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Floyd County Schools Achieve Gold Level Recognitions from TEA

Final 2011 state accountability Gold Performance Acknowledgements have been posted on the TEA website. The Gold Performance Acknowledgment (GPA) system acknowledges districts and campuses for high performance on indicators other than those used to determine accountability ratings. These indicators are in statute (*Texas Education Code*) or determined by the Commissioner of Education. For the 2010-2011 school year both Floydada and Lockney School Districts received several Acknowledgments for high performance on various indicators.

Lockney ISD received ten Gold Performance Acknowledgements. LISD earned GPA at the district level for Attendance (2009-10), College Ready Graduates (Class of 2010), Recommended High School Program (Class of 2010) and Texas Success Initiative (TSI) for Mathematics. Lockney High School campus was recognized for Performance in College-Ready Graduates, Recommended High School Program, and the Higher Education Readiness Component for Math. The Lockney Junior High campus earned acknowledgments for Attendance Rate and Commended Performance in Social Studies while the Lockney Elementary campus was recognized for Commended Performance in Reading.

Floydada ISD received a total of ten. Four Gold Performance Acknowledgements were received for the district, five for the high school and one for PAC. The district was recognized for College Ready Graduates (Class of 2010), Recommended High School Program (Class of 2010), Texas Success Initiative (TSI) for ELA, and the Texas Success Initiative for Mathematics. Floydada High School campus received College-Ready Graduates (Class of 2010), Texas Success Initiative for ELA, Texas Success Initiative for Mathematics, and Commended on Social Studies. The PAC campus received a Gold Performance for attendance.

Floyd County NEIGHBORS



Photo By Kat Wallace

Lisa Ramirez has lived in Floyd County for 17 years with her husband Anselmo Ramirez Sr and 7 children. Stephanie 23, Sammy Jr 22, Jennifer 21, Jennica 20, Anisa 15, Vicente 14 and CJ 9. Lisa works for Family Dollar as the Assistant Manager. She graduated Kress High School. Lisa and her family attend South Plains Baptist Church in South Plains. Lisa's favorite past time is spending time with her family and video games. Nice

Reception honors 30 years of service

On Thursday, the Friends of the Library held a special reception in honor of the long and dedicated career of Sandra Crawford who has recently retired as the head librarian of the Floyd County Library.

"I'm going to miss seeing everyone," commented Mrs. Crawford as she described what she was going to miss most about leaving.

During the reception, Floyd County officials presented Mrs. Crawford with a special award commemorating the former librarian's 30 years of service to the county.

Raised in Plainview, Sandra moved to Floyd County after marrying Floydada native Jim Crawford. In 1981, Mrs. Crawford's love for books helped her land the li-



Photo By Homer Marquez

brarian position at the County Library which was located in a single room on the second floor of the courthouse; "I've always been a big reader," added Mrs. Crawford.

This would be the start of a long and rewarding career for Mrs. Crawford as she explained that her favorite parts

of being a librarian have been "getting to know the people of Floydada," and, "watching the kids grow-up."

Mrs. Crawford's years of dedication to the county's readers have not gone unnoticed, as many of those who attended the reception expressed that they were al-

ready missing Sandra and her book selection, "You get to know your patrons and what they like to read" added Mrs. Crawford.

Officially retiring in mid-December, Mrs. Crawford has spent her time enjoying family and friends, and of course reading.



Courtesy Photo

TEMPLO GETSEMANI welcomes you to join us in viewing the movie **COURAGEOUS** on Sunday Feb. 5th at 5 p.m. During this night only we are asking that no children under the age of 10 attend. They are welcome at all the other services. In following, we will begin our 4 week sermon series, starting on Feb. 12th, morning-English Service, at 10:45 *TEMPLO GETSEMANI les da una cordial invitación en ver la película VALIENTE en domingo, el día 5 de febrero, a las 5 p. m. Les pedimos que por favor no vengán niños menores de 10 años esta noche. Los niños son bienvenidos a todo otro tiempo. Después, seguiremos con una serie de 4 semanas comenzando el día 12 de febrero. Servicio en Español comienza a las 9:30 por la mañana.*

Veteran Spotlight: Claude Brown

By Homer Marquez

In the efforts of honoring the brave men and women of our military forces, the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon is continuing it's monthly installment of Floyd County veteran profiles with a spotlight on World War II veteran and Lockney native, Claude Brown.

A longtime fixture in the Floyd County community, Mr. Brown served in the United States Air Force from 1942-1945. Mr. Brown's time in the service saw range of assignments which included jobs as a parachute rigger, a tailor, and an operator of a post exchange while stationed in Okinawa.

Born in Muncy but raised in Lockney, Brown was a certified hard worker from the get go; working at a very young age as a shoe shine boy and a paper boy for the Beacon. During

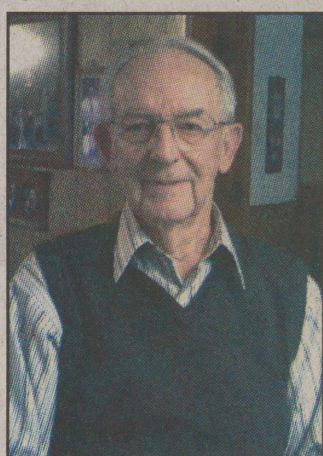
high school, heu racked up even more work experience as him and his mother managed Mr. Wilkes cleaning shop until he graduated.

After graduating in 1939, Mr. Brown moved to Tulia where he met his future wife, Wilma Halcomb. After working for three and a half years in Tulia, he landed a job at a dry cleaning shop in Lubbock.

The attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941 would mark American's entry into World War II and it wouldn't be long before Mr. Brown was eventually drafted into the military.

Just prior to leaving to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, Claude and Wilma were married on April 12, 1942.

Now married, Brown headed to Fort Sill where he was inducted into the Air Force. From there, he was shipped off to the Sheppard Airfields in Wichita Falls for basic



Courtesy Photos

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training.

Following training, Mr. Brown's prior sewing experience, which he picked up while working clothing alterations at the dry-cleaning shop, prompted the military to send him to the Chanute Airfields in Illinois where he

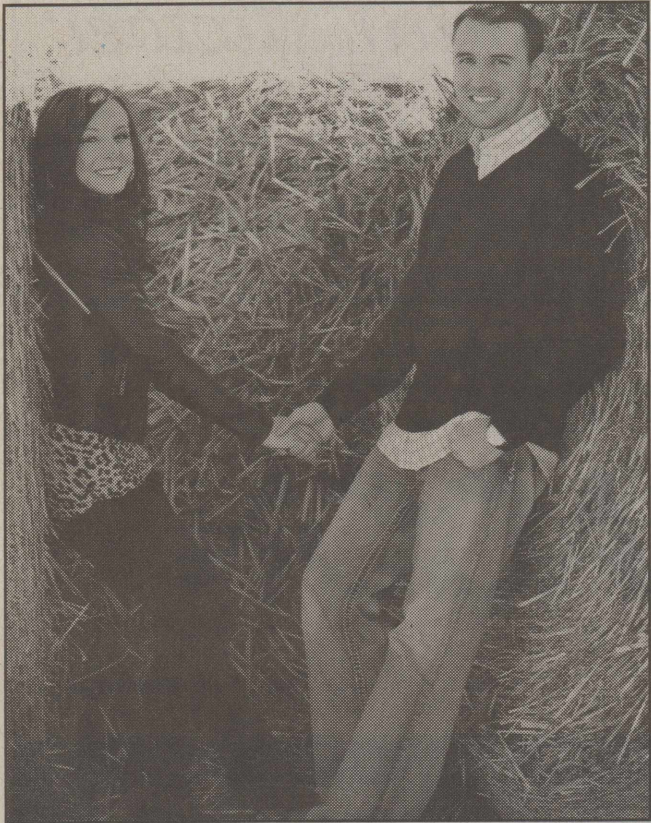
trained to be parachute rigger.

As a parachute rigger, Brown was in charge of packing and inspecting parachutes to make sure they worked properly. He also took care of other flying

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McPherson and Stephenson to wed



J. W. MCPHERSON AND STEPHANIE STEPHENSON

Steve and Becky McPherson of Lockney proudly announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their son, J.W. McPherson to Stephanie Stephenson, daughter of Steve and Tonya Stephenson of Fritch.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Sanford-Fritch High School and a graduate of West Texas A&M University. She is currently employed as a BSRN at Christus Santa Rosa Hospital in San Antonio.

She is the granddaughter of Sue and Tom Pearson, John

Thompson and the late George and Doris Stephenson.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Lockney High School and a graduate of West Texas A&M University. He is currently a dental student at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center in San Antonio.

McPherson is the grandson of the Mrs. Donnie Bybee and the late Donnie Bybee and Gale and Gay McPherson, all of Lockney.

The couple will marry June 7, 2012 in Amarillo.

Ware and McKee to marry



CLINTON WARE AND CARA MCKEE

Clinton and Dara Ware of Floydada along with Shawn and Donna McKee of Paradise, Texas would like to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their children, Clay and Cara.

Clay is the grandson of Peggy Garvin of Silverton and June Hale of Floydada.

Cara is the granddaughter of Carol and Carol McKee of Breckenridge, Texas.

The prospective groom is

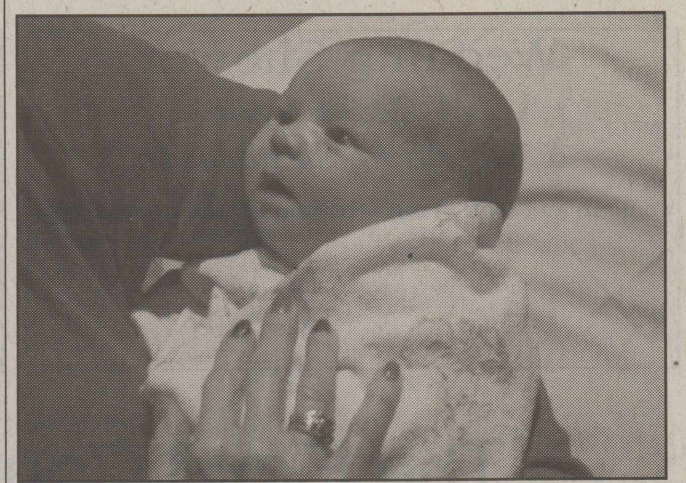
a 2006 graduate of Floydada High School and a 2010 graduate of South Plains College.

The bride-elect graduated from Paradise High School in 2006 and from Tarrant County College in 2011.

Both Clay and Cara are employed in the Arlington area.

A May 12, 2012 wedding has been planned on the Ware Ranch.

Birth Announcements



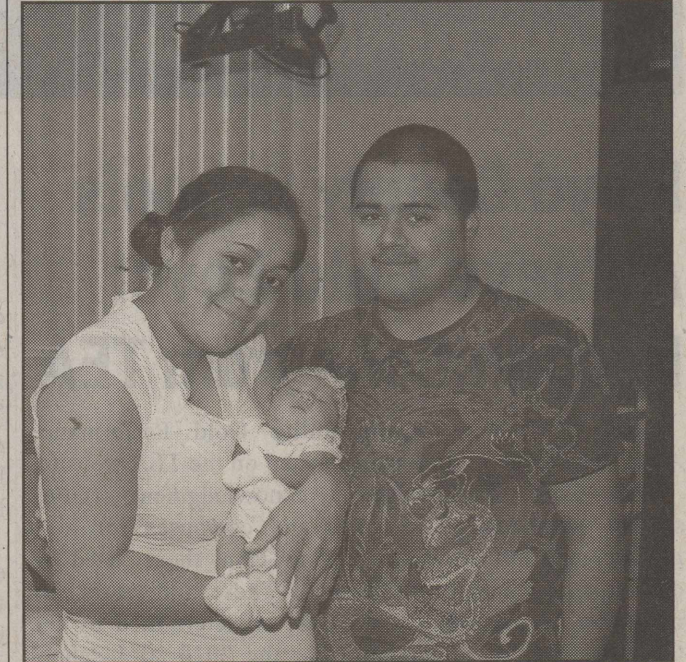
WILLIAMS

Zach and Jennifer Williams of St. Louis, Missouri are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Scarlett Elizabeth Williams. She was born at 5:15 a.m. on December 26, 2012. Scarlett weighed

8 pounds 10 ounces and measured 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Cary and Lisa Alter.

