

Savings To Taxpayers of Nearly \$40,000 Cited As Reason

Appraisal Board Hires Kathy Smith To Replace Holcomb

The Fisher County Appraisal Board, by another 3-2 vote, this time in the presence of approximately 65 visitors went on record last Monday night to hire Kathy Smith, employee of Robert Buck's tax-assessor collector office, as the chief appraiser effective January 1, 1983. Her salary is to be \$350.00 a month.

The board released a statement to the visitors present at the meeting showing how approximately \$39,628.00 a year could be saved by Fisher County taxpayers. The substance of the statement indicates that present salaries for the chief appraiser and 3 employees amounts to approximately \$45,000.00 a year. Under

the approved new plan voted on by the appraisal board the new chief appraiser (Kathy Smith) will receive \$4,200 a year and her three employees would receive an additional total amount of \$9,000 a year, collectively. This reflects an approximate savings of \$32,000 in salaries.

The pretence to the whole

new plan, according to Jay Hendon, is that Kathy Smith continue to work at

"I Believe That The Board Went Against The Wishes of the Taxpayers of Fisher County"

Julius Decker

the Fisher County Tax-Assessor Collector office, continue to receive her normal salary, but get an additional \$350.00 a month to act as Chief Appraiser. It's apparent that Kathy Smith intends on hiring the other three girls that work in Buck's office, pay them \$250.00 a month extra to assist in Appraisal District work.

The Fisher County Appraisal Board after

meeting in open session for approximately an hour and fielding questions from visitors concerning their plans, went into a closed meeting for 55 minutes to eventually review applicants for the appraisers job. When the board re-convened in open session Jay Hendon made a motion to hire Kathy Smith as the Fisher County Chief appraiser, his motion seconded by Yoke Fleming. Board members Hendon, Fleming and Clay Fowler voted in favor of hiring Kathy Smith while board members Larry McClain and Kyle Moore voted against hiring her.

Kyle Moore assured those present that he knew nothing of the proposed plan to hire Kathy Smith before last Tuesday night's meeting.

The official action of the board (by a vote of 3-2) was to name Kathy Smith as Chief Appraiser. Kathy Smith is a Deputy in the office of Fisher County Tax Assessor Collector Robert Buck's office and draws approximately \$9,000 a year in that capacity. She has agreed to take an additional \$4,000 a year from the Fisher County Appraisal District in the capacity of Chief Appraiser.

The other three employees in Buck's office, have apparently agreed to assist Kathy Smith, in her duties as Chief Appraiser if they were if they were to have their county salaries supplemented by \$250.00 a month.

In the statement to the

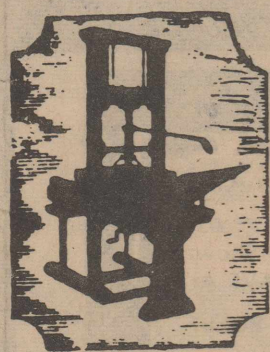
visitors present by the Appraisal Board it was commented that "The commissioners court has agreed to continue paying the help in the county tax office their monthly salary and deduct rent for offices now in use in order to make this office less expensive to the taxpayers." Commissioner Jimmy Wright, in attendance at the meeting, indicated that he was of the opinion that the commissioners didn't agree to such a plan that he could remember.

Julius Decker of McCaulley, a member of the Fisher County Appraisal Review Board, said "I believe that the board went against the wishes of the taxpayers of Fisher County." His statement met with a resounding applause.

Earlier in the meeting Larry McClain, Appraisal Board member, after hearing numerous statements of support in favor of Billie Lou Holcomb asked if anyone present "had anything to say against Billie". His question to those present drew no response.

There will probably be a lot of special called meetings of the Appraisal Board between now and December 31st. It doesn't appear clear to all board members just where the appraisal office will be under the new plan.

Just prior to adjourning, Kyle Moore stated, "If they (the four entities) over-ride us again on this deal, I think we ought to employ legal council."



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\$121,736 In Delinquent Taxes On County Books

Fisher County Commissioners met for their regular monthly meeting last Monday morning and accepted the 1981 audit as presented by Monte R. West, Certified Public Accountant.

The audit was accepted by the commissioners, after being reviewed. The only "out of the ordinary incident" seemed to be a continuing \$900.00 surplus in the District Clerk's fund. This was justified as being a surplus created over former years from fees paid for filing of documents.

West reviewed the schedule of delinquent tax accounts with commissioners and suggested that an attempt be made to slow down the ever growing list. The delinquent tax account balance as of 12-31-81 is \$121,736.

In other action, Annie

Weems appeared before commissioners to give her monthly report on the Senior Citizen's program. She indicated that a total of \$346.60 had been raised at the recent Senior Citizen's Bake Sale, that a group of citizens were planning to attend the Anson "Cowboy Christmas Ball", and that approximately \$13,000 was in the building fund toward the construction of a new Senior Citizen's Center wing.

Mike Wickham appeared before the commissioners with a request that he be permitted to construct a 50x60 hanger for storage and for a mechanic repair shop at the Fisher County Airport. Commissioners listened to his request, took no action, and agreed to meet at the Fisher County Airport to discuss possible hanger place-

ment.

Commissioners awarded oil leases to two oil company representatives on three previously advertised parcels at the Monday meeting.

Members of the Fisher County Commissioners Court discussed construction of a new roof with Lee Mauldin but did not take any action pending advertisement of work to be considered at a later date.

Grace Heatley appeared before the commissioners thanking them for their cooperation since she has been the Fisher County Juvenile Officer. She has resigned her position and will be moving to Weatherford in the near future.

In final action commissioners discussed the purchase of a dump truck for Commissioner W.A. Cross's precinct.



RECEIVES AWARD: Charles Doty, left, received the 1982 Roby Fireman of the Year Award last Saturday night at the Department's Annual banquet. Gene Shipp, right, Roby Fire Chief made the presentation.

Grant For New Wing At Center Received

Fisher County Judge Marshal Bennett made the announcement last Monday of a \$10,000 grant from the Council of Governments for the construction of a 40 by 40 addition on the Fisher County Senior Citizen's Center next to the Fisher County Hospital. The building is expected to cost between \$18,000 and \$20,000. The Fisher County Senior Citizens

have raised \$3,000 through various fund projects with an additional \$4,000 to \$5,000 needed in order to assure the projects completion.

Any club, organization or individual desiring to assist in helping financially with the Senior Citizen's Building Fund can contact Annie Weems, Activity Director, for additional information.

Each County Household Eligible For 5 Pound Hunk USDA Cheese

Fisher County residents will have the opportunity to get "something for nothing", so to speak, from the United States Government and that's a switch for most residents at least.

You don't have to be poor, on welfare, elderly, blind, disabled or anything-you just have to be a resident of Fisher County and have a social security number.

On Thursday, December 23rd beginning at 9:00 a.m., and continuing through 3:00 p.m., a 5 pound box of bulk American Cheese will be given free to Fisher County residents.

This special program, part of the United States Department of Agriculture "Government Commodity Cheese Program" is being initiated on a one time basis, according to Annie Weems.

Fisher County residents only have to drive to the Senior Citizen's Center on December 23rd between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. present their social security card and claim their 5 pound box of cheese. There will only be one box of cheese given per household.

A total of 1,200 boxes of cheese will be distributed at the Senior Citizen's Center. In lieu of a minimal "storage fee" usually collected, representatives at the Fisher County Senior Citizen's center will be accepting donations as residents leave after claiming their cheese. The funds generated from this donation plan will be used in the Senior Citizen's Building Fund to construct the 40 x 40 wing.

Rotan Tax Office Open During Break

"We hope to have the tax statements from the Fisher County Appraisal District this week and if we get them they'll be mailed out thereby allowing taxpayers to take their 1% discount and get taxes paid during 1982", said Jerry Dickson, Rotan School Superintendent.

Dickson, in anticipation that the statements will be mailed in the very near future, said "we plan to keep the tax office open 2 days a week during Christmas holidays and we'll publicize those dates in a later edition of the paper".

Dickson, in concluding his statement, said that as soon as the tax roll is received, taxpayers can begin paying their taxes, even before statements are in the mail. Rotan School District taxpayers needing additional information are asked to contact Rotan School Tax Assessor Collector Betty Wilfong at 735-2301.

Church Will Celebrate 30th Birthday

Calvary Baptist Church will be celebrating its 30th Anniversary, Sunday, December 19, 1982. Rev. Carl Underhill a former pastor, now residing in Mize, Miss., will preach the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Lunch will be served at the church. Rev. Bill Williams, also a former pastor, now living in Abilene, Texas will be preaching an afternoon service at 1:30 p.m. There will not be an evening worship service. All members, former members, and friends are invited.

Hits & Misses

Column By The Newspaper Staff

Letters to Santa Claus will be carried in next week's "Christmas Greeting Edition" of the Rotan Advance-Roby Star Record. If your child hasn't written a letter to Santa and would like one in next week's paper, please get the letter to the Newspaper Office prior to noon on Monday, December 20th.

Kim Pease, Editor

The President's proposed 5 cents per gallon on gasoline seems almost certain to become effective April 1, 1983. The administration resists calling this a "jobs bill" but to produce \$5.5 billion and create 320,000 jobs, mainly in mass transit. Metro areas would apparently benefit practically all the mass transit repairs and employment. Unless Reagan agrees to many states Governor's demand that a substantial portion of each state's special tax revenue come back to each state we predict rough sledding for final passage.

In addition to sections of the nation such as Texas receiving a stepchild's portion we see a grave danger of additional tax on gasoline.

The nicker user fee is moderate but already various groups in Texas are pushing for a five cent increase in the state's user fee in order to secure funds for much needed improvements to Texas highways and bridges. This would mean a total of 10 cents more per gallon which would create a burden for many of us.

The 10 plus unemployment problem would not be relieved to great extent and the \$1.1 billion estimated for mass transit problems would be spread rather thin considering poor condition of metro transit systems. The remaining 80% of the tax revenue would go for highway and bridge repair-an estimated \$4.4 Billion.

This is not panacea for these problems and we feel the administration will have to come up with something bigger-glad we don't have the job.

Hooper Shelton, Printing

Sheriff Recovers \$4,000 In Oil Equipment On Phone Tip

Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts, in co-operation with Crimestoppers has recovered approximately \$4,000 worth of oil field equipment near Sylvester that was stolen from G & C Tool Company in Abilene over 18 months ago.

Counts indicated that Crimestoppers received a call indicating that the equipment was in Sylvester. Counts and Texas Ranger W. D. Vickers of Snyder, investigated and

located the equipment. According to Counts, a 4 1/2 inch elevator, set of oil field slips and slip bowl

Five County Players On Roby All Tburney Squad

A total of five Fisher County basketball players were honored last Saturday night by being named to the Roby Tournament team. The five were: Greg

were returned to G & C Tool Company. No arrests have been made in the investigation.

