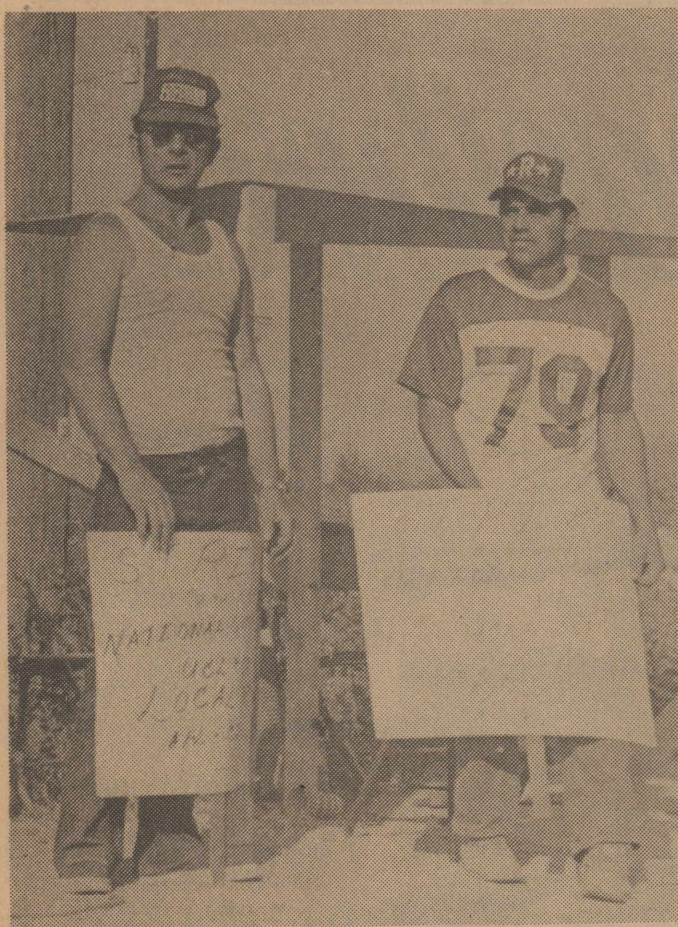




A NEW EXPERIENCE: The task of manning the picket line is a new experience for many of the gypsum union workers. The last gypsum strike was back in 1959. Pictured, left to right, Calvin Neves and Louis Carrillo.

Editorial Comment

By Kim Pease

The Strike

The 122 striking National Gypsum union employees rejected the final offer for a contract settlement and voted to go out on strike.

It may be an appropriate time to sit back and assess the impact of this group of gypmills with reference to what they do for Fisher County.

Assuming that every one of the 122 men made \$50.00 a day, 5 days a week—that's \$250.00 a week which amounts to approximately \$30,000.00 they pump into the economy of Fisher County every week.

It goes without saying that they are a very valuable part of the continued existence of this area.

They rejected the contract offer because they felt it was not the proper proposal that they could—in good conscience—live with and work under.

As neighbors and friends of these 122 men, this community should attempt to understand their plight.

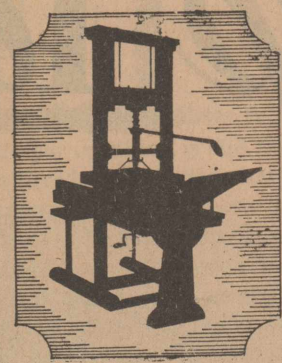
In the same light—National Gypsum Company made what they felt was a fair and just offer. They came to Rotan back in 1924 and have been great for our communi-

ty. They pay taxes, support projects, donate their time and labor when needed, and not only provide a place for the 122 union members to earn a living, but employ a host of salaried men that pump un-countable dollars back into our local economy.

It would do us all well to keep our comments to ourselves with respect to who is right and who is wrong concerning the contract dispute.

At some time in the future this strike will be settled. It will not last forever. When it is settled, and things get back to normal, let's hope that as a community we learn not only to appreciate the union employees a little more but also the company that has been quietly nestled in the shadows of the Double Mountains for the past 53 years.

I am reminded of an old Indian saying, "Don't criticize a man until you've walked for a mile in his shoes". We should remember that the union employees and the National Gypsum Company are our friends and leave the contract settlement up to the Federal Mediators.



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Second Gypsum Strike Since 1924

UNION EMPLOYEES VOTE STRIKE, COMPANY MEN ARE MAKING BOARD

The 122 members of the United Cement, Lime and Gypsum Workers Union, Local No. 74 voted to strike the Gold Bond Building Products division of National Gypsum Company after the company's proposal of an 80 cents raise over a two year period was rejected last Friday afternoon.