Great-grandparents are Dennis and Mary M. Carter of Lockney.



Courtesy Photo

JUANITA NAIHLU GUADALUPE DAVILA PALACIO was the first baby of New Year to be born at W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney. She was also the first baby to be born in Floyd County for 2012. Her proud parents are Erika Davila and Jonathan Diaz, both of Floydada. She was born Friday, January 6, 2012, weighing 6 pounds 13 ounces and 19 inches long. She was delivered by Dr. Cynthia Schlueter. Grandparents are Teresa Davila Palacio, Juan Davila, Alexandra Hernandez and Fernando Diaz.

FLOYD COUNTY Unity Center NEWS

By Elaine LaBaume

Thirteen years ago in January 2000, Floyd County Friends opened its doors to the Floyd County Friends Unity Center, for the Floyd County Stock Show.

The project was started in 1995 with Nick Long as President and a host of other dedicated people that worked tirelessly for 5 years

raising funds, writing grants and praying to God daily to make this happen. (If interested in history of the Unity Center go to www.floyd-countyfriends.org). It was a "dream come true" for all of us.

The kids that showed their animals this past weekend know only about showing in the Unity Center.

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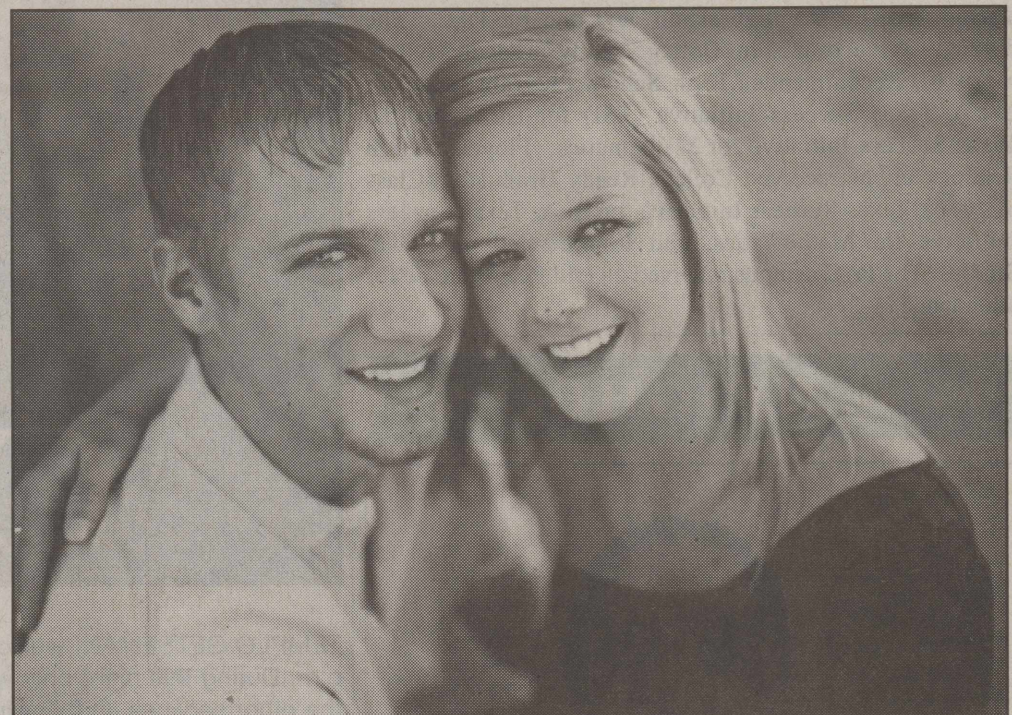
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Moerbe and Swarb to Wed



LINDSIE MELYN MOERBE AND CAMERON SWARB

Mr. and Mrs. Malcom Moerbe of Lockney, Texas would like to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Lindsie Melyn to Mr. Cameron Swarb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Swarb of Sudan, Texas.

The bride-elect is a 2009 graduate of Lockney High School. She is currently a senior at Texas Tech University.

The prospective groom is a 2008 graduate of White Deer High School and a

2011 graduate of Lubbock Christian University. Cameron is currently employed by Sudan ISD as a high school math teacher/coach.

The couple plan to marry March 10, 2012.

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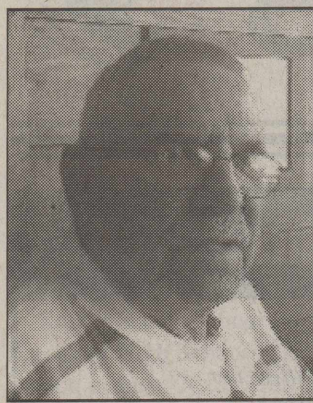
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Obituaries



HUMBERTO FLORES, SR.

Funeral Mass for Humberto Flores, Sr., 83, of Lubbock was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Lubbock with Rev. Emiliano Zapada officiating.

Burial followed at the City of Lubbock Cemetery. A rosary was held at 7 p.m. Monday, January 16, 2012 at St. Elizabeth.

Services were under the direction of Bartley Funeral Home.

Flores died Friday, January 13, 2012 in Lubbock.

He was born on August 12, 1928 in Tynan, Texas to Francis Ruiz and Ignacio Flores. He married Maria Ortiz on October 25, 1948 in Orange Grove, Texas. He lived in Lockney for 61 years and was a welder and a farmer. He was a member of the St. Jose Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Lyda Fraga of Lubbock.

His survivors include his wife, Maria Flores of Lockney; a son, Bert Flores and wife, Lou Ann of Lubbock; two daughters, Nora Flores and Alicia Gallegos, both of Lubbock; a sister, Tina Garza of Lubbock; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Online condolences may be made at bartleycares@gmail.com



EMAGENE HAENISCH

Emagene Haenisch went to be with her Lord on January 3, 2012.

She was born August 1, 1923, in Rochelle, Texas, to Leslie and Katie Sansom. She graduated from Rochelle High School and Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas.

Emagene is survived by her husband, Charles. They recently celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. Charles and Emagene have two children, Barry and his wife, Linda, of Pampa, Texas, and Jo Lynn Dean and her husband, Bill of Floydada. They have four grandchildren. Kyle Haenisch of Borger, Kayce Haenisch of Weatherford, Angela Dean Tombul of Reston, Virginia, and her husband, David, and Laura Dean Sheppard of Dodge City, Kansas, and her husband, Chris; and one sister, Leona Williams of Burnet. They have one great-granddaughter, LucyLynn Tombul.

Emagene's first love was her family. Second to that was her love for teaching. She taught Sunday school continuously since she was fifteen. She married Charles in 1946 in Goldthwaite, Texas and taught elementary school in Eden, Smyer, Huckabee, Alice, and Harlingen as she and Charles moved around the state as he advanced with the Soil Conservation Service. After retirement she substituted at Rochelle.

Emagene and Charles moved to Floydada thirteen years ago, where she volunteered as a reading mentor at R.C. Andrews Elementary. She spent endless hours working at SOS in Floydada, as well as visiting at the care home and at Shepherd's Meadow in Floydada. She was a member of OES and the 1934 Study Club of Floydada.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorials be made to Hospice Hands of West Texas in Lockney.

Funeral service were held at 2 p.m. Friday, January 6, 2012 at the First Baptist Church in Floydada. Interment was held at 3 p.m. Saturday, January 7, 2012 at the Rochelle Cemetery in Rochelle, Texas.

Arrangements were under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Funeral service were held at 2 p.m. Friday, January 13, 2012 at Floydada Cemetery. Cremation services were under the direction of the Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

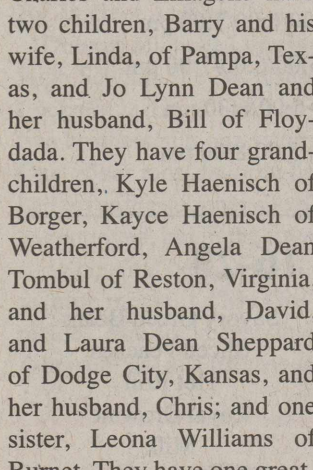
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Margie is survived by three daughters, Jackie Sayles of Azle, Texas, Randie Horn of Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Nancy Jill Burkes of Floydada; two sisters, Mildred Dillard of Midwest City, Oklahoma, and Jimmie Wommack, of Niantic, Connecticut; four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Margie is preceded in death by her parents, Jim and Bess Hicks, a sister Tommie Tinnin, and a brother, Bill Hicks.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or to the charity of your choice.

Online condolences can be made at www.Moore-Rose.com



MARGIE HICKS

Margie Hicks, age 90, of Floydada, passed away on January 11, 2012.

Memorial services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, January 13, 2012 at Floydada Cemetery. Cremation services were under the direction of the Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

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MARY JEANNE MILLER MOORE

Mary Jeanne Miller Moore died peacefully at home on January 10 surrounded by family, Psalms, and prayers.

Mary Jeanne was born on December 31, 1924 in Lockney, Texas to Joseph Judson Miller and Katherine White Miller of Tennessee, who settled in Floyd County in 1909. The family later moved to Plainview where Mary Jeanne grew up and attended Plainview High School and

Wayland Baptist College. After attending Texas Tech, she married aviator Abb Thomas Moore on May 20, 1944. Together they lived in Sweetwater where Tom trained recruits of the Women's Airforce Service Pilots (WASP). When Tom became a pilot for United Airlines, they moved to Denver, Salt Lake City, and then to San Francisco. In 1949 they moved to Lockney where together they raised their children and successfully farmed for sixty-three years.

Mary Jeanne was raised in the Baptist tradition and was a faithful member of First Baptist Church Lockney. She taught Mary Martha Sunday School class for many years. She enjoyed playing Bridge and became a Life Master. She was a fan of Texas Tech sports and the Texas Rangers. Pink was Mary Jeanne's favorite color; everywhere she was pink was sure to appear.

Mary Jeanne was preceded in death by her parents and her siblings, James Miller (Plainview), Virginia Batson (Portales, New Mexico), Edgar Miller (Dallas), Katherine Tye (Kress), and Frances Thompson (Ft. Collins, Colorado). Her beloved son, Gordon died in 1989.

Mary Jeanne is survived by her husband, Tom, and six children and their families: Tom and Shelia; Robert and Kathy; Paul and Lisa with Haley, Ryan and Blake; Howard and Mary with Thomas and Caroline; Katherine and Steve Aull with Peyton and Kate; and Barbara and Ron Wilt with Brian and David.

Funeral arrangements are with Kornerstone Funeral Home in Plainview. A visitation was held on Wednesday evening from 5:30 until 7 p.m.

The funeral service for Mary Jeanne was held at First Baptist Church Lockney on Thursday, January 12, at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Gene Hawkins and the Rev. Jonathan Sullivan presiding.

