## Mules run rampant, whipping Slaton 49-20

## Page one

Women take football contest
in in the second week of the Journal's
weekly football contest: All three top finish-
ers are women.
Two entrants missed only three games,
but Marilyn Engelking won the contest by being only 18 points off on the Three Way-
She guessed 60 points would be scored in
the game, and the actual total was 78 ( El
Paso Jesus Chapel 54 , Three Way 24).
Engelking's miscues were on Littlefield
at Levelland, Springlake-Earth at Sundown
Kathleen Hayes took
Kathleen Hayes took second by virtue of
Her misses also included the Springlake-
Earth and University of Texas games, along
In third place was Alene Bryant with four
games missed. She also was tripped up by
Texas and Washington State tilts. She added
Lazbuddie-Jayton to her misses.
She grabbed third place by being only six
points off on the tiebreaker (she guessed 72
Others right behind her with four games
missed were Vickie Groneman, Frances
Crescent Crawford.
The most frequently missed games in-
clude all the ones missed by one of the top
three finishers, plus Buffalo at New York
This week's contest attracted only 27 en-
ries, thanks mainly to several Sherley-Ander-
son employees shirking their responsibility.
This week's contest is dedicated to J.E.
McVicker, a longtime faithful participant
dedication to football at all levels, but more
importantly his gentlemanly demeanor, will


Drawing date: Saturday, Sept. 16 Winning numbers: 22-25-35-36-37-50 Estimated jackpot: $\$ 6$ million
Winners: 0
Next drawing: Wednesday, Sept. 20
Estimated jackpot: $\$ 9$ million

On this date in history

 from Spain (1810).
Sept. 17 - The Republic of Texas signs an agreement with the rebel Mexican state of
Yucatán (south of Texas across the Gulf of Yucatán (south of Texas across the Gulf of
Mexico) to rent out the Texas Navy for $\$ 8,000$
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## Local weather

Some people may be reaching for the sweaters by Sunday morning, when the temperature is expected to dip to a chilly 42. Daytime high temperatures are expected to vary widely for the next few days, from about 91 on Friday to about 75 on Sunday. Otherwise, look for about 81 on both Thursday and Saturday.

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JOURNAL STAFF REPORT
The Muleshoe Mules got fueled up during the second half Friday night, and Slaton fans may still be wondering what tanked their Ti may
gers.
In
In a game that was an $8-8$ draw at halftime, the Mules' aggressive second-half play left the Tigers behind 49-20. Six of the Mules' touch downs came on runs longer than 50 yards. "I was pleased with the whole second half except for one kickoff return," head coach David Wood said Monday. He referred to the play with 6:14 on the clock that led to Slaton's final touchdown - a fourth-quarter 90-vard return by Julius McGee.
But what a Mule show was sandwiched But what a Mule show was sandwiched
around that run! Within a few plays, the game around that run! Within a few plays, the game
switched from a 30-14 Mule margin to the final 49-20 pasting.
Not only did Travis Tunnell answer McGee 22 seconds later with a 72 -yard touchdown romp of his own, but the Slaton score was preceded by no less than two Danny Ramírez touchdowns - a 26 -yarder and an 80 -yarder. This was all icing on the cake, however. The Mules had already put the game virtually out of reach with a 22 -point third quarter
In that period, T-Bird Cox (the team's player of the week) found paydirt on a 79 -yard kick 58 -yard pass reception with a 65 -yard and a Also in the third, D.J. Domínguez kicked two
game) and Joey Tucker added two on a pass
from Cox.
Cox also had opened the scoring with a $50-$ yard run in the first quarter, and then added his own two-point conversion.
The Mules racked up a whopping 511 yards
of offense, with 360 of it
it rushing.
Wood describéd Ramírez's performance
lentless" and said Ramírez played like
with a mission."
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JV Mule Jordan Dale (No. 14) looks for running room as teammate Josh Clark (No. 44) watches his back in last Thursday's game against the Slaton JV. The JV clobbered Slaton 42-14 while the freshmen also won big, 36-6. Both teams play Friona teams in Muleshoe this Thursday (5:30 p.m. freshmen, 7 p.m. junior varsity).

## City council takes no action on fire chief's resignation

By RONN SMITH Editor

The Muleshoe City Council met closed session Tuesday to discuss the Friday resignation of Fire
Chief Donald Harrison, emerging to announce that the council would take no action on the resignation thus allowing it to stand.
after the meeting that Harrison went
to Hanna's office on Friday and resigned. Then, Hanna said, asked for the job back.
Harrison did not return a phone call seeking his version of events. Hanna said the resignation resulted from a difference of opinion

Thursday



Muleshoe schools get $\$ 200,000$ in state technology grants

## JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Muleshoe's four school campuses have each been awarded $\$ 50,000$ grants from the state's Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund to be used for technology advancement.
Such grants can be used for up-to-date hardware and "connectivity development," highspeed work stations, Internet access or videoconferencing systems to allow students to take courses from another campus.
The grant projects officially begin Oct. 2.
Adrian Meador, the Muleshoe's assistant su-
"The principals got together and decided what they needed on each campus," he said.
Since its inception in 1995, TIF has awarded about $\$ 487$ million in grants to public schools, libraries, institutions of higher education and publicly owned non-profit health-care facilities The agency receives about $\$ 150$ million year from telecomaunications assessments. "The reason I got into education was to see dating obstacle, but rather it will be the medium
students learn and succeed," Meador said in a through which work, play, research and tasks statement released by the district Monday
"Most of our students today are more profi

## he added. They are the fure

 because technology is becoming a part of their lives, they are progressively beconting into the future to the future. are made easier and done more e according to the district's statement.
## Both JV teams shine at Abernathy meet

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT
Muleshoe cross country runners really made their presence felt at the Sept. 16 Abernathy meet: The junior varsity boys took first (with three team members finishing among the Top 5), junior varsity girls took second and varsity girls placed fifth.
Muleshoe varsity boys did not run A.J. Flores led the boys for the sec ond meet in a row, finishing third at Abernathy. Jerrell Otwell (fourth) and Chris Peña (fifth) were right behind him. Also among Muleshoe finishers were Eric Villa (15th) and Jimmy

## Cotton group to watch farm program

 SPECIAL TO THE JOURNALThe National Cotton Council will continue toreview farm-policy options in advance of next year's debate on new farm legislation, its president says. "We will not be caught unprepared when the debate begins in Washing ton," said Robert McLendon in remarks to the council's board of directors at their meeting in Memphis, Tenn., recently.

Franco (25th).
Pacing the JV girls to second place were Megan Barrett and Sarah Sheets, who finished third and fourth, respectively.
Other finishers were Jodi Hawkins at eighth, Marlie Black at ninth, Ashley López (35th) and Keri Copley (43rd). Leading her team in the tougher varsity class was Eva Pylant, who finished 15th. Teammates and their placings include Megan Beard, 25th; Lilia Flores, 35th; Annie Cox, 40th; Kayla Glover, 46th; Jessica Carpenter, 47th; and Sara Benham, 62nd.
example, the council is promot ing efforts to raise the marketing loan payment for 2000 , but he said the group will work to ensure that this effort does not jeopardize marketing certificates for loan redemption purposes. The group was told that 70 -cent cotton appears to be on the horizon. "Marketing certificates are crucial to see COTTON on page 7


Farm Safety Week
Bailey County Judge Marilyn Young prepares to sign a proclamation Monday declaring Sept. 17-23 as Farm Safety Week in the county. Looking on are (from left) Rodney Baker, Gerald Shanks and Ronald Scott. This year's theme, "Zero in OO," is intended to call attention to accident prevention in agriculture, the second most hazardous industry in the United States.

