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President vetoes Keystone pipeline bill

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama vetoed a bill Tuesday to approve construction of the Keystone XL oil pipeline, wielding his veto power for only the third time.

Obama offered no indication of whether he'll eventually issue a permit for the pipeline, whose construction has become a flashpoint in the U.S. debate about environmental policy and climate change.

"The presidential power to veto legislation is one I take seriously," Obama said in a brief notice delivered to the Senate. "But I also take seriously my responsibility to the American people."

House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, said Republicans were "not even close" to giving up the fight and derided the veto as a "national embarrassment."

The veto sends the politically charged issue

back to Congress, where Republicans haven't shown they can muster the two-thirds majority in both chambers needed to override Obama's veto.

North Dakota Sen. John Hoeven, the bill's chief GOP sponsor, said Republicans are about four votes short the Senate and need about 11 more in the House.

Although the veto is Obama's first since Republicans took control on Capitol Hill, it was not likely to be the last. GOP lawmakers are lining up legislation rolling back Obama's actions on health care, immigration and financial regulation that Obama has promised to similarly reject.

"He's looking at this as showing he still can be king of the hill, because we don't have the votes to override," Republican Sen. Jim Inhofe, of Oklahoma, a vocal opponent of Obama's cli-

mate change agenda, said. "If he vetoed this, he's going to veto many others that are out there."

After being proposed more than six years ago, the Keystone XL pipeline project, which would connect Canada's tar sands with refineries on the Texas Gulf Coast that specialize in processing heavy crude oil, has sat in limbo ever since, awaiting a permit required by the federal government because it would cross an international boundary.

Republicans and the energy industry say the \$8 billion project would create jobs, spur growth and increase America's independence from Mideast energy sources while Democrats and environmental groups have sought to make the pipeline a poster child for the type of dirty energy sources they say are exacerbating global warming.

Knox Calendar

Please notify the News-Courier to add or update your events and meeting times. Emailed submissions to kcnewscourier@gmail.com are preferred, but will also be accepted by phone at 940 422-5350. The deadline for inclusion in the next week's issue will be 5 p.m. on Fridays.

Friday, Feb. 27

Knox City boys basketball vs. Ropes, Area 1A playoff, 6 p.m., Post

Saturday, Feb. 28

Cotton Pickin' Quilt and Cookin' Show, Knox Prairie Events Center, Goree, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Monday, March 2

Munday junior high track at Olney

Tuesday, March 3

Munday Lions Club, Perry Payton Community Center, Munday, noon

Knox City baseball vs. Northside

Thursday, March 5

Knox City baseball at Eula Tournament

Friday, March 6

Munday boys, girls track at Wind Energy Relays, Hermeligh

Saturday, March 7

Knox City baseball at Eula Tournament

Cotton Pickin' Quilt Show set Saturday

Special to the News-Courier

GOREE — Over 100 quilts will be on display here at the Knox Prairie Events Center for the 21st annual Cotton Pickin' Quilt Show and Cookin' Show, scheduled from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday. Gift bags given to the first 250 registrants. There is a \$5.00 admission fee.

New this year is a cookie-baking contest. The categories are drop cookies, bar cookies, rolled cookies and sandwich cookies. Each person may enter one entry in each category. There will be divisions for youths 8-17 and for adults 18 and over.

There will also be a cooking demonstration and a demonstration about herb gardening and cooking with herbs at 10:30 a.m. by Lorrie Coop and Jerry Coplen with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service plus plenty of vendors.

A red outdoor metal glider will be raffled off. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. These tickets may be purchased now through the day of the quilt show. Tickets will be sold at the show and the drawing will be held at 2 p.m.

The traditional lunch menu of chicken spaghetti, salad and dessert will be served from 11-1 p.m. for \$7. Proceeds will benefit the Goree Volunteer Fire Department.

Election filing deadline Friday

Incumbents already serving or residents interested in adding serving in public office to their bucket list have until 5 p.m. Friday to file their applications at their respective city hall or school administration offices.

A complete list of all candidates will be released next week.

Early voting by mail will begin March 10 and conclude April 10 while early voting by personal appearances is scheduled April 27 thru May 4.

If you have not registered to vote, you are urged to do so as soon as possible.

The elections will be held May 9.

Government files appeal on immigration ruling

HOUSTON — The U.S. government filed a motion Monday asking U.S. District Judge Andrew Hanen to lift his hold on President Barack Obama's executive action that would have shielded millions of immigrants in the country illegally from deportation.

The government also indicated it was filing an appeal in 5th U.S. Circuit Court in New Orleans.

Hanen issued a preliminary injunction last week sought by 26 states, suing to halt the executive action by Obama and arguing that the action is unconstitutional and would force states to invest more in law enforcement, health care and education.

