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Football games

Haskell 8th, JV vs. Paducah
Thurs., Sept. 21, 5 p.m.
at Haskell

Haskell Indians vs. Paducah
Fri., Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m.
at Paducah

Paint Creek JH vs. Newcastle
Thurs., Sept. 21, 5:30 p.m.
at Newcastle

Paint Creek vs. Benjamin
Fri., Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek

Rule JH, JV vs. Chillicothe
Thurs., Sept. 21, 5 p.m.
at Rule

Rule Bobcats vs. Chillicothe
Fri., Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m.
at Chillicothe

Calendar

Homecoming

The Plainview, McConnell and Bunker Hill schools will hold homecoming Sat., Oct. 7 at 9 a.m. at the VIP Center in Stamford. The VIP Center is one block west of the Stamford High School auditorium. For more information, call 940-997-2577.

Ulmer reunion

The Ulmer family reunion is set Sat., Sept. 30 at 9 a.m. at the Sagerton Community Center. For more information call 940-997-2577.

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., Sept. 21 at the American Legion Hall in Haskell. Clinic times are 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 915-773-5681.

Garage sale

A community-wide garage sale is scheduled Sat., Oct. 7 by the Haskell Chamber of Commerce. Booths are available on the square for food and out-of-town vendors. Entry forms may be picked up at the Chamber office or by calling Janet Earle at 864-2631. Entry fee is \$5. Deadline to be listed on the map is Oct. 4. Maps will be available the day of the sale.

Free smoke detectors

The Haskell Volunteer Fire Department is taking applications for free smoke detectors. Applications are available at Haskell City Hall.

Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., Sept. 23 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The best little concession stand in Texas will open at 5:30 and the music will start at 6 p.m. No admission is charged. For more information call 940-989-2925 or 989-2833.

Pirates defeated

Six-Man football state champions, Gordon, defeated the Paint Creek Pirates Friday night at Gordon, with a 60-0 victory.

Gordon's Bo Johnson scored on four touchdowns and had 98 yards rushing on eight carries. Dustin Wells and Trey Weaver added two touchdown runs each, and Linebacker Jacob Stowe recorded two safeties.

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INDIANS SCORING—Haskell Indian, defensive back #88, Tyrone Billington, looks on as Kyle Hunt #82, carries in a touchdown,

scoring on a pass from Jeff Blanks, during the game with Jacksboro Friday. Indians won 25-16. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Indians defeat Jacksboro, 25-16

"Button, button, who has the button?" or is it Pigskin, Pigskin, who has the Pigskin? Using a page from author Conan Doyle's book, *Sherlock Holmes*, the Haskell Indians found the pigskin more times than did the Jacksboro Tigers, to improve their season record to 2-1 in an impressive 25-16 win.

Jacksboro had fourteen fumbles; six recovered by the Tigers, eight recovered by the Indians. All in all, the Indians got nine turnovers from Jacksboro; six fumbles and one pass interception by middle linebacker, James Jeanes.

After a scoreless 1st quarter, with 5:09 remaining in the 2nd quarter, Jacksboro got on the scoreboard first on a 50 yard run by running back Rusty Coleman. The point after touchdown was kicked by Roland Borjon. Again with only 19 seconds left in the 1st half of play, the Tigers had a 37 yard field goal. Halftime score was Haskell 0, Jacksboro 10.

On the first play of scrimmage in the second half, the Tigers scored on a 55 yard run by Jonathan Maxwell. The PAT kick failed.

It was during the 3rd quarter that the Indian defensive unit began to stop Jacksboro's offense every time Jacksboro had the ball. Haskell started to take good advantage of

some of Jacksboro's fumbles. With only 1:20 left in the 3rd quarter, Haskell's quarterback, Jeff Blanks fired a strike to split end Tyrone Billington on a 25 yard TD pass. The two-point conversion failed.

In the entire 4th quarter, the Indians went to work and began to light up the scoreboard. At the 8:08 mark in the 4th quarter, Blank's 25 yard pass to Eddie Loyd got the Indians within four points. Again, the two-point conversion failed. Tight end Kyle Hunt's catch on a 15 yard pass from Blanks put the Indians on top of the score with only 6:38 left in the game. Ernest Palacios kicked the PAT.

With only 3:03 remaining in the game, Haskell padded their lead when full back Dustin Threet hit pay dirt on a 15 yard pass from Jeff Blanks. The PAT kick failed. Haskell had now established a lead that would hold up for a 25-16 win. With that final score, Haskell has solved the mystery of the Pigskin.

In the game, senior quarterback Jeff Blanks passed for 143 yards on eight completions, made 20 attempts and four touchdowns. Blank's punting gave the Indians another dimension in their kicking game, which again was superior.

The Indian offensive line played

Citizens urged to conserve water

During the Sept. 11 meeting of the Haskell County Commissioner's Court, a bid of \$73,000 for the 3-story elevator at the Courthouse was rejected by the Commissioners.

The Commissioners voted to empower Judge David Davis to look further into renovation of the steps at the Courthouse.

The Court is encouraging everyone to conserve water during this period of drought. The cities of Haskell, Knox City, Munday and Goree are members of the North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority, which gets their water from Miller Creek. Other cities in the county, as well as Old Glory and Aspermont, purchase water from that reservoir. Some cities

mix their own well water with that from Miller Creek, though the City of Haskell does not.

If the drought continues, Haskell may have to open local wells, which is why it is very important for those who have their own wells to use extreme care when watering. A deep watering every several days is wiser than daily shallow watering, and it is wise to water in the late evening or very early morning so less evaporation occurs. We all need to work cooperatively to assure that our water reserves do not dry up. Presently, it is estimated that there is only enough water in the reservoir for approximately a year.

Voters approve prison

In a heavy turnout of voters in both the City and County of Haskell elections, Sept. 12, the result was overwhelmingly in favor of the issuance of bonds of obligation to help finance the building of a Regional County Jail facility. The bond issue had to carry a majority of votes in both elections to pass.

Voting in the City election was 928 to 174, making 85 percent in favor of a \$4.7 million bond issue.

County voting, which included city residents who cast ballots in both elections, was 1,579 to 521 in favor of a \$5.6 million bond issue.

Ground breaking for the jointly-owned facility is expected between the middle of October and early November.

Fully supporting the proposal of the minimum to medium security jail facility, the City Council and County Commissioner's Court has been working with the Haskell Development Corporation for the last four years to obtain it. Expected to bring in 125 jobs and to boost the waning local economy with a \$3 million annual payroll, the prison is calculated by supporters in the city and county to be self-supporting, not causing any extra taxes.

The total cost of building and starting the prison is estimated to be about \$15 million, \$5 million of which will be financed by private investments in revenue bonds.

The 8th grade warriors play Paducah on Thursday at Indian Field beginning at 5:00 p.m. The JV game will follow immediately.

Study Club sets annual supper

The Progressive Study Club of Haskell will serve their annual Chicken Tetrazini Supper Fri., Sept. 29, before the football game with Roscoe.

A long-standing tradition in Haskell, the popular meal will again be prepared and served with all members of the club participating. Proceeds from the

yearly supper are used by the club to fund community projects.