The company notified union members that it intends to continue to operate the Rotan plant. Local salaried employees, some non-union summer help and somewhere between 30 and 40 salaried employees from other National Gypsum Plants began efforts to put the mill back into production last Tuesday morning. The local mill was closed by local union members at 7:00 a.m. July 1, 1977.

The union members rejected the company's offer which consisted of: (a) a 40 cents per hour salary increase during the period July 1977-1978 and an additional 40 cents increase for 1978-1979; (b) a bracketing system where some 86 local union members would reap from 1 cent to 3 cents per hour in addition to the first year's

wage increase; (c) a 2 cents per hour shift differential for the 2nd and 3rd shifts; (d) an increase from \$6.25 to \$7.50 in the pension retirement multiplier; (e) an additional paid holiday; (f) increased laboratory and x-ray insurance benefits; (g) increased accident and sickness coverage from \$75.00 to \$85.00 per week; (h) an increase in major medical insurance coverage from \$20,000 to \$30,000; (i) an increase in the minimum disability pension from \$50.00 to \$100.00; (j) allowing employees credit for up to 40 years of service for pensions in place of the current 35 years; (k) to include the laminate department in payment of shift differential (l) to provide double time for working on all kiln zones while running; (m) to provide a revised system to assign jobs which were not bid, which takes seniority into account.

The 13 point proposal by the company took into account improvements in wages, benefits, and working conditions, and according to J.A. Houston, in a letter to all union employees, "(is) comparable to other gypsum industry settlements, and

represents a significant advance for our employees". He also added that the offer made by the company, "will keep the Rotan plant competitive with other area gypsum plants".

The area of wage increases is believed to be one of the prime reasons local employees elected to go out on strike. One employee indicated that Shoals, Indiana recently settled with the

company for a package that amounted to approximately \$1.04 in wage and fringe benefits. Union negotiators have supposedly placed a value of 92 cents on the total package offered local union workers. It is also believed that the plant at Phoenix, Arizona recently settled their contract for an amount in the vicinity of \$1.00 in wage and fringe benefits.

Another area of contention for the union is believed to be employee safety. Just what specific safety defects are in dispute are known only to union members and company management personnel.

A neighboring gypsum plant, not owned and operated by National Gypsum, in the Sweetwater area is manned by non-union employees and has a lower base pay scale than what has been offered local union members.

Negotiations to settle on a new contract ended at approximately 3:00 p.m. Thursday, June 30. Union employees met at the Rotan Community Center at 3:30 and voted by secret ballot to reject the company's 13 point offer.

Franklin (Sonny) White, local president of the union, said last Sunday morning that he was waiting for a call to begin further negotiations on a new contract. With regards to the negotiations though, he said, "Its all up to Buffalo, we really don't

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Picket Line Is Removed From Brazos Location

The picket line in front of Brazos Transport was pulled at approximately 7:00 a.m. last Tuesday morning.

Union officials called an end to the picket line after all trucks (approximately 26 loads) departed for scheduled delivery.

Union president, Franklin (Sonny) White said, "We'll re-establish the picket line as soon as Gold Bond products are loaded and placed in the Brazos yard."

Union officials said that they were not picketing Brazos, just the National Gypsum product loaded on the Brazos trucks.

Labor, Management At Contract Standstill

Management officials at National Gypsum Company and union leaders of the United Cement, Lime and Gypsum Workers International Union-Local Union No. 74 appear deadlocked over negotiations to settle the strike that will have lasted a week at 7:00 a.m. Friday, July 8.

In a letter to union workers, Rotan Plant Manager, Allan Houston, said, "It is my sincere belief that a contract should be signed as soon as possible. The company has made every effort to provide the substantial increases noted . . . and I feel it is now up to you (the worker) to decide to come back to work."

Local Union president,

Franklin (Sonny) White in an interview said, "We are waiting for a call to begin further negotiations on a new contract."

It appears that National Gypsum has taken positive steps to continue local plant operations with the calling of approximately 30-40 salaried employees from other plants to Rotan.

At 7:15 a.m. last Tuesday morning the union picketers in front of the plant entrance heard the familiar sound of the rock crusher start up as production began.

It is assumed that the Federal Mediator will be needed to get company and labor leaders started in serious contract negotiations.

Gyp Company Imports Salaried Mill Employees

National Gypsum Company local plant manager Allan Houston, in a letter to all employees dated July 1,

1977, indicated that the company intended to operate the local plant during the strike by union laborers.