## AROUND MULESHOE

Blood drive scheduled
United Blood Services announced Monday that there will be a blood drive from 12:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Sept. 21 at the Muleshoe Church of Christ, 2201 W. American Blvd.
Participants will receive a free T-shirt in addition to helping save up to four lives with a single blood donation.
Donors also receive a free mini-physical including checks of blood pressure, temperature, pulse rate and iron level. The entire donation process should take about 35 to 40 min -

## College Night set for next week

The annual Muleshoe High School College Night is scheduled for 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sept. 26 in the school cafeteria.
Representatives of various colleges will be on hand to answer questions. Materials from different colleges also will be avail-
All high school students and their parents are encouraged to

## Humorist to address Heritage meeting

The annual membership meeting of the Muleshoe Heritage Foundation is scheduled for 7 p.m. Sept. 26, outdoors at the denot if weather permits.
The alternate site in case of bad weather is the meeting room in the depot.
Entertainment will be provided by humorist Tumbleweed

## Shallowater serves notice on district foes early

By DAVID STEVENS Southwest News Services If anyone had early doubts about whether Shallowater could contend for a football playoff spot, that doubt has been erased.
The Mustangs, who won their last three regular-season games in 1999, are off to a 2-0 start this season.
They've scored more points (67) than any other District 2 3A team, and they've allowed the fewest (29).
Shallowater was particularly impressive in lastFriday night's final drive - a 13 -play, 84 yard march that lasted nearly five minutes and climaxed with a 2 -yard touchdown pass.
The Mustangs beat Idalou 27
23, with their final score coming with two seconds to play.
"Pretty exciting for the second game of the year, Shallowatercoach Keith Kitchens said. "When you do something like that, itcan't thelp but build your confidence."
Littlefield coach Lewis Boomer is among those convinced that the Mustangs are for real. "I think Muleshoe and Shallowater-those twoteams are definitely the class of the district," he said.
All six district teams are in action again this week as high school footballenters its fourth week of competition.
Muleshoe and Shallowater, each 2-0, should be challenged in road games this week
The Mules face longtime rival Friona (3-0), which won the District 2-3A crown a year ago before being reclassified to Class 2A. Shallowater faces Class 2A Tahoka, which is off to a 2-1 start.
In other games, Dimmitt ( 0 ) is at Denver City, Slaton is at Littlefield (1-1), Brownfield is at Lubbock Cooper (1-1) and Lubbock Roosevelt ( $0-3$ ) is at Tulia
Keys to Shallowater's early success have been running back Justin Stone and quarterback Keenan Kitchens.
Stone has rushed for 225 yards and caught two passes for 88 yards. His four touchdowns include an 85 -yard kickoff return.
Keenan Kitchens, the coach's son, completed eight of 13 passes for 151 yards last week. Many of those passes came during the final touchdown
drive. And it was Kitchens' in the state at the time. quarterback draw run for 15 yards that enabled the Mustangs to overcome fourth-and-4 situation early in the winning drive
"I guess they have confidence in themselves," Kitchens said of his offensive unit. "We're pretty much a seniorteam. They knew what had to be done, and they were able to do it. The Mustangs have 24 seniors on their roster.

DISTRICT NOTES
Muleshoe coach David Wood Maileshoe coach Davia Wood trict team that has captured his attention early in the season. "They've had some pretty good athletes in the past, but they've been kind of banged up," Wood said. "They've been healthy this year, and it looks like they will be contenders."
Cooper clobbered Tulia 28-0 last week. The Pirates' seasonopening loss was 38-30 to

## MULES

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Wood said there were no especially inspired halftime speeches that caused the Mules o catch fire in the second half. "We all knew what we could do in the second half, and we were tired of playing games," he said.
De said. Defensively, Wood said Jeff
Shelburne, Stephen Woodard, Daniel Johnson and Chris Barrera all excelled.
"These four played exceptionally well," he said.
He also praised Darrell Lewis for logging 13 tackles. "We played a great defensive game even though they scored some points on us," he said.

Texans.
Smith is the host of a syndicated radio program called "Sound of Texas," heard on 40 stations around the state. He has traveled the state for the past three decades, interviewing unique Texans. The meeting also will feature updates on Heritage Center activities and improvements during the past year.

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## Refor <br> Senior class selling cookie dough

Members of the Muleshoe High School senior class will be selling Red Apple brand gourmet cookie dough through Sept. 22. The dough is packaged in 3 -pound tubs and will stay fresh up to three months in the refrigerator or six months in the freezer. Each tub will make about a hundred 2-inch cookies or 48 1ounce cookies. The dough can be scooped out to make as many cookies at a time as desired.
The price is $\$ 10$ per tub, and flavors are oatmeal raisin, peanut butter, white chocolate macadamia, brownie peanut-butter chip, chocolate chunk, sugar, $M \& M$ and coconut macaroon. Orders can be placed with any member of the class or a sponsor. Sponsors are Debbie Conner, Kerry Moore, April Smith and Ron Welch.

Fund-raiser softball tournament set
A softball tournament to raise money for El Divino Salvador Methodist Church has been scheduled for Sept. 23-24 at Muleshoe's New City Park.

Littlefield rover Theo Watson has emerged as one of the district's top defensive weapons. He leads the Wildcats with 28 tackles, including 11 unassisted chops. . . . Muleshoe's Danny Ramirez is perhaps the loop's most dangerous ball carrier. He rushed for 274 yards against Slaton and averages 13.6 yards per carry.
Muleshoe beat Slaton 49-20 last week, and Littlefield hosts Slaton on Friday. But Boomer said his team's performance against
Slaton will not necessarily reflect its potential to beat Muleshoe its potential to beat Muleshoe.
"You can look at the scores and "You can look at the scores and compare them, but I don't know if take on a whole new meaning when you play district."
Dimmitthas proven its big-play potential despite an 0-2 start. The Bobcats' Bobby Hill had a 40 yard scoring run Sept. 8, and teammate Jake Laurent hauled in a 75 -yard scoring pass last Friday.
Lubbock Roosevelt's losing streak swelled to 21 games with Friday's 26-0 loss at Brownfield


Cox also drew his share of praise from the coach. "That catch he made that kept that drive alive - he just did a loto things for us," Wood said. Looking ahead to Friday against Friona, Wood said "This is a game that probably This is a game that probably means a lot more to Friona than it does to us, since they stepped
down to Class 2A down to Class 2 A and it would mean a lot to them to beat team like us," he said. "But I don't mean to downplay it," he added. "It's a big rivalry for us, so it's a big game for us. We just want to make sure we execute well and don't allow them to get avay from us."



The entry fee is $\$ 110$ per team, and the entry deadline to
register is Sept. 21.
There will be trophies and T-shirts awarded through third place. Food and refreshments will be available.
More information is available by calling Jorge Barrón at 272 -
Public calendar
Sept. 21 - 3:30 p.m. Muleshoe Theta Rho Girls' Club, 308 W. econd S.
7:30 p.m. Muleshoe Odd Fellows Lodge, 308 W. Second St. Sept. $22-5: 30$ p.m. Lazbuddie senior class homecoming supper; $\$ 6$ or $\$ 4.50$ per plate, in the school cafeteria. Food also available after game.


