

Game Thursday, January 12th

# Arkansas Gems Battle Local Lion's Members

Forget TV for a night. There is a better show coming to the area--it's the

sparkling stars of girls basketball, the talented and funny world renowned

"Arkansas Gems". These famous girls will be at the Rotan High School gym to oppose the local men's Dandy Lions, at 7:30 p.m. in a game for the benefit of Lions International Projects. Entertainment will start before the opening whistle and continue throughout the entire game.

While displaying amazing talent, the "Gems" will flirt with their opponents and the fans as well. Please remember, to your delight, you may become a part of the show too.

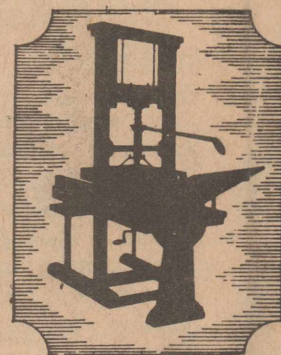
These accomplished performers will be exhilarating and frolicsome. An evening of fun and laughter will be in store for all those attending this zany show. Each member of the "Gems" entourage will participate in the fun-making--whether faking

passes to a team mate, doing the twist with the referee, or flirting with the fans--all comical incidents or jokes will be a constant delight to the attending children of all ages from 2 years old to 99 years young.

The "Arkansas Gems" will present a half-time show featuring one of the finest dribblers in basketball, Elvera "Peps" Neuman, from Eden Valley, Minnesota. She will amaze and delight fans as she dribbles one then two basketballs behind her back, between her legs, or her knees, in time to the catchy rhythm of "Cabaret".

Do not miss this extravaganza when members of the Rotan Lions "Dandy Lions" meet the "Gems". In addition to Rotan Lions Club members, coaches, Gorman, Dunn, Gillis, Posey and Smith will see action against the "Gems".

Tickets will be on sale at the gate, as well as at all advance spots.



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## Vandals Cause Damage To School, Hatahoe Glass

Some \$425 in damages were done in Rotan by vandals last week in the form of broken windows, according to H.W. Grady, Rotan Police Chief.

Grady indicated that sometime Wednesday night, November 27th vandals broke two drive in windows at the Rotan Hatahoe causing some \$125.00 in damage.

On the same night, a total of 5 windows were broken at the Rotan School complex. One cafeteria window, three windows at the Junior High Library and a window at the new gymnasium. The school damages were estimated at \$300.

## Roby Band

### To Present

#### Concert

The Roby Jr. High and High School Band will play a Christmas Concert on Dec. 17th starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Roby High School Auditorium. The concert is free and everyone is invited.

#### Santa Claus

#### Making Visit To Rotan

Santa Claus will make his annual visit to Rotan on Thursday afternoon, December 5th at 5:00 p.m., according to reports received by Archie Neeley, Rotan Fire Chief.

Santa will meet with Rotan children at the Rotan Community Center.

The incident is under investigation by the Rotan Police Department.

## Santa Letters Needed By December 13th

Letters to Santa Claus from pre-school children must be turned into the Newspaper Office by Friday noon, December 13th, according to Kim Pease, Editor.

"We will once again this year be forwarding the letters to Santa at the North Pole, so we need them in the office by Friday," said Pease.

School age children will have written their letters in school and they will be turned in and forwarded also.

## Three Spots Open On Roby School Board

Roby Independent School District voters will be electing three members to the Roby School Board in 1986. The terms of June Wright, Gayle Morgeson, and Scott Feagan, filling the unexpired term of Richard Gaona expire in 1986.

Other Roby board members include: Mike Terry and Judy Mauldin terms expiring in 1987 and Ron and Henry and Calvin Elkins with terms expiring in 1988.

The election will be in April of 1986.

# Attendance At Public Meeting Low, Sheriff-Police Merger Set Jan 1st

The attendance was low at the public meeting scheduled by the Rotan City Council to field questions concerning the possible merger of the Rotan Police Department with the Fisher County Sheriff's Department last week.

Rotan Mayor Jerry Marshall and members of the Rotan City Council were present, plus nine other individuals. Most of those in attendance were law enforcement officers.

Mayor Jerry Marshall,

## Three Rotan Board Spots Up For Grabs

A total of three members of the Rotan School Board have terms expiring in 1986. Those include James Carter, Roger Blackwelder, and Donnie Gruben. Members of the Rotan Independent School District will be voting on directors in April of 1986.

Other board members include: Larry Landes and Joe Morrow, terms expiring in 1987 and Leo Long and Pete Fowler, terms expiring in 1988.

commenting on the attendance at the public meeting said "I was a little disappointed that more were not there," but he added that he could only assume that the basic idea was well supported by Rotan residents.

The Rotan Police Department and Fisher County Sheriff's Department will be merged on January 1st, according to Kenneth Vann, Rotan City Manager. This merger will take place providing the contracts between the two entities can be executed by that time.

Two of the three officers on the Rotan Police Department will be hired as Fisher County Sheriff Department deputies. They

are current Rotan Police Chief H.W. Grady and Patrolman Dwayne McCoy. The other Rotan law enforcement officer, Floyd

Bankston, will be named as Rotan City Police Chief with the responsibility of night patrolman duties. Fisher County Judge

Marshal Bennett said earlier this week that as soon as the paperwork is executed between the county and City of Rotan the proposed move will take place. This is expected to be finished in December so the switch can take place on January 1, 1986.

## Roby Methodist Church To Purchase Bell Choir Set

The members of the First United Methodist Church of Roby will be involved in a new ministry, providing plans by the Methodist women materialize as expected.

The Roby Methodist Women are planning to purchase a "choir Chimes" for a bell choir for the youth of the church with proceeds raised from a bake sale.

The bake sale will take place on December 11th from 9:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex.

Individuals interested in purchasing goods can also order, pies, bread, cakes, candies, and cheese balls direct from church members. Those interested in more information contact Deana Gant, Bee Jae Hawkins or Elizabeth Billingsley.

All baked goods will be gift wrapped and delivered if requested.

## Thompson New Thriftway Store Manager

Darrell Thompson, age 28, a native of Pampa, Texas has been named by Glen Holt, owner of Glen's Thriftway in Rotan, as the new store manager.

Thompson is a life long resident of Pampa, having graduated from Pampa High School in 1976 and then attending West Texas

## WTU Classes Set For January

College students may earn three hours of college credit in a Mid-Winter Session scheduled by Western Texas College from Jan. 2-14.

Classes will meet from 9-11:45 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. daily except on Jan. 4, 5, 11 and 12. Final examinations will start at 8 a.m. on Jan. 14.

Courses on the schedule are Business 232 (Business Law), Computer Science 130 (Introduction to Computer Science), English 231 (American Literature), English 232 (English Literature), Government 231 and 232 (American, State and Local Government), History 132 (United States History since 1865), and Mathematics 134 (College Trigonometry).

Fees will be \$45 plus textbooks. Students enrolling in Computer Science 130 will also pay a \$20 lab fee.

Registration for the Mid-Winter session will be held from Dec. 17-20. Late registration will be held from 8-9 a.m. on Jan. 2. Registration forms will be available in the Students Services office in the Administration Building.

Students who have previously attended WTC and have an Application for Admission on file may register by mail by sending the required fee to the Students Services office. Students who have not attended WTC may request an Application for Admission to be sent to them by calling the office at 915-573-8511.

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Darrell Thompson

## \$150,000 Note Burned For Roby Methodist Building

It was a great day for the members of the First United Methodist Church in Roby last Sunday--they burned a \$150,000 note, in celebration of the final payment on the construction of a new sanctuary and offices.

The construction began in November of 1981. The note was not supposed to be paid in full until 1991, but according to Rev. Warren K. Schoenecker, "now we can go into our centennial year debt free." The church began in 1886.

"Special donations from friends and former members of the First United Methodist Church of Roby in the last 90 days made it possible for us to pay the note off in full", according to Rev. Schoenecker.

Rev. Loren Gardner, former pastor, and pastor when the construction began was present last Sunday to preach the morning service. He is currently pastor of the Methodist Church in Coahoma. Rev.

## Rotan Band Parents Meeting Set

A Rotan Band Parents meeting will be held Wednesday, December 11th, at 5:15 in the Band Hall.

Plans for the upcoming Football and Band Banquet will be discussed.

Wayland Dowden, retired minister, currently residing in Snyder was also present for the celebration.

Those from the church signing the note included: Henry Ellis, H.T. Neves, Carl Murff, Marjorie Mitchell, Ray Smith and Hub Bennett.

## McCaulley Holiday Bazaar Set

McCaulley Methodist Church will have a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 7 beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m.

To be held in the fellowship hall, the Bazaar will feature cakes, candies and assorted baked goods as well as hand crafts, flower arrangements and other Christmas items to fill your holiday needs.

Door prizes will be presented. Everyone is welcome to come enjoy the holiday spirit.

## Ruffles And Spurs Set Saturday

Ruffles and Spurs Square Dance Club will have their monthly dance Saturday night, Dec. 7th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Building. All visitors are welcome to come watch. All dancers are invited to come dance.



"Arkansas Gems"--Elvera "Peps" Neuman



CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: Two Rotan City employees erected the Christmas lights last Tuesday.





**ROTAN JR. VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM:** The members of the Rotan Jr. Varsity basketball team are left to right, front row: George Patterson, Billy Wayne Speck, Marcus Silvas, Randy Randolph, Jay Pittman, and Joe Almanza. Back row, left to right: Kenny Warren, Brian Sheehan, Darrian Ragan, Steve Dickson, Coach Smith.

### Registration To Be Held January 16th For Spring Classes, Extension Of WTC

Copies of the spring schedule for classes at the Sweetwater extension center of Western Texas College are now available. Dr. Duane Hood, Dean of Student Services, said. Registration will be held from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Jan. 16. Courses on the schedule are English 131, Criminal

Justice 131 and 132, Government 231, Psychology 231 and Health-Physical Education 212 (Aerobic Dance). Ray Robbins will teach the Criminal Justice courses. Dr. Franklin Pruitt will teach Government 231 and Dan Osborn will teach the psychology course. C. Maloney will teach

the physical education course. Information about the Sweetwater extension center can be obtained by contacting Frank McDonald, center coordinator, at Sweetwater High School. Registration for spring classes on the Snyder campus of WTC will be held Jan. 20-21.

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### Mrs. Worth Smith Has Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Hill G. Smith of Lewisville visited Mrs. Worth Smith the weekend before Thanksgiving. They then went scuba diving in Jamaica for a week. They plan on visiting again before Christmas.

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## Remind Your Crew to Play it Safe Around Electricity.

**Don't leave lights unattended.**

Never leave your Christmas tree lights or outdoor decorative lights unattended. Be sure to unplug them when you go to bed or leave the house.

Another wise safety precaution is to check all outdoor and tree lights BEFORE you decorate. Discard strands with frayed wiring and replace burned out bulbs.

**Never overload circuits.**

Avoid overloading electrical wiring by using more than one circuit for your Christmas tree lights. Use heavy-duty extension cords to run to other circuits.

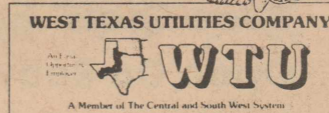
**Avoid hanging ornaments on lights.**

Make sure paper ornaments and tinsel do not touch light bulbs. Also, never adjust outdoor or tree lights while they are turned on or connected to a power circuit.

Always use a wooden ladder or a metal one with rubber-tipped legs when installing outdoor lights. Be sure to stand on a dry surface.

