

Eight County Offices Up For Election in 78

A total of 8 Fisher County elective offices are "up for grabs" during 1978 if early filing is any indication of the array of candidates that county residents will be voting on, the ballot could be a lengthy one.

Fisher County Clerk John Ashley became the second elective office holder to announce that he would not be seeking re-election in 1978. Last week Thurman Terry, Commissioner of Precinct #4, stated that he did not intend to seek another term.

Geneva Perkins, Chief Deputy Clerk for the past 13 years, became the first candidate on the county scene to officially announce

her intention to seek an elective office in 1978. She will be attempting to get voter approval to fill the post her boss has held for the past 27 years.

The county offices up for re-election in 1978 are: Judge D.L. Lovett's County Judge position; Eula Mae Hull's District Clerk post; Mrs. Inez Pullig Stephens' County Treasurer's job; E.J. Kiker's Precinct 2 Commissioner job; Jeff Simmons' Justice of the Peace of Precinct #1 position, and Ernest Roberts' Justice of the Peace of Precinct #3 post.

Both Thurman Terry, Commissioner of Precinct #4, and John Ashley, Fisher County Clerk, have chosen not to seek re-election.

Jimmy Wright to Run For Precinct 4 Comm.

Jimmy Wright, age 42, and a life time resident of Fisher County, announced that he will seek the position of Precinct 4 Commissioner, presently held by Thurman Terry.

In seeking this position of leadership in the county, he plans to contact each voter in Precinct 4 to express his desire to serve as their next County Commissioner.

Wright is a 1953 graduate of Newman High School in Sweetwater, attended Abilene Christian College where he majored in agriculture. He has been in dairy farming, farming and ranching for twenty-three years.

Wright was instrumental



Jimmy Wright

in establishing the Fisher County Young Farmers and served as their first president. He was honored as an Outstanding Young Farmer in 1966. He has served on the Roby School Board one term and appointed to fill out one term. He has served as executive vice president of Fisher County Farmers Union and went to Washington, D.C. in protest of the skip row issue several years ago.

At the present time he is an active adult leader in 4-H and also serves as a deacon in the Church of Christ at Roby.

Wright and his wife, the former June Hollis of Sweetwater, have four daughters, Judy, 20, of Pecos; Jan, 15, Jill 14, and Jennifer, 10, who make up the 6-J household.

"I want to begin my active campaign to seek the Precinct #4 Commissioner post by expressing my appreciation to the voters that gave me support in the last election. At the same time, I want all the voters of Precinct 4 to know that I want and need your support in undertaking this active campaign", said Wright.

Geneva Perkins Making Run For Clerk Position

Geneva Perkins has authorized the Advance-Star Record to announce her intention to seek the elected office of Fisher County Clerk in 1978.

She has been employed in the Clerk's Office for the



Geneva Perkins

past 18 years and has been the Chief Deputy Clerk since 1964.

Born in Longworth, Geneva Perkins and her husband Forrest are current residents of Roby. She has been a resident of Fisher County all her life. She has two children, Myrtle Beth Turner of Garland, and Freddy Lee Hale of Abilene.

She is a member of the Eastern Star and First United Methodist Church in Roby.

"Since John Ashley has decided not to seek re-election in 1978, I would consider it an honor to serve the people of Fisher County as their elected Fisher County Clerk", said Mrs. Perkins.

Beef Cattle Meeting In Roby On Dec. 1st

A meeting on Beef Cattle Management will be held Thursday, Dec. 1, at 7:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Roby, according to Richard Spencer, county agent.

Area Extension specialists Dr. Whitney Rounds and Norman Brints from Vernon will be the speakers for the program.

Dr. Rounds will speak on nutrition and Norman Brints will speak on management. Both topics are very important to beef producers.

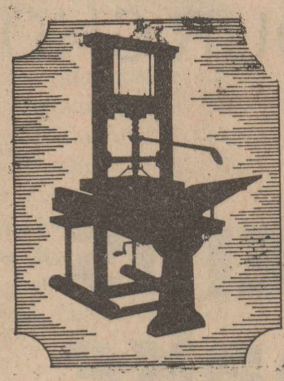
This meeting is being sponsored by the Beef Cattle Sub-Committee of the County Program Building Committee. James Cave is Chairman of the Beef Sub-Committee.

The public is urged to attend the meeting, according to Spencer.

Jr. Livestock Show Meeting Set In Rotan

The Junior Livestock Association will meet Monday, Dec. 5, at 7 p.m. at the Rotan Vo-Ag Building. This is an important meeting concerning show prize money.

If you have an interest in the Rotan Livestock Show, please plan to attend this meeting.



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Re-Evaluation Discussed ESTIMATED \$100,000 NEEDED IN 78 BY COUNTY HOSPITAL

In the presence of three representatives of the tax evaluating firm of Pritchett & Abbott of Fort Worth, and two representatives of major oil companies in the county, Perry Hunsaker, Fisher County Hospital Administrator, informed the board that an estimated \$100,000.00 could be needed to make ends meet in 1978.

Hunsaker gave the projected \$100,000.00 loss figure in light of his current involvement in preparing the 1978 operating budget. "The shortage that we're estimating does not include any new equipment, it is just paying the bills and staying even", said Hunsaker.

Members of the Fisher County Hospital board have

been aware that operating funds have been declining and that 1978 would be a critical operating year. The district begins making bond payments plus interest in the amount of \$239,000.00 in 1978. If one hundred percent of the tax roll were collected the district would realize \$311,000.00.

Bob Ford, representing Continental Oil Company, suggested that the board give consideration of a full re-evaluation. They pointed out that there are numerous homes and recent improvements that are not even reflected on the tax rolls. Fisher County residents are aware that is has been many years since a real estate appraisal of property has

taken place.

"The hospital district is feeling the crunch of the declining oil valuation now," said Hunsaker, "the county, and school districts will feel

the same pinch in the very near future", he concluded.

In reference to a tax adjustment of some kind in the near future, Hunsaker

indicated that "75 to 80 percent of the tax payers in Fisher County pay less than \$20.00 a year in hospital district taxes".

The hospital board voted to attempt to stage a joint meeting with the Fisher County Commissioners Court this week to discuss the possibility of a joint re-evaluation attempt.

Hunsaker reported to the board that the hospital has shown an actual loss of \$36,016.00 through the first 10 months of 1977. That actual loss coupled with a depreciation allowance of \$66,700.00 brings the total net loss through October to \$102,716.00. There have been some interest on certificates of deposit and gifts that reduces the actual net loss to \$89,503.00.

The Administrator reported that the occupancy rate

for October amounted to 36.7 percent with a total of 341 in-patient days and total accounts receivable of \$139,458.18.

Hunsaker informed the board that Dr. Cardandang, a Philippine physician currently practicing in Michigan, was scheduled to fly into Abilene on Thursday for a planned tour of Roby and the Fisher County Hospital. The doctor is interested in settling in Roby and practicing at the Fisher County Hospital.

In final action at last week's board meeting the board was notified of a pending legal citation and petition filed against the hospital for alleged negligence by Teresa and Martin Croker of Sweetwater. The incident in question supposedly took place approximately four months ago.

Tom Collins Announces For Treasurer Position

Tom Collins, Rotan businessman for the past 28 years, has authorized the Advance-Star Record to announce his intention to seek the office of Fisher County Treasurer in 1978.

Collins served as the Fisher County Veteran Service Officer for five and one-half years, and was a member of the United States Air Force for ten years from 1939 until 1949. He served in Europe for three and one-half years during World War II. He enlisted as a private and was discharged as a Master Sergeant. Collins graduated from high school and attended business college for two years.

He is a member of the First United Methodist Church in Rotan where he serves as a trustee and is also a

member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

His wife, Janis, is an employee of the First National Bank in Rotan, and they have one son, Arlin, a systems computer analyst in Dallas.

"If I receive the Democratic nomination and am elected, I will do my best to serve as the Fisher County Treasurer and make the residents of Fisher County proud of me", said Collins.

Civic, Church Leader Arvin R. White Dies

Arvin R. White, age 58, a leading Rotan businessman, civic and church leader, died last Tuesday morning at 7:50 at the Fisher County Hospital.

White moved to Rotan in 1946 and purchased White Auto Store. He was actively involved in the successful operation of that business until his death this week. He was also a partner in the successful Farm Tractor and Service Inc., John Deere

dealership.

He was a former Rotan City Councilman, involved in numerous civic activities, a Veteran of WW II, and treasurer of the Rotan Golf Club at the time of his death.

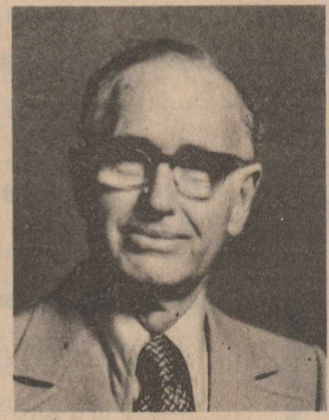
White was a deacon in the Rotan Church of Christ and the church treasurer.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Nov. 30, at the Rotan Church of Christ with Charles Lindley officiating. Burial was in Belvieu Cemetery, Rotan.

He was born in Kirkland, Texas, April 4, 1919, and married Jo Bill Duckworth on February 9, 1946 in Abilene. He was a graduate of A.C.U.

He is survived by his wife; one daughter, Candy Lee Dycus; one grandson, Dee Edward Dycus; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nath White of Abilene; a brother, Glenn T. of Abilene; and a sister, Gail McCaughan of Anchorage, Alaska.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Gail Ann.



Arvin White

Lunette Goforth To Seek County Clerk Job

Lunette Goforth has authorized the Advance-Star Record to announce her intention to seek the office of Fisher County Clerk.

The following announcement statement is presented by Mrs. Goforth to the citizens of Fisher County:

"To the citizens of Fisher County: my family moved to this County in 1912. Since I was born and raised in Fisher County, my dedica-

tion to Fisher County residents is deeply rooted.

"Before I ask anything of you, I would like to thank God for the many things he has given me: good health, a wonderful daddy and mother that gave me a good name, a loving husband, a lovely daughter, a super son-in-law, two grandsons that are really grand, three brothers that are ideal, and many proven friends. What more could I ask for except your trust?"

"In the past twenty-eight years, I have served the public as operator of Goforth Cleaners, to the best of my ability; honestly and fairly. I would sincerely like the opportunity to serve you in the capacity of the Clerk of Fisher County. Therefore, I am announcing my intentions for seeking the Office of Fisher County Clerk. Your encouragement and support will be greatly appreciated".
Lunette Goforth



Lunette Goforth

Representative Elmer Martin Will Not Seek Re-Election

Texas Representative Elmer Martin, 61st Legislative District, released the following statement to all newspapers in his four county area last Tuesday morning indicating that he does not intend to seek re-election.

"I will not be a candidate

for a 4th term of office as State Representative from the 61st Legislative District.

"My decision has been made after many hours of long and searching thoughts. Serving the people of Mitchell, Nolan, Jones, Fisher and Taylor Counties as

your Representative has been an honor which I will cherish and respect always. But, the service has its price. Continued To Page 9

Fike Godfrey Announces Store Now Open For Congressional Race

Fike Godfrey, who resigned last month as executive vice president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, officially launched his campaign for Congress this week by pledging the use of "West Texas common sense" in trying to help solve the problems facing Washington.

Godfrey, a Kent County rancher and former automobile dealer in Spur, served the West Texas Chamber, which represents 132 counties, for seven years. In making his formal announcement for the congressional seat being vacated by U.S. Rep. Omar Burleson of Anson, Godfrey noted that he had worked with all members of the Texas congressional delegation and would not need "on-the-job-training" to start represent-

ing the 17th District.

"Frankly, I am excited over the prospect of carrying on my efforts to bring industrial development to this district--with the resources of a congressional office to back me up," Godfrey told a gathering of supporters and news media representatives in Abilene.

"I look forward to representing the views of the people of this district trying to bring some of their common sense to Washington decisions--in trying to help solve the many critical problems which are facing us," he declared.

"We must solve the energy problem, in such a way that people will not be bankrupted simply by using their cars and keeping their homes comfortable," said Godfrey. "We must solve the inflation problem, which is caused by unnecessary, wasteful government spending.

"We must create more jobs, so that our young people can earn a living when they are ready to go to work. We must put the Social Security system back on a sound basis, so that the people, who have paid into it throughout their working lives, will be able to collect their benefits when they retire.

"We must eliminate unnecessary and abusive government interference in the affairs of small business, because it is stopping the creation of new jobs in the private sector," said God-

Hammer Hut Convenience

Store Now Open

Rotan's newest business opened its doors to the public last Sunday, according to Tony Soliz, manager of the Hammer Hut convenience store.

The new, brightly decorated store, located at 701 North Cleveland is 60 ft. x 40 ft. and will be open 18 hours a day, seven days a week.

Store hours will be from 6:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., according to Soliz. Soliz has been an employee of Glen's Thriftway for the past four years as produce manager.