Gruben, Elisa Carrillo and Dana Nowlin of Rotan and Robby King of Roby. Jerry Wallace was named the boys Most Valuable Player.

them. Congratulations to both the Highland Hornets and Abilene Christian, and I hope that we can keep the State Championships in the Big Country. Regardless of the outcome both Roscoe and Eastland have talented football teams and they're what we call winners.
Joy Walker, Correspondent

The other night while driving downtown, I noticed that several of the Christmas lights were not working. I thought it looked rather lazy or not having enough pride in our town to fix the lights. So I called Lester Sencil and he found out that the new lights have been ordered and the lights should be all working in about a week. Won't that be neat!!
Janece Pease, Associate

If your thoughts have been turned toward the Internal Revenue Service you might enjoy reading this article. I thought it was very good and wanted to share it with you. If you received a message from the Internal Revenue Service last year asking for additional information, you were one of about two million who received a tax audit. About two-thirds of those audited owed additional money to Uncle Sam. The chances of a person being audited are about one out of forty-six. However, there is another kind of audit coming that will miss no one. The Bible says we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ. We may not know when, or just what all that will involve, but one thing is sure-it will happen. There will be no random sampling or computerized selection-46 out of 46 will be audited. Are you ready?

Rotan School Board Wants Attorney To Review Lease

The members of the Rotan School Board met last Monday night and reviewed a proposal by AHAM Oil Company in Roby to lease school property for the purpose of an oil well drilling site. The board took no action but instructed Superintendent Jerry Dickson to let an attorney check over the lease. "The board didn't have any objections to the lease they just felt it would be better to have it reviewed by an attorney before entering into any contract", said Dickson. Of the three proposed drilling sites, one is on school property, in the area of the tennis courts. The other two locations for drilling are: (a) lots 3,4,5 and 6 of block 212 and (b) lots 7,8,9 and 10 of block 214.

Board members approved the following textbook committee: Jerry Dickson, Donald Bryan, David Hargrove, MK. T. Hill, Fran Burk, Joyce Hill, Floyd Garcia, Kay Kennedy, Melba McCall, Joy Stinson, Nancy Tandy, Betty Strayhorn, Ted Posey and Robert Witherspoon. Textbooks to be reviewed include: (1) English As A Second Language-Kindergarten through grade 5; Vocal Music-grade 1-6; Band, High school; Health-grade 4-8; Civics grade 8; Fundamentals of Math grade 9-10; World Geography; Record Keeping, Advanced Accounting and Personal Finance. In other action the board adopted some changes in board policies to conform to state education guidelines.

Rotan Nursing Center

Christmas Spirit is running high at Rotan Nursing Center. We would like to invite everyone to visit us during the holidays. Maud Maize is in Fisher County Hospital at this time. Hope she will soon be able to come home. We are having our Residents Christmas Party on Saturday December 18 at 2:30 p.m. We are asking family and friends to come and bring some goodies for our party. This

could be candy or cookies either. We will make punch. I wouldn't be surprised if old Santa comes by for a visit. So come one and all. We'll be expecting you! Due to bad weather last week our out of town guests were really down. Domingo Trejo of Snyder visited his mother Mrs. Johnnie Trejo. Guess this is about all our news for this week. See you next week.

Rotan Police Apprehend

Rotan police officers apprehended two run-away boys that had stolen a grain truck from Tuxedo, Texas in the north part of Rotan recently, but according to Rotan Police Chief Gene Pack, a third individual fled from the scene and escaped apprehension. The incident took place on December 2nd and was initiated after Rotan Patrolman Dave Scobey received a call from a suspicious citizen indicating that three boys were

attempting to start a grain truck in the area of McKinley and 4th Streets in Rotan. upon investigation, the three fled on foot. Officer Scobey apprehended two of the boys, both age 13, that had run-away from an Abilene Boys Ranch. A third individual, alleged to be 15 years old, escaped. The 2 1/2 ton grain truck, valued at \$15,000 was returned, the boys were turned over to juvenile authorities in Abilene.

Cost Close To \$75,000

Roby Studies New Band Hall

The members of the Roby School Board met last Monday night and reviewed architect drawings

and plans for the future construction of a new band hall, according to Superintendent Jimmie Laurie. Board members reviewed plans drawn by Don Hampton, Sweetwater architect, on a band hall that "we're planning to construct in the future, possibly next spring," said Laurie. The construction project is expected to cost between \$75,000 and \$80,000.

In other action the board re-adjusted the previously approved tax rate of .70 cents per \$100 valuation set by the board, amending the rate and lowering it to .69 cents per \$100 valuation. The action was taken based on the new appraisal district roll of \$64,867,282.00. Board members hired Relna Long to replace Kay Moore who has taken a leave of absence for the

remainder of the year as 4th grade teacher. In final action the board members discussed implementing a computer lab into the Roby school curriculum. Plans are to review Radio Shack TRS 16 and Apple computers for possible use in the Roby system in the future. The board evaluated teachers, principals and superintendent at the December meeting.

Santa Claus

Letters In

Next Paper

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Fisher County Grandparent's Corner

This column will be featured in our paper each week. Please send in your grandchildren's pictures with the information you wish to put in the paper. We will mail them back to you or you can pick them up at the newspaper office.



Dayme, 9 months old is the daughter of Donny and Dee Ann Mullins of Rotan.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Mac Weathersbee, Rotan, and paternal grandparents are Coach and Mrs. Don Mullins of Hale Center.

Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Sherman, Haskell, and Mrs. Gladys Bell of South Carolina.

Aunt and Uncles are Mr. and Mrs. Wes Morrow, Burt and Byron Weathersbee and Kieth Mullins.

Hustlin' Round Hobbs

By Joy Walker

Well what a week of bad weather we have had, rain and sleet and even a little snow, and it has sure been cold. We measured 1/2 inch of moisture in all out this way, and our roads are simple terrible. Early in the morning when they are still frozen, is almost the only time they are passable.

Don Cave from Farmington, New Mexico spent Monday night and Wednesday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cave. Everyone that watched Romance Theatre last week got to see a lot of our own Brad Maule, as he was one of the Chief characters and was sure good in his part. We are really proud that he is doing so well, and sure enjoyed watching him every morning. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Etheredge attended the basketball games at Roby in their tournament on Friday and Saturday. Todd Etheredge was home from Angelo State for the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Etheredge and Mr. and Mrs. Lealon Wilburn all attended the basketball games, also Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilburn and Shannon. Courtney Wilburn plays on the Roby Girls Varsity team.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Jones from Big Spring spent last week-end visiting with Mrs. Opal Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Phillips from Arlington and Hazel Phillips from Rotan all visited with Opal on Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Opal Phillips went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Red Thornton last Sunday and they all helped Opal celebrate her Birthday. Happy Birthda to her. All of the Phillips, Porters and Hers were there. Opal went home with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Phillips to Post and stayed until Monday night when they brought her home.

Joe Hardin and two friends from Abilene ate dinner on Tuesday with Mrs. Bea Hardin. Mr. and Mrs. Bubba Smith and Jennifer from Portland visited with Bea on Saturday.

We went to Rotan Monday night to watch Jayton 8th grade girls and boys play Rotan. Went to Sweetwater on Tuesday and then on to Abilene. It was sure a beautiful day, but Wednesday and Thursday, in fact, several days after that, were pretty miserable. Thursday we went to Roby to their tournament and watched the Rotan boys and girls play. Went back both Friday and Saturday to watch Rotan play, and we also got to see several other games. It was really a good Tournament and they sure had big crowds every night. We really enjoyed being in the warm gym instead of having to sit out in that bad weather. Lots of folks went to Sweetwater Friday night to watch Eastland vs Coach Mullins Hale Center play. I went to the Band Concert at Rotan Sunday afternoon and it was really good. They get better every year and Kay Kennedy is doing a wonderful job as their Band Director. I visited with Mrs. Shelburn from Ballinger during the reception which was held after the Band Concert. She is Mrs. Bobby (Ellen) Gruben's mother, and is such a nice lady. Sure enjoyed talking to her.

The reason this is short this week, is because once again all the telephones out this way are acting up, so if I wasn't able to reach you, that is the reason. See you next Thursday.

Makes All-Tourney Team

Hammers Finish 1-2 In Tourney

the final period to register their first tournament win.

Others scoring in the Ira contest were: Scott Bryan 18, Greg Gruben 15, Darrin Leverton 4, Kevin Copeland 7 and Endgate Adkins 4.

In the second game, Rotan lost to Roby in a 55-61 contest that saw Sammy Turner score 23 points to become the high

quarters.

Others scoring were Greg Gruben 14, Scott Bryan 9, Darrin Leverton 2, Kevin Copeland 2, Randy Martinez 3 and Engate Adkins 2.

In the final game of the tournament Rotan lost to Hamlin by the score of 64 to 53. Greg Gruben was the high individual scorer

of the game with 24 points.

He scored 10 points in the first and third periods, 4 points in the second quarter and was scoreless in the final period.

Others scoring were: Sammy Turner 14, Scott Bryan 2, Ben Bryan 6, Darrin Leverton 2, Randy Martinez 2 and Endgate Adkins 3.

Fisher County Nursing Home ; NOTICE

This is a happy time of year. The children are all thinking about Santa and the families are thinking about sharing time together.

We want to say a Big Thank you to the 4-H club for the nice fruit and Mr. Pete Flores, 4-H coordinator for the beautiful Christmas Cards. Visiting Neda Kiser-Mrs. Luther Maberry of McCaulley and Mrs. Floyd McCain of Sylvester. Visiting Josephine Martin-JK. D. and Juanita Martin of Edmond, Oklahoma. Visiting Hub Goolsby-Nita and Lee Goolsby of Roby. Visiting Mrs. Ollie Shipp-Francis Morgan of Roby. Mary Grams is still in the hospital she may be back with us in a few days. We would like to invite all families and friends to our Christmas tree with Santa and cake and punch on Saturday, December 18 at 2:00 p.m. We would enjoy seeing you and enjoy fellowship together. Visiting Jane Phillips-Pauline and JK. C. Morrison of Abilene.

Thanks to Kathy Spencer for the 4-H program. Our residents love to have you come and visit.

We will look for you Saturday, December 18 at 2:00 p.m. Santa is coming!!

Bettie Hargrove, AD Love is the music of Christmas!

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WTC Holiday Begins Friday

Students at Western Texas College will begin a long Christmas-New Year holiday on December 17 when the 1982 fall semester ends.

Registration for the 1983 spring semester will be held January 17-18, with classes beginning January 19. Copies of the spring

schedule are available from the office of the registrar. All offices at the college will be closed from December 22-January 3 for the holiday.

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By Ace Reid



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County Agent Report

By Richard Spencer

Texas continues to lead the nation in beef cow numbers, with 15 percent of the total beef cow herd. In fact, Texas' 5.9 million beef cows are more than double those of the number two state, Oklahoma.

Beef cow numbers have been increasing slowly throughout the nation after bottoming out in 1979. They totaled 39.5 million head on January 1 of this year.

