

Rotan Council OK's Accepting Bids On New Fire Truck

Two members of the Rotan Volunteer Fire Department appeared before the Rotan City Council last week to discuss with councilmen the possible purchase of a new fire truck for Rotan.

After discussing the needs of the department, Firemen Archie Neeley and Jerry Dycus, requested the City of Rotan consider purchasing a 3-ton truck and a 750 gallon per-minute pumper for the Rotan Volunteer Fire Department. Councilmen took the request, then gave approval to advertising

advertising for bids for the desired equipment. The Council is expected to have some representatives from various fire equipment companies at the April meeting and are in hopes that the new fire fighting equipment will come in on bid at ap-

\$60,000. The City of Rotan has a fund established for purchasing new equipment for the fire department. The \$1.00 fire department assessment on water bills has now built up to \$45,178.67 with interest as of March 1st, according to City Secretary

Kenneth Vann. Councilmen at the last meeting listened to a report by Police Chief Floyd Bankston in which he outlined seven calls received by the department over the past 30 days. Concerning water samples and water loss

by the City of Rotan, Vann reported that the samples were good and that the loss was 8.55 percent for February purchases. In addition, City of Rotan water department officials re-laid a line upgrading it to 2 inches between 7th and 8th Street and repaired six minor water line breaks in February. Councilmen were informed that the City of Rotan had finished erecting a 10 foot fence at

the dump ground, had erected new operating hour signs and had finished the construction of an all-weather road at the dump area. The new hours of operation at the dump are 9:00 a.m., until 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, during Central Standard time and from 9:00 a.m., until 8:00 p.m., during daylight savings time. The dump ground area

is to be closed on Sundays. Rotan Councilmen reviewed a proposal submitted by Lydick-Hooks Roofing Company to install a new roof at the City Hall Building for an estimated cost of \$3,547.00. They accepted the proposal. Vann reviewed tax collections with councilmen. He indicated that combined collections have amounted to 95.68 percent of the total 1985 current and past due rolls. The City Secretary informed councilmen that a tower had been purchased for the fire hall replacing an old siren tower at the old location. The move is designed to permit the activation of individual firemen's 'beepers' by an activations system from Roby.

Faulty Switch Results In Minor Flooding At Hospital

A combination of a faulty switch in an air compressor, the air handling system, a valve in the 'off' position on a back-up system all teamed up to cause an untimely 'flood' at the local Fisher County Hospital last weekend, according to Fisher County Hospital Administrator Paul Harper.

"We had a series of things malfunction in our air handling system that caused a water sprinkler to be activated in the kitchen area leaving some 2 inches of water on the floor before the system could be shut-down", according to Harper.

There was no long term damage done, with the exception of having to replace the faulty switch. The water that was dumped by the sprinkler fell and drained out a rear door to the

kitchen. The incident took place at approximately 1:30 a.m., on Saturday, March 15th and caused volunteer firemen from both Roby and Rotan to answer the call. Harper expressed his appreciation to the local departments for their quick reaction to the call.

The Rotan Community Center deficit for February amounted to \$529.36.

Kim's Korner

By Kim Pease

3000 Pairs Of Shoes

I had to chuckle last week after reading a story in the Abilene Reporter News and viewing the photograph of the "shoe storage area" belonging to Mrs. Ferdinand Marcos, wife of the exiled Philippine President.

"Hey, Babe!, I finally found someone in this world who owns more shoes than you do", I said peering out over the front page of the paper and across the long breakfast table.

"Is that supposed to be a smart remark?", said Janece. "No, I'm serious, look here, this lady owns over 3,000 pair of shoes, do you know that she could wear a different pair every day of the year for almost 9 years - that's a lot of shoes", I said.

"I don't have that many shoes", she fired back sternly, in her defense, not hinting of a smile. She really doesn't, if you don't count the grand total. She has shoes for all occasions. Leisure shoes, tennis shoes, shoes for walking, Sunday shoes for church, shoes to wear when we go shopping and everyday shoes. If you don't count the "old" shoes, the ones she purchased for 'the jogging fad', camping shoes, shoes for the lake, track meet shoes and shoes for Christmas shopping - the ones with the candy stripes and Santa heads on the ends of the laces - then she is absolutely correct, she doesn't have a lot of shoes.

The mysterious thing at our house though, is where the shoes come from. My wife and two daughters, by some unknown mystical delivery system, keep shoes in motion. When I comment about what I think is a new pair of shoes, I usually get an answer similar to the following: "these aren't new shoes, I've had them for over two years", or "these aren't new shoes, I borrowed them from your oldest daughter" or "these aren't new shoes, I've had them since before we got married" or "these aren't new shoes they are Julie's and she got them at H.L. Davis on sale two years ago." We never seem to have any 'new' shoes, but shoes at the Pease house reproduce like rabbits.

When my "girls" get together, they trade shoes like I used to trade baseball cards when I was a kid. "Kellie, you give me that powder blue pair you wore last Easter and I'll give you the black pumps I bought for Kip's graduation - and I'll let you borrow the gray mini heels."

"Wait a minute Mom", chimes in Julie, "you traded me the black pumps at Thanksgiving for the white pumps with the pink flower on top, remember?"

"Oh, yes dear, I remember - I also remember that the black pumps really weren't yours, we just told Daddy they were yours because you needed a new pair of shoes for the band banquet, so that makes the gray ones mine and I can trade them to Kellie", said the principal conspirator in this outlandish plot to hoodwink Ol' Dad.

At this point it gets a little more complicated. The girls usually take off for individual bedrooms and 'take inventory' to make sure the great shoe thief has not raided their stash.

After an hour or so, the three of them, led by my bride of 24 years, approach me for money for a new pair of shoes for whoever comes up short on the inventory.

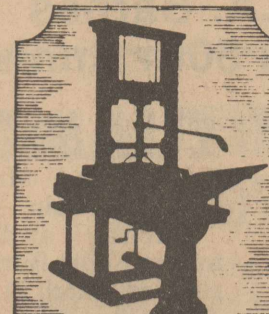
They come back with eleven shoe boxes, "You sure stretched that money", I say, getting the same response - these are on approval, ten boxes go back to H.L. Davis on Monday.

It's amazing, I quit trying to figure it out years ago. I know I'm getting snowed, I just can't prove it. The smirks on their faces give it away every time. Janece got mad, stormed off to the bedroom and announced that she was going to get ready for work, "I don't want to talk about shoes anymore", she growled.

When she came out, I said "nice shoes, are they new?". "No, they are not new, I've had them for over a year", she smartly belittled back.

"If those shoes are over a year old, you might give some thought to taking the price tag off the right heel", I said. Never missing a step, she stripped the tag off, continued marching toward the door, turned around and flashed a wide grin and said "I love you".

I thought to myself, I know you love me - so does Bill Day at H.L. Davis & Co.



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PUBLIC PERFORMANCE: The Rotan One-Act Play "Flowers For Algernon" was presented for the general public last Monday night. The actual UIL District performance will be on Saturday, March 22nd at the Rotan High School Auditorium. A total of six schools will be seeking two spots to the next level of competition. The plays will begin at 2:00 p.m. and run back-to-back. After any one play begins, no one will be allowed in or out of the auditorium. The Rotan students in-

Involved in the one-act play are (left to right) Lucy Stinson, stagehand; Carye Gruben, Mother; John Pease, Father; Jennifer Dickson, Norma; John Burns, Teen-age Charlie; Jackie Marling, Alice Kinnian; David Stevens, Charlie Gordon; Julie McQueen, Mrs. Mooney; Gray Fowler, Burt Seldon; Melissa Matthies, Professor Nemur; Rafe Hargrove, Dr. Strauss; Steve Dickson, spotlights and Julie Pease, lighting.

Hospital Board Salutes Hargrove

Fisher County Hospital Board President Glenn Copeland took a few minutes at the regular board meeting last Monday night to recognize Rafood Hargrove for his years of service as a board member. Hargrove is not seeking re-election after serving on the board for 8 years. He was presented a plaque of appreciation by the board for his service to the community. In making the presentation Copeland said "For the

tremendous job you have done, in appreciation for your hard work, long hours it is with pride that I present this plaque of appreciation tonight as you attend your last board meeting."

Administrator Paul Harper reported that the hospital census was up, revenues for the month were down approximately \$3,000 and that the hospital had a new loss from operations of \$9,277.00 for the month of February.

The board discussed utility bills, back-up systems at the hospital, personnel folders, software for the hospital computer and a local observance of National

County Building Committee

The Fisher County Executive Committee of the County Program Building Committee will meet Monday March 24 at 1:30 P.M. at the Courthouse Annex in Roby. Plans for the Long

Hospital Week by the Fisher County Hospital. Administrator Paul Harper indicated that the local hospital will be conducting a health fair, 2 mile health run, awa-

rd's banquet and other activities during National Hospital Week May 11th through 17th.