The store will offer shoppers a wide assortment of food and non-food items at competitive prices.

The Hammer Hut will be holding a grand opening in the very near future.

Santa Will Be In Rotan On December 8th

Word was received late last Tuesday night that Santa Claus will make his annual appearance in Rotan at 4:00 p.m. December 8, at the Rotan Community Center.

Annual Rotan Firemen Party Set For Dec. 5

The annual Rotan Firemen's Christmas Party will be held at the Rotan School Cafeteria on December 5, at 7:00 p.m., according to Archie Neeley, Fire Chief.

Fire Department members, honorary members and their children are invited.

Seven County Gins Top 76 Bales, 52,904 Now

The seven Fisher County cotton gins officially surpassed the total bales ginned in 1976 with reports of last week's production.

The total bales ginned by

all Fisher County gins in 1976 amounted to 48,232. Through reports of last week's production the county gins had baled a total of 52,904 bales.

	1976	11-29-77
Rotan Gin	13,500	14,500
Farmers Gin	6,872	8,800
Farmers Union Coop Gin	8,136	7,582
Terry Gin	4,525	4,400
Longworth Gin	3,533	2,245
Hobbs Gin	10,300	12,315
Sylvester Gin	1,366	3,063
Total	48,232	52,904



Words of Life

Johnny T. Robertson, Pastor
First United Methodist Church
Rotan, Texas

"WHEN LOSING IS WINNING"

All of us want to be winners. From childhood we are taught the desire to be winners. Children learn the desire to be winners when they successfully put together the parts of a puzzle. Teenagers find the desire to be winners when in sports they experience the "thrill of victory" or "agony of defeat". We have been conditioned to be success oriented. If a person is successful in some aspect of life, then automatically that person becomes a valuable person in the eyes of the community. Then the successful person concludes that the most valuable thing in life is to be successful-to be a winner. Winning becomes a virtue and losing an immoral practice. We look upon losing with distaste and chose our friends among the winners in life.

However, this view of life has failed to see the value in losing. Losing is an unavoidable principle of life because winning involves losing. To gain something one must give up something, lose something. To buy a house one must lose money, that is give up possession of some money. To win at sports one must lose time by practicing long hours. Therefore, there is value in losing, while we have been conditioned to see losing as profitless. With the unconscious resistance to the idea of losing, we have difficulty in hearing and understanding the teachings of Jesus Christ on total commitment. Christ calls us to put our totality in Him first: "He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake will find it." Christ reminds us that the principle of losing also applies to our Christian life. To be a true follower of Christ we must put Christ's Kingdom and His interests in life before ourselves. "If you will lose your life for Christ's sake, you will find real life." Christ lost His life temporarily that we may gain life eternally. Losing is winning when you gain from what you lose. We are called to lose our sinful life that we may gain a better life. In total commitment to Christ we have temporary loss, while we are also finding an eternal gain. Now that we see how the principle of losing is involved in all of life, the difficulty in total commitment to Christ should be relieved to some extent. But the difficulty is not fully removed because total commitment to Christ involves a loss far greater than any other, the loss of loyalty to self. Christ must come first in our lives or he will not come at all. Is the loss worth the gain to you? I hope it is! Amen.

Letters to the Editor

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT. WE WANT AN ANSWER

It seems the parents and tax payers have no say of what goes on in Rotan, or the schools. Just this last week we found a notice in our local paper about half-days for our Kindergarten Class. I am just one parent, but I am sure there are many who want an answer?

1. Why weren't we the parents asked about it first?
2. The tax payers have a right to know where their school taxes are going and for what purpose.

We do not blame the

Texas home and industry require 68 percent of Texas' natural gas production. President Carter's National Energy Plan would control sales of this intrastate gas as well as sales to other states.

teachers for they do the best they can. If we have a problem now, well, how about next year? We don't want the same to happen.

If you wish a special meeting, we must have your signature on a paper to get enough to back us up. Please call Mrs. James Warren at 735-3492 or Mrs. Phillip Joplin, 735-3070.

Mrs. James Warren and Mrs. Phillip Joplin
Rotan, Texas

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FAITH BIDS US HONOR THE DEFENDERS OF OUR FREEDOM

More than one nation has undergone the painful necessity of committing its brave men to battle for the purpose of maintaining its freedom whenever it was threatened by enemy forces from without. Whether we honor them in October or November, or call the occasion Armistice Day, Veterans Day or Remembrance Day, the purpose of it remains the same: to give our humble thanks to those who survived the terrible wars and those who did not. And since the list of our freedoms includes the right to worship God in any way we see fit, let us show our gratitude by attending the Church of our choice regularly, and thereby availing ourselves of one of the most vital freedoms for which our courageous heroes risked everything they had.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rotan, Texas
Charles Lindley
Bible Study - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 10:30 a.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Johnny Robertson, Pastor
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship - 10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF NAZARENE
Rotan, Texas
F.W. Rogers, Pastor
Bible Class - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 10:50 a.m.

Evening Service - 7:00 p.m.
SYLVESTER BAPTIST CHURCH
Harold Ely, Pastor
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

SUNDAY NIGHT - 6:00 p.m.
SARDIS BAPTIST CHURCH
& MILES SW of Rotan
Bro. Henry Dickson, Hawley
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Rotan, Texas
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Church - 11:00 a.m.

Night Services - 7:30 p.m.
CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rotan Latin American
Bible Class - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Sylvester, Texas
Buddy Payne, Minister
Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Night - 7:00 p.m.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Rotan, Texas
David N. Vickers, Pastor
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC
Rotan, Texas
John Hoorman, Pastor
Mass Saturday Eve. - 7:30 p.m.
Mass Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

LITTLE ZION BAPTIST
Rotan, Texas
James Carrington, Pastor
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Wardell Halliburton, Minister
Bible Class - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 10:45 a.m.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Rotan, Texas
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

ROSS ROADS BAPTIST
= MIES SW of Rotan
Michael H. Hicks, Pastor
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Roby, Texas
Rev. Luther Baker, Pastor
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

HOBBS BAPTIST CHURCH
Hobbs Community
L.D. (Dutch) Parks, Pastor
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Roby, Texas
Rev. Allen Cartrite, Pastor
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

FOUR SQUARE CHURCH
Rotan, Texas
Eighth and Genevieve Sts.
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

EL PASO BAPTIST CHURCH
South of Roby
F.E. Healer, Pastor
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Rotan, Texas
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 10:55 a.m.

METHODIST CHURCH
Longworth, Texas
Ivan Allen, Minister
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

LONGWORTH BAPTIST
Longworth, Texas
Rev. Billy Oliver, Pastor
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

McCAULLEY BAPTIST
McCauley, Texas
Rev. George Caffey, Pastor
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Roby, Texas
Elder Carl Watson
Song Serv. 10 a.m.-4th Sunday
Worship - 11 a.m.-4th Sunday

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
McCauley, Texas
David Binkley, Minister
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Worship - 11:00 a.m.

Man needs a power out of and above himself to restore him to the likeness of God.
—Author unknown

...ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE THIS SUNDAY

Parents make wishes too

Every year there's one more candle. Jeannie makes a wish — and blows them all out with a single breath.

Jeannie's parents make wishes too. But grown-ups' wishes are called *hopes*, and they can't be achieved by merely blowing out candles.

Jeannie's parents take her to church every Sunday. There she learns right from wrong and acquires the faith that will sustain her throughout life.

At candle-blowing-time her mother and father smile. It's a smile of confidence, of conviction. They know that their hopes for Jeannie can best be realized in a Christian environment.

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NOTICE

Because of my health I will not be a candidate for the office of Fisher County Clerk. I would like to thank the People of Fisher County for their kindness, support, and confidence you have shown me during the 27 years I have been in office.

Sincerely,
John W. B Ashley



HOBBS HOOP ACTION: Ratliff, center, prepares to snag a rebound in a recent game with McCaulley.

Rotan Varsity Girls Bounce Back From Loss

The Rotan varsity girls bounced back from a 35-38 loss to Jayton last week to defeat the Hawley girls by a score of 50-46 to bring their season record to 3 wins and 1 loss.

High point girl was Ginger Duke with 18 points. She was followed by Charee Smith with 16, Cheryl Jones with 12, and Cindy Weathersbee with 4 points.

Tina McComhbs led all players with 7 steals. Blanche Gentry had 5 rebounds and Ramona Pearson had 4.

Head coach Sonny Barnes commented that he was searching for balanced play from each player adding that we came from behind to beat a good basketball team.

The Rotan junior varsity girls stretched their season

record to 4-0 by defeating Hawley 51-26 on November 22. Dena Tucker was high point player with 15 points for the night. She was followed by Ann Gentry with 14, Regina Pearson with 11, Monica Lopez with 6, Katy Lopez with 4, and Connie Posey with 1.

Monica Lopez led all players with 9 steals to her credit. Ann Gentry had 11 rebounds and 3 assists.

Coach Barnes said the win was a good team effort. "We just need to shoot the ball more, not just 3 or 4 players, but all 11 players need to work for a shot", said Barnes.

Rotan faces Roby on Thursday at 2:00 in the opening game of the Trent Invitational Tournament.

Rotan 7th Grade Wins 8th Grade Has Loss

The Rotan boys 7th and 8th grade basketball teams opened the 1977 season last Monday night by splitting games with the Visiting Colorado City teams.

The 8th grade lost in the final minutes of play by a score of 37-24.

High point individual was Kip Pease with 10 points, Mark Harris had 9, Jeff Posey 8, Henry Williams 5, and Sparkey Conner 2.

Other team players are M. Conner, Jay Ramirez, Welton Hayes, Jesse Martinez, Conrad Hamric, Darrell Carter, Arthur Montez, Keith Armstrong, and T. Gonzales.

The 7th grade boys defeated Colorado City by a score of 21-10. Roger Hooper

was high point individual with 8 points. Lopez had 5, Mendoza 4, and Huitt 4. Other team members are E. Adkins, L. Ramirez, Warren, Medrano, S. Houston, Almanza, Sanchez, and D. Leverton.

Roby Girls Pick Up Third Season Victory

The Roby High School girls picked up their 3rd victory of the season by defeating Old Glory 36-34. Leading the scoring for Roby was Penny Coker with 23 points, Kathy King with 9 points and Jill Wright, 4 points.

Fine defensive performances for Roby were turned in by Donna Hataway, Kathy Deaton, Lois Ann Cauble, Sylvia Gaona, Linda Hood-empyle, Debbie Stuart and Jan Wright.

Fisher County Nursing Home

This week we would like to say thank you to the First Baptist Church for the morning services and to the Methodist Church and the Nazarene Church for the afternoon services. The Primitive Baptist Church also came on Sunday afternoon, and we thank them also. The Fisher County Singers came this week and we enjoyed them so much and we say thank you to them. The 4-H girls brought place favors and visited with us and we thank them.

Winners in bingo this week were Earl Lambert, Rector Brown, Lulline Blount, Florence Hale, Alice Sutton and Sam Shaw.

Lillie Terrell and Phronia Taggart celebrated their birthdays last week.

We welcome Grace Edwards of Roby to our home. We had several visitors this week and last week.

Lillie Terrell's grandson, Don Terrell of San Antonio, and his family visited her last week.

Lizzie Owens went out to church with Fannie Nabors as she does almost every week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Roberts of Midland visited her brother A.D. Henson.

Grace Edwards' children came to see her. They were Tommy Edwards of Monahans, Sherwood Edwards of Kermit, Mrs. Inell Goforth of Roby, and Mrs. Jimmie Lee Palmer of Roby.

Jo Reed's sister, Sarah

Miers, of Roby visited her.

Eva and Raymond McKimmey of Roby, Bro. Watson of Snyder, Ella Mae Hayes of Hamlin and Willie Galloway of Hamlin visited Vivie Barnes.

Nannie Williamson was visited by Sue and Ferlin Tutt and Brian of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Meadows of Denton visited Mr. James Cobb.

Sadie and Hilton Cross went out to Odessa for Thanksgiving with Dottie Benson.

Neda Kiser had Thanksgiving with Ruby Hamrick.

John Cox was visited by his brother Sam Cox of Stanton and his nephew Bob Cox of Stanton.

Cora Lee Pair of Abilene and Ella and Albert Hayes of Hamlin visited Tish Hayes.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stephens of Arlington visited Lulline Blount.

Addie Scott was visited by Mr. and Mrs. Don Robertson of Lubbock.

We enjoyed all these visits. Anyone who would like to drop in and see us is welcome. We love to visit.

