



Storm Damage...

Tahoka Compress sustained damage during the storm which pounded Lynn County last Wednesday, when a wall from one of the large metal warehouses was ripped from the building. Shown in the aftermath of the storm, crumpled tin and rafters lay askew, tossed by winds estimated at more than 80 mph and accompanying rain and hail. No damage estimate was available as of press time, but apparently no cotton bales were stored in the building. Lynn County cotton producers lost about 90,000 acres of young cotton (see story) and some storm damage was inflicted on roofs, windows, awnings, pivot systems and other objects in the county: (LCN PHOTO)

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Storm Wallops County; 90,000 Acres Cotton Lost

Lynn County cotton producers lost approximately 90,000 acres of cotton in last Wednesday night's wind, rain and hail that lambasted the newly planted crops and caused some storm damage to area buildings and trees as well as some rural power outages.

The storm hit about 10 p.m., with winds estimated at more than 80 mph whipping through the area, dumping from one to four inches of rain and hurling marble-to-golf ball size hailstones throughout most of the county.

Highway 380 East near Tahoka was closed down for about an hour due to water over the road, but other than one vehicle being towed in from a field, no accidents were reported. In the storm's aftermath, however, a vehicle on FM 1317 plowed into two horses on the road which had gotten loose during the storm, killing at least one of the horses.

A wall collapsed on one of the large metal warehouse buildings at the Tahoka Compress in east Tahoka, construction signs and trees were bent and uprooted, and one of the county storm spotters lost the back window in his pickup when a branch slammed into it and shattered the glass as he was watching the weather on Hwy. 380 East.

Some power outages were reported in rural areas of the county, but power was quickly restored in most cases. And some roofs and windows were reported damaged in the county, as well as some pivot systems tossed in the wind.

Cotton crops in a swath from the northwestern to southeastern corners of the county were most affected by the storm, with Lynn County Agricultural Agent Bryan Reynolds estimating 90,000 acres lost that night. "On a line from Lakeview to

Draw, my best guess is approximately 90,000 acres were affected or a total loss," Reynolds told *The News*. He figures about 65 percent of the county's cotton crop has been planted.

"A lot of producers are now in the situation of having to replant what was lost, but they still have acreage that has to be planted before the June 10 insurance deadline. Lots of them had planted their irrigated acreage and were starting on their dryland acreage - now they have both to contend with, because they are going to have to get their dryland cotton in the ground first to beat the deadline," Reynolds explained.

Typically, Lynn County producers plant 240,000-250,000 acres of cotton, the agent said. In recent years however, production has been growing closer to the 300,000 acre mark, and he said last year county producers planted 290,000 acres. There were some losses, and Reynolds said only about 200,000 acres were harvested last year.

"We're anticipating 290,000 to 300,000 acres being planted this year. Unfortunately, the economic outlook is still not good, with cotton prices looking every bit as bad, or worse, as last year," Reynolds said. "But we can hope for things to get better."

Blood Drive Set Today At Care Center

A blood drive will be held today (Thursday) at the Tahoka Care Center from 1-5 p.m., with all area residents invited to donate blood. Tahoka Care Center is located at 1829 South 7th Street. As a special thanks for donating during this critical time, United Blood Services will give a T-shirt to all blood donors.

The process takes about 30 minutes, and most donors find it a painless and heartwarming experience, says UBS representatives. Anyone donating blood will receive a free mini-physical, including checks of blood pressure, temperature, pulse rate, and iron levels.

"Currently, we are in need of all blood types. In fact, we do not have a good supply of any blood types at this time. Summers are always hard for United Blood Services, so your donation really counts. Please take time to give the gift of life!" said a UBS representative.



AWNING BREAKS WINDOW - High winds caught the metal awning above the former Duckwall's building on Lockwood Street in Tahoka last week, hurling the dangling metal through a window of the building. The window was boarded up and the twisted metal was cleaned up the day following the storm. (LCN PHOTO)

Armed Robbery, Wrecks Reported This Week

A lone gunman robbed Allsup's in O'Donnell of \$49 in cash early Wednesday morning, and officers were looking for a slender suspect described as about 5-8.

Sheriff's officers said a shotgun was used to threaten a female clerk about 12:40 a.m. Wednesday by a man wearing a ski mask. The clerk, Maria Lopez, said she was at the back of the store and heard the door buzzer indicating someone had come in. When she turned around, the man was standing there pointing a shot-

gun with a pistol grip at her.

He told her to "get over here" and open the cash register. He took the money and left. The robber was last seen walking around the corner of the building out of sight of the clerk, who believes he was white.

Dept. of Public Safety patrolmen investigated two accidents during the week, both on access roads to U.S. 87 in Tahoka, and Tahoka Police processed one traffic accident report.

Two 15-year-olds riding a 1987 Honda motorcycle were slightly injured but refused treatment after their bike was involved in a collision Tuesday at the FM 400 entrance ramp to U.S. 87. Driver of the cycle was Channing Chancy of Wilson, with a passenger, David Balderas of Tahoka. The cycle collided with a 2000 Chevrolet Blazer driven by Joel Smith, 16, of Shallowater, who was not injured.

Last Friday morning on the east access road of U.S. 87 at the north loop a 1993 Ford van driven by Kathy Tillman, 39 of Tahoka and a 1995 GMC pickup driven by Ronnie Nolte, 59, of Wilson collided. There were no injuries in that accident, nor in an accident investigated Tuesday by Tahoka Police Dept.

In Tuesday's collision at S. 1st St. and Ave. L, a 1990 Oldsmobile driven by Margarita Perez, 73, and a 1993 Dodge Dynasty driven by Rosa Gutierrez Longoria, 50, were involved.

