grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

He was preceded in death by four sisters, Odessa Rucker, Margie Sellers Burneta Hindsley and Imogene Bilbry.

Pallbearers were nephews. Honorary pallbearers were Don Foil, Cooter Boles, Patrick Pace, Bobby Don Smith, Ed Murray, Danny Hisey, Todd Lewis and Glenn McGee.

Memorials may be made to the Bush Family Fund, c/o The Farmers National Bank, P. O. Box 10, Rule, TX 79547.

Pauline Bush

Funeral services for Pauline Bush, 79, of Rule were held at Fri., May 30 in the Rule High School Auditorium with Rev. J. R. Williams officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Bush died Mon., May 26 in a fire at her home in Rule.

Born in 1918 in Liberty, she married Cleo Bush in 1935 in Eastland Co. She worked as a nurse and was a homemaker. She enjoyed crafts, needlework and plants. She was a member of the Sweet Home Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Dural Bush of Rule; one

daughter, Norma Sherman of Midland; three sisters, Meda Dickerson of Athens, Lois McBeth of Andrews and Anna Lou Clements of Oregon; one brother, Jackie Harris of Plainview; five grandchildren; five great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Pallbearers were nephews. Honorary pallbearers were Don Foil, Cooter Boles, Patrick Pace, Bobby Don Smith, Ed Murray, Danny Hisey, Todd Lewis and Glenn McGee.

Memorials may be made to the Bush Family Fund, c/o The Farmers National Bank, P. O. Box 10, Rule, TX 79547.

Agnes "Samma" Bush

Funeral services for Agnes "Samma" Bush, 60, of Rule were held Fri., May 30 in the Rule High School Auditorium with Rev. J. R. Williams officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Ms. Bush died Mon., May 26 in a fire at her home in Rule.

Born in 1937 in Eastland Co., she was a homemaker and a health care provider to her parents. She enjoyed reading and cooking. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include three daughters, Debra H. Knight of Killeen, Sheri J. Sanders of Rule, and Jeanean Walker of

Jacksonville, Florida; one brother, Dural Bush of Rule; one sister, Norma Sherman of Midland; three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Pallbearers were Mac Shawer, Chris Boger, Steve Long, Bobby Robinson, Malcolm Hertenberger, and Eugene Rhoads.

Honorary pallbearers were Don Foil, Cooter Boles, Patrick Pace, Bobby Don Smith, Ed Murray, Danny Hisey, Todd Lewis and Glenn McGee.

Memorials may be made to the Bush Family Fund, c/o The Farmers National Bank, P. O. Box 10, Rule, TX 79547.

Erika Lea Sanders

Funeral services for Erika Lea Sanders, 16, of Rule were held Fri., May 30 in the Rule High School Auditorium with Rev. J. R. Williams and Rev. Carol Crumpton officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

She died Mon., May 26 in a fire at her home in Rule.

Born in 1980 in Hale Center, she was a sophomore at Rule High School where she was an honor student, and very active in ULL, one act play, FFA and FHA. She had been elected to serve as the school mascot. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Rule and active in the Acteens youth group.

Survivors include her mother, Sheri J. Sanders of Rule; her adopted father, Jeff Sorrells of Rule; her birth father, Robert Molina of Lockney; one brother, Justin Sanders of Rule and one niece.

Pallbearers were Michael Hunt, Michael Hertel, Justin Custer, Eric Robinson, Austin Boger, Adam Boger, Jace Manske and Doug Easterling.

Honorary pallbearers were Don Foil, Cooter Boles, Patrick Pace, Bobby Don Smith, Ed Murray, Danny Hisey, Todd Lewis and Glenn McGee.

Memorials may be made to the Bush Family Fund, c/o The Farmers National Bank, P. O. Box 10, Rule, TX 79547.

Wayne Carlton, Sr.

Funeral services for Wayne Carlton, Sr., 81, of Stamford were held Sun., May 25 at Christ Lutheran Church in Stamford with Rev. Gary O. Bruns officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery at Tuxedo directed by Tankersley Funeral Home of Stamford.

Mr. Carlton died Fri., May 23 in a Haskell nursing home.

Born June 4, 1915 in Denton, he was a farmer and a member of Christ Lutheran Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Bertha, and a grandson, Wallace Wayne Carlton, III.

Survivors include two sons, Wayne Carlton, Jr. of Hawley and James L. Carlton of Sweetwater; one daughter, Lois Ann Howard of Haskell; two brothers, Lynn Carlton of Stamford and Alton Carlton of Pasadena; one sister Elaine Payne of Cleveland; nine grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Hollis Howard, Leonard Howard, Mike Carlton, Evert Carlton, Randell Carlton and Philip Carlton.

Memorials may be made to Christ Lutheran Church, P. O. Box 324 in Stamford, TX 79553.

Joyce Jenkins

Graveside services for Joyce Jenkins, 67, of Seminole were held Sun., May 25 in Gaines County Cemetery with Rev. Freida Tankersley officiating. Burial was under the direction of Roger Pool Funeral Home.

Jenkins died Fri., May 23 in Lubbock.

Born Oct. 12, 1929 in Haskell Co., she married Granger Jenkins on Sept. 17, 1946 in Weinert. She grew up in the Mattson Community and was the daughter of the late Martin Tanner and Sallie Kirkland Tanner. She

was a 1946 graduate of Mattson High School. She moved to Seminole from Paul, Idaho, in 1989. She was a retired LVN.

Survivors include her husband; one son, Robert D. of Fort Worth; one daughter, Pamela G. Zanotti of Paul, Idaho; five sisters, Jane Ivey of Ralls, Frankie Jo Baker of Knox City, Lela Mae Hobbs of Denver City, Sylvia Bill Blount of Seminole and Rebecca Ferguson of Lubbock; and seven grandchildren.

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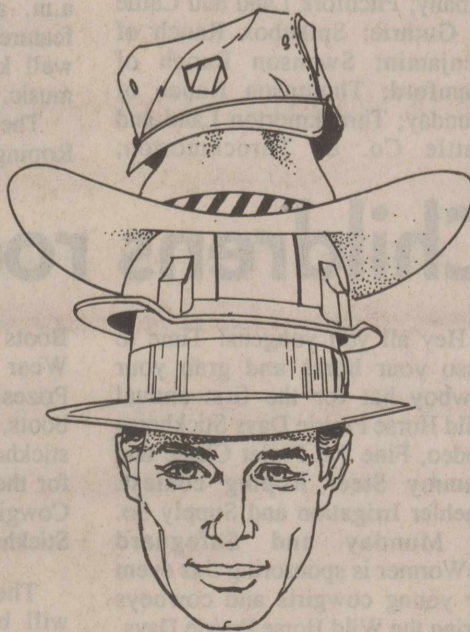
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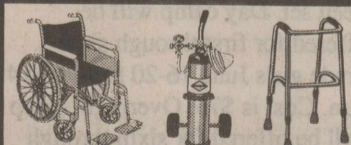
Brown rules fire deaths accidental

The deaths of four Rule relatives were ruled accidental by Haskell County Justice of the Peace Gina Brown. The four died in a Monday night house fire at their residence.

Preliminary autopsy reports from Dallas County Medical Examiner's office received by Brown indicated that the victims died of smoke inhalation.

Cause of the blaze is still under investigation.

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MASTER PARENT VOLUNTEER—Sue McGee, center, a Case Management Specialist for the Texas Workforce Commission, recently completed 50 hours of an Internship with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service to become a Master Parent Volunteer. In addition to the Internship she participated in training for the program. Presenting the certification were Jane Rowan, left, County Extension Agent/FCS—Knox County and Lou Gilly, right, County Extension Agent—Haskell County.

71 attend Dunnam family reunion

The descendants of Charley Allen Dunnam, Mary Lutie Cox Dunnam, and Fay Tiny Johnson Dunnam met May 25 at the American Legion Hall for their bi-annual reunion.

71 family members registered. Lena Dendy's children and descendants had met Saturday in Abilene for their own special reunion. Cliff Dunnam's children and descendants had also met on Saturday at Munday for their own special reunion. Names of those in attendance on Sunday were: Alf and Darlene Dunnam, Nocona, Troy, Amy and Ross Schwartz, Duncanville; Raymond and Bobbie Dunnam, Friendswood; Chandler Stevic, Friendswood; Sharon and Roland Dendy, Benson, AZ; Duron Deny Lawson, Tucson, AZ; Bruce Dendy, Phoenix, AZ; Charles and Kathy Fox, Audra and Miranda Fox, Venus.

Also, Charlie and June Dunnam, Lubbock; Margaret Dendy Behne, Denison; Charles Breeden, Arlington; Douglas and Barbara

Dendy, Rockwall, Keith, Gail and Ashley Dendy, Terrell, Jeffrey Dunnam, Munday; Tanya Apple, Lubbock; Jack and Garlene Dunnam, Munday; Valerie and Brandy Fernandez, Arlington; Allen and Judy Breeden, Palestine; Charles and Dolores Gibson, Brandon, MS; Gene and Jolene Grand, Ada, OK; Ronnie, Terrie, Leslie Ann and Wesley Breeden, Brushy Creek; Kippie, Lauren and Shelby Grand, Indianola, OK; Johnny and Adonna Breeden, Abilene; LiAnna, Dean, Brittany, Ethan and Jennifer Rackley, Cleburne; LeAnn, Frank and Neal Tivis of Decatur.

From Haskell, family members were: Wayne and Eva Dunnam, Charlene Therwhanger, Opal Dunnam, Wayne and Wanda Ham, J.B. and Nina Dunnam, Estella Breeden, Jerry Dunnam, Emily, Brennan, and Caitlin Medford, and Rickie, Sharie, Colin and Shelby Dunnam.

Visitors were C.V. Schwartz of

Haskell and Jason Lamers of Fort Worth.

The winner of the "What's It" table was Gail Dendy and the person with the most keys in their possession was Bobbie Dunnam. She had 30 keys and was still counting.

Dolores Gibson brought her bell collection collected from countries she has visited as well as those give to her and collected here in the U.S.

Roland Dendy brought a "few" of his antique pocket watches.