If Hanen puts his ruling on hold during the appeal to the 5th Circuit, then Obama's immigration action would be allowed to go forward while the lawsuit proceeds through the courts.

Justice Department attorneys claim a stay of the ruling is necessary to ensure that the Department of Homeland Security can effectively protect national security, public safety and the integrity of the border.

Government lawyers contend that keeping the temporary hold would also harm the interests of the public and of third parties who will be deprived of significant law enforcement and humanitarian benefits of prompt implementation.



Janie Salinas signs a letter-of-intent with Butler Community College in Eldorado, KS to participate in cross country and track. Looking on are coaches Larry Welch, Corey Stephenson, Patrick Corcoran and her dad Ruben.

Salinas signs with Butler in Kansas

MUNDAY — Munday Senior Janie Salinas, who earned a silver medal in the state cross country meet in Round Rock last fall, signed a letter-of-intent with Butler Community College of Eldorado, KS Monday.

She will compete in cross country and track for the two-year college and then hopes to transfer to Midwestern University in Wichita Falls for her final two years.

"She's the first girl I've had to sign with a college," Coach Cory Stephenson said. "She earned it and is very deserving."

Munday High athletic director Patrick Corcoran added that she's only the fourth athlete to sign a letter in the 14 years he has been at the school.

Salinas will be competing in track this spring with hopes of making it to the state meet in Austin in May.

More snow, ice coming our way

Knox County experienced another taste of winter earlier as residents were greeted with icy conditions Monday morning that forced school officials to delay the start of schools by two hours.

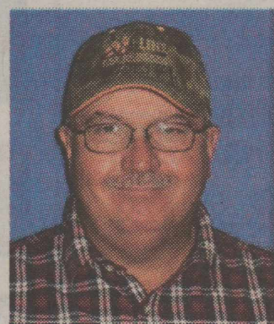
Brendon Carr of the James E. "Bud" Smith Plant Materials Center in Knox City reported that .14 inch of precipitation was recorded on Sunday.

"There was probably a little more, but as soon

as it dropped below freezing, our equipment stops measuring and will not record it until it thaws up again," he said. "I don't think that will change the total much."

Forecasters pointed to another chance for snow or ice Thursday and Friday, but warmer weather is expected to return as the calendar turns to March on Sunday.

Stone selected TXDOT supervisor



Kevin Stone

CHILDRESS — The Texas Department of Transportation, (TxDOT) Childress District, has announced the selection of Kevin Stone as the Knox County Maintenance Supervisor.

He is new to the Childress District, but not new to TxDOT. He began his TxDOT career in 2004 in Travis County. From there he moved on to Clay and then Wichita County before being chosen for his new post.

Kevin will oversee maintenance operations on the 465-lane miles in Knox County. In addition, he is responsible for preparing and monitoring yearly budgets, planning and implementing long-range goals for the maintenance section and inventory.

Knox Notes

St. Joseph's plans dinner

RHINELAND—The annual St. Joseph's Catholic Church parish sausage and fried chicken dinner is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on March 15. The cost will be \$12 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and under.

Revival starts today

KNOX CITY—The Liberty Community Church of God in Christ will host a "New Year" revival nightly starting at 7

p.m. Thursday with Jacqui Allen Jones of Langston Memorial Church of God in Christ in Amarillo serving as the speaker. The revival continues Friday and Saturday nights.

Youth fundraiser set Sunday

KNOX CITY—The First Baptist Church Knox City will have a youth fundraiser meal on Sunday after the morning service, serving chicken noodle soup for donations. Pastor Ronnie Lambert urges other churches to join them for lunch. The youth will lead the services that morning.

Corrections

In the Munday Consolidated Independent School Board story last week, the raises for athletic director Patrick Corcoran and band director Trey Singleton were step raises, not 2% as they were for the two principals and the recommendation to consider Mindy Flowers for the position as volleyball coach should have said it came from Corcoran and Munday High principal John Berry in addition to the superintendent.

If you spot an error of fact, contact kcnewscourier@gmail.com.

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4-H Club present blankets to nursing home residents



The Knox County 4-H Club members show off blankets they made for residents at the Munday Nursing Home. Show (l-r) in back row are Ryan Earthman, Corrie Earthman, Grace Tidwell, McKayla Coplen, Kinsey Benson, Josiah Coplen, Morgan Earthman, Belle Earthman and Nate Earthman. In the front are Shawn Earthman, Conner Moore, Will Pierce, Daniel Duke and Jonah Duke.

Special to the News-Courier

BENJAMIN — 4-H'ers gathered at the Benjamin courthouse for our monthly meeting earlier this month and worked on our newest community service project: tie blankets. We made the blankets to give to some of the residents at the Munday Nursing Center and delivered the blankets to them last week. We hope they'll enjoy them and stay cozy.