Tickets are \$5.00 each, and are now available from club members. Tickets bought at the door will be \$5.50.

Serving hours will be from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Meals may be eaten at the cafeteria or taken out.

Rule sets homecoming

Homecoming for Rule Schools will kick off Fri., Oct. 6 with a pep rally in the gym at 2:30 p.m. The Rule Bobcats will play Lueders-Avoca beginning at 7 p.m. in Bobcat stadium.

Saturday's activities will begin with coffee and registration at 9:30 a.m. at the school. The Bobcat Booster Club will host a lunch catered by Danny's Fins and Hens in Lubbock. Tickets for the all you can eat meal is \$7.50.

An assembly will be held at 1:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Classes, cheerleaders and mascots will be recognized. Entertainment will be by the Rule High School's theater arts class. Homecoming queen and her court will also be recognized.

For more information contact the Rule High School office at 997-2521 or homecoming secretaries Sonja Casey Parr 997-2809 or Julie Lee Petty 997-2802.

Bobcats lose

Newcastle defeated Rule 40-22 at Rule Friday night.

Josh Smith rushed for one touchdown and threw two 30-yard touchdowns for Rule.

Newcastle's Thomas Moore rushed for four touchdowns. Matt Moore and Derek Choat each scored one touchdown.



PIRATE CHEERLEADERS—Paint Creek High School cheerleaders are: seated lower, l-r, Lesli Isbell and Heidi Hope. Kneeling, center, Amy Huggins and Amanda Dancer. Standing, Diana Gonzales, Mascot Kelly Thompson, Cassie Lamb. Photo by Kis

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Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 987 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Sept. 16, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Good run of cattle. Packer cattle steady; stockers steady-2 higher; feeder 1-2 higher.

Jersey, Longhorns, Holsteins, out cattle, cripples, goons \$5-\$35/100# less than figures quoted!

Cows: fat, .35-.38; cutters, .37-.41; canners, .28-.34.

Bulls: bologna, .45-.53; feeder, .72-.79; utility, .35-.45.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.10-1.30; 300-400 lbs., .95-1.15; 400-500 lbs., .88-1.08; 500-600 lbs., .85-.97; 600-700 lbs., .80-.90; 700-800 lbs., .77-.87; 800-up lbs., .72-.80.

Heifers: medium and large frame -No. 1 200-300 lbs., .90-1.15; 300-400 lbs., .85-.98; 400-500 lbs., .78-.95; 500-600 lbs., .74-.88; 600-up lbs., .55-.85.

Bred Heifers: medium frame, 475-550.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 550-650; aged or small, 500-625.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 650-750; aged or small, 600-675.

Golf tourney winners named

Results of the Haskell Country Club Championship Golf Tournament are:

Open Division
1st - Troy Nuckols; 2nd - Bill Perry; 3rd tie - David Burson and Mike Benevides

Senior Division
1st - Jerry Harris; 2nd - David Strickland; 3rd - Johnny Josselet

Super Senior Division
1st - Pat Speer; 2nd - Bob Mickler; 3rd - Doc Kemp

Women Division
1st - Ruby Medford; 2nd - Judy Patterson

Youth Division
1st - Geoffrey Phemister; 2nd - James Markey; 3rd - Ross Haigrove

Obituaries

Coy Hewitt

Haskell, Toni Neal and husband, Tony, of Wichita Falls, and Vicki Daniel and husband, Richard, of Abilene; three sisters, Claudia Reid of Rochester, Adelle Herring of O'Brien and Idabelle Rich of Huffman and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services for Coy Hewitt, 74, of O'Brien were held Sun., Sept. 17 at O'Brien First Baptist Church with Rev. Bill Trice and Richard Palma officiating. Burial was in O'Brien Cemetery under the direction of Smith Funeral Home.

Mr. Hewitt died Fri., Sept. 15 at Knox County Hospital.

Born Oct. 15, 1925 in Foster Community, Haskell County, he married Loretta Beasley March 29, 1954 at Jud. He farmed and had owned O'Brien Food Store in O'Brien. He was the son of the late J. W. and Nora Hewitt. He served in the U. S. Navy in World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Loretta, of the home; three daughters, Rhonda Moeller and husband, Allen, of

Jackie Virgil Sonnamaker

Funeral services for Jackie Virgil Sonnamaker, 58, of Haskell were held Fri., Sept. 15 at the Church of Christ in Haskell with Dale Huff officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Sonnamaker died Wed., Sept. 13 at a local hospital.

Born Sept. 18, 1941, he was the son of Virgil and Eunice Sonnamaker. He was raised in Haskell and attended both Haskell and Paint Creek Schools. He was a member of the Haskell Church of Christ. He loved horses and was a member of the Haskell Saddle Tramps. For

many years, he owned and operated combines from South Texas to Kansas.

Survivors include his mother, Eunice Sonnamaker of Haskell; one daughter, Gena Shadle of Abilene; one sister, Peggy Middlebrook of Haskell; four grandchildren and several aunts and cousins.

Callbearers were Johnny Wheatley, David Frierson, Cookie Dunlap, Joseph Thigpen, W. O. Nanny, Joel Nanny, Leon Bland and Bobby Bland. Honorary pallbearers were Melvin Hill, Marvin Letz, Horace Woodard, Roy Pittman, Royce Adkins, Johnny Fouts, Dr. Jamie Caldwell, Dr. Joe Thigpen and Dr. Bob Colbert. PD. NOTICE

Sagerton News
By Dorothy M. Clark

Football season is underway and the Rule Bobcats won their opener against Harrold by a score of 42-19. We wish them well this year and look forward to some exciting games.

The Cross Country teams participated in a meet recently at Guthrie. Sagerton students who ran in this event include Joanna Lehrmann in Junior High and Tully Brown who came in with a first place. The High School team that placed second was made up of Kinsey Brown, Kristin Hertel, M'Lynn Lehrmann and Abby Dudensing. We're proud of them and support all our Sagerton kids who represent our town so well.

A large crowd attended the program given by the Handbell Choir at Faith Lutheran Church last Sun. night. After a sandwich supper, the choir presented a variety of sacred and secular selections which were enjoyed by all those in attendance. The choir is made up of ten ringers including Jacob and Jana Manske, Kathy and Ross Teichelman, Brenda and Matthew Turner, Dorothy Toney, Loretta Connally, LaVerne Stanhope and Verlene Stegemoeller and is directed by Dorothy Clark. The choir was organized about a year ago and is progressing nicely. Work has begun on music for an upcoming Christmas concert. After the program, choir members treated the audience to ice cream sundaes.

Mr. and Mrs. Brad Gambill from Norman, Okla. have been guests in the home of Jack and Peggy Tabor.