Raymond Dunnam brought small antiques and items of sentimental value he has kept for years.

J.B. Dunnam brought antiques given to him by Grandpa Cox and Aunt Bessie Kennedy's husband that are antique treasures.

Many old pictures were on display. Wanda Ham brought her books of ancestor charts, books written on the Dunnam and Woods families, and a picture collage of ancestors.

ECC Menu and Calendar

Monday, June 9

Lunch—Swiss steak, green beans, macaroni and cheese, tossed salad, bread pudding, milk, tea or coffee.
Potluck supper/game night—5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 11

Exercise—10:30 a.m.
Lunch—Butter beans with ham, spinach, parslined potatoes, carrot salad, fruit cobbler, milk, tea or coffee.

Friday, June 13

Lunch—Beef brisket, gravy, buttered potatoes, broccoli with cheese, Rose Mary Bennie salad, cinnamon rolls, milk, tea or coffee.
All over 60 are invited to come and eat. Call 864-3875 for transportation to the center or for home delivered lunches for the sick or disabled.

Births

John and Melissa Robinson of Haskell announce the birth of their son, Garrett Don Robinson, born May 26 at 3:05 p.m. in Hendrick Medical Center. He weighed 8 lbs. 6 1/2 oz. and was 23 inches long. Grandparents are Charlotte and Don Robinson of Rockwall and John Kay of Mesquite.

Jenna Underwood is pleased to announce the birth of her little brother, Kale Michael.

Kale arrived May 6 at Hendrick Medical Center. He weighed 8 lbs. 1 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Parents are Michael and Tonya Underwood of Haskell. This is the first grandson of John and Betty Isbell of Haskell, Mike Underwood of Roff, OK and Brenda Underwood of Electra.

Hospital

Admissions

Morna Andrews, Haskell
Mary Cabrera, Munday
Ima Smith, Rule

Dismissals

Elsie McBee, Louise Isbell, Fred Hernandez, Nicholas Huggins, Garland Edwards, Marie Ivy, Billie Kemp

Densman named to BEST at Baylor

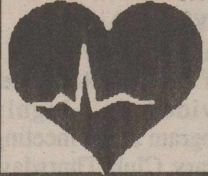
Sarah B. Densman was recently selected to the Business Excellence Scholarship Team at Baylor University for the 1997-98 academic school year. The Business Excellence and Scholarship Team (BEST) is a unique, two-semester, accelerated strategic management course in which focuses on business by placing students in different companies to experience the real world. Excellence is stressed, as the class is created from Baylor's top business students. They push to reach for levels that cannot be reached individually. The BEST class also provides an open forum for professors in every discipline to come and discuss the newest ideas and theories in their fields.

In contrast to a traditional course, BEST lets students put into practice strategic management theory. BEST offers students industry experience as interns with firms in the central Texas area. The internship provides interaction with

industry professionals who serve as mentors. With their guidance, the students have the chance to further develop their knowledge that they have gained in the classroom.

In this day of business globalization, BEST students are allowed to experience international exposure. Through corporate sponsorship, BEST students visit Monterey Tech, one of Mexico's premier private universities in the fall semester as well as an international excursion to Calgary, Canada in the spring semester. Through a combination of industry support and corporate sponsorship, the BEST program provides students a unique learning environment in which classroom concepts become reality.

Densman is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. James L. Densman of Hollis, Okla. She has recently completed her junior year at Baylor University. She is pursuing a double major in Finance and Information Systems.



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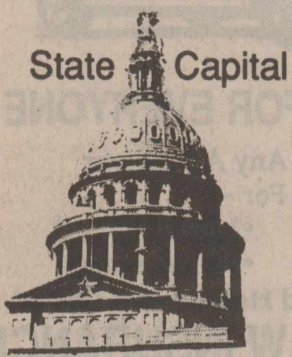
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OPINION



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

On Sat., May 24, the prospect of property tax reform died after Gov. George W. Bush rejected a last-minute Senate compromise that featured a mix of accounting maneuvers, budget cuts and tax increases.

A couple of weeks ago, two versions of property tax reform passed into the hands of a squabbling, uncompromising House-Senate tax conference committee, yet many Texans clung to hopes that tax relief would come.

The House plan would have raised about \$3.8 billion in new and expanded taxes, while the modest Senate plan would have raised about \$1 billion. Critics pointed out that neither plan addressed property tax appraisal reform, which would create a more dynamic effect than simply scaling back taxes.

Bush favored the House plan, because it provided a more substantial reduction in property taxes through budget cuts and revenue increases—including a business franchise tax that would have included partnerships. Senators gagged at the idea of a tax on partnerships.

Bush said the Legislature's failure to produce a tax plan shows that Texans are not desperate enough about high property taxes to force a change. He predicted that tax reform will come when taxpaying homeowners and business people march on the state Capitol and demand action from their state representatives and senators.

The death of tax reform opened the chute for other legislation, and a flurry of lower-profile issues came up for consideration before the June 2 end of the session.

Homestead Exemption OK'd

Despite the failure of major tax reform, the same House-Senate conference committee informally approved an increase in the homestead tax exemption that would amount to a \$1 billion tax cut statewide.

The exemption—if it gains final approval—will give the average homeowner a \$140 tax cut by increasing the present \$5,000 homestead exemption to a new state minimum of \$15,000.

"We are at least granting relief of \$1 billion without tax increases," said conference committee member Sen. Ken Armbrister, D-Victoria.

Technicality Kills Many Bills

A bill that would have required parental notification before abortions are performed on minors failed on a technicality last week. The measure was defeated after

abortion rights activist Rep. Debra Danburg, D-Houston, challenged the bill on a point of order because records of a committee hearing on the bill did not list the groups represented by witnesses.

Rep. Arlene Wohlgenuth, R-Burleson, angered at the defeat of the bill, raised a point of order that killed 52 bills awaiting floor debate. Wohlgenuth, who supports parental notification, pointed out that House Calendars Committee Chairman Mark Stiles D-Beaumont, had failed to announce the location of a meeting where House agendas were set.

Wohlgenuth's action prompted other lawmakers to resurrect bills that failed to reach Calendars.

Bush Signs Literacy Bill

Gov. Bush signed the "Read to Succeed" initiative—legislation that earmarks \$32 million to pay for evaluating the reading skills of children, promote literacy and provide training for reading teachers.

Under the initiative, school districts will compete for state grants totaling \$7 million in 1009 and \$25 million in 1999 that will help schools evaluate the reading level of children in kindergarten through second grade and determine what help they need.

Bush had campaigned for a \$70 million literacy program but finally agreed on a scaled-down version costing about half that amount.

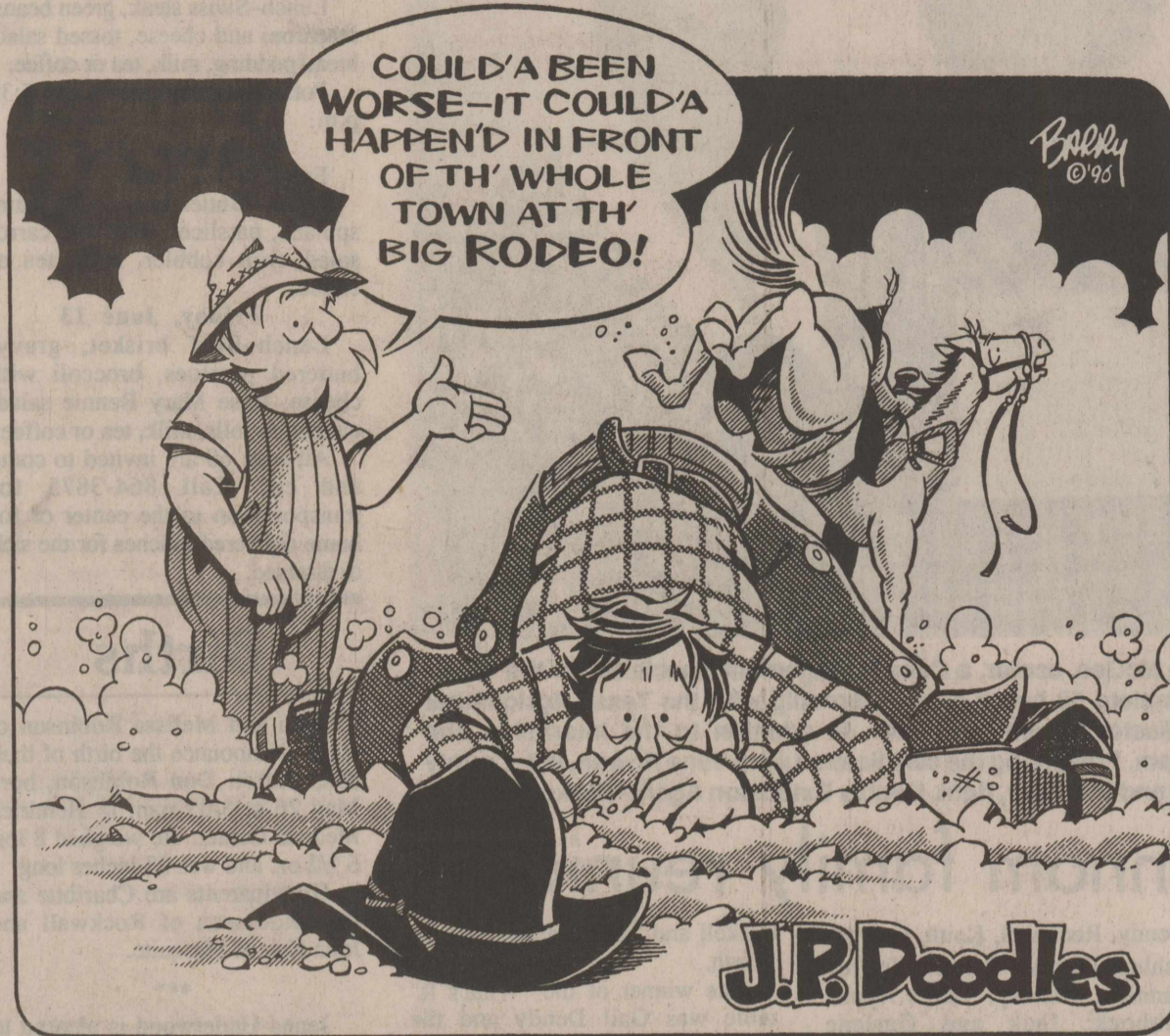
The initiative was attached to a bill sponsored by Rep. Helen Giddings, D-Dallas, that allows the Texas Department of Transportation to issue "Read to Succeed" license plates. A logo for the license plate will be designed in a student competition.