The inventory of cow numbers is expected to be issued January 1, 1983, to be just slightly higher. Texas beef cow numbers increased by 45,000 head during 1981, but total number will probably be down this year due to poor weather.

County Courthouse Annex, Roby, Texas.

Host for the reception will be Lena and Gene Moore, Bettie and Archie

Roby Varsity Girls Defeat Ira In Game

The Roby varsity girls defeated Ira and lost to Aspermont and Loraine during the Roby Basketball Tournament last weekend.

In the opening game against Aspermont Roby lost 48-34. Susan Gaona was the high point individual with 13 points. Others scoring were Kelley West 6; Valerie Goodrum 6 and Shannon Wilburn 9.

In the Ira contest, Roby won 53 to 35. Cindy Gonzalez scored 12 points to capture high honors. Others scoring were Kelley West 8, Valerie Goodrum 6; Sabrina Herron 4; Susan Gaona 8; Diane Alaniz 3; Tammy Mauldin 2 and Shannon

Cheryl Wright Named To Honor At W. T.

Cheryl Lynn Wright of Roby has been named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges from Western Texas College.

Twenty-two sophomore students at WTC are included on the new Who's Who list. They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,300 institutions. Campus nominating committees and editors of the Who's Who directory select the students on the basis of their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and future potential.

Miss Wright is a graduate of Roby High School and a communications major at WTC. She serves as feature editor for the campus newspaper, *The Western Texas*, and was named an outstanding newspaper student at the 1982 Recognition Day program. She has represented WTC at several journalism conventions.

She is co-historian of the Psi Zeta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, a national honor fraternity for students in junior colleges, and a member of the WTC Press Club. She plans to work in the advertising field after completing her college work. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. William Brezezinski.

Classified

Bargains

See Page 5

Hobbs School Christmas Program Set

Hobbs Elementary School will present their Christmas program Friday, December 17 at 10:00 a.m.

The Hobbs band assisted by the Roby 5th and 6th grades will play musical selections under the direction of band teacher Steve Ratliff to begin the program, followed by Christmas songs by several students.

to capture high point honors. Others scoring were Andrea Callan 2; Desirre Gray 8; Diane Ochoa 2; Georgette Ramirez 4; Janice Weatherman 2 and Tammy Whitefield.

In the second game with McCaulley, Roby won 45

Hernandez Paces 7th Grade Girls

The Roby 7th grade girls won two games last week defeating Roby 17-6 on December 7th and winning 14-9 in a re-match on December 13th.

Brenda Hernandez was the high scorer in the first game with 9 points. Others scoring were Millie Gaspar, Jan Posey-2 points each and Cecilia Hernandez had 5 rebounds.

In the second game Millie Gaspar was high scorer with 10 points. Brenda Hernandez had 4 points. The leading rebounder was Brenda Hernandez with 9. Other team members are Jan Posey, Lorie Garcia, Cecilia Hernandez, Dee Ann Montez and Linda Rains.

V. Girls Defeat In Tournament

34. Sonia Carrillo had 10 points; Janice Weatherman 2; Tammy Whitefield; Annette Overby 4; Desirre Gray 1; Andrea Callan 7; Diane Ochoa 3; and G. Ramirez 8. Scoring for McCaulley was Steph Reed 4; Jull McKinney 4; Charlene Tennant 2; Lisa Benavides 19; and Cindy Williams 3. In the final contest Roby

was defeated by Roby 34-44 with Sonia Carrillo scoring 14 points. Whitefield had 6; Overby 2; Gray 10 and Callan 2.

Scoring for Roby was Stuart 11; Steph Stevenson 9; Patricia Parks 3; Sharon Haggard 4; Gonzalez 5; Rachel Rasberry 4; Danelle Ray 6; Marcy Mauldin 2 and Stacy Terry 2.

Roby Varsity Boys Win Roby Tournament

The Roby Varsity boys basketball team won the Roby Tournament last weekend by defeating Jayton, Roby and Aspermont.

In the opening game Roby defeated Aspermont 43-36 with Jerry Wallace scoring 17 points for high individual honors. After falling behind 9-4 at the end of the first quarter, Roby rallied to take a 16 to

11 lead at halftime. The Lions outscored Aspermont 25-27 in the final two periods.

Others scoring against Aspermont were Terry Coker 6; Robby King 6; Joe Carreon 4 and Chad Terry 10.

In the second game of the Tournament, Roby defeated Roby 55-61 with Chad Terry scoring 20 points to capture high point honors. Coker scored 9; Robby King 11; Jerry Wallace 13; Carreon 8.

In the Saturday night championship game against Jayton Robby King scored 24 points while Jerry Wallace teamed up to score 17 points as the Lions coated to a 51-63 win. Kirk Williamson had 6; Joe Carreon 9 and Larry Williams 7 in the victory.

Jerry Wallace was named the tourney's most valuable player and Robby King was named to the All-Tournament team for the Lions.

ROBY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1982

Revenue	
Local Taxes Collected	\$ 318,249.00
Other Local Revenue	28,094.00
Revenue From Intermediate Sources	2,411.00
Foundation Fund and Other State Revenue	434,518.00
State Distributed Federal Funds	8,290.00
Non-Revenue Receipts	7,200.00
Total Revenue	\$ 798,762.00

Expenditures	
Instruction	\$ 366,783.00
Instructional Administration	-0-
Instructional Resources and Media Services	2,196.00
School Administration	27,978.00
Guidance and Counseling Services	537.00
Health Services	54.00
Pupil Transportation - Regular	59,197.00
Co-Curricular Activities	15,941.00
Food Services	896.00
General Administration	83,913.00
Debt Service	55,928.00
Plant Maintenance and Operation	61,028.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 673,451.00
Excess Of Revenue Over Expenditures	\$ 125,311.00

Fund Balances - August 31, 1982	
• General Operating Fund	\$ 180,477.00
Designated Purpose Fund	5,631.00
Interest and Bonded Debt Fund	39,393.00
General Fixed Assets and Cooperatives	1,069,131.00
Construction Fund	111,599.00
Total Fund Balances - August 31, 1982	\$ 1,406,231.00



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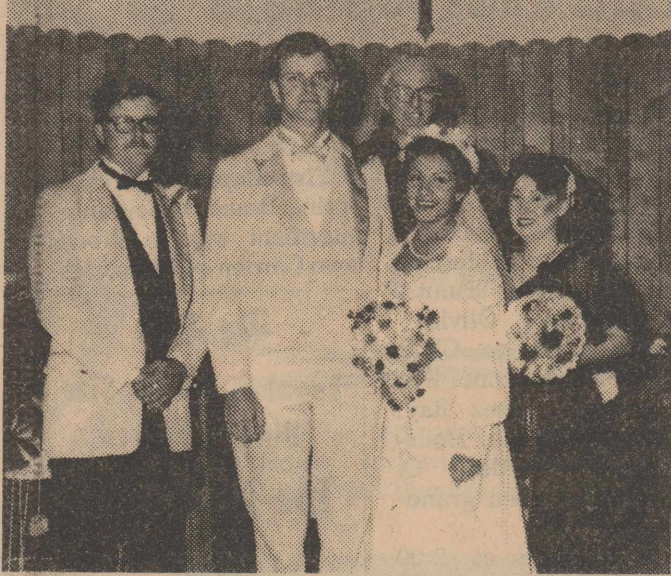
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The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry DeLeon of Ft. Worth. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Curry, Sr. of Seminole, Texas.

Reniga Cervantz of Ft. Worth was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were: Frances Garcia, Minnie Molina of Ft. Worth, Tina DeLeon of Sweetwater, Sue Barrera and Chris Gasper of Rotan. Steve Curry of Seminole was best man. Groomsmen

Rites Conducted For Melissie Fisher

Graveside services were held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 1st in Lakewood Memorial Park for Melissie Agnes Fisher 97 who died Sunday in a Turlock Convalescent hospital after a long illness.

Born in Palo Pinto County, she had lived in Modesto since 1936. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

She leaves one daughter, Fern Shipp of Texas; seven grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

Born in Palo Pinto County June 5, 1885, she went to Oklahoma when it was still in Indian Territory. She married Harris Leroy Fisher November 29, 1903 in Oklahoma. He passed away September 9, 1967.

Three sons preceded her in death.

Golden Haven Nursing Home

Family and friends are invited to Golden Haven Home December 18 at 2:30 p.m. for the Resident Christmas Party. The entertainment will be presented by the Roby First Baptist Church J. Choir. Santa will be here and presents will be opened.

Visiting Lois Henry-Myrtle Clark and Lucille Camel of Hamlin. Visiting Madge Willingham-Dr. and Mrs. Welborn Willingham of Lubbock, Steve and Sheila McBeth, and Sharon and Kim Harris. Visiting Letha Meek-Charles, Norma, Mike and Greg Meek of Sylvester. Visiting Ruth Webb-Mrs. Joe Whilte of Lubbock. Visiting Lora Stephens-Calvin and Judy Davis, and Carol Floyd of Roscoe. Ren and Katie Jackson of Lubbock visited with Mary

Garden Club Luncheon Held

The Annual Christmas luncheon of the Roby Garden Club was held Thursday, December 9 at the home of Mrs. L. L. (Londa) Stuart.

The home was most attractive with Christmas decorations.

After the luncheon there was the opening of Christmas gifts that was enjoyed by everyone.

Alice Hurst and Ed Roberts. Visiting Ezell Whitten-Fay Cross and Caneva Turner of Sylvester. Visiting Mary Alice Hurst-Eddie and Judy Jackson of Lubbock. Visiting Eva Chapman Bertha Carlile and Nannie Keating of Sweetwater.

Our Bingo winner this week was Mary Cooper.

Cotton Bowl Ride

Lynda Henderson a Hardin Simmons University junior from Rotan will be among coeds who will ride one of HSU's famous Six White Horses in the Cotton Bowl parade in Dallas on January 1.

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Greg Gruben Makes All-Tourney Team

Yellowhammers Finish 1-2 In Tourney

The Rotan Yellowhammers opened play in last weekends Roby Basketball Tournament with a victory over Ira by the score of 68-40 with Sammy Turner scoring 20 points to capture high point individual scoring honors.

Rotan jumped out to a 32-15 halftime lead, outscored Ira 17 to 15 in the third period and 19 to 10 in

the final period to register their first tournament win.

Others scoring in the Ira contest were: Scott Bryan 18, Greg Gruben 15, Darrin Leverton 4, Kevin Copeland 7 and Endgate Adkins 4.

In the second game, Rotan lost to Roby in a 55-61 contest that saw Sammy Turner score 23 points to become the high point scorer for the game. Rotan jumped out to a 16-12 lead at the end of the first quarter, but Roby outscored the Yellowhammer in the final three

quarters. Others scoring were Greg Gruben 14, Scott Bryan 9, Darrin Leverton 2, Kevin Copeland 2, Randy Martinez 3 and Engate Adkins 2.