Immunizations To Be Given At Roby Annex

The Texas Department of Health will be providing immunizations at the Roby Annex on Wednesday, April 2, 1986 from 9:00 A.M. -12:00 and 1:00-3:30 P.M.

Range Extension Planning Study Groups and a Health Program will be discussed.

Mrs. Helen Thornburg is chairman of the Executive Committee.

Sheriff Arrests Oklahoma Man On \$24,000 Oil Field Theft

Fisher County Sheriff Department officials are holding a 46-year old Oklahoma man in Fisher County jail in lieu of a \$20,000 bond after charging the man with theft last weekend.

Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts indicated that the individual, James Vernon DeArmond, 46, of Velma, Oklahoma, allegedly stole \$24,000 from Jim Wilburn of Wilburn Drilling Company. "The individual sold Wilburn six oil field engines and was to make delivery in a week.

The 6 engines were paid for by Wilburn, according to Counts, but delivery never took place.

Gospel Lectureship

The Rotan Church of Christ members will be involved in a gospel meeting beginning on Sunday, April 13th and continuing through

Man Arrested For Alleged Insurance Fraud

Fisher County Sheriff Department personnel were notified last week that Stonewall law officers has Kenneth Ray White in custody in connection with the alleged sale of insurance after his license had been suspended.

Counts had issued a warrant for the arrest of T. Dean Simmons, after a Fisher County couple had allegedly lost \$980.00 in an insurance fraud.

The company reimbursed the local couple for the funds lost.

DeArmond is in the Fisher County Jail pending an investigation by the Fisher County Grand Jury.



FISHER COUNTY 4-H LIVESTOCK TEAM: L to R: Gary Teague, Joey Teague, Kenlee Dennis, and Matt Floyd placed 2nd overall team. The team was 1st high in swine and 4th high in cattle. Joey Teague was 4th individual in the contest and Kenlee Dennis 7th high.

Rotan New \$312,000 Sewer System 90 Percent Finished

The City of Rotan was informed last week that the construction on a new city sewer system, costing in excess of \$312,000, is approximately 90 percent complete and that the changeover from the present system to the new

system is anticipated to take place on April 1st. Rotan City officials began working on securing funds for the construction of a new sewer system back in 1974. After making numerous applications, officials were informed two years ago that the plan had

been approved pending funding. The government agreed to approve the system for \$312,000

if the City of Rotan would put in \$56,000 on the project.

The \$56,000 has been set-aside for the project for several years and has been drawing interest.

Approval was for a total of four self contained ponds covering approximately 10 acres of land immediately south of the present sewer system.

Ministerial Alliance Will Hold Easter Sunrise Service

There will be an Easter morning Sunrise Service, sponsored by the Fisher County Ministerial Alliance, at 7:00 A.M. on Sunday, March 30, in the sanctuary of the First Baptist Church of Rotan. The service will be under the leadership of various Fisher County

pastors. A combined choir will sing for the service. Choir rehearsals will be on Wednesday, March 19 and March 26 at 8:15 P.M. at the First Baptist Church of Rotan. Any Fisher County singers are welcome to participate.



CLEAR HURDLE: Brian Sheehan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sheehan of Rotan, took part in the varsity track meet at Merkel last Saturday. Team members placing were Donnie Gruben, first in the 800 and fourth in the 1600; Ward Hayes, fifth in the discus; John Pease, fourth in the pole vault and Gruben, fifth in the pole vault. The team competes at Jayton this Saturday.

Rotan Jr. High Girls Participate In McGowan Relays

The Jr. High girls from Rotan traveled to Abilene to participate in the Kyle McGowan relays at McMurry College Saturday. Out of the six girls participating, the team brought home four medals and two ribbons placing third overall in the meet. Individual awards include: Sherri Conner with a first place win in

the 200 meter dash and fourth in the long jump; Terri Johnson winning the 800 meter dash and placing fifth in the high jump, and Denise Powell placing second in the 100 meter dash. The 440 mile relay team placed first, consisting of Lori Martinez,



Mr. & Mrs. J.A. Barnes To Celebrate 50th Anniv.

Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Barnes of Big Spring will observe their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, March 23 with a reception in the Park Inn Hotel in Big Spring. Hosts for the celebration will be the couple's children, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Hardin, and Mr. and Mrs. G.H. Cain. Barnes and the former Callie Burk were married March 21, 1936. They have nine grandchildren, and six great grandchildren.

Gamma Tau Chapter Meets In Sweetwater

The Gamma Tau Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met in regular session on Sunday, May 16, at the home of Louise Bollinger in Sweetwater.

The meeting was called to order by Pat Hamric, president. Joan Menn gave the meditation.

The minutes were reviewed and approved, and the treasurer's report was given by Ruth Witherspoon.

Joe Clark reported that the Constitution Committee had met and revised the local constitution, and it had already been approved by the state office. Ruth Witherspoon, Legislative Committee, encouraged everyone to talk and write to Legislators, stay informed, and vote.

Corresponding Secretary, Ruth Wiman, read an invitation to the April 12 luncheon with Zeta Lambda in Snyder. Members were also urged to attend the Leadership Management for Educators to be held April 26. Joyce Smith, Awards and Recognition Committee, presented current teachers with apples.

Also recognized were Joe Clark for her birthday, and Ruth Witherspoon for having taught 42 years and still teaching. Members present

Palette And Brush Club

The Palette and Brush Club met March 17th at the Courthouse Annex. It was an all day workshop with Myrtle Joiner in water colors.

Those attending were Fay Anderson, June Anderson, Nan Arnett, Billie Coffman, Sis Killingsworth, Edna McArthur, Glenna Gene Moore, Bee Jae Hawkins, Luella Waddell and Alline Terry.

The next meeting will be April 7th at the Senior Citizens Building in Rotan. It will be an all day workshop with Bee Jae Hawkins. It will be in water colors.

Roby Cubs Boys & Girls Track Teams In Meet

The Roby cubs boy and girl teams competed in the Rolling Plains Relays at Jayton and did very well in the competition. Placing for the girls were Jennifer Pulig, Suzanne Maxwell, Jennifer Blaine and Martha Goodrum placing 6th in the mile and 880 relay. Martha Goodrum also placed 5th in the shot put. Suzanne Maxwell placed 5th in the 220 and Shana Feagan placed 3rd in the shot put. Placing for the boys were Rudy Gonzalez, first in the 300 m hurdles and 2nd in the 110 hurdles. Joe Orona placed 2nd in the shot put and high jump and 4th in the discus. Jess Cross placed 2nd in the 100 m and 5th in the long jump. Jamie Amador placed 4th in pole vault and Michael Carreon placed 5th. The 400 m relay consisted of Rudy Gonzalez, Jamie Amador, Domingo Cha-

Read: Proverbs 16:20-31

THE GOLDEN YEARS

The glory of young men is their strength, and the splendor of old men is their gray head. Proverbs 20:29
OLD age can be a most rewarding period of life. For those who have found the satisfaction of a loving and close relationship with the Heavenly Father through faith in His Son, the "sunset years" can be more appropriately labeled the "golden years."
Henry Durbanville felt that way. In his book *The Best Is Yet To Be* he wrote, "I feel so sorry for folks who don't like to grow old. . . I revel in my years. They enrich me. . . I would not exchange . . . the abiding rest of soul, the measure of wisdom I have gained from the sweet and bitter and perplexing experiences of life; nor the confirmed faith I now have in the . . . love of God, for all the bright and uncertain hopes and tumultuous joys of youth. Indeed, I would not! These are the best years of my life. . . The way grows brighter; the birds sing sweeter; the winds blow softer; the sun shines more radiantly than ever before. I suppose 'my outward man' is perishing, but 'my inward man' is being joyously renewed day by day."
Robertson McQuilkin wrote, "God planned the strength and beauty of youth to be physical. But the strength and beauty of age is spiritual. We gradually lose the strength and beauty that is temporary so we'll be sure to concentrate on the strength and beauty that is forever."
May we live in such a way that as we reach that privileged plateau in life, we too can say that the older years are indeed the golden years. —R.W.D.