Police also were called to Family Dollar store, where a 9-year-old girl had attempted to steal a key chain, and to the residence of Donnie Henry on S. 3rd, where someone had cut a window screen, with damage of about \$10.

In jail during the week were five persons, charged with public intoxication, warrant from Gaines County on application to revoke probation on DWI, furnishing alcohol to a minor, DWI third offense or more, and warrant from McClennan County on assault/family violence.

During the month of May, dispatchers at the Lynn County Sheriff's Dept. processed 213 phone calls, including 104 for the county, 79 for the City of Tahoka, 11 for O'Donnell, 13 for ambulances and six fire calls.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
May 30	83	61	0.80"
May 31	83	53	
June 1	83	62	
June 2	97	62	
June 3	101	64	
June 4	100	73	
June 5	98	71	
Total Precip. for May: 2.49"			
Total Precip. to date this year: 5.57"			
Precip. this time last year: 7.18"			

WOODWORK by Dalton

MY FAVORITE POET, Ogden Nash, once wrote this:

There once was a lady from Natchez
Whose clothing was always in patches.
When the question arose
On the state of her clothes,
She replied, "When I itches,
"I scratches."

It may be that she had some things crawling on her which caused the itching, such as lice on her head and possibly other places. Even now, some kids go to school with lice in their hair, and teachers are taught to recognize this and to try and help the youngsters with the problem.

I don't recall ever having had that problem (I've had plenty of other things to worry about). But just this week I received in the mail—from a laboratory in Oregon, which is north of nearly everywhere—an envelope suggesting that I might want to buy *LiceFree*, a new product which is described as "the leading alternative head lice treatment sold."

I'll bet if you bought some of that stuff, you could take it off your income tax as overhead expense.

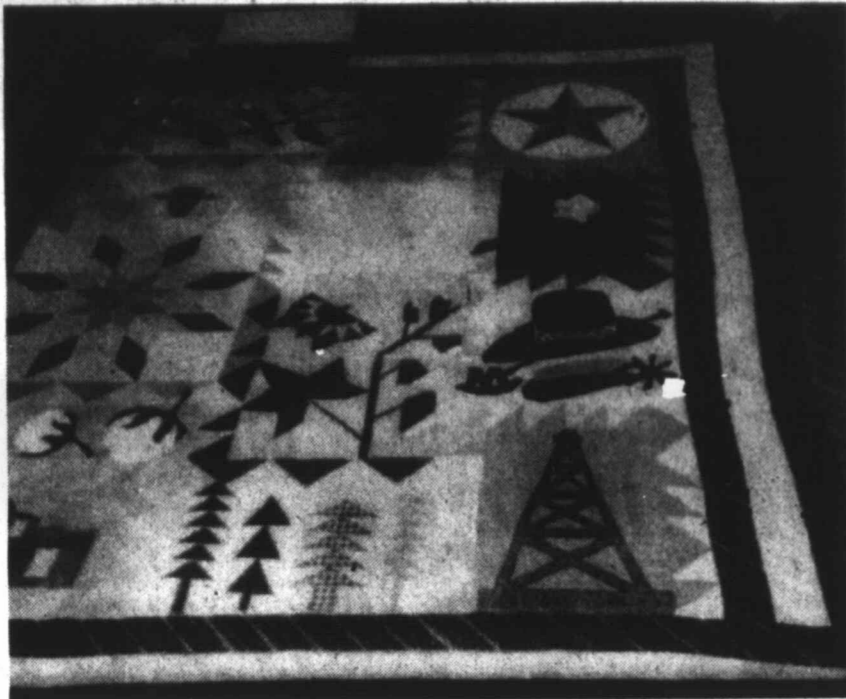
The letter said this particular product is "free of Pyrethrum, Permethrin and Lindane," which sounds like a Greek rock music trio. I'm sure I wouldn't want any of those around my house, especially not near my head.

And if I want to know more about head lice or any related subjects, I need to call 1-800-ITCHING.

I'm scratching my head trying to figure out who gave them my name.

THE SOT on Sixth St. says the closest he ever got to a 4.0 in college was his blood alcohol content.

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WIN THIS QUILT! -- The Lynn County Pioneers (Senior Citizens) will be selling chances for \$1 to win this quilt which will be given away at their July 4th Breakfast. The colorful "Texas, Our Texas" full-size quilt will be on display at the bank later this month. Donations are also being sought for a live-auction that will be held at the breakfast. You may purchase chances for the quilt or leave any donations for the auction at the Senior Citizens, 1600 S. 3rd in Tahoka.

Free H.E.A.T. Registration Offered

The South Plains Auto Task Force will be hosting a free H.E.A.T. (Help End Auto Theft) registration from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, June 22-23.

Registration will take place at South Plains Mall, main entrance near Luby's or the drive-through at the Southwest corner of 60th and Slide.

Service NEWS

Marine Corps Pvt. Robert L. Rodriguez, son of Enoemy M. Naua of O'Donnell, recently reported for duty with Marine Aviation Training Support Group One, Naval Technical Training Center, Meridian, Miss. Rodriguez is a 2000 graduate of O'Donnell High School and joined the Marine Corps in September 2000.

News from the Tahoka Care Center

by Beverly Zuniga
Don't forget the **BLOOD DRIVE** on Thursday, June 7 from 1-5 p.m. in the dining room at the Care Center. Come by at your convenience. Please, give and save a life!

The Resident of the Month for June is Myrtle Miller. She has been a resident since October of 2000. She has one son, B.L. and two grandchildren. Mrs. Miller has a great sense of humor with wit and charm.