Salaried company employees began arriving from other National Gypsum plants last Tuesday morning. A larger group reported to work at 8:00 a.m., last Wednesday morning.

Although management officials refused to comment on the exact number of salaried employees that were being sent to Rotan, it is believed that the number will be in the neighborhood of 30 to 40.

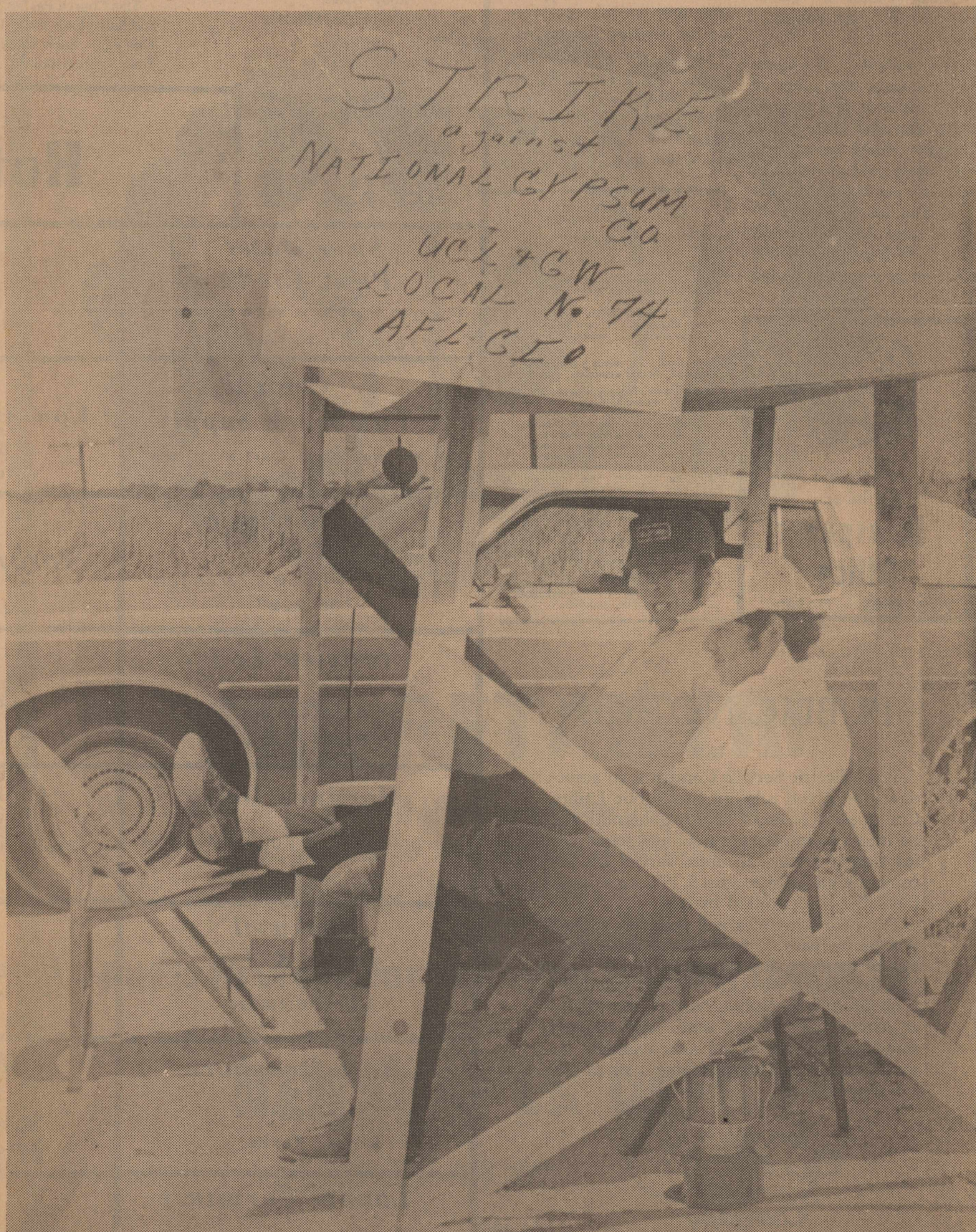
A block of 20 rooms have been reserved for National Gypsum employees at the Holiday Inn in Sweetwater.

Local salaried employees, together with a small group of hourly paid non-union summer helpers, began steps to reach full production last Tuesday morning.

Approximately 21 Brazos Transport trailers were loaded with gypsum board last weekend. The loads were scheduled for delivery last Tuesday morning.