Worship This Week At A Fisher County Church

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 735-3471 Rotan, Texas Sunday School 9:45 Worship 10:55 Sunday Eve.-Church Training 6:00 Worship 7:00 Wed. Night 7:30 Steve Peace-Pastor	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 735-2334 Rotan, Texas Sunday School 9:15 Worship 10:30 Sunday Eve. 6:00 Terry Lowe-Pastor
CROSS ROADS BAPTIST CHURCH 735-2178 Rotan, Texas Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:00 Sunday Eve.-Training Union 6:00 Worship 7:00 Wed. Night 7:00 Howard Jones-Int. Pastor	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 776-2308 Roby, Texas Sunday School 9:45 Worship 10:50 Sunday Eve. 5:00 UMYF Warren K. Schoenecker-Pastor Wed. Night-Choir Practice 7:00
LITTLE ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 Worship 11:00 Wed. Night 7:00 James Carrington-Pastor	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH McCaulley, Texas Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:00 Wed.(2nd Wed. in each month family nite 7:00) Alvin G. Smith-Pastor
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 776-2159 Roby, Texas Sunday School 10:00 Worship Service 11:00 Sunday Evening 5:00 Worship 6:00 Wed. Night 7:00 Jim Ritter-Pastor	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sylvester, Texas Sunday School 10:30 Worship 9:30 Every 3rd Tues. Evening Community Dinner 6:30 Alvin G. Smith-Pastor
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH 735-3464 Rotan, Texas Sunday School 10:00 Worship Service 11:00 Sunday Eve.-Bible Study 6:00 Worship 7:00 Wed. Night 7:00	CHURCH OF CHRIST 735-2344 Rotan, Texas Sunday School 9:45 Sunday Evening 6:00 Wed. Morn. Ladies Bible Class 9:30 Wed. Eve. Bible Study 7:30 Donald Dawes-Minister
EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH 735-2478 Rotan, Texas Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:00 Sunday Evening 5:30 Wed. Night 7:30 Address Rodriguez-Pastor	CHURCH OF CHRIST 776-2496 Roby, Texas Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00 Wed. Night 7:00-Nov.-April-8:00 May-Oct. Wardell Halliburton-Minister
SYLVESTER BAPTIST CHURCH 993-4479 Sylvester, Texas Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:00 Sunday Evening 6:00 Wed. Night 7:00 Pat Hatfield-Pastor	CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE Rotan, Texas Sunday School 9:45 Worship 11:00 Wed. Night Worship Lyndell McDaniel-Pastor
HOBB'S BAPTIST CHURCH Hobbs Community Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:00 Sunday Evening 6:00	FOUR SQUARE CHURCH 735-2553 Rotan, Texas Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:00 Sunday Evening 6:00 Wed. Night 7:00 Ira Burns-Pastor
MCAULLEY BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 Worship 11:00 Sunday Evening 6:00 Rick McMinn-Pastor	ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 735-3285 Rotan, Texas Sunday Morning 9:00 a.m. Mass Saturday Evening 7:30 p.m. Mass Father Austin Kittredge
MISSION BAPTISTA CALVARIO Roby, Texas Sunday School 9:45 Worship 11:00 Sunday Evening 5:30 Worship 6:00 Wed. Night 7:30 Eli Sepeda-Pastor	MARANATHA CHURCH Roby, Texas Sunday School 9:45 Worship 11:00 Sunday Evening 6:00 Wed. Evening 7:00 Bill Dickson-Pastor

Legal Notice

ORDINANCE NO. 141

An ordinance establishing retail water rates for the City of Rotan, Texas, and all other retail water users connected to Rotan Water mains or transmission lines; repealing all ordinances in conflict with this ordinance; declaring an emergency; and providing an effective date.

Now therefore, be it ordained by the Rotan City Council of the City of Rotan, Texas;

SECTION 1: That from and after the passage of this ordinance and hereinafter provided for, the CITY OF ROTAN through its WATER DEPARTMENT shall charge and collect and every consumer of water shall pay for water furnished by the CITY OF ROTAN to said consumer, the amounts calculated by application of the following rates to meter readings:

Retail water rates within the corporate limits and other consumers, of the City of Rotan, Texas, for all months beginning with March 1986 billings:

- (a) Minimum charge per month inside the Corporate City Limits for 3,000 gallons or less \$7.50
- (b) Minimum charge per month outside the Corporate City Limits for 3,000 gallons or less \$7.50
- (c) Excess over 3,000 gallons per month for both "a" and "b" per 1,000 gallons \$2.50
- (d) Users being served through a meter of larger size than the standard 3/4" meter the minimum charge per month for 3,000 gallons or less \$8.50

SECTION 2: All ordinances, resolutions, or other actions of the City Council of the CITY OF ROTAN, TEXAS, in conflict with the rates, fees, charges or other provisions hereof are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: An emergency is declared by the City Council of the City of Rotan, Texas, due to a water rate increase from the City of Snyder, Texas, retroactive to October 1984.

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall become effective immediately and applied to the first bill following passage on first reading. Passed On First Reading, the 11th day of March, 1986.

Jerry A. Marshall, Mayor
City of Rotan, Texas

The Roby Independent School District Board of Trustees hereby orders and gives notice of an election to be held on April 6, 1986 for the purpose of electing two trustees for full three year terms, one trustee for two year unexpired term and one trustee for one year unexpired term.

Absentee voting by personal appearance will begin on 17th March, 1986 and continue through 1st April, 1986, 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on each day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or an official state holiday.

Office of County Judge/Fisher County Courthouse is the address of the place for absentee voting in person and to mail applications for an absentee ballot.

The polling place(s) designated below will be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on the day of the election.
Courthouse Meeting Room.

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Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:
I have been besieged by letters from Republican candidates and the State office relative to my refusal to hold a Primary Election in Fisher County for the benefit of the Republican Party.

The State funds are available to provide a host of expenses involved, which are quite legal; however, as a taxpayer I do not choose to dissipate the excessive amount of funds available, which would cover office, secretarial, telephone expenditures to list only a few. It has long been my contention that the Primary Election should be held in the same manner as the General Election. In this form persons of either party would have the privilege of voting for the County offices, and the ability of cross-over, marking the candidates of their personal choice.

I accepted this position as chairman, because of the practical need of communication with officials, holding office under the Republican name. This has helped the County in the past to achieve benefits that might not have materialized otherwise. I have offered my resignation repeatedly if this position is desired by any other qualified person. Being of rather independent nature, I have always voted for the person of my choice, and would expect that this privilege be extended to all voters. Apparently I do not have sufficient influence to change the present system, which in most areas is costing us as taxpayer twice the amount actually needed. The two party system

is a good one as it applies checks and balance to the election system; however, it is not practical in rural areas.

Yours very truly,
Thomas B. Colwell

Dear Editor,

Yes, we do care. Yes, teachers we do care about the near impossible task you have had in doing a full time job of teaching that included a dictated paper overload and the over-hanging trauma of test anxiety that was both insulting and humiliating. I realized you were not alone in your dilemma when a great grandfather called me to ask who was to blame-Governor White or the Texas Education Agency. Then I realized we had failed to heed the warning that drastic plans were underway to cause the need of a hand picked agency to replace an elected one. Such action was a serious danger to democracy that elicited little protest.

Have we been ripped off for millions of tax dollars or was the compulsive testing of teachers valid in weeding out incompetent teachers? What makes a person a good teacher? We would all certainly say knowledge of reading and writing skills and subject matter. Is that all? Consider love of teaching, creativity in teaching, patience and kindness in trying situations, empathy with the students' needs, a concern never to give up in aiding the student to learn, motivation of the student to learn, a willingness to work many hours after school, a positive attitude spiced with a bit of humor and wit to relieve tension,

and always disciplinary control of the class. How many of these qualities could the TECAT test? Could it be that a teacher could have a superior ability in bringing about learning in the classroom and yet fail the test? Conversely, could a teacher pass the test and lack so many other qualities as to be incompetent?

As voters we select trustees to elect and aid the administrators. The superintendent plays a big role in selecting teachers. Principals work day in and day out with teachers to do the best job possible. Principals evaluate and recommend teachers for rehiring based on their daily observation of teachers' performances.

Have voters, trustees and administrators failed so badly that a test could do a better job or have we all had pie thrown in our faces and defrauded of tax dollars for the administration of an instrument that might prove futile and invalid in measuring what it was purported to measure? Can the quality of teaching be determined by a test of any kind?

Other issues of HB 72 have been controversial. Could it be that, in the furor, a larger issue is at stake? Have these issues been a screen to shield us from realizing that we are losing control of our local schools while being forced to pay the bill with local tax dollars? That would be no say but pay.

Chrystelle Hawkins
Rotan, Texas

Susan Hance, daughter of Republican gubernatorial candidate Kent Hance, visited in Fisher County last Monday morning as part of a 38-city swing for her father. She is on spring break from Lubbock Monterrey High School where she is a junior student.

Her swing is taking her from Post to Athens in East Texas and back to Lubbock in pursuit of

votes on May 3rd.

Advance press releases indicated that Susan's main purpose of visiting the 38 towns was to encourage Hance supporters to vote in the Republican primary.

Fisher County is not scheduled to hold a Republican primary this year, according to Republican County Chairman Thomas Colwell. Although under order to not get specific on

issues, Susan did say that her father did favor modification of the "no pass-no play" portion of House Bill 72. "He feels shortening the no play portion from 6 weeks to 3 weeks is a needed area of change," said Susan Hance.