The monthly community supper was held Mon. night at the center with Jill Brown, Leslie Kupatt and Cheryl Hertel serving a potato bake. The supper for Oct. will be held on the regular first Mon. night beginning at 6:30 p.m. with Lynn Dale and Renee Dudensing, Odene Dudensing and Danny and Helen Lammert hosting. Enjoying the meal and night of fellowship together were Pastor Tommy Wilson, Clancy and Helen Lehrmann, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Margaret Wendeborn, Leona Letz, Leona's cousin Florene Williams of Calif., J. B. and Dorothy Toney, Alvin and Alice Bredthauer, G. W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Mary Neinaast, J. J. Gellner, Joe and Dorothy Clark, Frances Clark, Pastor Stan and Norma Leaf, Lynn, Renee, Molly,

Abby, Emery and Jenny Dudensing, Tully, Kinsey and Cade Brown, Jack and Peggy Tabor and their grandson, Hawk Griffin. Everyone enjoyed the meal and the time together and always looks forward to these times together each month.

Faith Circle met at Faith Lutheran Church Tues. afternoon for its regular monthly Bible study. Dorothy Toney led the study followed by refreshments for Mary Neinaast, Barbara Nauert, Isabel Mrazek, Odene Dudensing and Patsy Quade.

Mary Neinaast attended the Retired Teachers meeting in Hamlin on Wed. The monthly meeting was held at the Hamlin Methodist Church and is held for retired teachers and school personnel.

The Sagerton Hobby Club met Thurs. at the community center for its regular monthly meeting with Peggy Tabor hostess. The group worked on crafts and their quilt for the upcoming bazaar. Jo Brown read the poems *Hot in Texas* and *You Are Getting Old* and members read helpful hints as part of the program. Christine Stremmel won the door prize for the day. Members present included Joyce LeFevre, Wilma Teichelman, Margaret Wendeborn, Christine Stremmel, Dorothy Toney, Frances Clark, Mary Neinaast and Jo Brown.

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Sanders family meets in Moran

The descendants of the late Henry Semion Sanders and Semie Sanders families met Sept. 16 in Moran for their 50th annual reunion. The reunion was started in 1950 at the Ft. Griffin State Park with the late Andrew Sanders of Weinert as president.

Terry and Aline (Cates) McCormack of Moran served as host and hostess of the reunion. Next year three of the sons of the late Bonnie and Betty Sanders, Ray, Paul and Billy Sanders, will serve as hosts on the third weekend of Sept. at the Moran Community Center.

The family enjoyed a bountiful lunch brought in by members of the family. Charles Jones of Midland led in prayer. Charles and his wife Patrice brought his mother Effie Mae Jones of Hobbs, N. M. She and her sister Lois Cates of Moran are the only living siblings of Henry Sanders. A cake with Sanders Reunion 2000 and with a picture of the two sisters on it was served.

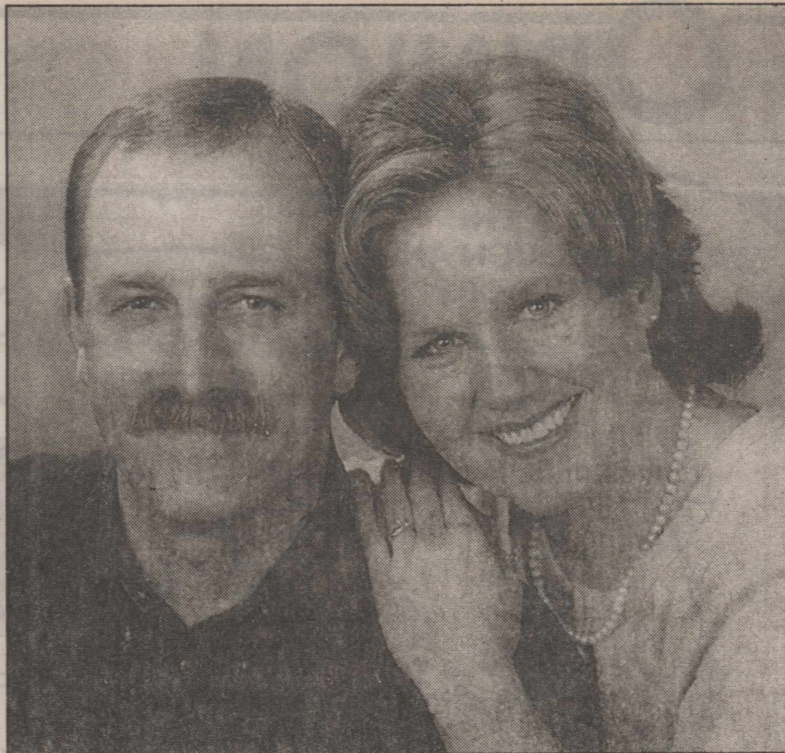
Four of the children of Semmie and Sallie Sanders were present which included Ammie Newton, Dola Williams, Elva Williams and Oma Lee Farris.

Ammie Newton was the oldest family member present. She is ninety-seven years old. Two of her daughters, Dorothy Russell and Mayvov Stoker, were present.

Two of Dola's daughters, Faye McCullough and Carol Sue Skidmore, were present.

Descendants of Henry and Lou Sanders present included a daughter of Jack Sanders, Lona Mae Phelps of Haskell; two daughters of Gertie Leeper, Norma Jo Tedford of Gorman and Mr. and Mrs. Jack (Dorothy) Pool of Austin; Gussie Sanders family, Frances and Bill Babbitt of Gorman and Jeanie Whittier; Lois (Sanders) Cates family, Betty Lou Bullard and children, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Cates and daughter Shelli, Cheryl Lucky and Terry and Aline McCormack and children; Luther Sanders' daughter Kathy of Brownwood; Bonnie Sanders family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sanders of Albany, Paul and Billy Sanders; Nellie (Sanders) Turner family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Torrez and children, Gloria Faye Glasson and Effie Luckie.

The next reunion will be the third weekend of Sept. 2001.



KELLY KLOSE - CONNIE BILLS

Bills, Klose to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Bills of Houston announce the engagement of their daughter, Connie, to Kelly Wade Klose, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elton Klose of Haskell.

The bride-elect graduated from Georgia Tech University with a Bachelors' degree in Civil Engineering. She is employed with Carter-Burgess Engineers.

The prospective bridegroom, a 1987 graduate of Haskell High School, graduated from the University of Texas at Austin, with a Bachelors' degree in Environmental Resource Management and is employed with Dallas Area Rapid Transit as G.I.S. Analyst.

An Oct. 14 wedding is planned at the Kali-Kate Farm in Buda.

FCE Club members attend convention

Haskell County Family and Community Education Clubs (FCE) were represented at the annual TAFCE Convention in Odessa Sept. 12-14. Delegates were Jane Smith, Lena Tidwell and Lennie Blankenship. Others attending were Alice Yates, Flossie Bates and Joetta Burnett.

The issues covered this year were safety in the home, skin care and literacy.

A workshop was held entitled H.E.A.T. that teaches how to better prevent car theft.

The Texas Association for Family and Community Education voted at this conference to change their name to Texas Extension

Education Association. This organization will not change their goals and objectives, only their name. Their main goal is to strengthen families through education. The organization gives nine \$1,000 college scholarships to graduating seniors who have participated in the 4-H program.

Special awards were presented for individual, county and district achievement. Alice Yates won 2nd place on her quilt. The Haskell County Clubs were awarded a certificate for community service.