Employee of the Month for June is Mary Angel Bertreaux. She is a CNA and has been employed since January 2001. She has twin daughters, Ashlee and Amanda Anderson. Congratulations and great job Mary Angel.

Celebrating birthdays this month are residents Tom Curry of the 4th, Carmen Reyes on the 16th and Ruth Slough on the 21st and employee Rosa Chavarria on the 20th.

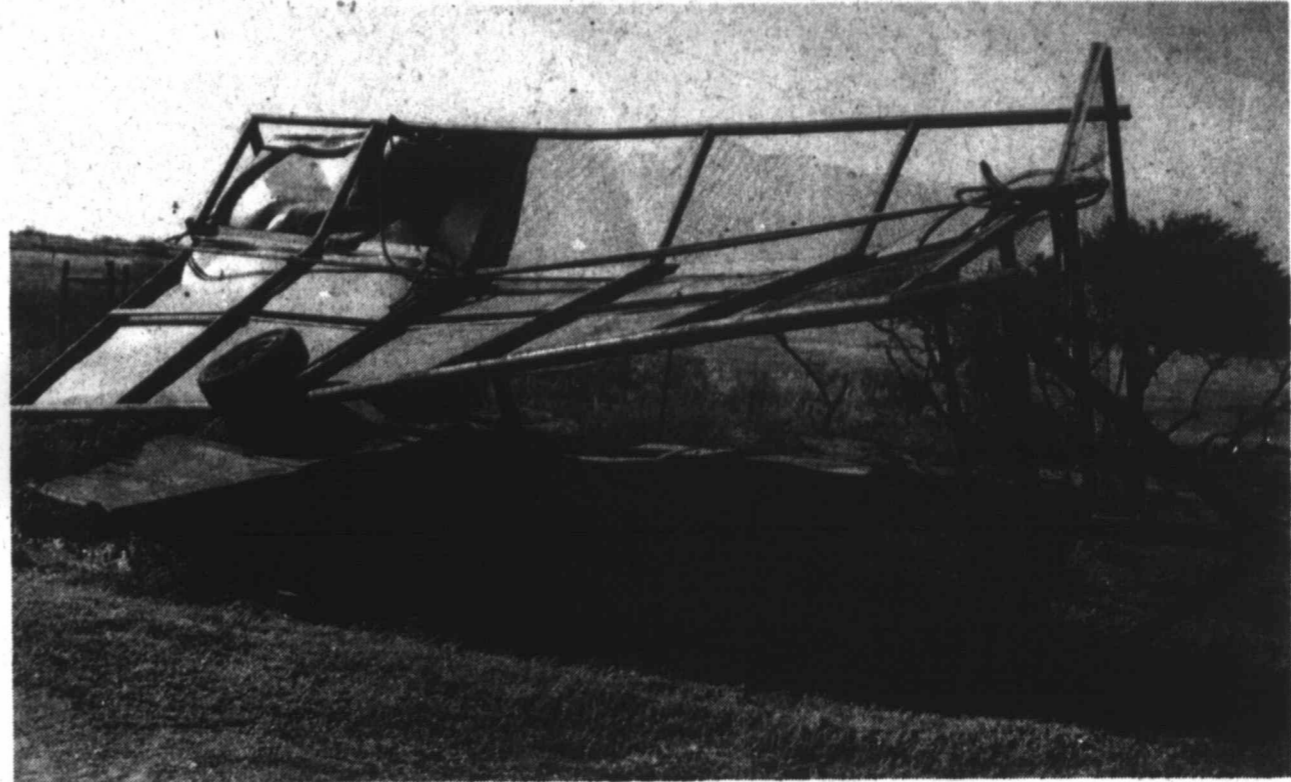
CNA Appreciation Week is June 7-14. The Certified Nurses Aides will be honored for their hard work on Tuesday, June 12 with a pizza luncheon.

Family Night was great! Thank you Mark, Vivian, Leigh and Amy McAfee for singing such great contemporary gospel. Their voices and harmony blessed all of our hearts!

Thank you to Dorothy Norwood and Teri Akard for providing refreshments for Family Night.

Thank you to Louise Durham for her special talents she shared with us on Wednesday. Mrs. Durham sang while playing the accordion or the piano. Thanks Mom.

Thank you to Ronald Sherrill for the contribution to the activity fund. Thanks also to Gus and Mary V. Sherrill and Pam and B.L. Miller for the great bingo snacks. The residents love bingo and appreciate those goodies.



TWISTED TRAILER -- This trailer, located just off FM 400 a few miles north of Tahoka, was twisted and overturned during the storm which slammed through Lynn County last Wednesday night. Marble-to-golf ball size hail and strong winds accompanied the lashing rain which stripped newly-planted cotton from approximately 90,000 acres in the county. (LCN PHOTO)

OBITUARIES

Mary Davila

Prayer services for Mary Davila, 67, of Lubbock were held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 5 at Sanctuary of Praise Church.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 6 at El Buen Pastor Church with the Rev. Dan Davila officiating.

Burial was in City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home of Lubbock.

She died Sunday, June 3, 2001. She was born Aug. 16, 1933 in Cibola and married Cosme T. Davila on Nov. 30, 1950 in Ballinger. She was a homemaker and moved to Lubbock from Kerriville in 1958.

A daughter, Edwina Rodriguez, died Oct. 19, 1999.

Survivors include her husband; five sons, Jesse Davila of Denver, Colo., Jimmy and Daniel Davila, both of Lubbock, Robert Flores of New Home and Ezekiel Rubalcada of Las Vegas, Nev.; four daughters, Sandra Castillo and Debbie Gutierrez, both of Lubbock, Daisy Delgado of Las Vegas and Diane Trevino of Amarillo; two brothers, Mike Segura of Houston and Raymond Segura of Fort Worth; two sisters, Cruz Arguello of Lorenzo and Margarita Torrez of Lubbock; 14 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

Methodists Set VBS Sunday

First United Methodist Church of Tahoka will host Vacation Bible School next Sunday, June 10, from 12:30 p.m.-6 p.m. for youth ages 5 years through sixth grade.