Susan Hance met with Rotan School Superintendent Alton Fields after making a brief appearance at The

Newspaper Office. in high school in Dumas Fields and Hance were at the same time.



Susan Hance

Tri County Sets Date For Early Childhood Meeting

The Tri-County Co-op will begin surveying Rotan for developmental delayed children for the Early Childhood Program. This will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 1 and 2nd, 1986. If your child is between the ages of three and four, and will not turn five before Sept. 1, 1986, you may be interested in setting up an appointment with the teacher or diagnostician.

A Four Year Old Program is being offered for the 1986-87 school year in the Rotan Public Schools. Your child may qualify if he or she:

1. Is four years of age on or before September 1, 1986.
2. Of limited English Proficiency background;
3. Qualify for free or reduced lunch program;
4. Are not enrolled in the Early Childhood Program.

Kindergarten registration for the 1986-87 school year will also be conducted on April 1 and 2, 1986. If your child will be five years of age on or before Sept. 1, 1986, please bring them to the primary school for registration.

The Voluntary Summer School Program for limited English Proficient

students will be conducted during the morning hours from July 1, until August 22. If your child will be entering Kindergarten or first grade and you are interested in this enrichment program please contact the Rotan Primary School.

All students entering the Rotan Public Schools for the first time must bring the following items when pre-registering:

1. Original birth certificate
2. Immunization records.

Pre-registration will be conducted on April 1 and 2, 1986. Appointments may be made on March 20, 21, and 31, 1986 by calling the Primary School office. The number is 735-3182.

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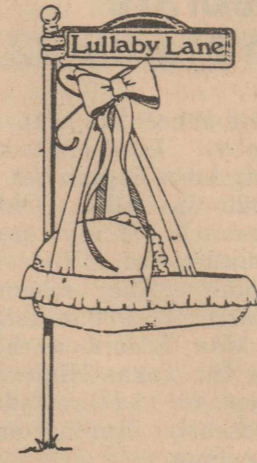
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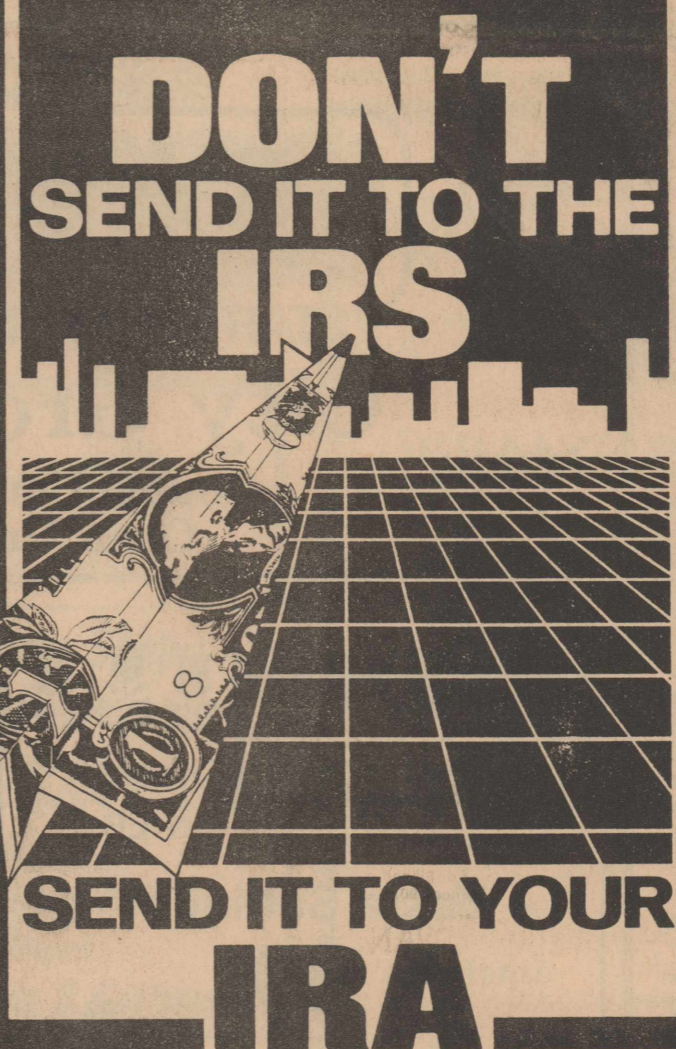
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Mr. and Mrs. Max Stuart

Mr. & Mrs. Max Stuart To Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary On March 22

Mr. and Mrs. Max Stuart of Roby will be honored with a reception celebrating their

50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, March 22nd from 3 to 5 P.M. at the Roby Community Center.

Hosting the reception will be their children, Freddie and Lovell Stuart of Sylvester and Ted and Gloria Lou Posey of Roby; their grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Brad Stuart; Mr. and Mrs. Britt Stuart; Mr. and Mrs. Lance McWilliams; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Putnam; Mr. and Mrs. David Posey and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Posey and their great grandchildren.

Max Stuart was born

September 22, 1916 in Roby. Lorene Stuart was born September 8, 1920 in Allen, Oklahoma. They met August of 1934 in Rotan. They married March 21, 1936 in Roby.

Max Stuart worked for the Texas Highway Dept. for 12 years and is presently farming and ranching.

Lorene Stuart has been employed by the Federal Land Bank Association of Roby for 24 years as Office Manager.

They are members of the First Baptist Church of Roby.

Methodist Churches Combine To Present Cantata

The First United Methodist Church of Rotan will be presenting as Easter Cantata entitled "Then Came Sunday" this Sunday night

beginning at 6:00 P.M., according to Rev. Terry Lowe, Pastor.

The Cantata is being directed by Mary Ann Marshall. Terry Lowe is the organist and Patti

Park is the pianist. Kim Pease is the narrator.

The general public is cordially invited to attend this service.

There will be solo performances by Mrs. Robert Coventry, Helen Heathington, Mrs. Stanley Nowlin and Marshall Billingsley.

A reception in the Methodist Fellowship Hall will be held immediately following the service.

Those participating in the combined Methodist choir from Rotan and Roby include:

Sopranos: Elizabeth Billingsley; Bunny Coventry; Gayle Duke; Janie Fields; Karen Gruben; Martha Hargrove; Helen Heathington; Judy Lowe; Betty Mauldin; Beverly Rister; Elizabeth Schoenecker; Allen Smith; Donna Springer;

Nina Tandy. Nan Arnett; Margaret Billingsley; Neoma Cauble; Grace Doyle; BeeJae Hawkins; Naomi Mayfield; Evelyn Nowlin; Betty Strayhorn; Patti Morrow.

Baritones: Marshall Billingsley; John Burtoft; Kiefer Cauble; Shorty Crawford; William Duke; Jerry Marshall; Warren Schoenecker; Phil Springer.

Roby Track Teams In West Texas Track Meet

The Roby varsity boys track team had the 400 meter relay team, a pole vaulter and long distance runner make the finals at the West Texas Track Meet in Odessa last weekend, according to Coach Jernigan.

Jerry Carreon took a 4th place finish in the pole vault with a leap of 11 feet 3 inches.

James Gantt was 4th in the 3200 meter run with a time of 10:27.0 but did not place in the 3200 meter run with a time of 5:03.0.

The 400 relay team made the finals but failed to place with their time of 48.4. That team consists of Rodney Green, James Gantt, Danny Carreon, and Greg Meek.

In the girls meet last weekend at Sands two girls finished with gold medals in competition. Kristy Martin had a time of 14.30 in the 3200 meter run for a first place and Tammy Mauldin had a first in the 1600 meter run with a time of 6:19.

Others were Missy

Turpin 7th in the 100 hurdles with a time of 21.29 and Kerrie Upshaw 4th in the hurdles with a time of 19:03.

Donna Gordon finished 2nd in the 800 run with a time of 2:39. Stacy Terry was 6th in the 400 meter run with a time of 73.0 while Donna Terry was 7th with a time of 75.0.

The 400 relay team was 4th with a combined time of 56.74. Team members are Kerrie Upshaw, Donna Terry, Stacy Terry, Donna Gordon.

The 800 meter team was 3rd with a time of 2:00 that team consists of Stacy Terry, Kerrie Upshaw, Kristy Martin, and Donna Terry.

The 1600 meter team finished 4th. Donna Gordon, Cherie Feagan, Kristy Martin, and Deena Williamson. Roby finished 4th at the meet with 61 points.

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Card Of Thanks

We, the people of Emmanuel Baptist Church, want to express our thanks to God for the brothers and sisters from First Baptist Church Rotan, for helping us with the music during our revival.

Glen Cantu for the wonderful song leading and directing the choir. Also Bylnda Cantu, Evelyn Nowlin, and Floyd Garcia for the beautiful way they helped the worship services as they played the piano for us. And for every one who visited and helped in any and all of our services. Also our brothers and sisters from Foursquare Church, Rotan.