Other Capital Highlights

Gov. Bush toured the ruins of the tornado-ravaged community of Jarrell, 40 miles north of Austin, where he met with victims at a shelter. Bush called the destruction caused by the May 27 tornado "mind-boggling" and signed a proclamation declaring a disaster.

The Legislature approved a measure that will allow motorcyclists 21 years old or older to choose whether or not to wear a protective helmet—provided they have \$10,000 coverage in health insurance or take a DPS safety course. The bill repeals the eight-year-old mandatory helmet law. The bill awaits Gov. Bush's signature.

The Senate approved a bill that would require telemarketing firms to register with the state and disclose the amount of compensation they receive to donors if they keep more than 10 percent of the contributions. The bill is aimed at stopping fraudulent telephone solicitations by telemarketers that raise money for charities. This bill awaits the governor's signature.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago June 4, 1987

Workmen were busy this week applying the finishing touches to the city swimming pool in preparation for next week's opening. There will be an open house Sunday afternoon, and then on Monday afternoon, the pool opens with a free splash day.

Rev. Kenneth Kirk of Vega has been named pastor of the Methodist churches of Haskell and Paint Creek.

Michelle Scoggins was winner of the district 4-H contest in public speaking and will compete with other district winners during the Texas 4-H Roundup at Texas A&M next week.

20 Years Ago June 9, 1977

David Burson announces that the high school cheerleaders have been invited to represent the North All-Star team at the 1977 North-South All-Star girls basketball game to be played in Abilene on July 16. They are Edith Jordan, Connie Liles, Sherrie Everett, Sarah Cox, Renae McBroom and Cheryl Conner.

Rodeo action last Friday and Saturday at the Jaycees Rodeo was top quality with good bucking stock and top-notch contestants. Rodeo clowns earned their pay during the bull riding event by protecting the cowboys from the bulls after the ride.

Michelle Nanny sold 192 boxes of Girl Scout Cookies during the recent cookie sale and earned half of the cost of the Girl Scout Summer camp and Camp Boothe Oaks. She is a member of Troop 464 and sold more cookies than any other Girl Scout in Haskell.

30 Years Ago June 8, 1967

Delegates from Haskell to the Annual State Firemen's Convention, to be held in Lubbock, beginning Monday, June 12 through Thursday, June 15, include Fire Chief Tom Watson, E.J. Stewart, Sonny Reynolds and Jack Speer. The Haskell firemen will be accompanied by their wives to the convention.

Arthur Lee, of Rule, Commander of Haskell County Barracks, 1816 WWI and Mrs. Dave Persons, president of the Auxiliary, announced there would be a meeting of WWI veterans and the Auxiliary at 3:30 Sunday, June 11, in the Community Room Haskell National Bank.

40 Years Ago June 6, 1957

A quartet of talented Rochester youths provided a highly entertaining program at the meeting of Haskell Rotary Club Thursday. The youths, James Pope, Johnny Walton, Ollie Sanders and Jimmy Gammill, all in blackface, gave a 10-minute impersonation of a rock 'n roll dance orchestra. They were accompanied to Haskell by Manford Reid, member of the Rochester Rotary Club.

The Name of the Haskell Quarterback Club was changed to Indians Booster Club, a new officers for the 1957-58 school year were elected at a meeting of club members Thursday night.

Mrs. Opal Smith, dental assistant in the clinic of Dr. Wm. J. Kemp, Haskell dentist, for the past four years, recently passed the State board examination and is a Certified Dental Assistant. She was notified last week that she had successfully passed the examination, taken last April in Houston.

50 Years Ago June 12, 1947

Rev. James E. Harrell filled the pulpit of the First Methodist Church here Sunday, marking the beginning of the new church year. Rev. Harrell comes to Haskell from Tulsa, where he was pastor of the Methodist Church for the past three years.

Appointment of M.W. Reeves of Munday as sub-district manager for Lone Star Gas Company in Haskell and Rule has been announced by W.M. (Bill) Braymer of Stamford, district manager for the company.

J.E. Walling, Sr. former County Treasurer, suffered a fracture of his left hip Sat. about noon when he fell at his home after starting from the house to his car to return to work at the local Humble Oil agency operated by his son, J.E., Jr. As a result of his injuries Mr. Walling will be confined to his bed for several weeks.

90 Years Ago June 1907

Messrs. G.T. McCulloch, J.J. Stein, and I.D. Killingsworth have let the contract of a two story brick building 60x140 feet on the lot on the northwest corner of the block east of the square. The lower floor will be partitioned so as to make several stories and the upper story will contain several offices and a large house.

The board of trustees of the Haskell Independent School District met this week and decided on the size and location of the new school building. It will be 35-60, three stories in height, and will be located in the south part of town. A. Brewer was engaged to draw the plans and superintend the construction of the building.

Legal Matters

by Dan Morales, Attorney General

Stalking is a crime of terror. It strikes fear into the hearts of innocent victims. Battered women are most frequently stalking victims, followed by rape survivors. It is estimated that 90% of all Americans who have been murdered by a spouse or companion were stalked before they were killed. We at the Office of the Attorney General believe that this situation is unacceptable. We believe that our state's anti-stalking law is meant to protect domestic violence victims and people who are being stalked by strangers. Although some types of threatening behavior were already abandoned by other laws (including trespassing, assault, and telephone harassment), these laws may be difficult to apply in a stalking case.

Legal Challenges

Unfortunately, like many other states, Texas has found it difficult to enact a law which protects individuals from stalking without at the same time making innocent, legal activity illegal. Last September, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals struck down the existing law against stalking, saying it was too vague to be enforceable. The Court held that, under the old law, there was a real chance that it could inhibit the lawful exercise of free speech, such as protest marching and investigative reporting by journalists. The Court also gave instruction on how to amend the law so that it could pass constitutional muster. As a result of this ruling, between 800 and 900 stalking cases were dismissed across the state.

Legal Solutions

This spring, the Texas Legislature passed a new law against stalking. Following the guidance given by the Court of Criminal Appeals, the new law gives a clearer definition of the types of threatening behavior that constitute stalking. It says that stalking cannot simply be a string of random acts, but instead must be part of a continuing course of related conduct toward the victim. The stalker's threatening action must create fear of bodily injury, death or property damage in the victim or in members of the victim's family or household. These actions must be such that they would create fear in any reasonable person, not just in the victim. The new law also requires that the stalker know or reasonably believe that his or her actions would be seen as threatening by the victim.

The law was broadened to cover threats against other members of the victim's household, even when they are non-family members. For example, the law now applies to threats made against a friend whom the victim stayed with for protection. This provision has been upheld by courts in other states, and is a major improvement over the old law.

Penalties for Stalking

As under the old law, stalking is a Class A misdemeanor, with a maximum penalty of 1 year in jail and a fine of \$4,000. A repeat offense is a 3rd Degree felony, punishable by 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. If a stalking suspect is about to be released on bail, law enforcement officials must try to notify the victim in advance. In addition, a prison inmate convicted of stalking may not be granted a furlough or emergency absence.

Federal law also gives protection to victims of stalking. Under new provisions passed last year, it is now a federal crime to stalk someone across state lines. The new law also allows each state to honor protective orders issued in another state.

No one should have to live a life of constant fear. And no one should feel free to strike terror into the heart of another human being. I believe the new Texas anti-stalking law will finally help us put an end to this terrible crime.

WTU customers to see increase in electric bills

West Texas Utilities Company retail customers will see a slight increase in the total amount of their electric bills beginning this week. The surcharge is being added to customer bills over the next 12 months to collect unrecovered fuel costs and interest.

The Public Utility Commission of Texas Approved WTU's request to recover approximately \$13 million in unrecovered fuel costs and interest that are the result of unforeseen and significant increases in the cost of natural gas that have occurred over the last year throughout the country.

Implementation of the surcharge will result in a 1.6 percent increase in customers' bills over the 12-month period. Typical residential customers using 1,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity a month would see their bills increase, on average, by approximately \$1.22. The effect of the surcharge on customers' bills

will vary depending on the rate schedule under which they take service.

Investor-owned electric utilities in Texas, like WTU, use fuel factors based on cost estimates to collect projected cost of fuel used to generate electricity at their power plants.

When the actual costs of fuel significantly exceed the fuel charges that customers are paying in their monthly bills, PUCT rules require that the utility request permission to surcharge the additional amount. When the actual costs of fuel are significantly lower than what customers are paying in fuel charges, the electric utility is required to issue a refund.

Since this fixed fuel cost recovery mechanism was placed into effect in the late 1980s, WTU has refunded over \$49 million in fuel cost reductions to its customers.

Unforeseen and significant

increases in the cost of natural gas occurred over the last year throughout the country. The cost of natural gas was 38 percent higher during 1996 than it was in 1995. The increases were even more significant during colder months. For example, the actual cost of natural gas in December 1996 was 82 percent higher than the December 1995 cost.

Approximately 55 percent of WTU's annual generation of electricity is produced by power plants fueled by natural gas.

Correction

In a story concerning the house fire at Rule on Monday night, May 26, the name of an agency assisting at the scene was omitted.

The Haskell County Emergency Ambulance Service had two units and four men on the scene. The Free Press apologizes for the oversight.

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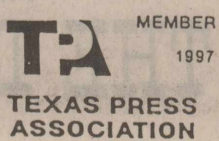
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Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

The community was saddened by the tragic deaths at Rule last week. The Bush family had been known to many citizens for a long time and we had followed the high school activities of Erika Sanders along with our own students. All friends of the community extend our sympathy to the families.