In the final game of the tournament Rotan lost to Hamlin by the score of 64 to 53. Greg Gruben was the high individual scorer

of the game with 24 points. He scored 10 points in the first and third periods, 4 points in the second quarter and was scoreless in the final period.

Others scoring were: Sammy Turner 14, Scott Bryan 2, Ben Bryan 6, Darrin Leverton 2, Randy Martinez 2 and Endgate Adkins 3.

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County Agent Report

By Richard Spencer

Texas continues to lead the nation in beef cow numbers, with 15 percent of the total beef cow herd. In fact, Texas' 5.9 million beef cows are more than double those of the number two state, Oklahoma.

Beef cow numbers have been increasing slowly throughout the nation after bottoming out in 1979. They totaled 39.5 million head on January 1 of this year.

The inventory of cow numbers is expected to be issued January 1, 1983, to be just slightly higher. Texas beef cow numbers increased by 45,000 head during 1981, but total number will probably be down this year due to poor prices and the summer drought.

Leaders in cow numbers along with Texas and Oklahoma are Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Montana and South Dakota. There has been a shift of cow numbers in the past 40 years from the North Atlantic and South Central

states. account for 43 percent of the state's cattle numbers. The smaller operations are generally managed by part-time farmers and ranchers while the larger units are commercial operations that depend on cattle for a livelihood.

Work began this week on increasing the size of the bleachers in the new Show Barn. The Bleacher size will be doubled and work will be started on rest-rooms for the barn.

Herd size also seems to increase as one moves westward and northward in the U. S. However, distribution among herd sizes within a state still varies greatly.

In Texas, for example, 86 percent of the cattle operations have less than 100 head, but these operations account for only 27 percent of all cattle in the state. On the other hand, a mere 2 percent of the cattle operations have 500 head or more.

Rotan 7th Boys In Game

The Rotan 7th grade boys were unable to score in the first half as they fell to Roby 18-7 here Monday night. It was this lack of firepower that hurt the Hammers throughout the night as they shot only 13 per cent from the field.

Donnie Carl Gruben led

all scorers with 5 points followed by Jared Cook with 2.

Mitch Whitefield led all rebounders with 9, followed by Gruben with 6, Todd Gruben and Jerry Harbin with 2 each and Glen Overby and Cook with one each.

Preservation Award

The Texas Award for Historic Preservation to Link M. Adair will be made at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, December 19 by Robert J. Mallouf, Acting State Archeologist of Austin. The affair will be in press room at Abilene Airport. Jim Crews, Taylor County Historical Commission chairman will host the occasion.

The ten-acre area of the Adair Steadman Archeological Site is in Fisher County and Mr. Crews extends invitation to all Fisher County Residents.

This site which dates to 8,000-9,000 B. C. has proved to be one of only a few documented Folsom (Paleo-Indian) campsites in North America.

Hobbs School Christmas Program Set

Hobbs Elementary School will present their Christmas program Friday, December 17 at 10:00 a.m.

The Hobbs band assisted by the Roby 5th and 6th grades will play musical selections under the direction of band teacher Steve Ratliff to begin the program, followed by Christmas songs by several students.

"Christmas in the Space Age", a play written by Dorothy Harris will be next on the program and will feature ET, as one of the central characters.

The students will be dressed as characters of Toy Land.

The program is directed by Dee Ann Mullins. Everyone is invited to attend.

Eighth Grade Girls Take Third Win

The Yellowhammer girls 8th grade won their third straight game here against Roby 22-5. In a game where emotions were the cause of many fouls, a total of 41, the Hammers were able to stay out of serious foul trouble and put the game away early in the third quarter.

Vikki Wright led all scorers with 8 points, followed by Evette Gruben with 6, Cindy Gaspar, Yolanda Acorn, Jannell Vaughn and Lousinda Ramirez scored two points each.

Acorn led all rebounders with 17, Wright had 13, Gruben 5, Melanie Weathers with 5, Jenna Thornton and Gaspar with 2, Vaughn, Ramirez, Julie McQueen and Leticia Landes all had one each.

This was the best game team-concept wise that we've played this year. The girls played exceptional defense and ran their offense very well.



MAPPING STRATEGY: Rotan head coach Dickie Lepard reviews an offensive formation with three team players during a recent break. Players identified left to right Greg Gruben, Sammy Turner and Scott Bryan.

WTC Session Begins

Western Texas College has scheduled a mid-winter session from January 3-11.

Classes are to meet from 9-11:45 a.m. and 2-4:30 p.m. each day except Sunday January 9. Classes will meet on the Saturday included. Final examinations will be given from 8:30-10:30 a.m. January 12.

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Students will register between 8-9 a.m. on January 3. Fees will be \$36.

Persons wishing additional information may contact the student services office in the WTC Administration Building.

James Adams Rites Are Held

James Thomas Adams, 63, of Houston died in a Spring Branch Hospital, Thursday, December 2 after an illness.

Born July 25, 1919 in Rule, Texas, he came to Rotan in 1923 with his parents, Mrs. Mack C. Adams and the late Mack Adams. He had lived in Houston since 1946 and was an employee of the Houston Chronicle. He served in the Army during WW II. He married Estell Tullous in Houston in

1947. He is survived by his wife of the home; daughters, Pamela Shaefer of Houston, Sue Urban of La Grange; sons, Larry Thomas, San Marcos, James Kenneth, Huntsville; mother, Olivia Adams, San Diego, Calif.; sisters, Lucille Stone, San Diego, Calif., Inez Ray, Rotan, Zula Bales, Houston; brother, Mack C. Adams; and seven grandchildren. Services were at 2:00

p.m. Monday in Woodlawn Chapel of Memories with Dr. Gordon Graham of First Baptist Church of Spring Branch officiating. Interment was in Woodlawn Garden of Memories.

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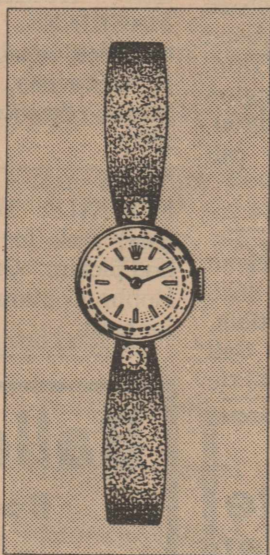
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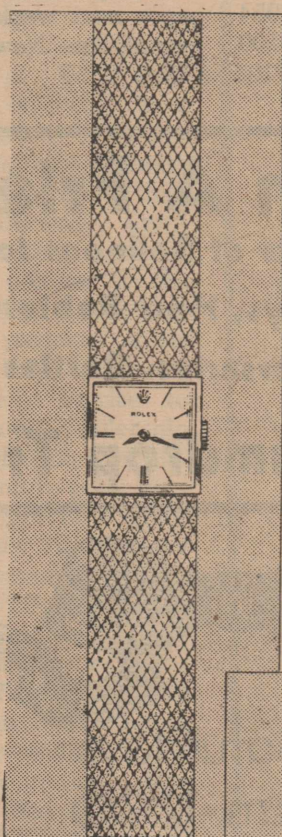
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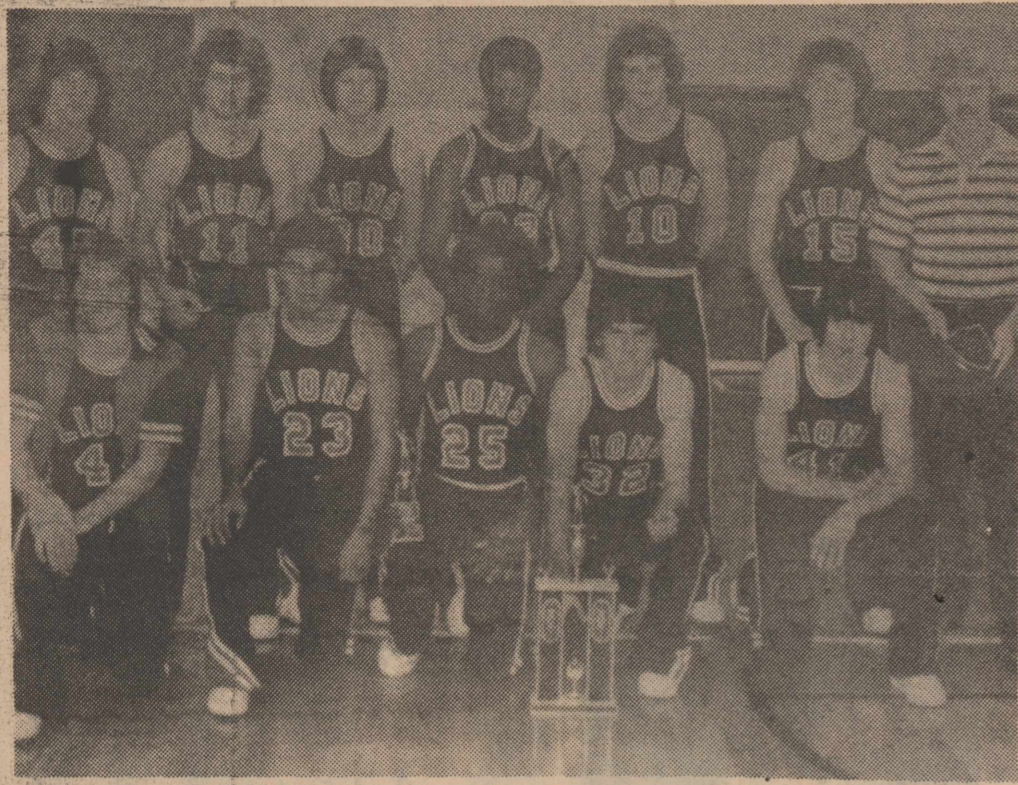


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ROTAN JV BOYS: Member of the 1982 Rotan Junior Varsity boys team are left to right front row Louis Santabaniz, Gustabo Almanza, and Charles Williams. Back row left to right Rudy Garza, Tony Gruben, Rodney Pearson, Rue Moran, and John Pease.

Jerry Carter High In Win

The Rotan eighth grade boys won 31-26 to up their record to 2-1 for the year by beating Roby.

Jerry Carter led all scorers with 17 points, followed by Leo Castillo with 8, Matt Pillans and Jeffery Perales followed with 2 each. Shane Hall and Joe Almanza Contri-

buted 1 point a piece.

Carter and Castillo also led the rebounders with 10 boards each. Pillans had 9, Brad Long had 2 as did Shane Hall. Jim Mann, George Reyes, Perales, Ray Moreno, Rafe Hargrove, Joe Almanza and David King had 1 each.

McCaulley Boys Win First

The McCaulley boys won first place in the McCaulley Invitational Basketball Tournament held last weekend with Weinert placing second, Trent third and Westbrook fourth. The consolation trophy was won by the Rotan Junior Varsity team.

In the girls division of the tournament Paint Creek was first for the third year in a row, Old Glory was second, Roby Junior Var-

sity third and Rotan Junior

Varsity fourth. The Weinert girls won the consolation trophy.

