

Kiff White Services

KIFF WHITE

Kiff White, 88, died Saturday. Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Monday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Frank Oglesby, of Lubbock, and the Rev. Lane Boyd, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Hansford Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Mr. White, born in Hill County, had lived in Spearman since 1926, moving from Miami. He was a farmer-rancher and was married to Ailene Sparks

Dulaney in 1927 at Spearman. He was a Methodist and a member of school boards in Miami, Medin and Spearman. Survivors include his wife; three sons, James of Sallisaw, Okla., and Kiff Eugene and Tommy, both of Spearman; four daughters, Elizabeth Carr of Miami, Virginia Head and Frankie Sloan, both of Spearman, and Catherine Hall of Pampa; 19 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

Ella Hull Services Friday



Ella Hull

Mrs. Ella Hull died June 3, 1986 at the age of 89 years old. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the First Christian Church in Spearman with the Rev. Martin Foster officiating. Burial will be at the Hansford Cemetery.

Mrs. Hull was born in Columbus County, Texas on March 2, 1897 and married Carl W. Hull March 8, 1915 in Freepport Tx. Shortly after they moved to the Texas Panhandle and in Spearman in 1926.

She & Carl owned and operated Spearman Motor Co. from 1942 - 1967 and also farmed West of Spearman. She worked for Boxwell Brothers Flower Shop for 15 years. She was a charter member of the First Christian Church and instrumental in its founding. Former Deaconess & member of CWF.

Survivors include: One son, Floyd of Spearman, Two daughters, Viola Boyd of Spearman and Carol Ratliff of Canyon. One sister, Mattie Reynolds of

Spearman, six grandchildren, thirteen great grandchildren and five great great grandchildren. Family will be at 1014 S. Barkley.

EATING OUT

By Rose Hughes

WHAT has happened to the reasonably-priced dessert? In many popular, reasonably-priced restaurants today deserts are priced sky-high.

IT'S not unusual today for a piece of pie or cake to cost \$1.50, \$2.00 or even \$2.50. If it's a special, deluxe creation, that price could be fair. But most restaurants simply buy their pies, and get six or eight servings from them.

FROM a cake, ten or twelve servings is often possible. If a restaurant gets ten servings and charges \$1.50 each, that's fifteen dollars received for, perhaps a \$4 cake.

TIME was when deserts were considered a part of a meal and the four to one profit margin didn't apply that strictly.

IN too many restaurants today drinks and deserts are priced so high a fat profit is earned on these items alone—as much as the profit on a full meal (including drink and dessert) a few years back.

SO look for a restaurant still offering a full meal, with drink and dessert, at a fixed price and save money.

A diet may be good for one's health but a good menu can do wonders also.

Fly To Europe?

Thousands of Americans are rearranging their summer travel to exclude flights to Europe. The fear of terrorist attacks on Americans is the reason.

Travel agencies report overseas bookings down significantly. Airlines are flying at far below capacity on transatlantic flights. Agency bookings to U.S. destinations are sharply up.

Is this change in travel by so many Americans justified by conditions and chances of injury? The answer is almost certainly

not. The violence and crime rate in this country is so much higher than that in Europe, even with increased terrorism considered, one is safer in Europe.

Americans, however, don't like to feel like targets. And memories of Rome and Vienna airport horrors are still fresh in their thoughts. So many will avoid Europe this summer, and nothing can be done about it.

Ironically, they are less likely to encounter violence in most European countries than in the U.S., when vacationing.

Good Job News

The U.S. economy continues to surprise statisticians around the world with its steady increase in jobs. Latest figures show that during the first four months of this year alone, the U.S. economy created a million new jobs.

Unemployment remained at its 7.1 percent of the labor force according to the Labor Department. (An increasing working population absorbed these new jobs.)

European economies show no such results. For the last decade there was only a slight increase in jobs in France and Italy. For the same period, ending in 1985, there was a net loss of jobs in Belgium, England and West Germany.

Some economists believe the reason European economies are so stagnant is the high relative cost of labor. Another reason is that taxes there continually go up, regulations mount and cartels abound.

The opposite atmosphere prevails in this country under the Reagan Administration. Cuts have been made in both business and personal taxes, increasing buying power. The administration has reduced red tape and regulations and created a less oppressive regulatory atmosphere.

Currently, Reagan Administration officials are trying to persuade European counterparts to ease regulation, reduce what's termed excesses of the welfare state, and cut taxes—with little success thus far, except in England.

The best news of all, for Americans, is that the outlook for the rest of 1986 is excellent. Most economists expect the economy to produce another 1.75 million new jobs before the end of the year.

That would reduce the unemployment rate to about 6.7 percent. Some think six percent is about as low as the jobless total can ever get, in view of the fact that some won't work, can't hold a job or are addicts of some kind.

Miss Hansford Contest Will Be June 5th!



Joanna Reynolds

CONTESTANT # 10 Joanna Reynolds, SPONSOR Sparks Brothers Spraying, AGE 17, WEIGHT 130, HEIGHT 5'7", HAIR Lt. Brown, EYES Blue, FAVORITE FOOD Pepperoni Pizza, FAVORITE COLOR Royal Blue, RESIDENT Gruver, PARENTS Mr. & Mrs. Gene Reynolds, EDUCATION Senior/Gruver High School, HOBBIES Snow Skiing, Swimming, Sewing, Hiking, Cooking, Reading, OTHER ACTIVITIES Basketball, Track, FHA.



Lisa Cazares

CONTESTANT # 14, Lisa Cazares, SPONSOR Little Tiffanies, AGE 17, WEIGHT 107, HEIGHT 5', HAIR Black, EYES Brown, FAVORITE FOOD Pizza, FAVORITE COLOR Blue, RESIDENT Gruver, PARENTS Mr. & Mrs. A.R. Cazares, EDUCATION Senior/Gruver High School, HOBBIES Reading, Cross Stitching, Jogging, Horse Back Riding, Sewing, OTHER ACTIVITIES FHA, Band, UIL, Poetry Reading.

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Amarillo

Highway Patrol District Reports

Capt. Bob Russell, District Supervisor of the Amarillo Highway Patrol District comprising of 31 counties said, "for the month of April our troopers investigated 7 fatal accidents, 70 personal injury accidents, and 79 property damage accidents. There were 12 persons killed and 105 persons injured in these accidents."

Sgt. Charles Henderson of Borger stated, "In Hansford county, our troopers investigated 1 fatal accident, 0 personal injury accident, and 0 property damage accidents in the month of April. 2 persons were killed 0 persons were injured in these accidents."

The truth seems to elude the grasp of mankind despite the long and historic pursuit.

Congratulations seniors of Hansford County

Attend the big Hansford Round-up this week-end



Jaycee Beef Barbecue is Saturday!



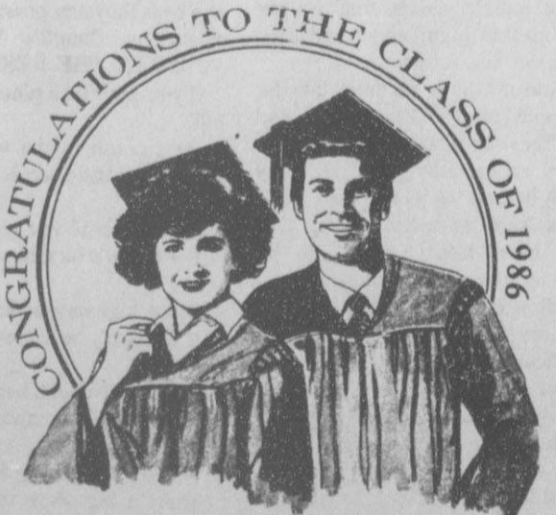
Spearman ...

The three-day Hansford County Round-up will begin here Thursday with the Miss Hansford County Pageant at 7:30 p.m. in the Spearman High School Auditorium.

A family street dance Friday evening from 8-11 p.m. will follow a sidewalk sale at the High Plains Shopping Center.

A 10K-run sponsored by the Lions Club will start about 8:30 a.m. Saturday, followed at 9 a.m. by the opening of the Golden Spread Center Arts and Crafts sale.

The Jaycee's will sell a barbecue dinner at the park swimming pool on Saturday. Other activities at the park include an old timers' reunion, junior rodeo, horseshoe pitching and a fiddling contest.



With your diploma as momentum, grads, strive for the best. Congratulations to a great class.