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### Mr. & Mrs. Butler To Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Butler will be honored at a reception Sunday, December 8, celebrating their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary. The reception will be held at Trinity Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, Sweetwater, Texas, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Hosting the reception will be their family, Pansy and Harold Black, Michael Black, Rick, Lisa and Britany Black, all of Spring, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler were

married December 7, 1935. To the marriage was born two daughters, Pansy and Diana Gail. Gail passed away in 1963 at the age of 17.

Mr. Butler was born in Lovelady, Texas and came to Fisher County at the age of 5. He had engaged in farming all of his life until he retired in 1979. His hobbies are growing flowers and raising a garden.

Mrs. Butler, the former Erma Ruth Rollans, was

born in Delaware, Arkansas, and came to Texas at the age of 7. Her love is sewing, especially for her great-granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler are

members of Trinity Baptist Church in Sweetwater where he serves as a Deacon and she teaches pre-schoolers in Sunday School.



Mr. & Mrs. Woodrow Butler

We want to thank the Roby First Baptist R.A.'s for the fruit and visiting us.

Our love and deepest sympathy to the family of Alice Yates.

We thank Allie Scott of Sylvester for the magazines.

We want to welcome Nash and Bessie Miers of Roby to our home.

We thank Royce Smith of Trent for donations to our Thanksgiving.

The residents really like the candy door hangers that Ilene Hale brought, thank you.

We all had lots of turkey and dressing Thanksgiving. We thank the ones that brought cakes and pies.

Several residents went out for Thanksgiving and some residents had their family eating with them.

Octavaneous Harrell went to her son, John Harrell of Roscoe. Janet Conley went to Dudley Hambright's. They were

### Golden Haven Nursing Home News

also having the Hambright reunion. Jewel Crowder went to Sweetwater to be with her husband and family.

Louise Schubert ate with her husband, Louis. Jess Brooks ate with his wife, Louise. Mae Harvey ate with Dub and Ima Harvey.

Elizabeth Hale and Hazel Smith ate with Burt and Ilene Hale, Skip, Linda, David and Blandon Rembert of San Angelo.

Joe and Vera Jennings of Throckmorton, Royce, Joyce and Larry Smith of Trent. All reported they had a good time.

Visiting Johnnie Mulanax were Dean and Sharon Yeisley, Susan Keith, all of Lubbock, Vaunell King of Kerrville, Gail Lobdell Rand Smith of Sweetwater.

Visiting Addie Seibert were Brenda and Shandi

Martin of Lamesa, Stacie Dennis of Weatherford, Wayman and Carol Leverton of Rotan. Visiting Cleo Simmons, Doug and Dot Simmons of Abilene.

Visiting Janet Conley-Mrs. Jay Robert Moore, Beth Geiger of Abilene. Mr. and Mrs. John Hollman of Victoria, Jeff Hollman of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Fred Hambright, of Wichita, Kansas, Mr. and Mrs. John Hambright and Ben of Denver, Colorado, Dr. Marby Hambright, of Os., Cal., Dr. George Dickey, Reta, Nancy, Georgia, and Scott of Libodaux, La., Mr. and Mrs. George Lederex, Ashley, George, Jr. and Leslie of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Cooper, and Amy of Cold Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hambright, Andy, Bill and Pat and Annie of Grand

Junction, Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Thompson, C.J., Melisa, and Jenny of Borne, Mrs. Carter of Lamesa. Visiting Mamie Moulton, Lyra and Gail Justiss of Wichita Falls, Barbara Justiss of Coahoma. Visiting Willard Tillotson-Ann Hunter of Houston. Visiting Jess Brooks-Mr. and Mrs. Skeeter Edwards of Wedford. Visiting Letha Meek-Charles and Norma Meek of Sylvester, Belta Mahaffey of Lake Jackson.

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### Funeral Conducted For Alice Booker Yates

Alice Booker Yates, 95, of Abilene, died at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Golden Haven Home for the aged in Roby. Graveside services were held at 2:30 p.m., Sunday at Mount Hope Cemetery in Anson with Rev. Warren Shoemaker, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Roby officiating. Burial was under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home of Rotan.

A native of Anson, she was born September 30, 1890. Her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Walter Yates, were pioneer Jones County residents.

Miss Alice and her sister, Miss Annie, were teachers Kathy Gerhart Selected In Women's Field

Kathy L. Gerhart of Corsicana, granddaughter of Rex and Mamie Kemp of Roby, was selected as the 1985-86 Young Career Woman for District 5 of the Business and Professional Women. She is a certified public accountant and comptroller of the Navarro Pecan Company. She will represent District 5, which covers 15 counties, at the BP&W state convention in San Antonio in July 1986.

Kathy Gerhart is the daughter of James and Kay Taylor of Abernathy and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor of Ponder, Texas.

### Rotan Room Parents To Hold Meeting

The Rotan Room Parents Association will have a meeting on Tuesday, December 10th at 7:00 P.M. at the Homestead Building. Room mother chairman need to bring a list of all of the children in their room. We will be working on Christmas party favors. We will also have a report on the book fair. All parents are asked to come and help with the favors.

for a total of 98 years. Most of Alice's tenure was in Dallas, where the family moved in 1923. Alice retired in 1960 after 47 years in Art Instruction. She continued her love for art by painting in oils and water color during retirement. The sister moved to Abilene in the late 1960's. She was a member of the Presbyterian church.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Annie, two brothers, Lewis and C.P.

She is survived by: a niece, Bessie Louise Miers of Roby; a cousin, Arthur Brinkley, Jr. of Richmond, Virginia; a great niece, Betty Blanche Mauldin of Roby; a great nephew, Walter Miers of Rotan; 3 great great nieces: Diane Hendren and Cheryl Cox of Dallas; and Rose Ann Miers of Rotan; one great great nephew, Christopher Hendren of Dallas.

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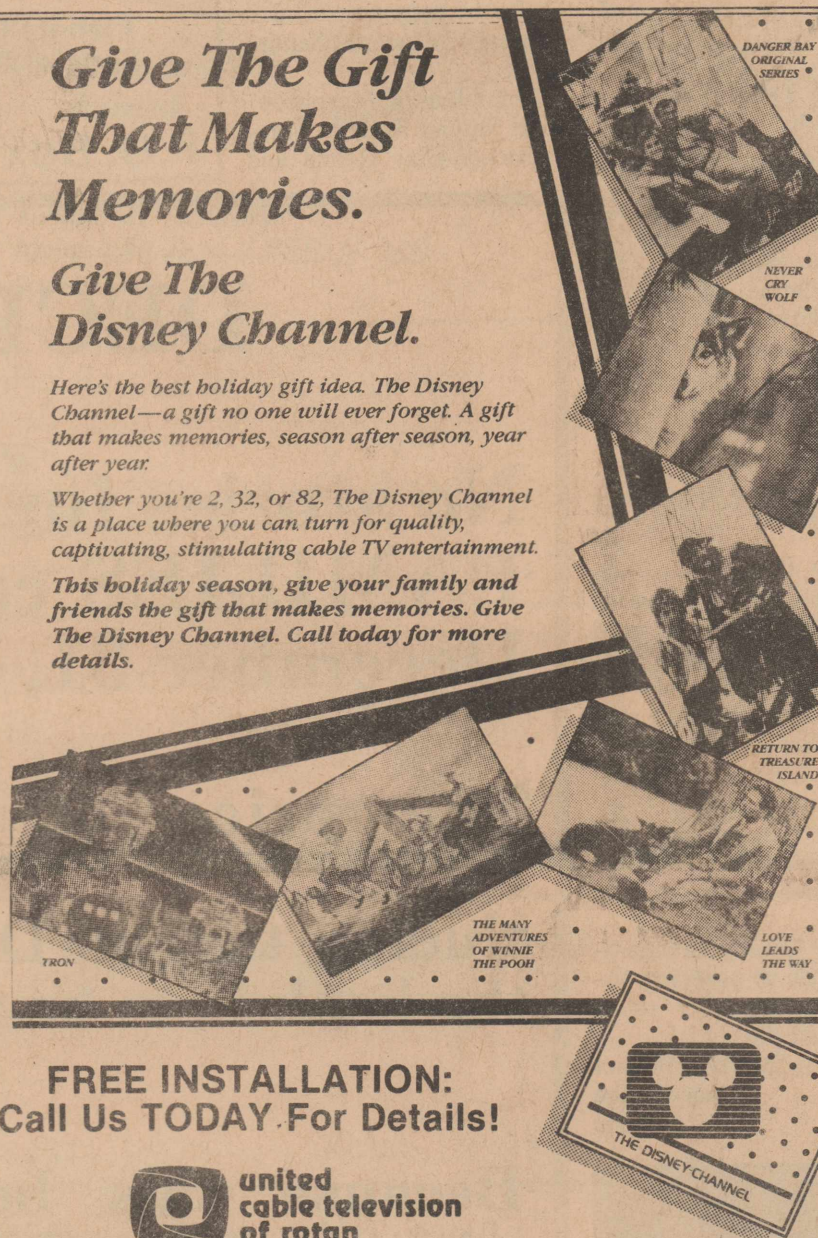
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### Worship This Week At A Fisher County Church

Read Genesis 28:10-17  
God said to Jacob, "Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go."  
—Genesis 28:15 (KJV)

THE sky was blue when my mother-in-law and granddaughter buckled themselves into the back seat of the car. But before we had gone fifty miles, a cloud blocked the sun and the air turned brown. Wind whipped sand against the car as I clutched the wheel with white-knuckled hands and squinted to see the white center stripe. Tumbleweeds blew across the road, powered by seventy-five-mile-an-hour winds. We were in the middle of a dust storm.

"Ooooh!" squealed my mother-in-law, "that one must be in a hurry." Jennifer giggled at the huge tumbleweed as I swerved to miss it. She and her great-grandmother were sharing an adventure. She wasn't afraid. They sang and told each other stories.

Three hours later, we finally drove out of the blowing sand into a gentle rain. I felt myself go limp.

"God must have been with us," I said. "We made it."

"Of course God was with us," said my mother-in-law in surprise. "Where did you think He would go?"

Where indeed? God promised to be with us to the ends of the earth. God would have been there if we'd driven into a ditch. What a comfort to know God is with us always!

PRAYER: Lord, I don't want to be just a fair-weather friend to You, because You never leave me alone. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY  
Am I a faithful friend to God?

<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 735-3471 Sunday School 9:45 Sunday Evening-Church Training 6:00 Wed. Night 7:30	Rotan, Texas Worship 10:55
<b>CROSS ROADS BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 735-2178 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening-Training Union 6:00 Wed. Night 7:00	Rotan, Texas Worship 11:00 Rev. Howard Jones-Int. Pastor
<b>LITTLE ZION BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School 9:45 Wed. Night 7:00	Worship 11:00 Rev. James Carrington-Pastor
<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 776-2159 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00 Wednesday Night 7:00	Roby, Texas Worship 11:00 Worship 7:00 Rev. Jim Ritter-Pastor.
<b>CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 735-3464 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00 Wed. Night 7:00	Rotan, Texas Worship Service 11:00 Worship 7:00 Rev. Daniel W. Whitaker-Pastor.
<b>EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 735-2478 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 5:30	B. O. Andress Rodriguez-Pastor Rotan, Tx. Worship 11:00 Wed. Night 7:30
<b>SYLVESTER BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 993-4479 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00	Sylvester Worship 11:00 Wed. Night 7:00 Rev. Pat Hatfield-Pastor.
<b>HOBBS BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00	Hobbs Community Worship 11:00 Sunday Evening 6:00
<b>MCCAULEY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00	Worship 11:00 Rick McMinn-Pastor
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## Live Nativity Scene To Be Held By Rotan Methodist Church On Wed., December 18th

There will be approximately 32 members of the First United Methodist Church in costume and participating in the 1985 version of the Live Nativity Scene this year and a host of others as choirs members and members of auxiliary crews, according to Terry Lowe, pastor.