The Texas Extension Education Association 75th conference will be held at Texas A&M.

Tidwells meet on Labor Day

The annual Labor Day reunion of the descendants of D. G. and Carrie Tidwell was held at the Civic Center in Haskell. One hundred and seventy-five attended.

The two remaining Tidwell sisters, Edna Calloway of Kaufman and Mary Jarman of Dallas, were present. They were surprised to see their nephew Leroy Tidwell of Indianapolis, Indiana. This was his

first reunion to visit. He also visited his aunt Loréne Adams while he was here.

Towns represented were Dallas, Kaufman, Port Arthur, Pasadena, Abilene, Wichita Falls, New Braunfels, Roby, O'Donnel, Port Neches, Monahans, Tyler, Hurst, San Benito, El Paso, Fort Worth, Big Spring, Childress, Haskell and Indianapolis, Indiana.

75 attend Davis reunion

The descendants of the B. P. Davis family met at the Civic Center in Haskell Sept. 17 for food, fun and fellowship. Seventy-five registered for lunch.

Danny Lankford brought the memorial for the loved ones who have passed on. The Lankford family sang several songs which was enjoyed by everyone.

As the family met they were asked to register and sign up for the drawing. Several drawings were held during the day and little token gifts were given.

Several friends of the family were present and many old times and tales were remembered.

The family members will meet next year on the third Sun. in Sept.

Jackson visits Art Club

The Brazos West Art Club met Mon., Sept. 11 in the community room of the Haskell National Bank. This was the first meeting of the new club year.

Ruth Jackson of Abilene gave a demonstration of a portrait in pastels. She gave many informative tips and brought many pictures and photos of her previous works.

Sixteen were in attendance, including members and guests.

Hostesses were Betty Berry and Dorothy Brown.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling
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AUSTIN — Texas has signed reciprocal agreements with Florida and Tennessee, allowing citizens with concealed handgun licenses issued by Florida or Tennessee to legally carry concealed handguns in Texas, and vice versa.

Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, signed reciprocity agreements with Florida and Tennessee through which their licensees can visit Texas with their concealed handguns.

"This agreement will allow licensed Texans to travel freely in the states of Tennessee and Florida, while enjoying the same or similar privileges their licensees give them at home," Davis said.

Made possible by 1997 changes to Texas' concealed handgun law, the reciprocity agreements with Tennessee and Florida are the fifth and sixth Texas has signed. Texas has concealed handgun reciprocity agreements with Arkansas, Louisiana, Arizona and Oklahoma.

Texans should remember that weapons laws vary from state to state, and before traveling, license holders should educate themselves about laws in other states that govern where and when they can legally carry their concealed handguns, Davis said.

Grain Station Opens

Texas and Mexico officials last week announced the opening of a truck-to-truck transfer station in Rio Grande City.

Mexican transport trucks will be allowed to cross the border on privately maintained roads and proceed to the Rio Grande City transfer station, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs said.

At Rio Grande City, Mexican trucks will pick up deliveries from U.S. trucks transporting Texas grain shipments from throughout the Rio Grande Valley and the Coastal Bend.

Mexico is the top market for Texas grain sorghum with about 1 million tons exported south each year.

Combs said she wants to develop more Texas-Mexico marketing partnerships such as the Rio Grande City project.

"I view our relationship with Mexico as a two-way street, and we must both work together in partnership to enhance each other's economies," she said.

Combs said she visits regularly with her counterparts in the four Mexican states that border Texas:

Chihuahua, Coahuila, Tamaulipas and Nuevo Leon.

Food and agricultural trade between the U.S. and Mexico have more than doubled during the last 10 years and are expected to total \$10.9 billion in fiscal year 2000.

Drought Crumbles Foundations

Shifting soils from heat and lack of rainfall have cracked the foundations of homes across the state, the Texas Department of Insurance reported last week.

Foundation repair companies, insurance agents and lawmakers have been hearing from homeowners from Corpus Christi to Wichita Falls who describe how drought conditions have cracked foundations, outside brick walls and interior walls.

An early sign of trouble is a door or window that will not open or close or a small crack that appears inside the house. As the drought continues, cracks in the soil widen and the problems for homeowners multiply.

Sam Nelson, chief engineer at the Texas Department of Insurance, said homes built over fill dirt or clay soil are the ones most likely to develop problems.

"Visualizing what the bottom of a dry stock pond looks like with its huge cracks will give you an idea of what's happening around many concrete foundations," Nelson said.

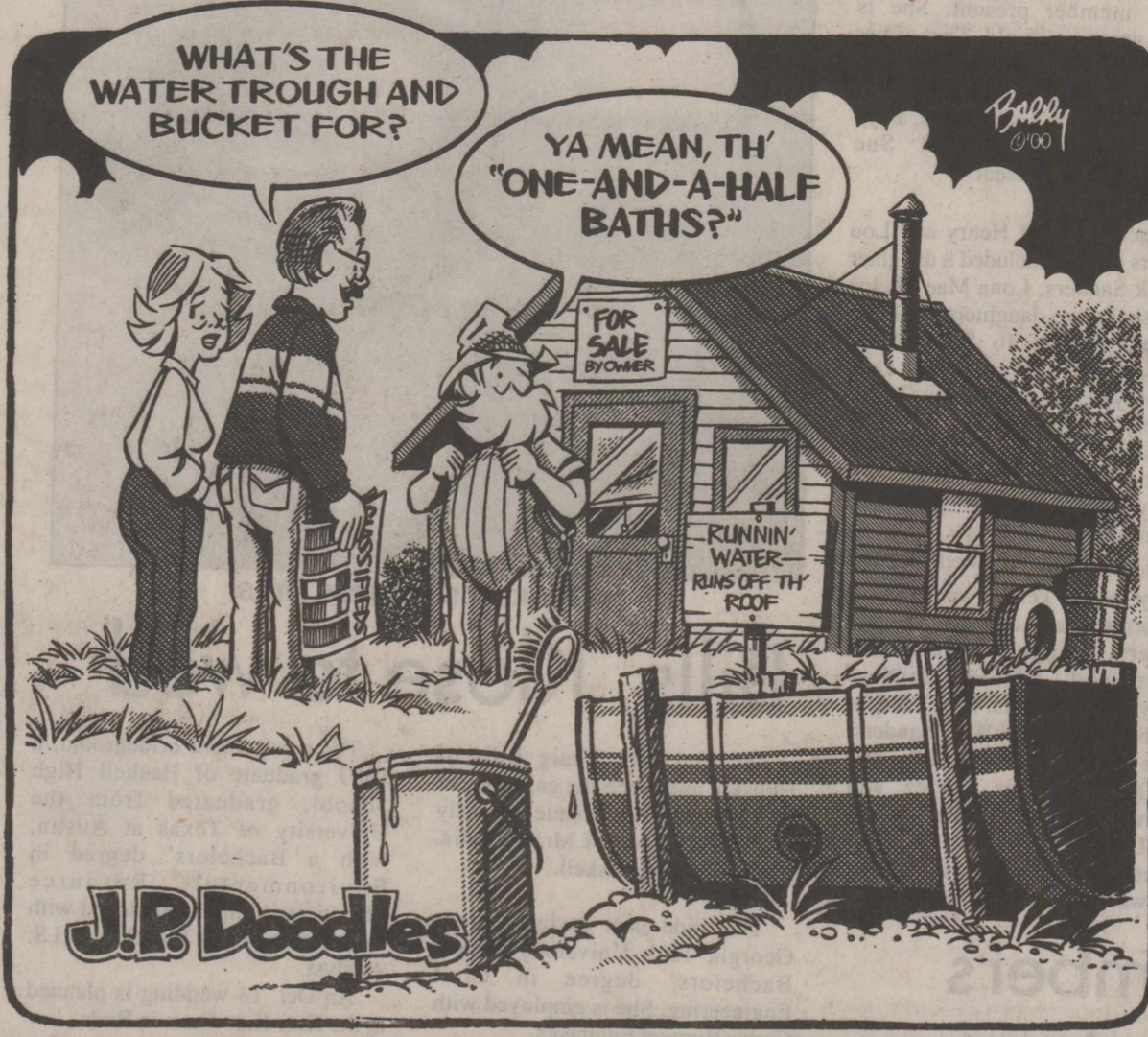
After a period of drought, the soil shrinks, and once rains return, the soil swells, creating movement in the foundation of a home, Nelson said.