The Emmanuel Baptist Church, Rotan
Andres Rodriguez, Pastor
6:1tp

Card Of Thanks

Our family sincerely appreciates all of your thoughtful acts of kindness during the loss of our brother and uncle, Carlton (Button) Sharp.

The visits, flowers and food meant so much to us and we want to thank each one of you for your concern. The J.D. Sharp Family Dalton Sharp Family 6:1tp

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ANNUAL MEETING

DPR WATER CORPORATION

SAT., MARCH 29th 7:00 P.M.

Rotan Community Center

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LEGAL NOTICES

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF FISHER by virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher, County, on the 3rd day of March, 1986 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of CITY OF ROTAN, VS. NORA E. COOPER ESTATE; Cause No. 3803, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 1st day of April, 1986, of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

ALL THAT CERTAIN MID THIRD OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF BLOCK 145 IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF ROTAN, TEXAS, AS SHOWN BY MAP OR PLAT OF RECORD IN THE PLAT CABINET, SLIDE 85 and 86, FISHER COUNTY, TEXAS.

Levied on the 3rd day of March, 1986, as the property of NORA E. COOPER, if living; J.J. COOPER, if living; to satisfy a judgement amounting to \$617.83 with interest from the 31st day of January, 1986, at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 3rd day of March, 1986.

Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff, Fisher
County, Texas.
4:3tc

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF FISHER By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County, on the 3rd day of March, 1986 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of CITY OF ROTAN, VS. T.L. ROA, INDIVIDUALLY, D/B/A/ROTAN PAINT & BODY, Cause No. 4003 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 1st Day of April, 1986, which is the first Tuesday on said month, at the North door of the Courthouse of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

Tract I: Being all that certain Lot 4 in Block 317 of the Inside Addition to the City of Rotan, Texas, and being more fully described by that Deed of record in Volume 355, Page 27, of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Tract II: Being all that certain Lot 5 in Block 317 of the Inside Addition to the City of Rotan, Texas, and being more fully described by that Deed of Record in Volume 298, Page 697 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 3rd day of March, 1986 as the property of T.L. ROA INDIVIDUALLY & D/B/A/ ROTAN PAINT & BODY, 109 N. Lincoln, Rotan, Texas, 79546

DALE R. ROA INDIVIDUALLY & D/B/A/ ROTAN PAINT & BODY, 105 W. Lee, Rotan, Texas, 79546

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ROTAN, 118 N. Garfield, Rotan, Texas, 79546, to satisfy a judgement amounting to \$2,812.35 with interest from the 31st day of January, 1986 at 10 per cent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 3rd Day of March, 1986.

Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff, Fisher
County, Texas
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THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF FISHER by Virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County, on the 3rd day of March, 1986 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of CITY OF ROTAN, VS. PAT FINCHER RIDGLE, Cause No. 3796 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 1st day of April, 1986 which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the North door of the Courthouse of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT 2 IN BLOCK 44 OF THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF ROTAN, TEXAS, MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BY DEED OF RECORD IN VOLUME 339, PAGE 431, DEED RECORDS OF FISHER COUNTY, TEXAS.

Levied on the 3rd day of March, 1986, as the property of PAT FINCHER RIDGLE, if living;

to satisfy a judgement amounting to \$579.76 with interest from the 31st day of January, 1986, at 10 per cent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 3rd day of March, 1986.

Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff, Fisher
County, Texas
4:3tc

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF FISHER by virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd

Judicial District Court of Fisher County, on the 3rd day of March, 1986 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of CITY OF ROTAN, VS. N. WINSTON ESTATE, Cause No. 3811 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 1st day of April, 1986, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the North Door of the Courthouse of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

Tract I: Being all that certain West Third of the Northwest Quarter of Block 145 of the Original Town of Rotan, Texas, and being more fully described by that deed of record in Volume 100, Page 414, Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Tract II: Being all that certain East Third of the Northwest Quarter of Block 169 of the Original Town of Rotan, Texas, and being more fully described by that deed of record in Volume 138, Page 398, Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 3rd day of March, 1986 as the property of N. WINSTON, if living; CHARLES LIVINGSTON, if living; WINNIE LIVINGSTON; if living; WINNIE WINSTON, if living; JOHNNIE KELLEY, if living; to satisfy a judgement amounting to \$1,306.85 with interest from the 31st day of January, 1986, at 10 percent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 3rd day of March, 1986.

Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff, Fisher
County, Texas
4:3tc

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF

FISHER, by virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County, on the 3rd day of March, 1986, by the Clerk thereof in the case of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VS. SANTOS ALMANZA; Cause No. 4088, and to me, Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 1st day of April, 1986 which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the North door of the Courthouse of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

ALL THAT CERTAIN WEST 50 FEET OF THE EAST 125 FEET OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF BLOCK 24 OF THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF ROTAN, TEXAS, MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BY DEED OF RECORD IN VOLUME 516, PAGE 353, DEED RECORDS OF FISHER COUNTY, TEXAS.

Levied on the 3rd day of March, 1986, as the property of SANTOS ALMANZA, 703 S. Cleveland, Rotan, Texas, 79546;

SYLVIA ALMANZA, 703 S. Cleveland, Rotan, Texas, 79546; to satisfy a judgement amounting to \$468.77 with interest from the 31st day of January, 1986, at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 3rd day of March, 1986.

Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff Fisher
County, Texas
4:3tc

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF FISHER. By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County,

on the 3rd day of March, 1986, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of CITY OF ROTAN, VS. PRISCILLA WOODS, Cause No. 3810, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 1st day of April, 1986 which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the North door of the Courthouse of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

Being all that certain East Third of the Southwest Quarter of Block 171 of the Original Town of Rotan, Texas, and being more

fully described by that deed of record in Volume 82, page 405, Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 3rd day of March, 1986, as the property of PRISCILLA WOODS, if living; to satisfy a judgement amounting to \$351.97 with interest from the 31st day of January, 1986, at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 3rd day of March, 1986.

Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff, Fisher
County, Texas
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Legal Notice

Fisher County Commissioners Court will accept bids for truck chassis to be used for fire truck. Specifications available at office of County Judge.

Bids will be opened April 14, 1986, at 9:00 A.M. Fisher County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Marshal Bennett
County Judge
5:2tc

Legal Notice

Fisher County Commissioners Court is now accepting bids for two rural fire trucks. Specifications may be obtained at office of County Judge.

Bids will be opened April 14, 1986 at 9:00 A.M. in Commissioners Courtroom, Courthouse, Roby, Fisher County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Marshal Bennett
County Judge
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Rotan Jr. High Team Competes At Abilene

A total of three Rotan Junior High School track participants placed at last weekend's Kyle McGowan Relays at McMurry College in Abilene. There were over 2,000 participants. Aaron Porter placed 4th in the high jump with a leap of 5ft. 6 in-

ches. Kevin Smith was 5th in the pole vault with 8 ft. 6 inches. Joey Thomas as 5th in the pole vault with a leap of 7 feet; 5th in the 100 meter dash and 4th in the 200 meter dash. Richard Smith is the boys junior high coach.



Teresa Ann Dudley and Michael Darren Jackson

Julie Pease 2nd And Jan Posey 4th At Munday Meet

Julie Pease ran a 27.9 in the finals of the 200 meter run last Saturday at Munday to capture a 2nd place finish for the Rotan girls track team. Placing 4th in the 200 meter was Jan Posey with a time of 28.6.

The 800 meter relay team of Jan Posey, Julie Pease, LaTonya Daniel and Barbara Williams finished 5th with a time of 1:55.75.

Jeanie Wyrick had a jump of 24 ft. 9 1/2 inches in the triple jump.

Teresa Dudley & Michael Jackson Are Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Smith of Sweetwater announces the engagement of their daughter Teresa Ann Dudley, to Michael Darren Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Jackson, and the late Suzanne Jackson of Snyder. The vows will be exchanged in the bride's home in Sweetwater on March 27th.

Diversifying the Lone Star Economy

News about tumbling oil prices is a reminder that Texas faces some knotty economic challenges. But the outlook for an upbeat economy appears good. One reason for the optimism is the state's efforts to diversify our economy. Economic diversification may not be a new twist, but you may be surprised to learn about the new ally in this campaign. Meet your new partner: telecommunications. Yes, the telephone company. Surprised? Consider that many businesses today, including the so-called high-technology industries, are heavily dependent on information. These firms need to move large amounts of data across the state and the world. Much of that information will zip across the telephone network—an intricate web of circuits, transmitters and lines. Without a first-class telecommunications system, Texas cannot compete with other states vying for new jobs and industry. Remember, most every state is recruiting the same firms. How does Texas set itself apart from the crowd? One way is to parlay our telephone network into a major advantage for our state.