Sagerton students graduating from Stamford High School included Melanie Teichelman and Marcia Swoyer. Each of them was awarded a scholarship from the Sagerton Hobby Club and Melanie also received the Rotary Club Scholarship. Melanie is the daughter of Ronnie and Kathy Teichelman and will be going to Texas Lutheran College in Seguin. Marcia Swoyer is the daughter of Pastor and Gail Swoyer of Lubbock, formerly of Sagerton. She has been living with the Danny Lammert family while completing her education at Stamford High. She plans to attend South Plains College in Levelland. Congratulations, Seniors!

Paige Lammert, daughter of Danny and Helen was recognized as

the Junior with the highest average at Stamford High School. She also was top student in Pre A.P. English III, A.P. Government and Pre Calculus. She will be a senior at Stamford High next year while her brother, Jonathan, will be a senior at Texas A&M. Needless to say, Danny and Helen will be rather busy next year trying to keep up with two seniors. Jonathan was on the Dean's List both semesters and will be working at Hamlin this summer with the Texas Department of Transportation.

The Kupatt family was together last weekend in the home of J.D. and Meta and also Fred and Billie. On Saturday night they gathered in the home of Kraig and Leslie Kupatt for a birthday honoring three year old, Kymbre. Her older sister Kortney, helped host the party for all the relatives including

Dora Marie Curry of San Antonio, Frances and Cleo Atha of Austin, Patricia and Shari Spaw, DeAnn and Russell Edwards of Midland, the Doug and Karla Terrell family of Stamford and the Johnny and Jana Manske family of Sagerton.

Emma Raphael of Stamford spent the weekend in the home of her daughter, Dorothy and Joe Clark. After church and lunch on Sunday she joined a birthday party for her sister, Lydia Lovorn in Stamford. Others enjoying birthday cake and punch were Lydia's sister, Esther Kinman and her sister-in-law, Joyce Tredemeyer. Shane LeFevre of Sundown visited with his parents, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre.

Danny and Helen Lammert hosted graduation supper in their home with Pastor Mel and Gail Swoyer in honor of the Swoyer's daughter, Marcia. Twenty two relatives and friends enjoyed the meal and offered their congratulations to Marcia.

Cindy Peterson and her son, Sam, from Plano visited recently in the home of her parents, David and Leona Letz.

Alvin and Ev Ulmer were in Turnersville Saturday for the funeral service for her nephew, F.J. Pruitt. Mr. Pruitt died at his home of a heart attack. He was 56 years old.

Sunday dinner guests in the home of G.W. and Ophelia LeFevre were his daughter Elizabeth and Boyd Young of Abilene.

Charles and Dorothy Clark and Frances Clark visited in Wichita Falls Sunday afternoon with Harold and Juanita Smith who live in Presbyterian Manor there. Harold is an uncle of the Clarks. At Holliday, they had lunch with cousins, Floy Welch and her daughter, Jeanine Hodge.

Mary Neinast has been traveling around for a week. She attended the funeral service for Lonnie Neinast at Springlake on Sunday a week ago. On Monday after, she was at the 8th grade graduation of her grandson, Dustin McEwen at

Sudan and on Tuesday to the High School graduation of Doug McEwen. Doug was the valedictorian of his class of 32 graduates and plans to attend McMurry University in Abilene this fall. On Friday Mary was in Emory for the graduation exercises of her granddaughter Laura Kate Neinast. She was also valedictorian of her class of 79 and will be going to A&M. Congratulations to all!

Haskell band students perform at state

On Sat., May 24, 16 Haskell band students participated in the UIL Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest. Philip Huff received a Division 1 medal for the second year in a row on a piano solo. Missy Teague, Amber Futch, Reena Harris, and Hilee Mulligan received Division 1 medals for their twirling quartet. Hilee Mulligan received a Division 2 medal for her twirling solo, and Anna Rieger receive one as well for a piano solo.

The state contest is more difficult than the region level. Performance that would receive a Division 1 at region often get a Division 3 at state.

Other Haskell students received 2's and 3's for their performances. Those students are Shelly Palacios, Wendy Cadenhead, Shannon Jordan, Chris McSmith, Marci McSmith, Vanessa Miller, Kaki Stapleton, Lee Christian, Craig Cunningham, and Kevin McSmith.

Band Boosters elect officers

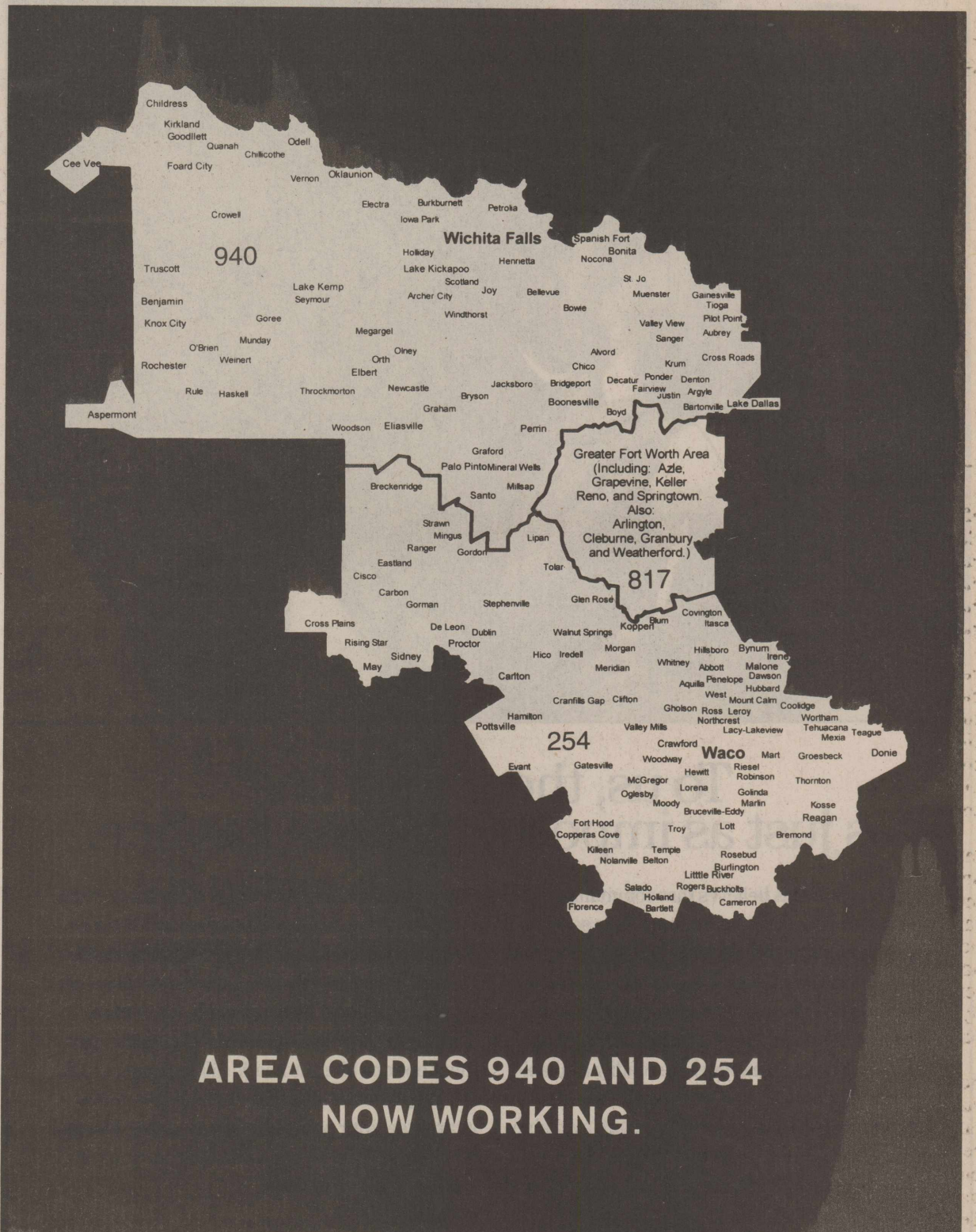
The Haskell Band Boosters met last week to discuss business for the '97-'98 school year. New officers were elected: President, Donna Cole; Vice President, Charlotte Peiser; Sec./Treas., Mary Dewey; Reporter, Mendi Elmore.

It was voted to use a percentage of the proceeds from the Band Booster concession stand to establish a graduating senior scholarship fund. This scholarship

will be named in honor of Wendell Gideon, former Haskell band director.

This promises to be an exciting year for the Indian Band. Another Division I rating at Regional Marching Band Contest this fall gives them the opportunity to advance to area and then possibly state marching band competition.

The tentative date for summer band to begin is August 4.



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City Council tables discussion concerning purchase of lots

At the regular meeting of the Haskell City Council May 27, the purchase of 3/4 block lying north of the fairgrounds was discussed. The owner has quoted a price for the

property with several additional lots included. The council tabled the item pending further investigation.

The City Council meetings will be held the second and fourth Mondays at 7 a.m.

City Administrator Sam Watson reported that a good report came from an inspection of the Waste Water Plant.

Sue Medford reported on the tour of the prison facility in Jacksboro. She stated that the facility was most impressive.

The city pool will open May 31. All planned renovations are not complete due to time restrictions. Repairs were begun the last of March, but the pool company was not available to spend the time necessary to finish a new paint job.

The new restrooms at the fairgrounds will be dedicated this week.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 856 head of cattle at its sale on Saturday, May 31, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

The market was \$2 to \$3 higher on all feeders and stockers. Bred cows and pairs steady. Packer cows and bulls were \$1 to \$2 lower.

Cows: fat, .34-.38; cutters, .35-.41; canners, .20-.34.

Bulls: bologna, .45-.52; feeder, .55-.70; utility, .35-.45.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .95-1.20; 300-400 lbs., .85-1.10; 400-500 lbs., .85-1.00; 500-600 lbs., .75-.95; 600-700 lbs., .72-.80; 700-800 lbs., .68-.78; 800-up lbs., .62-.77.