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BEEF GIVES STRENGTH!

Election Will Be Gas Grill to be Given Away

Saturday June 7

No. 0000

DEMOCRATIC PARTY RUNOFF ELECTION
(ELECCION DECISIVA DEL PARTIDO DEMOCRATICO)
(CONDADO DE) HANSFORD COUNTY, TEXAS
JUNE 7, 1986 (7 DE JUNIO DE 1986)

SAMPLE BALLOT BOLETA DE MUESTRA

INSTRUCTION NOTE: (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION:)

Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by placing an "X" in the square beside the candidate's name. (Vote por el candidato de su preferencia en cada candidatura marcando con una "X" el cuadro al lado del nombre del candidato.)

"I am a Democrat and understand that I am ineligible to vote or participate in another political party's primary election or convention during this voting year." ("Yo soy Demócrata y comprendo que no estoy elegible para votar o participar en la elección primaria o la convención de algún otro partido político durante este año electoral.")

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(Comisionado de Ferrocarriles)**

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- JOHN SHARP

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- OSCAR H. MAUZY

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(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 2)**

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(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 1)**

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- RUSTY DUNCAN

**County Treasurer
(Tesorero del Condado)**

- JEAN PEARCY
- NORMA JEAN MACKIE

Voting Places

- Democratic Primary Run-Off
June 7th
Voting Places**
- Precinct 1 - County Courthouse
 - Precinct 2 - Gruver High School
 - Precinct 3 - Gruver Community Bible Church
 - Precinct 4 - Gruver County Barn
 - Precinct 5 - Spearman County Barn
 - Precinct 6 - Gruver High School
 - Precinct 7 - Gruver Community Bible Church
 - Precinct 9 - Gruver County Barn

Richard Truly, space shuttle chief:

"We essentially are recertifying every critical item in the system. We have a mountain of work to do and the work has already started."

**BUSINESS
OUTLOOK**

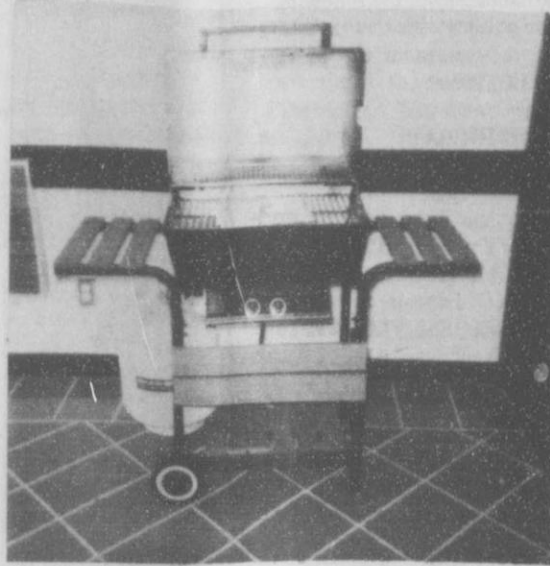
By Edward Thorlund
Corporate earnings probably hold the key to the direction of the stock market in the next six months.

Earnings are expected to be up; they have been disappointing in many areas in the first part of the year and during 1985. Yet the stock market has remained strong.

If economic growth and business in general doesn't improve in the last half of the year, there may be little upward movement in most blue chip stocks even though the money supply is large and buying power is increasing. The OTC market is more likely to advance.

Much buying power may go into funds, like Ginnie Mae funds, until it's clear what Congress will do about tax reform. Unless tax reform is enacted this year it dies in the 99th Congress and action on the committee level will have to start all over again.

Chances now seem good it will pass. The administration insists that, overall, it will help the economy enormously.



The Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce will be selling chances on a Char-Broil Gas Grill, the second prize will be a cordless telephone. The drawing will be held Saturday, June 7th at the Swimming Pool Park. The

Char-Broil Gas Grill will be on display at the First State Bank. Chances are \$1.00 each, and can be purchased from any women's division member. Buy your chances today.

Looking at WASHINGTON

BY EDWARD H. SIMS

Move Now?

The "Christian Science Monitor" reports that some top Israeli officials believe the Rengan Administration is so closely aligned to the Israeli right, and so sensitive to Israeli reactions, that it isn't doing enough to start a new peace initiative.

Washington must push both sides to make compromises, it's argued. And Avishai Margalit, a professor in Jerusalem, is quoted as saying there never has been an administration which supported Israeli right wing policy as does this one.

Ironically, Prime Minister

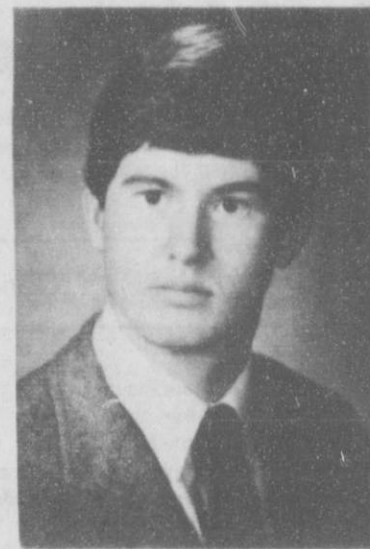
Shimon Peres is not a radical rightwinger, but also seeks a compromise peace settlement. He too feels the U.S. should push harder, on both sides, for a settlement. Peres, in a coalition with a hard-line rightwinger party, is limited in what he can do and say but would welcome a strong U.S. peace initiative.

There is, then, good reason why the administration should move vigorously now to finally achieve a peace settlement in the Middle East, and solve the Palestine displacement problem, thus also combatting terrorism.

Markets

| | |
|-------|--------|
| Wheat | \$2.40 |
| Milo | \$4.25 |
| Corn | \$2.60 |

Phillips Announces 1986 Scholarship Winner



Shawn B. Bratton

Twelve Panhandle area high school seniors are among the 1986 winners of college scholarships worth \$4,000 from the Educational Fund for Children of Phillips Petroleum Company Employees.

One of Gruver's Seniors was picked as a scholarship winner his name is Shawn B. Bratton and is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth and Patricia Bratton of Gruver.

Each winner will receive a \$1,000 award renewable yearly based on scholastic achievement, for a four-year total scholarship of \$4,000. More than 300 students applied for scholarships this year.

The Educational Fund was established in 1939 to aid children of employees of Phillips and its subsidiaries in obtaining higher educations.

Since then, more than 2,312 young people have received college educations from scholarships totaling almost \$5.2 million. Phillips annual scholarship contribution now exceeds a quarter of a million dollars a year.

Sincere Compliments TO THE '86 GRADS.



You have a bright future.



NEWS VIEWS

Dan Rostenkowski, Rep. (D-Ill.):

"The president must realize that he will not get his way on defense and foreign aid without participating in a balanced approach..."

Judge
JIM BRADY
for Justice
TEXAS SUPREME COURT

Paid for by Jim Brady for Texas Supreme Court Campaign, Jim Brady, Treasurer, 225 Congress, Suite 115, Austin, Tx. 78701

Thank You

To our many customers and friends for your patronage and confidence during the 33 years we were owners and operators of

Alton's Gulf Service and Ellsworth Oil Company.

Your trust and friendship certainly made our

business most enjoyable, and we certainly appreciate,

each and every one of you.

We ask that you welcome and get acquainted with

the new owners, Linda and Wirt Davis.

Many, Many Thanks, Alton and Peggy

As new owners of

Alton's Gulf and Ellsworth Oil Company

we are excited about the future in Spearman.

We are enjoying getting to know everyone.

We value you as a customer and plan to continue

the good service you have enjoyed in the past.

Wirt and Linda Davis

Wirt E. Davis, Jr.
ELLSWORTH OIL COMPANY



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8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Monday thru Friday

Palo Duro Cowboy Camp Meeting

What better time than our Sesquicentennial year to mark the first Palo Duro Cowboy Camp Meeting. It will be held June 12-15, 1 1/4 miles east of Gruver at the rodeo arena. This is a Christian Experience you won't want to miss. We will be camping outdoors and eating family style with all the meals provided. There is no charge for participation, however, donations will be greatly appreciated.

The camp will open Thursday evening with supper and worship service led by Dennis McKinley, Fort Worth, Tx, and Wayne Stockstill, Upland, CA. Dennis, a PRCA calf roper, is involved with street ministry in Fort Worth and helped with the opening of church services in Billy Bob's. Wayne has had lots of experience preaching at cowboy camp meetings and will attend every meeting scheduled this summer. Paul Biggs, Bartle-

ville, OK, will lead the music. If you play an instrument be sure and bring it. God says, "Sing praises to the Lord."