The Fisher County players named to the All-Tournament team were Patricia Parks of the Roby Junior Varsity; Charles Williams, Rotan Junior Varsity; and Raul Benavides of McCaulley. Gordon Pippin of McCaulley was the boys Most Valuable Player.

Rotan JV Boys In Tourney

The Rotan Junior Varsity boys team took third place in the McCaulley Tournament last weekend. Charles Williams was the only Rotan player named to the Boys All-Tournament Team.

In the opening contest Rotan lost to McCaulley with Rudy Garza high point individual with 19 points. Others scoring were Charles Williams 17; Rodney Pearson 10; Tony Gruben 16; Louis Santabaniz 11 and Rue Moran 3.

In the second game Rotan defeated Old Glory by the score of 63-31. Charles Williams scored 18; Garza 17; Pearson 5; Gruben 4; Santabaniz 11; Moran 2; John Pease 2 and Gustabo

Almanza 4.

Rotan defeated Roby by the score of 42 to 39 in the Saturday final. Williams scored 10; Garza 9; Gruben 9 and Santabaniz 14.

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Fisher County Rate Calculation

I, Robert Buck, Tax Assessor-Collector for Fisher County, Roby, Texas, in accordance with the provisions of Article 7244c, V.T.C.S., have calculated the tax rate which may not be exceeded by more than three (3) percent by the Fisher County Commissioners Court without holding a public hearing as required by Article 7244c, V.T.C.S..

That rate is as follows:

\$.30 per \$100 of assessed value

Robert Buck
 Tax Assessor-Collector

December 10, 1982



WINS FIRST: Sandy's Sugar and Spice group entered the NBTA open contest held in Snyder on Nov. 6. The group won a 1st place medal. They each won a first place trophy in the T Strutt. Left to right Sonya Gaona, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gaona, Kelley McWilliams daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lance McWilliams and Teri Adams daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Adams. Not pictured Rhonda Henry and Amy Singletary.

Recent Moisture Can Present Greenbug Problem

Frank A. Hale

Most of this area has received around 2 inches of moisture in the last 2 weeks. Small grains just emerging in many fields after the rains.

Greenbugs are aphids (plant lice) that suck plant juices and inject toxins into small grain plants. These pale green aphids are about 1/6 inch long

with characteristic dark green stripes occurring on the back.

Greenbugs reproduce rapidly at temperatures between 55 degrees and 95 degrees F. Natural enemies such as lady beetles and parasitic wasps reproduce slowly, when temperatures are below natural enemies multiply slowly. The

average temperature must be below 20 degrees F for at least a week to kill 99 percent of the greenbugs. The population must also be without protection from snow cover.

Infested fields first appear with yellowed spots which precedes the appearance of small, "deadened" areas.

Greenbugs may increase and spread from these areas to the rest of the field.

Greenbugs usually do more damage when the crop is suffering from a moisture deficiency during

midwinter and a cool spring. Greenbug damage may be confused with moisture stress and/or nitrogen deficiency.

Walk diagonally across the field making at least five random checks per 20 acres of field, each consisting of a linear foot of row. Make counts during the warm part of

the day. In cool weather greenbugs often congregate in loose soil at the base of plants making detection and chemical control difficult.

Considering the good soil moisture and warm, sunny weather we are having, we can expect fairly rapid growth of small grains. Parasitic wasps and some

lade beetles have been found in area fields. All of these factors are a benefit to the growth and development of small grains. The following chart can be used as a general guideline in determining how many greenbugs per foot of row a certain size row of plants can support before treatment is needed.

Advent Meditation

By Rev. Larry Ramsey

"Joy"-a vivid emotion of pleasure arising from a sense of well being. That is the dictionary's definition for joy. For many of us "joy" is merely a word in the dictionary which seems so remote from our day-to-day lives. It is part of an unending, unfulfilled quest in our lives.

The key to "joy" is found in the angel's message to the shepherds. Joy is found in the birth of the world's savior. God has broken into the sorrow of the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ. When you and I come to know him in a loving, living relation, the "joy" which the angel promised becomes the reality of our lives.

But the message the angel brought that night 2000 years ago at Jesus' birth proclaimed "joy" as promised to each person. "I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people" (Luke 2.10)

"Joy-the promise of Christmas-can be our's. Reach out and grasp it. For Jesus is reaching out to you right now that you might know joy!"

Why, then, do we not experience this promised joy?

Commissioners

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Pink Building

Country singer Johnny Lee perhaps suggests the answer when the premise is stated, "Looking for love in all the wrong places." Could it be that this need to addressed to "joy" as well? Are we looking for "joy" in all the wrong places like sex, money alcohol, sports or psuedo-religion?

Fisher County Commissioners are planning a renovation of the "Pink Building" in Roby and are expected to begin taking bids on a new room and other work in the near future, according to Judge Marshal Bennett.

Bennett indicated that \$15,000 has been budgeted for 1983 to renovate the building.

Hospital

Patients

Patients admitted to the Fisher County Hospital December 7 thru December 13 were Lonnie Jones, Juanita Fowler and Shawn Byrd of Snyder. Lucia Mendoza, Jo Ann Cleveland, Pat Cadenhead, Maudie Moize, Oran Shelley, and Preston Woolf of Rotan. R. B. Jenkins and Gladys Roberson of Aspermont. M. H. Shitehead of Stephenville. Ellen Hataway of Roby. Sarah Ehteredge of Sweetwater.

Secret Pals

Hold Meeting

The Annual Christmas Secret Pal luncheon was held Wednesday, December 8 at the home of Mrs. Joe Morris. She was assisted by her daughter Mrs. Bill Gribbins in entertaining.

Coffee was served to each one on their arrival.

Members present were Mrs. Lowell Thornburg, Mrs. Myrtle Kelton, Mrs. Bertha Allen, Mrs. Clara Rogers, Mrs. Bessie Eaton, Mrs. Dono (Lorena) Darden, Mrs. Florine Swaringen, Mrs. Virginia Rogers, Mrs. Lillie Heron, Mrs. Lon Weems, Mrs. Clyde Farrar, Mrs. Earnest Hammer, Mrs. O. D. Knox, Mrs. Tracy King, Mrs. Wanda Kiker, Mrs. Marvin Ashley, Ludie Harris, Marlene Marshall, Mrs. Myrtle Kelton.

Highlight of the luncheon was a huge Christmas tree that was in the living room with gifts beneath it.

Mrs. John (Valene) Kiker was a guest and joined the Secret Pal Club. They are happy to welcome her as a new member.

WTU Rates Will Take 4.7 Percent Hike Next Year

West Texas Utilities Co. rates will increase early next year by an average of 4.7 per cent as result of a settlement agreement reached this past week.

WTU and all parties involved, including the Public Utility Commission staff and the Texas Municipal League, agreed on a retail revenue increase of \$10.2 million annually. WTU had proposed an increase of \$20.4 million.

WTU officials said the Company agreed to the settlement because it was in line with recommendations of the PUC staff, and that the Commission usually does not deviate far from the staff's recommendations. The main difference between WTU's request and the amount allowed is the rate of return on common equity. WTU had sought 18 per cent and received 16.25 per cent, which is about the same percentage granted in WTU's last rate settlement last February.

"It is obvious that as a result of this settlement we'll have to ask for another increase sooner than we had hoped," said Garvis Hinson, WTU local manager. He said WTU management has indicated that a new rate case may be filed as early as April of 1983.

The new rates are scheduled to go into effect January 7 unless the PUC changes the date.

Effect on monthly residential bills, including both the base rate and estimated fuel cost charges, would be as follows: For 600 kilowatt-hours--145.76 at 7.63 cents per kilowatt-hour, compared to \$43.39 at 7.23 cents per KWH under the present rates.

For 1,000 kilowatt-hours--\$71.98 at 7.20 cents per kilowatt-hour, compared to \$68.30 at 6.83 cents per KWH under the present rates.

Residential rates vary, depending on whether the home has electric water heating, electric heating, or a combination of both, but the average increase for the residential customer classes will be 4.96 per cent. The increase for commercial customers will average 5.55 per cent and the increase for large power customers would average 2.95 per cent.

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Fisher County Commissioners will accept bids on the Fisher County Agricultural mowing and baling. Requirements are that the hay will be mowed and trimmed around lights and that no hay will be stored on the airport property.

Bids will be opened at the January meeting of the Fisher County Commissioners Court on January 10th at 10:00 a.m.

The Fisher County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Fisher County Judge Marshal Bennett.

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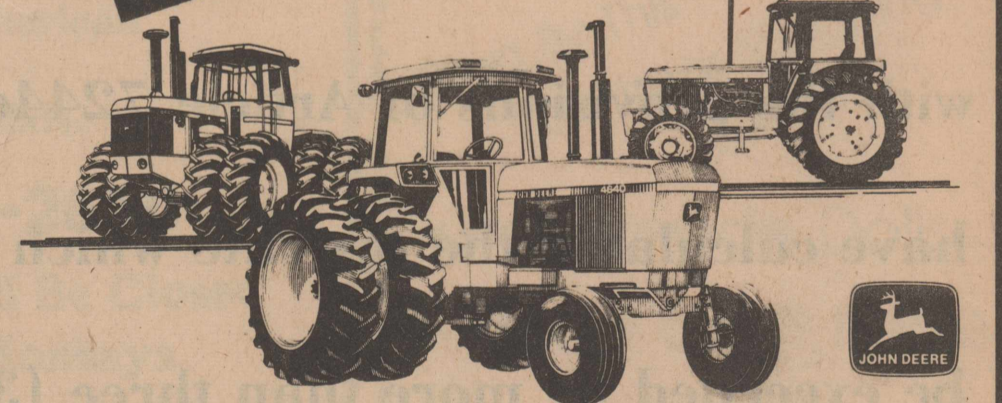


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110-hp 4240	2,300	750	3,050
90-hp 4040	2,200	700	2,900
80-hp 2940	1,800	500	2,300
70-hp 2640	1,300	400	1,700
60-hp 2440	1,200	350	1,550
50-hp 2240	1,100	300	1,400
40-hp 2040	900	250	1,150
370-hp 8850	\$8,200	\$2,300	\$10,500
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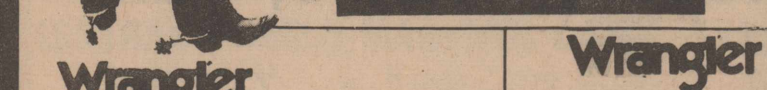
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Roby Cemetery-Least We Forget

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From recorded time man has shown the wish to be remembered as well as to be a part of history. In the early days of our country, gravestones bore an informativ epitaph. Changes during major phases of history, from colonial days to the present, show a relationship to changes in epitaphs. Early colonial gravestones might show that a housewife was captured by the Indians, give dates of her spouses and descendants, tell what people lived by, and how they died. The trend away from the informative epitaphs began in the nineteenth century when they began to be written for the purpose of soothing the bereaved.