Weather

From the Record of FRED BYERLY Rotan Weather Observer

Nov. 77 Prec.	Hi	Lo
Mon 21	71	31
Tue 22	75	35
Wed 23	71	45
Thur 24	60	45
Fri 25	66	33
Sat 26	77	38
Sun 27	73	39
Mon 28	55	38
Total precipitation to date:		
1976	20.82	
1977	19.49	



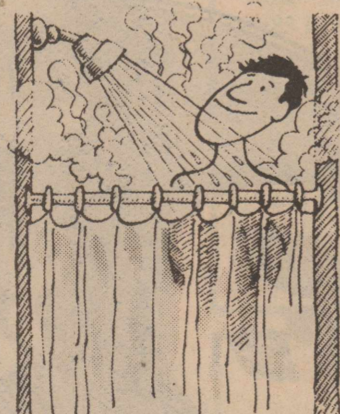
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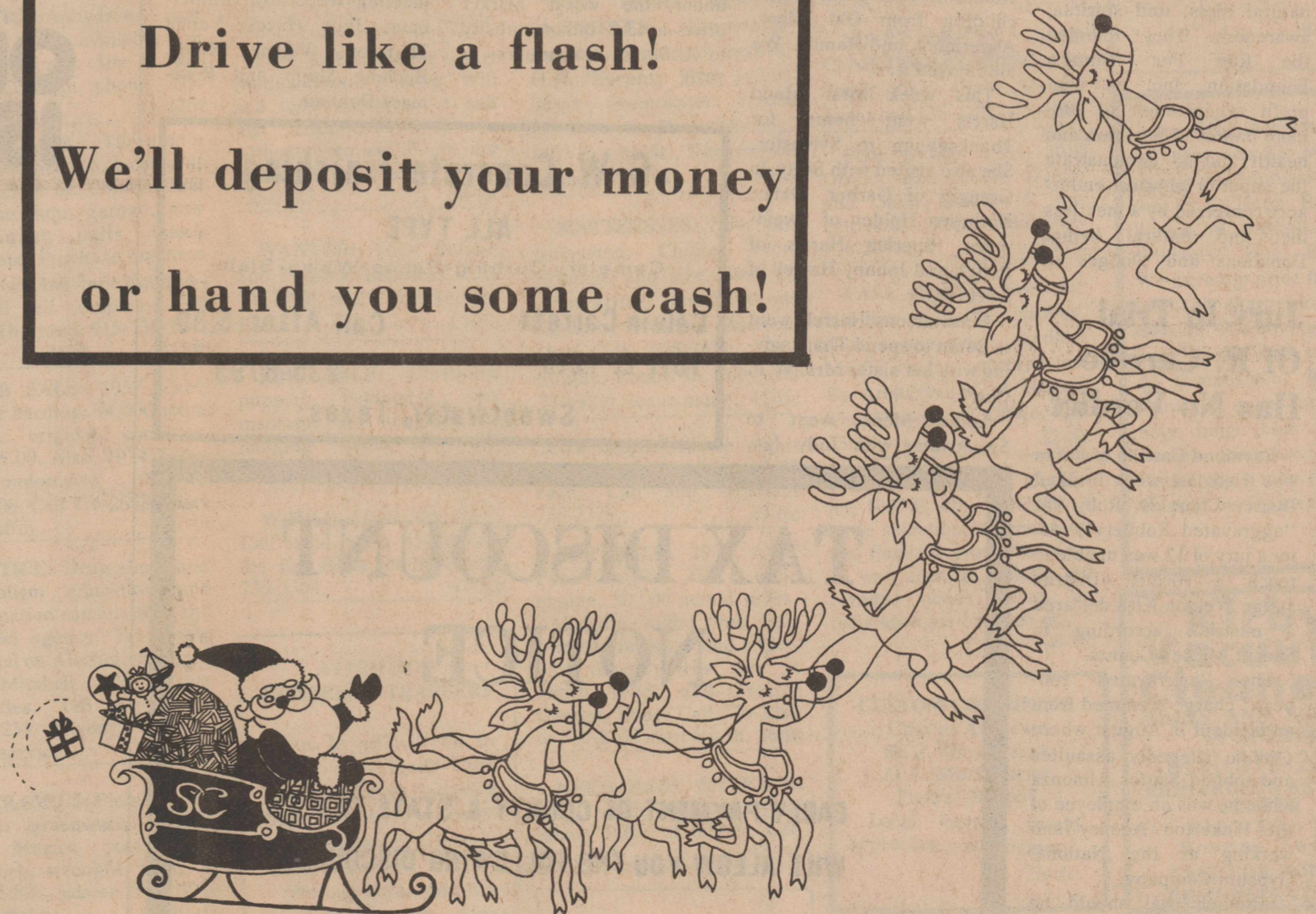
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RUN FOR AMERICA: Two young men running cross country from Florida to California spent the night last week at a Roby Motel.

Run For America Men Stop At Roby Motel

John Peele and Brian Hassell, members of the Run For America Foundation, jogged through Fisher County last week and spent the night at Blue Haven Motel in Roby on their way to the completion of a 3,000 mile trek across the country.

Health, like the weather, is something everyone talks about, but few do anything about. John Peele and Brian Hassell, two young vegetarians in Florida, are attempting to change all that by running across the North American continent to promote better nutrition and health. Following a recent practice run from Daytona Beach on Florida's Atlantic coast, they left from Orlando on October 1, World Vegetarian Day, and to reach Los Angeles on the Pacific coast 78 days later. Donations collected from supporters along the way will be used to promote nutritional research and education.

The two vegetarian athletes are planning to cover the 3000 miles by running an average of 40-50 miles per day, with occasional rest days. The route of the historic run will take them through Gainesville, 3-4 October; Tallahassee, Oct. 6-7; Mobile, Oct. 14-15; New Orleans, Oct. 18-24; Dallas, Nov. 4-5; Rosell, N.M., Nov. 15-16; Phoenix Dec. 1-5; and Riverside, Calif. Dec. 13-15; with arrival in Ocean Park scheduled for Dec. 17. A van driven by Peele's wife Nancy will provide supplies and overnight accommodations. To demonstrate the virtues of a simple natural diet, the runners will subsist entirely on natural juices and sprouts.

Peele and Hassell are insurance executives in their late 20's who share in abiding interest in athletics, natural diets, and spiritual awareness. They founded the Run For America Foundation, Inc. as non-profit organization to promote improved nutrition and health and to demonstrate the superior physical endurance conferred by a meatless diet and natural living. Donations and pledges of

Golden Haven Home News

The First Baptist Church brought our Sunday morning services and the Methodist Church and Church of Christ brought our afternoon services, and we thank them all. The First Baptist gave us a birthday party this week and we all had a good time, thank you.

Those who won at bingo this week were Mary Hurst, Mary Cooper, Lena Early, Ed Roberts, Maebell Ogden, Dana McReynolds, Viola Barrington, and Clara Neves.

This week Opal Neeley will celebrate her birthday. Letha Meeks, Floy McCright and Elba Bates celebrated their birthdays last week.

On Elba Bates' birthday, nineteen members of her family came and sang for us. There were children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren from Old Glory, Aspermont, and Hamlin. We all enjoyed it.

This week Mrs. Maud Harris went home for Thanksgiving to Sylvester. She also visited with Betty Jo Granger of Garber, Okla., Kathryn Holden of Sweetwater, Sperlon Harris of Rollett and Johnny Harrell of Sweetwater.

Octavaneous Harrell went to Rotan to spend Thanksgiving with her sister Mrs. W.P. Curry.

Letha Meek went to Sweetwater with Judy Jus-

Mrs. Willie Newhouse Shares Favorite Recipe

By MRS. BILL SHARP-735-2029

This week as our honored guest we have with us Mrs. Willie Newhouse of Roby. She is a very lovely lady that not only is a gracious hostess but an excellent cook.

Mrs. Newhouse is a native of Fisher County. She has four children, eight grand-children and one great-grandchild. Dr. Walter Weltman and Roena of Abilene have two children, Dennis and David. Bright Jr. and Cloe Ann have one daughter Kim Maxey. Kim and her husband Richard live in Clarendon and have one child, Amber.

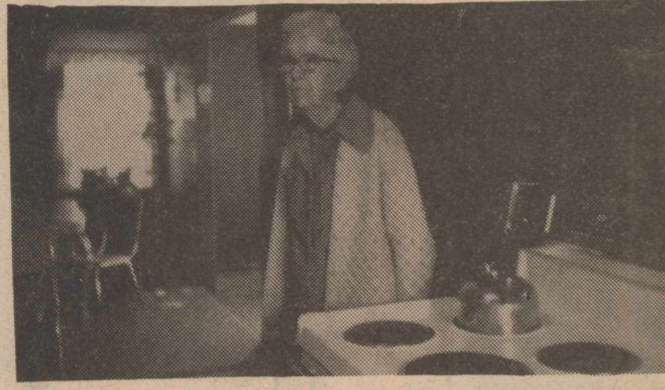
Mr. and Mrs. Mike Newhouse of Roby have one son, Bright III of Clarendon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Anderson of Snyder have three children, Margie, Charles Jr. and Marcus.

Don Newhouse and his wife Linda reside in Abilene and have two children, Carla and Lisa.

Willie's hobbies are gardening and handwork. She is a member of the Church of Christ in Roby.

Mrs. Newhouse is a very busy lady, but took time for me to interview her for this article. For this I am very grateful. Thank you and God bless.



New Orleans Pecan Pie--Mrs. Willie Newhouse

3 eggs separated, 1 cup sour cream, 4 Tbs. cornstarch, 1/4 tsp. grated lemon rind, pinch salt, 1 baked pie shell-cooled, 1 cup brown sugar, 1 cup chopped pecans.

Mix egg yolks, sour cream, cornstarch, lemon rind, and salt in top of double boiler, cook over boiling water until thick, stirring constantly. Pour into pie shell. Beat egg whites till stiff, adding brown sugar slowly. Fold in pecans and spread over filling. Bake at 425 deg. until lightly browned. Refrigerate several hours before serving.

Note: lemon juice may be substituted for rind or 1/4 tsp. lemon extract.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

December 5-9, 1977
Rotan

Monday: Fried Chicken with Gravy, Seasoned Green Beans, Whipped Potatoes, Lettuce and Tomato Salad, Hot Rolls, Butter, Honey, Milk.

Tuesday: Frito Pie, Pinto Beans, Buttered Corn, Orange Wedge, Cornbread, Butter, Iced Cake, Milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti With Meat and Cheese Sauce, Green Peas, Potato Salad, Green Salad, Hot Rolls, Butter, Peanut Butter Cookies, Milk.

Thursday: Hot Dog with Chili, Cheese Wedge, Pork and Beans, French Fries with Catsup, Chocolate Pudding, Milk.

Friday: Taco with Meat and Cheese, Chili Beans, Buttered Corn, Lettuce, Tomato, Bread, Butter, Fruit Jello, Milk.

ROBY

Monday: Steak Fingers, Cream Potatoes, Lettuce and Tomato Salad, Apple Sauce, Hot Rolls, Butter, Milk.

Tuesday: Beef and Vegetable Stew, Cheese Curls, Salad, Apple Cobbler, Milk.

Wednesday: Chili Beans, French Fries, Cabbage Slaw, Corn Bread, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Milk.

Thursday: Corn Dog, Cream Potatoes, Blackeyed Peas, Salad, Peanut Butter Cookie, Milk, Bread.

Friday: Hamburger, Potato Chips, Lettuce, Tomato, Fruit, Brownie, Milk.

Oil and gas tax revenues pay for one out of every three books used by Texas school children.

Ladies Aux. of Roby Fire Department

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Roby Volunteer Fire Department met Nov. 21 at the Fire Hall in Roby. New officers were elected for the coming year, they are: Buelene Shipp, president; Valene Kiker, secretary-treasurer; and Rosemary Donham, reporter. Meetings were set for the months of April, August, October and November on the second Monday of each of these months for the year 1978. Called meetings will also be held.

The Fireman of the Year Banquet was discussed and set for December 10, at 8 p.m., at the Roby Fire Hall. Each member will be notified as to the kind of food they are to bring, according to Buelene Shipp, president.

Members attending the meeting were Joy Grametbauer, Judy Hayes, Velma Thomson, Valene Kiker, Buelene Shipp and Rosemary Donham.

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Roby Scouts Receive Award

The Scout Pack 159 of Roby received the Round-Up Award for the new member quota for this year. According to Calvin Elkins, Scout Master, eight new members joined Pack 159 since the month of September.

The award was a coffee cup with the Scout emblem on it. The Emblem reads: The Wonderful World of Scouting, Chisholm Trail Council, 1977 Round-Up Award. This cup was awarded for membership quota. Calvin Elkins is very encouraged by this award to the Troop and urges all Scouts to keep up the good attendance record.

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"And, above all, we must maintain a strong defense for our nation--strong enough to deter aggression--or else we will find that solutions to all our other problems are meaningless," he declared.

Godfrey said that, with the help of such people as Congressman Burleson, he has learned to work with congressional and federal procedures while representing West Texas on many trips to Washington during the last seven years. He said he knows his way around the Halls of Congress and has the necessary experience, background, and knowledge of previous Congressional actions to enable him to begin immediately making decisions that are right for the people of the district on many critical issues that the new Congress will face immediately when they convene.