The annual performance will be staged at 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 18th and is an annual gift from the members of the church to the community. This is the ninth year for the pageant.

The thirty-two members taking part in "costumed parts" include: Mary-Gwen Helms; Joseph-William Duke; Angels-Becky Burk, Donna Springer, Judy Lowe, Julie Pease, Jaye Niece Clements, Jackie Martinez, Nina Tandy, Patti Parks, Tammy Kelley and Leigh Nowlin.

Shepherds for the pageant include: David Stevens, Mike Cade, Jeff Klein,

John Pease, Steve Nowlin, Lloyd Green and Ricky Gruben.

James Springer will be playing Gabriel; Glen Holt, Herod; Charles Thornton, The Innkeeper, and The Three Wisemen include: David Hargrove, Charles Atwell and Phil Springer.

The High Priests will be portrayed by Wayne Porter and Wayne Harris with teachers being portrayed by Yoke Fleming and Jack Jones.

A host of church personnel will be serving in auxiliary capacities: Costumes for the pageant (committee) include: Effie Atwell, Dorothy Burrow, Ima Berry, Janis Collins, Evelyn Crawford, Golda Springer, Priss Springer and Borgie Hargrove.

Food Committee: Joe Dale Burk, Fran Burk, E.J. Kiker, and Betty Kiker. Serving on the refreshment committee is Janece Pease and Sandra Holt.

Props-Randy Murphree and Nathan Kelley. Construction-Clay Helms and

Red Bennett. Narrator-Terry Lowe, Director Polly Denton, Coordinator-Kim Pease.

Lighting-Monte Morrow and Perry Thomson, Adult Music-Mary Ann Marshall. Children's Music-

Gail Duke. Livestock Committee-Joe Morrow, Vick Burk and Bret Clements.

### FISH

Now is the time for Fall Stocking Hybrid Bluegill, Florida Hybrid Bass, Channel Catfish, Fathead Minnows, Hybrid Grass Carp, Black Crappie.

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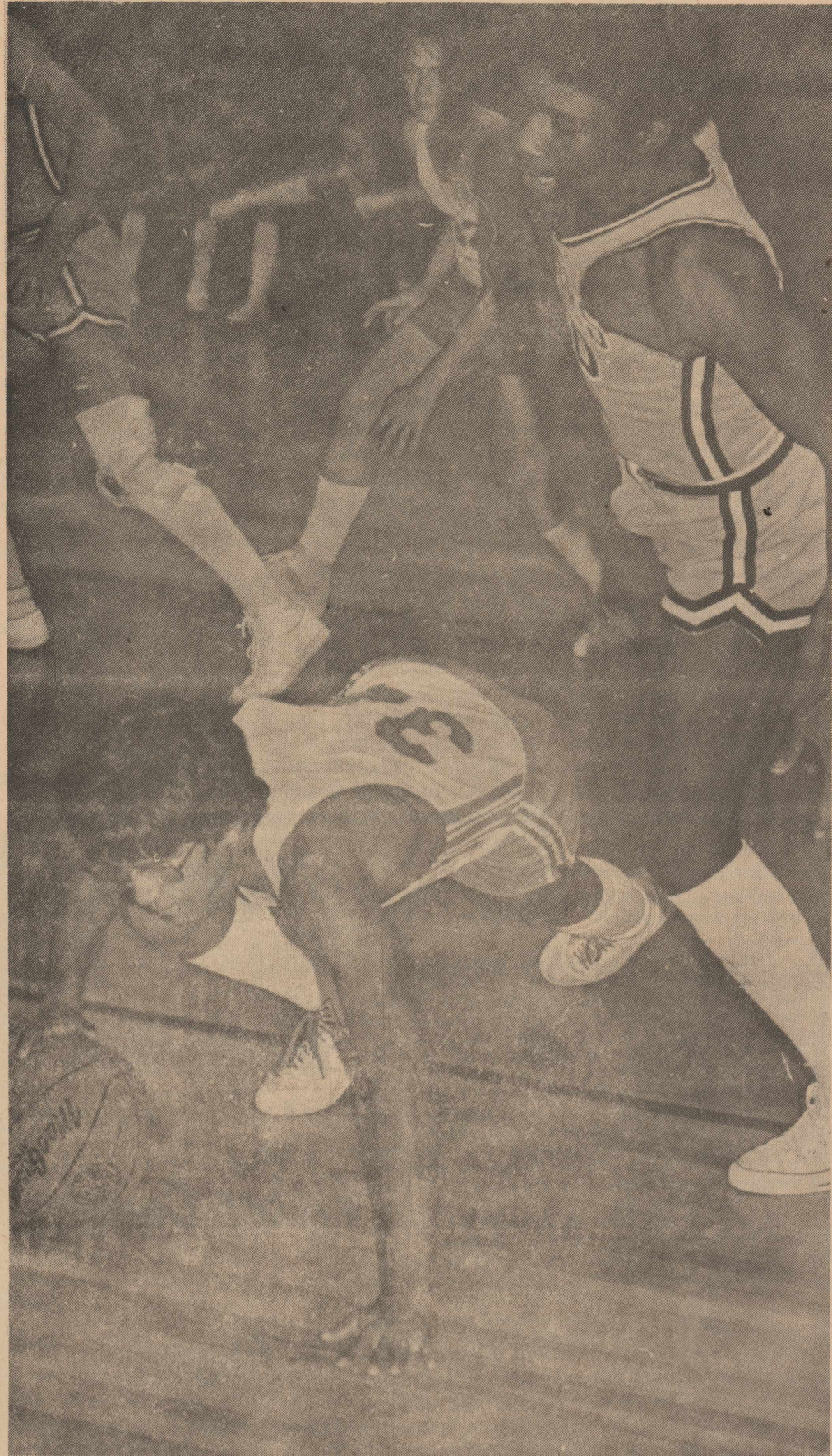
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**DIVING FOR BASKETBALL:** Thomas Almanza, a member of the Rotan Jr. Varsity basketball team, comes with a rebound during a recent game with Talpa Centennial.

### Funeral Services Held For Marie Midkiff

Marie Levens Midkiff, 65, of Abilene, died at 8 a.m. Wednesday in the Shady Oaks Lodge No. 2. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Friday in Weathersbee Chapel in Rotan with Henry Pinkston, lay minister, officiating. Burial was in the Rotan Cemetery.

Mrs. Midkiff was born Aug. 21, 1920 in Fisher County and was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Levens. She moved to Abilene 15 years ago from Eastland. Mrs. Midkiff was a retired Licensed Vocational Nurse. She was a member of the Baptist church.

Survivors include one daughter Beverly Wyatt, Abilene; one brother, Loyd Levens, Sweetwater; and two grandchildren: Vicki Wyatt and Darron Wyatt, both of Abilene.

### Visitors

Joe and Hector Orona of Tacoma, Washington, and Cruz Orona of Abilene visited their parents and brothers and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Orona, Jerry and Joe of Roby.

### Legal Notice

Fisher County Commissioners Court will accept bids for sale of a used Huber motor grader, Model No. Di400, Ser. No. DV 240959. Motor grader may be inspected at Precinct 1 County barn at Sylvester. For further information contact Tommie Jack Stuart. Bids will be opened December 9, 1985 at 9:00 a.m.

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

Marshal Bennet  
County Judge  
42:2tc

## DECEMBER 31

**No stories for FISHER COUNTY FAMILIES can be accepted after December 31, 1985.**

The price of "FISHER COUNTY FAMILIES" will increase to \$42.00, including tax, on December 31. Add \$2.50 if the book is to be mailed.

Because this book is being published without the sale of advertising or extra space for longer stories, we can print only a limited number of books beyond those pre-ordered.

**TO BE SURE TO GET A BOOK, SEND YOUR ORDER, WITH PAYMENT, BEFORE THE BOOK GOES TO PRESS EARLY IN 1986.**

The Book Committee would like to have pictures of general interest-places, events, etc., rather than individuals or family groups. There will be a photo section, with the number of pages determined by the number of books sold.

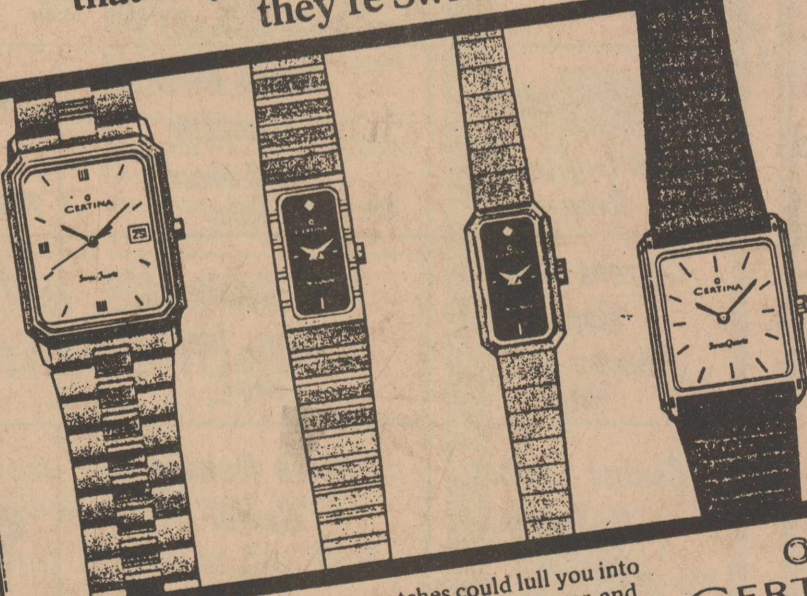
Send stories or book orders to:

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**FISHER COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

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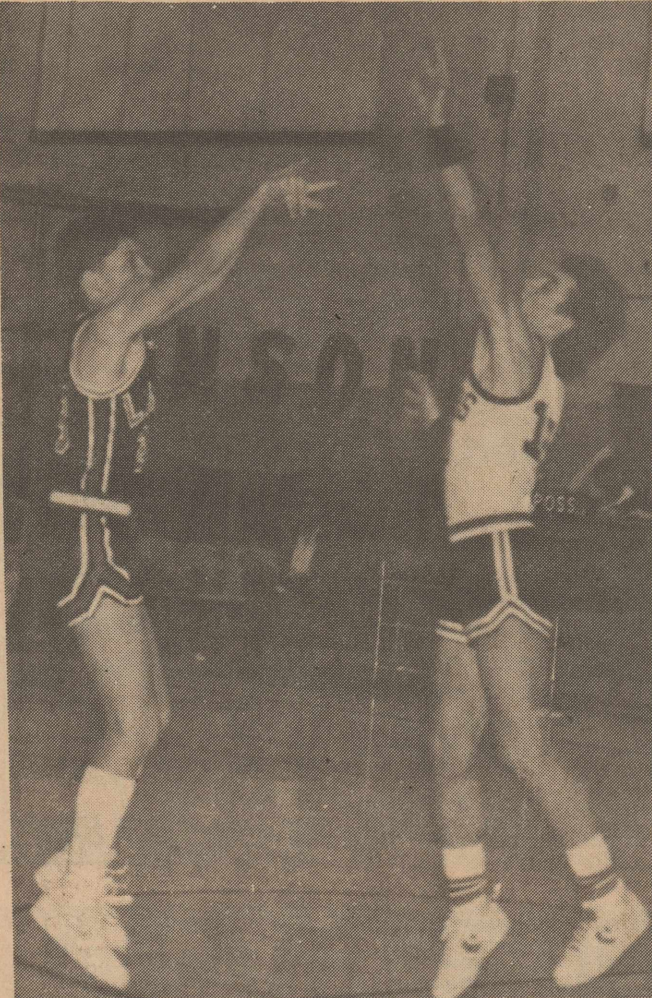
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**BLOCK THAT SHOT:** Jason Terry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Terry, of Roby, attempts to block a shot from a Robert Lee player in recent basketball action. The Lions will be pitted against Roscoe on Monday, Dec. 9th and against Trent on Tuesday, Dec. 10th.