Many activities are planned for the whole family. There will be a rodeo for the kids with a greased pig contest, calf dressing, calf scramble, stick horse races, a clown contest, and more. There will be a hayride and lots of singing around the campfire; something for everyone! and of course the main event... team roping. Go-round winners will receive Bibles donated by the Community Bible Church. Silver buckles donated by Walco will go to the average winners. The only entry fee is to attend the evening meeting. But even if you don't rope, bring your horses 'cause we've got other activities planned.

The purpose of Christian Cowboy Camp Meetings is to promote the cause of Christ and spread the

Word of God. Everyone is welcome, regardless of denomination.

The campsite is in the country and facilities are limited. Everyone is responsible for their own tents or campers and equipment. Water and electricity will be furnished. Rules for the camp will be posted.

There will be lots of fun and great Christian fellowship. Don't miss this blessing! For further information contact Keith or Merry Bateman, Box 511, Gruver, Tx. Telephone 808-733-2129 or 2252.

Picture drawing included, caption: "Christian Fellowship, cowboy style."

There is nothing new save that which has been forgotten.
-MME. Bertin.

If you want to live a long time, get the philosophy that enables you to avoid worry.

In the quest for success, just remember that there is no substitute for character or service.

No two people ever thought alike, and it takes some individuals a lifetime to find that out.

Add foolish sights: A man trying to capture the empty honors of the world and overlooking his own family.

It has been finally proven, a few million times, that it is harder to keep one's mouth closed than open.



Norma Jean Mackie

Elect Norma Jean Mackie

County Treasurer

Democratic

Run-Off Saturday,

June 7

I WISH TO THANK EACH OF YOU WHO VOTED FOR ME IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY FOR THE OFFICE OF HANSFORD COUNTY TREASURER. SINCE I DID NOT WIN THIS ELECTION, I WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO SUPPORT NORMA JEAN MACKIE IN THE RUN-OFF ELECTION, SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 1986, FOR THE OFFICE OF HANSFORD COUNTY TREASURER.

SINCERELY,

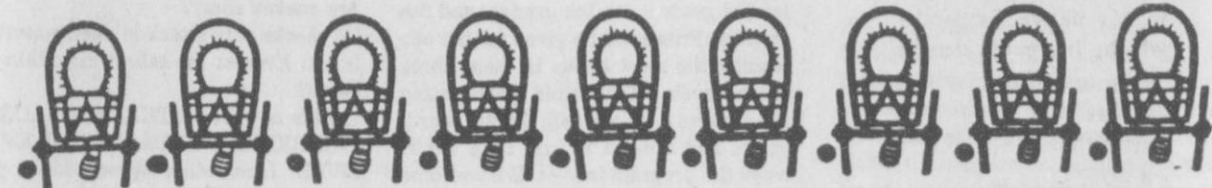
Pearl Pierce
PEARL PIERCE

To all of my supporters who backed me in the May 3rd Primary, I THANK YOU. On Saturday June 7th, we have a run-off election for County Treasurer, please consider NORMA JEAN MACKIE as your candidate.

Thank you,

Harriet Hutchison

This is a political advertisement paid for by Norma Jean Mackie



HANSFORD COUNTY ROUND-UP

JUNE 5-6-7

Final preparations are being made for the 1986 Hansford Roundup, which will be held June 5-6-7 in Spearman, Texas. Kenny's Funland will be in town June 3 thru June 7. Thursday, June 5, beginning at 7:30 p.m. the Miss Hansford Pageants will begin at the High School Auditorium. This year there will be three pageants, The Little Miss Pageant is for girls 4-5, the Jr. Miss Pageant is for girls ages 6-8 and the Miss Hansford is for girls 16-21.

Each entrant to the Miss Hansford Pageant will receive a \$200.00 scholarship from Frank Phillips College. A plaque will be given for the winner in the following divisions: Swimsuit, Talent, Interview and Miss Congeniality. The 1986 2nd runner up will receive a \$200.00 scholarship 1st runner up a \$300.00 scholarship and the Miss Hansford \$500.00 scholarship. These scholarships are provided by Spearman Jaycees, Spearman Moose Lodge, Spearman Lions Club, Women's Division Chamber of Commerce and the Spearman Chamber of Commerce.

On Friday, June 6, the merchants in the Shopping Center area will have a sidewalk sale before the street dance begins at 8:00 p.m. at Plains Shopping Center. Hansford County's own "Country Cookin'" will be playing until 11:00 p.m. The hat will be passed during the dance for donations.

The Board of Directors of the Chamber will be selling cokes, chips, hot dogs, and candy.

Registration for the Lions Club 10K run will begin at 7:00 a.m. at Interstate Savings and Loan. The 10K run will begin at 8:30 a.m. The 1 mile fun run starts at 8:35 (no registration, no entry fee).

Saturday, June 7, beginning at 8:00 a.m. the down town merchants will have their sidewalk sale.

Golden Speard Center will have its Annual Arts/Crafts/Bake Sale beginning at 9:00 a.m. for out of town participants at Beedy Furniture. Parade Lineup begins at 10:00 a.m. in the Plains Shopping Center. The rotary Club is in charge of parade.

Old Timers Reunion will register at Crawford Motor Company, 321 Main at 9:30 a.m.

Parade Queen is Mrs. Maude Alexander. Parade Marshal-Mr. and Mrs. Chip Martin.

The Parade will follow the same route as past years. Albert Graves will be riding with the four-wheelers to keep them together.

Decorated bicycles will form under the water tower on Kenneth Street. 1st, 2nd, 3rd place ribbons will be given in two categories, Pre-school thru 1st grade and 2nd grade and up. All participants will receive a ribbon for riding their bikes in the parade.

Immediately after the parade activities begin at the Swimming Pool Park. The Spearman Jaycee's will be serving Pit B-B-Q, adults \$5.00 - children \$3.00. The Jaycees will provide free tickets to all those who arrived in Hansford County before 1915.

Spearman clubs and organizations will have a wide variety of booths at the park, snow cones, popcorn balls, face painting, cobbler, drinks, balloons, sesquicentennial souvenirs, ex-student year books, ice cream, etc.

Karen Babitzke is in charge of the Fiddlers Contest and is planning local entertainment for the afternoon. Amber Pennington will be performing for the crowd on Saturday afternoon. Horse shoes and lots of old fashion fun, too!

The Spearman Volunteer Fire de-

partment will be in charge of water games to cool everybody out. The swimming pool will be open Saturday afternoon also.

Hansford County's "first" Jr. rodeo will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the Oscar Archer Arena for children 13 years and younger.

Contact Burt Williams for more details.

All presentations of ribbons, trophies etc. will be presented during the afternoon at the swimming pool park.

Invite all your friends to Hansford Roundup June 5-6-7.

Rich and Helen Melton are the co-chairman of this year's Roundup. Thanks Rich and Helen for doing a fine job!!!!

Best of Press



Middle Age

Middle age is that period in a man's life when he'll do anything to feel better except give up what's hurting him.

-Great Lakes Bulletin.

No Favorites

Everyone respects the law of gravity because it always operates uniformly, impersonally and without delay.



WHO KNOWS

1. Define oligotrichia.
2. Who was serving as president in 1900?
3. Which U.S. president was born on May 29?
4. For what was John Steinbeck best known?
5. Who created the cartoon "Peanuts"?

1. It means lack of hair.
2. William McKinley.
3. John F. Kennedy.
4. For his novels, "Of Mice and Men" and "Grapes of Wrath."
5. Charles Schulz.

Answers to Who Knows

I support
NORMA JEAN MACKIE
for
County Treasurer

in the June 7, 1986
Democratic Runoff
Primary

Amelia C. Johnson
Amelia C. Johnson

This is a political advertisement
paid for
by Norma Jean Mackie

Summer Clearance Sale

at

Kids' Stuff and Lady Fair

719 W. 7th

All Spring and Summer Merchandise

Reduced up to

40%

Sale starts Thursday, June 5th, 9:00 a.m.

Both Stores will be closed Wednesday to mark down



Vote JEAN PEARCY

for
County Treasurer
in the
Democratic Run-Off
Saturday, June 7

Experienced as bookkeeper for Certified Public Accountant. Experienced in County activities with 4 years in County Clerk's Office. College Accounting Certificate.