Theme of the one-day event is "SonCreek Junction" and all area children are invited to attend.

The church is located at 1801 Ave. J.

Charley Schulz

Services for Charley Schulz, 65, of Lubbock were held at 10 a.m. Monday, in W.W. Rix Chapel with the Rev. Rick Sullivan officiating.

He died Thursday, May 31, 2001. He was born Nov. 2, 1935 in Tahoka and graduated from Tahoka High School. He attended Texas Tech University and the University of Houston and was a member of the U.S. Marine Corps. He had been in the seed business for 33 years. He had lived in Plainview for many years and moved to Lubbock in 1984.

Survivors include his companion, Mary Lee Williams; three daughters, KrisAnn Schulz and Jennifer Sullivan, both of Lubbock and Lana Mann of Kosciusko, Miss.; two brothers, Harley D. and Robert E., both of Houston; and four grandchildren.

Former THS classmate suggests donations to the Bill Haralson Scholarship Fund in memory of Mr. Schulz, a former Bulldog athlete. Donations may be sent to Jackie Stephens, Box 673, Tahoka 79373.

Annie Welty

Services for Annie Mae Bowlin Welty, 91, of Midland were held at 2 p.m. Monday, May 4 at Lemons Memorial Chapel with Wayne Horton officiating.

Burial was in Plainview Cemetery.

She died Saturday, June 2, 2001. She was born Nov. 11, 1909 in McGregor. She moved to Lubbock in 1919 and graduated from Lubbock High School and Texas Tech. She taught school in Sudan, Tahoka and Plainview before retiring in 1974.

She married Roy Cowan in 1930. He died in 1939. She then married Euel Smelser in 1941. He died in 1957. She married Othel Welty in 1964. He died Jan. 21, 1996.

Survivors include a daughter, Bobby Huckabay of Midland; a son, Lewis Cowan of Lubbock; two sisters, Lucille Matsen of Abilene and Henrietta McElroy of Lubbock; six grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Evelyn Clements

Services for Evelyn Lane Clements, 106, of Plainview were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 6 at First United Methodist Church Chapel with the Rev. Max Browning officiating.

Burial was in Plainview Cemetery.

She died Sunday, June 3, 2001. She was born March 12, 1895 in Robert Lee and attended several schools including Tahoka. She taught school in Tivoli, Austwell, New Home, East Mound School, Lamar School, and Weathers School. She married Harry Pelham Clements on June 15, 1921. He died Nov. 8, 1982. She was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Jo Ann Clements and Martha C Barnes, both of Plainview; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Mary Hays

Services for Mary Elizabeth Armstrong Hays, 88, of Fort Worth were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 30, at Springdale Baptist Church in Fort Worth.

Burial was in City of Tahoka Cemetery, Friday, June 1.

She died Friday, May 25, 2001 at North Richland Hills Hospital.

She was born Sept. 14, 1912 in Donna. She married Noel Hays April 1, 1934 in Donna. They lived in the Three Lakes Community in Lynn County until Mr. Hays' death on June 1, 1969. She moved to Fort Worth in October 1969 and lived there until her death. She was a member of Springdale Baptist Church and the Roadrunner Club.

Survivors include three sons, Bobby of Perryton, Jerry of Dumas and Ray of Fort Worth; two daughters, Patsy Osborn of Colbert, Okla. and Marilyn Hays of Fort Worth; a brother, Ernest Armstrong of Haltom City; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Senior Citizens MENU

Monday: BBQ Pork on Bun, Potato Salad, Spinach, Sliced Tomatoes, Frosted Cake.

Tuesday: Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Italian Blend Vegetables, Garlic Bread, Salad, Gelatin Cheese Cake.

Wednesday: Beef Roast, O'Brien Potatoes, Tossed Salad/French Dressing, Wheat Roll, Carrot Cake.

Thursday: Hamburger Steak, Brown Gravy, Broccoli Rice Casserole, Wheat Roll, Apple or Fresh Fruit, Golden Congealed Salad.

Friday: Oven Fried Chicken, White Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Harvard Beets, Roll, Pineapple.

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LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
You are cordially invited to a **Reception** honoring **Dr. Bruce Fried** Friday, June 15th from 10:00-11:00 a.m. in the Lynn County Hospital District Meeting Room
Dr. Fried is returning to active duty with the US Army and will be stationed in Germany.

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SNACK TIME - It's snack time for these youth participating in the Free Summer Camp at the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka this week. This is just a small portion of the 200 youth ages 6-13 who attended the camp from Monday-Thursday this week. The camp also runs next Monday-Thursday, from 1-4:30 p.m. All county children are welcome to attend the camp which includes life skills classes, swimming, safety day, t-shirt day, and other activities. Two grand prizes, a bicycle and TV or Nintendo 64, will be given away at a drawing at the camp's conclusion. (LCN PHOTO)

Letters To The Editor

To the wonderful folks of Tahoka and Lynn County:

I would like to say that I am sorry that we will no longer be able to add a little life to our neighborhood and also let me say Thank You for all of the support and compliments that we have received since moving onto 2nd Street.

Due to a few bad apples that can not seem to stay out of our yard, we are no longer going to be able to put up our yard displays. It really makes me question if we should test our luck with Christmas at this point. It is really unfair to those people who do really enjoy coming by just to catch a glimpse of our own self entertainment. I would like to add I am very sorry for all the youngsters that especially enjoy the Halloween events, but we are not sure at this time if we are going to be able to continue the little tradition that we have started.