### Rotan 8th Grade Girls Take Home Two Wins

The Lions High School girls basketball team suffered three losses in this season's opening games against Haskell, Anson and Alexander. Coach Jernigan predicted earlier that his team would need some experience this season and as the Lions gain that experience early this season it is hoped their record will improve in the weeks ahead.

Against Haskell on November 18, the Lions fell by a score of 41-55. High scorer for Roby was Cherie Feagan with 13 points. Also in double figures was Charla Wiley with 10 points. Other scores came from Tammy Mauldin with 7 points; Deena Williamson with 4; Missy Turpin, Kristy Martin and Jonnie Lou Parks with 2 points each and Donna Gordon with a free throw.

The team's second loss

came at the hands of Anson on November 22. Again the high scorer for Roby was Cherie Feagan with 15 points. Cherie tallied 12 points in the first final quarter with a goal and free throw.

Missy Turpin sunk two baskets and two free throws for 6 points; Deena Williamson had 5 points; four points were scored by Tammy Mauldin, Donna Gordon and Charla Wiley; and Kerri Upshaw made a field goal for two points. The final score was 40-42 in favor of Anson.

On November 26 the Lions fell to Alexander with a final tally of 33-63. Tammy Mauldin was high scorer for the team with 10 points. Other scores came from Keri Upshaw, Missy Turpin, Cherie Feagan, Deena Williamson, Kristy Martin, Donna Gordon, Stacy Terry and Charla Wiley.

### Rotan Jr. High Basketball Results

Rotan's Jr. High School basketball teams fell to three losses this season against teams from Hamlin, Haskell and Stamford. The 7th grade team lost to Hamlin on November 18 with a score of 21-23.

High scorer was Sam Daniels with 8 points. Joey Thomas had 6 points with two points coming from Jessie Kamer, J.P. Martinez, and Danny Warren. Landon Alls sunk a free throw in the first quarter for one point.

Against Haskell on November 25 the 7th graders fell by a margin of 12-46. Sam Daniels was again high scorer with 7 points, followed by Joey Thomas with 3 and Gene Neepor

with 2 points.

On Monday night the 7th grade team played Stamford and lost 16-21. The only scores in the game for the Yellowhammers came from Joey Thomas and Sammy Daniels with 8 points each.

In 8th grade action Kevin Smith lead the Hammers in scoring with 10 points against the team from Hamlin. Jr. Almanza tallied 4 points, Sam Daniels had 3 points and Pat Moffett had 2 points. The score stood at 19-25 in favor of the Pied Pipers.

On November 25 the 8th grade team fell to Haskell with a score of 15-34. Kevin Smith lead the Yellowhammer scorers with 9 points. Danny Warren

was the only other scorer in the game for Rotan with 6 points earned in second quarter action.

The team's third loss came at the hands of Stamford Monday evening

with a final tally of 16-32. Lester Pittman made double figures with 12 points to lead the team in scoring with 2 points each contributed by Kevin Smith and Jr. Almanza.

**Christmas Open House**  
At  
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From 9:00 a.m. To 2:00 p.m.  
Saturday, December 7th

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Bee Jay Hawkins-776-2874  
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### Roby Varsity Girls Suffer Three Losses

The girls 8th grade basketball team from Rotan won two and lost one in the first three games of this season this year. Against Hamlin the girls won 17-8 with Denise Powell leading the team in scoring with 8 points. Denise sunk four field goals for her leading effort and was followed by Cathy Jones with 4 points, Kellie King with 3 and Lori Martinez with two.

The girls' only loss thus far was to Haskell when they fell to the Indians by a margin of 16-38. Cathy Jones was leading scorer with five points. Mary

Burns had four points for the evening followed by Denise Powell and Terri Johnson each contributed two points. Free throws were made by Lori Martinez, Shannon Boone, and Kellie King for one point each.

Monday night the girls were back in winning form when they topped Stamford 15-10. Kellie King sunk two in the first half and made a free throw in the third quarter to lead the Rotan team in scoring with 5 points. Cathy Jones had four points with three points each made by Denise Powell and Terri Johnson.

### Rotan Yellowhammer JV Suffers Two Losses

The Rotan Yellowhammer Junior Varsity team suffered two losses in early season action to teams from Snyder and Ira. Against Snyder the Hammers fell by a score of 30-60 and at the hands of Ira they took a 38-67 beating.

Joe Almanza lead the Rotan team in scoring against Snyder with 17 points. Four points were made by George Patterson, followed by Darren Ragen, Billy Wayne

Speck, Jimmy Pittman, Brian Sheehan with 2 points each. Kenneth Warren sunk a free throw for a single point.

Joe Almanza was high man against Ira as well. This time he found the hoop five times for 10 points followed closely by George Patterson who had nine points. Billy Wayne Speck made 8 points, Jimmy Pittman had 6 and Darren Ragen contributed 4 points.

### Rotan Lunch Menu

Monday: Oven fried steak w/gravy; whipped potatoes; seasoned green beans; hot rolls; butter; honey; fruit bar; milk.  
Tuesday: Beef vegetable soup; grilled cheese; vegetable sticks; crackers; peanut butter cake; milk.  
Wednesday: Barbecue brisket w/sauce; pinto beans; potato salad; pick-

les; onion slices; hot rolls; butter; honey; chocolate chip cookies; milk.  
Thursday: Pizza w/meat and cheese; buttered corn; lettuce and tomato salad; jello; milk.  
Friday: Hot dogs w/chili; french fries w/catsup; pork and beans; cheese wedge; banana pudding; milk.

### Hobbs Lunch Menu

Monday: Pig in a blanket; fries; pork & beans; cookies; milk.  
Tuesday: Baked ham; potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; fruit cocktail; milk.  
Wednesday: Stew; pear

salad; cornbread; cake; milk.  
Thursday: Baked chicken; potatoes; peas; hot rolls; cookies; milk.  
Friday: Frito pie; tater tots; red beans; banana pudding; milk.

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| Thompson's Shoe Store        | Burgess-McWilliams Pharmacy | Four Season's Hallmark      | Clark Lumber Company Two |
| Showcase Video               | Express It                  | Kid's Duds                  | Keaton Kolor             |
| Everybody's Thriftway        | Dryden's Shoe Store         | C. R. Anthony's             | Western Auto             |
| White's Auto                 | Doyle's Engine Service      | Snyder Savings & Loan Assn. | Roe's Furniture          |
| Sunnyside                    | Red Faver Fina              | Gray's Style Shop           | K-Mart                   |
| Snyder Travel                | Merle Norman                | Snyder Athletic Center      | Interiors                |
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| Snyder National Bank         | Landes Home Furnishings     | Blanche's Bernina           | James Reis, Inc.         |
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**Drawing will be December 21, 1985  
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# County Agent News

By Richard Spencer

As reported in our earlier column the Fisher County Jr. Livestock show will be held January 3-4 at the Fairgrounds in Roby. All judges and the auctioneer have been confirmed. The cattle judge will be Don Reeves, Collingsworth County Agent from Willington, swine judge will be Kenneth Dudensing-Sweetwater Vo Ag Teacher, sheep judge- Jody

Crowin-Assistant County Agent Tom Green County, San Angelo, broiler and rabbit judge will be Albert Maberry, McCauley, and the sale auctioneer will be Alan Kiker, Canyon. The sale will have more animals this year. Estimated number of sale animals is 24 lambs, 58 market hogs, 7 pens of rabbits, 14 pens of broilers and 19 steers. The committee will again

sponsor a buyer's lunch. It will be prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Gene Shipp of Roby.

**Mulching**-Wait until after killing frost to apply a winter mulch. In addition to insulating plant stems and roots from freezing, a mulch also prevents fluctuating soil temperatures. Mild, sunny weather warms the soil. Some unmulched shrubs such as roses and many perennial flowers then begin to grow only to be damaged when freezing temperatures return. Keep mulches a minimum of six inches from plant stems or trunks. Mice or vermin often overwinter in mulch and may nibble the bark off.

Many materials can be used for mulching. These include, but are not limited to: bark, old hay, straw,

sawdust, cotton burrs, and grass clippings. If hay or straw is used presprout weed seeds by soaking

with water for two or three weeks before use. This should be done while the weather is still mild. If sawdust is used, as much as one cup of urea per bushel may be needed to prevent nitrogen deficiencies. The finer textured

leaves or grass clippings can pack and prevent air and water from entering soil. Polyethylene or plastic under mulches is generally undesirable since it also reduces air and water penetration. Do not allow fallen leaves to remain piled on law grasses. Avoid using diseased tree leaves, etc. for mulching.

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## Rotan Nursing Center News

We had a nice Thanksgiving week. Some of the Crawford's entertained us Friday with music. Then Saturday Russell Aharlett's three daughters entertained us again. Helen, Russell Aharlett, Romie Kersh, and Earnest Adams all went out to be with families sometime during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Visitors in the home last week were Rebecca Rushing Dupuy from Albuquerque, N.M., Ronda and David Walker of Cisco, and Mr. and Mrs. Mike

Rushing of Okla. City, Okla. all visited Bert Rushing. Dorothy and Dalton Sharp and Rickey and Leta Sharp visited Pearl Sharp. Mary De Leon of Ft. Worth and Sue Berrera of Roby visited Johnnie Trejo. Wanda and Mason Warren of Dallas visited G.W. Finch. F.D., Jane, Ricky and Lynn Boen of Odessa visited B.B. Crawford. Lulline Blount is still in the hospital and we hope she will be back soon.

Lora Cleveland

## Rick Black Ordained To Music Ministry

Rev. Rick Black, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Black of Spring, Texas is associate pastor, youth director, and music director of Spring Memorial Baptist Church in Spring. He is married to the former Lisa Burk of Spring and they have one daughter, Brittany Lea, 14 months old.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Butler of Roby and Mrs. Inez Black of Sweetwater. They attended the gospel ministry ordination service for Rick. Rick's brother, Michael is very active in service with him.

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## Legal Notice

Marshall R. Young Oil Co., P.O. Box 145, Midland, Texas, 79702 has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Ellenburger, Ruby Allen, Well Number 1. The proposed injection well is located 10 miles East of Rotan, Texas in the Pardue (Ellenburger) Field, in Fisher County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 6030 to 6100 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended,

Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas, 78711 (telephone 512-445-1373).

## Legal Notice

The City Council of the City of Rotan, Texas, will hold a public hearing at 7:00 o'clock P.M., C.S.T., on Tuesday, December 10, 1985, in the City Hall at 201 West Snyder Street, Rotan, Texas, for the purpose of receiving comments from interested persons on the adoption of a resolution by the said City Council approving the issuance by the Rotan Industrial Development Corporation of its Industrial Revenue Bonds (Builders Transport, Inc., Project), Series 1985, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,500,000. The proceeds from the said bonds will be used for the acquisition, renovation, improvement, expansion, and equipping of an existing building located at 200 South Garfield, Rotan, Texas, as well as the resurfacing of the yard around the said building, to make the said building and yard suitable for use as a truck terminal and distribution center and the acquisition of not exceeding 27 over-the-road truck tractors to be permanently based at,

and dispatched from, the said terminal and distribution center, all for use by Builders Transport, Inc., a Georgia corporation having its principal office in Camden, South Carolina.

All interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing and will be given an opportunity to address the question of whether the City Council of the City of Rotan, Texas, should approve the issuance of such Bonds and the Project to be financed with the proceeds of such Bonds. Following the public hearing, the City Council will consider a resolution approving the issuance of such Bonds and the Project.

Questions, requests for additional information, or written comments may be directed to Kenneth Vann, Rotan City Hall, 201 West Snyder Street, Rotan, Texas, 79546, (915-735-2251).

Dated this 26th day of November, 1985.

The City of Rotan, Texas  
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City Manager 42:2c

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NOTICE: Mature woman would like to rent a room and bath in Roby for the winter months. Call 962-5505. 52:tc

FOR SALE: M & C Lumber and Hardware, very good established business in down town Rotan, Texas. Call 915-576-3815. 41:tc

NOTICE: New satellite antennas and repair on all major brands at Frank's TV in Hamlin, call 576-2122. 38:tc

NOTICE: We are now dealers for Dunlap tires, Lee tires, Armstrong tires and Michelin tires. Also fix flats. Martin Feed and Garden. 38:tc

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CHRISTMAS: Get in the holiday spirit with our line of Christmas party items-plates, table cloths, cups and glasses. We also have individual cards, stuffed toys, pins, cookie cutters, and stickers. The Newspaper Office, Rotan, Texas. 43:tc

FOR SALE: Refrigerator, good condition, make offer, call 776-2862 after 5:00 p.m. 43:1tc

The Rotan School Tax Office will be closed Dec. 23, 1985 thru Jan. 1, 1986 for Christmas Holidays. Anyone desiring to pay taxes in December and receive the 1% discount may do so by mailing them by Dec. 31, 1985. Betty Wilfong Tax Assessor-Collector 43:3tc

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A homeowner's policy usually includes only limited protection for jewelry and other valuables, though it may be possible to add an endorsement to increase coverage somewhat. For jewelry or furs worth more than \$1,000, a personal articles floater is advisable.

A floater protects your valuables everywhere--in the house and out. Each item is scheduled individually, described and valued in the policy.

Your insurer will want a professional appraisal to back up your declaration of value. For a new purchase, a bill of sale that describes the article will usually be sufficient. If you've reset Grandma's diamond, you'll need a new, detailed appraisal.

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**ROTAN VARSITY BOYS SQUAD:** The 1985-86 members of the Rotan Varsity basketball team are left to right: Front row: Sammy Ramirez, John Pease, Edward Martinez, Donnie Carl Gruben, and Rafe Hargrove. Back row: Jerry Carter, Leo Castillo, Coach Dunn, Todd Gruben, Ward Hayes, and Steve McClain.

### Rotan JV Girls Even Record At One And One

The girls junior varsity basketball team stands at an even record after two games played late in November. On November 23 the girls lost to Jayton 27-30, but they came back strong three days later when they stomped the team from Ira 44-18. Lucy Stinson lead the team in scoring against Jayton by sinking four baskets for 8 points. Dee Ann Montez and Julie Pease followed close behind with 6 points each. Other scores were made by Lynette McQueen (4)

and Jeanie Wyrick (3). On November 26 the girls all had a good night when they handed Ira a 44-18 loss. Dee Ann Montez was the only girl in double figures with 10 but lots of points came from the rest of the team as well. Jennifer Dickson had 8 points, Lucy Stinson and Lynette McQueen both had 6 points, four points came from Ann Marie Williams and Candi Carreon, and two points were earned by Jeanie Wyrick, Glory Neepner, and Jan Posey.

### Funeral Services Held For Georgie Powell

Georgie Ferrel Powell, 76, of Sylvester, died at 8:30 a.m. in Fisher County Hospital in Rotan after a brief illness. Services were held at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in the First United Methodist Church in Sylvester with Rev. Alvin G. Smith, pastor officiating. Burial was in the Newman Cemetery, south of Sylvester. Mrs. Powell was born Oct. 2, 1909 in Roby and was the daughter of the late George W. and Clara Jane Ferrel. She lived most of her life in Fisher County but also had lived in Big Spring and Albuquerque, N.M. She was a graduate of McMurry and had taught school in Newman, Miles and Roby. She was a member of the Rolling Plains Retired Teachers Assn. in Sweetwater. She married Orville H. Cox in 1951 in Sylvester. He died Sept. 29, 1974. She married Weldon W. Powell in 1976. Mr. Powell died May 11, 1983. Mrs. Powell was a member of the Methodist Church. Survivors include: one

sister: Mrs. Simon (Claudine) Terrazas, Big Spring; two nieces: Claudine Stone, Lubbock; and Mary Alice Shelton, Lancaster; one nephew: Simon Ferrel Terrazas, Big Spring. She was preceded in death by twin children in infancy and by one brother Frank Cross Ferrel in 1944. Pallbearers were Leon Gardner, Robert Scott, A.J. Ford, Richard Floyd, W.A. Cross and Jess Cross.

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### Hospital Report

Patients admitted to the Fisher County Hospital from Nov. 26 thru Dec. 2 were: Fleda Messick; Kristopher Messick; Julie Pease; Lyndell L. McDaniel; Jarrett W. Beauchamp; Buster S. Wright; Christine Scales; June Martin; all of Rotan; Howard Noles; Alice Ballenger; Dick T. Melton; all of Roby; Lola Wood; Sheila C. Faulkenberry; both of Snyder; Leaford Stone; James A. George; both of McCaulley; James T. Jeffrey; Sylvester; Mary L. Burnham, Stamford; Peggy Malthis, Rule.

### Fisher County Nursing Home News

Roby will be hosting its ninth annual basketball tournament this Dec. 12, 13, and 14. There will be 8 games Thursday and 8 games Friday, four games in the old gym starting at 4:00 p.m. and four games in the new gym starting at 4:30 p.m. There will be 6

games Saturday all in the new gym starting at 1:00 p.m. with the championship games scheduled to start at 8:30.

There will be one 3A school, Merkel, three 2A schools: Haskell, Hamlin, and Jim Ned, and four 1A schools, Roscoe, Paint Creek, Lueders-Avoca, and Roby.

This may be the strongest tournament we've ever

had. Merkel and Lueders-Avoca are the favored teams in the boy's division. Haskell and Roscoe will also have strong teams, while Roby will be trying to win for the 5th year in a row, and 6 out of the last 7 years. Haskell and Hamlin will be favored in the girls division, while Paint Creek and Merkel will also have strong teams.

### Rotan Room Parents To Sponsor Book Fair, Dec. 10

The Rotan Room Parents Association will sponsor a book fair on Tuesday, December 10th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Learning Resource Center (formerly the Library) at Primary. Books for children from Kindergarten thru Jr. High may be purchased until the supply is depleted and then they may be ordered for delivery at a later date. Primary classes will be visiting the book fair at various times during the day. Parents are urged to come and view the books with their children. Jr. High students are invited to come by after school until 4:00 P.M. Books may be paid for at time of purchase and ordering. The Room Parents recognized the important value

books have for our children and is glad to sponsor the book fair. Everyone is urged to come.



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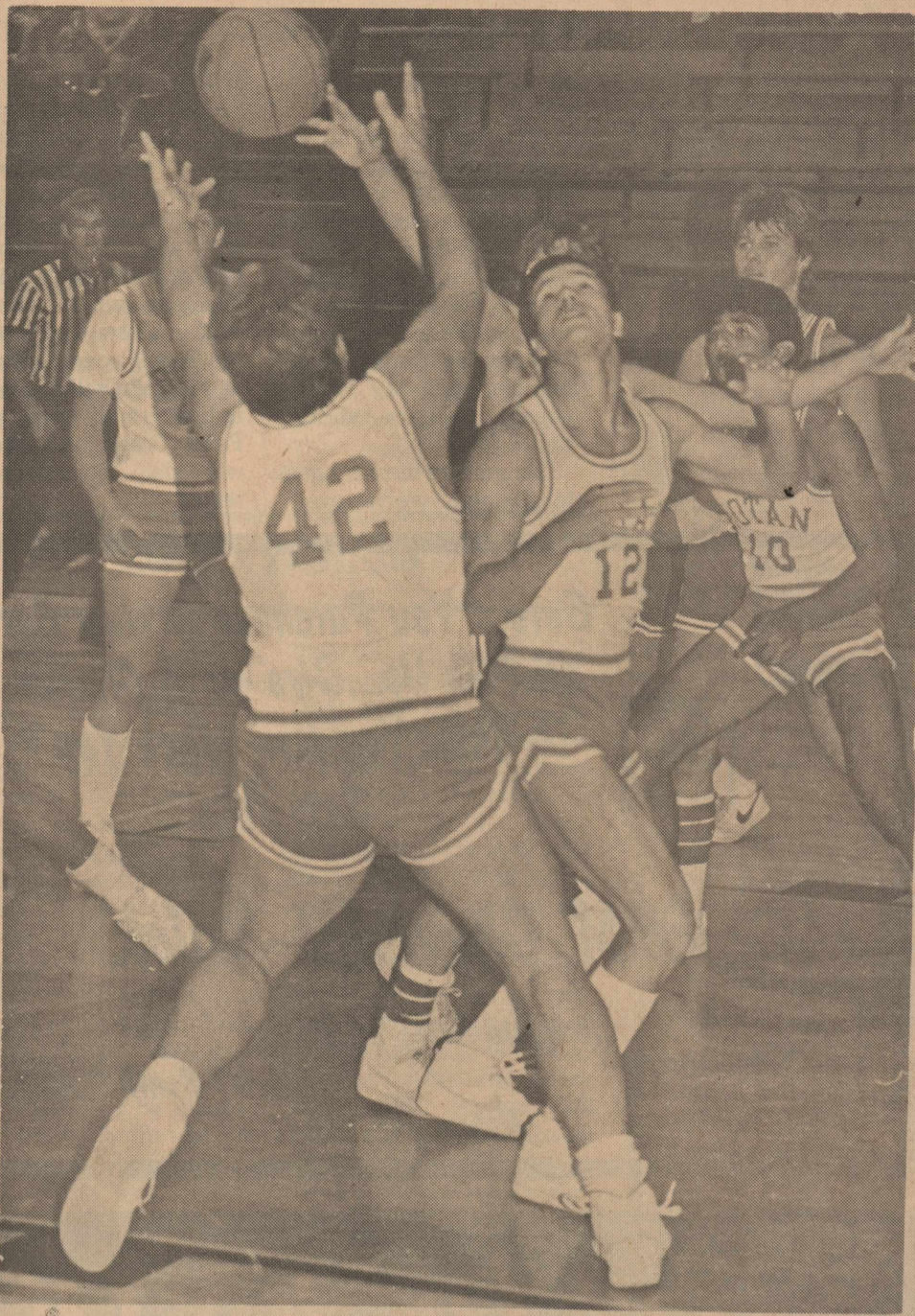


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GRABBING FOR REBOUND: Ward Hayes, #42 and John Pease, #12 grab for rebound during a recent game with Talpa Centennial. The Rotan Varsity boys play McCaulley on Thursday and ACHS on Friday.

### Tax Planning By James Rodgers CPA



#### EMPLOYEE FRINGE BENEFITS

For almost a decade, Internal Revenue Service and Congress pondered the taxability of employee fringe benefits. This resulted in a statutory general rule in the Tax Reform Act of 1984 that effective as of January 1, 1985, fringe benefits are taxable as additional compensation.

What all this means is that for the first time in the IRS Code (61(a)(1)) the definition of an individual's income from his job includes any employer furnished benefits unless the benefit is specifically excluded by law.