Nelson said homeowners can prevent foundations from cracking by maintaining a proper moisture level around the perimeter of the home. Watering the general area twice a week for 20 minutes is sufficient.

Nelson said barriers also may need to be dug near a home to prevent roots of large trees from pressing against foundations as they tend to rise during drought-like conditions.

Other Highlights

• Mark Cross of the Texas Department of Transportation said Texas will lose \$96 million in federal highway construction funds over the next two years because the state does not ban open containers of alcohol in vehicles or send repeat drunken-driving offenders to jail automatically.



Fire ants are threat to nursing homes

By Brandon Anderson

The red imported fire ant, *Solenopsis invicta* Buren, now infests about two-thirds of the eastern part of Texas and isolated western counties (Midland, Ector, El Paso and Lubbock). Although primarily a pest found in outdoor sites, like turf grass, flower beds and ornamental plants, they can migrate indoors in search of food, moisture and nesting sites. In a few instances, large numbers of ants have been found to forage or nest in nursing homes, and there have been cases in Texas (Houston, Abilene) and elsewhere (Florida, Mississippi) where hundreds of ants have been found in the beds of patients, causing multiple stings and medical complication or death. Thus, the ants present a medical threat to immobile patients and potential legal liability.

Managers of nursing homes and convalescent centers are urged to recognize the red imported fire ant threat and take appropriate actions to assure the safety of their patients by contracting licensed pest control operators and discussing ant control options with them.

If separate companies have been contracted to manage insect pests indoors and outdoors, these companies must be aware of the control tactics being used for this and other pests. Red imported fire ants and other ant species easily move through small cracks and crevices in foundations and around windows. If the ants are not controlled outdoors, they will often suddenly migrate indoors. Controlling them outdoors before they enter the building is the best preventive action.

Contracts with pest control and lawn care companies should be carefully studied, to assure a plan is included for managing the ants, both indoors and outdoors.

For prevention, conduct regular inspections for ant activity or ant colonies, both outside and inside the premises. A dedicated, trained staff member or a contracted professional pest control operator can provide for at least weekly inspection, because of the ability of the ants to quickly infest or re-infest patient areas.

Sanitation within the care rooms must be carefully controlled to include elimination of food sources from the bedside tables, clothing drawers and other storage areas within the rooms. Finally, procedures for caring for the patients must be constantly reviewed to make sure patients who are incapable of turning over are "direct turned" frequently so that ants do not go undetected.

In very hot, dry weather, colonies may migrate indoors in search of a more suitable nesting site. Heavy rains may cause the ants to seek dry nesting sites indoors to escape flooding conditions. Ants that suddenly appear in the beds of the immobile patients may be seeking moisture or food for colonies located outdoors, or be exploring the patient's bed as a possible colony nesting site. It is often impossible to determine why ants suddenly appear on a patient, but if developmental stages (larvae and pupae) are present along with worker ants, it is likely that a colony migrated to a new location.

Should ants be found indoors, collecting them in a vial of alcohol, using a cotton swab or tweezers, will help diagnose the problem and can be useful for the pest control operator to determine the most appropriate course of control. These specimens can also be useful in documenting any problems that may result from their presence or activities.

Information about the management of red imported fire ants and other indoor nuisance ants can be obtained by contacting Brandon Anderson, Haskell County Extension Agent-Ag at (940) 864-2658 or by visiting the fire ant web site, <http://fireant.tamu.edu>.

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago September 20, 1990

Holly Hobgood was crowned the 1990 Haskell County Fair Queen. She is the daughter of Bobby and Debbie Hobgood. First runnerup was Tiffany Bradford and second runnerup was Tammi Brewer.

The Haskell High School Indian Marching Band received the second place trophy for marching in the West Texas Fair and Rodeo parade in Abilene.

Dr. Frank Cadenhead and Ford Cole of Haskell, members of the Hardin-Simmons University Board of Development, have been invited to attend a joint meeting of the Board of Trustees and the Development Board.

FHA officers for 1990-91 are Wendi Watson, Deanna Scheets, April Isbell, Mindy McGee, Jane Villa and Kellie Reid.

20 Years Ago September 18, 1980

The City of Haskell accepted delivery on a new garbage truck. The chassis was purchased from Bailey Toliver Chevrolet-Olds and the packer was purchased from Pak-Mor. Dudley Phelps, a city employee of 23 years, will drive the new unit.

Ray Perry, Twain Mickler and Rick Perry returned last week from a trip to Alaska where they

successfully hunted caribou.

Jim Harris, 1980 Haskell High School graduate, is playing football for Lubbock Christian College. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Harris.

30 Years Ago September 17, 1970

Bill Wilson Motor Company is celebrating twenty-five years of continuous service. The business opened its doors for business with a personnel of three and now employs eighteen people.

Melissa Roberson of Rochester, Cindy Thomas of Haskell, Ricky Kittley and Rob Kittley, both of Rule showed heifers at the West Texas Fair in Abilene this week.

The Rule Bobcats shut out the Aspermont Hornets 22-0 at Aspermont. With 2:52 left in the third quarter, fullback Jimmy Lisle scored on a 36-yard jaunt.

The Haskell Indian Booster Club met in the high school cafeteria. President Leon Jones presided. Virgil Cobb was appointed chairman of selling programs for hometown games. The programs will sell for 25¢.

40 Years Ago September 22, 1960

District Attorney Royce Adkins has been elected vice president of the District and County Attorney's Association of Texas at a meeting

held in Austin.

Van Acres Jewel, registered Shetland mare owned by C. A. Thomas of Haskell, won reserve championship in the Shetland Show held at the Abilene West Texas Fair.

The 1960-61 senior class of Haskell High School elected the following officers: President, J. D. Stocks; vice president, James Cameron; secretary, Twyla Hipp; treasurer, Dorothea Rueffer; reporter, Christy Royall; and sergeant at arms, Gary Hodgins.