The practical jokes were taken in stride and forgotten about. However, Saturday night the vandalism was unforgivable. There seems to be a few youth in our small town that thought moving the yard decorations around would not cause harm. You

were wrong. Not only have you trespassed on our property, you have destroyed some valuable pieces of my collection. And to make matters worse, you have taken something even more valuable away from me - the simple enjoyment that doing the seasonal displays gives us and other townspeople too. You have really disappointed us. I had wished for only an apology for this act - I did not receive it! To top it off, what you chose to do Monday night between 11 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. was totally uncalled for. (I do hope you enjoy your souvenir.) It makes me ill to know that I can't enjoy doing something that I enjoy so much because YOU have to be cute.

We do have surveillance videos and we are reviewing them at this time. We have narrowed our suspects to three individuals. I fully intend to press charges for trespassing onto our property and vandalism. At this time as a way to ease my pain and opinion of our local youth, I will offer a \$100 reward to any person that will step forward and name the person or persons that are responsible. Should the responsible party come forward we will be open to an apology and consider not pressing the issue if you can convince us why we shouldn't.

Again, to the townsfolk, I am very sorry that I will no longer be able to show a little life here on 2nd street. Times like this it makes you want to put up a 10-ft. security fence around your property with an electric charge to protect your property and what you work so hard for and shut out the few kids that have to be so irresponsible. It is truly a shame that we can not control what the youth of our small town does for entertainment. Who do we blame, me for tempting them? Maybe so, but I would hope that ev-

eryone would have enough respect for other people's property. If you don't like it - then don't come by.

If anyone wonders why the yard is bare - ask the children.

/s/ Starrlyn Bray

To whom it concerns:

For a small town this size we are very fortunate to have a hospital, the two community buildings and the senior citizens center. Everyone may not realize how important this Senior Center is to the community - one way or another it touches almost everyone of us - with food, transportation and entertainment. The government gives some money, about a third, to keep the Center going and they expect the people to do the rest. Our Director is trying her best to keep this going with the big benefit breakfast on the Fourth of July. If everyone will help maybe Mrs. Ingle won't have to borrow any money to run the center.

Think about this - is that your mother, grandmother or friend that the bus is taking to the doctor or grocery store?

We are having a breakfast, bake sale and auction on July 4th. Merchants we know you are hit hard and so are the farmers, but please, everyone have a big heart and help make this a success so that the Center may continue to keep its doors open.

If you have anything to donate for the silent auction please call the Center at 998-5264.

/s/ Ruby Grogan

Open Scramble Set At T-Bar This Weekend

T-Bar Country Club will host a two man open scramble Saturday and Sunday, June 9-10.

Entry fee is \$35 per person. Mulligans are \$5 each. Tee times are 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

For more information, or to enter, contact the country club at 998-5305.



DOMINIC BENJAMIN BALDERAS Balderas Earns USAA Awards

The United States Achievement Academy announced recently that Dominic Benjamin Balderas of Tahoka was named an All-American Scholar and a United States National Award Winner in Band and Football.

The USAA established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3 or higher grade point average.

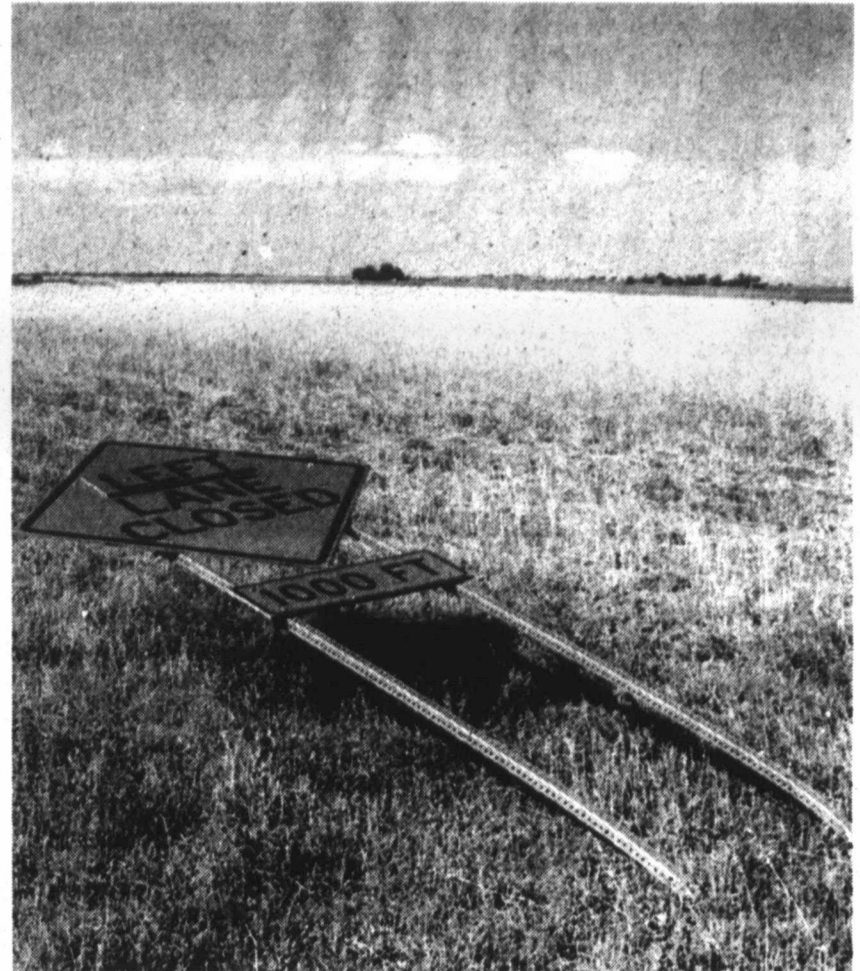
Balderas' name will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook and the United States Achievement Academy Yearbook, both of which are published nationally.