This is a political advertisement paid for by Jean Pearcy, Box 229, Spearman, Texas 79081

Jefferson Davis

One of the more interesting figures in American history is Jefferson Davis, about whom there has been increasing interest and many new books in recent years. Davis was born in Kentucky [Todd County] on June 3, 1808, the tenth child of a Welshman, who had moved to Kentucky from Georgia. Prior to that, the family had lived in Philadelphia. Davis' father next moved to Mississippi, where he prospered. Davis entered school [a Catholic seminary, though he was a Baptist] in Washington County, Kentucky, and when 13, entered a university at Lexington. At 16, he was appointed to West Point. He served seven years as a young army officer after graduating in 1828 (in the class ahead of Robert E. Lee).

In 1835, he married Zachary Taylor's daughter, having resigned from the army, but his bride died within three months. Davis was greatly affected by her death and for the next ten years worked hard at his plantation, Brierfield, often in the field with his slaves.

He was then elected to the House, but resigned in 1846, to join General Taylor who was leading U.S. forces in the war with Mexico. His conduct at the

Battle of Buena Vista was hailed as that of a military genius.

He was elected to the Senate in 1851 and later in that decade resigned to run for the governorship of Mississippi, but was defeated. In 1853 President Franklin Pierce made him Secretary of War. He is credited with having arranged the Gadsden Purchase, from Mexico. He was elected to the Senate again and was serving there when the Civil War began, and resigned, believing states had the right to secede from the Union.

He was immediately put in charge of all Mississippi troops but was soon thereafter elected president of the Confederacy. He often differed with his generals, as did Lincoln, and was sure of victory. He was captured at war's end and imprisoned for two years, though never tried.

Horace Greeley in New York was one of those who obtained his release from prison, in 1867. He had lost his property but a friend of his second wife bequeathed him the estate of Beauvoir on the Gulf, where he spent his remaining years, dying there in 1889, after having written "The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government."

Don't Shoot!

The peregrine falcon, when mature and searching for food, can fly 180 m.p.h. and conquer just about any victim it chooses to attack. They are the fighter pilots of the world of fowl.

At Cornell University (Ithaca, N.Y.) there's a Peregrine Fund.

Those who have established it and carry on its work are attempting to restock these fascinating birds in areas of the U.S. where they once thrived and are now extinct.

It's the same as the red wolf story--red wolves which formerly inhabited eastern states and are now extinct. (Some are being released in a game preserve on the North Carolina coast, in an experiment to see if they survive; they don't attack humans, despite the lore of yesterday.)

A few days ago the non-profit Peregrine Fund released three young falcons in the vicinity of Grandfather Mountain, N.C.--falcons brought from Santa Cruz, California. It was the third year in a row three or four falcons have been released in this area.

The Fund hopes these birds, which once lived in the eastern

mountains, can make a comeback. They probably will--if farmers, hunters and others don't shoot them. They often range, when fully grown, several hundred miles, so they might be seen from Pennsylvania to Florida. (One of the birds released in 1984 has been seen on the coast of Virginia.)

A fully-grown falcon measures about 18 inches in length with a wingspan almost four feet wide. Federal law prohibits shooting them. But will today's citizen recognize these birds if they see one? It's doubtful.

The last in the east, probably in Tennessee, disappeared just after the turn of the century. They are being restocked now in the north central states, the west and in the east.

A peregrine falcon looks

much like a duck hawk, but with a blackish-brown neck, and its wing beat is faster than that of mostly-soaring hawks. It is, of course, the noble falcon of the Old World and of hawking in earlier centuries.

Don't shoot it!

Paine's Death

One of America's early political and folk heroes was Tom Paine. His writing prior to the Revolution greatly influenced leading personalities in the Colonies to break away from mother-country England.

When Paine died June 8, 1809, his remains were buried in New Rochelle, N.Y. But they were removed for burial in his native England--which, however, denied him a burial place. Where his body went after that has since been a mystery.

Near Tivoli, N.Y., a machine clearing land uncovered a monument to Tom Paine. The experts investigated and think Tivoli is not Paine's burial place.

Peach Sherbet

- 2 c sugar
- 1 qt water
- 1 t gelatin
- 2 c fresh peach syrup
- Juice from 1 lemon
- Juice from 2 oranges

Boil sugar and water together for 5 minutes. Add the gelatin which has been softened in a little water. When the mixture is cold, add the peach pulp which has been pressed through a sieve. Add fruit juices and freeze.

Gruver City Library

Summer Reading time is here! This next week - June 9 through 13 - we will be signing children up for the reading contest. They can come in the Library anytime during regular library hours (2:00-6:00) and begin their reading program for the summer. We encourage all ages, but specifically the 1st through 6th grades for the reading contests. Three categories will be represented: 1st-3rd grades; 4th-5th grades, and 6th graders. Prizes will be given for the one reading the most books in these three grade levels. Each child participating will receive a "Celebrate Texas" certificate, and a decal to iron on a t-shirt when the program is over. We welcome your children, and hope we will have a big turn-out for the reading program this summer. Storytimes will be later in the summer, and we will notify you on the dates and times later on. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Library from 2:00-6:00 Monday

through Friday. We do have some new children's books, and will look forward to having your child participate. Can an octopus squeeze a person to death?

Does a lead pencil contain lead? Does quicksand drag a person under? Is Saturn the only planet with rings? Does chocolate cause pimples? Does reading in bed ruin your eyes? Are snakes slimy? Do sharks only attack in deep water? Is Mt. Everest the tallest mountain on Earth? In This new book, THE DINOSAUR IS THE BIGGEST ANIMAL THAT EVER LIVED, (And other Wrong Ideas you thought were True,) you'll find the answers to these and many other questions. Interesting reading for ages 7-10.

Gruver City Library
2:00-6:00
Monday through Friday

PIANO RECITAL



by pupils
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A piano recital was given Sunday afternoon, June 1, 1986, by the students of Tracy Bevill and Debby Mayhew. The

following selections were played by the following students.

Who's That Knocking? Mary Elizabeth Clark
Ice Skaters David Carr Glover
Kaysha Cluck

The Blue Danube Waltz Johann Strauss
Brother John Folk Song
Erin Derrington

Waltz in B Flat Mark Nerion
Evening Song Kristin Evans
Old Gaelic Melody

Swanee River Stephen Foster
Sonatina Jane Smisor Bastien
Joni Hart

Hound Dog Boogie David Glover, Jr.
Rainy Day Mood Lynn Olson
Kayce Haenisch

Cat At Night Jane Smisor Bastien
The Marines Hymn Phillips
Will Evans

Minuet James Hook
The Merry Farmer Robert Schumann
Jennifer Anderson

Banjo Twang David Carr Glover
Dutch Duet David Carr Glover
Julie Meyer

Little Reaper's Song Richard Bruce
Hush Puppies Louise Garrow
Chris Kauffman

Barcarolle Jacques Offenbach
Sonatina in G Jane Smisor Bastien
Monica Ward

Pirates William Schor
Morning Has Broken Old Gaelic Melody
Clay Gillispie

Dark Eyes Russian Folk Song
The Minstrel's Song James Bastien
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A MESSAGE FROM THIS NEWSPAPER AND THE DPK 11222222

Spearman Lions plan 10K run on June 7

The Spearman Lions Club will hold a sanctioned 10K run in Spearman on June 7, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

The 10K run is a TAC certified course by the Amarillo YMCA Running Club.

All runners will receive a Lion T-Shirt, along with trophies, plaques and ribbons for the winners.

Awards will be given for first, second, and third place winners in male and female divisions. A special plaque will go to the Lions Club member who is first to cross the finish line.

There is also a one mile Fun Run for which there is no entry fee. Ribbons will be given to all participants.

The fee for the 10K run is \$6 in advance and after May 30 it will increase to \$8. Entries may be sent to the Spearman Lions Club, Box 161, Spearman, Texas 79081.

The 10K Run is part of the Hansford County Roundup celebration.

Registration for the run begins at 7 a.m. on June 7 and will close at 8 a.m. The 10K Run starts at 8:30 a.m. and the Fun Run at 8:35 a.m.