Earlier that week, a photography workshop was held at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Rhineland. Sheri Baty taught 4-H members the basics of photography to prepare them for an upcoming competition. We are very thankful that she spent the time to instruct us in the art of photography.

If you have any questions about our 4-H club or are interested in joining 4H, please contact the Knox County Extension Office at: 940-459-2651. **Corrie Earthman.**

Thank you for spending the day with us!

Knox News-Courier

Knox County Aging Center

Menus for week of March 1-7

Monday: Beef goulash, corn, broccoli, bread, fruit.

Tuesday: Ham & beans, cornbread, coleslaw, cake.

Wednesday: Chicken fajita, Spanish rice, salad, pudding.

Thursday: Stew, cornbread, salad, cookies.

Friday: Hot dogs, chips, pork & beans, dessert.

Letter to editor

I have a four-day old child buried in the Gore Cemetery. We went out to see the grave the other day and were horrified by what we saw.

Someone had pulled all his Butterflies on a Stick up, knocked his cross over, moved a stand off to another grave, beheaded Mickey Mouse and stolen all of his Hot Wheels toys that his cousins, big brother and twin brother had taken out there to put on his grave.

How would you feel if that was someone you knew or was a family member?

Sherry Tension

Pink Ladies will donate new beds

Special to the News-Courier

KNOX CITY — The Pink Ladies (the Knox County Hospital Auxiliary) members approved an \$8,000 donation to the Munday Nursing Home to go toward replacing the old hospital beds.

The announcement about the donation was made at the monthly meeting of the Pink Ladies after hearing of a request by Knox County Hospital administrator Stephen Kuehler to replace beds at the cost of \$600 each.

The Pink Ladies will consider buying more beds in the future after they build up their funds.

"So keep bringing your donations," said Billie Walker. "We appreciate all donations and our customers."

The Paperboy

My son brought me some pictures of himself Saturday. What a trip down memory lane that was.

The photos were of the day he was born - over 11 years ago.

Looking at the pictures, it doesn't seem so long ago. But in reality, many things have happened.

Time is a strange thing. Here's a tall, slender, preteen boy handing pictures of a newborn baby to me and he listens as I begin to reminisce about the day he was born and his first day at home.

So what's happened in 11 years as identified by what has changed or is now missing in the photographs:

- My parents died. In fact, my dad got Alzheimer's which later killed him.
- My son now has a brother. He also has four new cousins.
- Our home has been remodeled.
- We have newer furniture (even at 10-years-old).
- We've had a few cars since then.
- The dog we had back then has passed.
- Everybody has aged way too much.

My brain doesn't handle time well. At least I don't think it does. I have nothing to compare it to. Anyhow, the concept of time seems different to me.

I've written before on how I think being driven by deadlines makes time pass differently. I heard my employees discussing this phenomenon last week so I know I'm not alone.

It's hard to put into words but I'll try. It's almost as if events in your life happen and those events are set aside and compartmentalized. Instead of living by a calendar and a watch, you live by editions.

For example - when I watch a kid grow up and graduate high school, they tend to stay that age in my mind. Years pass and I'm always shocked when I see someone I haven't seen in sometime.

In my mind they are a recent high school graduate. In reality, they're 40, have four kids and eat too much.

I can remember events very specifically, but I'm always astonished at how long it's been since the event.

For instance, a few years ago, the space shuttle was being piggy-backed on a Boeing 747 from California to Florida and made a stop in Altus, Okla. I was in Memphis when I heard about it and immediately headed to Altus to get some photos.

I remember it so vividly, but it's been nearly 10 years ago. Heck, it's been nearly four years since the space shuttle program shut down.

We all remember what we were doing on 9-11. You readers older than I am will remember precisely when we walked on the moon or where you were when JFK was assassinated.

My memories are just like that, but with nearly all events, not just the significant ones. While the memories are vivid, I have a hard time with the year.

I'm real cognizant about my memory because of what happened to my dad. I guess it's just natural. I'd like to think if I had a regular job, my mind might work differently. Until that happens, I guess I'll never really know.

I do know this, looking at the photographs with my son and remembering those days tells me that we have catching up to do on our photo albums. It's healthy and fun to see those old photographs. I'm looking forward to my next trip down memory lane.