Balderas is the son of Teresa Balderas of Tahoka and the late David Balderas Jr. His grandparents are Cresencia and Gilbert Arellano of Tahoka and Guadalupe and David Balderas Sr. of Lubbock.

Tahoka Students Named to SPC Dean's Honor List

Sonia Colon and Jamie Luna from Tahoka were named to the Dean's Honor List for the spring 2001 semester at South Plains College, Levelland.

Students named to the Dean's Honor List must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA while carrying at least 12 semester hours of college-level work with no failing grades.



CONSTRUCTION SIGNS BENT TO THE GROUND - Winds estimated at more than 80 mph caused some damage last Wednesday night, when a storm hit Lynn County at about 10 p.m. Many of the construction signs just north of Tahoka on Hwy. 87 were bent backwards, like this one, almost to the ground. (LCN PHOTO)

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We're Moving!

Friends Too will soon relocate to the Dayton Parker building on the square in Tahoka.

We're looking forward to new and exciting things, offering clothing and other new merchandise, so watch for our **Grand Opening!**

We will be open at our current location until the move is finalized, and our phone number will remain the same.



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Learn the 3 basic swim strokes and proper kicks.
Improve speed and endurance.
Swim Meet at end of summer with prizes!
Sign up at the pool \$30

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SUMMER FUN Photos Wanted

During the summer months, the Lynn County News is seeking photographs from our area readers depicting summer activities - whether it's the kids running through the sprinkler, or your dog plopped down in the wading pool, or the whole family at some vacation fun spot - we want your picture! Candid snapshots of summer fun are what we are looking for - show us how your family is enjoying the summer months. (Please, only one photo per family.)

Just bring it by the News Office or mail it to P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, TX 79373, and we'll run it (at no charge!) as space is available, under our "Summer Fun" heading. If you'll send a self-addressed stamped envelope we'll mail your photo back to you, or you may pick it up at the News Office after it appears in the paper.

STORK REPORT

Albert and Nichole Gutierrez of Plainview announce the birth of a daughter, Jennifer Elizabeth, born at 3:16 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, 2001 at W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney. She weighed 7 lbs. 10 1/2 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Armando and Trina Castellon of Tahoka and Mario and Berta Gutierrez of Plainview.

Great-grandmothers are Nancy Torres of Plainview and the late Guadalupe Gutierrez.

Robert and Jennifer Crank of Granbury announce the birth of a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, born at 8:11 p.m. Friday, May 25, 2001 in Granbury Medical Center. She weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. and was 21 inches long.

Grandparents are Joe and Marlene Patterson of Tahoka and Margaret Crank of Granbury.

We don't believe

the church can let the rest of the world go by.



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at the First United Methodist Church

1801 Ave. J in Tahoka

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4-H MEMBERS COMPETE AT DISTRICT CONTEST - Four Lynn County 4-H members competed recently at the South Plains District 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest in Lubbock, placing second overall in the Junior I Division. Team members included, from left, Kaleb Collins, Kourtney Sodd, Trevor Gicklhorn, and Jacob Bingham. Kaleb was second high point individual, Trevor placed seventh individually, and Kourtney and Jacob were 12th and 13th, respectively. The team was coached by Tammy Sodd, Christy Bingham and Sheri Gicklhorn. 4-H'ers evaluated products used in everyday life and placed them according to quality, need, and value. Items such as toothpaste, laundry detergent, paper towels and cameras were evaluated at the District Contest.

Pecos Woman Wins Award With Photo Of Lynn Co. Home

Margie Williamson of Pecos, a member of the Carlsbad Art Association, was the recipient of the Best of Show Award in the photography division of the Arts and Crafts Show held in conjunction with the Western District 41st Annual Spring Convention of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

The artist won the top award with a black and white photograph of an old house entitled "South of Tahoka." She also won five first place awards and two second place awards in photography and a second place award on a watercolor landscape and a pencil portrait.



REAR WINDOW SHATTERED - Lynn County Storm Spotter Kent Stone was watching the clouds for tornadic activity last Wednesday night from this pickup parked on Hwy. 380 just east of Tahoka when a branch slammed into his rear window, shattering the glass and capturing his attention pretty quickly. Fortunately, no one was seated in the back seat of the truck, and no injuries were reported. (LCN PHOTO)



TREE UPROOTED BY STORM - This very large tree was uprooted and blown over during last Wednesday night's terrific wind, hail and rain storm. The tree apparently did not do any damage to the adjacent home at N. 6th and Ave. E in Tahoka. (LCN PHOTO)

Forest Service Suggests Planting Windbreak Trees

by Ray Cragar, Silviculturist
Texas Forest Service

Do any of us really enjoy living up here on the Southern High Plains of Texas? Of course we do...but what could make life a little more pleasant, particularly during certain times of the year? How about a windbreak to block and divert the wind and dust? Wouldn't several nice rows of trees, all planted in a custom-designed configuration, make those winter and spring months a little more tolerable?

Sounds simple enough, doesn't it? To stop the wind and/or the blowing soil, just plant a few trees and the problem is solved, right? Well, there's a little more to it than that, but with the right materials, proper site preparation, planting technique, supplemental water and weed control, and the mind-set of long-term commitment, and initial planting can mature into a beautiful, functional, protective wind and soil barrier within a reasonable amount of time.