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Editor
A report in the October issue of Garden Design magazine should concern everyone who'd rather be healthy than
sick.
The whole thing began in 1998 when a "macrobiotic nutritionist" named Alex Jack was editing a book and went to check the U.S. Department of Agriculture figures on the nutritional value of various vegetables.
He thought the figures didn't fit with what he'd read before, so he checked the same tables from 1975.
He eventually discovered that the dozen vegetables he in the way of vitamins and min$O B$ BITUARIES CHLOE KLUTTS
dervices were held Wednes-
day at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel for Chloe Klutts, 98, of Muleshoe. Elder Glen Williams officiated. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park.
Mrs. Klutts was born Nov.
23, 1901, in Board Camp, Ark. She died Sept. 16 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. The family relocated from Arkansas to Oklahoma Territory before Oklahoma became a state.
She married Robert Richard Klutts in Shawnee, Okla., on
Jan. 30, 1926. He died Nov. 12, Jan. 30, 1926. He died Nov. 12,
1971.
She received a teaching certificate from East Central State and taught school for several
years.
During her 58 years in Bailey County, she lived at Stegall, Bailey boro, Needmore,
Fairview and Goodland. Since Fairview and Goodland. Since
1989, she had lived in Lubbock.
She was a homemaker and had attended the Primitive Bap'tist Church of Muleshoe.
She is survived by a son, R.J. "Bob" Klutts of Lubbock, four daughters, Lucille Doyle and Barbara DeVoss, both of Lubbock, Virginia Foley of Fort Morgan, Colo., and Linda Ellis of Southland, Texas; a brother, Glen Williams of Muleshoe; nine grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.
She was preceded in death by two brothers, Scott Williams and Conrad Williams, and a and Conrad Willian
sister, Flora Lewis.
sister, Flora Lewis.
The family suggests memorials to Muleshoe Public Library ( 322 W. Second, Muleshoe) or the American Cancer

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## DARRAN KNIGHT

 Services were held Tuesday in Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Midland for Darran Knight, 40, of Midland. The Revs.Clayton Pennington and Glen Reese officiated. Burial was in Resthaven North
Mr. Knight was born Aug 14, 1960, in Borger. He died Sept. 16 at home
He grew up in Dalhart and He grew up in Dalhart and
attended Wayland Baptist Uniattended Wayland Baptist University in Plainview Midland nursing home and was a member of Cuthbert Avenue Baptist Church there.
He is survived by his wife Lisa, of Beaumont; his parents, Don and Hershey Knight of Midland; two daughters Desiree Knight and Brittany Knight; a sister, Tammy Knight of Midland; grandparents, Roy and Katherine Jones of Pampa and J.B. and Pauline Lyons of Sayre, Okla.; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.
Pallbearers were Joe Nelson Keith Clayton, Shane White, David White, Steven Emison and Richard Vincent. COY PLOTT

## Services were held Saturday

 at Johnson's Funeral Home in San Angelo for Coy Max Plott, 58, of Olton. Portis Ribble of ficiated. Burial was in Lawnhaven Cemetery in San Angelo.Mr. Plott was born June 15 1942, in Tom Green County Texas. He died Sept. 14 from injuries received in a plane crash at Lariat.
He grew up in the Eola and Van Court, Texas, areas, and graduated from Eola High School in 1960.

According to the Garden De-
sign article, a USDA research sign article, a USDA research
leader gives a typically bureaucratic response: "The issues are quite complex."
Jack himself takes a central position andmakes aneducated position and makes aneducated
guess that it's caused by someguess that it's caused by some-
thing environmental, whether it's the thinning of the ozone layer, global warming, air quality, soil quality or seed quality. On the other side, Shepherd Ogden (founder and president of The Cook's Garden seed of The Cook's Garden seed
company) is quoted as saying, "It's the soil, stupid. Vegetables can't have any more nutrients in them than the soil does. If you deprive the soil year after year, if you ... use it as a matrix year, if you... use it as a matrix solely to hold the plants to-
the nutrients.
"Unless you replace them using sustainable methods - and chemical fertilizers just won do it - where are those nutri ents going to come from? Ogden concludes.
Ogden concludes.
As I've said bef
quoted TV personality when quoted TV personality Martha Stewart on this very subject, I hate to hold her up as the great authority, but she expressed it better than anyone else I've heard: If you want to fertilize plants, use chemical fertilizers. If you want to fertilize the soil, and help take care of many gen erations of plants, add organic matter.
Whether you call it God's plan or Mother Nature's plan or just something you can eas
garden, this is one of the big gest no-brainers on the planet. We may all need to use chemical stimulants now and then for some reason, but longterm results come from long-term solutions, not BandAids.
If you have perennials sprouting and the species are too cold-tender to survive the winter here, now is a good time to spoon them up and pot them for a shady windowsill through for a shady
the winter
One of the least demanding plants for this treatment is the popular 'Lady in Red' cultivar of Salvia coccinea. You can neglect these beauties until the leaves are almost crumbly, then pour a little water in the pot, $\longrightarrow$
His various careers had included being a rodeo bronc
rider, prison guard, cropduster rider, prison guard, cropduster
and law enforcement officer and law enforcement officer.
He had recently returned to cropdusting after resigning as Bailey County sheriff.
Mr. Plott is survived by a sister and brother-in-law, Myra and BobFox, and three nieces, Vikki Fox, Susan Fox and Deirdre Jeanson, all of San Fox of Hamilton, Texas, and David Fox of Colorado; three cousins; two great-nephews, and three great-nieces.
Pallbearers were Harvey Williams, Alvie Hester, Muggins Good, David Benton, Justin Morales and Al Pippin. The family suggests memo rials to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. J.E. 'MAC' McVICKER




McVicker,
77 , of Mule-
shoe. The Rev. Brad
Reeves offiReeves offi-
citated.
Burial was Muleshoe
 Memorial Park Ellis Funeral Home handled arrangements.
Mr. McVicker was born Oct.
25, 1922, in Plainview. He died Sept. 17 at Covenant Healthcenter, Lakeside, in Lubbock
He married Jenne Curry in Plainview on April 9, 1944. They moved to Muleshoe in 1954 from Plainview.
Inhigh school, he was amem-

## Plainview Bulldogs footbal est in feam, est in football, throughout his

Also in 1940, he became the first Plainview player to par ticipate in the Texas High School Coaches Association all-star game in Houston and was chosen to play in the Oil Bowl All-Star Gamein Wichita Falls.
After his high school gradu ation in 1941, he was offered football scholarships to schools such as Baylor University, the University of Notre Dame, the
University of Texas and Rice University of Texas and Rice
Institute. He chose Rice, bu played only two years before enlisting in the Navy
He was a past president of the Muleshoe Lions Club and the Muleshoe Lions Club and a member of the OFC Golf Club.
He also was a member of First United Methodist Church, where he was a past member of the administrative board and a current member of the board of trustees.
He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, serving from 1942-46. his wife; two sons and a daughhis wife; two sons and a daugh-
ter-in-law, David McVicker of ter-in-law, David McVicker of
Lubbock and Dan and Julie McVicker of Dallas; two daughters and a son-in-law, Jan and Charles King of Amarillo and Susan McVicker of Aus tin; two sisters, Kathryn Carlisle of Plainview and Dor othy Biggers of Terrell, Texas; othy Biggers of Terrell, Texas abrother, George Mc Vicker o Plainview; seven grandchil dren, Sheri Arrott of San Angelo, Shaely King of Cin cinnati, Curry King of Fort

Jacob McVicker, both of Lub-
bock, and Melanie McVicker bock, and Melanie Mc Vicker
and John Curry McVicker, both and JohnCurry McVicker, both
of Dallas; and three greatgrandchildren, Cal, William and Nathan Arrott of San Angelo.
The family suggests memorials to the First United Methodist Church (P.O. Box 505, Muleshoe) or the Northwest Chapter of Myasthenia Gravis (281 CR 135, Ovalo,
CHARLES 'GRUNDY'LEWIS
Charles "Grundy" Lewis, 88 of Muleshoe is scheduled for 11 a.m. Sept. 21 at First United Methodist Church. The Rev. Brad Reeves will officiate Mr. Lewis was born Aug. 1912, in Meridian, Texas. He died Sept. 18 at Muleshoe Area died Sept. 18 at Mule
Healthcare Center.
He married Eula Mae Bean on Feb. 14, 1957. She died April 23, 1957
He attended John Tarlton College in Stephenville and hadbeen a resident of the Muleshoe area for 65 years.
He had served on the board of directors of both the Bailey County Co-Op and Needmore Co-Op Gin. He was a Methodist.
He was in the Seabees in World War II, serving in Hawaii and on Midway Island. He is survived by a sister, Louise Cooper of Houston; seven nephews; and six nieces. He also was preceded in death by four brothers and two sisters.
The family suggests memorials to the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe
or to Muleshoe Area
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hardly tell they were wilted. They will bloom in your win dow for most of the winter then be ready to set back in the ground early in May.