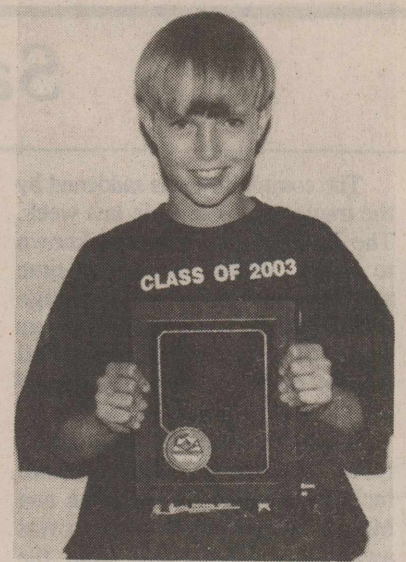
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PERFECT ATTENDANCE
Chase Seelke, Haskell Elementary sixth grade student, received a plaque in recognition of his perfect attendance. He has not missed a day of school for the last six years. Seelke is the son of Billy and Suzie Seelke of Haskell.

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Donald Larned of Ormond Beach, Florida and Ronald Larned visited their father, Grover Larned, over the Memorial Day week. Their sister Linda Roberta Fox of Woodlands, and her grandson, Randon Hawthorne of Colorado City, visited as well.

Linda Roberta Fox of Woodlands graduated from A&M in May.

Jack O. Larned is in Audie Murphy Veteran's Hospital in San Antonio.

Charles and Tammy Ashley and Rhyn of Rudy, Ark. visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blair, over the weekend and attended the graduation exercises at Paint Creek, where Eric Blair was a graduate.

They also visited Charles' grandmother, Bell Flannery, while here.

Darlene, Daniel and Julie Conn of Austin spent the weekend with David and Deniece Conn and also visited mother and grandmother Joyce Hawkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank White went to Jacksboro on Fri. and attended graduation exercises for their grandson, Nathan David White.

Joyce Hawkins accompanied Glendon, Charlene and Tamera home to Irving on Mon. and spent the week visiting with them and Bobby and Darlene Hawkins of

Lewisville. Tamera brought her back home on Fri. evening. A friend of Tamera's, Jarred Weaver, came with her. They returned back to Irving Sun.

Freida Piland spent Tues. and Wed. in Lubbock visiting her brother Gene Mapes and his wife.

Lynn Denton from San Antonio visited with parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dewey. They all attended the wedding of Steven Moore and Tiffany Wodley in Abilene.

Greater Independent Baptist Church was in Stamford at the Sim Chapel A.M.E. Church at their Annual Mission program. The theme was "Redemption Through the Blood of Christ". Lucinda Dean was president. The message was brought by Evangelist Pat Turner.

Other guests were Bethsadia, Anson; Solomon Temple, Stamford; Weeping Mary, Anson; Bethel Church of God in Christ, Stamford; West Bethel, Rule; Macedonia, Aspermont, Rev. C. Wade presiding minister.

The Community Brotherhood will be at the Hopewell Baptist Church Tues. night.

Visiting in the home of Rev. L.C. Johnson, Sr. was his son, Otis and wife Rosa, from Arlington. They also went to church with him on Sunday morning.



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B-K Electric Cooperative, Inc. NOTICE OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING

In accordance with the provisions of the bylaws of the Cooperative (Article IV Directors; Sections 4.05. Nominations), the Board of Directors has appointed a Committee on Nominations as follows:

George Marak, RR2 Box 64, Seymour, Texas 76380
Jerry Mocek, RR2 Box 36, Seymour, Texas 76380
Brent Butler, RR2 Box 41, Seymour, Texas 76380
Kevin Smith, RR3 Box 63Z, Seymour, Texas 76380
Chris Brown, RR2 Box 5A, Munday, Texas 76371
John Loyd Lambeth, P. O. Box 146, Munday, Texas 76371
Gerard Kuehler, RR2 Box 14B, Munday, Texas 76371
Mark Reed, P. O. Box 345, Munday, Texas 76371

The Committee on Nominations will meet June 19, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. at the Seymour Office of B-K Electric Cooperative, Inc. to make nominations for directors.

The director's terms expiring are Greg Hertel, Baylor County and Marvin Zeissel, Knox County.

Members of the Cooperative are hereby notified of this meeting.

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Youth trail ride set June 16-17

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

The Seymour Aquifer Project Office along with the cooperating agencies—The Natural Resources and Conservation Service and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will conduct a Youth Natural Resources Trail Ride on June 16-17 at the Krooked River Ranch. The group will meet at the Haskell Rodeo Ground at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, June 16 and will travel as a group. Horses will not be unloaded and saddled until the group reaches the Krooked River Ranch. The Trail Ride will conclude shortly after lunch on Tues., June 17 as soon as the camp area is clean and in order.

To be eligible to participate in this camp youth must be between the ages of 13 and 19 as of June 1 and must live in one of the counties served by the Seymour Aquifer project. These are Haskell and Knox Counties. All youth regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin are invited to participate in the Trail Ride. Youth do not have to be a member of any certain organization in order to participate.

The trail ride will be limited to the first 15 youth who sign up. A minimum of 10 youth must sign up or the Trail Ride will be

cancelled. Participants must provide their own horse and tack and bed roll as well as other trail ride essentials. The group will camp out on Monday night. There will not be access to cabins or restroom facilities. Participants must be willing to "rough it" in the outdoors for the duration of the Trail Ride.

The cost to the participant for the Trail Ride will be \$10. This will cover the cost of a T-shirt, four meals, snacks, and insurance. The other expenses will be covered by the Haskell County Farm Bureau.

To register for the Trail Ride you must come by the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 South Ave. D in Haskell and complete a registration blank and pay your \$10. No registration will be taken by phone nor will any registration be taken without the \$10 registration fee. The registration fee is non-refundable unless the Trail Ride has to be cancelled due to lack of participation. Registration blanks will be marked with the date and exact time of day the registration was made. Remember—the Trail Ride will be limited to the first 15 youth who sign up. Registration deadline will be Fri., June 13 at noon.

J.F. Cadenhead, Extension Range & Brush Control Specialist, Monty Dozier, Extension Associate—Water Quality, and Danny Lamberth, Project Manager—NRCs with the Seymour Aquifer Project will conduct the educational programs during the Trail Ride. Adequate adult supervision will be provided by all the cooperating agencies conducting the Trail Ride.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this activity are encouraged to contact the Seymour Aquifer Office at (940) 864-3583.

For more information, contact Bo Whitaker at the Seymour Aquifer Office (940) 864-3583 or Lou Gilly in the Haskell County Extension Office at (940) 864-2546.



NEW PASTOR—Weinert First Baptist Church welcomes their new pastor, Rev. Joel Rister and his wife, Jannie. The couple has two children, Jennifer, age 10, and Daniel, age 6. Rister will fill the Weinert pulpit on June 15.

Rister is new pastor

First Baptist Church, Weinert, has called Rev. Joel Rister of Stamford as the new pastor. Rister is presently serving as Youth and Music Minister at Avoca Baptist Church, Avoca. A graduate of Hardin-Simmons University with a BBA in accounting, he is currently pursuing a Master of Divinity degree at HSU. He is a native of

Avoca, while his wife, Jannie Gardner Rister, is a native of Hamlin. They have two children, Jennifer, 10, and Daniel, 6.

The Risters plan to fill the pulpit for their first Sunday on June 15. Everyone is cordially invited to worship at First Baptist, Weinert, and meet the new pastor and family.



JOSH DENSMAN

Densman is Valedictorian

Joshua Charles Densman has been named Valedictorian of the 1997 Senior Class of Hollis High School, Hollis, Okla. Densman has a 4.18/4.25 GPA. He gave the farewell address during commencement exercises held May 23. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swinson of Haskell attended his graduation. Densman is the son of Rev. and Mrs. James L. Densman of Hollis. He plans to attend Baylor University in the fall and major in mathematics.

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ARTICLE IV DIRECTORS

SECTION 4.01. NUMBER AND GENERAL POWERS. The business and affairs of the Cooperative shall be managed by a Board of seven (7) directors. The Board shall exercise all of the powers of the Cooperative except such as are by law or by the Cooperative's Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws conferred upon or reserved to the members.

SECTION 4.02. QUALIFICATIONS. No member shall be eligible to become a director or to hold any position of trust in the Cooperative who is not a member receiving service from the Cooperative at his primary residential abode in the area served by the Cooperative, or is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise or a business selling electric energy or supplies to the Cooperative, or a business primarily engaged in selling electrical or plumbing appliances, fixtures or supplies to the members of the Cooperative, and no person shall take or hold office as a director who is the incumbent of or candidate for an elective public office in connection with which a salary is paid. When a membership is held jointly by a husband and wife, either one, but not both may be elected as director, provided however, that neither one shall be eligible to become or remain a director or to hold a position of trust in the Cooperative unless both shall meet the qualifications herein above set forth. Any director who shall miss three (3) Board of Directors' meetings in a row, without an excuse duly accepted and noted by the Board, shall lack eligibility to further serve and it shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to remove him from the Board. No former employee whose employment has been terminated by the Cooperative may be eligible to serve as director. Any employee who resigns or retires from employment by the Cooperative shall not be eligible to serve as a director for a period of ten (10) years following such resignation or retirement. Nothing contained in this Section shall, or shall be construed to, affect in any manner whatsoever the validity of any action taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors, unless such action is taken with respect to a matter which is affected by the provisions of this Section and in which one or more of the directors have an interest adverse to that of the Cooperative.

In the event an incumbent director, having served on the Board of Directors a minimum of six years, ceases to meet the requirement of receiving service from the Cooperative at his primary residential abode, such incumbent director shall nevertheless be qualified to continue to serve as director so long as he remains a member of the Cooperative and his primary residential abode is located within the area served by the Cooperative, or in close proximity thereto.

SECTION 4.03. ELECTION. At each annual meeting of the members, directors shall be elected by secret written ballot by the members and from among those members who are natural persons; provided however, that when the number of nominees does not exceed the number of directors to be elected, and if there is no objection, secret written balloting may be dispensed with and voting may be conducted in any other proper manner. Directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast unless the members in advance of any balloting resolve that a majority of the votes cast shall be required to elect, and this Bylaw provision shall be drawn to the attention of the members and explained to them prior to any balloting. Drawing by lot shall resolve, where necessary, any tie vote.