An economic edge
Homegrown Texas firms also will find it increasingly an edge to be served by a dependable communications network. For example, in the oil and gas industry, millions of dollars are riding each day on the ability of these firms to transmit and receive geological data from drilling sites. That puts a premium on fast, reliable communications.

In our homes too, telecommunications is playing a more important role. Many Texans are using computer linkups over telephone lines to start new businesses, expand their education and even receive health care—all this without leaving their homes.

Much of what we take for granted in our everyday lives would be impossible without telecommunications. Consider that in Texas there are \$15 million in goods and services sold each day by phone... more than seven million transactions between financial institutions are processed every day over the telephone network... and nearly 248 million times a year Texans use phone lines and automatic teller machines to bank at their convenience.

A mind-boggling figure
There's one more statistic that perhaps tells the story best. On a typical day, Southwestern Bell Telephone handles more than 82 million voice and data messages from homes and businesses across the state. And, this figure is expected to continue to grow. Obviously, huge investments are required to meet this growth. In fact, for eight consecutive years, my company has spent more than \$1 billion annually to improve and add to the state's telecommunications network. This year will be no different.

We all have a stake in the economic future of Texas. All of us must do our share. For our part, we want to provide a telecommunications network that is second to none. We have the resources and people to achieve that goal. Given adequate earnings, there is no doubt we will succeed.



ATTENDS ROBERT LEE UIL MEET: The above four Roby High School students attended a UIL Literary contest held last Saturday in Robert Lee. Left to right, front row: Paulina Rodriguez and Mary Lee Hicks; back row, left to right: Billy Scott and Charla Wiley.



UIL PARTICIPANTS: Representing Roby at the Robert Lee UIL Literary contest held last Saturday are: left to right front row: Teresa McClure, Patricia Gonzalez, and Kathy Hunt. Back row, left to right: John Everett and Debbie Everett.

Roby Students Participate In UIL Meet In Robert Lee

Nine Roby High School students participated in UIL Literary contests this past weekend at Robert Lee.

Mary Lee Hicks won first in spelling and seventh in prose. Paulina Rodriguez won third in spelling and fifth in ready writing. Charla Wiley won second in calculator. Teresa McClure won first in feature writing, fourth in newswriting and fifth in editorial writing. Debbie Everett won first in headline writing and fifth in newswriting. Kathy Hunt won third in editorial writing. Patricia Gonzalez won

second in newswriting and placed sixth in feature writing. John Everett placed fifth in headlines. Also participating in number sense was Billy Scott.

First, second, and third place winners received gold, silver and bronze medals, while fourth, fifth and sixth places received ribbons. Other high schools participating were Bronte, Ozona, Miles, Roscoe, Irion County, Blackwell, Hermleigh, Forsan and Robert Lee.

Sponsors and coaches are Ruth Davis, spelling; Ron Hester, prose and ready writing; Teri Arons, math, and Dora Reyes, journalism.

Postmaster Charles Thornton Announces Zip + 4 System

Postmaster Charles Thornton of Rotan announced today that the ZIP+4 program is here to stay in the Postal Service.

This announcement was prompted by erroneous information which was recently published in Manhattan, Inc. Magazine and announced on the Paul Harvey News on March 8, 1986.

The magazine will print a correction in the next issue and Paul Harvey has been contacted regarding a correction.

Equipment needed to read the nine digit code has already been ordered, Thornton said. Two hundred million dollars has been spent on automated equipment to read the larger codes.

Carye Gruben, Jackie Martinez Do Well At Speech Tournament

Carye Gruben broke finals and Jackie Martinez broke semis at the Hardin Simmons University Invitational Speech Tournament Saturday. Both participants read from all three UIL categories.

Carye is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Gruben. Jackie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martinez. Jennie Dickson observed standard debate and Miss Bobbiedee Duck judged prose Round II.

Pink Ladies Met March 12th

The regular meeting of the ladies auxiliary was held on Wednesday, March 12th with 9 members present. We also had three visitors: Mrs. Neva McQueen, Mrs. Patti Morrow and Lyn Frizzell. They came to discuss Texas Hospital

Week with us which will be May 11th through the 17th.

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday, April 16th at 10:00 a.m. at the Fisher County Hospital followed by a luncheon.

4-H Leaders Discussed Projects

County 4-H leaders involved in Clothing Projects met Tuesday to make plans for Clothing Projects and County Fashion Show according to Alice Ballenger, County Extension Agent-Home Economics.

The date for County Fashion Show has been changed to June 4 at 1:30 P.M. Leaders volunteered to secure prizes for those 4-H members entering Fashion Show. Carol Posey will prepare the programs and Sheila

Gruben will be chairman of decorating.

A clinic on subjects related to the Clothing project was planned for Sunday, April 27, at 2:00 P.M. in the Courthouse Annex. Jan Clark is securing professionals in hair care and styling, care of hands, nails and manicures. Evette Gruben and Carye Gruben will present important facts and show modeling "how to."

The fourth section of the program will be skin care and wearing make-up. This program will be open to anyone, but is especially for 4-H'ers enrolled in Clothing project and their parent.

The date for County 4-H Method Demonstration contest will be Monday, May 6th, at 6:30 P.M. in the Hobbs School Auditorium.

Tax Planning
By James Rodgers
CPA

BUSINESSPERSON OR SHOPKEEPER
(Which Are You?)

It seems that the operators of small businesses can be divided into two main classes, businesspeople and shopkeepers.

Businesspeople analyze, compare, budget, project, and review information to try to be the best in their business community and to make the most profit on their invested time and money.

Shopkeepers, on the other hand, open their doors at 8:00 and close at 6:00 day after day all year long. They show up at their accountant's office in April of the following year and ask, "What's left over for me?" or, "Did I make any money?"

Do you suppose that 20% of the businesses do 80% of the volume and the other 80% of the businesses get the remaining 20%? It's impossible to run a business properly without a record system designed for your specific needs. To be in the top 20%, you must have adequate financial information to make proper decisions.

Whether your business is large or small, it needs management information. Such information will help you to control costs, manage inventory, assess equipment purchase needs, do tax planning, etc. If the business is small, your system will be simple and the cost to install and maintain it should be minimal in relation to the benefits. If your business is large, you need management information to survive profitably, and the cost to obtain such information will be returned in higher profits.

Many businesspeople with poor information systems promise themselves that each year they'll have a better reporting system. Well, next year is here and if you as the owner-manager don't decide to improve the system, no one else in your organization will get the job done. Get together with your accountant and decide your business needs.

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on April 5, 1986, for voting in a general election to elect two (2) school trustees.

Location(s) of polling places: Hobbs School, between the hours of 8

A.M. and 4 P.M. beginning on March 17, 1986 and ending on April 1, 1986.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Patricia Porter, Hobbs I.S.D., Rt. 1 Box 1086, Rotan, Texas, 79546. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on March 28th, 1986.

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To my many friends who came to visit me while I was a patient in Lubbock Methodist Hospital, I would like to express my deepest thanks, also to friends who sent those lovely gifts, and the many beautiful flowers and

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ROTAN WINNERS: The above four individuals were winners at the Coaches Association State Meet last weekend. Left to right, bottom: Rafe Hargrove, third in Jr. 2A Calculator, Todd Gruben, second in 2A Sophomore Science. Top row, left to right: David Stevens, first in Senior 2A Calculator and Lousinda Ramirez, third in 2A Junior Science and seventh in 2A Jr. Calculator. The coaches are Betty Strayhorn and Guy Nelson.

Rotan Team Places Well At Texas Math And Science State Meet In San Antonio

Rotan High School science and math students and coaches attended the Texas Math and Science Coaches Association State Meet in San Antonio Saturday. David Stevens won 1st in calculator, Rafe Hargrove won 3rd in calculator, and Lousin-

da Ramirez won 7th in calculator. Todd Gruben won 2nd in science and Lousinda won 3rd. Mrs. Betty Strayhorn and Guy Nelson accompanied the team to the meet.

In team scores, Rotan placed 4th in calculator, 6th in science, and 7th in

team. David Stevens is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Helms. Rafe is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rafe Hargrove, Lousinda is the daughter of Mrs. Clara Ramirez, and Todd is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Gruben.

Secret Pals Club Met March 12

Mrs. Sherrie Hester was hostess Wednesday, March 12 to the Secret Pal Club at her home in Rotan.

Members present were Mrs. Leonora Stretman, Mrs. Bessie Eaton, Mrs. Opal Buch, Mrs. Tereasa Dycus, Mrs. Bertha Allen, Mrs. Christine Rackley, Mrs.

Wanda Kiker, Mrs. Helen Thornburg, Mrs. Florine Swearingen, Mrs. Gaynell Henry, Mrs. Lucy Neal, Mrs. Clara Rogers, Mrs. Anna Knox, Mrs. Emma Lloyd Morris, Mary Ann Rodriguez and the

hostess, Mrs. Hester. Delicious refreshments were served from an appointed table. The club is happy to welcome Mrs. Dean Reaves as a new member.