Certain fringe benefits have been non-taxable for several years such as employee retirement plans and employee health plans are presently excluded and remain unchanged. In addition the Statute added four new categories on non-taxable fringe benefits as follows:

1. No-additional cost services. Services that the employer provides to customers that he may provide to the employee without incurring substantial additional costs. An example is an airline employee using a seat on an airline that would otherwise be empty.
  2. Qualified employee discounts. These are limited in percentage on the goods and services that the employer normally sells to customers.
  3. Working condition fringes. These benefits are excludable from his income to the extent they would be deductible by him as a business expense.
  4. Minimal fringe benefits. These are fringe benefits that are so minimal that it would be unreasonable for the employer to account for them.
- However, if a fringe benefit isn't specifically excluded from gross income under a code provision, the benefits are taxable as compensation for income tax, withholding and employment tax purposes. The benefit must be included in the employees W-2 at the fair market value of the benefit and not necessarily at the cost to the employer.

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### Fisher County Nursing

All the residents had a very nice Thanksgiving Day. We had a lot of visitors and some came to have dinner with us.

We want to say "Thank You" again to our ladies from First Baptist Church who bring us pies every year for our Thanksgiving meal. We really appreciate this.

We will now start getting ready for Christmas. Our party will be Dec. 14th at 2:30 p.m. This is our resident's Christmas Party and all their family and friends are invited. Each year one member of each resident's family brings a cake, we will do the same this year. We are all looking forward to our party to see all our friends and relatives together again. Please come!

Our visitors were: Jim and Alma Bewley, from Nodaway, Iowa to see Joyce Stone. Clara Carter had quite a few visitors. Roby Ramby from Abilene came to see her and brought her a pretty plant. Bill Starnes went to have dinner at home Thursday. Debbie and her husband, Mickey and her family and Esther Warren from Commerce came to see Bill. Nellie McGuire's visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Billy York and children from Ft. Worth and LaNita Moore had some out of town visitors Friday. They brought her some roses but they didn't sign our guest book. Golda Springer came to visit LaNita. Mary

and Sylvester DeLeon from Grand Prairie came to see Susie Soliz. Lula Mae Crawford and James Carter visited Clara and Buzz and Vera Taggart visited Edna Taggart.

We had a lot more visitors. Some didn't sign our book but we want to say

thank you for coming and come back soon!  
Reyna Garcia

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State University in Canyon.

He was associated with Ideal Food Store in Pampa for 7 years and was store manager when he resigned to become associated with Glen's Thriftway.

He and his wife, Christina have one daughter, Andrea, age 7 in the second grade.

The family are members of the Central Baptist Church in Pampa.

"We are happy to have Darrell and his family as new Rotan residents. Darrell has good experience in the food business, comes highly recommended and I feel confident he will serve our customers well as store manager," said Glen Holt.

### Rotan ISD To Hold Board Meeting, Dec. 9

The discipline management plan for the Rotan ISD will be discussed at the board meeting Monday night. The meeting will be in the High School Library at 7:30. This will be the second reading of the plan, and there will be time set aside for citizens to respond to the plan. Like all board meetings, this meeting is open to the public.

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Kurt Gibson  
Jeremy Hyer  
Patricia Porter  
A-B  
Misty Bowen  
Grade Five  
All A  
Ronda Gantt  
Jenny Gibson  
Grade Six  
A-B  
Mollie Hambrick  
Nikki Fulfer

### Rotan Primary 2nd Six Weeks Honor Roll

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|--|---|
| Kindergarten<br>Katy Cade<br>Stoney Carrillo<br>Monica Gaspar  | Second Grade<br>Shelley Baker<br>Rebekah Dawes<br>Cassidy Early<br>Shon Fudge<br>Jimmy Don Tankersley   |
| First Grade<br>Santos Almanza<br>Laura Blackwelder<br>Dion Duke<br>Mandy Dycus<br>Amy Gruben<br>Jason Hargrove<br>Mikeal Harrison<br>Joe Hernandez<br>Katie Kennedy<br>Leanne Landes<br>Mindi May<br>Shantill Menser<br>C.W. Robertson<br>Kris Rogers<br>Adriana Velez | Third Grade<br>Eloria Almanza<br>Amy Blackwelder<br>Melissa Burk<br>Brian Carreon<br>Brandy Long<br>Bert Morgan<br>David Nowlin<br>Jody Price |
|  | Fourth Grade<br>Janet Martin<br>Matt Mercer   |

### Rotan Honor Roll

- 12th Grade  
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Ward Hayes  
Sherrie King  
Jackie Martinez  
Tina Mendoza  
Rocky Roberts  
David Stevens  
Penny Yanez
- 11th Grade  
Cindy Gaspar  
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### Funeral Held For Howard M. Noles

Howard M. Noles, 92, of Roby, died at 5 p.m., Wednesday, at Fisher County Hospital following a brief illness. Funeral services were held at 3:30 p.m. Friday, at Weathersbee Chapel in Rotan. Officiating was Wardell Halliburton, minister of the Roby Church of Christ. Burial was in the Roby Cemetery.

Mr. Noles was born August 28, 1893 in Erath County and moved to Fisher County as a small boy with his parents, the late Leroy and Hattie Noles. He married Joyce George May 4, 1935 at Roby. He was a farmer and rancher until his retirement a few years ago. He was a veteran of World War I and a member of the Roby Church of Christ. He received his BS degree from Abilene Christian College in 1921 and his Masters Degree from the University of Colorado. He taught school at Petrolia, San Angelo, Lubbock and Roby. He served as County School Superintendent for 4 years in the 1930's. He had been a member of the Masonic Lodge in Rotan since 1929. He is survived by his wife, 3 sisters, and a number of nieces and nephews.

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### Roby Varsity Boys Cinch First Three Games

With a perfect record of three straight wins, the Roby Varsity netters are off to a strong start on the 1985-86 season. The Lions showed teams from Haskell, Robert Lee and Anson their skills at the net by defeating all three teams in opening action this year.

Danny Carreon was high scorer in all three games and currently has a total of 59 points this year. He lead the Lions to a 47-40 victory over Haskell on November 19 with 17 points. Other scores came from teammates Benny Carreon (6), Jason Terry (4), Jeff Branson (5), Darry Thomson (2), Jody Mauldin (1) and Jesse Carreon (1).

Against Anson the Roby team romped to a 61-42 victory with Danny Carreon again leading the way with 21 points. Bruce Williams had 17 points followed by Jason Terry with 9, Jeff Branson with 7, Benny Carreon with 3 and Darry Thomson and Jody Mauldin with 2 points a piece.

The Lion's third victory was over Rober Lee on November 26. Danny Carreon again tallied 21 points to lead the team to its 60-56 win. Brother, Benny Carreon also made two figures with 13 points. Bruce Williams sunk four field goals for 8 points and 6 points apiece were scored by Jeff Branson, Jason Terry and Jody Mauldin.



Rotan Yellowhammer Basketball



Dec. 7-ACHS JV Tournament  
Dec. 10-Ira-4:30-There-V-G&B-JV-G&B

### Yellowhammers Defeat Talpa And Ira

After starting off on the wrong foot with a loss to Baird, the Rotan Yellowhammer varsity team came back to win their next two games against teams from Talpa and Ira.

The Hammers played Baird on November 19 and lost 32-35. Jerry Carter lead the team in points with 12 followed by Ward Hayes who was also in two figures with 10 points. It was an even effort by the rest of the team with two points being contributed by Rafe Hargrove, Donnie Carl Gruben, Sammy Ramirez, Leo Castillo and Ed Martinez.

The Hammers were back in winning form on November 22 when they took on Talpa in a 51-40 win. Jerry Carter had a big night chalking up 20 points to lead Rotan in scoring. Jerry sunk ten field goals

in the game for his points--6 in the first half and four in the final half. Ward Hayes also made double figures with ten points. Others scores came from Sammy Ramirez (3), Leo Castillo (8), Donnie Carl Gruben (2), John Pease (4), and Ed Martinez (4).

On November 26 Rotan won their second game, this time against Ira with a final tally of 72-64. This time it was Ward Hayes with the hot hand. Ward earned 21 points with eight field goals and five free throws. Two other Hammers were in double figures. Jerry Carter had 19 points and Leo Castillo stood at 14 points for the game. Other scores were by John Pease with 8, Donnie Carl Gruben with 2, Rafe Hargrove with 6 and Steve McClain with 2.

### Rotan Varsity Girls Stand At Two Losses And A Win

Rotan's varsity girls stand at two losses and a win so far this season with Jayton and Weinert beating the girls and Ira losing to them in their most recent game.

On November 19, the varsity girls played Weinert to a 43-64 loss. Vikki Wright lead the team in scoring with 11. she sunk four field goals in the first half, then back to find the hoop in three of four free throw attempts in the third quarter for her points. Other scores came from Millie Gaspar (7), LaTonya Daniel (5), Mary Williams (3), Helen Reese (1), Shanna Bennett (6), Jan Posey (2) and Jerri Lynn Boone (8).

On November 23 the girls

fell to Jayton with a final of 31-42. High scorer was Evette Gruben with 17 points. LaTonya Daniel had 7 points followed by two points from Shanna Bennett, Helen Reese and Mary Williams. Millie Gaspar earned one point with a free throw in the first quarter of play.

The Rotan team rebounded from two losses on November 26 when they played Ira. The score was 48-47 in favor of Rotan. Leading effort was from Evette Gruben with 18 points. Shanna Bennett was also in double figures with 10 points. Also scoring were LaTonya Daniel (4), Millie Gaspar (6), Helen Reese (8), and Mary Williams (2).

### Roby Cubs Defeat McCaulley Eagles

The Roby Cubs played a very good basketball game to defeat the McCaulley Eagles. Scoring for the Cubs were Michael Carreon 12 points, Jess Cross 7 points, Rudy Gonzalez 8 points, Jeremy

Terry 4 points, Eddie Onofre 4 points, Laramie Collier 2 points, Jay Rudd 2 points, Jerry Stuart 2 points and Jamie Amador 2 points. A lot of great passing and hustle was shown by the Cubs basketball team.

### Rotan 7th Grade Girls

Rotan's 7th grade girls basketball team stands at three losses so far this season having lost to Hamlin, Haskell and Stamford.

On November 18 the team played Hamlin to a 16-17 loss. Sherri Conner lead the scoring with 12 points earned from six field goals. The only other score was from Vanessa Peek with 4 points.

Their second loss came on November 25 against

Haskell with the scoreboard showing 11-23. Elizabeth Jones lead in scoring with 6, Vanessa Peek and Joanna Perales each had 2 points and Sherri Conner had 1 point.

Monday night the 7th grade team suffered their third loss in as many tries when they took on Stamford. The score was 10-18. Sherri Conner had 8 points and Vanessa Peek had 2 points for the only scores from Rotan.

### Cubs Defeat Priates

Paint Creek Pirates were defeated by a score of 33-27. Scoring for the Cubs were Rudy Gonzales, 16; Michael Carrion, 6; Jeremy Terry, 6; Eddie Onofre, 4; and Laramie Collier, 1. The Roby Cubs

consist of Rudy Gonzales, Michael Carrion, Jeremy Terry, Laramie Collier, Eddie Onofre; Johnny Joe DeLaSantos, Jose Chavira, Jay Rudd, Kenny Heflin, Jerry Stuart, Lucas Sierra, and James Cathey.