Godfrey said he would be "ready, willing and able to begin providing effective representation for the district the moment I take the oath of office."

Godfrey also noted that he and his wife had spent their vacations for many years traveling to foreign countries. He said the visits they have made to 24 foreign countries would give him a helpful perspective in dealing with foreign affairs matters.

"While this foreign travel is certain to be helpful," he said, "I take the greatest pride in the knowledge I have gained of the people and their problems in the 33 counties in the 17th Congressional District. The people of this area are the greatest on earth. I admire their independence, their self-reliance, their moral values, their common sense and their patriotism. These qualities help us to maintain the healthiest economic climate in the nation during the last recession."

Palette, Brush Club Set For Dec. 5 Meeting

The Palette and Brush Club will meet December 5, at the R.E.A. Reddy Room in Roby. Esme Glenn, award winning artist from Abilene will be the instructor. The Club will meet from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Card of Thanks

The family of Bryde M. Dawkins wish to express our appreciation to the dear friends for their expressions of love in the passing of our dear mother. We

are especially grateful to Dr. Maurice Callan. May God bless each one.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Head, Roby
Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Thomas, Rotan

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rotan Advance-Roby Star Record is authorized to announce the following candidates subject to the Democratic primary on May 5, 1978:

U.S. CONGRESSMAN, 17th DISTRICT

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Geneva Perkins
Lunette Goforth

FISHER COUNTY TREASURER

Tom Collins

COMMISSIONER Precinct 4

Jimmy Wright

Panther Tracks

By Vic McElrath

The Hobbs Junior High boys played Hermleigh on Monday, November 21, at Hobbs.

Score by quarters:

Hobbs: 4-13-10-4 31
Hermleigh: 7-0-9-3 19

Boys scoring for Hobbs were: Benny Medrano with 15 points, Junior Miranda 4 points, and Mike Porter 12 points.

The Hobbs High School boys played Trent on

Tuesday, November 22, at Trent.

Those scoring for Hobbs were Randy Etheredge with 16 points, Mark Anderle 17 points, Frank Miranda 5 points, Wade Pierson 18 points, Jeff Anderle 2 points, Walter Cave 4 points, David Etheredge 1 point, and Johnny Medrano 8 points.

Scores by quarters:
Hobbs 17-21-18-15- 71
Trent 6-9-14-16- 45

Leisure Lodge Report

By Ima Berry

Sorry we missed our news last week, will try to get all the news up to date this week.

We thank the Sunday School for the lovely birthday party on Nov. 16. Mr. Bud Crawford and Travis Montgomery were our honorees for Nov. Also, thanks to Oleda Merrick for her lovely playing and singing on Tuesday of last week.

Thanks so much to Mary Singley's Sunday School class who so graciously class who so graciously provided pies for our Thanksgiving the WMU from First Baptist church for bringing the program last Wednesday. Everyone enjoyed the Primitive Baptist Services last Sunday afternoon.

We always have our Sunday School from First Baptist and can never thank the ones responsible for that. It really helps fill our Sundays with joy when we also have church services. on Sunday afternoon.

We have enjoyed lots of out of town visitors the past two weeks.

Visiting Ben Williams were Mr. and Mrs. Dorman Swindle of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Morton of San Angelo.

Rev. Orvel Brantley of Sweetwater visited Eula Dement.

Mrs. Sam George of Weatherford visited Etta Hale.

Visiting the Tom Simmons were the Bill Etheredges of Roby and the Doug Simmons of Abilene. The Simmons visited with Doug and family on Thanksgiving Day in Abilene. Really enjoyed the trip, also, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Simmons of Fort Worth and 3 granddaughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Shreve of Mineral Wells and Helen Brown of El Paso visited Mary Lee Barker and Nancy White. John White of Sweetwater also visited the

Hustlin' Round Hobbs

By Mrs. Jimmy Walker
Hobbs, Texas 735-2840

Well another week of almost perfect cotton stripping weather and now it looks a little like rain. Am sure we could use the moisture, but hate for all that cotton to get wet.

We have had so many sick persons this week, don't know where to start. Mrs. Dutch Parks was sick Sunday and wasn't able to be at Church. We hope that she is feeling better.

David and Randy Etheredge both had this virus that is going around and then Mrs. J.W. Etheredge and Todd took it, and both of them were in the Fisher County Hospital for a few days. They got to go home Monday but still aren't feeling very good, especially LaNelle. We hope that they will soon begin to feel better.

Patricia Porter, baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Porter, has also been real sick with this virus. She seemed to be feeling a little better on Sunday when I talked to her mother. Hope that she will continue to improve.

Our community was saddened by the deaths of two young men, Bart Warren and Silas Hughes, who were killed in a car wreck on Thanksgiving night at Sweetwater. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Warren of Claytonville and the remainder of their family, and to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hughes, also of Claytonville, and the remainder of their family. Both of these young men went to school at Hobbs. Another young man, Robert Malano of Roby was injured in the wreck, but John Lee Brown of Hobbs community escaped serious injury.

Teresa Ratliff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Ratliff, attended the Wanda Bush Barrel Racing Clinic this weekend. It was held at Sweetwater in the Coliseum. She also participated in some of the barrel races Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Hyer and family from Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Kincaid from Deere Park, and Mr. and Mrs. Windle Kincaid from Rotan all ate Thanksgiving Day dinner with Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Kincaid. Mr. and Mrs. D.H. Hornsberger, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hornsberger all from Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hornsberger from Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Terry and baby from Roby, and Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson from Laurel, Miss. all visited with Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Kincaid on Sunday and ate dinner there.

Mrs. Sarah Etheredge spent last week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. George Santt and family in Smithfield.

Mrs. Jerry Stephenson and girls from Abilene spent Thanksgiving night and the remainder of the weekend visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cave.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Gruben, Gregg and Evette, spent Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Walker and Melody. Had lots of good food and plenty of football games.

For Thanksgiving Mrs. Bea Hardin had Mrs. Florence Hellums from Corpus, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hardin and three children also from Corpus, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Hardin, Wendy and Shad from Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Hardin, Vicky and Todd from Lubbock visiting. Also Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hardin and Wes, Kimmia Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Hardin, Mrs. Pam Baker and boys, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Keen and 2 children all from Rotan. Also, Mrs. Marge Peters and Joe Hardin from Abilene. They all ate Thanksgiving dinner and supper with Bea and also Sunday dinner, so Bea had a big crowd with lots of good food and visiting.

Gloria, Rosemary and Veronica Martinez all from Fort Worth visited for the Thanksgiving holiday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Martinez.

The Gary Hyers, the Mike Porters and the Phillips all ate Thanksgiving dinner with Mrs. Opal Phillips, so she really enjoyed lots of company that day and during the weekend.

Well this is about all the news for this week. Hope that everyone is feeling better if they have been sick. See you next week.

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Byron Shelley Named New Lake Worth Head Coach

During a special called executive session, Tuesday night, Nov. 15, the Lake Worth School Board unanimously voted to name Byron Shelley athletic director. Shelley will serve as athletic director for the balance of this school year. He was also hired to serve as athletic director and head football coach for next year.

He has been serving as first assistant coach and vice-principal at Lake Worth High School. This is his second year at the school.

Shelley is a 1965 graduate of Rotan High School. He received his bachelor of

science degree from McMurry College in 1972 following a four year tour of duty in the U.S. Air Force. He has a Master's degree in Education from Sul Ross State

University. Shelley is married to the former Sunny Partin of Rotan. They have two children, Autumn Leah age 6, and Jeffrey Byron age 17 months.

Card of Thanks

Our heartfelt thanks to the many friends who gave food, flowers, their prayers and kind thoughts during our time of grief.

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Deb's Feathered Quill

By Debbie Stuart
776-2740

Hi, I hope everyone had nice safe Thanksgiving holiday. My family, along with my grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Stuart, traveled to Carrollton last Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. Landon (Jug) Stuart, Zac, Barry, and Clifford and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Stuart. Also spending Thanksgiving Day were Mr. and Mrs. Neil Carter, Anita and Donna. Mr. and Mrs. James Stuart and family also visited. James, Shirley and family were spending the holidays with Shirley's parents Mr. and Mrs. Sprengs, also of Carrollton. On the return trip we stopped in Eastland to visit Mr. and Mrs. Don Stuart, Gary and Tiffany. Tiffany returned home with us to spend a couple of days with Maw and Paw.

Audie Mae O'Brien from Galena Park visited in the home of Mrs. Preston Campbell, Mrs. J.W. Landes and Ruth Coker during the Thanksgiving Holidays.

Mark Kiker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Kiker of Anson, is at home and reported to be doing fine after spending a couple of days in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene. Mark had swallowed something that lodged in his lung and was removed by the doctors. I received a note about Mrs. Harvey (Joan Park) Palmer of Houston who underwent open reduction hip surgery again on Nov. 18, for repair of a fractured hip, originally sustained in Jan. 1977 and operated on in April and again Oct. 17. Her progress is very good at this time and her surgeons expect full recovery. She and her husband are formerly of Roby and Rotan. I appreciate receiving this note. I hope these people and everyone else who has been sick continues to improve. Our prayers are with them.

Thanksgiving Day visitors of Mrs. B.K. Newhouse and Mike were Mr. and Mrs. Bright Newhouse and Bubba of Clarendon and Mr. and Mrs. Buzzy Maxey and Amber of San Angelo. Sunday afternoon Mrs. Newhouse's 3rd grade Sunday School class consisting of Chris Hayes, Charla Wiley, Deena Williamson, Jeffery Morton and Tammy Halliburton all went to Mrs. Newhouse's home where they spent the day playing games and having fun.

Nov. 25 Mr. and Mrs. Tracy King celebrated an early Thanksgiving dinner and their 48th wedding anniversary in their home with guests Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Granger and Lisa Jo of Garber, Okla., Mr. Cecil Headstream and Hal of Hobbs, N.M. Mr. and Mrs. Larry McCombs of Rotan.

Our deepest sympathy to the families of Bart Warren, Pete McClure and Herman Carter.

Ricky Holcomb of Abilene visited with Mrs. Gladys Holcomb over the weekend.

Mrs. L.B. Cauble, Mr. and Mrs. Keifer Cauble and Mrs. Sid (Carolyn) Long of Robert Lee traveled to Midland to have Thanksgiving dinner with Loyce's six sisters and one brother at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Smith. Several neices and their families were also there, a total of 35 were present.

Spending Thanksgiving weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Buck Hughs were Mr. and Mrs. Buck Farrar of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Sims and Darlene of Corpus Christi, Mr. and Mrs. Buck F. Hughs of Sweetwater, Mrs. Ruby Livingston of Cisco and Mrs. Pat Campbell and Jeannie of Victoria.

Congratulations to the Roby Girls Basketball team who won over Luaders-Avooca last Tuesday night. They played Luaders-Avooca this Tuesday at Roby.

Happy Birthday wishes this week go to Maude Brown, Mary Helen Garcia, Nov. 24; Bob Fournier Jr., Nov. 25; Winfred Shipp, Nov. 26; Loraine Head, Judy Cave, Nov. 28; Tina Hataway, Carole Stuart, Nov. 29; Mary Barrington, Dec. 1; Lorene Cave, Dec. 2; Shannon Rasco, Eugene Shipp, Vicki Stuart, Dec. 4; Simon Carter, Hollis Head, Lizzie Young, Dec. 5; Bobby Holcomb, Dec. 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Barrington, Carol and Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Jan McWhorter and Robert all traveled to Clyde on Thanksgiving Day to visit with Neil and Mary Inman, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Brooks and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Robertson and Dale, Conrad and Todd Roberson and Mr. and Mrs. Randy Stephenson.

Kyle and Jennifer Combest of Cleburn spent the Thanksgiving weekend with her parents Mr. and Harmon Holcomb Jr.

"Friendships last if you put them first."
The senior and junior boys and girls played basketball against the faculty and senior parents last week, with the faculty winning both games.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Shad Holcomb last weekend were Roy and Sara McKee of Victoria.


Donna Hataway is in Chicago, Ill. this week on an expense paid trip she won with her 4-H record book.

Several girls attending barrel racing clinic in Sweetwater last week were Penny Coker, Linda Hoodenpyle, Tammy Stuart, Tanna Mauldin and Paul Terry. A barrel racing competition was held Saturday night. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stuart, Mrs. Jerry Hoodenpyle, Mrs. Truman Mauldin, Mrs. Donald Coker and Mrs. Bunny Terry.

Mr. and Mrs. B.R. Etheredge, Steve and Terry of Joshua, Mr. and Mrs. Don Pullig, Jennifer and Monica, Mr. and Mrs. Lisa Parker of Floydada all visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Stephens.

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NEWS AROUND ROTAN
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Hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving, and now that the holiday spirit is with us all, and Christmas is just around the corner, I'm hoping for you all that you will receive many blessings and lots of happiness to spring you into the new year that is just ahead of us.

