## mack's

tracks
 -by dave
Haven't the rains of the past
week been wonderful? weelk been wonderful?
The good, slow, soaking
rainfall has really been a rainfall has really been a
Godsend to our area and we
hope continees for a whle,
seems if it ever stops, it has a hope it continues for a while,
seems if it ever stops, it has a
hard time getting to go again. hard time getting to go again.
Honestly, the rainfall helped all of us, not only the farmer and
rancher but it sure has been nice rancher but tit sure has been nice and have to kick mud off
boots instead of dust! boots instead of dust!
As most of you know, the lids As most of you know, the kids
and yours truly have been
delivering the morning Amarillo paper for nearly the last year. We use those plastic bags whe
It s wet, and the ones we had o
hand were nearly los to hand were nearly lost tin the dirir
when the monsoon set in last week. They are a lot of trouble to put on the papers and take a
lot more time, but the sure has been worth It. To tolll the truth, we nearly ran out of
the things since the rains began the things since the rains bege
last week and got caught in morrming which began fallin
after we had all the pape rolled and
dellvering.
However,

Weestay thed to a lo of of folls o ruesday gathering info on the
randala and generally the area
got from an tinches stince last Wednesder depending ypon your location,
The area generally west and north caught the least with the
most reported southwest most reported
east of town.
However, we are glad most
folks caught some kind of moisture, these eare kily mornings
have smelled Just wonderful with the nice rain falling! We should all get down on our
knees and thank the Good Lord for his thoughtfulness,
XXXX
This is the season of the
year when one almost meets oneself coming back! Sraduation at full throttle plus all the other activities of the
spring. Most all the spring
sports are beginning to sports are beginning tio wind
down with the distict and
regional events either close regional events either close a
hand or coming up this week,
the annual UII last weekend with their
Regiona on and or.
We even went to a Press We even went to a Press
Convention this past weekend in our "spare time" and are happy
to say we will be serving as president of the Panhandle
Press Association this year. We are proud to serve this
group for the PPA is one of the oldest press groups in our state
and they are all wonderful folks. The First State Bank is The First State Bank
sponsoring a important event
next Tuesday night, a Tax next Tuesday night, a Tax
Seminar over at the Farm
Bureau Building. They heve Bureau Building. They have a
panel of three experts in the field of taxation to to talk to thou
and every man and woman in the area Is unged to amtend.
The 1976 Tax Reform changed just abour Reforrm Act our taxlaws and this group will
be attempting to explain how you and me. will be affected in
ye future. Mark you and me wirk be aisected in
the future. Mark Tuesdy night
down on your calendar right Congratulations to Oakley's
Floral \& Nursery. They will be
holding an Open House in their new building Friday and
Saturday and invite everyone to stop by and see thery new quarters.
We understand they have aquariums and fish for those of you who cannot catch fish you
might like to have some swimming around in your home.
At any rate, they have a whole bunch of new items along with heir beautiful flowers. The new heir old building on East Highway 54 . We are happy for [Continued on Page 2]

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## Tax Seminar Slated <br> For Public Tuesday

 very taxpayer this year will be attend," Mrs. Mitts says.
he subject of a Tax Seminar to beginning at 8 p.m.
Bureau Building. There is no charge to attend Farm Bureau for the past three
the event which is sponsored by years. He has only recently
The First Stat Bank of moved to Lubbock and serves
Stratford. Refreshments will be the Texas Panhandle for estate
served. "We hope every man and
Shollenbarger is a native of
woman in the community will be
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Quay, N.M. and is a graduate of able eto attend this important Quay, N.M. and is a graduate of
meeting,. said Martha Mitts, of the SMU Law School and moved
The First State Bank. "The new tax act affects everyone and we
the firm of Sanders, Saunders,
ve having three experts
Brian, Finney \& Thomas in 1972
and in in addition to his law degree everyone will be able to he is also a Certified Public understand," she emphasized. field of Estate Planning having
The Tax Seminar is open for
both men and women and will Seved as a panelist at the be explained by a panel University of Texas Tax
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estate insurance advisor for the estate insurance advisor for the
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Shollenbarger, CPA, Amarillo; North Dakota and is a graduate
and W.M. (Bill) Francis, CPA, of the University of Wisconsin. Amd W.M. (Bill) Francis, CPA, of the University of Wisconsin,
Ame joined the firm of Dosher,
Mrs. Mitts points out that the Pickens \& Francis in 1962 and Tars. Mitts points out that the Ruth of 1976 changed currently vice president of the almost every tax law as we know Estate Planning Council for this
them and these changes will be area. He is also a past president of utmost importance to all of the Panhhandle Chapter of
residents in years to come. CPA's. His firm has worked in
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on down further south.
Don Gurley reported they got a total of 2.85 and still raining at
his farm southwest of Strit his farm southwest of Stratford
and Alf Pronger reported the most moisture for any spot in our entire survey.
Alf reported that they
received a total of 3.85 at the
Here in Stratford, Weat-
herman Horace Sneed reported herman Horace Sneed reported
he had measured a total of 2.44
inches on inches of moisture in the official
rain gauge but this as you go east.
Owen Owen Hudson reported he
had received 2.30 inches at his had received 2.30 inches at his
farm near Spurlock Chapel. Going east from Stratford, the.
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Crismon Drug Store in Texhoma
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Eight UIL Contestants Qualify For Regional


 d that "all our lakes are just bout filled up." Pronger adde because he gotten just about an inch on the west portion of the Banquet which will be held at
the high school cafeteria on May andinning at 8 p.m.,
announced Stratford Athletic
Director David Bormsteln. announced Stratord Athletic
Director David Borsstetn.
In addition to Coach Yung's talk, various awards will be
presented to members of the
sports teams at Stratford High School thls past year.
Al team members and their
dates will be honored guests ou dates will be honored gues
the annual event.
Oakley Moves To New Office, Opening Set
Oakley Floral \& Nursery will eholding an Open House in
their new quarters on East Highway 54 in Stratford all day
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The new building has just Friday and Saturday.
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which Oakley's can now have to service the floral needs of the
area. In addition to the new room
for more service and better offering, they have added
aquariums and a line of tropical aquariun
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building.
George and Gaynelle Oakley
are in their sixth year are in their sixthy year of floral
business in Stratford complete line of flower needs
including cut flower arrangements, pot plants, bedding
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so serve everyone better in new building," the Oakleys
stated.
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