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On behalf of the employees of the Knox County Aging Center and Martha and Tom Whitford, we would like to thank everyone that came out and enjoyed the meal with us and donated.
Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

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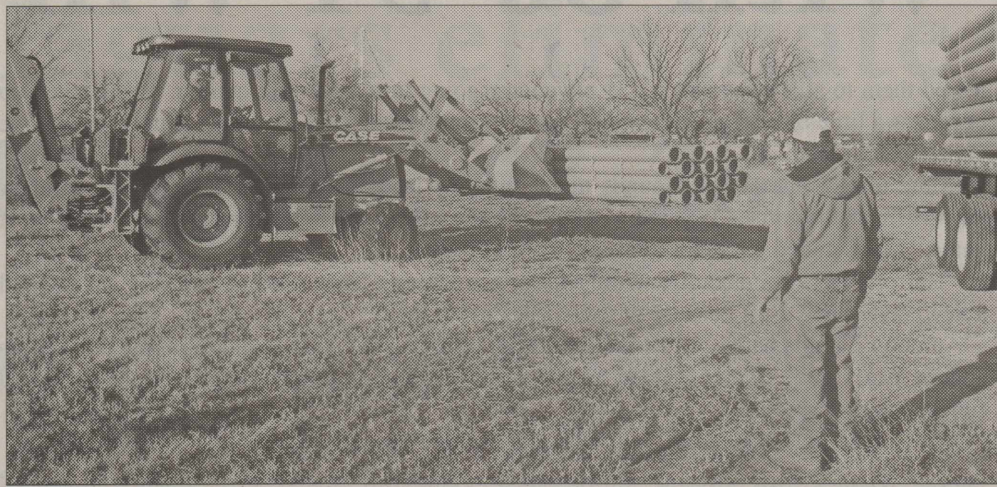
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Pipes delivered in Benjamin



Pipes to be used to replace the water lines between the storage tanks and the water tower were delivered to Benjamin last week. Money from a step grant will be used to complete the project.

Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

The main topic of conversation today is this horribly cold and snowy weather. Sunday was cold and windy, and there was a good bit of sleet and snow covering the ground on Monday. And it's still cold! Think it might start clearing off later, and that will suit me just fine. We had thunder Sunday morning, so I guess we'll have a freeze in April. At least that's what I have always heard, "thunder in February—freeze in April." We will see!

I don't have any news regarding our ill friends today. No late word on Valerie Mendoza, so hopefully that means that all is going pretty well with her. She has been dismissed from the hospital, and she and her mom are living in Seymour. We just pray her recuperation continues with no "setbacks."

Imagean Young and Betty Bohannon were in Wichita Falls Wednesday for Imagean to keep a doctor's appointment. That went well, as it was a routine visit.

Here ' There
Several from Benjamin, attended the benefit lunch on Sunday for Martha and Tom Whitford of Knox City. Martha was recently diagnosed with a rare form of stomach cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy. For those who may not know, Martha is the former Martha Ford of Munday. We certainly wish Martha well and are so proud of Knox City for

sponsoring this benefit. It doesn't matter how much insurance anyone has, there's always a need for a little extra cash in situations such as this.

Judy and Randolph Barnett returned home Saturday after being in Port Arthur several weeks where Randy was working. They are glad to be back for a while, and we are always glad when they are here. We always miss them (and everyone else) when they are gone for a while.

There was a bunch of happy kids over here Monday as school was closed due to the terrible weather conditions.

Larry and Glenda Bearly (Glenda Cox) of Erie, CO, have been here for several days visiting her brother, Jim Cox, and sister and brother-in-law, Reba and Charlie Morrill. Their plans are to return home this week if weather permits. It's the first time they have been here in a good while.

Sometimes boredom just seems to take over one's life, and such was the case with me Sunday night. So what did I do? I watched the Oscar presentations and didn't have a clue as to who or what might win. I'd never heard of many of the movies or actors and actresses nominated. About the only one I had heard much about was the "American Sniper," and it didn't do too well. However, I did enjoy seeing what everyone was wearing, and it did pass some time, so I don't guess the evening wasn't a total loss.

The 501 Jumping into snow dangerous

People in Boston have been jumping off the roofs of buildings into deep snow, despite warnings they could land on fire hydrants. Ouch. Some are doing flips.

If I were going to try it, I'd do a flip. I'm not going to try it.

Obviously, Bostonians are bored. Why else the stupid snow tricks? Maybe some snow-weary Easterners would like to take a vacation in West

Texas and see some bare ground for a change. The risk-prone might like to try jumping off tractors to feed hay to hungry longhorns. On a typical day you don't land in snow, but you can land in some interesting stuff.

Whatever the stunt — jumping into snow or mixing it up with hungry cows — what matters most is that every second of the action is caught on video for YouTube. Otherwise, it's like it never happened.

I wonder how many people have jumped off roofs into snow only to have their picture-taking friends tell them they must jump again because they somehow didn't catch it with the camera. That'd be my luck. Or I'd land on a fire hydrant. Or both. Whatever the case, enough about Boston and those snow divers. It's time to feed the cows. And my videographer didn't show up today.

OK, here's the real truth. I usually take my own videos. Call me a narcissist, but when you're a

risk-prone only child and your nearest playmates are a mile away, you learn to capture all your stunts on video yourself — not that I grew up taking pictures of my own solitary childhood adventures. We barely had phones back then, much less smart ones. I'm talking about now.