To start our birthdays off for this week we have, Lisa Underhill, Dree Dree Vickers and Mary Barrington on the 1st; on the 2nd, Joyce Smith; on the 3rd, Debbie Mann; on the 4th, Jennifer Martinez and Shannon Hull; on the 5th, D.L. Goodwin and Susan

Cade; and on the 6th, Lester Greenway, Greg Hayes, and Raymond Guzman; and on the 7th, Lavada Jones, J.D. Weathersbee and Helen Hicks. To you I hope all your wishes come true and your special day be filled with joy and love.

For our anniversaries I wish happiness now and for the many years to come. These wishes are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seaton on the 4th; and to Alex and Lois Noles on the 7th.

Olen Cheyne, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hines, from Jayton is at home and in fine condition

after having been in the hospital at Lubbock. Olen had a near fatal heart attack, but with the use now of his new pacemaker says he is feeling better than ever.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Gladson went to Snyder to spend Thanksgiving with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis. Other guests present were Mrs. Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Stipes, Mr. and Mrs. David Davis and their families.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Neal was their grandson from Sweetwater, Bryan Dallas Rogers.

Mrs. Clara Rogers' guests were her sons James from Odessa and Winfred from Sweetwater, and their families.

That's all for this week. May the Lord bless and take care of you.

Hobbs Library Club Has New Book Program

The Hobbs Library Club had a special program for their Thanksgiving celebration on November 23. After a brief business session, conducted by the president, June Martinez, members of the club read selections about Jamestown, the Mayflower and the Pilgrim Fathers.

Those participating in the program were Delores Teel, Judy Cave, Elva Alaniz, June Martinez, Becky Costillo, Julie Martin, and Rosa Soliz.

At the refreshment table decorated with a centerpiece June Martinez served hot tea to twelve members of the club. Mrs. Jimmy Don Hale and Mrs. George Price are sponsors of the club.

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We wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for each act of kindness shown us during Jeanette's recent hospital confinement in Snyder and Lubbock. Thanks so much for the cards,

flowers, gifts, telephone calls, cards, and food brought in. Especially, we want to thank you for your prayers.

May God's richest blessing be with each of you.

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Prices For Cotton Remain At Same Level

Prices offered for cotton were about the same as the last few weeks, perhaps a little lower. Buyers paid 42 to 44 cents per pound for mixed lots. Lower grades and light spots are in strongest demand, but very little cotton was sold. Cottonseed prices continued unchanged, bringing from 60 to 62 dollars per ton.

Ginning activity continues very heavy, with receipts around 8,500 per day. The Abilene Classing Office processed around 52,000 samples last week, bringing the season total to 420,000 samples, compared to 105,000 a year ago. Mr. Manley estimates another 100,000 samples are ginned and on hand at the Classing Office, or enroute to the Classing Office, and believes there may be another 100,000 bales yet to be ginned. The Monday Office, a sub-office of Abilene, has already processed 100,000 samples, and estimate another 25,000 samples. The record production of cotton in this area was 835,000 bales in 1949, but

production areas have changed, and this will probably be discussed in a later release.

Quality of samples classed showed some improvement. Fifty-four percent was white and 45 percent light spotted. Grade 32 was 27 percent; grade 41, 22 percent; grade 31, 20 percent, and grade 42, 15 percent. Only 4 percent was reduced on account of bark or grass. Staple lengths were a little longer with staple 30, 10 percent; staple 31, 43 percent; staple 32, 39 percent; and staple 33 and longer, 8 percent. Micro-naire readings were unchanged with 90 percent in the 3.5 to 4.9 range.

Pressley fiber readings averaged 86,000 per square inch.

Welfare Woes

One in every four welfare families is either ineligible or improperly paid, according to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The welfare error rate was cut—during a recent 30-month government campaign—from 41.1 per cent of all welfare cases to 24.6 per cent.



PRESENTED JACKET: Uta Will, center, foreign exchange student, was presented a Yellowhammer Letter Jacket. Making the presentation was Principal Neil Wright, left, and Head Football Coach and Athletic Director, Don Mullins.



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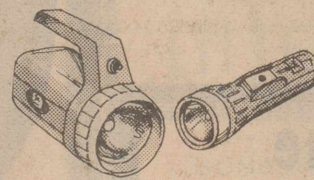
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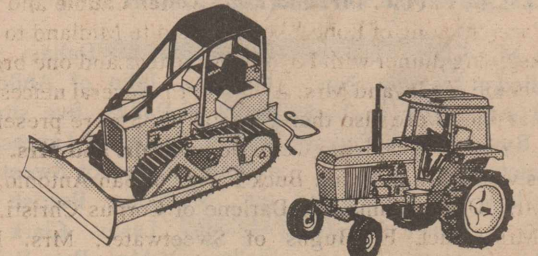
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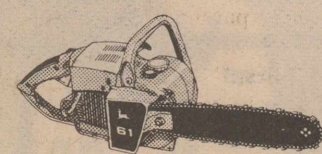
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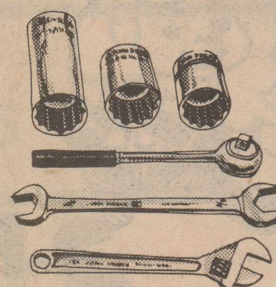


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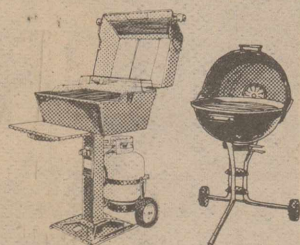


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Funeral Service

P. M. McClure

P.M. (Pete) McClure, 82, of Roby died at 11:30 p.m. Sunday in Fisher County Hospital after a lengthy illness. Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Weathersbee Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. Allan Cartrite, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was in Roby Cemetery.

Born Oct. 12, 1895, in Port, Okla., he was a retired

farmer. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. McClure. He moved with his family from Oklahoma to Fisher County in 1905. He married Opal Brian Feb. 15, 1926, in Roby. He was a veteran of World War I.

Survivors include his wife; and two sisters, Martha Luttrell of Roswell, N.M., and Myrtle Weems of Las Cruces, N.M.

Barton Warren

Services for Barton Keith Warren, 23, of Sweetwater who was killed Thursday night when the car he was in left the road and hit a utility pole, were held at 2 p.m. Saturday in Weathersbee Funeral Home in Rotan, directed by McCoy Funeral Home.

The Rev. Jack Walton, pastor of Longworth Baptist Church, officiated.

Born Aug. 15, 1954, in Hobbs, N.M., he was an employee of Flintkote Co. He married Vickie Sue Oden in

1974 in Sweetwater. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Warren of Claytonville.

Survivors include his wife; his parents; a daughter, Charity Sue; a son, Kevin Keith; three brothers, Stephen, Gil, and Paull, all of Snyder; and his paternal grandmother, Mrs. A.D. Ratliff of Sweetwater.

Pallbearers were Carlos Jones, Randall Jones, Joe Bob Martinez, and Johnny Pepper.

Silas Hughes

Services for Silas Louis Hughes, 22, of Sweetwater and formerly of Claytonville, who was killed Thursday night when he was in left the road and hit a utility pole in Sweetwater, were held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Weathersbee Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. L.D. Parks, pastor of Hobbs Baptist

Church, officiated. Burial was in Hobbs Cemetery.

Born Dec. 20, 1954, in Scurry County, he was an employee of A.B.C. Machine Shop in Sweetwater. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. S.W. Hughes of Claytonville.

Survivors include his parents; a brother, John of Casa Grande, Ariz.; a sister, Mary Molano of Sweetwater.

Fred M. Clark

Fred M. Clark, 50, of Dallas died at his home Nov. 24 at 3 a.m. after a short illness. Burial was in Forest Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Clark was born Feb. 14, 1927 in Fisher County, but had lived most of his life in Dallas where he was a mechanic for Thunderbird Motors.

Survivors include his wife; his mother Mrs. B.E. Clark of Dallas; two sons, Fred Jr. of the Panama Canal Zone, Stephen Rahl; and one

grandchild of Dallas; two brothers, John of Abilene, Eddy of Dallas; five sisters, Bobbie Baston of Lancaster, Bonnie Reeves of Sweetwater, Madeline Parrish of Abilene, Lesby Clark of Dallas and Mrs. Pete Driver of Roby.

Highway Com. To Replace Old Bridges

The State Department of Highways and Public Transportation Commission has approved the 1977 State Bridge Replacement Program according to Roger Welsch, District Engineer of the Abilene District.

In a continuing effort to replace the obsolete bridges on the state's system, the 1977 Bridge Program allots \$30 million to be used for the improvement or replacement of 143 structures.

Many bridges on the selected list will not be fully replaced. Where the supports are adequate, only the

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Card of Thanks

We can not find words adequate to express our love and appreciation for such wonderful people here in our town and community. Our thoughts and love go out to everyone who had a part in making our burden easier to bear in the loss of our loved one, Clayton Weems. We are so grateful for the wonderful food and beautiful flowers, cards, and prayers that were said in our behalf.

It is our prayer the Lord will bless and keep you in his loving care as you have cared for others. May God's richest blessings be with each of you, is our loving prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Weems
The Clayton Weems family

ROBY COLUMN Continued From Page 6

Visiting with Mrs. Joe Morris over the holiday weekend were Bill and Natalie Gibbins of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. James Lay, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Holliday, Tommy Wayne and Tonya of Snyder, and Mike Roberts of Rotan.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Warren had visiting in their home over the weekend Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Warren and family of Granbury, Mr. and Mrs. M.D. Warren and family of Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones and family of Lovington, N.M., Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hendrix and family of Ft. Hood, Davey Warren had his leg in a cast after pulling his ligaments at a skating party.

The Roby Basketball teams will participate in a tournament at Trent this week end, with the first game against Rotan Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Donham, Todd and Shawn traveled to Houston to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pope and family and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny McKelvey and Amber. "Life is fragile-handle with prayer".
God bless you, see you next week.

Angie Soliz Fund Started To Aid Locals

Angie Soliz, age 10 of Rotan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Soliz, suffered a ruptured appendix approximately seven weeks ago, and is steadily improving at the Fisher County Hospital.

A special "Angie Soliz Fund" has been established at the First National Bank to help family members reduce a hospital bill that exceeds \$4,000.00, not counting doctor bills.

The fund has been established by Father John Hoorman of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Rotan. Members of the St. Joseph's Altar Society have scheduled a benefit dance for Angie Soliz on Saturday, December 3, at 9:00 p.m. at the Rotan Community Center.

Fisher County residents interested in assisting the Soliz family are asked to make contributions direct to the First National Bank fund or mail contributions to Father John Hoorman, P.O. Box 456, Rotan, Texas 79546.



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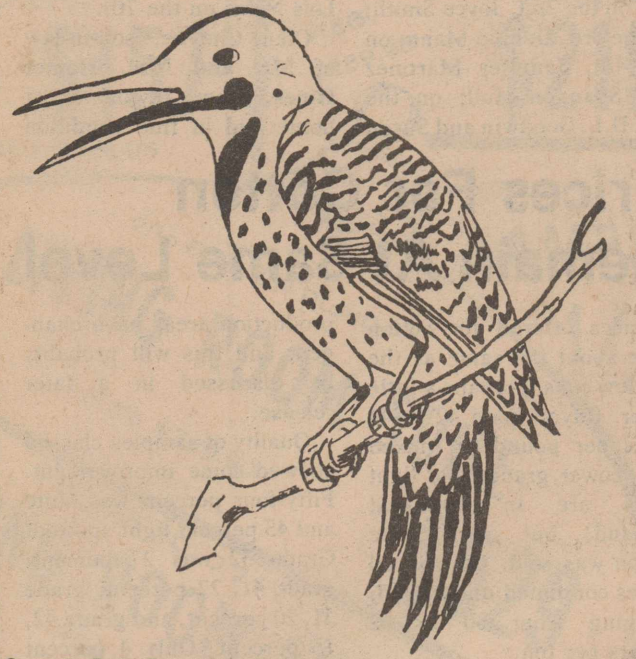
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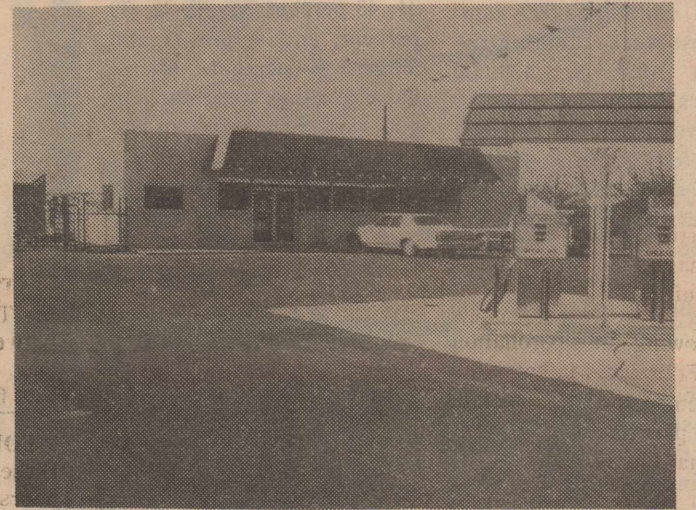
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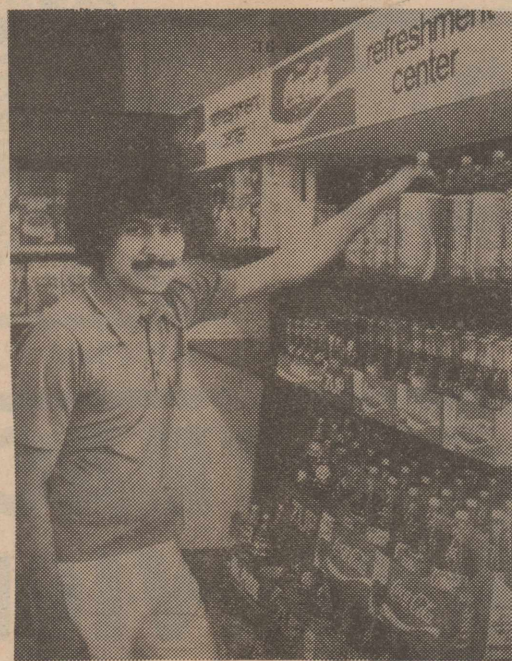
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Inside The Lion's Den

By Mickey McCarty

Roby Lions basketball team consists of 17 players: two seniors, Ricky King and Brad Stuart who were elected captains and were both All District last year; three juniors, Brad Wilburn, Timmy Morton, and Clay Smith; five sophomores, Greg Jennings, Britt tuart, Shelby Thompson, Tony Terry, and Denny Cox; and seven freshmen, James Streety, Scott Thomson, Mark Pope, John Morgeson, Gordon Maberry, Joe Guelker, and Kenny Martin.