Town Meeting

Continuing his series of district-wide Town Meetings, Congressman Beau Boulter (R-13) has invited the "Citizens of Hansford County" to a Town Meeting on June 6, 1986 at 7:30 pm at the Hotel Royal (Bull's Inn), 502 Davis, Spearman, Texas.

"To date, I have held 36 Town Meetings," Boulter said. "They are a tremendous help to me in keeping in touch with the people in North Texas and the Panhandle. The personal contact with so many of the people I represent is vital to my work on their behalf in Washington. I'm anxious to continue these Town Meetings throughout 1986, and am truly looking forward to being in Dumas to discuss everything from the farm situation to Social Security, and anything in between."

Boulter is the only Freshman Republican member of the House Budget Committee and also serves on the House Government Operations Committee. In addition he is the founder and chairman of the Congressional Grace Caucus, designed to eliminate waste, fraud, and inefficiency throughout the federal government.

"My committee assignments, and my work with the Grace Caucus," Boulter commented, "are central to my work in Washington. But there is a lot more to representing the 13th District, and I look forward to meeting with the folks in Hansford County to hear what's on their minds."

Boulter has sent cards inviting all County residents to attend the Town Meeting and encourages participation.

Bridal Shower

Kerri Martindale, bride-elect of Barry Barkley was honored with a bridal shower in the James Dorman home Saturday, May 10, 1986, from 2:30 until 4:00 p.m.

The serving table, centered with a beautiful pink and white arrangement of roses, peonies, columbia, and larkspur, was laid with a white lace cloth. Creamy strawberry punch was served to the guests by Jill Garrett along with cake, nuts and mints.

The honoree was presented a beautiful white orchid corsage by the hostesses. Kerri's mother, Mrs. Sandie Martindale, and the groom's mother, Mrs. Sharon Barkley were presented corsages of white daisies.

Hostesses for the occasion were Doris Arnes, Andrea Bayless, Patsy Beville, Marie Bostick, Christine Brandvik, Edith Breland, Pat Burnam, Jo Alice Clawson, Georgia Davidson, Gerry Davis, Deidra Deakin, Fran Duncan, Joyce Duncan, Carolyn Fletcher, Josephine Fletcher, Lili Fletcher, Margaret Fry, Lou Garrett, Charlotte Gilbreath, Cleo Gross, Sue Hartranft, Opal Johnson, Frankie Leatherman, Rosemary McKee, Fran Maupin, Evi Meyer, Melba Rasor, Phyllis Rasor, Norma Red, Betty Roberts, Alma Ross, Sharon Seagler, Charlene Spivey, Dee Steed, Mary TeBeest, Sandy TeBeest, Mary Weldon, and Deana Williams.

Engagement Announced



Cynthia Ann Virden - Steven Allen Norris

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Virden of Gruver announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Ann, to Steven Allen Norris, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Allen Norris of Amarillo. Miss Virden is the granddaughter of Mary Virden of Gruver and Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Yates of Dallas. She is a graduate of Gruver High School and is a senior accounting major at Wayland Baptist University. She has been named Outstanding

Accounting student, she is also on the W.B.U.'s Dean's List and the National Dean's List. She is employed as bookkeeper at Dorothy's Ladies Apparel. Norris is a junior physical education major at Wayland and graduated from Arvada, Colo. High School. He is employed by Van Howeling Library and Granada Theater. The couple will exchange wedding vows Aug. 9 in First Baptist Church of Gruver.

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RECIPE



By Sarah Ann Sheridan

Fresh peaches will soon be available. These easy-to-make dishes will add color to family meals and perk up jaded appetites.