Rev. W. T. Priddy, Baptist minister of Haskell, was elected president of the Haskell County Civic Righteousness Council at an organizational meeting and temperance rally held in Sagerton.

50 Years Ago September 21, 1950

Carl H. Fischer, Haskell farmer and one of the section's most ardent sportsmen, returned last week from an 8-day hunting and fishing trip to Wyoming.

Mrs. J. U. Fields was hostess to the Magazine executive board members and program directors in her recently redecorated house.

A new automobile agency has opened in Haskell. The agency is Lanier-Mobley Motor Company and will be a Studebaker dealer.

New officers have been elected for the Haskell Pep Squad. Officers are president, Lula Faye Free; vice president, Joan Melton; secretary, Ellen Rueffer; treasurers, Florene and Lorene Crow; and reporter, Nellwyn Conner.

90 Years Ago September 17, 1910

C. J. Graham is building a 10-room house which will soon be completed and ready for occupancy.

The new jail has been finished and accepted by the county officials.

Miss Glennie Russell left Tues. for Meridian, Miss., where she will attend Meridian Woman's College.

I. P. Carr has put up a windmill at his residence and has installed a private water system.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:
On behalf of the citizens of Throckmorton County, Throckmorton County Commissioners and myself, I would like to say a "Big" thank you for the part you and your community played during our recent pipeline effort. Our county was truly amazed by the outpouring of concern shown by people all over the nation, but especially by those we call our friends and neighbors. We are well on our way now, with

the lines being flushed and treated (hopefully) as we are writing this letter. Our lake is on its last intake and without the line we would be totally without water in the very near future.

While it is our hope that nothing like this ever happens to your community, know you can call on us and we'll return the generosity you've shown us.

Sincerely,
Trey Carrington
Throckmorton County Judge

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Keeping an Eye on Texas

Global Visitors Flock to Texas

Images of cowboys, the Alamo and J.R. Ewing attract international tourists by the millions to Texas each year. Most are from Mexico, but Texas is also popular with visitors from Canada, the United Kingdom and Germany.

| International Visitors to Texas, 1998 | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| (In thousands) | |
| Mexico | 3,270 |
| Canada | 334 |
| United Kingdom | 163 |
| Germany | 124 |
| Japan | 98 |
| France | 82 |

SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.window.state.tx.us), Texas Department of Economic Development, D.K. Shifflet and Associates, Ltd., IFA Tourism Industries and Statistics Canada.

Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses issued in August by Rhonda Moeller, Haskell Co. Clerk include:

Joshua Wayne New and Jessica Diane Comedy, both of Haskell
Brandon Dwayne Anderson and Penny Benton Young, both of Haskell

James Weaver Martin and Amanda Leigh Ervin, both of Haskell

Michael Hollis Barrera and Antonia Maria Crane, both of Haskell

Hospital

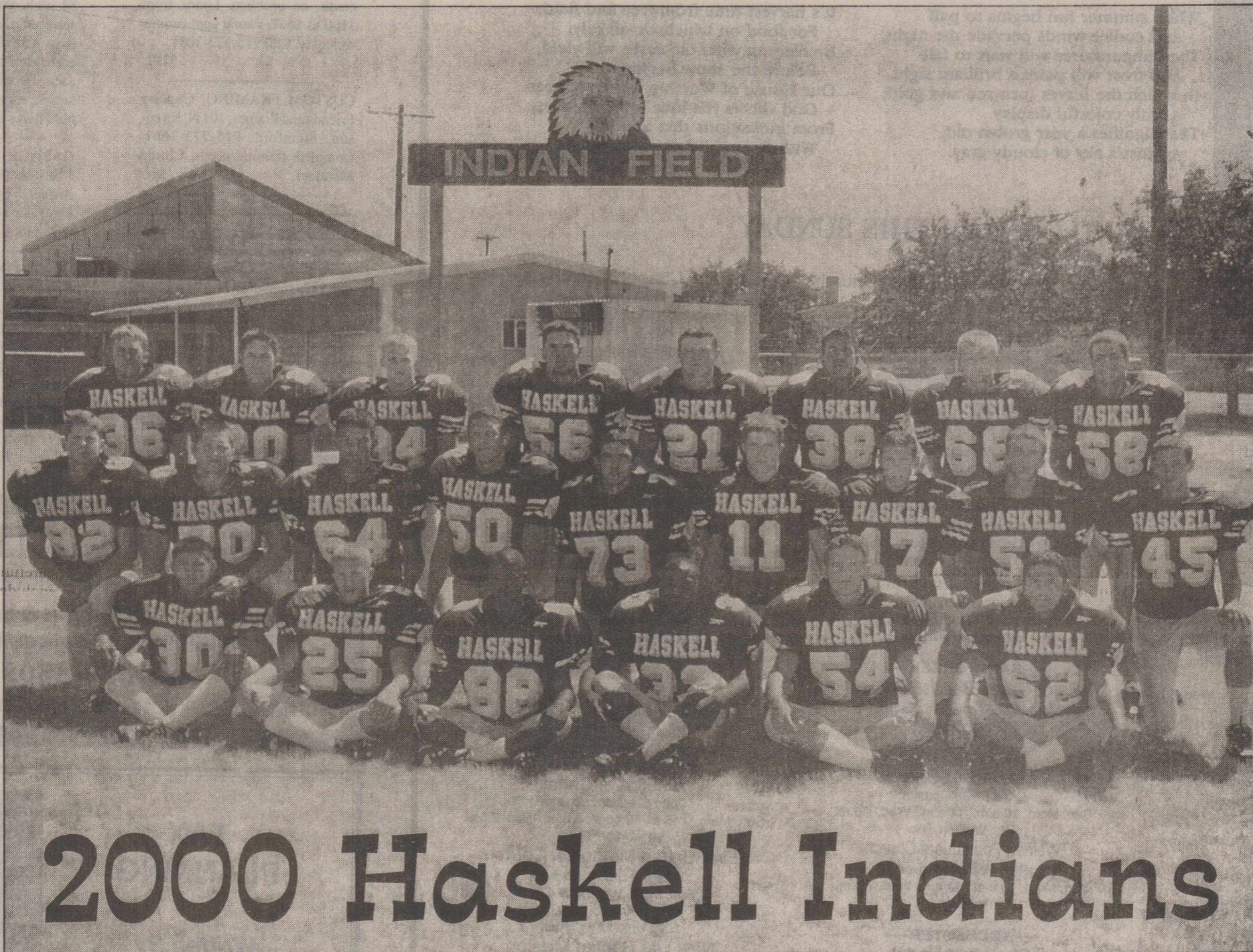
Dismissals

Lee Roy Denton, Iola Everett, William Green, Jr., Willard Skipworth, Michael Bukenfeld, William Harlan

Scalp 'em, Indians!