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Latzel-Rasco
Johnny and Teresa Latzel of Midkiff, Texas, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Katherine Latzel,
The bride-elect is a graduate of Rankin (Texas) High School and South Plains College. She is employed as an X-ray technician at University Medical Center in Lubbock.
The prospective groom is a graduate of Muleshoe High School and attends South Plains College. He is employed by Canyon Crossing Apartments.
The wedding is scheduled for 3 p.m. Nov. 11 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Midland. A reception will follow at the

## Lubbock seminar slated on veterans' loan plan

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL

Veterans are encouraged to attend a Sept. 28 seminar in Lubbock dealing with improved state benefits that many are eligible to receive

One of the more importan changes to be discussed is the new low-interest, \$150,000maximum home loan progran recently signed into law
The free seminar will be hel at the Lubbock Memorial Civi Center Theater, 1501 Sixth S Registration starts at $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. followed by a presentation at 6:30 p.m., then a question-andanswer session and finally
one-on-one discussions.
"Now, with our low-interest loans, our brave Texas veterans can buy good homes and enjoy ard and CommissionerDavid said Land CommissionerDavid
Dewhurst, who is chairman of the Texas Veterans Land Board
"And this program doesn't cost the state of Texas one dime but saves our veterans lots of money," he added. "I'd say that's a win-win for everyone.
Dewhurst said the highe maximum loans - more than riple the old limit - make the program highly attractive, es

A new program conceived by Dewhurst allow the land board's lowest interest rates on home loans to veterans who agree to become or remain teachers, and to current teachers who are spouses of veterans. He also initiated a program that cuts interest rates on home loans for Texas veterans with Dewhurnected disabilities. Dewhurst also urges veterans board's land loans up to $\$ 40,000$ and home loans up to $\$ 25,000$. He said it's possible to simultaneously have home, land and home improvement loans, and to get additional loans once previous ones are paid off,
"We live in the greatest na-
tion onearth, with an unmatched
level of personal freedom," Dewhurst said. "We should never take that freedom for granted; it was won and retained with enormous personal sacrifices from our loyal veter-

Veterans who cannot attend the Lubbock seminar may get oan information by calling (800) 252 -VETS or by visiting to beneme

## Texas drought has surpassed record proportions



KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

Texans have been toushing-oul
drought. We can take one year of
drought, or even two, but five con-
secutive years of drought - such
as we are experiencing now -
more than most farmers and ranch
more than most farmers and
A child born in Texas will start indergarten this fall not knowing nything but drought. Here we go
gain: parched, panting, having lived through another one of the worst summers on record. Temperatures averaged up to 5 degrees bove normal over large parts of and West Texas received less than 25 percent of normal rainfall in uly, and parts of Texas were without rain for a staggering 68 days. The Texas Agricultural Extension Service reports that, by the end of August, Texans had sufered $\$ 595$ million in agriculture losses - and the service is still counting.
Cotton, our numero uno cash crop, has been hardest hit, with economists estimating $\$ 285$ million in crop damage. Other estimated losses this year include $\$ 125$ million in wheat and $\$ 50$ million in forage crops. Hay production reached a standstill by midsummer and producers face soaring feed, water and added irrigation costs

Prostate cancer in family calls for earlier testing
beef producers from building ther herds in anticipation of stronger prices. Aside from doing a rain dance (and I'd do that if it would help), the situation requires that we immediately bring into play all existing federal government reHere's what's on tap for hardpressed farmers and ranchers so
The House and Senate are finishing up their drought relief packages. The Senate version provides $\$ 900$ million in emergency That includes $\$ 450$ million for the Livestock Assistance Program to make direct payments to eligible livestock producers who suffered grazing losses due to natural disaster, and another $\$ 450$
million for farmers who suffered crop losses due to the drought.

African-American men and
those with a family history of the disease should begin screen ings at age 40 .
"Early diagnosis is the key to successful treatment of prostate cancer," said Slawin, also a urologist with The Urology Institute at Methodist Hospi tal. "Men who are screened each year have a much better chance of detecting problems early when the outcome is more favorable."

About one in everyeight men will develop prostate cancer. It is second only to lung cancer as the leading cause of death by cancer in men. Risk of developing prostate cancerincreases with age.
The National Cancer Insti-

I anticipate there will be at leas hat much drought relief funding in the final bill. It is probable that armers and ranchers in most Texas counties will be eligible for the livestock and crop assistance programs.
This emergency package, comined with assistance already available through the 1996 farm bill, adds up to a substantial fedral response to the economi stuation facing farmers and ranch

Currently, 180 counties in Texa have been designated for federal isaster assistance by the secretary of agriculture.
Farmers and ranchers in those counties will now be eligible for U.S. Department of Agriculture low-interest emergency loans. In addition, to date, 36 Texas counties (including Bailey, Parmer and Castro, but not Cochran and

## Lamb) have been approved by the amb) have been approved by th

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL HOUSTON - Men wh have a family history of pros tate cancer are more likely to develop the disease and should be tested annually beginning at age 40.

Those men who have a fa ther or brother with prostate cancer should begin annual screening exams earlier tha hose who have no family his ory of the disease," said Dr Kevin Slawin, associate professor of urology at Baylor College of Medicine and director of the Baylor Prostate Center
Recommendations are for men without a family history of prostate cancer to begin annual screenings at age 50
ute predicts that more than 180,000 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this calendar year. More than 30,000 will die from the disease.
For African-American men, the mortality rate doubles. Screening for prostate cancer includes a digital rectal exam and a Prostate Specific Antigen blood test. If the antigen test shows slightelevations, another type of test can be used to determine if the results are due to cancer or an enlarged prostate.
The standard treatment for prostate cancer that has not spread to other areas of the body includes surgical removal of the prostate or radiation therapy.

USDA to allow their livestock to
graze on Conservation Reserve Program acreage through at least the end of September, with the Nov. 30. Under this designation livestock grazing is allowed on from production of annual program crops, such as wheat or feed grain, and dedicated to resource-
For more information on the help being made available to farmers and ranchers at this perilous time, please contact the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency in your county,
which will be listed in local telephone directories. Or contact your member of Congress or my Wash


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## Concealed handgun agreement expands Texans' privileges

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 director of the Texas Depart ment of Public Safety, signed Florida and Tennessee through which their licensees can visit 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 li censes give them at home,
Davis said. Mal.
changes to Texa, by 199 handgun law, the reciprocity agreements with Tennessee and Florida are the fifth and sixth Texas has signed.
The state already had similar agreement Arizona and Okla Top NEWS

Twenty-two members were
present Sept. 14 for the TOPS present Sept. 14 for the TOPS
No. 34 meeting at the Muleshoe Church of Christ.
The meeting was opened by Alma Robertson as she led "The Thinner We'll Be" song.
Leader Laverne James called the meeting to order and pre
sided over it
The minutes were read by Secretary Janie Hughes, and
were approved. Results of the weigh-in were given by Alene Bryant and


Texans should remember that weapons laws vary from state to state, and before traveling, cense 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 Mexican transporttrucks will be allowed to cross the border on privately maintained roads and proceed to the Rio Grande ity transfer station, Texas Ag-

Combs said.
At Rio Grande City, Mexican trucks will pick up transporting Texas grain ship transporting Texas grain ship
ments from throughout the Rio ments from throughout the Rio Bend.
Mexico is the top market fo
Texas grain sorghum, with about 1 million tons exported south each year.
Combs said she wants to develop more Texas-Mexic marketing partnerships such the Rio Grande City project. Mexico as a two-way street and we must both work togethe in partnership to enhance each other's economies," she said. Combs said she visits regu larly 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 that doubled during the last 10 years and are ex pected to total $\$ 10.9$ billion in fiscal year 2000 .