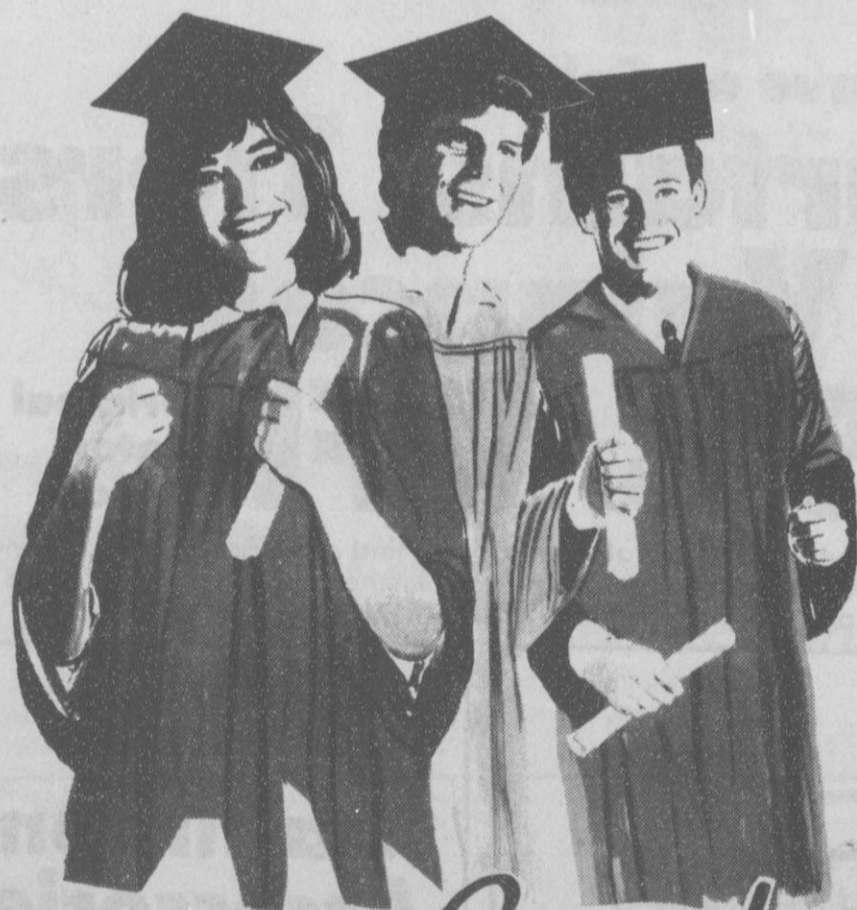
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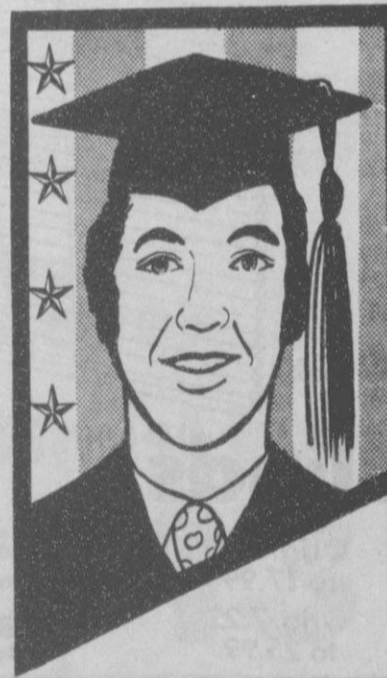
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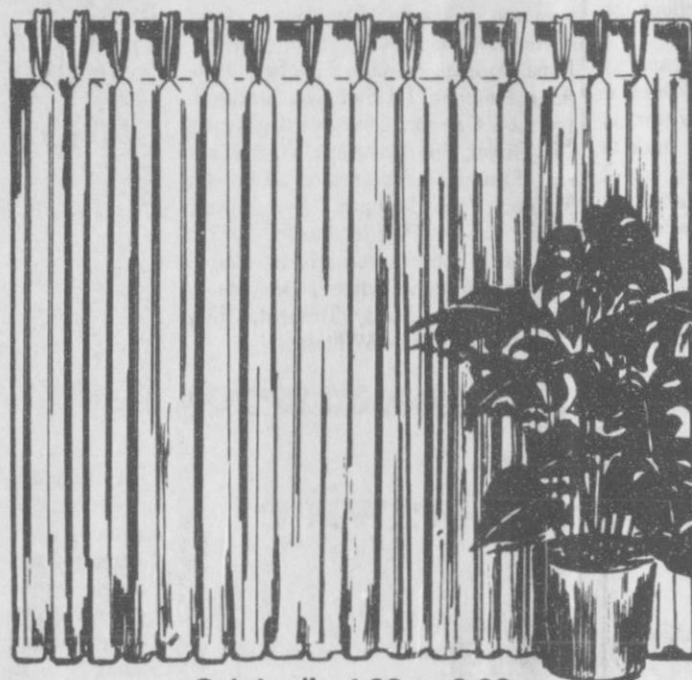
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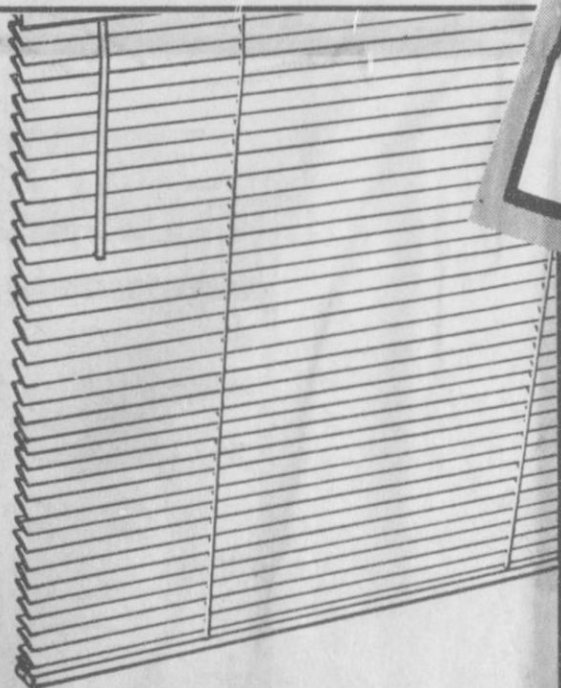
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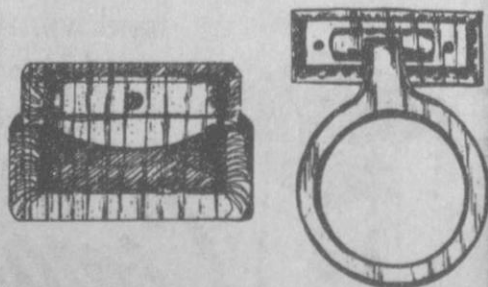
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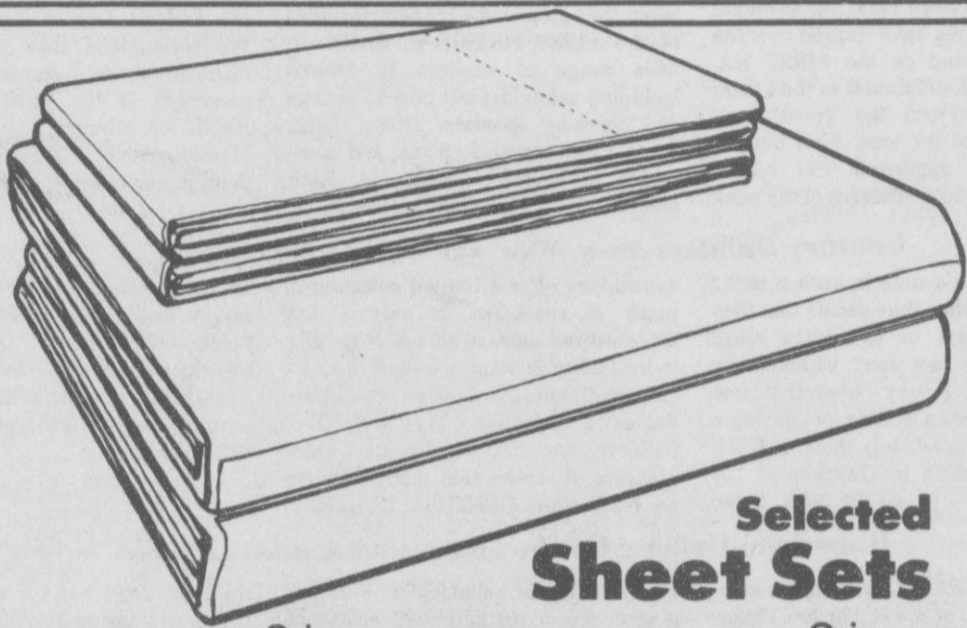
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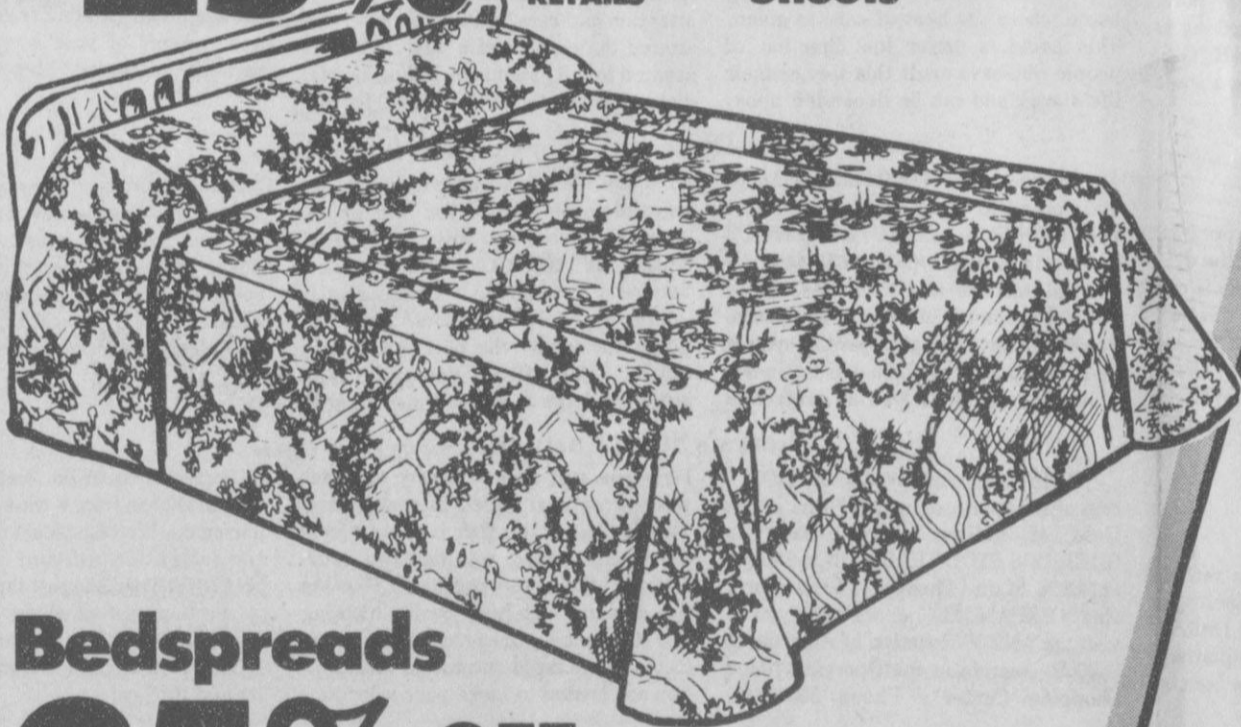
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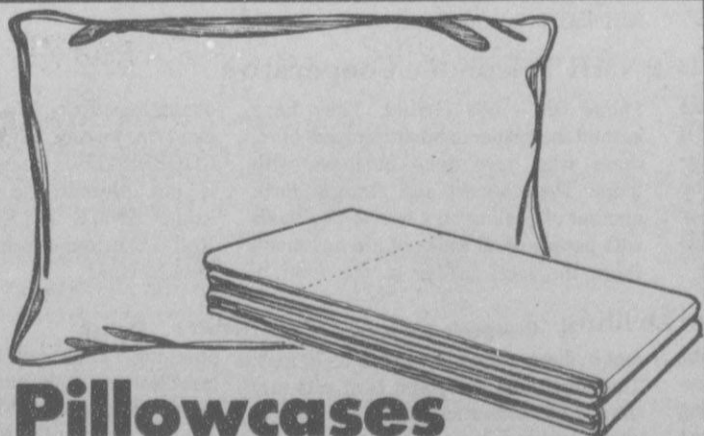
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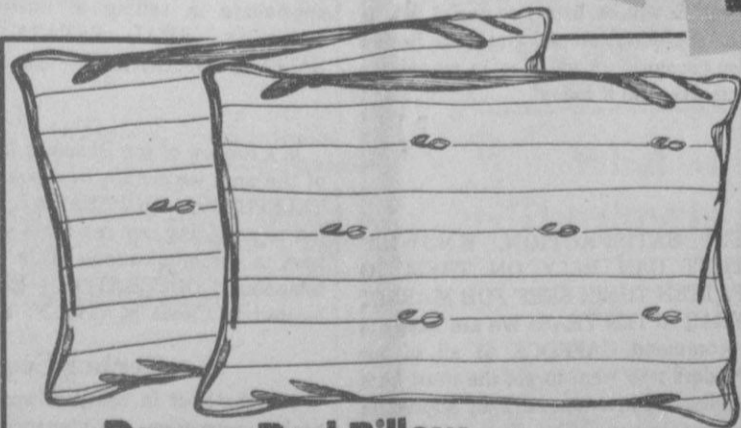
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Mini-Concert Saturday



Amber Pennington

Amber Pennington, seven year old singing sensation from Sinnott will be giving a mini-concert Saturday, June 7th, at the Spearman Celebration.