HASKELL vs PADUCAH

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Breakfast
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Monday: Breakfast on a stick
Tuesday: Breakfast burrito
Wednesday: Cutie pie
Thursday: Sausage biscuit
Friday: 1/2 peanut butter and jelly sandwich

Lunch
A choice of baked potato with choice of topping or a salad bar is offered daily at the Secondary campus. Ala-carte line offered daily Secondary only. Snack bar Wednesday only-Secondary. Milk and assorted drinks are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk and juice are served daily at the Elementary School.

Monday: Chicken nuggets w/dipping sauce, green beans with new potatoes, broccoli with cheese, biscuit, sliced peaches
Tuesday: Cheeseburger, lettuce/tomato/pickle slices, tater tots, Royal brownie

Wednesday: Chicken spaghetti, fried okra, black-eyed peas, hot rolls, fruit cocktail
Thursday: Beef & vegetable stew, grilled cheese sandwich, carrot sticks, ice cream
Friday: Chicken fried steak w/cream gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, hot rolls, banana pudding

ECC Calendar/Menu

Mon., Sept. 25
Lunch-Beef/gravy, potatoes, peas, carrot salad, pineapple upside down cake, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Wed., Sept. 27
11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Service blood pressure check

Lunch-Hamburgers, pinto beans, tator tots, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, Hopkins Special

Fri., Sept. 29
Lunch-Ham, macaroni & cheese, greens, cole slaw, Jello, cookies, bread, milk, tea or coffee

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GARAGE SALE: Sat. 8 to 12. 1105 N. Ave. L. Baby items, stroller, bicycle, books, decorative items, air conditioner, antique refrigerator. 38p

AUCTION: The property of Raymond Phillips will be auctioned Sat., Sept. 23, 10 a.m. Located at 511 S. 12th in Munday, Texas. Poster bedroom suite, refrigerator, gas cook stove. Lots of glassware, collectables, antiques. Lots of records 33, 45 & 78s. 1969 Model Chevrolet. Grand piano. Lots more. Pack Auction Service, Charles Pack (8528). 940-658-5152. 38p

This Week's Devotional Message:



WE WELCOME GOD'S MOST COLORFUL SEASON OF AUTUMN

When summer fun begins to pall
And cooler winds pervade the night,
The temperatures will start to fall
And frost will paint a brilliant sight,
In which the leaves turn red and gold;
A truly colorful display
That signifies a year grown old,
Against a sky of cloudy gray.

It's harvest time from tree and field,
For food on which we all rely;
By reaping what the earth will yield,
Before the snow begins to fly.
Our House of Worship makes it clear:
God shows His love in many ways,
From indications that appear
With autumn's beauty all ablaze.

— Gloria Nowak

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

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- East Side Baptist Church**
David Page, pastor
Sun. 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; 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.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- Church of God**
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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**
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
607 S. 7th, Haskell
- First United Methodist Church**
Shane Brue, 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**
Brett Anderson, 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**
Luther S. Hollowell, II, 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

Bobby Ray Wade, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell

New Covenant Foursquare

Bill and Renee Glass, pastors
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
200 S. Ave. F, Haskell

Mission Revival Center

Rev. William Hodge
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell

First Baptist Church

Kevin Hall, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell

Church in the Park

Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend
Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
Gazebo or Pavillion

PAINT CREEK

Paint Creek Baptist Church
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
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WEINERT

First Baptist Church
Chris Powell, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
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Weinert Foursquare Church
Rev. Robert Harrison
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
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ROCHESTER

Church of Christ
Steve Willis, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester

First Baptist Church
Troy Culpepper, pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester

Union Chapel Baptist Church
Rev. Clarence Walker
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.
Rochester

SAGERTON

Sagerton Methodist Church
Tommy Wilson, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
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Faith Lutheran Church

Stan Leaf, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Sagerton

RULE

First Baptist Church
Scott Hensley, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1001 Union Ave., Rule

Primitive Baptist Church
Dale Turner Jr., pastor
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule

Church of Christ
John Greeson, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
811 Union, Rule

First United Methodist Church
Shane Brue, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule

New Life Baptist Mission
Jesus Herrera
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Elm Street/Hwy 380 E, Rule

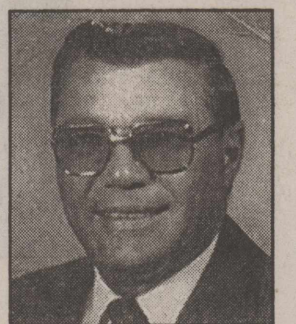
Sweet Home Baptist Church
Vergil Smith, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule

West Bethal Baptist Church
Rev. Robert Sweet
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
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DEBT REDUCTION MAY BE YOUR BEST INVESTMENT

Investors are increasingly uneasy about the ups and downs of the stock market. The market may have averaged 11 percent a year since 1925, but nobody knows where it's going now, much less how individual investments will do. At the same time, borrowing is almost too easy. Nearly anyone can qualify for a credit card, and homeowners can get second mortgages that exceed their home equity. Household debt has reached a record high, and interest rates are rising.

If you're worried about your investments and want to reduce your debts, you're in luck. Debt reduction gives you a guaranteed rate of return. By paying off a typical credit card, you'll save about 18 percent interest on the amount you retire. Where else can you earn a guaranteed return of 18%?

Debt reduction also buys security. A low-debt family earning \$40,000 a year can be financially stronger than many high-debt families earning twice as much. If you lose your job, your level of debt can make the difference between temporary discomfort and financial ruin.

To reduce debt, you should first void buying anything you can't pay for in 30 days. Then start working on your existing debts. Each month, pay as much as you can on the debt with the highest nondeductible interest rate, covering only minimum payments on the others. When you've retired the first debt, start on the one with the next highest rate. Continue the process until you've paid off everything but your home mortgage.

Naturally, this is a simplified approach, and individual circumstances vary. A professional can help you set realistic goals and work with you at achieving them. If we can be of assistance, contact our office.

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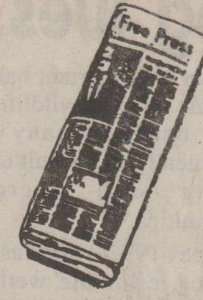
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Public Notices

NOTICE

The City of Haskell is accepting bids for a 2000 or 2001 trailer mounted jet sewer machine. Bids must be in the Secretary's office no later than 4:00 p.m. on Oct. 6, 2000. Bids will be opened the first regular City Council meeting, Oct. 9, 2000 at 7:00 a.m. Bids then will be accepted or rejected.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Specifications in packet. The City will be trading in one 1979 FMC sewer machine. Any question on trade in contact Thomas Rodriguez, Assistant Director of Public Works, 940-864-2333 or 940-864-2355.

NOTICE

The City of Haskell is accepting bids for a 2000 or 2001 4x4 backhoe. Bids must be in the City Secretary's office no later than 4:00 p.m. on Oct. 6, 2000. Bids will be opened the first regular City Council meeting Oct. 9, 2000 at 7:00 a.m. Bids then will be accepted or rejected.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Specifications in packet. The City will be trading in one 1989 310 C 4x4 backhoe. Any questions on trade in contact Thomas Rodriguez, Assistant Director of Public Works, 940-864-2333 or 940-864-2355.