It's not hard. You find just the right place to set the phone to capture the action. Then you go for it.

Most recently I shot myself riding a lawn mower up ramps and onto a trailer. It wouldn't have been video-worthy if the ramps had been stable, but they weren't. I decided a little video footage would make it easier to determine the cause of death.

After a tense beginning, everything went so smoothly — ho-hum — I didn't even share it with my husband, much less the world via YouTube.

Now you know the real reason I take videos of myself doing stupid stuff on the farm. I want my spouse to see how much he's missed when he's not there and how I barely get things done without him.

PAUSE TO REFLECT.

Could there be a target market besides him for my one-woman farm videos? Maybe the world needs to see how not to do stuff by oneself on the farm — like don't try hanging a 300-pound gate alone if you're over 60 and it's late in the day and you've got one bad knee.

The only thing better than shooting that video myself would have been seeing it ahead of time.

And isn't that all too often how things go? Ask any Bostonian who found a fire hydrant the hard way.



HANABA MUNN WELCH

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Hounds advance with 80-51 win

Special to News-Courier

SEYMOUR — The Knox City Greyhounds advanced to the area round of the Class 1A basketball playoffs with a convincing 80-51 bi-district victory over the Harrold Hornets here Tuesday night.

The Hounds, who now have a 15-12 record, will play Ropes at 6 p.m. Friday in Post. “We started the game off executing our offensive game plan and were able to get some easy shots but missed more than we should have,” Coach Josh Webb said. “We struggled on the defensive end. They did anything they wanted to in the first half on offense. We struggled early on in the press, but could tell that they were wearing down. We wanted to push the pace and make them play fast.”

Knox City enjoyed only a 36-28 lead at halftime, but a blazing start in the third quarter al-

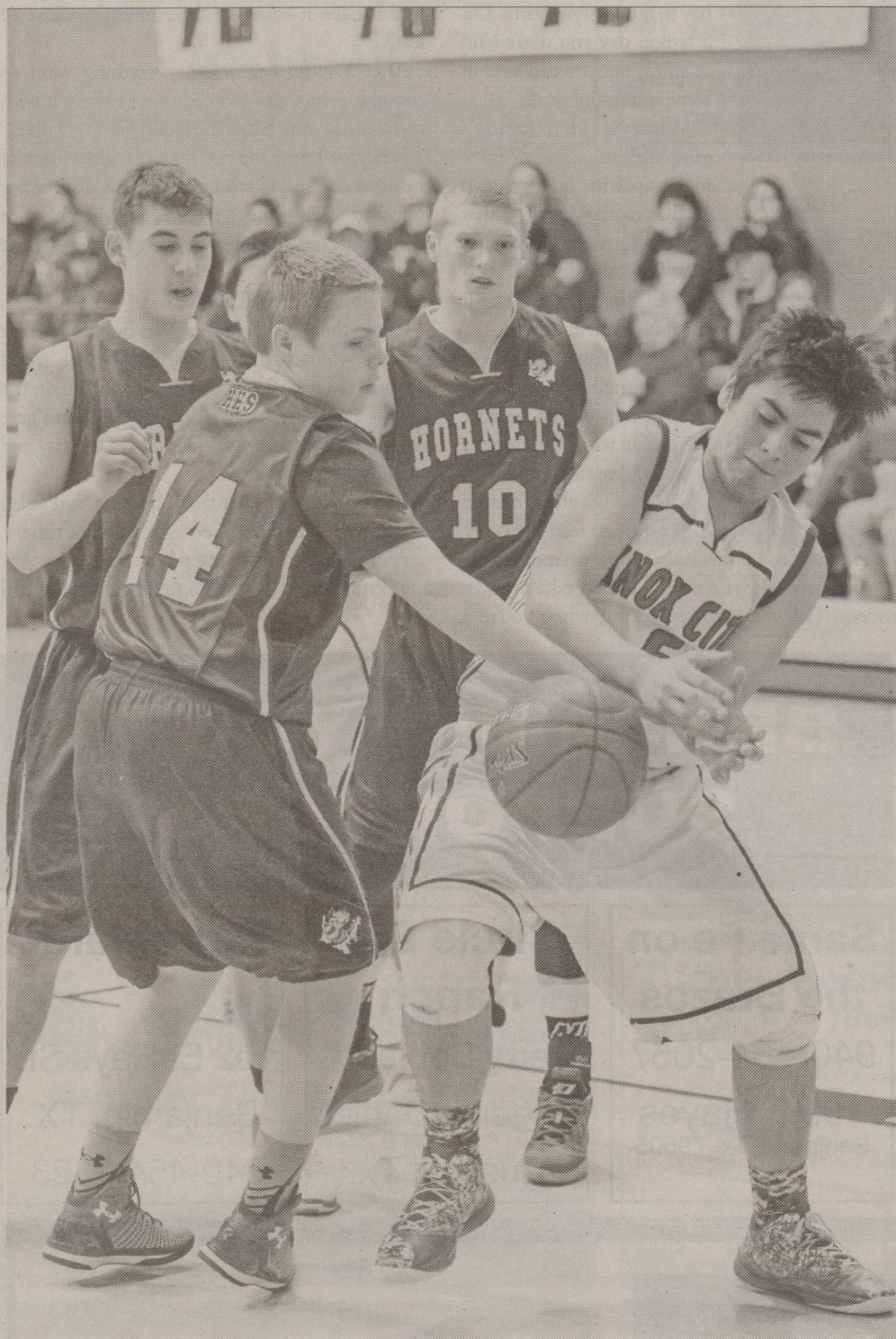
lowed them to pull away to a 62-39 advantage going into the fourth quarter. “We backed up our press a little bit and gave them less room to run,” Webb said. “It wore them down and we expanded our lead.”