Amber has been featured recently on Channel 4, Channel 7, and Channel 10 news stations, as well as having made her national cable television debut on the Nashville Network. Amber is one of the youngest members of the Country Music Association and of the Country Music Revue Association in Ft. Worth. She is the Entertainer of the Year-16 yrs. & under for the Johnnie High Country Music Revue in Ft. Worth. She also currently holds the title of "America's Talent" on the preliminary level for Kids of America. Amber has the distinction of being one of the youngest people to sing the National Anthem at a major league ball game. She has sung

the Anthem for the Houston Astros games, as well as the largest rodeo in the world, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. Amber will be guest entertainer in Ft. Worth on July 5th for the Miss Texas Preview Show. She is also scheduled to open for Mo Bandy at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo on September 18th, and will return to the Houston Astrodome on September 28th as guest Anthem singer by special invitation of the Houston Oilers management.

Everyone is invited to come hear Amber in concert on Saturday and to come by her "Popcorn Ball" booth. She is working very hard to raise funds that will enable her to continue to travel, perform, and represent our Texas Panhandle area. All Donations are gladly accepted and greatly appreciated.

Ol Doc's Comments

As the end of the school year arrives, many horse owners will once again hit the trail. It may be rodeos, playdays, horse shows, endurance contests, gathering cattle, trail rides or just riding around your own neighborhood. It is not uncommon for many horses to be idle through the winter while school is in session, and those same horses be very active through the summer months.

If your horse will soon be doubling his workload, you should do your best so that your horse can do his best.

Things to consider are nutrition, current vaccinations, deworming, care while trailering, and care before and after heavy exercise.

Nutritional requirements of a horse under heavy use can be almost twice that of a non-active equine. Roughage, which is clean and of high quality, should be fed daily. A roughage such as coastal hay can stimulate intestinal motility and aid in the prevention of some forms of colic. Protein and calorie levels in the concentrate fed may vary. Therefore, adjustments in concentration percent and amount fed should be made routinely to achieve the desired result. Slowly adjusting the amount of concentrate fed in proportion to the amount of exercise your horse gets can be one way of maintaining proper weight and hair coat.

An important part of any equine diet is water. Most people don't enjoy drinking stagnant or dirty water and neither does your horse. Routine cleaning of water troughs can aid in proper nutrition and prevention in the spread of disease.

Vitamin and mineral additives can be of benefit when used properly. Your veterinarian should be able to recommend a basic nutritional program for your horse during both active and inactive months.

Proper mastication or chewing of food greatly helps your horse to receive maximum nutritional benefit from the ration fed. Dental care, such as floating the teeth, may be needed to insure

proper grinding of food by your horse.

Before traveling to events where strange horses are in contact with each other, annual vaccinations should be given. Depending on where you live, your veterinarian may vary his recommendation for inoculations. A basic program may include VEWT, Influenza, and Rabies vaccinations. VEWT (Venezuelan, Eastern and Western Encephalomyelitis plus Tetanus Toxoid) is commonly referred to as a sleeping sickness and tetanus combination shot. The Influenza vaccine helps to protect against one of the respiratory diseases that horses might contract when exposed to those with the disease. Rabies is a deadly viral disease which can infect any warm blooded mammal including horses and man.

While visiting your veterinarian, you may also want to request a health certificate and a Coggins test. A Coggins test detects ELA (Equine Infectious Anemia) which is a disease spread by biting flies. Many equine event committees will require your horse to have a negative Coggins test as well as a current health paper to be eligible to participate in their equine activity.

Parasite control requirements will vary with stable or pasture conditions. In general, the more concentrated the

horse population or the smaller the area where a horse is kept will result in a more frequent need for deworming. An annual plan with set scheduled dates to deworm should be put in writing and marked on your calendar. Your veterinarian can help you assess both the need of frequency for deworming and which particular anthelmintic drugs to use at different times of the year.

When moving a horse by trailer a little forethought and planning can make the trip much more enjoyable for both your horse and you. First, if your horse is inexperienced in loading into a trailer, you should practice loading and unloading at home. Several days of such practice might prevent delays and possible injury to an inexperienced animal on the day you have an activity to haul your horse to.

Leg wraps can help prevent damage to the lower extremities of your horse. Rubber hoof covers might be considered for both hauling in a trailer and riding on hard surfaces such as asphalt pavement during a parade.

Stopping every three to four hours on long trips to unload your horse and let him stretch out will make the trip easier for your equine.

If you park the trailer when the horse will remain inside, such as at a restaurant during lunch, try your best to

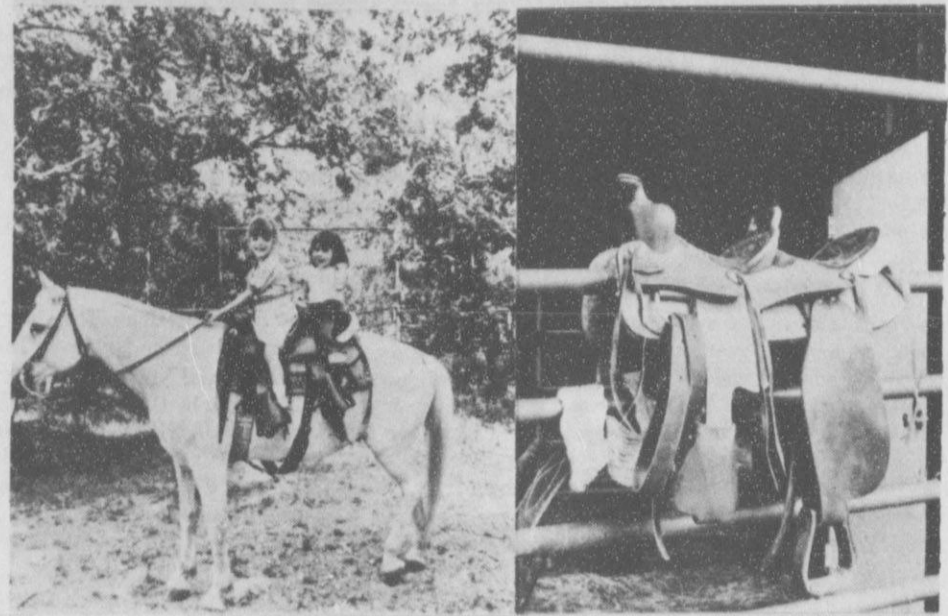
leave the trailer in the shade. Also, remember to allow proper air ventilation by opening windows and air vents.

When your trailer is in motion, please drive carefully and smoothly. Avoid quick stops and starts. Slow down for sharp curves and turns.

When heavy exercise is planned, a slow warm up period before and a slow cool down period after is advised. A warm up can prevent pulled muscles and will usually aid your horse to do better in a strenuous event. A cool down period will aid in the prevention of laminitis (founder), muscle soreness and some respiratory diseases.

Finally, I wish to say that a little "horse sense" and planning ahead can make your horse activities more enjoyable for both you and your horse.

Gary Lackey, DVM



About the double saddle: It was made at my request to celebrate the birth of my twin children, Brazos and Dana.

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Spider



Brown Recluse (Fiddleback) Spider

From The Perryton Herald

Gay Lyn Kile found out the hard way just how painful the bite of a brown recluse spider can be.

She woke up Tuesday, May 6 with a sore leg, but didn't think much about it. She went on to work, but during the day the leg began to hurt even more. After a visit to her doctor, he said it looked like a blood vessel had broken. Later that evening, the pain became so tremendous, that she returned to the doctor the next morning.

He determined it was some kind of insect bite and gave her antibiotics and painkillers, but by Friday her calf had turned brown, purple, and black with a ring around it. Her doctor then sent her to Dr. Steve Urban in Amarillo for treatment.