Soon after the establishment of a frontier settlement a cemetery became a necessity. It is sad,

somehow, when one finds an unmarked grave. Citizens of Fisher County have made efforts to establish the identity of each grave within the bounds of cemeteries--and some isolated graves in the area.

The late Mrs. A. J. Hughs of Roby contributed much to the preservation of history and heritage of this area when she wrote "Cemetery Review," which carried in *The Roby Star Record* in 1940. It merits republishing some forty-two years later, "Lest We Forget". We are indebted to Mr. Dudley Hambright of Roby for a copy of the article which follows.

CEMETERY REVIEW
By Mrs. A. J. Hughs
Let us go over our files of memory and center our thoughts on the Roby Cemetery for a short time. So many of us have loved

ones in this city of the dead and probably no place on earth has been so bathed in tears.

There are more than a thousand graves in this cemetery. The old plot was given to the town by the Robys for whom the town was named, and is the last resting place of many who have been worthwhile to the county and nation. The first grave seems to be Willie Hodge, son of Mrs. Skinner by a former husband. They are well remembered by the old timers of the Sardis community. This burial was in 1888. One other grave, Mable Diming, bears the date 1884, but we are informed that she was first buried at Hobbs and moved here after other members of the family were buried here.

If we notice the old stones have a mildewed, black-

ened appearance. The most remote birth seems to be A.J. Haynes born in 1812, was a seven day adventist and treasured Saturday as his day of worship and did a bit of Sunday plowing where Rotan was later built.

We treasure the stone dedicated Republic of Texas and commended the memory of Captian Henry C. Lyon who served in the Army of the Republic of Texas and commanded a company in the Army of the Confederate States of America, died March 31, 1889.

The long list of Confederate soldiers takes our minds back to the war between the states. The contest between the Blue and the Gray. We have 40 of these old soldiers in our cemetery. Under one mound he who wore the Blue, under the other the Gray, resting in peaceful slumber awaiting the judgment day are: W. H. Anderson, J. W. Dishman, Sam Barren, S. J. Rushing, J. O. Knight, J. P. Green, J. I. Crew, Frank Crans, W. T. Coker, E. H. Donell, Shed Overby, Mr. Miller, J. F. Davis, W. E. Phillips, G. S. Roberts, R. W. Johnson, J. C. Bridges, L. P. Henry, J. T. Johnson, J. S. Henson, Hamilton Foster, H. F. Gwyn, D. M. Hughs, Daniel Gusby, B. W. Hughey, W. S. Banner, William Rires, Z. J. Edwards, Dr. Davidson, F. A. Robertson, J. A. Cooper, W. B. Baileff, M. E. Elliott, E. J. Cooler, N. M. Weatherby, C. J. Milsap, James R. Yantis, W. M. Roberts, W. H. Johnson. We honor these old soldiers.

There were no planes, no implements of modern war, or no scientific methods of treating the wounded in those days. We have thirteen veterans of World War I in our cemetery: ? Smalley, Carl Gruben, Tom McWhilrter, Peter Andrews, Kiefer Patterson, C. H. McClure, R. J. ?, J. P. Everhart, George Warshaw, Forest Weakley, Arthur Coker, Clarence Cardwell, Gaza Davis. There is one representative of World War II: Goff Ratliff.

We sometimes wonder why some of our boys and

younger generation have gone so early. Such as: Spurgeon Hollabaugh, Orvil Lovett, Joe Hambright, Hubert Mayfield, Jess Donell and many others.

We have several doctors buried here. Men, who before the days of cars, traveled the old time ways by horse and buggy or horseback, and went miles upon miles in all kinds of weather to relieve the suffering of the sick and dying. Doctors Kiefer, Barlow, Davidson, Hambright have been laid to rest in our cemetery.

Several times two have been buried the same day. December 1903 Lawrence Deming and Mr. Simon were laid away. Lawrence in the morning and Mr. Simons in the afternoon. It seems that both funerals were in the Baptist Church, and it was such a sad occasion for the relatives of both. One just verging into manhood and the other who left a large family to mourn his going. One day the caskets of Mr. Carpenter and son were placed side by side in the grave. Another time we went from the grave of Miss Alice Bailiff to that of Manie Phillips Royston as they were being buried.

We all remember the car wreck that took the lives of Stella May Waddell and Plena Mayberry. They

had a double funeral in the Baptist Church after which they were laid away in the new plot of the cemetery.

There are a number of lost graves, some babies who parents cannot locate them, but we know their precious little spirits have gone home to the Heavenly Father, who notes the fall of every sparrow.

It gives us a thrill of pleasure to see new curbsings, new stones in some instances, where the dead have been buried for a number of years. It shows that they are remembered.

Many of us remember the terrible tragedy that took the lives of Mr. Man Headstream.

One cluster of graves that is especially interesting is that of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Davis and family--but all the graves of those whom you knew and loved are interesting.

A number of former county officials are buried here: Judge Deming, Mrs. O. M. Parker, W. C. Martin, Mrs. McCary, Tom Bullock, Jess McWhirter, O. E. Bonner, Ed Hooper and Jesse Parker. Bob Smith and Jake Owens, Sheriff and Deputy were killed in the performance of duty. Mr. Frank Parker is there also. There are so many

tragedies along life's highway.

In the new plot nearly all of the graves have curbsings--and even though there is usually one grave in each enclosure, there is room for a family.

Mr. Hambright adds, Mrs. Hughs was a graduate of Baylor College at Belton, and was true scholar. At one time she was the County School Superintendent of Fisher County; she also taught in many of the rural schools. Mrs. Hughs had five

children--Abbie Houston, Buck, Bruce, and David. She, as well as the others, are now deceased.

Mrs. Buck Hughs lives in Roby. A grand daughter, Mrs. Stanley Nowlin of Rotan, is the daughter of Mrs. Buck Hughs and the late Mr. Hughs.

The present Roby Cemetery Association is to be commended for their efforts on behalf of history and heritage which lives on when we remember those who have lived before us, and among us.

Winter Quarter Registration Still Open At TSTI Facility

There is still time to register for winter quarter classes at TSTI in Sweetwater. Interested persons may register until December 16.

Many programs at TSTI are accepting new students this quarter. These include Machine Shop Operations, Livestock and Ranch Operations, Diesel Mechanics, Automotive Mechanics and Building Construction Craftsman.

Courses in Welding, Dental Assistant, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology, Computer Science Technology, Drafting, Technical Office Training, Emergency Medical Technician, and Autobody Repair are also still open.

Night classes in Welding, Diesel Mechanics, Electronics, Business Skills, Air Conditioning, Computer Science and Drafting are offered this quarter for persons who cannot attend during the day.

Also, Building Construction and classes in Spelling, Algebra and Communications are offered.

The programs at TSTI-Sweetwater last less than two years, and in many a certificate of completion can be obtained in one year or less. Full time students attend class approximately 30 hours per week.

TSTI offers the most up-to-date vocational/technical training possible and the cost is very low. Full time students pay

only \$90.50 per quarter for tuition and fees.

To make it easier for students commuting from Abilene, Hamlin, Roby and Rotan, bus service is available for those who qualify.

A 44 passenger bus makes stops in Abilene twice daily to deliver day students to and from classes. The bus picks up students by 7 a.m. Monday through Friday and will return them by 6 p.m. each evening.

An 18 passenger bus is ready to make the Hamlin, Rotan and Roby run. At least 12 persons must sign up to ride before the route can be made.

Registering students should bring with them an official copy of their high school transcript proving graduation from high school or a copy of their GED certificate. They should also be prepared to pay the first quarter's tuition and fees and purchase the books and supplies required for the various programs.

Contact the public information office or the admissions office for further details.

Apply For Social Security Before Taking Retirement

People in this area who are planning to retire early next year should apply soon for Social Security retirement benefits if they have not done so already, Glyn Hammons, Social Security district manager in Abilene, said recently.

It is best to apply 2 or 3 months before a person retires so that Social Security checks can start shortly after a person's income from work stops. This way, a person can avoid a break in income.

Before a person actually applies, certain information and evidence should be gathered to support the claim, Hammons said. This includes:

The person's Social Security card or a record of the number.

Proof of date of birth. The best evidence is a birth certificate or religious record of birth or baptism recorded before age 5. Only original records or copies certified by the issuing agency can be used. If this record is not available, the person should submit the best

evidence available. The best is often the oldest.

Evidence of earnings for the past 2 years. Forms W-2 can be used by wage earners. Self-employed people should submit copies of their self-employment tax returns.

A person applying as a husband or wife will need his or her Social Security card and evidence of his or her date of birth. It is a good idea to also have the marriage certificate available.

These documents will be enough in most cases, but sometimes additional evidence of his or her date of birth. It is a good idea to also have the marriage certificate available.

These documents will be enough in most cases, but sometimes additional evidence is needed, Hammons said.

More information about Social Security retirement benefits can be obtained at the Abilene Social Security office, located at 142 S. Pioneer. The telephone number is 698-1360.



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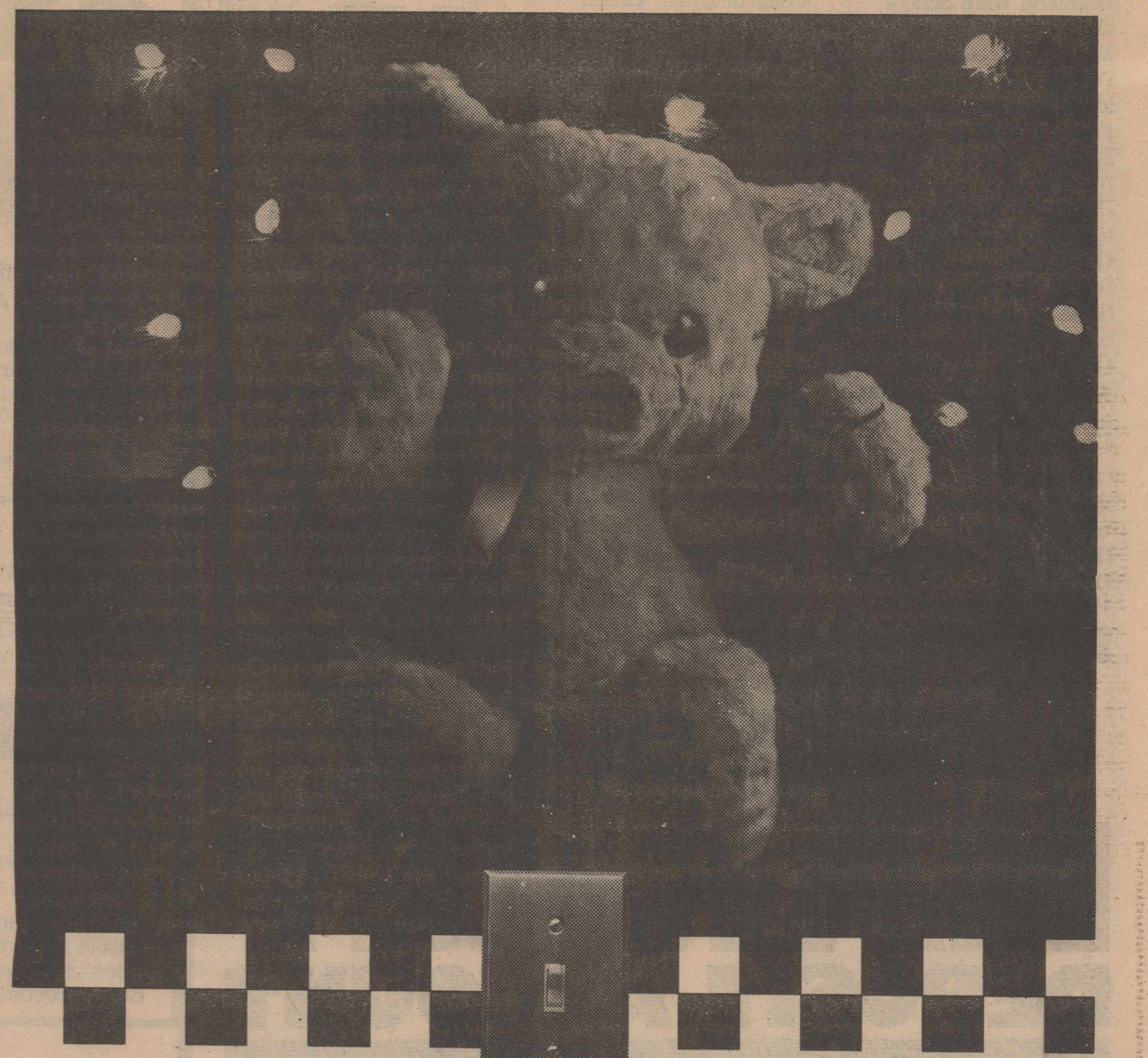
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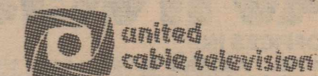
Get into the true spirit of Christmas by giving a new toy to a needy boy or girl through United Cable's Toys for Tots program, going on now through December 21. You'll not only receive the joy of giving to a child less fortunate than yourself, you will also receive a small reward for your generosity on behalf of the children, from United Cable.