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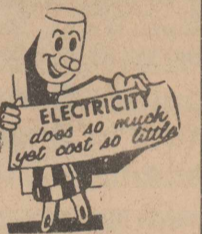
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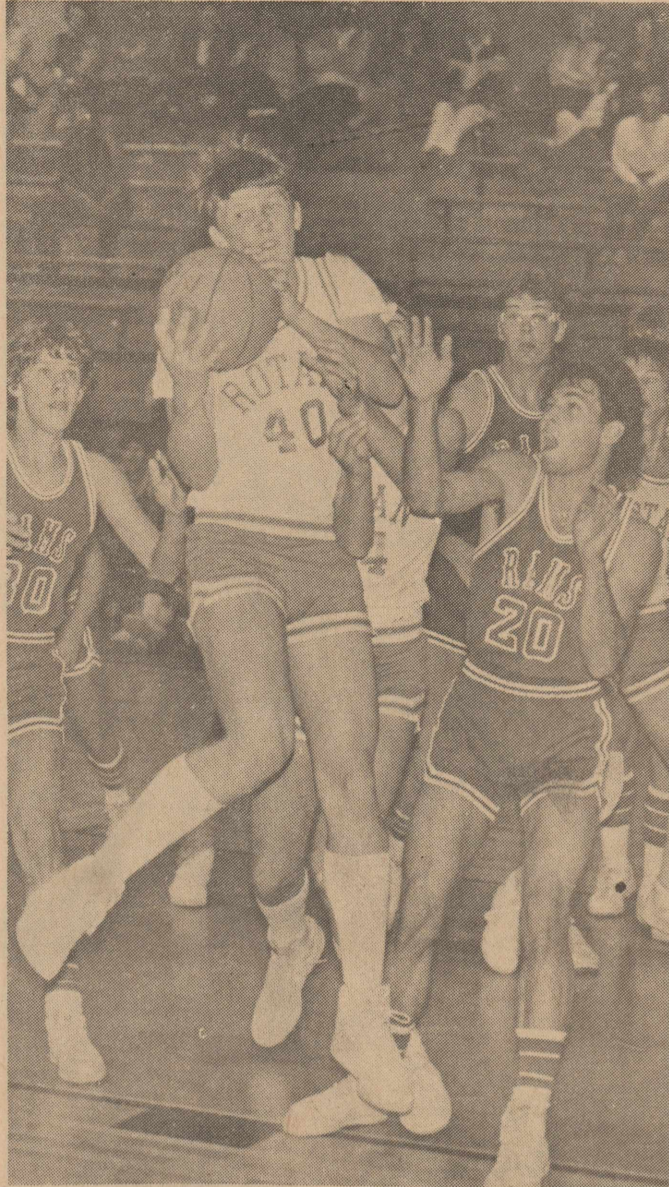
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**SNAGS BALL:** Jerry Carter, #40, comes down with a rebound during a recent contest. Carter, one of Rotan's high point scorers, and the other team members face McCaulley this Thursday night.

### Rural Wrens To Sponsor "Spirit Of Christmas"

The Rural Wrens of Roby are sponsoring a "Spirit of Christmas" decorating contest for Roby area homes and businesses for 1985.

The organization will be awarding cash prizes for the three best decorated homes and one cash prize for the best decorated business. Homes will be awarded \$50.00, \$25.00 and \$10.00 respectively for first through third place while a \$50.00 top prize will go to the best decorated business.

To be eligible for the judging an entry blank may be filled out and sent to Rural Wrens, Box 445, Roby, Texas, 79543 or one

### Country Benefit Show In Snyder December 7th

Sharon Murdoch of Rotan will be one of the many performers at a Country Benefit Show in Snyder with proceeds going to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center on Saturday, December 7th.

The Western Jamboree is set to begin at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are \$3.00 each for the performance.

### Rotan Jr. High Honor Roll

5th Grade  
Rachel Dawes

Traci Hull  
Heather Randolph

8th Grade  
Ester Guerra  
Candi Hayes

of two Rural Wrens members may be called and informed of your desire to enter the "Spirit of Christmas" contest.

To enter over the phone call Danette Pope at 776-2358 or 776-2470 or Cindy Lewis at 776-2405 or 776-2788. Only two rules apply (1) your home or business must be within 3 miles of the Roby City Limits and (2) only the outside of homes and businesses will be considered in the judging.

### Extension Homemakers Hold Meeting

The Extension Homemakers Club of Rotan met with Beatrice Hargrove for the annual Thanksgiving luncheon and Auction sale. We had a great time.

Eda Bickerstaff presided. A discussion followed about the Christmas plans. Gaynell Henry read the minutes and called the roll. After our lunch, we had our auction sale. Wanda Floyd was auctioneer.

Those present for the meeting were Ardell Floyd, Eda Bickerstaff, Gaynell Henry, Hilda Rollins, Dollie Curry, Effie Murphree, Lois Sparks, Bobbie McKinney, Oma Long, Hazel Hudnall, Wanda Floyd, with Georgia Ashton, Dovie Schooley as our guest. Georgie joined our club and we were real glad to have her and our hostess Beatrice Hargrove.

The next meeting of the club will be Dec. 5 at Oma Long's home. We will have our Christmas party.

### Wood's Boots & Family Shoes

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We Appreciate The Fisher County Business Over The Past Years.

Come In And Register For Our \$3000.00 Giveaway!!

On The Following Dates The Following Amounts Will Be Given Away!

November 23rd-\$500.00 Cash  
November 30th-\$500.00 Cash  
December 7th-\$1,000.00 Cash  
December 14th-\$1,000.00 Cash  
Drawing Will Be Each Saturday Afternoon At 5:00 p.m.

All You Have To Do Is Register!

We Also Have A Large Stock Of Justin Ropers!!

## News From Down South

By Bertha Warren

Hello from down South. The Melton Burks had their annual Thanksgiving and Christmas party at the Capitola-Claytonville Community Center Saturday and Sunday. About fifty attended and there were lots of food and visiting.

Eircle and Mary Etta O'Donald and Carie McCain went to Brad for Thanksgiving to be with Don O'Donald and family. Mary Etta and her mother, Carie McCain went to Sweetwater Friday night to attend the wedding of Sandra McCain and Reece Duncan.

Ollie Ogden and Ernestine Brown attended the Arts and Crafts Show at Sweetwater and the Art Show featuring paintings by Berry Arthur. Ed and Ollie hosted the 42 party at their home Saturday night.

Visiting with Charlie and Thelma Smith for Thanksgiving were Kenneth Smith, Sweetwater; Jerry Kay Law and Billy Hall, Abilene; Royce and Joyce Smith, Trent; Larry Smith of Dallas; Linda, Kimla, and Michelle Smith of San Angelo; Gary Don Smith and son and a friend, Bobby of Midland. They enjoyed all the visiting and the food.

Visiting Burt and Ilene Hale were Skip and Linda Rembert and boys from San Angelo. The Hales and Remberts along with Royce and Joyce Smith and Vera and Joe Jennings of Throckmorton ate lunch with Mrs. Hazel Smith and Mrs. Elizabeth Hale for Thanksgiving.

Lorene Henderson's visitors for the holidays were Vernon and Joyce Henderson from Floydada, T.W. and Edith Henderson and son, Tom of Houston and Harvie and Cleo Davis. Lorene and Vernon and Joyce attended the wedding of Sandra McCain and Reece Duncan. Harvie and Cleo Davis had both daughters home for holidays. Leslie and Barbara Wortman and daughter, Tammy of Houston and Cathy Gee and son, Chris from Meredith, Texas.

Carrol and Lena Hodges traveled to Arlington Stadium Saturday to watch the Sweetwater Mustangs

and the Cleburne Yellow Jackets football game. Sweetwater beat Cleburn 42-0. Two of their granddaughters, Melissa and Amy Hodges of Snyder went with them. Carrol and Lena had all their family home for Thanksgiving.

Vic and Erna Lee Hartgrave's visitors were Calvin and Shelley Jones from El Paso. Troy Hartgraves from Denton, Ray Hartgraves and Leola Clark from Sweetwater and Jackie from Dallas, Robert Boswell and wife of Andrews. The 22nd of Nov.,

Vic and Erna Lee celebrated their first anniversary. We wish them many more. Jewel Ratliff visitors for the holidays were Richard, Janice, Ryan, Courtney, and Ashley Ratliff of Monahans, Dot and F.A. McCain, Bill Ratliff, C.W. and Sue Dulin, Damon, Shelby and Sunni Shipp.

We were sorry to learn of the death of John Henry of Dall City. Our sympathy to his mother, Lydia Henry and the reste of Mr. Henry's family.

Wayne and I had guests off and on from Thursday through Sunday. Charity

and Kevin Warren and Codie Reed of Big Spring, Shelly Miller of Sweetwater, Steve, Tachi, Stephanie, Nicole, Sabrina and Tanya Warren of Snyder. Robert and Delores Boswell of Andrews, we talked with Gill and family and Paul and his family.

Now that Thanksgiving is in the past, we can start getting in the Christmas spirit and thinking about what Santa has in store for us.

Don't forget to buckle up. Call and let us know what's going on in your world.

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- \*Plates
- \*Decorative Pins
- \*Cards
- \*Stuffed Santas
- \*Stuffed Merry Chris-Moose
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- \*Napkins
- \*Hanging Or Free Standing Bell Decorations
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- \*Table Cloths
- \*Napkins
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Rotan, Texas



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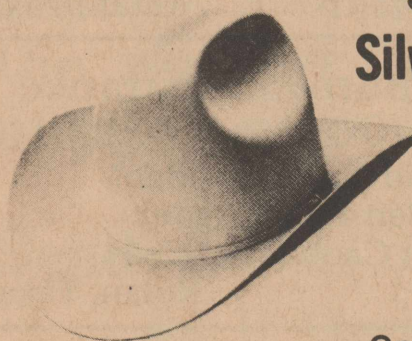
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Brown, Grey, Navy, Red, Black, Taupe



Ladies' Tall Top Rios Mercedes Full Quil Ostrich & Ostrich Belly

\$100 Off Pair



3X Resistol Silver Belly Hats Reg. \$90 \$59

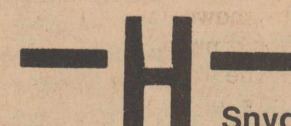


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Western Wear

College Heights Shopping Center

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## Hustling Around Hobbs By Joy Walker

Well, it's Winter time again and Monday morning they reported only 9 degrees in Snyder, so that's pretty cold. Both Sunday and Monday were so cold, but the sun did come out, and that sure helped. The freeze got all the cotton, I am sure, so now with the dry weather the cotton farmers will really be busy.

Heard from Mark and Melody and they had gotten 13½ inches of rain last week, so am glad we didn't get all that moisture. I had four of the prettiest Irises blooming in the yard, guess it was all that warm weather and moisture we have been having, but the freeze soon took care of them.

Retha Horton from Las Cruces, New Mexico, Rosa Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dycus, Dee and Mandy, H.L. and Treasa Dycus all from Rotan, met on Sunday for lunch in the home of Linda Williams. They really enjoyed visiting and getting together.

We were pleased to have Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hull and family from Roby at church on Sunday; Joe brought our message. Joe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ebern Hull of Rotan were also at church and we were pleased to have them.

Wayne and Becky Anderson and two sons, David and Steven, all from Clovis New Mexico, spent Thanksgiving with the Clarence Andersons. They arrived Wednesday night and left on Saturday. Linda Anderson from Colorado Springs, Colorado, also was at the Andersons for Thanksgiving. She came in with Wayne and Becky on Wednesday and is planning on leaving Monday. So the Andersons really enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday and their company.