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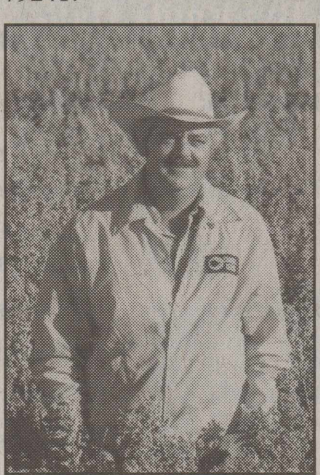
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DON RAINER

Don Rainer, age 66, passed away Monday, January 9, 2012.

Services were held on Thursday, January 12, 2012 at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Floydada. Interment followed at Floyd County Memorial Park.

Arrangements were under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Don was born October 23, 1945 in Lubbock, Texas to A.C. and Myrtice (Hancock) Rainer. Don attended Lubbock Christian College and graduated from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor's Degree. He had a brief stint in coaching at Floydada High School and a career in farming, ranching, and as a commodity broker. He owned Caprock Commodities in Lubbock and was a lifetime resident of Floyd County.

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AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Dennis Butler, Pastor
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

810 S. 3rd, Floydada
Darwin Robinson, Pastor
983-5278
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP

Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Bible Study6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening7:00 p.m.

CARR'S CHAPEL

Service Every Sunday:
Morning Worship ...9:00 a.m.
Sunday School10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

West College & Third, Lockney
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship ..1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST

Levi Sisemore, Minister
Ivan Gomez, Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Tim Franks, Pastor
Terry Simmons, Minister of Ed./Music
Josh Burgett - Min. Students
Sunday School9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study...6:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Lockney

Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Phil Cotham, Music Min.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....6:30 p.m.
Wednesday (Youth) .7:15 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Floydada
Rev. Les Hall, Pastor
Early Worship8:30 a.m.
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday).....5:00 p.m.
Youth (Wednesday)..7:30 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Lockney
Rev. Ricky Carstensen Pastor
Sunday School9:30 a.m.
Worship Service10:30 a.m.
Evening Service..... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High5:30 p.m.
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GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.
Tuesday.....8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:30 p.m.

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

Lockney
Jay Don Poindexter, Minister
Bible Study9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada
Rev. Ralph Jackson
401 N 12th St (983-5805)
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Study ...7:00 p.m.

NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
(806) 637-0430
Sunday Singing10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.

OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Floydada
Rev. David Ramos, Pastor
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader
Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m.
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POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH

Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
704 N. Main, Lockney
Sunday Services.....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Lockney
Jesus Caballero, Pastor
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Discipleship5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Floydada
Rev. Lupe Rando
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:40 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening7:00 p.m.

SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Whirlwind News



The recipients of the third six weeks perfect attendance at A.B Duncan Elementary.



Pictured L-R Hunter Smith, Gilbert Trevino, Rotary Club Member and Representative, and Elyanna Medellin

Provocative Pose Creates Nationwide Controversy

By: Taylor Orr: Staff-writer

This week Floydada High School students were polled about their opinion on the controversy of one Colorado student and the issues resulting from her choice of her senior pictures for the yearbook.

Sydney Spies, an 18-year-old senior at Durango High School submitted a photo that she felt "expressed her individuality and showed her artistic side" for her senior yearbook picture. On the Today Show Matt Lauer called the photo "provocative" and said she was

dressed "very skimpily." The yearbook staff originally okayed the photo, but after careful revision and rethinking, they voted that the picture was inappropriate for a high school yearbook. The decision to pull the photo was not that of administration, but in fact was the students' of the yearbook staff.

Students of Floydada High School were asked, "Do you think the picture is acceptable or unacceptable and should it or should it not be published in a high school yearbook? Here are the results:



Attention Junior High parents

You are cordially invited to hear Leslie Soto, a 1976 FHS graduate, speak about the education and future of your children on January 19, 2012 at 7:00 pm. A FREE dinner will be served at 6:15 pm in the High School cafeteria. We hope to see you all there!

Varsity Girls Word Search

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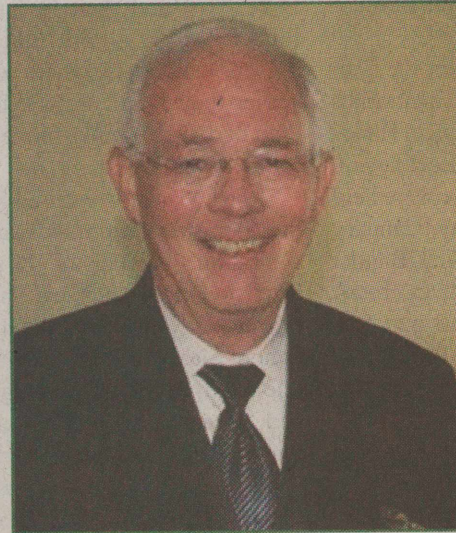
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EMILY

SARAH JO
REBEKAH

ELYANNA
LIZ

Board Member Spotlights



Bill Dean

By: Sarah Jo: Staff-writer

This week, Floydada is spotlighting board member, Bill Dean, a fifteen-year member of FISD's school board. Bill is married to Jo Lynn Dean, and they have two daughters: Angie Tombul and Laura Sheppard. He has one granddaughter named LucyLynn along with another girl on the way. Dr. Dean likes to run and busy himself with home improvement projects. The most rewarding thing about serving on the board to him is attempting to maintain public education, even when the Texas legislature and special interest groups are trying to destroy it. He says that working with administrators and teachers who share this commitment makes being an unpaid board member one of the best paid and most gratifying jobs he's ever had.



Freddie Morren

Floydada would also like to recognize Freddie Morren. He has served on the school board for seven years. He and his wife, Laveta have four children, all who are married: Melissa and Bruce, Wayne and Angel, David and Beth Ann, and Denise and Rex. His grandchildren are Landry, Kaylee, Lauren, Luke, and McKinzie. Mr. Morren's hobbies include working in his shop, fishing, and spending time at the lake. What he finds most rewarding about serving on the board is watching the improvements in the quality of education the board provides for the students and being involved with a great group of teachers, administrators, and auxiliary personnel.

Big Sun Organization Brightens the Path for Student Athletes

By: Homero Ramirez-Staff Writer

The Big Sun Organization helps young athletes succeed in their academic goals. All student athletes are eligible for this award, regardless of the sport in which they may have participated. The student must be a high school senior or be attending a post secondary institute. Applicants must submit a short essay answering the following questions: "How has your education con-

tributed to who you are today?" and "Why do you want to earn a college education?" The deadline for this scholarship is June 22, 2012. The winner will be notified within two weeks, and have his/her name posted on the Big Sun Athletics website. For more information regarding this and other scholarships visit the links below.

<http://www.bigsunathletics.com/> or <http://www.sachsfoundation.org/>

Upcoming Events for Floydada ISD

By: Emily Hall- Staff Writer

- January 20: JV/Varsity Girls Basketball VS Dimmit There, 5:00/6:30 pm
JV/Varsity Boys Basketball VS Dimmit There, 5:00/8:00 pm
- January 21: Powerlifting Meet at Abernathy
Area Business Professionals of America Meet at Frenship
January 21-Feb 4:Ft. Worth Stock Show
- January 23: 7/8/9 Girls Basketball VS Abernathy Here, 5:00/6:00/7:00 pm
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- January 24: JV/Varsity Girls Basketball VS Abernathy There, 5:00/6:30 pm
JV/Varsity Boys Basketball VS Abernathy There, 5:00/8:00 pm
- January 27-28: All Region Band
- January 30: 7/8/9 Girls Basketball VS Littlefield Here, 5:00/6:00/7:00 pm
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- January 31: JV/Varsity Girls Basketball VS Idalou There, 5:00/6:30 pm
JV/Varsity Boys Basketball VS Idalou There, 5:00/8:00 pm

Lunch Menu for January 16-20

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| Monday
Hamburger
Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles
Tater Tots
Baby Carrot Dippers
Crispy Cereal Treat
Milk | Tuesday
Stromboli
Garden Salad
Orange Smiles | Wednesday
Beef and Bean Burrito
Spanish Rice
Seasoned Corn
Sparkly Apple
Milk | Thursday
Chicken Alfredo | Multigrain Chips
Frozen Yogurt Bar
Milk | Friday
BBQ on a Bun
Quick Baked Potato
Pickle Spears
Pineapple Cherry Delight
Milk | Savory Green Beans
Sliced Peaches
Hot Roll
Royal Brownie
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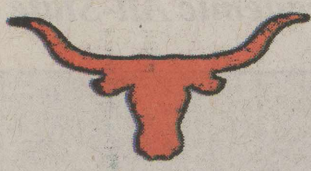
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Longhorn News



Lockney students rock UIL event at Texas Tech

By Hunter Thompson

Last week on January 4th, a portion of the students from Lockney High School participated in a variety of UIL events taking place at Texas Tech University. These events included literary criticism, number sense, current issues, calculator, headline writing, science, and math. The Literary Criticism team did exceptionally well with Ashley Roberts placing 7th, McKenzie Kemp placing 5th, Jasmine Pena placing 4th, Darby Long placing 3rd, and Lindsay Stewart taking 1st place, with

their overall scores giving them the 1st place team trophy. In the 9th grade Number Sense class Alex Rogers placed 8th and Nic Sherman placed 10th. Kameron Hunt also participated in 10th grade Number Sense. In the 11th grade Luke Sherman placed 3rd and Landry Kidd placed 5th. Quinn Jackson placed 9th in the 12th grade Number Sense class. Rico Trejo, a member of the Current Issues team, placed 4th with Brenda Tidwell also participating. In calculator Mary Sammann placed 4th in the 11th grade class with Johnny Rose, Nikki

Jimenez, and Jonathan Sustaita also participating. In headline writing Maison Ragland placed 4th. In our Science team 11th graders Taylor Esty placed 5th, Mary Sammann placed 9th with Landon Kidd and Hunter Thompson also participating. In math Rico Trejo, an 11th grader, placed 7th with John Salas, Dillion DeLeon, Maison Ragland, and Nikki Jimenez also participating. Congratulations to all of these Lockney High School students! The next UIL meet will take place on February 4th in Idalou.

Teacher Spotlight

The hallways of Lockney ISD have gotten some fresh new faces over the holidays as the district introduces three new teachers



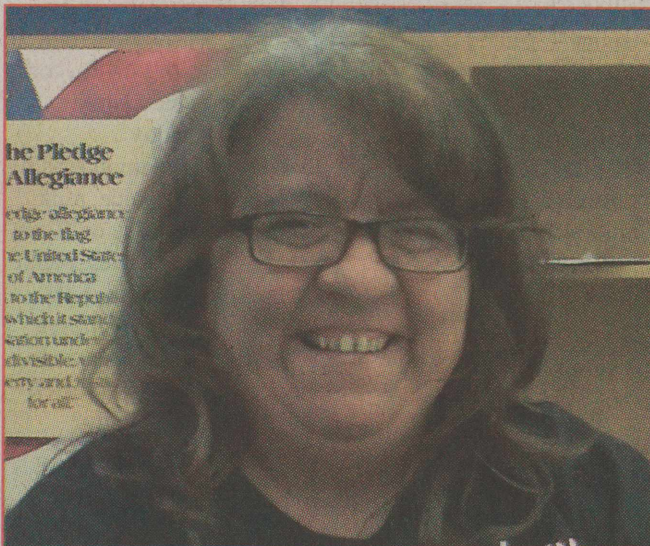
Carol Lane

By Kameron Hunt

Carol Lane grew up in Nederland, Texas, where she graduated in 1978. She has been working in education for fifteen and a half years where she has been a business education teacher and registrar. Since she is new to Lockney High School, some of the challenges she faces include getting familiar with the school's rules and policies, the curriculum, and the LHS students.