In the fourth quarter, the Hounds maintained the lead and even let some of our younger players finish the game. “It’s always a bonus if you can let your younger guys play in a playoff game,” Webb added. “It helps continue the tradition.”

“Harrold was a solid team, and did a lot of good things. They just became fatigued and had a key player have to sit because of fouls. Hats off to them.”

Anthony Estrada had a big all-around game, finishing the night with 20 points, five assists and six steals. Krys Campos added 12 points, 16 rebounds and four blocks while Ryan Heard finished with 18 points.

The Greyhounds enjoyed a 39-27 advantage on the boards.



Skylar Neil and Adrian Silva are shown in the Greyhounds' 80-51 bi-district victory over the Harrold Hornets. Chance Baskerville for the News-Courier

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Mogul Basketball Jaguars eliminate Moguls, 43-28

Special to News-Courier

STAMFORD — The Munday Moguls suffered a 43-28 setback at the hands of the Guthrie Jaguars here Tuesday night in a bi-district basketball game.

The setback ended the season for the Moguls of Coach Greg Clark, finishing with a 12-16 record after a late start after reaching the playoffs in football. The Moguls finished in second place in District 8-1A.

The Jaguars, who finished third in District 7-1A, used a 17-8 run in the second quarter to assume a 32-18 lead at halftime and then slowed down things in the second half to keep in control.

The Jaguars limited the Moguls' chief offensive threat Temerrick Reagins to only seven points. Reagins had been averaging 19 a game. Day'veon Dockins led the Moguls with 10 points.

The Jaguars advance to the area round to play Smyer.

Mogulettes eliminated in area round, 42-22

GUTHRIE — The Munday Mogulettes saw their basketball season come to an end here last Friday when they suffered a 42-22 setback at the hands of the Whitharral Lady Panthers in the area round of the playoffs.

"I thought the girls executed out defensive strategy really well, shutting down their potent 3-point offense, but we just had an off night offensively," Coach Corey Stephenson explained.

Down by 10 points in the early going, the Mogulettes got within five points in the second quarter and only trailed by 10 at half-time. Making three defensive stops to start the third quarter gave them some hope, but they couldn't put up the points to get back into the game.

"I was disappointed as I had hoped we could win a playoff game or maybe two, but only one team in the state can accomplish not losing its last game of the season," Stephenson added.

Raci Dillard led the Mogulettes in scoring with 14



Chance Baskerville/The Vernon Daily Record
Raci Dillard finished her senior season for the Munday Mogulettes, averaging 15+ points and 10 rebounds a game

Teens alerted to buckle up

AUSTIN — Vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among teenagers. In an effort to curb this deadly trend, the Texas Department of Transportation is partnering with more than 900 Texas high schools to remind teens to "Click It or Ticket."

"All traffic fatalities are tragic, but it's especially difficult to hear about teenagers having their lives cut short," said TxDOT Executive Director LtGen Joe Weber, USMC (Ret). "We're asking families, teachers and peers to remind teens to buckle up every time they get in a vehicle. It's the law and it can save their lives. Don't let your child be the next fatality."

In 2014, 293 teen drivers and passengers (ages 15-20) died as a result of traffic crashes in Texas. Of those fatalities, 134

(46 percent) were not wearing their seat belts at the time of the crash.

To help raise awareness and save lives, TxDOT is sending free "Teen Click It or Ticket" educational toolkits to high schools across the state. Each kit contains banners, posters, brochures and parking lot signs reminding students to wear their seat belts or face costly tickets, injuries or even death.