SECTION 4.04. TENURE. The business and affairs of the Cooperative shall be managed by a Board of seven (7) directors which shall exercise all of the powers of the Cooperative except such that are by law, or by the Articles of Incorporation of the Cooperative, or by these Bylaws conferred upon or reserved to the members. Beginning with the Annual Meeting of the members of the Cooperative held on August 21, 1954, two (2) members of the Board of Directors shall serve for a period of one year, two (2) members shall serve for two years, and three (3) members shall serve for three years, and that lots be cast as to the length of time each director shall serve; and beginning with the Annual Meeting of the members held in 1954, those directors who terms expire, such vacancy shall be filled for a period of three years.

SECTION 4.05. NOMINATIONS. It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to appoint, not less than sixty (60) nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of a meeting of the members at which directors are to be elected, a Committee on Nominations, consisting of not less than five (5) nor more than eleven (11) members of the Cooperative who are not existing Cooperative employees, agents, officers, directors or known candidates for director, who are not close relatives (as hereinafter defined) or members of the same household of such existing employees, agents, officers, directors or known candidates for director, and who are so selected so as to give equitable representation on the committee to the geographical areas served or to be served by the Cooperative. The Committee shall prepare and post at the principal office of the Cooperative at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting a list of nominations for directors to be elected. Any fifteen (15) or more members of the Cooperative, acting together, may make additional nominations in writing over their signatures, listing their nominee(s) in like manner, not less than twenty (20) days prior to the meeting, and the Secretary shall post such nominations at the same place where the list of nominations made by the Committee is posted. The Secretary shall mail to the members with the notice of the meeting, or separately, but at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting, a statement of the names and addresses of all nominee(s) showing clearly those nominated by the Committee and those nominated by petition, if any. The chairman at such meeting, after all nominations so made have been duly announced, shall call for additional nominations from the floor. Notwithstanding the provisions contained in this Section, failure to comply with any of such provisions shall not affect in any manner whatsoever the validity of any action taken by the Board of Directors after the election of directors.

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Designed by the American Association of Retired Persons (a non-profit organization), the course is open to those 50 years and above. The material deals with changes that take place in those of

this age group and that directly affect driving safety, with ways to compensate for these.
The cost is only eight dollars and at the end of the second session, a certificate is issued, entitling the bearer to a 10% auto deduction in insurance for three years.
For further information, call 864-3875 or 743-3204, or come by the Experienced Citizens Center in Haskell to enroll. Owen Aikin is the certified instructor.

Food for thought

by Charles Spurgeon
"For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh." Galatians 5:17
In every believer's heart there is a constant struggle between the old nature and the new. The old nature is very active, a loses no opportunity of plying all the weapons of its deadly armoury against newborn grace; while on the other hand, the new nature is ever on the watch to resist and destroy its enemy.

Grace within us will employ prayer, and faith, and hope, and love, to cast out the evil; it takes unto it the "whole armour of God," and wrestles earnestly. These two opposing natures will never cease to struggle so long as we are in this world. The battle of "Christian" with "Apollyon": lasted three hours, but the battle of Christian with himself lasted all the way from the Wicket Gate in the river Jordan. The enemy is so securely entrenched within us that he can never be driven out while we are in this body: but although we

are so closely beset, and often in sore conflict, we have an Almighty helper, even Jesus, the Captain of our salvation, who is ever with us, and who assures us that we shall eventually come off more than conquerors through Him.
With such assistance the newborn nature is more than a match for its foes. Are you fighting with the adversary today? Are Satan, the world, and the flesh, all against you? Be not discouraged nor dismayed. Fight on! For God himself is with you; Jehovah Nissi is your banner, and Jehovah Rophi is the healer of your wounds. Fear not, you shall overcome, for who can defeat Omnipotence?
Fight on, "looking unto Jesus"; and though long and stern be the conflict, sweet will be the victory, and glorious the promises reward.
"From strength to strength go on;
Wrestle, and fight, and pray,
Tread all the powers of darkness down,
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submitted by Sam Bitner

This Week's Devotional Message:

WE WELCOME GOD'S MOST JOY-FILLED SEASON OF SUMMER



With springtime beauty on the wane
And sunlight shining overhead,
Whatever cares and chores remain
Give way to outdoor fun instead.
It's time to make vacation plans
That may include the beach or pool,
Where some are working on their tans
And others simply keeping cool.

This season gives the greatest chance
To study nature at its best,
And all the animals and plants
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Is teaching us to know first hand
The works of God we all can see
When joyful summer warms the land.

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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
Dusty Garrison, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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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.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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Mission Revival Center
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First Baptist Church
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Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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Weinert Methodist Church
Rev. James Patterson
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
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Weinert Foursquare Church
Rev. Joyce Goossen and Rev. Diane Crownover
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
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West on Main Street, Rochester
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.
Rochester
Faith Chapel of Rochester
Katherine Byrd, minister
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
Hwy 6, Rochester
First United Methodist Church
Dolan Brinson, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
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SAGERTON
Sagerton Methodist Church
Daniel Ramey, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
Sagerton
Faith Lutheran Church
Jeff Zell, pastor
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Sagerton

RULE
First Baptist Church
Don Myers, pastor
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1001 Union Ave., Rule

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Dale Turner Jr., pastor
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Church of Christ
John Greeson, minister
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811 Union, Rule

First United Methodist Church
Daniel Ramey, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule
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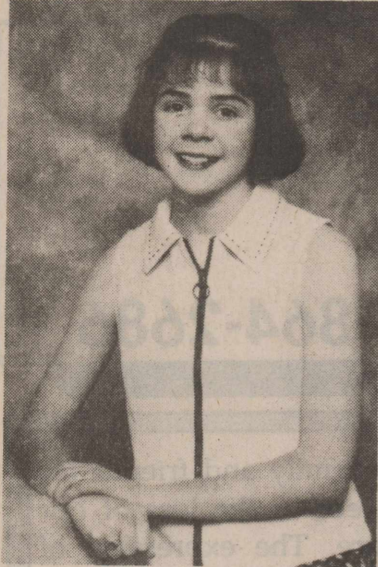
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MARY DENSMAN

Mary Densman is honor student

Mary Rachel Densman was one of six honor students named as head of their 1997 eighth grade class at Hollis Junior High, Hollis, Oklahoma. She gave the Class History during her graduation exercise held on May 23. Her graduation was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swinson of Haskell. Densman is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. James L. Densman of Hollis.

4-H Horse Show set in Vernon

by Greg Kaase
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Top young riders throughout the Rolling Plains District will match their skills June 19-21 in the annual Rolling Plains District 4-H Show in Vernon.

More than 200 4-H'ers will compete in Showmanship, Roping, Reining, Western Pleasure, Western Riding, Western Horsemanship, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Stake Race and Futurity Classes. In addition to prizes and ribbons, 35 top winners will represent the District in the State 4-H Horse Show later this year, said Greg Kaase, Haskell County Extension Agent.

Representing Haskell County will be Morgan Cox—Pole Bending, Barrel Racing and Team Penning; Cassie Lamb—Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, and Team Penning; Hegan Lamb—Calf Roping, Breakaway Roping, Team Roping and Team penning; Heath McCulloch—Pole Bending, Stakes Race, Breakaway Roping and Team Penning; and Levi Terry—Team Penning.

Competition will be held at the Finley Bradley 4-H Arena in Vernon. Registration will begin at

Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses issued in May by Rhonda Moeller, County Clerk include:

Ronald Franices Olden, Jr. and Sherri Lynn King of Haskell.

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Farm Bill shifts crop insurance sales

Glenn R. Brzozowski, County Executive of the Haskell County FSA Office was notified that Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman has announced that crop insurance will be available exclusively through crop insurance agents, beginning in the 1998 crop year. Previously, the catastrophic level of crop insurance (CAT) was available through both local USDA Farm Service Agency office and crop insurance agents in 36 states.

Glickman said this decision was made after carefully reviewing the number of crop insurance agents in each state to ensure that an adequate sales force is in place to provide all farmers with CAT coverage. The 1996 Farm Bill requires USDA to transfer the sales of CAT coverage entirely to the private sector if a sufficient number of agents are available in each state to provide this service.

"While the sales and servicing of policies will be done by the private sector," Glickman said, "this change will not weaken the existing safety net for producers. I am determined that everyone will have access to crop insurance—large

farmers and small farmers alike, especially those with limited resources, minorities and producers in all areas of the country.

"Before making this decision, private company representatives gave me their commitment to reach out to all America's farmers and to assure that the highest level of risk management service is extended to everyone," Glickman said. "I look forward to this partnership. I also intend to exercise appropriate oversight over the companies to ensure compliance with their commitment."

Glickman said this decision was made after carefully reviewing the number of crop insurance agents in each state to ensure that an adequate sales force is in place to provide all farmers with CAT coverage. This review is required by the 1996 Farm Bill which also requires USDA to transfer the sales of CAT coverage entirely to the private sector if a sufficient number of agents are available in each state to provide this service.

USDA will continue to subsidize all policies, establish policy terms and conditions, set rates, and guarantee funds for the payment of approved claims. The transfer begins with 1998 fall planted crops. Policyholders will receive a letter informing them of this change in about one month; however, producers are to continue to go to the local FSA office for service on 1997 policies. This includes reporting 1997 planted acreage and production as well as any losses.

Although a producer's policy will be randomly transferred from USDA to an insurance company, producers may select another agent or insurance company if they do so before the sales closing date for the insured crop. To ensure that all producers are served, insurance companies are required to insure all eligible crops, and provide all levels of coverage in the states in which they operate. Further, participating companies must insure all qualified applicants. Waiver of administrative fees for producers who qualify as limited resource farmers is required by the Risk Management Agency and is available through private companies. Private agents are prepared to assist those qualifying producers with certification of their status.

A listing of local crop insurance agents is available in all FSA county offices.

2:00 p.m., June 19. Roping preliminaries and Finals begin at 6:00 p.m. Team Penning of the Cattle Events will begin at 9:00 a.m. Friday, June 20. Working Cow Horse, Two-Year Old Western Pleasure Futurity competition begins at 1:00 p.m. and is followed by Reining at 3:00 p.m. English Events are scheduled to start at 3:30 p.m. timed event preliminaries will follow an award ceremony which is scheduled for 6:00 p.m.