As a teacher at LHS the thing she enjoys the most is the students because she likes being around energetic teenagers. Her most memorable moments in education

are seeing her old students and finding out what they are doing now. Outside of school she likes to spend time with her family, especially granddaughter, Chloe; reading and gardening. Her husband's cousin, Sammie Setliff, is the principal's secretary and her favorite thing about Lockney is the people. Even though she is a teacher, she did not always want to be. She came from a family of educators and told her parents that she would never teach and would go into business. Obviously, that didn't happen! Mrs. Lane has had a great first week here and hopes to have many more at LHS.



Mrs. Eva Bernal

Mrs. Eva Bernal is the new elementary special education teacher for second and third grades.

Raised in Lockney, Mrs. Bernal is a graduate of Lockney High. After her graduation, Mrs. Bernal was inspired to become a teacher and headed off to Wayland Baptist University to get her teaching degree; "I probably became a teacher because of a teacher I had at this very school, Ms. Woods," explained Mrs. Bernal.

After receiving her degree in 1997, Mrs. Bernal landed her first teaching job at Thunderbird Elementary in Plainview;

where she taught for 14 years.

When asked what she enjoyed most about her years of teaching, Mrs. Bernal answered that it was probably the fact that "the kids love you without condition".

After leaving Thunderbird, Mrs. Bernal was ecstatic to find an opening at her hometown elementary, "It is very very welcoming, and accepting, and everyone has greeted me like if I was one of their own; it really makes me feel like I'm at home," explained Mrs. Bernal.

Mrs. Bernal is married to Jose Luis Bernal and has two children, Luis and Jeremiah.



Mrs. Jennifer Sullivan

Mrs. Jennifer Sullivan is the new fourth grade reading, writing, and social studies teacher at Lockney Elementary.

Born and raised in Plainview, Mrs. Sullivan received a degree in Physiology and a minor in Christian studies from Wayland University.

After working years in the mental health field after graduation; Mrs. Sullivan explained that she began to feel a different calling for her life; "I thought that God was calling me in the field of teaching" explained Mrs. Sullivan.

Answering the call, Mrs. Sullivan went on to receive her teaching certification through eighth grades as well

as special education.

Entering her sixth year of teaching, Mrs. Sullivan has taught in San Angelo at the Central Freshman Campus; and in Amarillo where she taught at Mann Middle School.

So far Mrs. Sullivan's time in Lockney has been great; "I love it...people here are fabulous, the students are fabulous, I am happy," Mrs. Sullivan explained.

Mrs. Sullivan is married to Jonathan Sullivan who is now the new pastor at the First Baptist Church in Lockney. The couple has two children; Lawson and Addison.

In her spare time, Mrs. Sullivan enjoys arts and crafts and painting.

Student Spotlight



Dolores Michelle Luna

By Justicee Arjona

Dolores Michelle Luna is a 12th grader who attends Lockney High School. She has also attended Lockney Elementary and Lockney Jr. High. She was born in Plainview, Texas. She has two brothers and one sister; Angel, Renee, and Rubina Luna. One of her most favorite hobbies or things to do is play softball; over the summer she played in Amarillo. She is currently unemployed, but in the future she would love to be working in a big hospital being a LVN. Her favorite color is blue and her favorite movie is, "My Girl". As a midnight snack, she enjoys pickles. You could describe Dolores as funny, nice, and pretty. A person that is a role model in her life is her dad.



Little Longhorns: Adrian Cervasquez, Josiah Ascencio, Hunter Lefevre, Nick Diaz, JD Faz, Robert Idrogo, Derek Luna, Gunner Araujo, Morris Salas, Christian Gonzalez, Diego Ascencio, Madison Johnson, Townlei Hernandez, Yareli Naranjo, Samara Castro

Lockney High School calendar

Thursday	January 19	LHS band All-region tryouts at Abernathy
Friday	January 20	Lockney Lady Horns and Longhorns play against New Deal. Here.
Tuesday	January 24	Lockney Lady Horns and Long Horns basketball play against Ralls. There.

Important Information Accuplacer Testing Dates

Jan. 12	March 5
Jan. 16	March 6
Feb. 6	March 8
Feb. 16	March 19

Accuplacers will be given on these dates at 6pm
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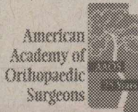
A SHORT STORY ABOUT GROWING UP WITH AN UNFAIR ADVANTAGE.

POLIO.

As one of the last American children to contract polio, Jeffrey Galpin grew up in a world of iron lungs and body casts, alone with his imagination. His story would be dramatic enough if it was just about his battle with this dreaded disease.

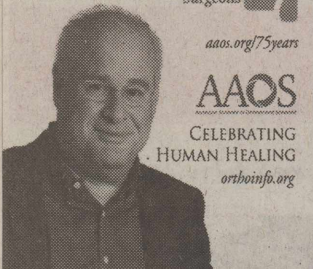
But Jeffrey Galpin did more than survive polio. He went on to a list of achievements in medical research—including being the principal investigator in applying the first gene therapy for HIV/AIDS.

Dr. Galpin actually credits his own incurable condition for giving him the focus that made him so passionate in his research. His story leaves us with two of the most contagious messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If Dr. Galpin's story inspires just one more person to make a difference, then its telling here has been well worth while.



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Thanks for Reading!

Lady Horns improve to 2-0 in district

The Lady Horns improved to 2-0 in district as they sailed past Crosbyton 66-42 on Friday night. Leading scorers for the night were Anissa Reyna with 24 points and SyAnn Foster with 17.

Earlier in the week, the Ladies hosted Lubbock Christian Lady Eagles on Tuesday. The ladies would eventually lose to Lubbock by a score of 66-70; leading in points were Anissa Reyna with another 24 points, Megan Dunn with 11 and SyAnn Foster with 10.

In lady JV action, the Lady Horns would also gain a win against Crosbyton 30-24.

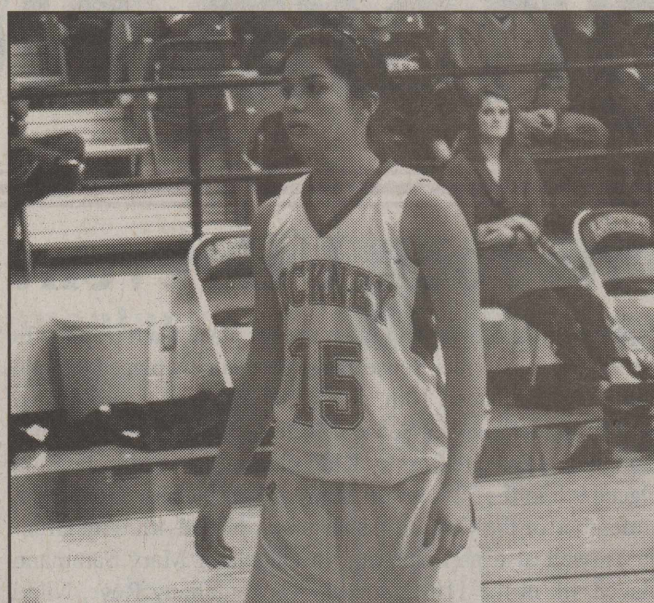
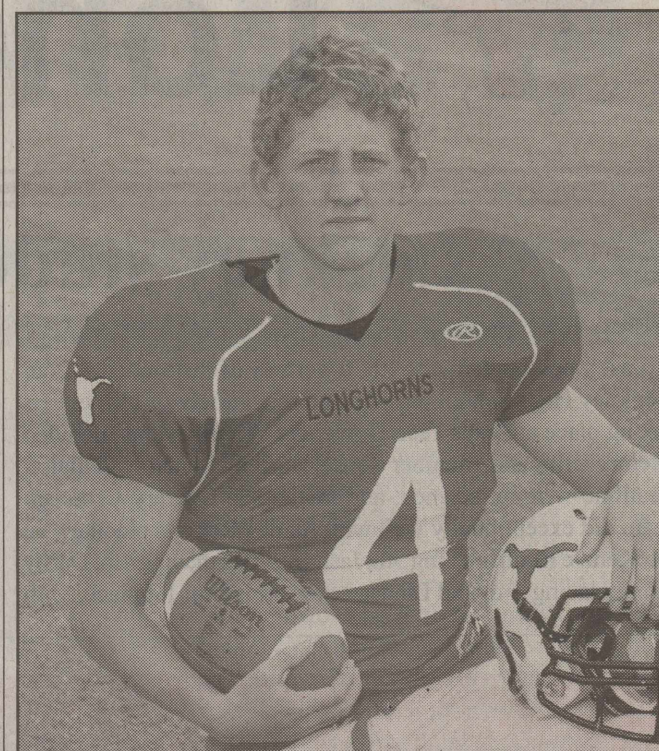


Photo by Homer Marquez

Teeter named to Academic All-State



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Lockney High School senior, Riley Teeter, has been named to the Texas High School Coaches Association Academic All State Class 1-A football team. The distinguished honor is given to senior student-athletes who display good moral character and maintains an overall grade average of 92 or better throughout his or her high school academic career. "Riley has been an integral part of our football and athletic program he is well deserving of this honor," commented Lockney Athletic Director Malcolm Moerbe, "This honor is proof of his excellence in the classroom as well as on the field". Riley has been a three year letterman for the Lockney Longhorn football team and has participated in Lockney's baseball, track and basketball programs. Riley is the son of Monty and Kim Teeter.

Lockney School Lunch Menu

January 23-27
Monday
Breakfast- Mini Corndog or Cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch- Chicken Nuggets or Ham, potatoes, mixed vegetables, peaches, roll, milk
Tuesday
Breakfast-Honey Bun or Cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch- Fish Sticks or Grilled Cheese, pinto beans, spinach, fruited gelatin, cornbread, milk
Wednesday
Breakfast-Eggs and Sausage or Cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch- Beef Stew or Corndog, salad, apple slices, cornbread, milk

Thursday
Breakfast-Oatmeal or Cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Pizza or burrito, corn, applesauce, milk
Friday
Breakfast-Cinnamon Roll or Cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Sloppy Joe or Tuna Sandwich, baked fries, pickle spears, juice bar, milk
Menu subject to change without notice; Peanut butter and Jelly Sandwich- 3rd choice daily



The Paperboy

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

Life is precious. We're reminded of that throughout our lives when we lose a family member or friend.

Around 6 a.m. Monday, the Sims family of Childress was reminded of that fact in the span of a heartbeat.

As the facts of the case are still being investigated, I will refrain from playing the blame game. I simply want to illustrate how important it is to let those close to us know how we feel about them. Let them know how much we love them.

Tom Sims, 74, was a good man. He was a family man. His wife, children, brothers, sisters... the whole gang loved the man. He was my wife's uncle. He was my father-in-law's oldest brother.

Monday morning, on the

day of their 47th anniversary, he and his wife, Judy, left for a doctor's appointment in Amarillo a little before 6 a.m.

About seven miles outside of town, the check engine light came on so Tom pulled over to see if he could see anything wrong. A few seconds later, Judy watched as an 18-wheeler took the life of her husband in the blink of an eye.

Can you imagine?