By a lucky coincidence, a doctor from Vanderbilt University had spoken in Amarillo on the subject of brown recluse spider bites last year, and Urban, who had helped sponsor the talk, recognized the signs immediately. Gay was given a new medicine, Dapsone, which has been effective in treating the bites, along with a painkiller, and sent home.

By the next Friday she had begun vomiting and experiencing unbearable pain. After calling Dr. Urban, her husband took her to Amarillo, where she was admitted to High Plains Baptist Hospital. On Saturday, a team of doctors decided they needed to do surgery to remove the dead skin, which was a result of the bite. The damage penetrated all three layers of her skin, and went clear to the muscle.

After the layers of skin and fatty tissue were removed, the surgeons grafted a piece of her skin from her thigh into the wound. Gay spent 11 days in the Amarillo hospital before finally returning home.

But her ordeal is far from over. The spider's toxin also made her anemic, and did some damage to her liver. She is also taking therapy on her leg, and is now walking with the aid of a walker. She can only tolerate doing the therapy for a short time right now, but hopes she will be walking without the walker by the end of next week.

She believes the spider bit her in bed during the night.

Gay is one of the estimated 50-100 Texans seriously bitten by brown recluse spiders each year. Another 500-1,000 non-serious bites are also estimated. A rather unassuming creature, as compared with a tarantula, the brown recluse nonetheless has venom more potent than a cobra or other snake venoms. Fortunately, it can only inject a small amount.

Distinguished by the violin-shaped spot on his back, the spider is usually found under stones or in tree trunks outside, and indoors can be found in undisturbed closets, drawers, and under furniture, sometimes in bedding. They can live a long time without food or water, and have probably been carried from its native home in the south central United States to other parts of the country in shipping crates and boxes.

The venom from the spider destroys blood vessel walls and local tissue surrounding the bite, literally killing the skin. The bite is exceedingly venomous, and affects both the nervous system and the blood stream.

Symptoms appear within 6-8 hours after the bite, with inflammations and tenderness at the site of the bite. After 12-24 hours, the victim experiences high fever, chills, and sometimes nausea and vomiting. Thirty-six hours after being bitten, the victim may have a measles-like rash, and after two days, the skin around the bite turns white, and the death of the skin cells begins.

The pain becomes so excruciating, as Gay can testify, that

even narcotics may not give relief. Bites are rare, however, and usually occur when the spider is trapped in sheets or blankets, or cornered in some way.

Dr. Claude Betty, new county health officer, said his clinic sees about four or five people a year who are bitten by brown recluse spiders. There are all degrees of severity, he said, although to his knowledge no one else locally has had the severe problems Gay had.

About the only first aid for such a bite, Betty said, is to apply an ice pack. Usually the person doesn't know when it happens, he said, and it's not until a few hours later when the symptoms are noticeable. Treatments for the bites include antibiotics, either orally, or by shots and topical ointments.

Dr. John Phillips, who initially treated Gay, said he has seen four persons in the six years he has been here that he is sure were bitten by brown recluses. The severity of the reaction to the venom, he said, depends on the person's own immune system, where they are bitten, and how much venom was injected.

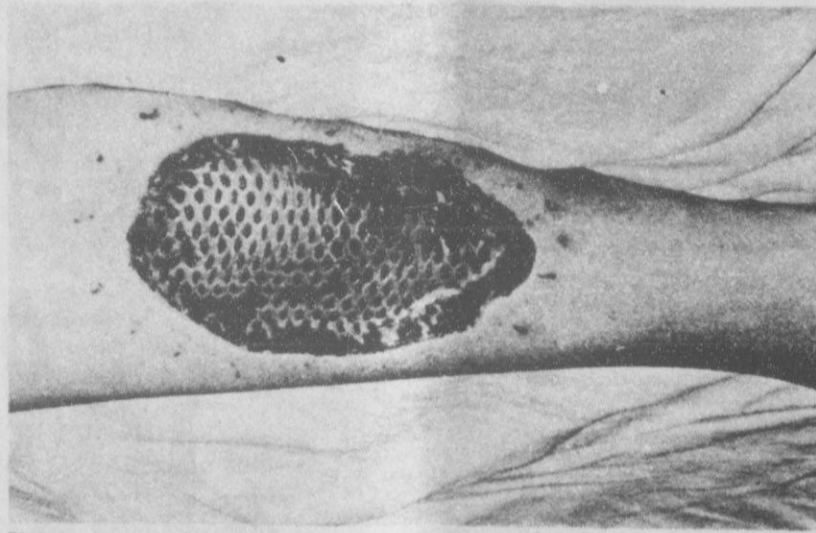
Phillips added that he sees many more rattlesnake bites between five and eight, a year, than he does brown recluse bites. He also doesn't feel the brown recluses are in epidemic proportions in the area. "You have to hunt far and wide for them," he said.

Gay is at home now, and probably won't return to her job as a teller at First National Bank until July. She is also having her house sprayed again.

In a rather bizarre coincidence, Gay's mother, Wilma Gipson, was visiting in Florida, and flew home immediately upon learning Gay was going to have surgery. Gay's father, Frank, was in Perryton helping take care of her. Sitting next to her on the flight from Dallas to Amarillo, a young man was in the assigned seat next to her. He said he was flying to Amarillo because his sister had just been bit-

ten by a brown recluse spider, and was in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Mrs. Gipson kept in touch with the young man while he was in Amarillo.

"I'll be glad when a few more weeks pass and it's over," Gay said. "I've had two cesarean sections and a broken kneecap. I thought that was painful, but not compared to this."



SPIDER BITE — This photo shows the severity of the damage done by the brown recluse spider bite Gay Kile received almost a month ago. The webbing in the center is the skin grafting, applied following surgery to remove the dead skin layers caused by the toxin. Gay is now doing therapy to regain full use of her leg.

NOTES --- COMMENTS

Tolerance is the key to peace of mind.

The half-truth is more dangerous than the big lie.

Carol Hergert New Director

Carol Hergert, the new Director of Nursing at Hansford Manor, has been a long time resident of Spearman. Carol and her parents moved to Spearman when Carol was 4 years old.

Carol graduated from Spearman High School in 1971. She attended Texas Women's University for two years and Texas Christian University where she earned her bachelor degree in science and nursing. Carol is a registered nurse, and has worked at Hansford Hospital for three years.

She was married to Donald N. Hergert in 1977.

At her new position, Carol is in

charge of the residents, staff and general management of Hansford Manor.

Carol wishes to continue the Manor's superior rating with efficient nurses and housekeeping staffs.

WASHINGTON REPORT

Dole's Star-Bush's Appeal-Loyal Twosome-Dole & Hollings-

WASHINGTON, D.C. — There's little doubt that Bob Dole, Senate Majority Leader, is getting increasing consideration as the possible G.O.P. presidential nominee two years from now.

That may not be enough to derail George Bush. But there is fear among a considerable number of Republicans that Bush isn't the strongest vote getter the party can nominate.

Dole has done a fine job as Majority Leader. He helped get much of the president's tax reduction through Congress, he has differed with the White House but his voting record is the most loyal of all G.O.P. senators.

He helped mightily in getting a tax reform bill out of a senate committee so that it might become law. He works hard, is tough, would have done more to reduce the deficit than President Reagan has done and can produce a laugh on just about any occasion.

In short, he has improved his political appeal considerably since he ran poorly in the 1980 presidential primaries.

One veteran Washington Republican insider recently predicted he would beat

out George Bush for the nomination because of a fear Bush might not win a national election. But Dole faces a very high hurdle; Bush expects to have the backing of the president and is apparently the heir-apparent. Many will hesitate to rock the boat, and lose the Reagan-White House connection.

On the Democratic side, that party's Bob Dole is Fritz Hollings. Hollings, like Dole, talks tough, works hard and is tough. He also has a sharp wit. Moreover, he's a southerner, and many believe the Democrats can only win in 1988 with a southerner.

Hollings did poorly in his last nomination bid, like Dole. But he is a longtime senate veteran, looks like a president, is a specialist on the economy, widely respected by his colleagues and a defense expert. These are perfect qualifications.

The party and its faithful passed Hollings up once and may do so again, but he might be the party's strongest candidate in 1988, just as Dole might be his party's strongest vote getter. Getting their party's nominations is their problem.

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