Drought ruins 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 lawmak ers 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 prob

Sam Nelson, chief enginee at the Texas Department of In surance, said homes built ove fill dirt or clay soil are the ones most likely to develop prob lems.
"Visualizing what the bottom
of a dry stock pond looks like with its huge cracks will give you an idea of what's happen ing around many concret oundations," Nelson said. After a period of drought, the oil shrinks, and once rains re urn, the soil swells, creating novement in the foundation of home, Nelson said.
$\qquad$ prevent foundations fromerack
rimeter of the home. Watering the general area twice a week for 20 minutes is sufficient Nelson said barriersalso Nelson said barriers also may need to be dug near a home prevent roots of large trees from pressing against foundations as they tend to rise during droughtlike 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 drunkendriving offenders to jai automatically.



## Newspaper Policies

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White, Side II chairperson, was unable to attend the meeting. Cards were selected and
passed around the members to sign by Harp, the get-well car chairperson. Cards were sent to White, Harris, Ozell Cherry and Jerrell Otwell.
The next meeting will be at 5:30 p.m., Sept. 21 at the same ocation. Visitors are welcom

The best loser was Martha Chapa, a new member and Cherryl de Graffenreid was first runner-up. Mollie Da
the second runner-up. Contest chairperson Missy Royal announced that the Salt Contest is over and Polly Otwell is the winner. First runner-up was Evelene Harris, with up.
Mollie Davis, chairperson for the Points Contest, announced that the Side I total total of 4,260 points. Linda

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Gymnastics star
The reigning female athlete of the year for Southwest Tumbling and Trampoline, Mindy Gore of Sudan, displays the plaque given annually by the association. The award goes to athletes who are not only accomplished in their sport but who serve as good role models for younger gymnasts as well. She has been competing on the senior elite level in trampoline and double-mini as well as Level 10 in tumbling and has been ranked among the Top 10 senior elite women in the United States. She also was selected as a coach by the Southwest association, which covers most of Texas. She has been part of the Acrospirits team, based in Levelland

## Texans joins national 4-H celebration

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL COLLEGE STATION When youths in Gatesville considered whether to handle a
petting zoo for the city's Oct. 7 Cedar Fest, they told chambe of commerce officials it was conditional - the exhibit mus Chamber officials agreed, de spite the fact that other events have a fee, and the youths members of Coryell County 4 H -got a feel for what it's like
to influence local communities for the better.
They and thousands of other Texas 4-H members will join in celebrating National $4-$ H Week Oct. 1-7 with a variety of activi-
ties to highlight the benefits of the youth group, which is part of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.
Nationally, 4-H has some 6.6 million youths and 6.3 million adult volunteers participating in community-based projects. About 750,000 Texas youths
participate in $4-\mathrm{H}$ clubs
school curriculum activities.
"This year 4-H made a pledge to strengthen youth participation and youth/adult partnerships in order to build a volunteerism infrastructure in communities," said Gayle Hall, Extension 4-H and youth development specialist.
In 1999, more than 217,000 outh er in volunteerism, service learning and community service nationwide, Hall said.
"Over and over, volunteers say they concentrate on what they can contribute yet are amazed by what they gain,"Hall added. "People enjoy volunteer-
ing when they are able to make ing when they are able to make nity." Coryell County $4-\mathrm{H}$ agent
Marilyn Prause said the $4-\mathrm{H}$ volunteers and youths had a strong conviction about not charging people to visit their
"They wanted this to be free and available to everyone for kids and adults to view, pet and enjoy the animals," Prause said "Much to the delight of our 4-H olunteers and members, the hamber agreed. We look for ward to providing this service More information is available by contacting the local county Internet at
Several other Texas counties


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## 'Fixing' genetic flaws may not be for everybody

ells in our bodies.Knowing what is right allows us
can help delineate and subvert ge
breakthrough, but it rang a smal alarm bell in the back of my brain. question how we wind up attractI was reminded of this when I I was reminded of this when I at good friends. Iove him like a brother, but I a major flaws - flaws that I dis count because Ihave the same ones
Yet, with the exception of fall ing in love with him, his new bride seemed an intelligent person. All my life I have attracted these ke-minded misfits. I mean charters you wouldn't have in your ome on a holiday.
Andye, they have all married or least tempted women who are mexpectedly nice, smart and, in

Free flu shots
available for
some citizens
The Muscular Dystrophy Asur the Lubbock for people who are affected by ny of the more than 40 neuromuscular disorders covered by the association's programs. Influenza is particularly hazardous for people with muscle-wasting diseases, including muscular dystrophy, spinal muscular atrophy and Lou Gehrig's disease (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis). The association administers thousands of free flu shots annually, an effort made possible by a year-round fund-raising effort highlighted by the Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon
"The flu can be life-threatening for children and adults with progressive neuromusculardiseases," said Robert Ross, the association's senior vice president and executive director.
"Flu shots are vitally important in reducing their risk of respiratory infections," he said.

##  <br> BAXTER BLACK onthe bde or commonsense <br> ingness to marry a "cowboy type" Or our "belligerent stubbornis the result of a genetic defect, one hat blocks out the good judgment gene. were to be corrected, would she were to be corrected, would she then be able to see our "misguided priorities"-like mssing the birth <br> ness" - when we insist that there is still gas in the tank even though he gauge says empty? upper when we inst upor plaining the difficulties of replacing a uterine prolapse to our new in- laws, who are both Presbyterian laws, who are both Presbyterian ministers. inisters. <br> HOROSCOPES

mains intact in a certain number of females, we will always be able to beget little cowboys. And we're
lucky that it's a sex-related trait It is obviously a gender-specific gePetic defect, isn tit? single case where men have fallen in love with a woma We are genetically programmed to weigh all her assets and debits and make well-informed decisions about love and marriage, an area in which we are superior. minded. . So that's being opendon't want to herr any more


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SEPTEMBER 24-30
Aries - March 21/April 20
tainly are up to the challenge. The higher-ups will be impressed with your
ter efforts and are sure to reward you. That special someone has a surprise
for you on for you on Friday. Enjoy,
Taurus - April 21/May 2
You need to spice up your life a little this week, Taurus. Don't do the same Thing every day. Instead, try something new. Not only will it make you feel
better, but it also will help you come out of your shell a little bit You'll be better, but it also will help you come out of your shell a little bit. You'll be
surprised at how this will enhance your personal life. Libra plays an important role on Wednesday.
Gemini - May 22/June 21.
A mistake by an acquaintance gets you into hot water early in the week. plain thacept responsibility for something that you didn't do. Instead, ex-
por side. A close friend takes you out on Friday. Enjoy yourself.
Cancer - June 22 /July 22
son on Monday. Show on your your feelings when you meet an interesting perTake this one step at a time. Just be yourself, and you're sure to make a good impression. A loved one needs a shoulder to ory on there for him Leo - July 23/August 23
Be careful when talking with business associates early in the week. A disgruntled co-worker could take something that you say the wrong way in trouble for no reason. Capricorn plays an important role.
Virgo - Aug 24/Sept 22
A lot of people are depending on you to complete an important project this week, Virgo. Don't tet them down. You have to stay focused on the task at
hand and not let anyone distract you. That's the only way to make progress Don't worry - things will calm down by the end of the week. Then, you'll have plenty of time to relax
Libra-Sept 23/Oct 23
While you would much rather be the leader than the follower, that won't be the case with a family situation early in the week. Let someone who knows
how to handle the problem take control. Your best bet is to pay attention and learn a thing or tov.
Scorpio - Oct $24 /$ Nov
Scorpio - Oct $24 /$ Nov 22
A friend turns to you with a personal problem. However, he or she is telling
you thi in you this in confidence. So, keep everything that's said to yourself. It's not your place to spread this around. Aloved one demands your attention late
in the week. Spend time with him or her. It definitely will be worth it. Pisces plays a key role.
Sagittarilus - Nov 23/Dec 21
person on Monday. Instead outh when meeting with an importan explain what you mean. It's the best way to redeem yourself in this person's eyes. That speciar someone has a surprise
Capricorn - Dec 22/Jan 20

## Capricorn - Dec 22/Jan 20

situation. This person doesn't mean to put you in the midessy family how that youre standing. While it will be difficult, you can do it. Your efforts definitely will Aquarius - Jan 21/Feb 18
Don't be hurt when a close friend cancels plans with you on Tuesday, It has nothing to do with you. This person just has a lot to deal with, and he
or she is feeling a little overwhelmed. Give him or her some space. A loved one needs your advice about a personal matter. Be honest with him Or her.
Pisces - Feb 19/March 20
Everyone seems to turn to you for advice this week, Pisces. Don't get upse. Instead, be flattered that so many people respect your opinions.