Roby Garden Club

The Roby Garden Club met Thursday, March 13 at the Midwest Electric Coop in Roby.

Mrs. Juanita Rhea of Haskell gave an interesting program on "Flower Arranging".

After the program, a luncheon was held. Decorations were for St. Patrick's Day and the room looked very

festive. Mrs. W.K. Schoenecker said the blessing.

Members present were Mrs. Gene Turnbow, Mrs. Dub Harvey, Mrs. Jim Hawkins, Mrs. Jess Goforth, Mrs. W.K. Schoenecker, Mrs. Earnest Hammer, Mrs. Richard Ray, Mrs. Fay Ray, Mrs. Frank Leach, Mrs. Dwalyn Parker, Mrs. L.L. Stuart.

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Location(s) of polling places: Community Center.

Absentee voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Administrative office at 102 N. McKinley St., Rotan, Texas, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. beginning on March 17, 1986 and ending April 1, 1986. Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Helen Heathington, 102 N. McKinley, Rotan, Texas, 79546. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on March 28, 1986.

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Legal Notice

To the Registered Voters of the County of Fisher, Texas: notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on the 5th day of April, 1986, for voting in the Fisher County Hospital election for the purpose of: Election of Director of Fisher County Hospital District.

Locations of polling places: Rotan High School, Rotan, Texas; District Court Room, Roby, Texas; Hobbs School, Hobbs, Texas; McCaulley School, McCaulley, Texas; Longworth Community Center, Longworth, Texas; Sylvester Community Center, Sylvester, Texas; Capitola Community Center, Capitola, Texas.

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March 16-22 Is Texas Young Homemakers Week

The week of March 16-22, 1986 is scheduled for Texas Young Homemakers Week by the State Executive Council. Young Homemakers of Texas is a chartered organization for women interested in homemaking and under the direction of the Division of Homemaking, Texas Education Agency, in

cooperation with the local school and the homemaking teacher, who serves as chapter advisor.

The organization is formed with particular emphasis on the area of homemaking, with a goal of providing creative opportunities for personal, family and community life.

Rotan Young Homemakers was organized in the spring of 1982, and since that time have had many programs to entertain and educate its members and guests at monthly meetings. They are also involved in community improvement. A style show of holiday fashions was staged in December by the Rotan YHT, featuring local merchants.

Currently, they are working on local swimming pool and city park improvement. They purchased weed killer and applied it for the grass at the park and pool, and are in the process of sanding and staining all the picnic tables and benches with the help of the local FHA chapter. They hope to be able to add playground equipment and improve existing equipment.

Everyone is welcome to join Rotan Young Homemakers regardless of age. Chapter advisor is Virginia Forshee.

Rotan Ext. Homemakers Met March 6 With Gaynell Henry

The Rotan Extension Homemakers Club met with Gaynell Henry, March 6. We had four visitors, Mrs. Dee Kiker, Callie Shipp, Betty Kiker and Esther Jones from Roby. We enjoyed having them.

Eda Bickerstaff presided. Gaynell Henry called the roll and read the minutes.

Bobbie McKinney gave the council report.

The club members discussed the project for the club and will meet at Hazel Aldridge's home Monday to start on it.

Ardell Floyd brought

the entertainment. Our program was "tasting". Each member brought a dish of whatever and exchanged recipes.

Refreshments were served to Ardell Floyd, Dollie Curry, Wanda Floyd, Hilda Rollins, Hazel Aldridge, Betty Kiker, Beatrice Hargrove, Callie Shipp, Mary Posey, Effie Murphy, Oma Long, Esther Jones, Dee Kiker, Eda Bickerstaff, Bobbie McKinney, and our hostess Gaynell Henry.

Coy K. Martin Awarded With Meritorious Service Medal

Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Coy K. Martin, son of Irene Martin of Pennington, Gap, Va., has been decorated with the third award of the Meritorious Service Medal at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

The Meritorious Service Medal is awarded specifically for outstanding non-combat meritorious achievement or service to the United States.

Martin is the senior enlisted advisor with the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps.

His wife, Bonnie, is the daughter of Juanita Moore of Roby, Texas.

He is a 1957 graduate of Pennington High School, Pennington Gap.

Four Leaf Clovers Workshops And Summer Events

The Four Leaf Clover 4-H Club met Tuesday, March 11th at the Rotan School Cafeteria.

President Janet Martin called the meeting to order. The topics discussed were 4-H clothing workshop, method demonstration, judging team, summer camp, the 4-H window project.

Members said the 4-H motto and prayer. Lee Yanez called the roll and read the minutes. Eighteen members were present.

Refreshments were brought by Mark Marshall and Dee Dycus.



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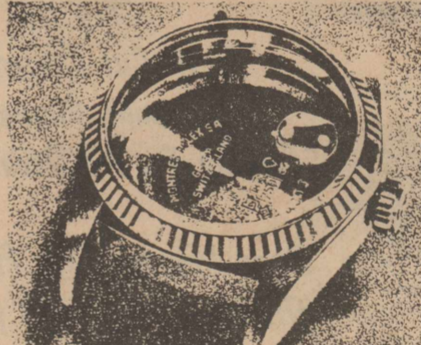
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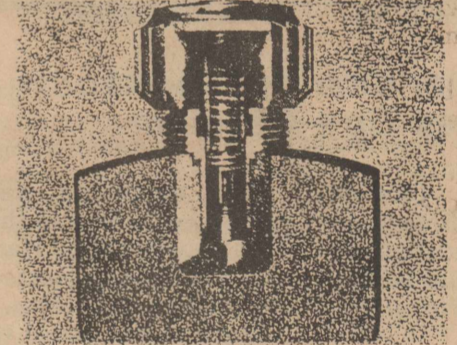
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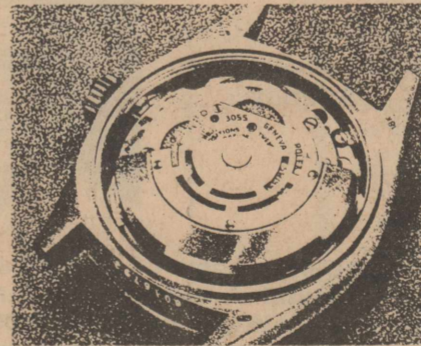
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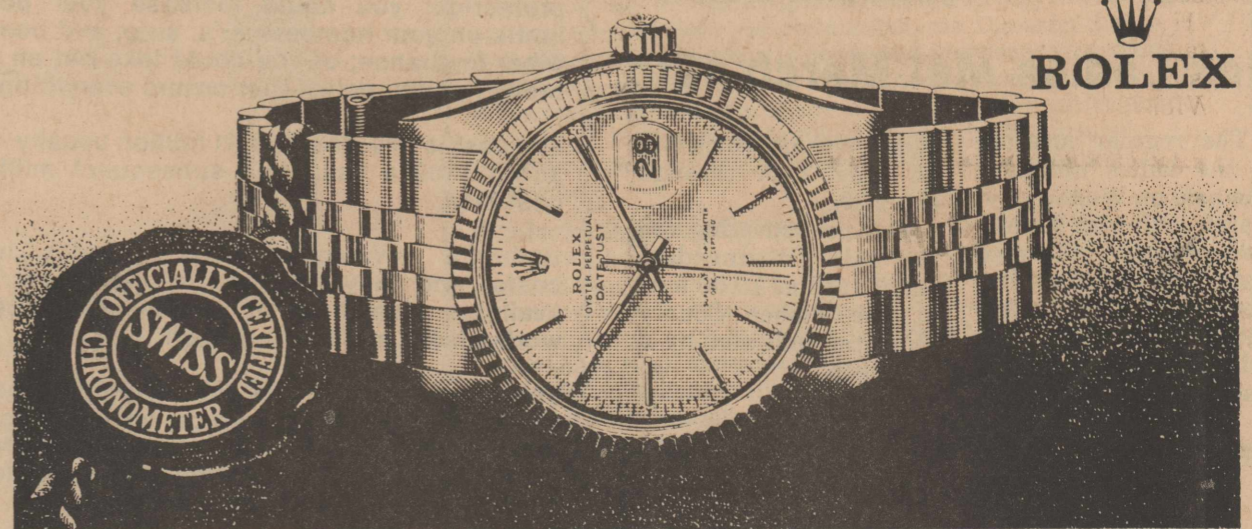
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ROBY MEDAL WINNERS: The above four Roby girls track team won medals last Saturday at Sands. Left to right: Cherie Feagan, Tammy Mauldin, Donna Gordon and Kristy Martin.



state capital highlights

By Lyndell Williams

Texas Press Association

Is Mark White deliberately avoiding a debate with his primary opponents, and is that strategy helping or hurting him?