Saturday events begin at 8:00 a.m. with Showmanship followed by Yearling Futurity Halter Classes, Western Pleasure and Finals, Western Horsemanship and Finals. Timed event finals begin at 1:00 p.m. followed by an Awards Program.

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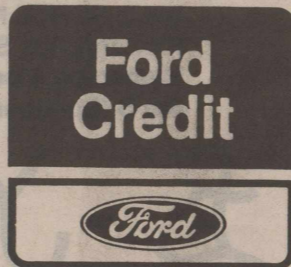
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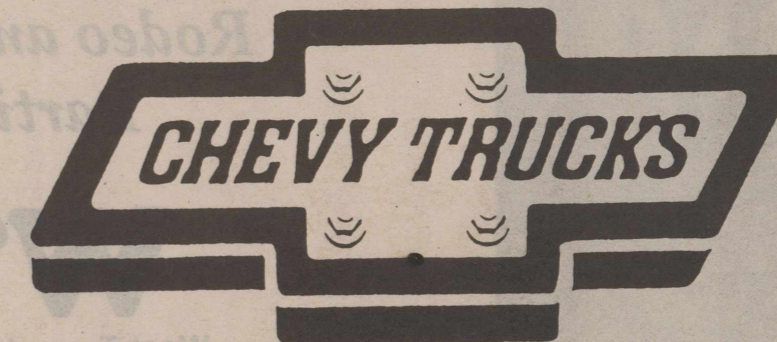
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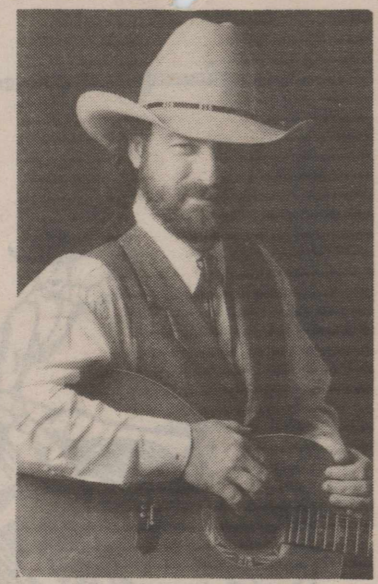
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Many of the songs Davidson performs are original, but he believes in the importance of continuing the legacy of traditional music as well. He is currently gathering material for a new tape to be released soon, honoring the women of the West.

Between gatherings, Davidson performs regularly at Bever's Crossing in Ropesville and at J&B Coffee in Lubbock. When not playing cowboy music he works for South Plains College in Levelland.

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The Ranch Rodeo team members are Bill Masterson, Robert Masterson, Ralph Mote and Duane Daniels.

UN Flowers Ranch

The H.G. Flowers and Son Ranch, established in 1890, has been through three generations of Flowers and going on the fourth. Owners of the ranch are H.G. and W.G. (Bill) Flowers.

The 60,000 acre ranch located in Stonewall and Motley counties is primarily a beef cattle and wheat operation.

Ranch Rodeo team members are Jeff Flowers, Jay Flowers, Jake Murray, Bobby Lowack and alternate, Bill Flowers.

Brown & Bellah Ranch

The Brown and Bellah Ranch, located in the southside of Haskell Co., three miles north-east of Stamford, is owned by Jody Bellah of Throckmorton.

The original ranch house was built in 1894. Operated as the Colbert Hereford Ranch in the 1920's, the ranch was well known for high quality registered Hereford cattle with a "heart." At that time the Colbert Ranch ran from near Sagerton on the west to the Clear Fork of the Brazos on the east.

An aerial photo taken in the early 1930's shows five barns on the ranch, one of which was said to have had a sale ring in the middle, fifty stalls and a loft used as a dance floor.

In 1936, the ranch became known as Brown and Davis. R.A. Brown Sr. and Barney Davis, Throckmorton County ranchers, operated as a partnership and continued to run registered Hereford cattle. Davis and his son, Matt, operated the ranch from 1958 until 1987.

Brown and Bellah, a partnership between Rob Brown and Jody Bellah, began leasing the ranch at that time. In 1992, Jody purchased the ranch and continues to operate it as Brown and Bellah.

The ranch maintains wheat and stock cattle on 3,500 acres of land. Ranch Rodeo team members are Jody Bellah, Leland Terry, Chad Gibson and Tony Martinez Jr.

Spike Box Ranch

The Spike Box Ranch, located at Benjamin, maintains a cow and yearling operation on 100,000 acres.

Founded in 1970, the Spike Box is the former Mashed O Ranch. A lot of older and retired cowboys worked on the ranch when it was all in mesquite.

One of the most told about pastures on the ranch is "dead man trap," where a buffalo hunter is buried.

Ranch rodeo team members are Randy Reed, Nesto Estrada, Robert Estrada, Kylee Carver and alternate, Edward Estrada.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 6		
7:00 p.m.	Ranch Rodeo	Rodeo Arena
9:00 p.m.-12:30 a.m.	Dance-Little Rock	Civic Center
9 p.m.-12 midnight	Dance-Seniors	American Legion
SATURDAY, JUNE 7		
Saturday morning	Chuckwagon Brisket-Rib cook-off	Fairgrounds
10:00 a.m.-6 p.m.	Cowboy Poetry & Entertainment	Civic Center
10:00-12:00 noon	Childrens Rodeo	Showbarn
12:30-2:00 p.m.	Chuckwagon Lunch	Fairgrounds
12:00 noon-5 p.m.	Team Roping	Rodeo Arena
7:00 p.m.	Ranch Rodeo	Rodeo Arena
9:00 p.m.-12:30 a.m.	Dance-Southern Cross	Civic Center
9 p.m.-12 midnight	Dance-Seniors	American Legion
SUNDAY, JUNE 8		
7:30-9:00 a.m.	Chuckwagon Breakfast	Fairgrounds
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2:00 p.m.	Calf Roping	Rodeo Arena

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10:50 a.m. Jeff Gore	2:40 p.m. Will Burgess
11:10 a.m. Ben Davidson	2:50 p.m. Jeff Gore
11:20 a.m. Andy Hedges	3:10 p.m. Standlee Davidson
11:30 a.m. The Pot Belly Boys	3:20 p.m. Ben Davidson
11:50 a.m. Open Mike	3:30 p.m. The Pot Belly Boys
12:10 p.m. Leon Butts	3:50 p.m. Andy Hedges
12:30 p.m. Standlee Davidson	4:10 p.m. Billie Nichols
12:40 p.m. Ben Davidson	4:20 p.m. Leon Butts
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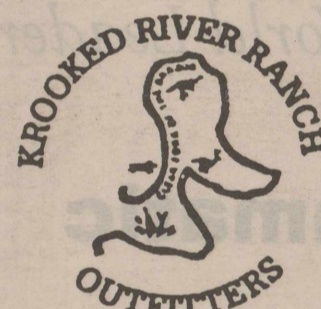

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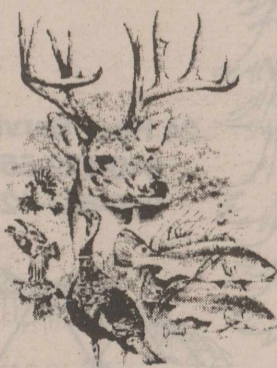


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In 1932 the Pursley Ranch in Kent and Dickens Counties were purchased, also the Foley Ranch in Kent, King, Dickens and

Stonewall Counties. These cattle carried the Lazy 3 brand.

In 1941 the Pound Sterling £ was registered as the brand of a new partnership that in 1950 was incorporated into the Beggs Cattle Co. Soon all the acreage was under this management.

In 1963 the Atarque Ranch at Fence Lake, N.M. was purchased and the Cattle Company operated this ranch until it was sold in 1978. The Beggs Cattle Company is now under management of the fourth generation. It is a commercial cattle operation and raises quarter horses for use on the ranches.

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The ranch is donating cows for the Wild Cow Milking and calves for the Team Branding events.

Ranch Rodeo team members are Carl Hopkins, Carlton Cullers, Robert Gray, Julio Solano and Joe Moberley.

C Moorhouse Ranch

Four brothers, Tom, John, Bob and Ed Moorhouse, are all partners in the Moorhouse Ranch Co. which is located near Benjamin. Their father Togo Moorhouse leased the land originally settled by his family in 1927. He later bought the land and added to the original holdings.

The ranch maintains cow/calf and yearling operations on the 100,000+ acres. They also

raise all of the horses that they ride and produce a yearly wheat crop.

The ranch has a graveside dating back to 1888 that is the burial place of Mrs. Walter Blaine and infant.

Ranch Rodeo team members are Tom Moorhouse, Joe Leathers, Bubba Smith, Jody Moorhouse and alternate, Edward Estrada or Mike Moorhouse.

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The 130,000 acre ranch, located between the N. Wichita and Pease rivers in Cottle, Foard and Hardeman Counties is primarily a cow/calf, yearling and wheat operation.

Ranch Rodeo team members are Frank Wright, Lane Sharp, Jay Hurt, Bruce Slover and alternate Morris Timmons.

L Lyles Ranch

The Lyles Ranch, established in September of 1950, is owned by Louis Lyles.

The 15,300 acre ranch is located eight miles west of Benjamin. The ranch maintains a Brangus cow/calf, and wheat operation with some farming.

Ranch Rodeo team members are Tom Lyles, Mike Lyles, Ronnie Patterson, Tammy Lyles and alternate Clay Patterson.