But where do you go for assistance in windbreak design, plant species selection, plant acquisition, and other important technical information about windbreaks? How about the Texas Forest Service, which just happens to have a windbreak tree nursery in Lubbock, staffed with people anxious and willing to provide windbreak assistance?

So, when you decide to protect your homestead, your livestock, or your fields with trees and shrubs, or you decide to establish wildlife habitat, or maybe build a snow barrier, contact the West Texas Nursery of the Texas Forest Service in Lubbock at 806-746-5801. Summer is the perfect time to design your windbreak so you'll be prepared to order your trees in the fall and take delivery in late winter or early spring, just in time for installation.

NOW AT THE LIBRARY

Edge of Danger by Jack Higgins
I always return, for centuries, that had been the Rashid motto. Over the years, their British and Arab ancestries had interwoven to produce a remarkable family of warriors, as much at home under the pitiless desert sun as in the streets of London. But it is to neither of these places that the Rashids now direct their rage. It is to the United States, whose president they hold accountable for a series of attacks against their power and their honor.

From opposite ends of the world, hints are picked up by Blake Johnson, head of the clandestine White House operation known as the Basement, and his Irish colleague, Sean Dillon, but hints to what? By whom? Frantically, they work to find the answer -- and meanwhile the killers wait.

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SUSAN COMBS

Chile peppers have become a hot commodity for much more than Tex-Mex dishes and spicy sauces. Farmers in the High Plains of Texas are actively growing chile peppers as an agricultural commodity, and the peppers are becoming big business for producers in the region.

Researchers a couple of years ago conducted a study to determine which crops would be profitable for area growers. Chile peppers emerged as a winner thanks to the pepper's responsiveness to the region. Farmers have found that the peppers are well suited to the area's fertile soil, high quality water and high levels of sunlight.

When you consider the high demand for chile peppers in the South Plains and the Southwest, you can see why it has become an attractive crop for producers. These days, peppers are used in everyday cooking and add kick to tomato sauce, hamburgers and kabobs. Salsa is a staple in Texas households, and Tex-Mex restaurants abound in virtually every Texas community.

Chile peppers are a worthwhile rotational crop for producers, and, considering the demand, they can be an attractive cash crop for experienced growers. A skilled grower can earn as much as \$2,500 per acre in gross income, compared with \$221 for cotton or \$77 per acre for wheat.

Many growers can earn even higher incomes as they find and develop new markets for their chile peppers. Diversifying operations with unique commodities, such as chile peppers, is one way to expand profit margins and remain viable in the industry.

Lynn County Man Works State Legislative Session

(Editor's Note: Clint Inmon, a resident of Lynn County, submitted the following article relating his experiences in working a session of the 77th Texas Legislature.)

A Capitol Experience: Legislative staffer learns on firing line

A new appreciation of state government was gained by Lynn County resident Clint Inmon as he completed his role as Chief of Staff for Representative Rick Hardcastle of Vernon, Texas, for the 77th Legislative Session. Clint is a retired educator, having served as assistant principal for four years at Westward Elementary in Slaton. He has served 32 years in education, retiring in May 2000.

Inmon came to the session with a textbook knowledge of state government. He has taught a number of years at the university and secondary school level.

"I have really had some eye opening experiences as to how the system works," Inmon said. "I am looking forward to returning to a normal routine. I had no idea how much work the Legislature does. It takes a lot of work to move the simplest bill, and it takes a lot of work to turn anything into law. Thousands of bills get filed every session, but only 20 percent make it into law. It was really eye opening to realize the effort necessary to keep the home district's agenda on the front burner. You have to be constant and vigilant, or you could lose that agenda. Coming with a textbook expectation of how law-making works and then realize factors like deadlines, personalities and existing power structures affect the process, in both positive and negative ways," he said.

Inmon's Representative was on the Agriculture and Livestock and Education Committees. "Being on the Education Committee meant that

12-14 hour days soon started after the session opened in January. You forget how awesome it is to work in the Capitol, unless visitors or family members come in and talk about what a beautiful building it is, and how this is all so fascinating," he said.

Inmon learned about the many barriers and blockades along the legislative journey. A legislator might need several drafts of a bill from the Legislative Council before it was considered a clean bill for a house committee to consider. Then there might be a person who has enough sway or influence that does not like a certain word or provision and puts the bill on hold. Inmon's Representative was fortunate in getting what he considered his major priorities passed by the Legislature.

The hardest part of the session was being away from family. Almost every weekend Inmon was home to catch the Friday night basketball games and Saturday track meets. Inmon said he worked for a Representative that put family first and he let me catch my daughter's graduation from Slaton High School.

"The intricacies and chaotic ways of the legislative process and the steady routine of long days and grueling work made an impact on me. It was a most exciting five months. I will be glad to go home, but if the chance arose again for this type of work, I would be most happy to go at it again," Inmon said.

Inmon is married to Shalan, a teacher at Slaton High School. He has a daughter, Gencie, and son, Ethan, both of whom will be attending Texas Tech in the fall. Gencie and Ethan are the grandchildren of Dan and Sheila White of White City and Lela Inmon of Vernon.

It is very useful to struggle with the habit of giving immediate expression to all of one's unpleasant emotions.
-Georges Gurdjieff

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The O'Donnell I.S.D. will accept sealed bids until 1:30 p.m. (CDT), June 20, 2001, for the 2001-02 school year for the following items: (1) consumable and non-consumable paper goods, (2) cleaning supplies, (3) classroom furniture; (4) activity supplies and equipment (athletic, band and academic), (5) teaching supplies and materials, (6) technology labs, equipment and software, (7) milk and other dairy products. One or all bid packets will be mailed by written or telephone request (806-428-3241). Please specify each packet requested. Each bid must be marked by the number identifying the item. O'Donnell I.S.D. reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any or all technicalities, and accept the bid which will best serve the needs of the school district. All bids will be opened on June 20, 2001, at 1:30 p.m. in the business/tax collector's office, 501 5th Street, O'Donnell, Texas.