The Sims family is a close unit. If it happens in the family, the family knows about it. Tom was the oldest. His three brothers and four sisters mourn him today.

I've always enjoyed being around the brothers and sisters. They are salt-of-the-earth good people. They are honest, hard-working Americans. In the 12

years I've been around them, I've learned a great deal about many a subject.

I don't know about you, but I'm frequently guilty of taking life for granted. I go too long between visits with family members and friends. I don't let the ones I love the most know it enough.

It is on sad occasions like the tragedy this week where we are reminded by our loved ones why we really love them. We cry together, we laugh together, we hug and we remember the person who is no longer in the room.

When your kids or grand-kids get home from school today, hug them. Let them know today that you love them and that you value their relationship. This evening, call your parents or a sibling and let them know the same thing.

I saw Tom over the holidays and I'm glad I did. I enjoyed visiting with him but more than that, I enjoyed watching the Sims family interact with each other. As I said above, they are close and there is always a lot of love in the room.

Life is precious and you never know how long you have on this earth. Don't hold back your feelings...
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Lockney boys drop district opener

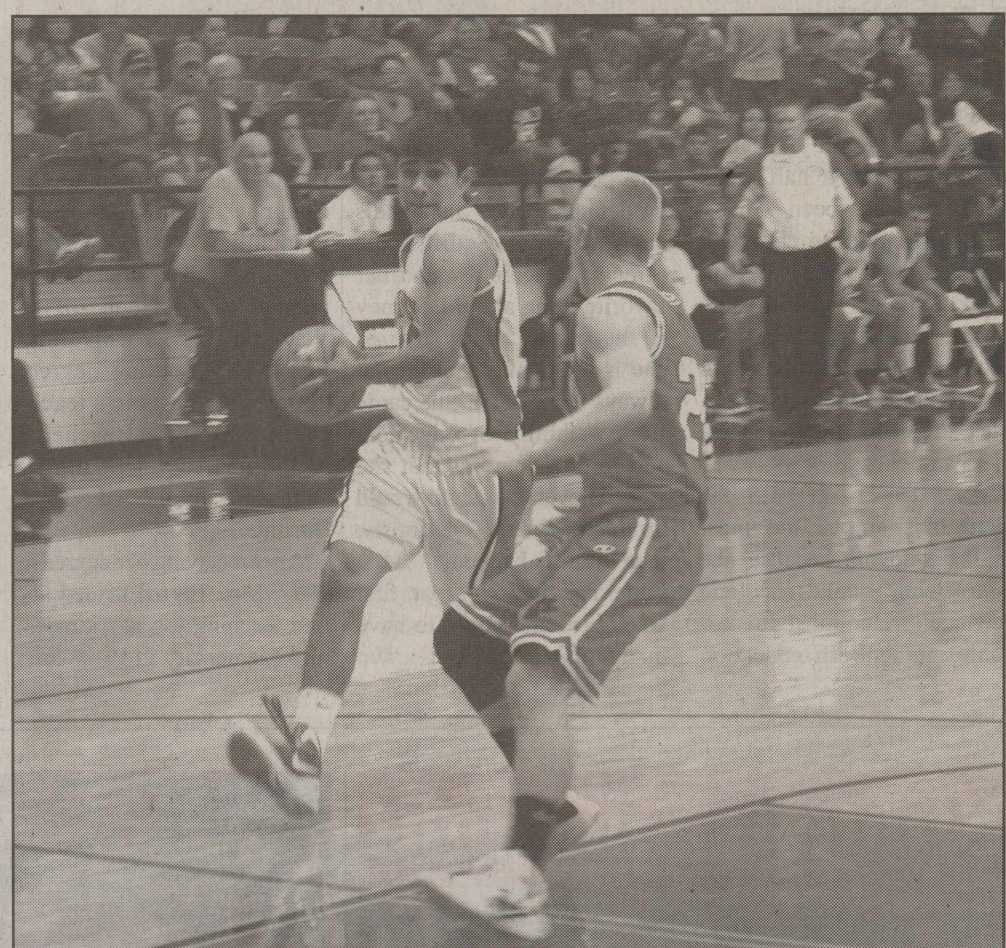


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By Coach Strickland

The Lockney Longhorns played the Lubbock Christian Eagles Tuesday night. The horns lost the contest 47-62. Both Erik Cortez and Laundry Kidd scored 12 points apiece in the game; Ky Teeter added 10 and Ian Dunbar had 9.

In their district opener on Friday, the longhorns fell to Crosbyton 36-47. The longhorns led at halftime 20-15.

Ky Teeter led all players with 11 points; Landry Kidd and Ian Dunbar both had 10 points. Our record is 0-1 in district and 6-15 overall.

In their game against Lubbock Christian, the Junior Varsity fell to the Eagles 14-50; leading scorers for the night were Nathan Caballero with 7, Alex Rodgers with 3, and Kaneron Hunt and Nicholas Sherman with two apiece.

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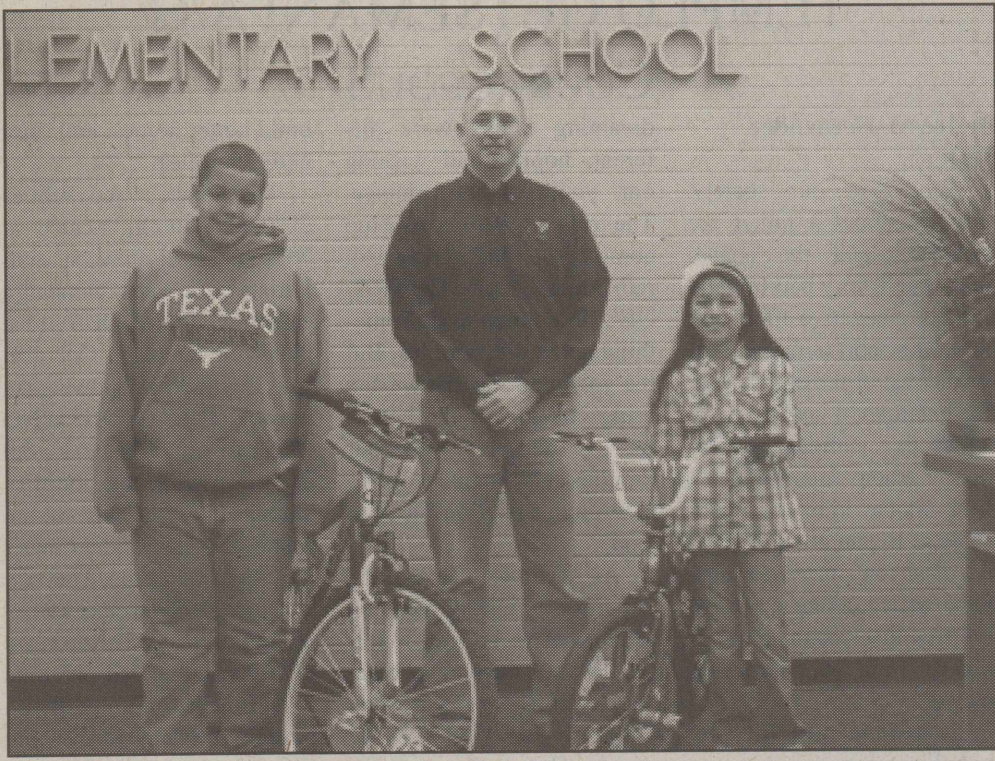
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A. B. Duncan Elementary Perfect Attendance bicycle winners for the third 6 weeks were (left) 5th grader, Hunter Smith and (right) 3rd grader, Elyanna Medellin. Rotary member Gilbert Trevino presented the bicycles. Thanks to the Floydada Rotary Club for donating the bikes.

Whirlwinds fall to Muleshoe, but redeem with Tulia

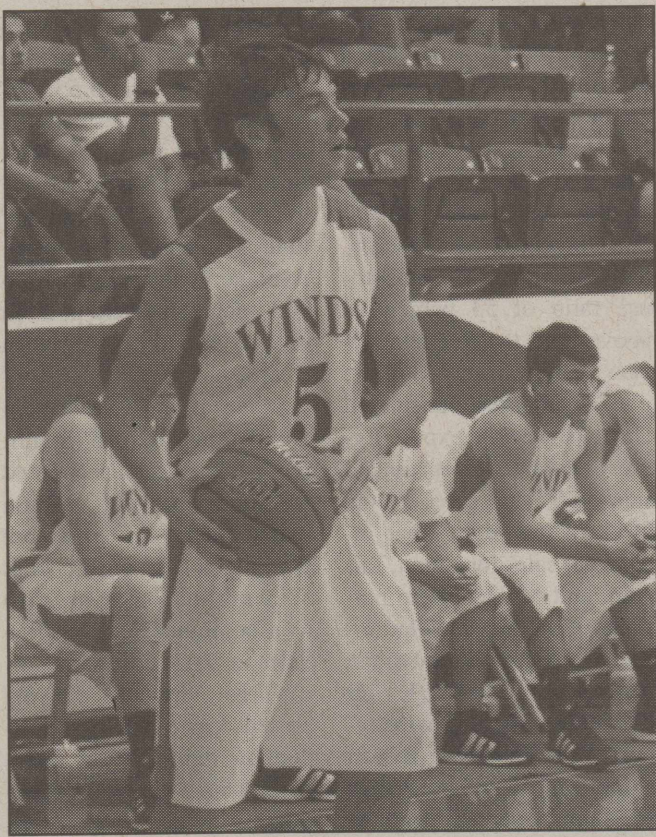


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By Coach Renfro

The Floydada Whirlwinds fell to the Muleshoe Mules in District 2-2A action in Muleshoe. A slow start, turnovers, and poor shooting led to the Winds demise. Muleshoe jumped out

to a 20-7 lead in the first quarter, thanks in part to 9 Whirlwind turnovers, and cruised to a 55-44 victory. The Winds made only 4 of 29 three point attempts in the contest. Cole Covington led the

Winds in scoring with 14. Haden Lipham and Jordan Woody had 9 each with Woody also adding 5 assists and 3 steals. R.J. Deleon had 8 points and 7 rebounds, and Landry Morren had 4 points.

The Whirlwinds got back on the winning track in District 2-2A basketball with a 76-57 victory over the Hornets of Tulia. The win pushed the Winds district record to 3-2.

The Whirlwinds made 11 three pointers in the game and were 19 of 22 from the free throw line in putting away the Hornets. Floydada was led in scoring by Jordan Woody and Tyler Renfro who had 15 each. Renfro also contributed 7 rebounds and 6 assists while Woody had 3 assists and 3 steals. Haden Lipham also had 3 assists and 3 steals while putting in 10 points. R.J. Deleon had 9 points and 7 rebounds, Jose Martinez had 8 points and 3 assists, and Cole Covington had 7 points.

Michael Cisneros and Landry Morren had 5 points each, and Venturo Gonzales had 2 points and 3 steals.

Floydada 4-H Club holds meeting

The regular meeting of the Floydada 4-H Club was held at the A.B. Duncan Elementary on Monday, December 19, 2011 at 6 p.m.

The president, Kirby Nixon, called the meeting to order. Members and parents signed in at the door.

The pledge to the American flag was led by Sydney Bishop and the Texas pledge was led by Ryder Glass. Keenan Nixon led the members in the 4-H Motto and Pledge and Allison Orr gave the inspiration.

The project report was presented by Lauryn Carroll. She talked about the new tricks they were learning in the Dog Project. She discussed the meat judging contest and tour.