The Lions are now 2-1 beating Old Glory twice and losing to Lueders Avoca.

The Lions are entered in the Trent Tournament this weekend and the first game is Thursday at 3:30 against Rotan.

*** The Boys are off to a good start, winning their first two games against Old Glory.

They won their Friday night game against Old Glory at Roby by a score of 39-36. Ricky King was the leading scorer with 16 points and Brad Stuart added 12 points. Our shooting is still not up to par, but that is to be expected with only two

weeks of practice. I am pleased with the way our defense is coming around. We are now playing man to man after years of playing zone. The boys are doing a good job of adjusting to the new offense and defense I have installed.

They are working hard and have a good attitude toward the basketball season. I am looking forward to a very exciting year and appreciate your fine support.

Fisher County Hospital News

Admitted to Fisher County Hospital Nov. 22-28, 1977.

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Hobbs Students Finish Reading Program For MS

Hobbs School students from grades one to seven recently completed the Read-a-thon program of the Multiple Sclerosis Society. All those participating have received citation certificates. Two students were given special recognition for having read the most books (tie), Lisa Alaniz and Melanie Weathers. These two third grade students of Mrs. Neva Phillips were awarded Ms T-shirts.

Also, a name from each class participating was drawn by the MS representative in Lubbock. Those receiving T-shirts were: Paige Stroman, first grade; Jennifer Nettleton, second grade; Paul Hyer, third grade; Magnalena Ozuna, fourth grade; Darlene Teel, fifth grade; Billie Martin, seventh grade.

The students collected \$54.00. The Library Club sponsored the project.

ELMER MARTIN

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and I feel that my farming-ranching business and my family now deserve my full attention.

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"I will serve you to the best of my ability until the end of my current term, and after January 1, 1979, the date I leave office, I will continue to maintain a keen interest in the affairs of State Government and in the welfare of this fine West Texas area.

"All of you will forever have the esteem, love and best wishes of my wife Billie and me."

Lisa Lanell Gruben, Danny Brown To Wed

Troy and Nora Gruben of Roby announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Lisa Lanell, to Danny Wayne Brown of

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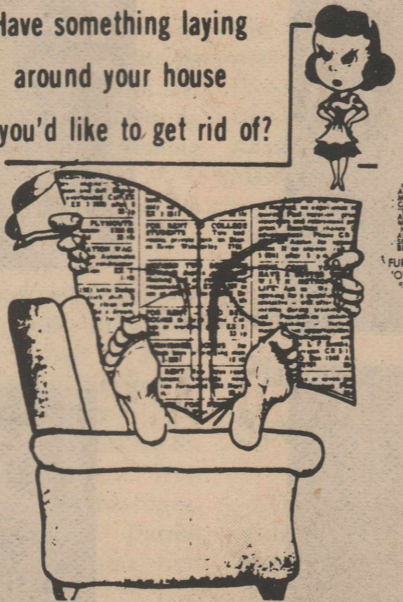
Following the coronation Miss Edington will carry the Hesston Corporation flag in each performance of the National Finals Rodeo.

Attending the coronation will be her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Edington of Cross Plains, and her sister, Mrs. James Branch of Rotan.



MAKES TWO POINTS: Ginger Duke, center in white, makes two points in a game last week as Charee Smith, left, backs her up for a possible rebound.

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GARAGE SALE: Thurs., Friday and Saturday, 805 E. 6th. Come early, antique dishes, bottles and other items; lots of junk. 42-1tc

NOTICE: House cleaning wanted. Contact Carol Seaton, 805 N. Cleveland, \$2.50 hour. 40-4tp

FOR SALE: 1280 acres pasture land in Kent County. Call Jake Watson, 817-325-8047, Mineral Wells, Texas. 42-4tc

NOTICE: Anhydrous ammonia now available in Fisher County. See or call W.J. Coffman phone 735-2066. 41-22tp

FOR SALE: Thornton's Sales and Service, located at 107 Forrest St. Combination radiator shop, garage, new and used parts, stock complete. Purchase business and stock and rent building, or will sell complete. Call J.C. Thornton 915-735-2445 or 915-735-3493. 41-tfc

FOR SALE: 1957 Chev. 2-door hardtop, 94,000 actual miles, original condition, \$1,395.00. Also, 1974 Yamaha motorcycle 100 cc, \$250.00. Call 776-2558, Mark Mahaffey. 37-tfc

NOTICE: Drug abuse and alcoholism education and information consultation and referral agency. Tri-County Council on Alcoholism, Scurry, Mitchell and Fisher Counties. 118 E. Hwy., 573-3233, Snyder, Tex. 24 hour service. 23-tff

CERAMICS: Finished products, greenware, paints, Old Mexico pots, light fixtures, wrought iron, at What-Not, across from City Hall, Roby. 40-tfc

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Rotan 42-2tp

FOR SALE: '75 Toyota pickup, good condition, good gas mileage. 35,000 miles. Call 735-2993 Rotan or 235-1341, Sweetwater. 41-tfc

FOR SALE: Large pool table, needs some repair. Call 776-2542. 41-1tp

FOR SALE: 8 ft. windmill, Aero-8. This is a good windmill, \$500.00. Also, new power saw. Mrs. Preston Morrow. 42-1tc

NOTICE: Representative of Higginbottom Fur Co. will be in Roby every Thursday beginning Dec. 8 throughout fur season, at Roby Phillips 66 Cafe, 2:30 to 3 p.m. Cross Plains, 817-725-7350. 42-8tc

FOR SALE: Marie's Art Studio. Owner retiring. Will sell store complete or sell just supplies. With or without fixtures. If you are interested call Marie Phillips 735-2827. 38-tfc

WANTED: Your Butane and Propane Business. Call 735-3378. Ned's Fuel Service Rotan. 17-tfc

FOR SALE: Christmas puppies, Pekingese, also macrame pot hangers and hanging tables for gift giving. Call 735-3355. 42-1tp

WOULD LIKE TO BUY: Calf table, work 450 to 500 lbs. Call Billie Joe McCombs 735-3304. 42-1tc

ATTENTION HUNTERS & TRAPPERS

Fur buyer will be in Rotan at Trails Inn Restaurant each Saturday from 7:30 a.m. till 8:00 a.m. beginning December 3.

We buy green and dry furs of all kinds. Skin case all fur (like opposums), not open up the middle. We also buy deer hides. Well handled furs bring Top Prices.

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FOR SALE: Triticale planting seed, 50 lb. bags \$4.00 each. Call Jim O'Briant 735-2376. 29-tfc

FOR SALE: 1976 AMC Pacer Deluxe, 258 6 cycle engine, 30,000 actual miles, AM radio, radial tires, rear window defogger and wiper, plus other extras. See at Smith Truck and Tractor Garage, Roby. Call 776-2390 or 776-2143 after 6 p.m. 36tc

NEED BABY SITTER: To keep small child in your home, Roby or Rotan. Call 776-2609. 42-1tc

LOST

Billfold in/ or in front of Randolph Grocery in Roby. Finder please return all papers and cards, keep money. No questions asked. Drop papers and cards in post office to Harry T. [Tracy] King, Box 204, Roby, Texas 79543. 42-1tc

NOTICE Hunters and Trappers

Big Demand for coon and other furs. Fur company buyer will be in Rotan from 10:00 till 10:30 ever Friday in December and January at caution light, south of School, and in Roby from 9:15 till 9:45 at the Old Chevron Truck Stop. Your buyer is Vernon Hayden, phone 817-559-3584. Coyotes and Bobcats last Friday in November.

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FOR SALE: By owner the former home of Jessie Ray Hicks, 508 E. Snyder, Rotan. Call 735-3110 for appointment. 37-tfc

FOR SALE: 1974 Pontiac Grand Ville, clean, one owner, 55,000 miles, full power, air, electric windows and seats, AM-FM tape. Randy Murphree 915-735-3400, Rotan. 40-tfc

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NOTICE: Will do combining, cutting and hauling. Call or see Harvey Dowell, 962-5441 at McCaulley. 27-tfc

MONUMENTS AND CEMETERY CURBING: J.B. Smith, 308 E. 4th St., Rotan, Texas call 735-3290. 22tfc

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FALL PARTY: See our fall line of party supplies, cups, napkins, candles, candle rings, centerpieces. By Ambassador, of course. The Newspaper Office 735-2562. 32-tfc