NOTICE

Haskell County Commissioner's Court will accept bids until 10:00 a.m., Monday, October 9, 2000 at the office of County Judge in the Courthouse of Haskell, Texas.

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County Judge 37-38c

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Haskell County will accept bids for the sale or Trade-in of one or more used Caterpillar 140H Motor Grader. Contact Judge's office at (940) 864-2851 to see the equipment and pick up bid form.

Haskell County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Haskell County Commissioner's Court by: David Davis 37-38c

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE

A request has been received from Randy Grand to change the following described property: Lot number OL 42 Block 8.490 acres address N. 6th and Ave. H East other description Brown & Roberts Addition from residential zoning district to special purpose zoning district. The applicant proposes to use the property for mobile homes if zoning is achieved.

The planning and zoning commission of the City of Haskell, Texas, will hold a public hearing pursuant to this request on October 6, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers. 38c

NOTICE

The Haskell Memorial Hospital Board of Directors will accept bids for the replacement of the roof on the Haskell Memorial Hospital Building until 10:00 a.m. October 16, 2000. Bids will be accepted at the Business office at the Hospital, located at North Avenue N, Haskell, Texas, or by Certified Mail to P. O. Box 1117, Haskell, Texas 79521.

Specifications may be picked up at the business office at 1 North Avenue N, Haskell, Texas, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., or by contacting the Administrator at 940-864-2621, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Haskell Memorial Hospital Bill Nemir, Administrator 38-39c

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The Haskell County Country Club 19th Hole has applied to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a renewal of a Private Club registration permit at Country Club Road North Side 1.5 miles East int. Hwy. 277, Haskell, Haskell County, Texas. James Markey-President, David Jim Strickland-Vice Pres./Sec./Treas. 38-39c

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS
Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.
District: Abilene
Contract 0157-07-002 for WIDENING, ADD SIDEWALK/CURB & GUTTER, ASPHALT PAVE in HASKELL County, etc. will be opened on October 5, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.
Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available at reproduction companies in Austin, Texas at the expense of the contractor.
NPO: 1343
State Office: Construction Division, 200 E. Riverside Dr., Austin, Texas 78704. Phone 512-416-2540.
District Office(s): Abilene District, District Engineer, 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas 79601. Phone 915-676-6800.
Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin. 37-38c

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Wetlands meeting Tues.

A wetland meeting is scheduled for Sept. 26 at the Haskell National Bank Community Building at 1:30 p.m. This meeting will afford landusers the opportunity to hear speakers from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Natural Resources Conservation Service explain the wetlands programs they administer and how they can be used to effectively assist in wetland restoration.

Wetlands are an important bridge between land and water. The ability of wetlands to store and hold water has important ecological, environmental and economic implications to landusers in Haskell and surrounding counties. Wetlands also provide vital recharge sites for recharge aquifers, reduce flood damage, filter pollutants from water, provide irrigation water for crops and water for livestock.

Because they are so biologically rich, wetlands and adjacent uplands

represent an important habitat type for a vast array of wildlife species. They benefit many people economically as a result of fishing, hunting and recreational opportunities.

Since 1992, at least 40,000 acres of restorable wetlands and adjacent uplands have been enrolled nationally in the Wetlands Reserve Program and the Emergency Wetlands Reserve Program. The Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program addresses habitat development for both upland and wetland wildlife, threatened and endangered species and fisheries. The Natural Resources Conservation Service administers these programs.

The Partners for Wildlife Program administered by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service has been an important wetland restoration effort. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is also involved in wetland restoration. For additional details about wetlands meeting contact the NRCS at 940-864-8516.

Field Day set Sept. 28

by Brandon Anderson
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Farmers can learn more about relay strip cropping as a means of pest control at a Sept. 28 Field Day on the Smith Farm near Munday. In relay strip cropping, producers plant a series of crops in strips to provide food and shelter for beneficial insects during the winter and spring.

By interspersing strips of vetch, canola or grain sorghum amongst their cotton, producers can provide a continuum of suitable habitats for beneficial predatory insects that later move into adjacent cotton during the summer. These beneficials then prey on cotton pests during the growing season.

Dr. Jeff Slosser, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station entomologist based at Vernon, will outline relay strip cropping research conducted on the Rolling Plains at the Field Day.

"Our researchers and Extension specialists will present a wealth of crops and livestock information at this event. Registration begins at 8

a.m. and the program begins at 9 a.m.," said Galen Chandler, Texas Agricultural Extension Service district agriculture director for the Rolling Plains. "The Smith Farm is 2.6 miles east of Munday on U. S. Hwy. 277 and about 1/2 mile south on County Road 4780.

The 9 to 10 a.m. morning session will focus on livestock production and grazing alternatives utilizing wheat and cool-season grasses. Dr. Bill Pinchank, Texas A&M associate professor of range animal nutrition, Vernon; water districts update, State Rep. Rick Hardcastle, Vernon; and conservation tillage, Dr. Wayne Keeling, Texas A&M professor of systems agronomy and weed science, Lubbock.

For more information on the Sept. 28 Agriculture Field Day, call the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Vernon (940) 552-9941, Chillicothe (940) 852-5125, Munday (940) 422-4531, or Haskell County Extension Office at (940) 864-2658.

City Council report

The City Council of Haskell called a special meeting Sept. 18, to approve a resolution canvassing returns and declaring results of the recent election on approving the issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of 7.4 million for a prison/jail.

The resolution was read and approved. A preliminary official statement authorizing the distribution of the money was tabled for completion.

Councilman Fred Hernandez announced that Susan Combs, Texas Agriculture Commissioner, will be visiting Haskell Oct. 3 for a Town Hall meeting. The meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Center. Anyone having questions regarding state agriculture programs, production, etc., will have an opportunity for their questions to be addressed at that time. Refreshments will be served.

Two to compete in Dickens

Two Haskell barrel racers will be competing at the West Texas Barrel Racers Association annual "Round Up" barrel race, Sept. 23, at the Dickens Lions Club Arena on Hwy. 82 East in Dickens.

Darlene Hopkins, who tied for fourth place in the 1999-2000 year

end 2-D category standings will be riding Zorro. Hopkins is a Co-Award Director of the Event.

Ashton Rutkowski, fourth in the year-end standings, will be competing in the 8 & Under grouping in this first point race for the WTBRA 2000-2001 year.

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Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Matthews of Midland and Jana Alexander of Wichita Falls visited their mother Delma Matthews on Sun.

On Tues. Margaret Tatum took her mom Joyce to Abilene for a doctor check-up. On the way home they stopped in Anson for a visit with sister-in-law and aunt, Tiny Vaughn.

Aubree Tatum celebrated her third birthday with a party at the park Fri. night. Attending were her

parents Jonathan Tatum of Haskell, Candis Tatum of Goree, brother Caden, grandparents Billy and Margaret Tatum, great grandmothers Billie Jean Walters and Joyce Hawkins, uncles and aunts Creora Tatum, Christopher and Melissa Tatum, Gary and Vickie Hawkins, Clarence and Bo Tatum, cousins Denise, Sebernia and Amber Conn, Julie and Audree Cochran, Zachery and Garet Tatum and Rylie Tatum.

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