From now until December 21, everyone who donates a new toy or cash donation of \$10 to United Cable's Toys for Tots will get a free installation and the third month of new service or service upgrade free. That means you will be able to enjoy all the original sports, information and entertainment that United Cable has to offer at a real savings. Or, if you already subscribe to United Cable, you'll be able to take advantage of so much more for so much less.

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Ma Bell Making Changes On January 1st

Changes are coming January 1, 1983, for Southwestern Bell customers.

However, those changes do not alter Southwestern Bell's commitment to provide quality basic telephone service, pledged Jim West of Southwestern Bell.

Starting January 1, Southwestern Bell will be restricted to providing new residential and business telephone instruments and equipment only from existing inventories, said West.

However, customers still will receive local phone service, access to long distance lines and a monthly bill from Southwestern Bell just as they do today.

He explained that the equipment supply restrictions stem from a Federal Communications Commission ruling designed to foster competition in the telecommunications industry.

Customers who may notice changes the most after January 1 are those establishing service for the first time, or revising current service, West said.

"Despite the restriction to existing inventory, we'll continue to sell or lease new phone equipment for as long as our supply lasts," West said. "We'll also continue to offer refurbished sets for some time. It may take several months before we run out. How long will depend on the demand we have for telephones. If Southwestern Bell does not have equipment requested by a customer, the customer will have to get it from another vendor."

The ruling restricting Southwestern Bell's equipment offerings has no direct link with the recent settlement of the government's antitrust

suit against the Bell System, West said. But, he said the equipment ruling is "the first visible step" in a series of changes leading up to Southwestern Bell's divestiture from AT&T in 1984.

"The FCC action effective January 1 will not directly affect rates for local or long distance service," West said. "However, factors such as past inflationary periods, high interest rates and competition will continue to push rates upward."

West pointed out that Southwestern Bell will continue to be responsible for repairs if a service problem is in Southwestern Bell's Central

office, in the cable leading to a customer's home or business, or in inside wiring provided by the telephone company, he said.

"For new connects, or changes in premise telephone arrangements, customers still will be able to have Southwestern Bell wire their homes for phone service," West said. "Or, customers may prefer to hire someone else to do the wiring, or even do it themselves."

West emphasized that amid all the changes, Southwestern Bell is doing everything possible to ensure a smooth transition for the company and its customers.

"Our record is based on long years of good service. We don't intend to change," he said. "Customers can be assured we'll do all we can in the months ahead to minimize any inconvenience stemming from the FCC ruling and other changes."

West suggested that customers with questions about these or any other changes in the telephone business should call the company's "Let's Talk" toll-free information number, (800) m555-5000. However, questions concerning individual customer accounts should be directed to Southwestern Bell business offices.

Enchanted Tree Raises \$6,303

Members of First Baptist Church today are celebrating a successful "Enchanted Tree" program.

The program raised \$6303.39, exceeding the goal of \$6000.00. The money will be used for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering for Foreign Missions.

More than the financial success, the church is happy because "a new Christmas spirit of selfless

giving fills our members," says the pastor, Derrell Monday.

Rev. Monday says the "Enchanted Tree" program was "a very meaningful way of emphasizing the real spirit of Christmas."

The program saw the transformation of a stark and colorless tree in the church sanctuary into a glittering and beautiful tree.

Key to the change was the hanging of brightly colored "leaves" on its bare branches during a special worship service last Sunday.

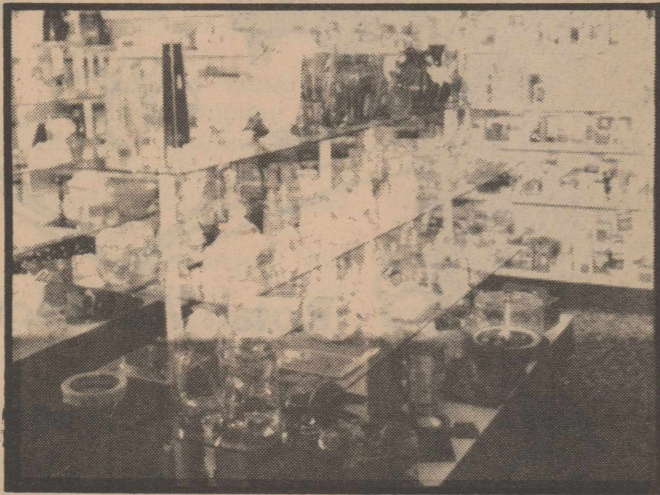
The red, amber and green "leaves" were filled with gifts from young and old members of the church.

Kid's College Open House

Kid's College Day School invites everyone to Open House Friday, December 17 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Children participating in the music program taught by Pat Smith of Sweetwater will be sharing a musical Christmas program. All parents, relatives, and friends of children attending Kid's College are welcome.

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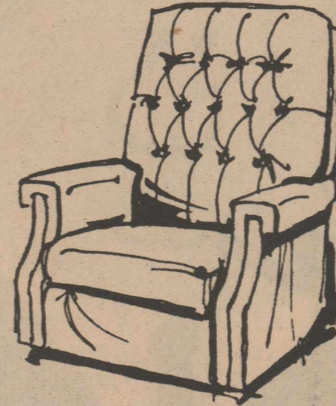
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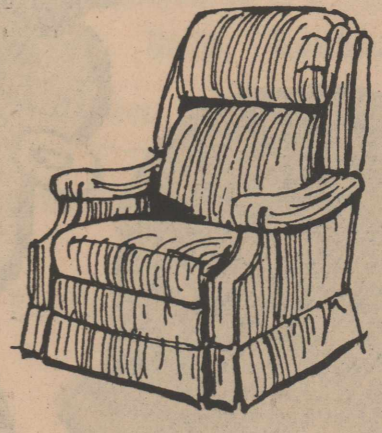
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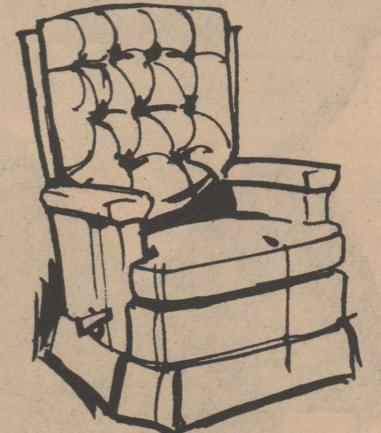
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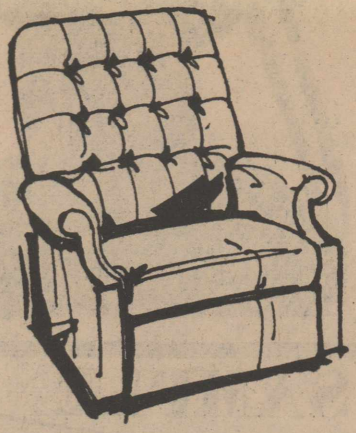
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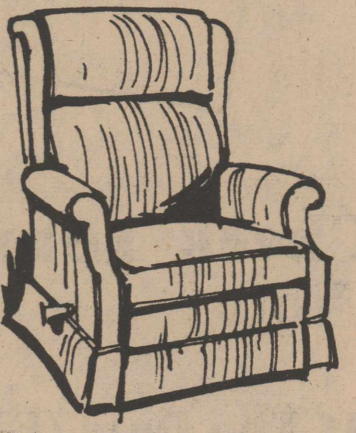
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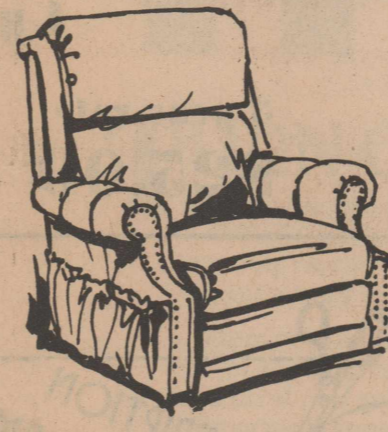
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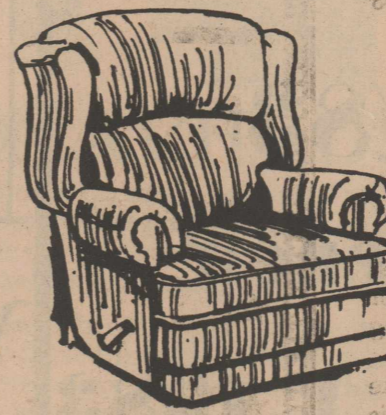
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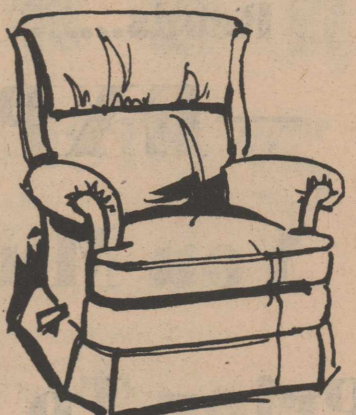
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Rotan Girls Varsity 2nd In Weekend Tournament

The Rotan girls basketball team finished in second place last weekend in the annual Roby Basketball Tournament.