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## REPRESENTATIVE SALES

904 head of cattle, 295 hogs and 270 sheep and goats for a total of 1,469 animals were sold at the September 16 th sale. Market 1-2 dollars higher on stocker clfs. Not enough feeder cattle to test market. Pairs and Bred cows steady. Packer cows and Bulls steady to a dollar lower


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SATURDAY, SEPT. 16, 2000

| Seller, City | \# Type Wt. CWT or PH |
| :---: | :---: |
| Laura Gonzales, Portales, NM | 2 Hol . Bulls ............... 265 lbs . at $\$ 95.00$ |
| Norma Flores, Clovis, NM | 2 Hol. Bulls ............... 233 lbs . at \$98.00 |
| Norma Flores, Clovis, NM | 6 Hol. Bulls ............... 293 lbs. at \$93.00 |
| FM Farms, Brownfield | Red Str ................... 210 lbs . at \$ 115.00 |
| Dan Parrish, Earth | RWF Str ................. 290 lbs. at \$105.00 |
| Bill Bradley, Amherst | Blk. Bull .................. 245 lbs. at \$109.00 |
| Bill Bradley, Amherst | 4 Mxd . Bulls .............. 321 lbs . at $\$ 99.00$ |
| FM Farms, Brownfield | 3 Blk. Strs ............... 307 lbs at $\$ 102.00$ |
| Albus Cattle, Morton. | RMF Bull .................. 510 lbs. at $\$ 89.00$ |
| Howard Jones, Carlsbad, NM | Brin. Str ................... 515 lbs. at $\$ 90.00$ |
| EDR Cattle, Whiteface | 2 Char. Strs .............. 443 lbs. at $\$ 94.00$ |
| EDR Cattle, Whiteface | 6 Char. Strs ............. 688 lbs. at $\$ 79.00$ |
| B\&P Cattle, Lubbock | 10 Mxd . Hfrs ....eethi.. 244 lbs . at $\$ 275.00$ |
| B\&P Cattle, Lubbock | 2 Red Hfrs ................ 313 lbs at $\$ 91.00$ |
| Bill Bradley, Amherst. | BMF Hfr.................... 300 lbs at $\$ 92.00$ |
| Neal Radford, Muleshoe | 2 Bik. Hirs ................. 315 lbs. at $\$ 90.00$ |
| Neal Radford, Muleshoe | 3 Mxd . Hfrs ............... 435 lbs . at \$84.50 |
| Troy Newton, Portales, NM | 2 Bik. Hirs ................ 400 lbs. at $\$ 81.00$ |
| Chris Harper, Amherst | Char. Hfr................... 520 lbs . at $\$ 87.00$ |
| Jack Douglas, Littlefield | 3 RWF Hfrs .............. 515 lbs at $\$ 80.00$ |
| Jack Douglas, Littlefield | 5 RWF Hirs .............. 634 lbs . at $\$ 75.50$ |
| EDR Cattle, Whiteface | 7 Char. Hifs .............. 661 lbs. at $\$ 77.25$ |
| James Jennings, Littlefi | Blk. Pair................................ $\$ 700.00$ |
| James Jennings, Littlefield | 2 BIk. Cows P8....................... $\$ 530.00$ |
| Joe Wheeler, Mulesh | Blk. Cow P6............................ $\$ 510.00$ |
| White \& White, Friona | Red Cow ................ 1415 lbs. at \$42.25 |
| Duane White, Farwell | Red Cow ................ 1200 lbs. at \$40.50 |
| T Top, Earth | Yell. Cow ................ 1040 lbs. at $\$ 39.00$ |
| Roy Thompson, Littlefield | BIk. Cow ................. 1470 lbs. at \$41.50 |
| Sandra Tafoya, Friona | BIk. Cow ................. 1770 lbs. at \$41.50 |
| Ofelia Rodriguez, Mulesh | Red Cow ................ 1305 lbs at $\$ 40.50$ |
| Lance Layton, Morton | Char. Cow .............. 1235 lbs at $\$ 40.00$ |
| Chris Greener, Morton | Blk. Cow ................. 1330 lbs. at $\$ 42.00$ |
| CJ Long, Levelland | Blk. Cow ................. 1250 lbs. at $\$ 47.50$ |
| CJ Long, Levelland | BIk. Bull .................. 1975 lbs. at $\$ 51.75$ |
| Chris Harper, Amherst | Char. Bull ............... 1635 lbs at $\$ 50.00$ |

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limit," McLendon said.

McLendon, a Leary, Ga., cotfarmer, reminded the board what he told Congress earlie his year: Future farm policy must provide a decent level o income protection without having to rely on year-to-year passage of special assistance, and Congress should re-evaluate its discrimination against "com-mercial-sized" farming perations.
He said "limitations on mar keting loan gain payments are making a bad situation worse" nd that the federal Office of Management and Budget has tressed means-testing more than ver in the final years of the Clinton administration
"Means-testing" means that payouts shouldl be roughly based on the financial condition of the recipient.
"We understand that virtually every program that advances through OMB these days is subjected to a means-testing debate," McLendon said. As a result, the members of the (House) Agriculture Committee appeared very sensitive to this issue," he said. "They are concerned about a political back-

McLendon noted the council's work on several other short-term issues that affect farm profit-- Federal crop insurance re-
more affordable and useful be- said
ginning with the 2001 crop; -Senate passage of an agricul tural appropriations bill that contained $\$ 450$ million in disaser assistance - an amount above the $\$ 5$ billion already provided in this year's additional Agriculture Marketing Transiion Act payments; and
The Agriculture Risk Pro ection Act, which authorizes $\$ 100$ million for cottonseed payments on the 2000 crop and a special payment equal to the 1999 payment rate of 7.88 cents per pound.
"These special payments will be an important contribution to farm revenue for the crop we harvest this fall," McLendon

He said benefits are accruing o producers via the Step 2 component of the U.S. cotton competitiveness program, as Step 2 payments have averaged 6 cents once re-instated last Oc"While New York prices coninue to be lower than we ned turn a profit, the New York December contract has been 4 to 5 cents higher thanthe world price in recent weeks," McLendon said. "That margin contributes to the equity offer growers can expect from merchants," he added. The cotton economic outlook, presented by Mark Lange (the
services) made it clear that government assistance is needed by growers
He said the marketing of farm products is experiencing a fourth consecutive year of decline, and sestimated at just $\$ 23$ billion in 2000 - down from $\$ 47.6$ bil-

## ion in 1996.

"The decline in the value of farm marketings is solely the result of a persistent and severe rosion in farm prices," Lange

He noted that for the two most recent years, total government payments account for roughly 0 percent of net farm income while other support in the form frarketing loangains and conof marketing loan gains and con-
$\$ 13$ billion for this year.
Lange said a reduction of 10 million bales in world stocks during the past two years has brought a great deal of speculation regarding the potential for raw cotton imports by China for the spring of 2001.
He said Chinese mill estimates generally range between 21.5 million and 22.2 million bales, and Chinese production is thought to be around 17.5 million.
Chinese new-crop cotton is being quoted for foreign deliv-
"Thus, the stock reduction appears to set the stage for considerable speculation regardg eventual Chinese raw cotton ing eventual Chinese
imports," Lange said.