Only the Governor and his campaign advisors know for sure, and probably they are the only ones who think the strategy, if it is that, is working.

Last week the League of Women Voters gave up efforts to arrange a debate among Democratic candidates for governor because Mark White, the lone holdout, won't agree on a date.

The League has arranged a similar debate for Republican candidates with little apparent trouble, and that's one reason why many of the Texas Democratic faithful are hopping mad.

White's sidestep means the Republican debate will get some millions of dollars in free television time while the Democrats get none. And don't kid yourself, the word all over the Capitol is that White is ducking.

EXCUSES, EXCUSES

Only two weeks ago, White was confronted by challenger Andy Briscoe, who had to show up at one of White's own press conferences to get an answer out of him. White said he would debate March 20.

But as of last week, those arrangements couldn't be worked out with PBS, and the League, with time drawing short, announced it was giving up.

Could it be the old political dodge of just stalling for time on White's part?

VOTERS CHEATED

White's advisors are publicly saying he is trying to arrange a date, but the schedule just isn't flexible enough.

At least that's a little more response than his initial response, when one advisor wrote the League that White would be too busy to debate. Maybe that first letter said it all, and the rest is wasted time.

Certainly it's a waste to the voters, the Democratic Party and to Andy Briscoe and Don Crowder, who are close to a runoff competition with the elusive Governor.

Briscoe is a conservative party loyalist. Crowder's style is daring and combative. Both are concerned with changing the direction of the Texas Democratic Party.

Politically, it's a colli-

sion course with White and Party Chairman Slagle on one hand and several Democratic officials and candidates on the other.

GIFTS TO OFFICIALS

State officials filed their personal financial statements last week.

Some of the gifts White reported he received from friends and political appointees included an \$1,800 suit, a left-handed rifle, a tanned alligator hide, and a week-long Alaska fishing trip.

The \$1,800 suit came from a Lubbock surgeon who was appointed to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission by Mark White. He said White picked it out himself.

That same commissioner, Ray Santos, was also the giftgiver who killed the alligator and gave the skin to the Governor.

The rifle came from a Texas Employment Commissioner who was appointed by White. Several other expensive gifts from White's appointees were also listed.

By contrast, Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby reported clock; Atty. Gen. Jim Mattox reported a jogging treadmill; House Speaker Gib Lewis, a shotgun and rifle among 11 gifts.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Comptroller Bob Bullock said oil market instability made it impractical to forecast the state revenue at this time, but said the \$1.3 billion shortfall estimate "has already dropped a lot."

Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro reports his agency has already made \$6.4 million in new state revenues from diversifying management of state lands. Mauro said, "We've already made a profit for the Legislature and the fiscal year is only half over."

State Treasurer Ann Richards reported the state Treasury set a single-day record last week for processing 192,971 checks and warrants. Previous record was

163,970 in 1984. Last week's total cash flow was \$146.3 million income and \$185.8 million expenses.

The State Board of Education learned Texas education faces a \$46.5 million loss in federal aid under the Gramm-Rudman act.

Corpus Christi state Sen. Carlos Truan was honored as governor-for-a-day and said the Texas coast would bring millions more in tourist dollars into the state, properly managed.

State Rep. Gary Thompson, R-Abilene, is going to resign in June to work as lobbyist for the Teacher Retirement System, one year after he switched from Democrat to Republican. His successor will likely be chosen in an August special election.

Roby Debate Team In Meeting

The Roby Debate team traveled to Spur on Monday, March 17 to participate in the District 9 U.I.L. Debate.

In Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Debbie Everett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin won first place and Terri Morgeson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Morgeson won alternate. The team of James Gantt, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Gantt and Greg Meek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Meek placed second in the Standard Debate. They are coached by Mrs. Barbara Martin. They will all advance to the Regional level, April 25.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Beeler of Lake Brownwood announces the engagement of their daughter Gwendolyn Rae Beeler, to James Kevin Jackson, son of

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Jackson, and the late Suzanne Jackson of Snyder. The vows will be exchanged on June 28th at Lake Brownwood State Park.

ATPE Blasts Gov. White For "Harassment Of Texas Teachers"

The executive director of the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE), in response to Gov. Mark White's call for subject area testing for teachers, blasted the governor, saying his statement was "harassment of Texas Teachers."

In an interview Monday night, on the ABC program *Nightline*,

White said "There will be subject matter testing at a later date."

"The Governor's call for subject area testing is harassment of Texas Teachers," said ATPE Exec. Director Mike Morrow. "For the last year, teachers have experienced frustration and low morale because of the insult of being required to take the com-

petency test administered this week to 205,000 at a cost of about \$4.8 million. If the Governor believed this subject matter test was necessary, then why wasn't it included on the first examination? Texas can't afford either the waste of money or the toll the anxiety will take on our already beleaguered teacher corps."

ATPE State President Sue McGarvey, a government teacher from Hallsville, said, "Gov. White didn't allow us one minute's piece of mind. Before many teachers arrived home from taking the TECAT, he was calling for another test."

McGarvey added that teachers feel betrayed and that she has heard many very conservative teachers say, "I feel like walking out right now."

"When the State Commissioner of Education, Bill Kirby, selected by the governor's own appointed State Board of Education, says the second test is unnecessary, then it appears that Gov. White's comments have nothing to do with improving education in this state and everything to do with politics," Morrow said. "It's time we stopped this harassment and started to build education, not continually tear it down."

House Bill 72 contained provisions for both a basic skills test and a subject area test for educators, but the State Board of Education suspended the subject area test last year.

I've run out of room so I guess I better quit.

Reyna Garcia

Fisher County Nursing Home

It's been a couple of weeks since I wrote the news so some might be old news.

We had a birthday party for Hazel Smith on March 16th. She was 97 years old. Ilene Hale brought a big cake and we had a nice party. She had quite a few visitors. Her son, Millard, from Ft. Worth came and he played some good old tunes on the french harp. We really enjoyed that! Hope he comes back soon.

Others with March birthdays are Tony Soliz, March 6, Janet Conley, March 11, and John Sharp March 21.

Our only employee with a March birthday is Sue Hitt, March 30th.

The staff voted for Birtha Daniel as our Employee of the Month for March. Birtha has worked as a nurse aide 3 years. She is married to Leon Daniel, Jr. She has five children from a previous marriage, Tammy, Shone, Curtis, Henry, Carol.

Mrs. Hale's visitors were Barbara, Stacie and Jason Fitzgerald from Wichita Falls.

Deanna Jennings from Olney, Joe and Vera Jennings from Elbert, Michael, Kyle, Kimberly, and Kirk. Jewel Branche's visitors were Lorena Darden and Mrs. Rawlings from Rotan. Mrs. Stone's visitors were Robyn, Candi, and Jeff from Sweetwater. Bessie Boldin's visitors were Blanch Gentry and Jessie Ashley from Roby. Mrs. Ashley's visitor was Jessie Ashley.

Mrs. Harvey's visitors were Dub and Gene Harvey from Roby. Bill Starnes visitors were Kelley Starnes from Snyder. Jimmie and Helen Hughes from Houston came to see LaNita Moore. Mrs. Whitten's visitors were Ida Mae Early from Abilene, May Hurst and Ruth Brown from Sylvester. Mrs. Crowder's visitors were Jack and Betty Yarborough from Houston, Gretchen and William Terry from Sweetwater. Mrs. Kinsey's visitors were Aubrey and Tana Knight from Dallas.

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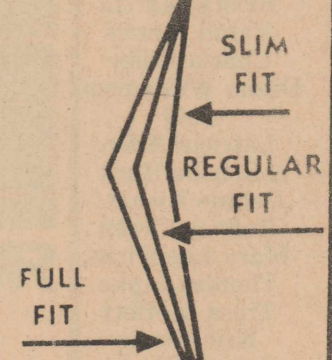
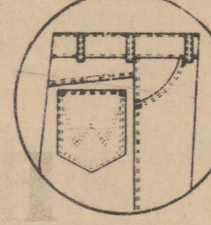
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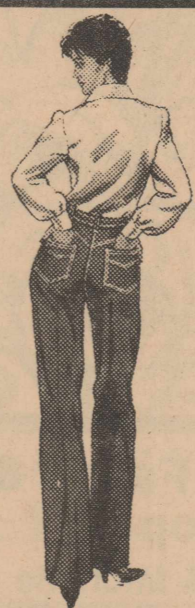


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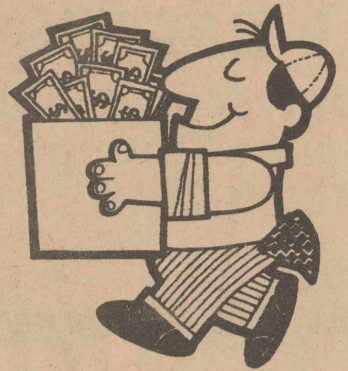
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