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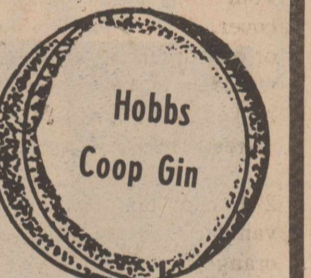
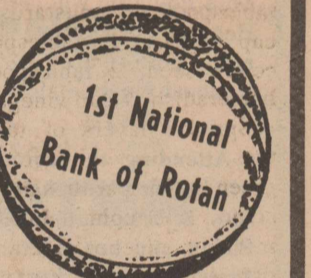
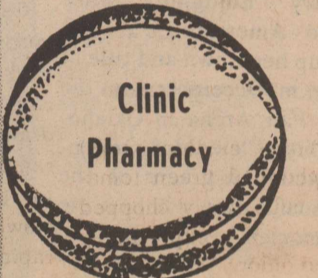
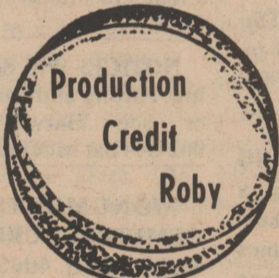
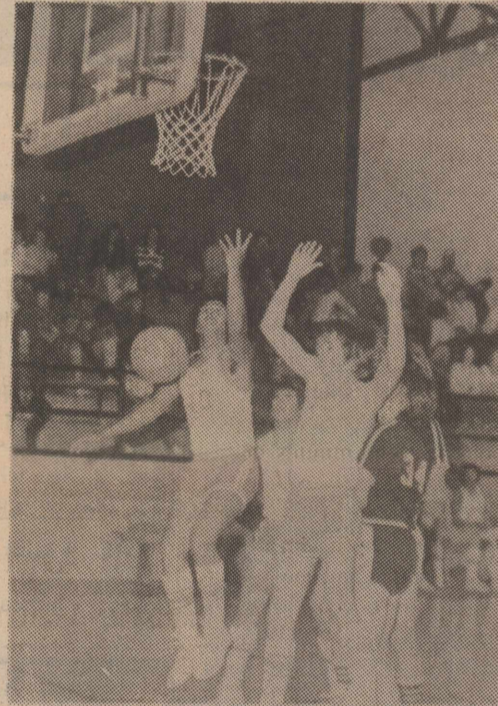
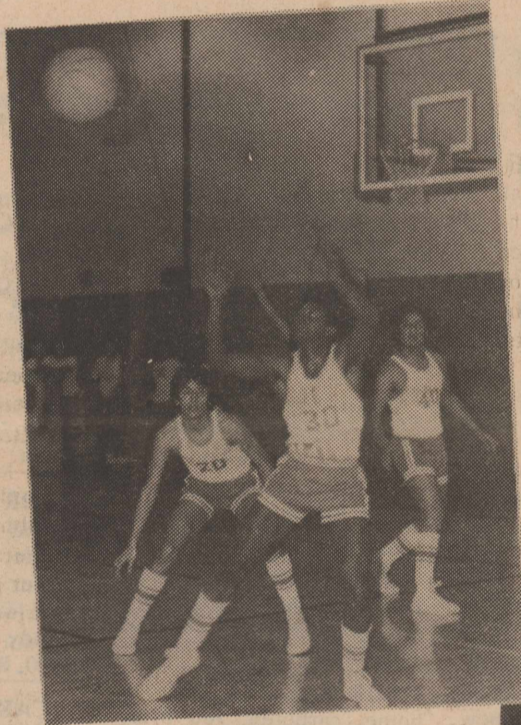
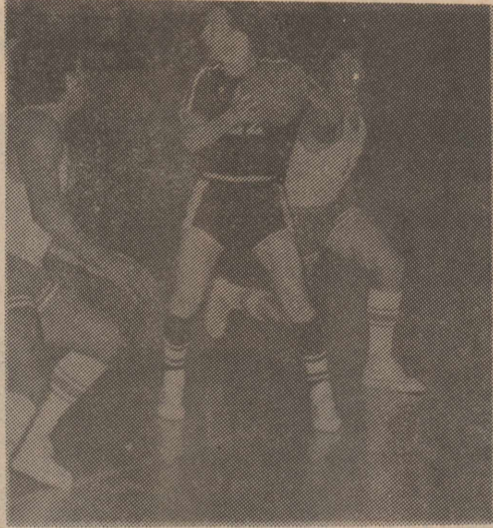
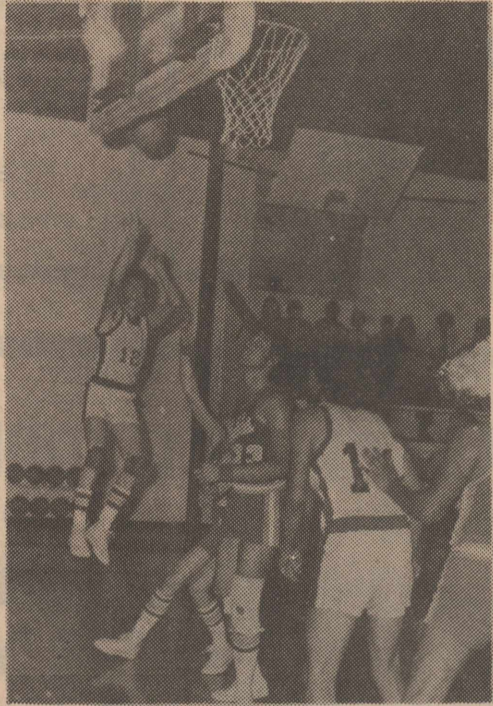
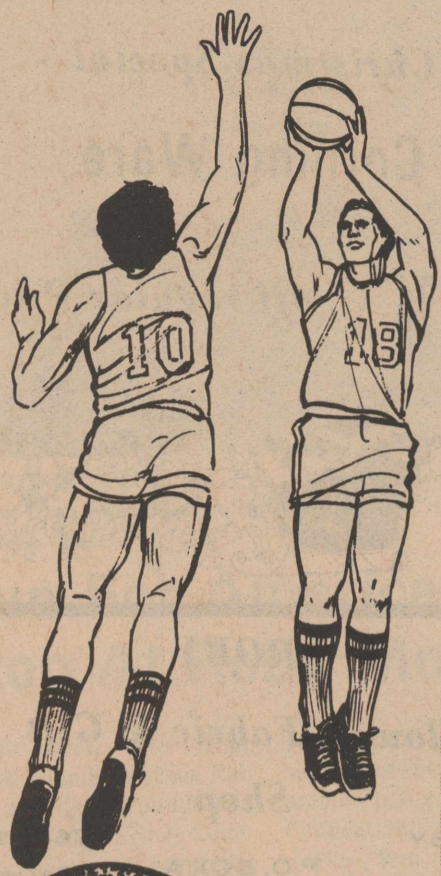
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THIS WEEK'S ROTAN BASKETBALL GAME

HIGH SCHOOL

Dec. 1, 2, 3 Trent Tournament V-Girls V-Boys
Dec. 5 Snyder There JV-Girls, V-Girls 5:00
Dec. 6 Hawley There JV-Girls, JV-Boys, 5:00
V-G V-Boys

JUNIOR HIGH

Dec. 1 Colorado City There 7, 8, 9th 5:00
Girls Boys
Dec. 8 Sweetwater There 7,8,&9 Girls 5:00
Dec. 8 Stamford There 7,8,9th Boys 5:00

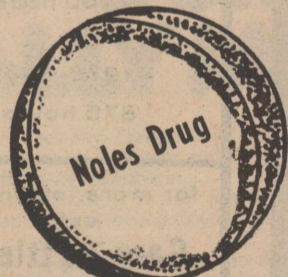
THIS WEEK'S HOBBS BASKETBALL GAME

HIGH SCHOOL

Dec. 1, 2, 3 Trent Tournament
Dec. 6 Leuders-Avooca There Girls and Boys 7:00

JUNIOR HIGH

Dec. 5 McCaulley Home Girls and Boys 6:30



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THIS WEEK'S ROBY BASKETBALL GAME

HIGH SCHOOL

Dec. 1, 2, 3 Trent Tournament A Boys, A Girls
Dec. 6 Haskell Home A Boys A&B Girls 5:00

JUNIOR HIGH

Dec. 5 Hawley Home A&B Boys 4:00
A&B Girls

THIS WEEK'S McCAULEY BASKETBALL GAME

HIGH SCHOOL

Dec. 1, 2, 3 Divide Tournament, Boys and Girls
Dec. 6 Ira There Boys and Girls 6:30

JUNIOR HIGH

Nov. 30, Dec. 1,3 Paint Creek Tournament
Dec. 5 Hobbs There 6:30

County Extension Agent

Home Economics
By Alice Ballenger

776-2171 Court House Roby, Texas

Green tomatoes add variety to meals and are nutritious. Vitamin C content is about the same as for fresh tomatoes and about half as much Vitamin A.

Sterilize jars and caps when canning food in the water bath canner if they are processed less than 15 minutes. To sterilize, place in warm water and bring to a boil. Boil for 15 to 20 minutes.

Try these recipes for preserving green tomatoes and for using them fresh.

Green Tomato Relish
6 quarts (about 36-40 medium sized) chopped green tomatoes; 1/4 cup salt; 1 1/2 quarts chopped onion; 3 cups chopped green pepper; 1 1/2 cups chopped red sweet pepper; 3 cups sugar; 1 1/2 quarts vinegar; 2 tablespoons whole mixed pickle spices.

Mix tomatoes and salt thoroughly. Let stand overnight; drain. Combine with chopped onions, green and red peppers, sugar and vinegar. Put spices loosely in a thin, white cloth; tie top tightly and add to tomato mixture. Bring mixture to boil; boil gently with spices for 1 1/2 hours or until thickened, stirring frequently. Remove spice bag. Pour relish into hot, sterilized jars and seal with sterilized caps. Place in boiling water bath for 5 minutes. Remove and cool on rack. Store in a cool, dry, dark place. Makes about 6 pints.

Uncooked Green Tomato Chow Chow

1 quart (6-7 medium sized) finely chopped green tomatoes; 3 cups finely chopped cabbage; 1/2 cup finely chopped onion; 1/2 cup finely chopped green pepper; 1 tablespoon dry mustard; 1/2 cup sugar; 1 tablespoon celery seed, 2 tablespoons horseradish, 1 cup vinegar.

Sprinkle layers of tomatoes, cabbage, onion and green pepper with salt; let stand overnight. In the morning, squeeze vegetables dry. Add other ingredients. Pour into clean jars and cover. Keep in refrigerator or other place as cold, relish will keep from 2 to 3 weeks. Makes about 1 quart.

Green Tomato Mincemeat

Fruit Cake
2/3 cup fat, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 2 tablespoons grated orange rind, 1 cup sugar, 1/3 cup marmalade or jelly, 3 eggs, 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon soda, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 3 cups green tomato mincemeat, 1 cup chopped nut meats, 2 1/2 cups flour.

Blend together the fat, vanilla, and orange rind. Gradually add sugar and marmalade, creaming well after each addition. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each. Sift together the flour, baking powder, soda and salt. Add alternately with the mincemeat to the creamed mixture, beginning and ending with dry ingredients. Add nut meats. Pour

Secret Pals Hold Luncheon At Co-Op

The annual Thanksgiving luncheon of the Secret Pal Club was held recently at the Mid-west Electric Coop in Roby.

Members attending from Rotan were Mmes. J.R. Herron, Earl Holcomb, W.R. (Opal) Burch, Joe Henry, Mrs. Verna Mae McCombs, Mrs. Bertha Allen, Pauline Helms, Clara Rogers and Laura Myers.

Members attending from Roby were Ludie Harris and Mmes. O.D. Knox, John Palmer, Joe Morris, Tracy King, Frank Beauchamp, Clyde Farrar, Marvin Ashley, Joe Ballenger, Floyd Woods and Mrs. J.R. McAnally of Kermit.

into greased 7/8 inch tube pan or a loaf pan. Bake in a slow oven, 325 deg. F., 1 1/2 hours. Cool 1/2 hour before removing from the pan. If desired, use 2 cups mincemeat and 1 cup raisins in place of the 3 cups mincemeat.

Green Tomato Meat Stew
1 pound chuck, cubed; 1 teaspoon salt; pepper; 4 tablespoons flour; 2 tablespoons fat (beef fat may be used); 1/2 onion, chopped; 3/4 cups water; 3 medium sized green tomatoes; 2 cups cubed potatoes; 1 1/2 cups sliced carrots.

Roll meat in mixture of salt, pepper and 2 tablespoons of the flour. Brown in the fat. Add onion, cook until lightly browned. Pour in 2 cups of the water, cover and simmer about 1 hour or until meat is almost tender. Wash, remove stem ends, and quarter the tomatoes; add with potatoes, carrots and 1 cup water to the meat. Cover and cook until vegetables and meat are tender. Add more water as needed. Blend remaining 2 tablespoons flour with the 1/4 cup water; add to stew, and cook until slightly thickened. Makes 6 servings.

Green Tomato Marmalade
3 quarts (18-20 medium sized) sliced green tomatoes; 6 cups sugar; 1 teaspoon salt; 6 lemons; 1 cup water.

Combine tomatoes, sugar and salt. Peel lemons. Slice peel very thin; boil in the 1 cup water 5 minutes and drain. Slice lemon pulp and remove seeds. Add with rind to tomato mixture. Heat slowly to boiling; then cook rapidly, stirring constantly, for about 45 to 60 minutes or until thickened. Pour into hot sterilized jars. Seal. Place in boiling water bath for 5 minutes. Remove and cool on rack. Store in a cool, dry, dark place. Makes about 6 pints.

Curry of Meat With Green Tomatoes

1 onion, sliced; 3 tablespoons meat drippings or other fat; 1 quart sliced green tomatoes; 3 cups chopped, cooked meat; 1 or 2 teaspoons curry powder; salt.

Cook the onions in the fat. Add green tomatoes, cover and cook until tender. Add meat and heat thoroughly. If the mixture is too thick, thin it slightly with meat broth, gravy or water. Season to taste with curry powder and salt. Serve with flaky boiled rice or noodles. Makes 6 servings.

News

Guests of Miss Dudley Hambright were Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Hambright of Wichita, Kansas; Marby Hambright of Wichita Agricultural University, Manhattan, Kansas; John F. Hambright IV, of Kansas State, Wichita, Kansas; the family of Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Hambright, Fort Worth; the family of Mrs. J.R. Moore of Abilene including Mr. and Mrs. John Holloman of Victoria and daughter Susan of Victoria College, Jeff Holloman was absent due to appearing at the Texas tech game; the family of Mrs. G. Allen, Dickinson; Mr. Allan of Las Vegas, Nev.; Mr. and Mrs. Royce Fincher, Royce Jr. and Renee of Apton, Calif.; Dr. and Mrs. George Dickil, Scott and Georgia and Nancy Dickil of Judson College, Marian, Ala.; the family of Mrs. C.S. Thompson, C.S. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Thompson, C.J. Melissea and Jenny of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. George Lederer, Leslie and Ashley of Houston; Mrs. V.B. Holliman, Sarah Lee and Mrs. Beth Geiger of Abilene; Mrs. Gladys Wren and Christopher of Houston; Mrs. G.A. Conley of Sweetwater; Mrs. G.D. Dickie and Winston of Woodson.

Mrs. Burk Hosts Center HDC Meeting

Mrs. Willard Burk was hostess when the Center Home Demonstration Club met for the annual Thanksgiving luncheon Thursday, Nov. 17.

"Thanksgiving" was read by Mrs. Burk and a program was given by Mrs. Lynn Randolph before the luncheon.