Kirby Nixon then discussed new business and upcoming events. The County Show is set for Jan. 14th. Pen set up will be on Jan. 9th and the sale and meal will be on Jan. 16th. Melissa Long explained about a new contest called the 4-H Food Challenge that will take place in February. The Clothing Project group will meet on Jan. 23rd.

Other projects discussed were shooting sports and fashion story board. The shooting sports group will meet on Jan. 26th with a potluck supper and safety meeting. Fashion story board will meet in January too and you

need to pick a country and category for your project.

Melissa Long also reminded parents about the upcoming Parent Leader Meeting on January 30th. Supper will be provided so let the office know.

C. J. Jacobs was the club manager in charge and she discussed new and upcoming projects like fishing, leatherworking, as well as others. She was looking for sponsors and leaders so if you are interested please let her know.

Point sheets are online so please fill out and turn in to the office.

Caleb Miller led the mini demonstration on meat judging and the different cuts of meat.

The community project was toys-for-tots and members made ornaments for Shepherd's Meadow residents.

The club took a special moment to recognize Mark Carroll with a plaque in appreciation for all of his hard work.

The president announced the next meeting would be held on Jan. 17th at 6 pm. at the MAC.

Delicious refreshments were provided by the Gary Nixon and Greg Bishop families.

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU

January 23 – January 27

Monday

Breakfast-Breakfast pizza or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch- Toasted ham and cheese sandwich, veggie dippers, orange smiles, baked chips, chocolate chip cookie, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast- Sausage/biscuit or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch-Crispy tacos, lettuce & tomatoes, Spanish rice, pinto beans, fancy gelatin, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast-Pancakes, syrup or cereal and

graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, strawberries & bananas, hot roll, milk

Thursday

Breakfast- Oatmeal and cinnamon toast or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch-Spaghetti w/meat sauce, garden salad, savory green beans, French bread stick, apple crisp, milk

Friday

Breakfast-Breakfast burrito or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch-Submarine sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, tater tots, sliced peaches, brownie, milk

Lady Winds Put up Big Numbers

By Coach Styles

The Floydada Lady Winds scored 70 and 72 points in games against Muleshoe and Tulia this past week. Last Friday the Lady Winds entertained Tulia, the district leader, who was undefeated in district and sporting a #18 state ranking.

The Lady Winds came out on fire and built a 24-12 after one period of play. The fireworks did not stop in the second quarter either. The Lady Hornets outscored the Lady Winds 27-24, but Floydada led 49-39 at halftime. Tulia came out in the 3rd and outscored the Lady Winds 20-10. The score was knotted up 59 all after three quarters of play. The Lady Winds would take a 69-63 lead but that would soon evaporate as the Lady Winds incurred foul trouble as three starters fouled out. Tulia would have a 31-7 advantage in shooting free throws in the second half. Floydada gave a valiant effort but fell 82-73.

Scoring: Avery Miller 18, Sarah Jo Miller 17, Liz Suarez 17, Rebekah Hall 7, Emily Hall 6, Sarah Sanders 4, Nikki Seymour 4.

Rebounds: Rebekah Hall 5

Assists: Sarah Jo Miller 5, Avery Miller 3

Steals: Avery Miller 7, Liz Suarez 3

Deflections: Sarah Jo Miller 7, Avery Miller 4, Sarah Sanders 3



Photo by Homer Marquez

The Lady Winds are now 14-9 on the season and 4-3 in district play.

The Floydada Lady Winds defeated the Muleshoe Lady Mules 70-37 Tuesday, Jan. 10th at Muleshoe.

The Lady Winds jumped out quickly and never trailed. The Lady Winds had their offense in full gear as they scored 70 points on 62 shooting attempts. It was a great team effort on both ends of the court.

Scoring: Avery Miller 21, Sarah Sanders 12, Emily Hall 11, Rebekah Hall 9,

Liz Suarez 8, Sarah Jo Miller 5, Kristan Sanchez 2, Nikki Seymour 2

Rebounds: Sarah Sanders 12, Avery Miller 6, Emily Hall 6, Sarah Jo Miller 5, Liz Suarez 5 Elyanna Duran 5

Assists: Nikki Seymour 4, Sarah Jo Miller 4, Liz Suarez 3, Sarah Sanders 3, Rebekah Hall 3

Steals: Sarah Sanders 6, Rebekah Hall 4, Liz Suarez 3

Deflections: Rebekah Hall 6, Sarah Jo Miller 5, Sarah Sanders 3, Nikki Seymour 3, Amelia Gonzalez 3

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Xcel Energy withdraws plans to increase fuel costs for Texas retail customers

AMARILLO, Texas – A federal court decision delaying a costly new environmental regulation has led Xcel Energy to withdraw a fuel-cost formula update it filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) in November.

The update, had it gone into effect, would have added \$6.30, or 7 percent, to a typical winter residential bill of 1,000 kilowatt-hours in Texas. New Mexico customers eventually would have seen higher fuel costs as well because customers in both states share the same power generation system. The increases were a direct result of achieving short-term compliance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Cross-State Air Pollution Rule, or CSAPR.

Xcel Energy learned in July that Texas was to be included in the new rule, which is aimed at reducing the amount of emissions that drift toward eastern U.S. cities. The company had only six months before a Jan. 1 implementation date to reduce emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides by as much as 50 percent. The only viable compliance option in the near term was to reduce the output of its coal-fueled power generation fleet and increase production from natural gas-fueled plants. Natural gas is more expensive than coal, and the company's fuel costs would have risen dramatically under CSAPR, at least until the company had a chance to install new emission-reduction technologies on its coal-fueled power plants.

On Dec. 30, the U.S. Court of Appeals - D.C. Circuit, stayed CSAPR implementation until the court has a chance to review the merits of numerous lawsuits, including a suit filed by Xcel Energy, seeking to block the new rule and devise a more reasonable way to reduce emissions. As a result of the ruling, the company will continue operating its generating fleet as it has always done – calling on its low-cost coal-fueled plants first and then adding natural gas-fueled plants as customer demand increases.

Even though the court ruling eliminates the need to switch primarily to natural gas generation at this time, and thus raise fuel costs to customers, Xcel Energy still needs to update its fuel cost factor on customer bills

because the company's fuel mix has changed and natural gas prices have decreased since the company had its last update. Therefore, the company will submit a new fuel cost proposal before the end of January, but the impact on customer bills is not known at this time.

As the revised fuel costs are being worked out, Xcel Energy will continue its legal effort to block CSAPR and lobby for a better plan that will more reasonably protect customer interests.

"We opposed and still oppose CSAPR because of enormous and immediate costs of complying so quickly," said Riley Hill, president and CEO of Southwestern Public Service Company, an Xcel Energy company. "Even so, we remain committed to investing in new emission-control technologies, and we hope the court's decision will allow us to make these investments in a more reasonable timeframe that would ease the financial impact on our customers and maintain the reliability of our generating system."

Xcel Energy (NYSE: XEL) is a major U.S. electricity and natural gas company with regulated operations in eight Western and Midwestern states. Xcel Energy provides a comprehensive portfolio of energy-related products and services to 3.4 million electricity customers and 1.9 million natural gas customers through its regulated operating companies. Company headquarters are located in Minneapolis. More information is available at www.xcelenergy.com.

This news release includes forward-looking statements that are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Such forward-looking statements are intended to be identified in this document by the words "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "projected," "objective," "outlook," "possible," "potential" and similar expressions. Actual results may vary materially. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include, but are not limited to: general economic conditions, including their impact on capital expenditures; business conditions in the energy industry; competitive conditions in the marketplace, etc.

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COURAGEOUS

By Joe M. Hernandez Pastor

Today, in our society, homes without a father are prevalent, and the consequences are very painful, and produce a negative effect, not only for a short term, but also for the rest of the child's life. For example, 1 out of every 3 kids live without their fathers. When this happens, these same kids are very likely to live in poverty, drop out of school, turn to drugs, make wrong choices, and involve themselves in unlawful behavior, and the list goes on and on.

Sometimes we, (people, including parents) become lax, and accept the way things are! We become dreamers,

dreaming things were different, hoping and wishing our youth would change. The truth is...we become too complacent, and unworried, rather than become COURAGEOUS enough to do something about our families. But the good news is that we can bring change for the better; we can not only keep our families safe, but also together through a relationship with God.

At Templo Getsemani, our aim is to inspire men and teach men to be the fathers God intends them to become, to be men who can serve and influence for good in our society. Our goal is to bring biblical truths, and values that will make better parents,

build better homes, and raise godly families.

Getsemani Assemblies of God Church, located at 701 W. Mississippi St. will initiate a 4 week campaign called COURAGEOUS in the month of February. Our plan is to kick it off by showing the movie COURAGEOUS at NO COST to you on February 5th at 5:00 p.m. at this location. During this night only we are asking that no children under the age of 10 attend. They are welcome at all the other services. The people of Floydada are invited to come. Dads, it's time to be COURAGEOUS! If you haven't seen this movie, you definitely should make plans to bring your family. If you have questions, #983-5286.

Cotton Market Weekly

Cotton futures prices on the Intercontinental Exchange (ICE) closed higher for three consecutive sessions before spending the most active trading hours on Thursday well below the previous day's settlements. The contracts were driven lower after bearish USDA reports spurred selling in grain and oilseed futures. Though supply/demand estimates heavily influenced the market, net export sales figures offered some positive news for cotton.

"USDA's supply/demand reports were considered bearish by the industry as production cuts in the U.S. and India were more than met by another big reduction in global use," a trader said.

This month's 2011-12 U.S. cotton estimate included slightly lower production and lower exports resulting in a net increase in ending stocks. USDA lowered U.S. cotton production by 153,000 bales as a reduction for upland cotton in Texas was partially offset by higher estimated pima output. The department reduced exports by 300,000 bales to 11.0 million due to lower U.S. supplies and strong competition from foreign exports while domestic mill use remained unchanged. As a result, U.S. ending stocks were raised to 3.7 million bales, equivalent to 25 percent of total use.

USDA's world estimates for this season show slightly lower production compared with last month, and consumption was reduced by approximately one percent. The reductions to produc-

tion mainly concerned India and the United States. The department's forecast for cotton consumption in China was lowered by one million bales as the substantial accumulation of cotton in the national reserve is expected to support prices and constrain mill use. Consumption also was lowered for Thailand. Projected world ending stocks are 700,000 bales higher at 58.4 million, and the forecast stocks-to-use ratio of 53 percent is above both the five and 10-year averages.

The market considered USDA's weekly export figures healthy. Net upland sales of 92,800 bales for the 2011-12 marketing year resulted as sales for China, Taiwan, and Mexico were partially offset by cancellations by Pakistan and El Salvador. Net sales of 2,600 bales for delivery in 2012-13 were reported for Thailand. Export shipments of 158,500 bales were up six percent from the previous week but down 10 percent from the four-week average. Primary destinations were China, Turkey, and South Korea.

Sales on the spot cotton market were considerably higher as Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, and New Mexico producers sold 75,696 bales online in the week ended Jan. 12 compared to 43,164 bales the previous week. Average prices received ranged from 77 to 87 cents per pound.

In other news, reports now conclude that 2011 Texas cotton production fell by more than half when compared to the previous year.

In 2011, farmers planted two million more acres than the previous year but produced only 3.5 million bales, down from 7.84 million bales in 2010.

Although Texas producers planted 7.55 million acres last year, up from 5.55 million in 2010, harvested acreage dropped from 5.35 million to 3.1 million, according to USDA-NASS preliminary figures released this week. Average yield dropped from 703 pounds per acre in 2010 to 542 pounds per acre in 2011.