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OVER $\$ 3,900.00!!$ OVER $\$ 3,900.001!!$
$\$ 2,000.00$ factory $\$ 2,000.00$ factory
rebate to dealer. rebate to dealer. Bender Dodge
3400 Mabry Drive 3400 Mabry Drive Clovis, NM
(505) $762-4511$
LOOK!

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116 E. Ave. C - George Nieman, Broker - 272-5285 or 272-5286

- LOT 83 , PRRDG. - $\$ 2000$ OR MAKE OFFER, SEVERAL

OTHER NICE LOTS ARE AVAILABLE - CALL FOR MORE | INFO.! |
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| - NICE 3 -3-1 |
| Brick, Cent. heat, evap. air, built-ins, fans, $2000^{\prime}++$ | iv. area, , enced ya., patio, stor. blag.! 5 IS. 2-1-1 Carport, buill-ins, wall furn. heat,

covered patio, fenced yd. $\$ 25 \mathrm{~K}!\mathrm{HL}-4$

- VERY NICE $3-2-1$ Brick, Elec. Heat Pump, built-ins, ash
cabinets, nice carpet \& vinyl, cov. patio, fenced yd. cabinets, nice carpet \& vinyl, cov. patio, fenced yd. MORE!
$\$ 42 \mathrm{~K} 11 \mathrm{HL}$-2


## LENAU - COUNTRY CLUB AREA

- $2-1-1$ Home, Cent. A\&H, DW, MORE! $\$ 29.5 \mathrm{~K}!$ ! L-3
-3 L-2-2 Brick, Cent. Heat \& Cent. Evap. air built-ins, FP, fenced yd., stor. bldg..!? PRICED REDUCED $\$ 42$
- Duplex COMMERCIAL
- Duplex (2-2 bdrm. 1 bath
residence or rental. $\$ 30 \mathrm{~K}!!$
-R.V./ Mobile Home Park on 295 acres -APPROX 4800 ' shop plus $600^{\prime}$ office area on a $60^{\circ} \times 130^{\prime}$ lot!| PRICE REDUCED! \$40K!!!
- $246^{\prime} \times 145^{\prime}$ tract, Hwy. 84, , $529.5 \mathrm{KK!}$
tails!!!
-NICE 26 UNIT MOTEL, Priced to Sell!! Call for details!!
- $56^{\circ} \times 140^{\prime}$ 'tract, approx. $4700^{\circ}$ bldg., 535 K K!
-GOOOD
INCOME PRER
ing, good net lease!! PRICED TO SELL!
- Established Business: Land, Bldg. \& Equip., $775 \mathrm{~K}!$ plus approx. 1,044 sq. tt. office (Dual Fuel Heat Pump for Office), 6 station phone system, restrooms ( $1 \mathrm{w} /$ shower), loading dock, approx. 195 foot frontage. MORE !!!
 additional storage area on Hwy. 0 -8t, $140 \times 100$ Yract!! $\$ 34 \mathrm{~K}!$
- 200 Main \& E . Ave B -4 rental units plus upstairs \& basement or renovate for your own special use! $\$ 65 \mathrm{~K}$ !!

VERY NICE 3-1-1 Brick, Heat pump, DW, nice carpets, fenced
 MOREI $538 \mathrm{~K}!$ ! HS-4

PRICE REDUCED - NICE 3-1-1 Home, Cent. Heat \& Cent. Evap. Air, built-ins, stor. bldg., fenced yd., MORE! \$39.5K!! Pump, Built-ince - VERY NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Dual Fuel Heat enced yd., MORE! $\$ 61 \mathrm{~K}!$ ! HS-9
\&-2-2 Brick, Dual Fuel Heat Pump, built-ins, fans, new carpet

- 3 -1 Home, borner lot, fenced yd d., wall furn. heat, win. evap. air, five ceiling fans!! $\$ 24 \mathrm{~K}!$ !! HS-6
- $3-1-1$ Brick, Dual Fuel Heat Pump, DW, Disp, 4 fans, covi
patio, 2 stor. bldgs., fenced yd. $\$ 34,500!$ HS-3
refrig, deck w/ hot tub, store. bldg, fenced yd., metal roof!! MUCH MOREII $\$ 30 \mathrm{~K}!$ ! HS-2
- VERY NICE $3-1-1$ Brick, Cent. A\&H, 3 ceiling fans, stor. bldg, fenced yd. \$38KII HS-5, nicely remodeled, carpet, fans, storm windows \& doors, water soft., auto. spklt, fenced yd. MORE!!! $\$ 53.5 \mathrm{~K}$ ! HS-12 - PLEASANT VALLEY, Approx. 160 acres, 2 bdrm home bath, 2 car detached garage, on pavement!! - W. of SUDAN-NICE3-3-2 Brick Home, 5acretracton Hwy.298, - 5 A cre tract on pavement close to town! - Approx. 108 acres on Hwy. 70 , approx. $2100^{\prime}$ office area, $16,900^{\prime}$
of commercial bldg. w/loading dock, $3400^{\prime}$ warehousell $2800^{\circ}$ runway!! $2-2-2$ ! Mobile Homeon 1.997 acres on pavement close to town, attachedstorage bldg. plus $45^{\circ} \times 74^{\prime}$ barn, pens, \&\& fenced pasture!! 530 K !
stor. on 84 acre. A\&H, built-ins, fenced yd.,., man, spkkr., $300^{\circ}$ stor. on .84 acre on pavement, edge of town ! $\$ \$ 40$ 's!!
- PROGRESS - VERY NICE $3-2-2$ Home on 21.8 acres



## PRICES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 20-26, 2000

## MIEAT

-TRA' SAVINGS PAK REGULAR GROUND BEEF $87{ }^{\phi}$

BEEF BRISKET ............................ LB $97^{申}$
BEEF BONELESS
......................... LB $\$ 189$

CHUCK ROAST
.................... LB $\$ 1^{89}$

X-TRA SAVINGS PAK
BEEF BONELESS
CHUCK STEAKS ${ }_{B} \$ 199$

GROUND CHUCK ...................... LB $\$ 159$
WHOLE MARKET TRIMMED
BEEF BRISKET $\qquad$ LB $\$ 169$
X-TRA SAVINGS PAK BONE-IN SPLIT
CHICKEN BREASTS $7^{\circ}$
RAW SEASONED
CARNE ADOVADA
OR PORK ASADO O ... $\$ 169$

MARKET MADE $\$ 159$
ALASKAN
POLLOCK FILLETS $\qquad$ ${ }_{8} \$ 169$

MEAT FRANKS ................. 12 OZ. PKG $69^{\boldsymbol{\$}}$
MEAT BOLOGNA .............. 12 OZ. PKG 99 ${ }^{\text { }}$
PEYTON'S REG. OR DOUBLE SMOKED
SLICED BACON ............... 12 OZ. PKG \$219
PEYTON'S REG. OR POLISH
SMOKED SAUSAGE ........ 14 OZ. PKG $\$ 1^{39}$
CHORIZO ............................. 8 OZ. PKG $\$ 129$
BEEF BOLOGNA .............. 12 OZ. PKG $\$ 159$
RANCH BRAND $\qquad$
FRANKS ..........................
SWIFT PREMIUM BROWN'N SERVE
BEEF LINKS,
PORK LINKS OR
PORK PATTIES
. 7 OZ. PKG $99^{\phi}$
SWIFT PREMIUM.
SAUSAGE 'N BISCUITS .... 4 Ст. PKG $99^{\text { }}$
ECKRICH REG. OR HOT
BREAKFAST SAUSAGE ... 1 LB. ROLL $\$ 1^{99}$
ECKRICH
BRATWURST OR
ITALIAN SAUSAGE ......... 16 OZ. PKG 2/\$5
ASSTD. VARIETIES FAMILY SIZE
$2 / \$ 5$
BUTTERBALL TURKE
butterball slice ' SERVE
TURKEY BREAST OR
SMOKED TURKEY.
B $3^{69}$
ECKRICH
$\qquad$
RED RIPE ROMA