Mrs. J.T. Mahaffey presented a good program on the Five C's in Crisis, stating death and divorce were the leading emotional crises in life today. The Five C's are critique, contend, communicate, cope, conquer. The emotional state presents a turning point, creates a need, shock first then reality, but to face the problem, get to the root of it. Communicate and soon, usually by helping yourself bring relief, you will be able to cope and eventually conquer your crisis.

After the presentation of the program, an auction sale was held with buyer and seller getting together, most items were hand made or home grown, all were donated, with proceeds going to the club fund to defray expenses for the year.

Money is sent to the State School in Abilene for Christmas for the patients there.

Those attending the affair were Miss Dudley Hambright and Merry Lou Fuller, visitors; and the following members, Mrs. Lynn Randolph, Mrs. Howard Noles, Mrs. Forest Tefieller, Mrs. B.K. Newhouse, Mrs. Rex Kemp, Mrs. Joe Ballenger, Mrs. Willie Lake, Nina Cave, Mrs. Preston Campbell, Aurora Martinez, Mrs. James Cave, Mrs. Z.H. Anderson, Mrs. J.T. Mahaffey, Mrs. Fred Waddell and Mrs. Willard Burk.

Roby Cubs Lose In 7th And 8th Grade Games

The Roby 7th grade boys lost a hard fought game to the much taller Hawley Bearcats. Hawley is the best and biggest 7th grade team we have played. The final score was Hawley 22, Roby 16. Kirk Williamson was the leading scorer for Roby with 10 points.

The 8th grade boys also lost to a good and big Hawley team by the score of 47-7. The 8th grade did show some improvement. Hawley will defeat a lot of teams.

Robert Allen was the leading scorer for Roby with 4 points.

Next game is against Hawley at Hawley, Dec. 5, starting at 4:00 with four games on tap.

County Staging Christmas Program Dec. 7

Fisher County Homemakers are invited to a Christmas program Wednesday, December 7, at 2:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Courthouse Annex in Roby.

Becky Ponder, Home Economist for West Texas utilities Company will present the program on Christmas gifts ideas and foods.

Miss Ponder says this is a program that working women might like to come see on their coffee break as it is about a thirty minute program.

All homemakers are invited to attend regardless of race, color, socioeconomic levels, sex, religion or national origin.

The new Department of Energy has a budget of \$10.4 billion. Federal regulation of energy costs exceeds the value of the annual Texas crude oil output by about \$1 billion. Cost to U.S. taxpayers is equal to a tax of \$3.51 for each barrel of oil produced in the U.S. in 1976.

COUNTY AGENT

BY RICHARD SPENCER

Brucellosis continues to be a major problem in Texas cattle herds. As of Oct. 1, there were 2,785 quarantined herds owned by 2,390 individuals. Why does brucellosis continue to be such a serious problem?

The reasons are: Lack of

immunity in breeding herds. This can be strengthened by a continuing program of calfood vaccination of all beef and dairy heifers using Strain 19 brucella abortus vaccine.

Failure to separate "heavy springers" and calving animals from the breeding herd.

The disease is spread more frequently when a reactor animal aborts or during calving.

Failure to test the complete herd on each test. Testing only the cattle in the same pasture where a reactor is found is not adequate if other cattle on the ranch are not tested. Unrecognized reactors may continue to spread the disease.

Failure to separate or isolate test reactors or aborting animals from the herd at the earliest opportunity. Reactors and those animals aborting because of brucellosis can continue to spread the disease.

Failure to isolate and retest purchased replacements before adding to the herd. One test is not enough if the source of cattle is not free of brucellosis.

Failure to retest quarantine herds at the proper time interval.

Unless producers pay closer attention to ridding their herds of brucellosis, the disease will continue to cause serious problems.

Sixty Plus Club Schedules December Meet

The Sixty-Plus Club is scheduled to meet December 7, at the R.E.A. Reddy Room in Roby.

The meeting will be from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Lunch will be served. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Nat. Gyp Sets Third Quarter 1977 Dividend

National Gypsum's Company's sales, net earnings and earnings per share for the third quarter of 1977 were the highest for any quarter in the company's 52-year history, William M. North, chairman, reported.

Third quarter net earnings rose 37 percent to \$13.2 million, or \$.81 a share. This compared with 1976 third quarter period of \$9.6 million or \$.59 a share. Sales for the quarter were \$211.4 million, a 22 percent increase from sales of \$173.4 million a year ago.

Net earnings for the nine months increased 34 percent to \$27.4 million, or \$1.68 a share, which matched 1976's full year per share earnings.

back, Lee Jack Tippin, Paducah.

Second Team: Center, Joe Nelson, Munday; Guards, James Jackson, Knox City, Terry Daniels, Rotan; Tackles, Ray Weathersbee, Rotan, David Diggs, Aspermont; Ends, Tommy Mayberry, Hamlin, Nati Escobedo, Haskell; Wide Receiver, Frank Lane, Hamlin; Running Backs, Weldon Jones, Paducah, Mike Hymer, Hamlin, Robert Morales, Rotan, Steve Godfrey, Aspermont. Quarterback, Rex Pittman, Haskell.

Those receiving honorable mention from Rotan were: End, Mark Henderon, Donny Mullins; Quarterback, David Posey; Guard, Robert Posey.

Brown Insects Indicate Pantry Pests In Kitchen

The appearance of small brown beetles or small moths in the kitchen or in other food storage areas of the home are probably indicators the presence of pantry pests. Most of the beetles which are reddish-brown to black are from 1/16 to 3/8 inch long. Pale gray to dark gray moths are about 1/4 inch long. These insects will continue to show up until the infestation is located and control measures are applied.

There are about 18 different insects that infest various household foods. These pantry pests will establish infestations in foods made of cereal grain, such as breakfast cereals, bread and macaroni, as well as dried fruit, nuts, dry pet food, cornmeal, seeds and chocolate. Even spices and tobacco products may also be infested.

When an infested package is left in the pantry for months the beetles or moths escape to search for food; spreading the infestation. These pests are able to enter uninfested food containers through extremely small cracks.

When the beetles or moths are observed a search should be made of all stored foods. Heavily infested food stuffs should be removed and destroyed. Infested material that is still useable should be heated in a shallow container at 160 deg. F. for 1/2 hour or frozen at 0 Deg. F. for 4 days. After heat or freeze treatment store food stuff in an air tight container.

The cabinets and the cupboard should be cleaned thoroughly. Special attention should be paid to cracks and crevices where pests could develop.

When pantry pests are distributed throughout the cupboard it may be necessary to apply an insecticide. After thoroughly cleaning apply sprays containing malathion or baygon to the walls and underside of cupboard shelves. Mix and apply according to the directions given on the label. Cover the sprayed area well but do not spray to the point of run-off. When spraying pay particular attention to cracks and crevices.

Food stuffs should be inspected periodically for pantry pests. When infestations are detected early removal of the infested package may be all that is required to obtain control of these pests.

Hammers Nail Down All District Slots

The Rotan Yellowhammers nailed down four second-team positions on the 1977 District 7A All District roster, and a total of six honorable mentions, according to selections by the district coaches.

Senior Terry Daniel was named to the Second Team All District Squad at the offensive guard spot. Ray Weathersbee was named to the Second Team tackle spot, and Robert Morales was the Second Team running back.

On defense, Donny Mullins was named to the Second Team defensive end position.

Four Yellowhammers received honorable mention for offensive performances: Mark Henderson, Jr. at end; Donny Mullins, Sr. at end; David Posey, Jr. at quarterback; and Robert Posey, Jr. at guard.

On the defense, Ray Weathersbee and Terry Daniel got honorable mention for play at the linebacker spots.

The full list of all district players is as follows:

First Team, Defense: Linemen, Oran Carroll, Crowell, Tommy Mangus, Knox City; Ends, Larry Welch, Munday, Billy Rekieta, Paducah; Linebackers, Ronnie Hise (Unanimous Choice), Haskell, Stewart Burns, Paducah, Ronnie Phillips (Unanimous Choice), Munday; Secondary, Weldon Jones, Paducah, Tony Myers, Munday, Robert Rodriguez, Haskell, Tommy Mayberry, Hamlin.

Second team, defense: Linemen, Amando Benavides, Haskell, Daniel Adams, Munday; Ends, F.D. Mullins, Rotan, David Counts, Knox City; Linebackers, Jimmy Cook, Munday, Richard Amaro, Haskell, Mike Daniels, Crowell; Secondary, Alvin Johnson, Aspermont; Don Johnston, Crowell, Mike Hymer, Hamlin, Don Matney, Paducah.

Those receiving honorable mention were Linebackers Ray Weathersbee and Terry Daniel, Rotan.

First team offense: Center Chris Colbert, Haskell; Guards, Ronnie Phillips, Munday, Randle Russell, Crowell; Tackles, Terry Luedtke, Paducah, Mark Counts, Knox City; Ends, Dwayne, Rishman, Crowell, Stewart Burns, Paducah; Wide Receiver, Bruce Enriquez, Haskell; Running Backs, Ronnie Hise (Unanimous Choice), Haskell, Jimmy Browning, Haskell, C.B. Sparkman, Crowell; Quarter-

HIGHWAY BRIDGES

Continued From page 8
bridge deck will be replaced and/or widened. No additional right of way will be required in this program.

Bridges in the Abilene District include:

Borden Co., FM 669-Colorado River Bridge, 5.5 miles North of FM 1785.

Fisher County, FM 611, Buffalo Creek, 0.6 miles South of US 180.

Jones Co., FM 600, Clear Fork Brazos River, 5.6 miles South of US 180; US 83, Clear Fork Brazos River, 6.5 miles North of Taylor County Line; FM 1082, Clear Fork Brazos River, 0.6 miles East of FM 600.

Taylor Co., US 84, Buffalo Creek, 3.5 miles South of FM 604 at Lawn; US 84, Buffalo Creek, 3.3 miles South East of Lawn.

Linda Vann In W.T.C. Queen's Court Dec. 3

Linda Vann of Rotan will be presented as a member of the Queen's court at the Western Texas College Homecoming on Saturday, December 3.

Homecoming Queen is Kathleen Utsman, freshman from Colorado City.

The presentation of the Queen and her court will take place at the half of the Westerner basketball game starting at 8 p.m. in the Scurry County Coliseum. The women's team, the Dusters, will play at 6 p.m. Both WTC teams will be hosting McMurry College.

Homecoming activities will get underway with

registration at 10 a.m. in the Student Center. A barbecue is planned from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., with a pep rally in the gym starting at 1 p.m. All exes and friends of the college are invited to attend Homecoming, the second to be held at WTC. Tickets for the basketball games will be on sale at the coliseum.

Other members of the Queen's Court, all nominees for the Homecoming Queen title, are Frankie Ellis of Sweetwater, Becky Westbrook of Kermit, Patricia Edwards of Girard, and Stacy Hoover of Spur, and Barbara Brooks and Rachel Phillips of Snyder.

Social Security At High In County Funds

Social Security benefits were being paid to residents of Fisher County at the rate of \$233,102 a month at the start of 1977, according to Dlyn Hammons, social security manager in Abilene.

Social Security benefits can be paid to retired persons age 62 and over, to workers who become severely disabled before age 65, and to survivors of deceased workers.

Monthly social security checks are also paid to certain dependents of a worker who had retired, become disabled or died.

Of the 1,382 social security beneficiaries living in Fisher

County, 727 are retired workers and 69 are disabled workers. Another 220 persons are receiving benefits as the wives or husbands of retired or disabled workers. Widows, widowers and dependent parents of deceased workers number 228.

In Fisher County, 358 people under age 65 and 1,024 people age 65 and older are receiving monthly social security benefits. Of total beneficiaries, 532 are men, 712 are women and 138 are children.

In the eleven county area served by the Abilene Social Security Office, 38,409 people are receiving monthly benefits totalling \$6,751,292.

Senator Ray Farabee Discussing Hospitals

State Senator Ray Farabee has contacted the federal Health Resources Administration in protest of proposed HEW guidelines.

In submitting his statement, Farabee said, "it is important that those responsible for proposing standards understand the needs of smaller cities and rural communities."

"It is not always possible for a patient to be transported to a larger city for treatment. You don't always know when you will need hospital treatment as a result of a heart attack or an accident. Hospitals and other health care facilities should not be eliminated in the same areas which are producing the food, fiber and energy that are so vital to the remainder of the country", Farabee continued.

In urging HEW to consider

these factors before adopting any proposed guidelines, Farabee said, "persons in these less populous areas deserve the same quality of health care as their counterparts in larger cities. Facilities in many of these communities have been built by the people through great personal effort and expense in an attempt to meet critical needs."

Farabee said that he hopes the response from areas such as the 30th District will help preserve the existing medical facilities in smaller towns and cities.

The average price of natural gas paid Texas producers in 1977 was 83 cents per thousand cubic feet, State Comptroller Bob Bullock reports.



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