Districts 1-N (Northern High Plains) and 1-S (Southern High Plains) accounted for more than 4.6 million planted acres in 2011, but production dropped from 5.33 million bales in 2010 to a combined 1.88 million bales in 2011.

Three districts actually posted improved total production figures from 2010. In District 8-N (South Central), production increased from 106,200 bales in 2010 to 125,000 bales last year. In District 10-S (Lower Valley), production increased from 146,900 bales to 250,000 bales. District 9 (Upper Coast) improved from 204,700 bales in 2010 to 260,000 bales last year. Production improvements came from increased acreage.

Observers in South Texas reported a few timely rains during critical cotton growth periods that helped make the 2011 crop. The Texas High Plains and other Texas production areas endured record drought for the 2011 season.

Randy's Roundup

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer

The Simplest Way for President Obama to Create 20,000 Jobs

President Obama currently has an easy opportunity to reduce our dependence on oil from the Middle East while creating 20,000 jobs, all with the stroke of a pen. On Decem-

ber 23, 2011, Congress passed a law that requires the President to approve the permit for the privately-funded Keystone XL Pipeline within 60 days unless he determines it "would not serve the national interest." The Keystone XL Pipeline would stretch from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico, importing 830,000 barrels of oil per day from our Canadian neighbors to American refineries. It was first proposed in 2008 and has passed two environmental reviews – conducted by the Obama Administration – and has broad support across both parties.

Creating 20,000 jobs and enhancing our energy security all in one package, without spending taxpayer dollars, should be a no-brainer. The American people cannot wait any longer

for the President to allow private industry in the U.S. to create jobs and get our economy back on track.

Abilene Native Named New 19th Congressional District Director

I'm very pleased to announce the hiring of Mitch Barnett, a native of Abilene and an experienced professional, who will oversee my Texas district operations. In addition to managing our Lubbock, Big Spring and Abilene offices, Mitch will ensure our constituent service activities continue at the highest level of effectiveness.

Mitch grew up in Abilene and is a Paideia Scholar graduate of Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas. After managing Texas Congressman Pete Sessions' campaign during the last election cycle, he served as a key member of Representative Sessions' Washington, D.C. staff and helped manage the Congressman's legislative agenda, policy development, and House floor activities. I am proud to have Mitch on our

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong

We need a volunteer to do the year book for the Center; if you would like to do this please see Gene, it will be greatly appreciated.

Dorothy Stapp continues to recover from bypass

surgery.

Mae Willis, 99, formally of Lockney passed away in Wichita Falls on Sunday, Jan. 15; the funeral was held Wednesday, Jan 18 at the Community Church in Enville, Oklahoma. Burial

will follow in Lebanon Oklahoma cemetery.

Remember: Coffee Monday-Saturday 9:30-10:30; Ladies Exercise Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9-9:30; and Pot Luck on Thursday night at 6pm with games following.

Lockney Senior Citizens Menu

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BBQ on Bun

TUESDAY
Chicken Fried Steak

WEDNESDAY
Baked Potatoes

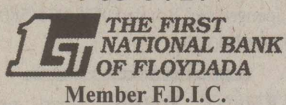
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School for numerous years. Don was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Joe Rainer, and a sister-in-law, Noma Lou Rainer.

He is survived by two sons, Brad Rainer and wife, Lezlie of Groom and Dirk Rainer and his wife, Heidi of Fredericksburg; brother, Bobby Rainer of Lubbock; sister-in-law, Becky Rainer of Floydada; and six grandchildren, Jordan, Whitney, Molly, Jackson, Nicholas, and Katye.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials to Floyd County Museum, 105 E. Missouri, Floydada, Texas 79235 or to Floydada Senior Citizens, P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235.



MAE FRANCES WILLIS
Mae Frances Willis, 99,

passed away on January 15, 2012 in Wichita Falls, Texas. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at the Enville Community Church in Enville, Oklahoma with Rev. Ron Barnard of the Heritage Church in Wichita Falls, officiating.

Burial followed in the Lebanon Cemetery in Lebanon, Oklahoma under the direction of Lunn's Colonial Funeral Home.

Mae was born May 14, 1912 to William and Annie (Humphries) Meeks in Willard, New Mexico. Mae married Johnny Condo Willis on December 24, 1931 in Ardmore, Oklahoma. They moved to Wichita Falls from Lockney, Texas in 1986. Mae enjoyed sewing, quilting quilts, reading and gardening. Mae was a loving, wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and great-great grandmother.

Mae was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Johnny Condo Willis; a daughter, Theta Brotherton, and a granddaughter, Teresa Demetri.

She is survived by a son, Johnny Willis and wife, Marilyn of Wichita Falls, Texas; five daughters, Jean Merchant and husband, Cleo

of Comfort, Texas, Clea Cordray of Canyon, Texas, Jane Lindsey and husband, Kenneth of Wichita Falls, Texas, Sue Birge and husband, Larry of Wichita Falls, Texas and Lucretia Fennessy and husband, Bob of Olympia, Washington; fifteen grandchildren; thirty great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family will be at the funeral home Tuesday evening from 6-7 p.m. for visitation.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Wichita Falls, PO Box 4804, Wichita Falls, Texas, 76308 or to the Heritage Church, 2216 SW Parkway, Wichita Falls, Texas, 76308.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lunnscolonial.com.

DID YOU KNOW?

Floydada won the county seat election after a bitter contest with supporters of Della Plain.



It's easier to sell up than down. Right? That's why the real estate agent shows you the lesser house first and then the grander one. Same goes for car salesmen. And it's why the person who takes your order at any fast food joint doesn't ask you to consider downsizing.

Here's a fast food conversation you'll never overhear: "Wouldn't you like just a burger instead of a burger and fries?"

Instead you get asked you what you'd like to add to your order. Some of these days maybe I will add tater tots, but only if they forget to ask me if I want any.

Is "tater tots" a brand name? I think so. Guess we'd better capitalize it. Tater Tots.

By another name, Tater Tots are Brabant potatoes. Brabant gets capitalized because the word refers to a Belgian province as well as a type of plow, no doubt named for the province. (You don't name a province for a plow.)

You probably think I found those two bits of information on the Internet. Believe it or not, my knowledge of all things Brabant dates from the

1970s. At International House-World Trade Center in New Orleans, I was the secretary given the task of compiling an uppity French-English menu for our elegant main dining room just off the Grand Hall, a lofty place with real wood paneling. The restaurant manager was rough around the edges and as ignorant as I regarding what we could call Tater Tots besides Tater Tots. At the other end of the spectrum our civilized Hungarian general manager knew the term Brabant. I did my research to confirm that he was right. I should have known better than to question a man with a gold-rimmed monocle in his pocket - one strung on a gold chain at that. He even used it.

Anyway, all these years after learning an alternate term for Tater Tots, it's been hard for me to keep the information to myself. Now what I know doesn't matter. The Internet turns all privately held trivial

information into, for lack of a better word, trivia. (By the way, my thesaurus lists "small potatoes" as another term for trivia.)

INTERNET PAUSE.

A little Googling, and my modest measure of Brabant knowledge now has been greatly upsized, yea, even super-sized:

For example, Brabant is an alternate name for the draft horses usually called "Belgians." And now I know what a Brabant plow looks like. Check the "Jardin de Voisins" website. That's French for "Community Garden," loosely translated. Maybe it's a virtual garden, but those folks are ecologically serious about going back to farming with animals like Brabant horses. I'd call that downsizing if the horses weren't so big.

But do they serve Brabant potatoes in places called Brabant? Apparently not. I've checked the Netherlands, France and Belgium.

Just as a prophet has no honor in his home country, neither does a potato dish unless it gets a name upgrade. In Brabant, rule out Brabant.

Tater Tots might work.

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vests and inflatable rubber life rafts.

Once out of parachute rigger training, Mr. Brown was sent to Atlantic City, New Jersey where soldiers where getting simulated overseas training in the city's beaches.

Leaving Atlantic City, Brown headed to New Orleans where he boarded a ship that would eventually take him to Puerto Rico.

On route to Puerto Rico, Brown's wife gave birth to their daughter, Ann; however military restriction prevented him from leaving his mission to return home to see his newly born daughter.

In Puerto Rico, Brown was assigned to the 4th Reconnaissance Squadron; the squad's mission was to fly around the island checking for enemy ships and submarines.

There Mr. Brown was assigned as the island's parachute rigger, inspecting and checking out parachutes to paratroopers. Once at his post, he quickly found out that he had his work cut out for him, as he found that wet weather conditions and improper storage had lead to moldy and deteriorating parachutes; "I had to condemn some of them when I first got there," explained Mr. Brown.

In due time, he would fix the poor conditions of the parachutes and within three months of his arrival in Puerto Rico, Mr. Brown was promoted to sergeant.

During his year stay in Puerto Rico, often times paratroopers invited Mr. Brown up into the air with them as they tested the parachutes. This time in the air would soon propel his interest in flying, and soon the sergeant would put in a request to attend air cadet school.

After being accepted into cadet school, Mr. Brown was given a short leave of absence so he could see his daughter for the first time; "I got to come back to the states and that's when I got to see Ann, she was a year old," explained Brown.

Claude would report back to the Biloxi Airfields in Mississippi for cadet training; however he and others were

told that they were not currently needed, so Brown was put on reserve and would eventually be reassigned.

Claude was reassigned to the Pope Airfield at North Carolina's Fort Bragg. This time, Mr. Brown's wife, Wilma, and his daughter Ann, came along and the family lived in a house outside of the base.

Brown was assigned to the 349th Troop Carrier Group in the 311th squadron. The squad's main objective was to carry paratroopers and stealth glider planes in to enemy territory.

The squad received several months of training at Fort Bragg; "Then it became time for us to ship out," explained Mr. Brown.

Orders came from above that three of the four squadrons of the 311th would set course for Europe, while the other would travel to the Pacific. Squadron captains drew straws to determine their destinations; after the draw, Mr. Brown's squad headed off towards Japan.

After brief training in Hawaii, he headed to the island of Okinawa.

Fighting in the Pacific was coming to head at this time; and with an end to the war not yet on the horizon, America's forces were pushed to make a historical decision.

With 30 days into their journey to Okinawa, Mr. Brown and others were informed that America had dropped two atomic bombs on Japan, basically ending the war in the Pacific.

Despite the fact that the bombs had hastened the end of the war, Mr. Brown's squad continued forward to Okinawa for final 'clean up' operations on the island.

Once the ship landed in Okinawa, Brown was ordered to manage a Post Exchange where soldiers could buy

beer, cokes, candy, and other commissaries. Tents were erected to hold the Post Exchange and fifteen men where placed under Brown's command.

Sewing machines stayed busy as Claude opened tailor tents which made alterations and added stripes and chevrons to the uniforms of returning soldiers. Along with parachute rigging, the group also fashioned souvenir scarves out of discarded parachutes.

The make-shift market of tents grew into almost a small town as more tents went up like a barber shop tent.

Mr. Brown jokingly explained that it wasn't long before the group had elected him the "Mayor of Tent Village".

Brown would stay in Okinawa for about a year before getting enough points to go home. However before boarding a plane headed to Owa-jima he hopped on a ship home; Mr. Brown was told he would have to wait because there wasn't any more room.

The plane would leave without Mr. Brown, however he explained that the plane to Owa-jima was never heard from again and it was believed that the plane went down somewhere along the way.

Finally making it home, Mr. Brown was discharged from the service in Dec. 1945 and he returned home to Lockney with Wilma and Ann.