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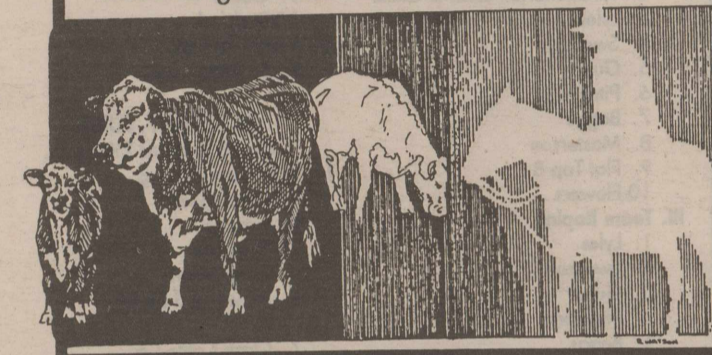
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Ranch Rodeo Schedule of Events

FRIDAY, JUNE 6 Grand Entry at 7:00 p.m.		
I. Wild Cow Milking	5. Flat Top 8	6. Spike Box
1. Flat Top 8	6. Flowers	7. Bar S (Springer)
2. Flowers	7. Bar S (Stewart)	8. Waggoner
3. Bar S (Stewart)	8. Throckmorton Land & Cattle	9. Moorhouse
4. Throckmorton Land & Cattle	9. Lyles	10. Triangle
5. Lyles	10. Swenson	III. Team Roping
6. Swenson	V. Mugging	1. Brown and Bellah
7. Guitar	1. Beggs	2. Nail
8. Pitchfork	2. Masterson	3. Clark Cattle Co.
9. Beggs	3. Flat Top 8	4. Spike Box
10. Masterson	4. Flowers	5. Bar S (Springer)
II. Sorting	5. Bar S (Stewart)	6. Waggoner
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3. Lyles	8. Swenson	9. Thompson
4. Swenson	9. Guitar	10. R. A. Brown
5. Guitar	10. Pitchfork	IV. Branding
6. Pitchfork	VI. Buddy Pick-up	1. Clark Cattle Co.
7. Beggs	To Be Announced	2. Spike Box
8. Masterson	SATURDAY, JUNE 7	3. Bar S (Springer)
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 under management of Dub Sim, who was raised
 in the Paint Creek area. George Peacock is the
 on spot manager and has been for 32 years.
 Ranch Rodeo team members are George
 Peacock, Johnny Stewart, Jamie Nail, Johnny
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 alternate, Bobby Williams.

-S Bar S Ranch/Stewart

The Bar -S Ranch, owned by
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1800 head of commercial cows and 35 Quarter Horse broodmares. The Brown name is known for fine working cowhorses and has been since R.A. Brown Sr. helped organize and found the American Quarter Horse Assn.

The registered cow herd consists of seven breeds; Simmental, Simbrah, Angus, Red Angus, Senepol, Senegus and a new breed the R.A. Brown Ranch has developed, Hotlander.

Ranch Rodeo team members are George Self, Danny Whitfield, Hollis Anthony and Rick Ward.

Flat Top 8 Ranch

The Snyder family has owned and operated ranch land in Shackelford and Callahan Counties since 1893 when C.B. Snyder Sr. settled west of Moran.

The Flat Top Eight Ranches is owned by Bob Snyder, Robert Snyder and Laura Snyder Moberley. Bob Snyder is the grandson and managing partner of the ranches.

The Flat Top Eight was purchased in May of 1995, but some of the land has been in the

family since 1893.

The ranch, located eight miles east of Haskell on Highway 380, covers 7,716 acres in Haskell Co. and 2,300 acres in Shackelford and Callahan Counties. It is primarily a Brangus and crossbred cattle and wheat operation.

Ranch Rodeo team members are Pete Moberley, Robert Snyder, Mel Matthew, Joe Cooper and alternate, Lester Lofton.

Thompson Ranch

The Thompson Ranches, founded in 1953, covers 55,000 acres located in Childress, Hardeman and Knox Counties and is owned by Larry Thompson.

The Thompson family's interest in ranching and farming began in the early 1900's in Cottle Co. Until the last 20 years, the emphasis was mostly on farming while running a few head of


cattle as a sideline.

Today, cattle production has become the major endeavor of the operation. With the family having sons, it is looking forward to many more years in the ranching industry.

Ranch Rodeo team members are Tyler Thompson, Trey Thompson, Todd Thompson, Marc Sanderson and alternate, Larry Thompson.



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Pitchfork Ranch

The Pitchfork Lane and Cattle Co. was established in 1870 by boyhood friends from Mississippi, Eugene Williams and D. B. Gardner. Williams was a sales manager for the St. Louis-based Hamilton Brown Shoe Co. and Gardner was a Texas surveyor. Gardner purchased cattle from South Texas to begin the ranch. The herd already wore the Pitchfork brand, so he simply named the ranch after the brand.

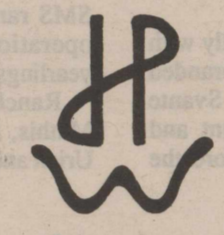
In 1883, the ranch was incorporated, with the principal stockholders being the Williams family in St. Louis, Gardner managed the ranch until his death in 1928.

Although it has grown larger and more prosperous, the Pitchfork still boasts the spirit of friendship and trust that Gardner and Williams brought to it. Only five managers have managed the ranch since Mr. Gardner, the present being Bob Moorhouse. Bob came to the ranch in 1972 as assistant manager under Jim Humphreys. Humphreys retired in Dec., 1986 after a 38-year association with the ranch.

The home ranch stretches across 165,000 acres of central west Texas and is located 80 miles east of Lubbock along a 14 mile stretch of Highway 82. The ranch is located in Dickens and King counties. In addition to 3,000 in Benjamin, and 3,300 in the Flint Hills of Kansas.

The Williams family descendants continue to operate the 113 year old ranch in the same conservative manner as their founders with an emphasis on friendship and hospitality.

Ranch Rodeo team members include Bob Moorhouse, James Gholson, Clay Timmons, and Joe Ed Eckert. Alternate is Jay Gholson.




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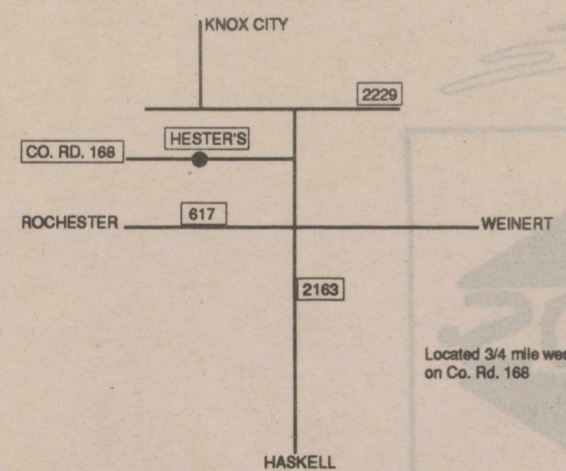
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G Guitar Ranch

The story of the Guitar Ranches began in 1910 when John Guitar Sr. purchased the Big Spring Ranch. He soon added the Spur Ranch and the Dell City Ranch to his holdings, as well as several smaller farms in Texas and Missouri.

Jim White, the discoverer of Carlsbad Caverns, worked for Mr. Guitar during the 1920's when the combined acreage was more than 200,000 acres of ranch land and 6,500 acres of farm land.

The properties were held by the Guitar Trust Estate until 1961, when they were divided among the eight heirs. Earl Guitar Sr. now controls about 30,000 acres in addition to the

Hard Grissom Ranch.

Phil Guitar and Bill Flowers operate ranches at Stamford and Throckmorton. Phil's wife Jane is also from a Hamlin ranching family. Her family owns the Martin and Y6 Ranches, plus numerous farms in that area. The Guitars maintain a cow-calf operation, plus yearlings in the winter, feedlot cattle in the Panhandle. The Hardy Grissom Ranch located east of Abilene is owned by Anita Guitar and has always been noted for outstanding Hereford cattle.

Ranch Rodeo team members are Phil Guitar, Billy Lamb, Lloyd Meed, Sha Griffin and alternate, Joe Brewer.

SM Swenson Ranch

The 54,000 acre Swenson Ranch or SMS, located at near Stamford in Jones Co., is a part of the original Swenson Land and Cattle Co., Inc. The enter-prise was incorporated under the name of Swenson Land and Cattle Co., Inc. in 1962.

The brothers started ranching originally with native Texas longhorns which were branded with an SMS in honor of their father, Svante Magnus Swenson, a Swedish merchant and banker who bought Texas acreage before the

Civil War. He later gave his sons the land to develop and as a result, the Swenson Brothers ranch was born.

Later, purebred Hereford and shorthorn cattle were introduced to upgrade the native stock. The SMS ranching enterprise consists of cow/calf operations producing feeder calves and yearlings.

Ranch Rodeo team members are Casey Mathis, Jerry Cornett, Wesley Bennett, Steve Ulrich and alternate Manuel Rios.

S Bar S Ranch/Springer

The Bar S Ranch, owned by Mrs. W.A. Springer, Glenn Springer and Linda Springer Rice, was recognized in 1993 as a Family Land Heritage Ranch for over a century on continuous ownership and operation as a family agriculture enterprise.

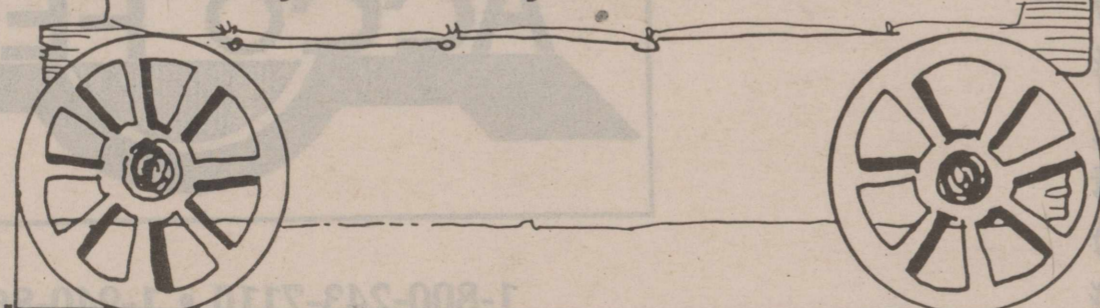
The ranch, established in 1890, covers

27,000 acres in King and Stonewall Counties with the headquarters located 17 miles southwest of Guthrie. Hereford cattle and quarter horses are the main operations of the ranch.

Ranch Rodeo team members are Glenn Springer, Cody Springer, Tim Jones, Kelly Thompson and Tye Jones.

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