/s/ Dale Read, Superintendent
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CRUMPLED MESS - This storage building, newly erected just a few days before Wednesday night's storm hit Lynn County, is a now a crumpled mess. The shed belonged to the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center, but was blown from its moorings and tossed a block away, battered by the wind and hail during the storm. (LCN PHOTO)



**JUSTIN DUNLAP
Dunlap Graduates
From Frenship High**

Justin Dunlap, of Wolforth, formerly of Tahoka, graduated from Frenship High School on Sunday, May 27 in the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium.

While in high school, he was an active member of Student Council and was the D.A.S.H. chairman. (Drug, Alcohol, Safety, and Health).

He was involved in the Shattered Dreams Project, Health Science Technology, was a National Merit Scholar and was in the Homecoming King Court.

Dunlap received a scholarship from the Wolforth Police Department and will attend South Plains College, majoring in Law Enforcement. He plans to transfer to Texas Tech and get a degree in Forensic Criminology.

Justin is the son of Jerri Beth and Carl Dunlap of Wolforth. His grandparents are Jerry McKibben and Mary Beth McKibben of Tahoka and Bill and Patsy Dunlap of Lubbock. He is the great-grandson of J.W. and Mary Francis Gardenhire of Lubbock (formerly of O'Donnell) and the late Edgar and Vesta Roberts.

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Vacation Bible School at St. John Lutheran Church will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday of this week. Classes will be from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. on Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4:10 p.m. on Saturday and from 1:30 to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday. Classes will be offered for children who are four years old up to those who have just completed the sixth grade.

First Baptist Church of Wilson will be hosting their Vacation Bible School during the week of June 18-22. Classes will be offered for children who are four years old up to those who have just completed the sixth grade.

The City of Wilson has made arrangements with Dr. Bud Farr with the South Plains Veterinary Clinic in Slaton for a dog and cat clinic. The clinic will be held in the Wilson Mercantile on Saturday morning, June 9, from 9 a.m. to noon. Pet owners should bring their leashed pets to the side door of the mercantile. Costs for dog shots and services are:

DHLPLP, \$35; Booster without lymes, \$25; Heartworm check, \$20; De-worm adult dog, \$10; De-worm puppies, \$8.



ANOTHER POLE DOWN - Lyntegar Electric Cooperative lost several poles during last Wednesday night's storm, including this one just east of Tahoka on Hwy. 380. Power outages were reported in rural areas, but in most cases was restored quickly. (LCN PHOTO)

Other services and animal supplies will also be available. Prices for services and supplies for cats will be in the same above range.

The Wilson School Library has set their summer hours. The library will be open from 9 a.m. to noon each Tuesday and Thursday morning, beginning June 12. The library will depart from these scheduled times and not be open at all the week of July 2-6. For more information, please contact school librarian Shelly Livingston at the library.

**Cheer Clinic Set
June 26-29**

The Tahoka High School varsity cheerleaders will host a cheer clinic Tuesday through Friday, June 26-29 from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the THS practice field. Youngsters at least four years old but no older than 12 are invited to participate.

Cost is \$30 per child, which includes a week of cheerleading, a t-shirt, and a 5x7 photo of camper and the cheerleaders.

Register in advance by calling 998-5215 or register on the first day of camp.

The ancient Egyptians slept on pillows made of stone.

Stormproof Propane Tanks Before Severe Weather Strikes

Texas Railroad Commission officials this week reminded Texans that the time to prepare propane tanks for a severe weather emergency is before it occurs.

"Propane is an invaluable, reliable energy resource across Texas, Chairman Michael L. Williams said. "In the event of any weather emergency, it's important to ready your propane tanks ahead of time so they'll be dependable when you need them the most — after the storm."

"If your residence is likely to be affected by severe weather, precautions must be made to ensure that the fuel needed during times of emergencies is reliable and safe," said Commissioner Charles R. Matthews. "The importance of storm proofing your tank is key to ensuring your family's safety and securing your property."

"Texas has had its share of recent severe weather. In just the past eight years, there have been 3,476 reports of flooding, 1,460 tornado reports and seven hurricanes or tropical storms," added Commissioner Tony Garza. "With figures like those, it's no wonder Texans come to rely on propane as their emergency fuel source."

At first notice of a severe weather

warning, consumers should properly secure their propane tanks and turn off the gas supply valves. It's also important to fasten the protective dome on the tank and turn off appliance pilot lights, control valves and manual shut-off valves. In addition, be sure there is an adequate supply of fuel in the tank.

After a storm, look for visible structural tank damage including external venting and vent caps. Call a local propane dealer or a qualified technician immediately if the odor of propane gas is detected, if the tank has shifted or moved, if the tank regulator or appliances have been exposed to water, or if the gas lines have been broken, bent or damaged.

The Railroad Commission of Texas offers a free, easy-to-carry safety checklist to help Texans prepare their propane tanks for weather-related emergencies. The safety checklist is available in both English and Spanish.

For more information about preparing the propane tank for a severe weather emergency, contact the Commission's Alternative Fuels Research and Education Division (AFRED) at 800-64-CLEAR (800-642-5327) or log on at www.rrc.state.tx.us.

Make Plans to attend the annual **FOURTH OF JULY BREAKFAST CELEBRATION** to benefit the Lynn County Pioneers **Wednesday, July 4th** at the Senior Citizens Building, 1600 S. 3rd in Tahoka

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