Using money he saved up in the service, Mr. Brown bought dry cleaning equipment from a tailor shop in Amarillo, and opened a shop in Lockney. Just three months after leaving the military, Brown had already opened the door's to Brown's Cleaners and Clothiers, which was located on Main Street where the Mangold Home Health building stands now; "I knew just exactly what I wanted so I just got right busy with it," commented Mr. Brown. In 1960, he expanded by opening up a department store a half a block north of their dry cleaners.

Living in Lockney, the Browns became very active in the community as he was the City's Mayor for 16 years, as well as a Mason for 50 years, a Rotary Club member since 1946, and a life member of the VFW and the American Legion.

For fun, the Browns enjoyed dancing and attending Air Force reunions through out the years.

Mr. Brown would retire after closing his department store in 1994 and the Dry Cleaners 1974.

Brown was happily married to Wilma for 67 years before she passed away.

Currently, Mr. Brown and his daughter, Ann Race, continue to take time to cut a rug at local senior center dances as Ann explained, "I can barely keep up with him".

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CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Lubbock

Contract 0905-00-052 for FY 2012 RRPMS AND SPECIALTY MRK. in LUBBOCK County, etc will be opened on February 07, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Contract 0905-00-066 for DISTRICT WIDE STRIPING in LUBBOCK County, etc. will be opened on February 8, 2012 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 Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, 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 from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 39035

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Dist/Div: Lubbock

Contract 6234-91-001 for FOG SEAL in FLOYD County will received on February 15, 2012 until 1:55 p.m. and opened on February 15, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$103,635.55.

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 Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, 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 from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 38965

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Floyd County Stock Show



Photo by Homer Marquez

On Saturday, local FFA, and 4-H students participated in 68th Annual Floyd County Stock Show. Check out next week's paper for our special Stock Show edition.



Lockney Police Report

October
 3rd = A report of criminal mischief was taken in the 200 block of NW 4th. A vehicle window was broken out.
 4th = A burglary of vehicle report was taken in the 300 block of NE 1st. Checks and money were reported taken.
 12th = A hit and run report was taken in the 500 block of SW 4th. A vehicle was hit by another vehicle.
 19th = A high school student was detained for possession of marijuana in a drug free zone.
November
 1st = A theft report was taken in the 400 block of SW 3rd. An electric guitar was reported taken.
 2nd = A hit and run report was taken in the 100 block of E. Guest. A vehicle was side swiped.
 11th = An assault report was taken in the 700 block of E. Bryant.
 16th = A burglary of habitation report was taken in the 400 block of N. Main. A laptop, cell phone, and money were reported taken.
 17th = An attempted burglary of a vehicle report was taken in the 300 block of NE 2nd.
 21st = An assault report was taken in the 400 block of E. Poplar.
 24th = An assault report was taken in the 300 block of W. Locust.
 29th = A burglary of habitation report was taken in the 400 block of E. Guest. Various clothing, furniture, and Christmas decorations were reported taken.
 30th = A high school student was detained for possession of marijuana in a drug free zone.
 30th = A domestic assault report was taken in the 700 block of W. Locust.
December
 3rd = A theft report was taken in the 200 block of S. Main. Candy was reported taken.
 9th = A burglary of vehicle report was taken in the 700 block of SW 3rd. Audio equipment was taken.
 19th = A report of criminal mischief report was taken in the 300 block of NE 3rd.
 19th = An attempted burglary of a building report was taken in the 100 block of S. Main.
 27th = A domestic assault report was taken in the 300 block of SE 4th.

FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

By Margaret Jones
 Basketball Games and County Stock Shows... Seeing Young people Play and Show is fun... Keeping up with the lives of our Grandchildren keeps our days on the run... To those of you who do or have done this... County your blessings and realize... Life doesn't get much better than this... Does it?
 I had a great time this past Friday when I ate lunch and spent the afternoon with Euna Bradford. She prepared a delicious meal. I will share with you one of her mother's favorite recipes as the Recipe of the Week.
 Wayland Jones visited with Charles Haenisch on Friday. Charles continues to do well. We are so glad he and Emagene moved into our town and have touched our lives in so many ways.
 Let us continue to remember Euna and Charles in prayer. Our sympathy is extended to the family of Don Rainer. Let us continue to pray for Bobby on the passing of Noma Lou and Don.
 The Center wishes to thank the following for MEMORIALS:
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In memory of Betty Holmes - Mary Shurbet
In memory of Noma Lou Rainer - Wayland and Margaret Jones
In memory of Emagene Haenisch - R. O. Turner, Gene and Nancy Lawson, Wayland and Margaret Jones
In memory of Floyd Bradford - Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cannon, Gene and Nancy Lawson, Wayland and Margaret Jones

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 Please mail all donations and memorials to P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235 and to no other address. Thank you,
RECIPE OF THE WEEK
COTTAGE CHEESE SALAD
 1 small carton Cottage Cheese, 1 small box orange Jello, 1 small carton Cool Whip (8 oz), 1-20 ounce can Pineapple Tidbits, drained, 1 cup miniature Marshmallows, (nuts if desire). Mix all of the ingredients together and refrigerate for a few hours before serving.

Mrs. Claude Fawver
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK -
 Have old Memories... but young Thoughts....

MENU
Jan. 23 - Jan. 27
Monday - Beef soft taco, Spanish rice, broccoli, seasoned corn, mandarin oranges w/whipped topping, low fat milk
Tuesday - Swedish meatballs, parsley noodles, mixed vegetables, whole wheat roll, margarine, angel food cake w/ strawberries, low fat milk
Wednesday - BBQ beef brisket, ranch style beans, combread, buttered carrots, strawberries, low fat milk
Thursday - Baked chicken breast, baked potato & sour cream, peas, pineapple tidbits, chocolate pudding, low fat milk
Friday - Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, whole wheat roll, margarine, emerald pear, low fat milk

FROM THE ARCHIVES

OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

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From the Floyd County Hesperian August 21, 1969

I REMEMBER, I REMEMBER

By Homer Steen
SIDEWALK ETIQUETTE

The morning of Old Settlers Day this spring "they" say a couple of girls in a hurry ran into and knocked down Mrs. W. C. Plumlee as she walked from the door of Beall Bros. across the sidewalk.
 There was a considerable crowd surrounding the nearby registration desk where Old Settlers were registering and getting their badges. Mrs. Plumlee planned to get into the car with her husband and ride home. Instead she made a fast trip to Caprock Hospital.
 Mrs. Plumlee was in the hospital for weeks and weeks and is still not recovered fully.
 I presume "they" still do not know who the kids were. And presumably the girls still

do not know what a disaster their carelessness was for Mrs. Plumlee.
 Reminds me of an incident in 1918 or 1919. After the death of Mayor W. T. Montgomery the electorate chose W. L. Boerner to serve as mayor. One day the new mayor neared a corner as he walked down the street. Just then a kid whipped around the same corner going in the opposite direction on a bicycle and hit the mayor ker plunk.
 His honor was hurt by the impact though not badly enough to have to be hospitalized. It also did damage to his dignity and sense of the proprieties in the use of the sidewalks. An ordinance which I presume is still on the minutes of the city, was passed soon thereafter making it an offense to ride a bicycle on the sidewalks of our city.
 The youngsters still ride the sidewalks on bicycles in considerable numbers. And I wonder if some fifty-five year old gray beard is not standing around on the street somewhere smiling to himself watching the rheumatic old duffers dodge—and remembering that day long ago when he rounded the corner and caught the mayor all unawares.

wagon and hauled him to Dr. Varn Andrew's house.
 I think they had to amputate him leg.
 There was no electric service in Floydada at the time Barkemeyer built this elevator. He installed a one-cylinder gasoline engine for a power plant, which at times became balky.
 After the Edward's became owners I visited the place more than once when Henry was having to coax that engine into kicking off.
 The business was operated as a buying and shipping station for grains, as a seed house, and also as a retail feed and coal store by Edwards Elevator. Henry Edwards gave more than a third of a century to the business. His worth to the country during the hard years of World War I and into the late 30's can hardly be over-stated.

Henry Edwards spent a good deal of time and money seeing that there was good wheat, maize and sudan seed for planting in season. This was a service to the public, and also a matter of good business.
 Also for years he sold feed and coal in large volume. Quite a bit of this volume was in small quantities—as little as 100-pound sacks. For what was called a nickel profit he furnished a sack, 100 pounds of feed or coal, scooped and sacked—and often carried out and dumped into the customer's pickup or truck. Some of Henry's customers thought he was getting rich off of his neighbors that way.
 Some of his friends and associates knew he was taking profits from his other operations to carry on. Sometimes they would "scold" him when he wouldn't have much to say. He was never one you would call a glib talker. All he would say was "Well, times are pretty hard."
 (He had something there, as I remember.)

From the Floyd County Hesperian September 25, 1969

I REMEMBER, I REMEMBER

By Homer Steen
THE SUPER DUPER SALESMAN

The piece I wrote about W. Lee O'Daniel mentioned his association with Gladiola Flour and Fant Milling Co. Later he was associated with White Crust millers. Many people do not recall his earlier broadcasts when "pass the biscuits, pappy," was the slogan.
 As the popularity of his program grew to a crescendo, Mr. O'Daniel simply outgrew his successive employers. His persuasive radio personality fitted in perfectly with the burgeoning popularity of the airwaves as a means of communication. The law of choice and chance would not permit him to go any other way than "up". The successful

campaign for governor was a must!
CHANGING TO MOTOR POWER

In the two decades 1910 to 1930 the slow and arduous, also expensive process of learning to farm by motor power, took place in Floyd County. This, along with ruinous markets, left the people in quite vulnerable position, ideal for a depression. As indicated this learning cost a great deal of money.

One of the early steps in the mechanical harvest of wheat was the use of the header barge and the mobile thresher that took the place of a field full of reapers and wheat shocking hands. In the big 1919 harvest a thousand young me from all over the state, many of them just out of military service, flocked into the county to help gather the immense crop.

The pay was good and every young fellow in the country bought himself a pretty silk shirt—bright red, yellow or blue—according to his fancy. The price was \$6. Lewis Nordyke, who was a central Texas boy, worked for the Stephenville Empire and later did many pieces for the Saturday Evening Post and other magazines, told me he was one of the thousand young fellows who flocked to help in that memorable wheat crop. The experience was still vivid in his memory a third of a century later. Except for those who had lost boys in the war, nineteen nineteen was a happy year for all the people.

MILES OF MAIZE RICKS

Before the use of header barges began grain dealers were already buying maize in the head, piling it in long ricks for custom crews to thresh and load into grain cars on the industrial switch. This was happening all over the plains, of course.

Every buyer had an area staked out in northeast Floydada adjacent to the railway. One to five or six threshing crews were in operation throughout the fall and as much longer as was needed to finish the job.

There were three facts about maize in that period of the county's history. The heads grew on a goose neck, the crop was mean to harvest, and there was serious doubt about the value of the grain's feeding value.

I remember when we got to this country "blind staggers" was not an unusual disease among horses. The people were suspicious "dust" in the maize heads might be the cause of the malady. This didn't help the market. Everybody was familiar with corn as a horse feed and there was a prejudice against maize.

Thousands of carloads of maize went out of the country in those days from such dealers as Edwards Grain Co., A. L. Bishop, Marshall Grain Co., B. F. Yearwood, W. J. Burke, and there were many others, in and out, including some Johnny Come Latelys. Of course, I am leaving out the very one you recall the best.

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