They opened play with Ira on Thursday, defeating them by the score of 64 to 13; defeated Aspermont 37 to 30 on Friday and lost to Hamlin by the score of 55 to 54 in the championship game on Saturday night.

In the opening game with Ira, Pat Martinez was high individual with 13 points. Others scoring were Cathy Conner 12, Kristi Holt 10, Elisa Carrillo 8, Jerilyn Marshall 6, Donna Martinez 5, Kellie Pease 4, Jana Smith, Dana Nowlin and Shelly Hayes 2 points each. Others playing on Thursday were Dilana Long and Annette Martinez.

In the Friday game with Aspermont, Elisa Carrillo scored 12, Pat Martinez 7, Cathy Conner 7, Jana Smith 6, Dana Nowlin 3 and Kellie Pease 2. Jana Smith led in rebounds with 10 while Elisa Carrillo and Pat Martinez led in steals

with 4 each. Kellie Pease was injured during the game when she fell requiring 14 stitches to close a cut under her chin.

In the final game Rotan lost to Hamlin 55-54. The Rotan girls had a 20 to 13 first quarter lead; 32 to 24 halftime lead, and led 48 to 34 at the end of the third period. In the final quarter, Rotan scored 6 points to 21 by Hamlin.

High point individual in the Hamlin game was Cathy Conner with 21 points. Others scoring were: Pat Martinez 11, Elisa Carrillo 9, Dana Nowlin 6, Donna Martinez 3, Jana Smith 2 and Jerilyn Marshall 2.

For the tournament, Cathy Conner came in and did a super job commented coach Jo Damron. Pat Martinez was taken to the hospital after falling and hitting her head on the floor during the Hamlin game.

Dana Nowlin and Elisa Carrillo were both named to the Roby All Tournament team.

Rural Wrens Hold Meeting

The Rural Wrens Extension Homemakers Club met in the Courthouse Annex on Monday, December 13 for their regular meeting.

Jodie Brumfield called the meeting to order and read the scripture and thought. Marsha Smith called the roll and read the minutes from the previous meeting. The business meeting was adjourned and the drawing for the food baskets was held. The winners were:

Marshall Billingsley, Delphine King, Tommy Frieron, Wanda Horton and Debbie Wickham. The

club would like to thank the community for their support in this project.

The club then had a potluck luncheon and gift exchange. Attending were the hostess, Jan Clark, Cindi Lewis, Teresa Adams, Elizabeth Billingsley, Debbie Wickham, Lisa Carey, Becca Frieron, Bonnie Estes, Jodi Brumfield and Marsha Smith.

The next meeting will be January 10 at 10:00 a.m. in the annex. Elizabeth Billingsley will be in charge of the program.

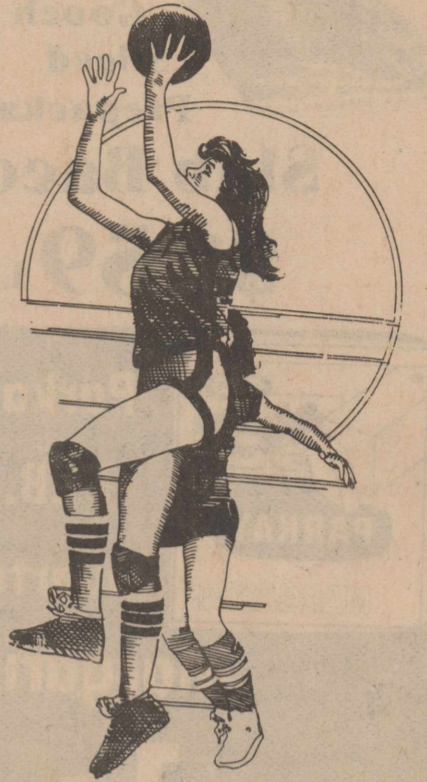


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Tax Planning
By
Gerald Rodgers,
CPA



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Individuals have less than a month to take steps to cut their 1982 taxes. Consider the following strategies:

1. Pay medical bills in 1982 if they'll qualify for deductibility under the 3% limit rather than waiting until 1983 when the limit increases to 5%.
2. Since 1983 is scheduled for the final phase of the tax cut, defer income wherever possible to 1983 and accelerate expenses into 1982.
3. To accelerate deductible expenses into 1982, pay 1982 real estate taxes before December 31.
4. Make charitable contributions before year end.
5. If you're planning large personal purchases early in 1983 and have state and local sales tax, consider purchasing in 1982 to get the sales tax deduction.
6. Energy credit for storm doors and windows, insulation or other energy saving purchases for your residence is still in effect. If you're planning such installations, do them before December 31.
7. If you're an investor in public utility stock, take stock dividends rather than cash dividends this year to allow for exclusion of up to \$750 (\$1,500 joint) income.
8. Set up an IRA for yourself and working spouse to allow for deduction of up to \$2,000 each for contribution to plans.
9. If you have sizeable capital gains, recognize losses on stocks and other investments this year.

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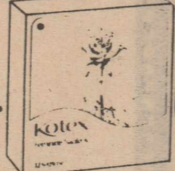
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BY THE JOURNALISM CLASS OF ROTAN HIGH SCHOOL



Did You Know?
By Stephanie Pack
Did you know the largest school in the world was the DeWitt Clinton High School in the Bronx, New York City where the enrollment attained 12,000 students in 1934.
The University with the greatest enrollment in the world is the University of Calcutta in India with 178,176 students in 1970-71.
The largest university building in the world is the M. V. Lomonosov State University in the USSR. It has 32 stories and contains 40,000 rooms. It was built in 1949-53.

Mystery student
This week's mystery student is a senior girl who was born on March 30, 1964 in Lubbock. She has black hair, blue eyes and is 5'5" tall. She likes painting and watches the show Facts of Life. Her favorite color is purple and food is steak and shrimp. Her favorite movie is Rocky III and song is the Rose. She thinks Scott Baio is a 10. Her class schedule is something like this: 1. Speech 2. Health 3. Government 4. English IV 5. Typing.
Last week's mystery student was Donna Martinez.

Teacher Interview
Trina Ortiz
Name: Mrs. Mercer
Birthdate: May 14, 1953
Hometown: Highland, Indiana
Color of Hair: Brown
Color of Eyes: Hazel
Favorite Food: Mexican Food
High School Attended: Highland High School
College Attended: McMurry College, Abilene
Degrees Attained: Bachelor of Science in Education
Favorite Hobby: Tennis
Family Portrait: Husband, Alva; Son, Matt
Dream Occupation: Doctor's Assistant/Nurse
Occupation: Teacher-Special Education;
Seventh grade basketball coach
Comment: I really like Rotan and the students have been very helpful. Have a nice Christmas.

Birthdays
Donna Martinez, December 7, Darren Stevens, December 10, Chris Duhadaway, December 13.

Junior High News
by Deanne Harbin
This week in Junior High has been rather busy with everyone preparing for the Christmas holidays. The seventh and eighth grade students are making Christmas cards to send to residents of Leisure Lodge and Fisher County Nursing Home. On December 14, at 11:00 a.m. the seventh and eighth grade students are going to sing Christmas carols at Leisure Lodge. At 11:20 they will be at Fisher County Nursing Home.

The seventh graders took great pleasure in putting on a program for the public. They sang carols, and the highlight of the program was "The Twelve Days of Christmas." It was really nice. The program was held on Friday, December 10, at 9:10 a.m. in the High School Auditorium.

I take great pride in announcing that both of the Junior High girls basketball teams are still undefeated while going into the third week of the season. Congratulations to all these girls.

The Junior High students and faculty would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Quote of the Week
Before you let yourself go, be sure you can get yourself back again.

Senior Spotlight
by Teresa Cantu
Name: Jill Posey, daughter of Mrs. Richard Posey
Birthdate: June 19, 1965
Height: 5'2"
Color of Eyes: Green
Color of Hair: Brown
Favorite Color: Red

Favorite Food: Angel Food Cake
Favorite Music/Singer/Song: Country/Johnny Lee/Lookin' For Love
Favorite T.V. Shkw/

Movie: Little House on the Prairie/E.T.
Favorite Hobby: Reading
Career Choice: Elementary Teacher
College Preference: Abilene Christian Univer-

sity
Person You Consider a "10": I'm still looking
Comment: Merry Christmas! I hope everyone has a Happy New Year.

Inside The Lions Den

By Mickey McCarty

The Roby Lions again won their own tournament, Roby has won it three of the last four years and two years in a row.

We had to beat three good teams to win the tournament. I was very pleased that our team could play well enough three straight games to beat these good teams. Each game was very hard and should have improved us alot.

I would like to thank all the teams and coaches that participated and hope they come back next year. We think we have one of the best tournaments in the area and hope to continue to have it each year.

We could not have it with out a lot of work from the Booster Club, teachers, administrators, students and the local people. I would like to personally thank them. I also would like to say a special thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Martin and Norma Meeks, without their extra work, the tournament would not have been a success.

Tournament Results-
Championship for boys was Roby, 2nd place Jayton, 3rd place Hamlin, Consolation Aspermont.
Championship for girls was Hamlin, 2nd place Rotan, 3rd place Roscoe, and consolation Loraine.

Boys making the all tournament team were

Jeff Merket of Hamlin, Greg Gruben of Rotan, Jack Noles of Jayton, Timmy Bryant of Jayton, Robby King of Roby and MVP Jerry Wallace of Roby.

Girls making the all tournament team were Leslie Rose Loraine, Julie Raughton of Roscoe, Dana Nowlin of Rotan, Elisa Carrillo of Rotan, Sandra Deaton of Hamlin, MVP Pam Willis of Hamlin.

Our boys also beat Rule to run our record to 7-1. The Roscoe tournament will be moved to Hamlin. Our girls will play at 1:00 against Loraine, Thursday with the boys following at 2:30.

Our J. V. entered the McCaulley Varsity tournament and got beat by Rotan J. V. 44-41 for

Consolation. We did show improvement as we got beat by the same team nearly 25 points last time. We led most of the game but didn't perform when we had to most. Rotan has a good team. We also lost to Trent Varsity and beat Paint Creek Varsity. I think we showed alot of improvement during this tournament and gained alot of experience.

December 21, Varsity will play Loraine, KJ. V boys and girls will play Clyde here-four games starting at 4:00.

Our J. V. is working real hard and should start showing even more improvement. I am pleased with their attitude and hard work. We need to keep improving.



ALL TOURNAMENT BOYS: The three all tournament boys, named last week at the Roby tournament are pictured above. Those making the team are far left Robby King of Roby, Jerry Wallace number 25 under basket, of Roby, and Greg Gruben number 14 of Rotan making layup. The two Fisher County girls making the all tournament team were Elisa Carrillo of Rotan and Dana Nowlin of Rotan.

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