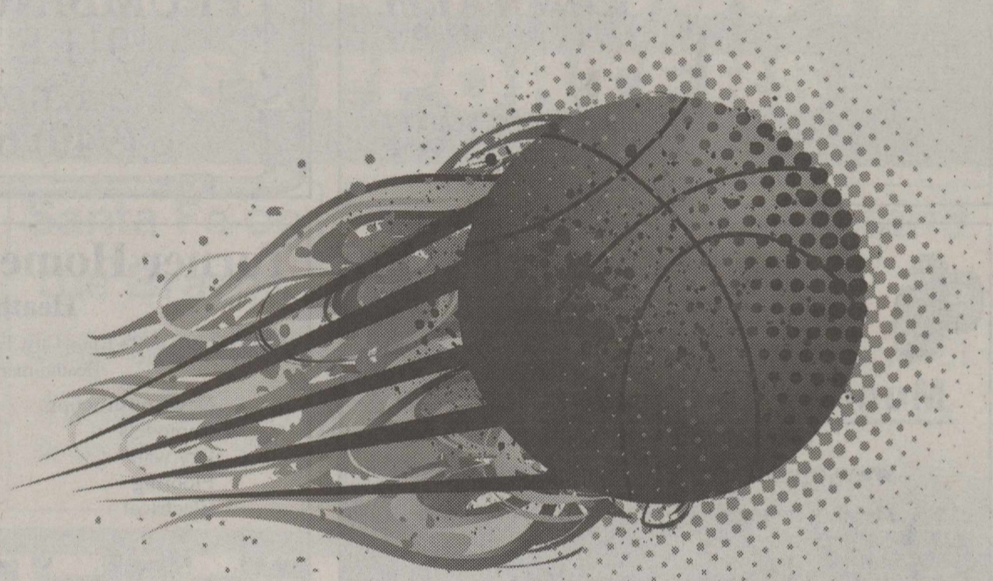
Throughout the spring, TxDOT also will promote "Teen Click It or Ticket" at University Interscholastic League (UIL) competitions. A real-life, mangled truck display and an audio recreation of what happened to the teens who survived it, will be set up at boys' and girls' state high school sports tournaments in San Antonio, Georgetown and Austin.

points.

"We did accomplish our goal of winning district," Stephenson added, pointing to an 18-11 record for the season.

With spots in the regional tournament up for grabs Tuesday, Whitharral (22-11) was scheduled to

play Spur, 40-32 winners over Ropes and the no. 2 seed from District 7-1A, while Paducah, champion of 7-1A, scored a 58-43 victory over Lorenzo and was scheduled to play Petersburg (26-1), 61-32 winners over 7-1A no. 3 seed Motley County.



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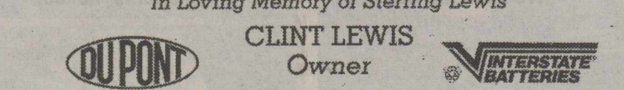
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By Bunny Norville

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The Good Ol' Days Fighting the Nazis

By Walter Hertel

The 89th Chemical Mortar Battalion then got into the end of the war, setting up our mortars and firing on the Germans. We encountered some early resistance, but continued clearing out towns on our way to the Rhine River, seeing a lot of tom bodies of German soldiers, civilians and animals. Our mess hall truck did get lost for three days during this march.

The period from March 11 to March 27, 1944 was the most eventful for us in the whole war. The Rhine River was a fast-flowing stream, some 200 to 300 feet wide. The first thing our engineers did after clearing out the enemy in the area was to build a new pontoon bridge. The majority of us crossed on the LSTs driving two jeeps and trailers on each one, crossing by water. By the time we crossed, we were some one-half mile downstream due to the swift deep river. It was a massive job moving our troops, vehicles, ammo and men across the Rhine.

We did experience some resistance after crossing the Rhine, but continued to move fast. At the town of Bottrop, the 89th had to clear out some small arms fire and enemy positions in the railroad area. We were warned about a tank in the woods. Suddenly it came out and the tracks on the tank were destroyed, thus removing this threat to our battalion. Advancement into Sterkrade revealed small arms and machine gun fire, but later enemy troops were knocked out by our fire power.

The Battle of the Ruhr, which resulted in surrounding of German troops, will long be remembered. Part of our troops were pinned down by enemy fire, but later enemy troops were knocked out by our fire power and US troops were relieved and advanced to rejoin other US troops. Building a bridge across the canal was troublesome due to occasional enemy attacks, however it was soon accomplished. A machine gun of the Germans was knocked out.

Our battalion was moving across Germany fast now due to the German retreat. British Tank Flammers, making it hot, had enemy soldiers on the run. The Battle of the Ruhr ended with complete success, a fitting prelude to the final battles to crush the ragged remnants of Hitler's German army.

The 89th re-assembled at Ickern. The tide of the battle had carried us hundreds of miles past the Ruhr and our armies sought to connect with the Russians, approaching from the other direction.

Now company commanders were summoned and given orders to move halfway across Germany in support of the 84th division in the vicinity of Magedburg. Beautiful weather carried the 89th across Germany in a single day.