We were pleased to have Linda Anderson at church with us on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Cave went to Brownwood Wednesday evening and spent Thanksgiving Day with the Billy Carters. Mr. and Mrs. Don Cave, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Cave all from Farmington, New Mexico, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Looney and Ellen from Diana, Texas, were all there and the family was together for the first time in three years. The J.C. Caves came home on Friday and all of their children came with them and stayed until some part of the weekend. They sure had a wonderful time together.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Gay from Fort Worth, and Felicia Gay from Arkansas, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Babin and family and Sidney's mother, Myrtis Babin, all from Plaquemine, Louisiana, were all here visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Martinez over the Thanksgiving holiday. Veronica Martinez from Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Gil

Warren and family from Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Warren and family from Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Martinez and girls from Rotan were all there Thanksgiving Day, and they all visited together. The Babbins went home on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Patterson and family from Stephenville, Aurora Martinez from Rotan, George Mar-

inez and boys from Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bob Martinez and baby from El Paso were also here visiting with the Martinez families over the holiday. Mr. and Mrs. David Etheredge from San Angelo spent the long week end visiting with the J.W. Etheredges. The Etheredges, David and Debra, Randy and Vicky Etheredge all spent Thanksgiving

Day with Mrs. Lealon Wilburn. Also there were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilburn and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wilburn and Justin from Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. James Sherrill and LaTeshia from Sweetwater and Mr. and Mrs. David Yearwood, Josh and Lacy, from Levelland. So they had a big get together, and enjoyed visiting. Mrs. Opal Phillips went

to the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Thornton for Thanksgiving. All of the Phillips, Porters and Hyers were there and they had 20 for dinner that day. Michael Porter from Dallas visited at the Porters this weekend. Happy birthday to Mrs. Opal Phillips who has a birthday on the 6th of December. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chism, Mr. and Mrs.

Stanley Chism and Vernon Chism, all from Odessa spent Thanksgiving Day visiting with the Dale Caves. All of the Howard Gordon family were also there for Thanksgiving. Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Kincaid went to Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Kincaids for the day on Thanksgiving. Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Kincaid and family from Highland were all there for supper.

Jim and I had supper here Thanksgiving night and sure enjoyed a good feast and the visiting. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Gruben, Greg Gruben from Tarleton, Jennifer Wright from Roby and Tarleton, Evette Gruben and Steve McClain from Rotan. Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Gruben, Donnie Carl and Carye were also here. Mark and Melody

plan on coming for Christmas; its just too far to come for such a short while Thanksgiving. Jim and I went to Abilene for the day on Saturday and it was sure busy, and rained down there quite a heavy downpour for a short while. Well, sorry if I missed some of you, but will catch you next week. See you Thursday.

# Christmas

# SALE

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Philadelphia Nylon (Walnut color)  
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**Carpet** Now **\$14.95**  
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**Hall Tree** This Sale **\$39**  
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**Full China**  
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**Game Table & 4 Coaster Chairs**  
Reg. \$799.95 Only **\$599**

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Smoked Glass Top  
**Table & 6 Chairs** Now **\$599**  
Reg. \$799.95

Philadelphia Nylon (Choice Of Colors)  
Only  
**Carpet** **\$15.95**  
Reg. \$17.95 Sq. Yd. Installed

3 Piece Webb Pine  
**Bed Room Suite** Reg. \$859.85  
Dresser/Hutch Mirror-Queen Headboard-Nite Stand  
Now **\$649** (Save \$210.00)

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**Table & 4 Chairs** Now **\$399**  
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**Gold Frame Mirrors 20% Off**

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Franklin 2-Way (Blue Tweed)  
**Recliner** Reg. \$199.95  
Now **\$159**

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White And Brass  
**Day Bed**  
With Trundle Unit  
Only **\$519**

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**Sofa** Now **\$599**  
Reg. \$799.95

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**Love Seat** Now **\$499**  
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**Linoleum \$5.95**  
Sq. Yd  
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**Recliner** Reg. \$769.95  
Now **\$619**

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**Table & 4 Chairs** Now **\$639**  
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Matching China  
Reg. \$849.95  
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**Wall Curios 20% Off**

2 Piece Frankline (Nylon Velvet)  
**Living Room Suite**  
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Full Size Reg. \$449.95  
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2 Piece Gimson-Slater Mauve Stripe Herculon  
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2 Piece Benchcraft Brown Nylon Velvet  
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Reg. \$1,179.95

Wood  
**TV Table** Reg. \$49.95  
With Costers Now **\$39**

4 Piece Harrison Pecan  
**Bed Room Suite** This Sale **\$1,169**  
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Benchcraft Floral Nylon Velvet  
**Sofa & Chair** Reg. \$999.90 Only **\$799**  
(Save \$200.00)

Matching Love  
**Seat** Now **\$399**  
Reg. \$519.95

4 Piece Athens Pine  
**Bed Room Suite** Reg. \$909.80  
This Sale **\$699**

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### Roby Cubs Increase Record 3-0

The Roby Cubs increased their district record to 3-0 by defeating a very good Rule basketball team. The game was played with the lead changing back and forth throughout the game. The Cubs showed a good teamwork and pulled the game out for the win in the final seconds of the game. Scoring for the Cubs were Rudy Gonzales, 18 points; Jess Cross, 9 points; Michael Carrion 4 points; Eddie Onofre, 4 points; Jamie Amador, 2 points. The Cubs are playing basketball that will surely help them have an enjoyable year.



## SOIL CONSERVATION STAFF

Charles Black, District Conservationist

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# Upper Clear Fork Soil And Water Conservation District

## 1985 Annual Report

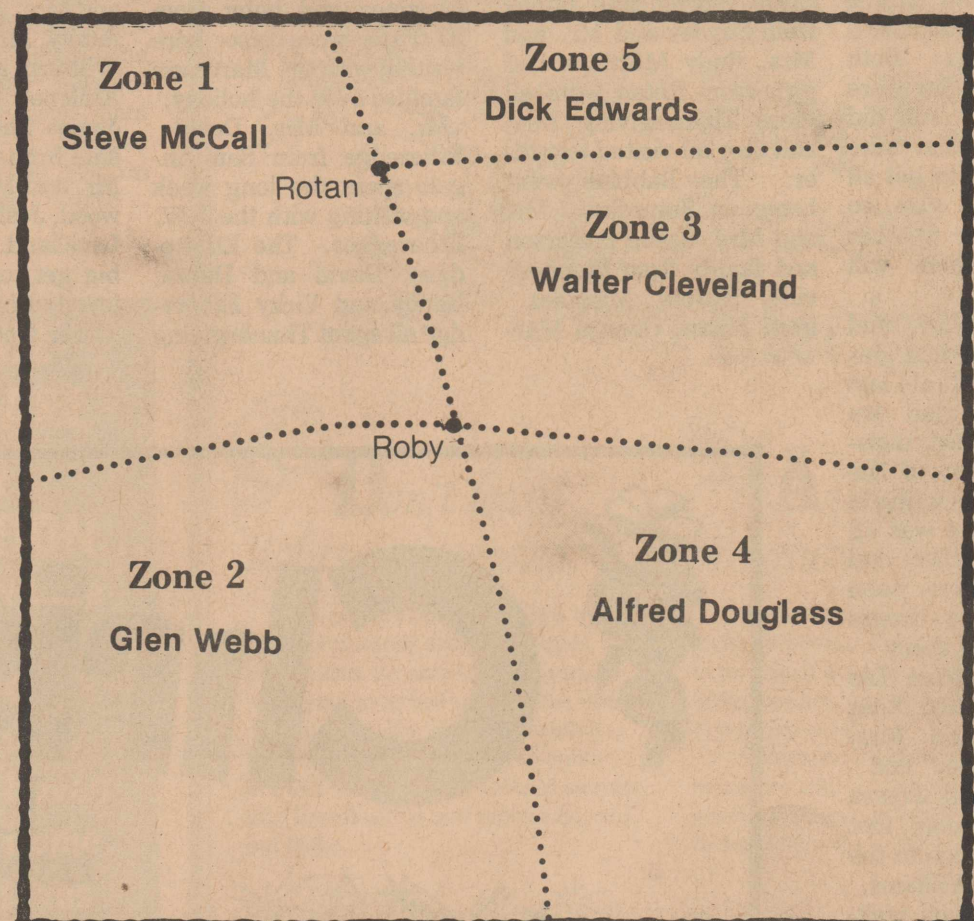
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### Upper Clear Fork S & WCD

#### Conservation Planning And Service Assistance

New Conservation Plans Developed	1,013,794 No. & Ac.
Conservation Plans Revised	6,628 Ac.
First Technical Service Individual	377 No.
Cooperator Applying A Practice	204 No.
Terraces Constructed	103,371 Ft.
Brush Control Applied	8,500 AC.
No-Till Farming	700 Ac.
Cropland Protected	28,893 Ac.
Rangeland Protected	32,648 Ac.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Your SWCD Meets The 2nd Thursday  
Each Month At 1:00 P.M., At The SCS Of-  
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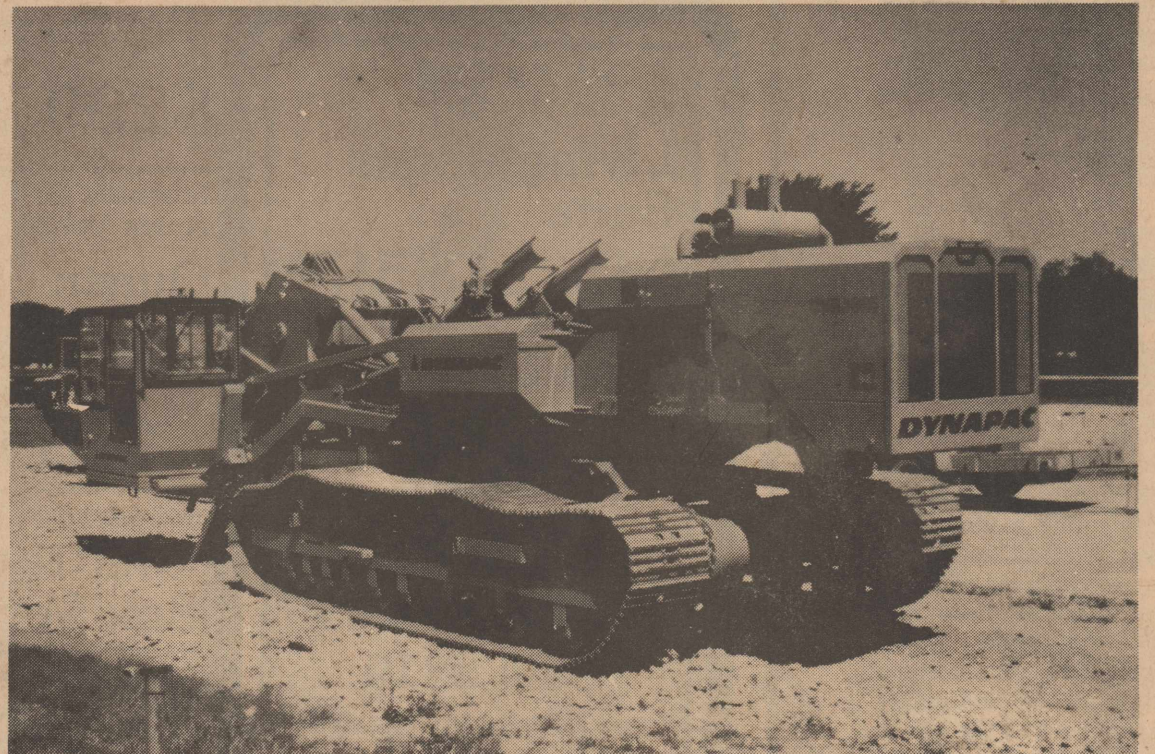
The Public Is Invited To Attend.



Core Drilling Unit Used By SCS Technicians Locating  
Pipe Location For Sub-Surface Drains.



Approximately 5,000 Acres of Saline Acres Are  
Located Within The S & WCD Needing Treatment.



Ditching Machine Used To Install Sub-Surface Drains  
On Saline Areas.