## TOMATOES

HOT AND SPICY
JALAPEÑO PEPPERS ............. LBS 3/\$1

## FRESH

TOMATILIOS $\qquad$ LBS 3/\$1
FRESH CRISP $\qquad$ EACH $10^{\circ}$
CILANTRO
EACH $10^{\circ}$
YEILOW ONIONS
LBS 6/\$1
CELLO
CARROTS $\qquad$
PREMIUM HOT HOUSE
TOMATOES
G $3 / \$ 1$

FRESH CELLO
99 ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$
RADISHES $\qquad$2/s1
BELL PEPPERS ..... 3/\$1
GREEN ONIONS ..... $3 / \$ 1$
GRAPEFRUIT ..... $2 / \$ 3$
WASHINGTON GOLDEN DELICIOUS ..... $79^{\circ}$

ORANGES

........................ 4 LB. BAGS 2/\$3

CREST ASSTD.

LOWE'S

FRITOS*

## HEALTH \& BEAUTY

TOOTHPASTE $\qquad$ 6.4 oz \$19

REACH PLAQUE FULL HEAD
SOFT OR MEDUIM
SWEEPER TOOTHBRUSH .........EA. \$2 $\mathbf{2 9}^{29}$
ALKA-SELTZER ............... 24 CT. PKG 2/\$5
CAPLETS, TABLETS, GELCAPS
OR MIGRAINE PAIN
MOTRIN IB $\qquad$
TABLETS OR CAPLETS
BAYER ASPIRIN ............. 100 СT. PKG $\$ \mathbf{4}^{99}$
COMBINATION PACK
MONISTAT 3 $\qquad$ . 32 OZ. PKG $\$ 10^{99}$

ALPO ASSTD.
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DOG FOOD ...................... 13.2 OZ. CAN 2/\$1
FRISKIES ASSTD.
RAT FOOD
CASA DE LOWE'S HOMESTYLE
or burrito size
FLOUR TORTILLAS ......... 10 сT. PKG 2/\$1
-20 OZ. RAISIN BRAN• 20 OZ. FROSTED
FLAKES•15 OZ. CORN POPS•24 OZ. CORN
FLAKES•19 OZ. BITE SIZE FROSTED MINI WHEATS
KELLOGG'S CEREAL .. YOUR CHOICE 2/\$4
DRINKING WATER ............. GALLON 2/\$1
HUNT'S ASSTD.
99 ${ }^{\text { }}$
SPAGHETTI SAUCE .... 26-26.5 OZ. CAN
LONG/HIN SPAGHETTI OR ELBOWS
SKINNER PASTA ............ 12 OZ. PKG 2/\$1
9 OZ. CAN $2 / \$ 4$
BEAN DIP
TORTILLA CHIPS ... PRE-PRICED $\$ 3.29$ 2/\$4
BETTY CROCKER ASSTD. VARIETIES
REG. OR OVEN FAVORITES
CHICKEN HELPERS ... 6.2-11 oz. BOX $\mathbf{3 / \$ 5}$
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## N <br> MOUNTAIN DEW

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ans $2 / 5$
MOUNTAIN DEW ... 12 PK.-12 OZ. CANS 2/\$

NABISCO ASSTD. PREMIUM
SALTINE CRACKERS ..... 16 oz . Box 2/\$3
NABISCO ASSTD. SNACK CRACKERS
AIR CRISPS ................. 7.5 OZ. BOX $2 / \$ 5$
AIR CRISPS
PEPSI AND -

BEEF FRANKS

EAT FRANKS
FUN KIT

BEEF STEW ...................... 24 OZ. CAN $\$ 1^{99}$
QUAKER OATMEAL ...... $11.8-16.2 \mathrm{oz} .3 / \$ 5$
NABISCO COOKIES
CHIPS AHOY! ................. 16 OZ. pkg $2 / \mathbf{5} 4$

## BETTY CROCKER MICROWAVE ASSTD.

20

LOWE'S HOMOGENIZED/SHURFINE SHURSAVING LOW FAT PREMIUM QUALITY ALL VARIETIES
MILK. $\qquad$ $\$ 197$ RED BARON ASSTD. FAMILY SIZE 27 TO 30 OZ. PKG.
BAKE TO
RISE PIZZA ....... BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE
PEPPERIDGE FARM ASSTD
THREE LAYER CAKE..... 19.5-19.6 OZ. $\$ 199$ PEPPERIDGE FARM REG. OR PARMESAN
GARLIC BREAD
oz. $2 / \$ 3$
CURLEY QQQ'S, TATER
BABIES OR FAJITA FRIES
INLAND VALLEY FRIES .. 32 OZ. PKG $2 / \$ 3$
BANQUET
MOZZARELLA CHEESE
NUGGETS, CHICKEN BREAST TENDERS OR CHICKEN NUGGETS texsun frozen ca
ORANGE JUICE..................... 12 oz. 99 ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$
FAMILY SIZE ENTREES .. 28 ○Z. BOX 2/\$4 NESTLE VANILLA
DRUMSTICKS
$2 / \$ 5$
THE HEARTY
ONE ENTREES
$2 / \$ 4$
FLORIDA'S NATURAL ..... 64 OZ. CTN $\mathbf{2 / \$ 5}$
PILLSBURY ASSTD
HUNGRY JACK BISCUITS .. 9.5-10 oz. 99 ${ }^{\boldsymbol{\phi}}$ PILLSBURY ASSTD.
SWEET ROLLS......... 12.4-13.9 OZ. CANS 3/\$5
PILLSBURY ASSTD.
COOKIE DOUGH ............. 18 OZ. ROLL $\$ 199$
SHEDD'S SPREAD 16 OZ. REG. OR CHURN
STYLE SPREAD OR 12 OZ. SQUEEZE
COUNTRY CROCK....... YOUR CHOICE 99 ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$ KRAFT DELI DELUXE CHEESE
AMERICAN SINGLES. $\qquad$ $\$ 2^{79}$
PLAINS
CHOC-O-CREME .................. GALLON 2/\$3
PLAINS ASSTD.
FRUIT DRINKS ..................... GALLON 89 ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$ blue bell reg., Low fat or banana
FUDGE BARS
2/\$4

## BLUE BELL

ICE CREAM...................... 1/2 GALLON 2/\$6
NORTHERN ULTRA WHITE
2
BATH TISSUE .
$\$ 2^{99}$
BRAWNY REG. OR PRINTS

PAPER TOWELS. $89^{\circ}$
pure cane $\$ 137$
IMPERIAL SUGAR $\qquad$
CARNATION
2/\$5
COFFEE-MATE ................. 16 OZ. JAR
ASSTD. GRINDS EXCLUDES DECAF.
FOLGERS COFFEE ......... $34.5-39 \mathrm{OZ}$. $\$ \mathbf{5}^{\mathbf{2 7}}$
DEL MONTE
KETCHUP ......................... 40 OZ. BtL 4/\$5
GOURMET COLLECTION
UTENSILS
99 ${ }^{\text { }}$
SAUCE PAN SET $\qquad$ $\$ 5^{99}$
happy face
BOWLS
EACH 99 ${ }^{4}$
FRY PAN SET $\$ 5^{99}$
OOK N Joy




## FROZEN \& DAIRY <br> ODUGE