At this time we experienced something unreal. We were some 20 to 30 miles from Berlin now and the Nazis (Germans) came out of the city by the hundreds, tentatively surrendering to us as they were afraid of the Russians.

On March 25, 1945 all of the platoons of the Baker Company (89th) fired their final mission into some reluctant Jerries. On April 20 troops were moved to Wieren. It took nine hours because a few enemy detours were encountered,

not yet cleared of Germans. Most of the GIs believed the war was over and enjoyed some American girls singing.

The 89th was called back to the Elbe to finish clearing out the Krauts. We saw dead Germans, some of our beloved GIs and many dead animals. We supported the 504th Infantry and the area was eventually cleared of Germans. Our mission to fire over the top of our beloved Infantry in their support was done. We hoped that our being there in the war had saved some American lives.

Two days after the world celebrated V.E. Day, the 89th left Hagenow. As we returned, our brass took up post at Gardelegen, Germany. There, in a barn-like building made of concrete blocks, the German S.S. troopers had imprisoned 600 to 800 political prisoners, Americans and others. Hay in the barn was their bed. We found one of the barn doors broken down. So many men had been machine-gunned down that the pile of dead was so high that there was no possible escape for the prisoners. The hay had been on fire. Our brass had people of the town building boxes, digging individual graves and burying the dead.

Our men moved from the Gardelegen area. Housing was scarce. I have not described it before, but we usually moved from one small town to the next, sleeping in apartment or individual bedding. Security guards were always provided from our own pool of men. Some films were shown to break the monotony. Some men even got passes to Paris at this time. German vehicles we had been using were hauled away.

While on the continent, our vehicles had been driven 631,000 miles. During the firing of mortars, we fired 50,079 times in a little over two months of combat. Scheduled passes were cancelled and the battalion was on the move toward Frankfurt, Germany. Next came the big picture. The battalion traveled so fast that our photographers missed a lot of good shots in Paris. Because we were on the move to be discharged, two battalions lined up in their tents. The next morning we were attached to XIX Corps. At Nidda we were processed for deployment to the States.

We were now living in the field again for 15-21 days. All extra clothing, ammo and other items except those items sold in a small town were turned in. Those items, some indicated, equaled \$29,000 in value. This sale took place in "Camp Lucy Strike" where we stayed in tents.

Next we got orders from the ship's officers, who had made a deal where we furnished labor and all KP in return for boarding the USS Washington, a football-field long hospital ship and a promise we would be home in eight days. We had plenty of food. The ship rode like a Cadillac—smooth—and no one got sick. Thank the Lord! Some of the men were even sun bathing on deck. On July 4, the USS Washington was one day out of New York. Coney Island took shape and the Statue of Liberty was seen in the distance. Civilian girls in bright dresses hovered near the ship. The men debarked the ship in order into heavy rain and were on their way home in 24 hours.

On Sept. 1, 1945 the welcome news came through, no more duty for the 89th Chemical Mortar Battalion. Discharges began coming through, oldest first, then down to younger ones.

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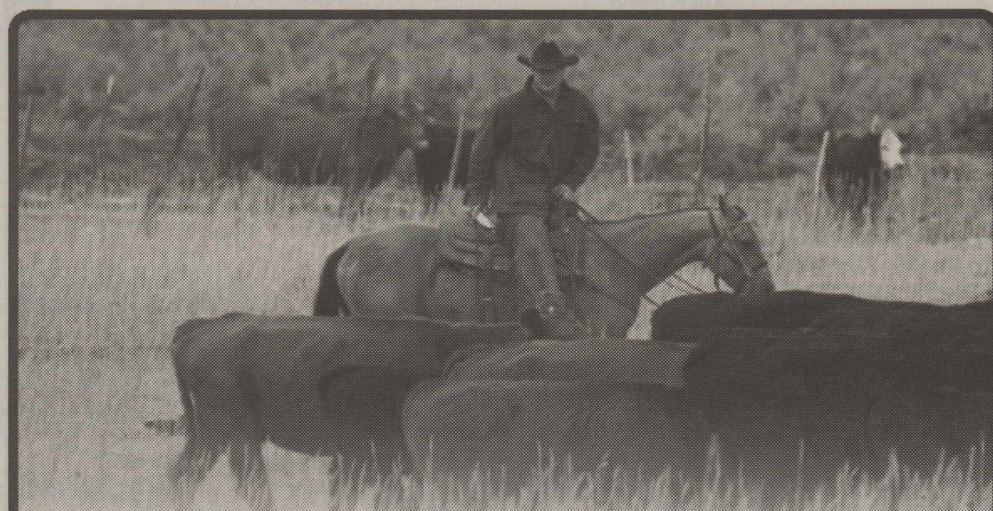
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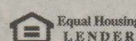
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