In years past, salaried employees from the Rotan plant have been called upon to report to other National Gypsum Plants, when labor disputes have surfaced. Their length of stay has varied from a few days to as long as a year at one location.

Some of the closer sister plants that could be sending salaried employees to the local plant include: Westwego, Louisiana, Phoenix, Arizona, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, St. Louis, Missouri, Shoals, Indiana, and Kalamazoo, Michigan.



PRIMARY PICKET POINT: Two National Gypsum union employees, Ricky Montez, front, and Julian Montez, back, man the picket location in front of National Gypsum's plant

south of Rotan. The picketers are pulling four hour shifts around the clock on the picket line.



BRAZOS FLEET: The National Gypsum strike is expected to affect the Brazos

terminal to some extent. Drivers, however, are making delivery as scheduled.



NATIONAL GYPSUM PLANT: Salaried National Gypsum employees began steps to reach full production last Tuesday

morning in their attempt to produce gypsum products during union strike.

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negotiate locally, its done with Buffalo."

Picket lines were established at the entrance to the Gypsum plant at 7:00 last Friday morning.

Sometime last Saturday the local union, after consultation with their union lawyer in Dallas, set up an additional picket directly in front of the Brazos Transport truck terminal. The picket sign posted at Brazos read, "On Strike With National Gypsum Company-No Dispute With Any Other Employee". White said that the union members were picketing the National Gypsum Product, not the Brazos fleet of trucks.

There was one minor incident at one picket location during the first 72 hours that caused some concern within the union, but on the whole things were peaceful and orderly.

President White indicated that he "didn't expect any trouble-everyone has been very cooperative".

One independent truck driver from a San Antonio lumber yard pulled up to the picket line last Friday, intending to load gypsum board at the local plant. When union pickets explained that they were on strike, he headed back to San Antonio with an empty rig.

Brazos drivers had a total of 26 loads scheduled for delivery last Tuesday morning. The gypsum was loaded by employees at the local plant on trucks that were driven to the plant by salaried employees of Brazos Transport.

Brazos drivers are said to be honoring the picket line at the National Gypsum plant. They are, however, delivering loads as scheduled from the Brazos Transport yard.

In a telephone conversation last Monday afternoon Glenn Ranier, local manager of the Brazos Transport Terminal, he indicated that Brazos drivers were not violating any picket by delivering the loads as scheduled. The picket line set up in front of the Brazos terminal is there to "picket the product", said Ranier.

The salaries of union workers range from a low of \$4.42 per hour to a high of \$5.16. The offer made by the company would have given the lowest paid employee a 40 cents per hour raise this year and an additional 40 cents raise for the period July 1, 1978 to July 1, 1979. The bottom employee on the

pay scale would have been drawing \$5.22 per hour with the highest paid hour employee receiving \$5.91 during the second year of the contract, had it been accepted. Overtime, shift differential allowances, paid hospitalization benefits, accident and sickness benefits, and pension allowances are benefits received over and above the base salary allowances.

The last strike by National Gypsum employees was on July 1, 1959 and lasted about 10 days. Contracts were renewed on a yearly basis in 1959 and the Rotan union employees were cooperating with other unions in an effort to get all contracts at all National Gypsum plants to come due on the same date. The attempt at collective bargaining failed when one northeastern plant settled and local employees were forced to accept a small per hour raise in order to settle the contract disputes.

Local union employees were instrumental in 1959 and 1961 in implementing a company wide retirement pension plan for union gypsum workers. A plan began on January 1, 1962 calling for National Gypsum to pay \$1.00 a month for each year of service to employees as a retirement pension plan. In July of 1976 the computation figure was raised from \$5.00 a month for each year of service to \$6.25 a month. The company offered to increase the amount to \$7.50 at their last bargaining session.

It is estimated that the local economy will suffer to the tune of approximately \$30,000 a week while the gypsum employees are on strike.

The 58 Brazos Transport drivers that headquarter and operate out of the Rotan terminal, and pump a sizeable amount of dollars back into the local economy, will also be affected by the strike.

Rotan Plant manager Allan Houston, in a recent interview, said, "We have made a fair and complete offer to the union, representing the striking employees. With the continued assistance of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, I hope that the strike will be brought to a fair conclusion soon."

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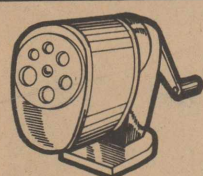
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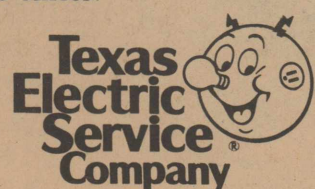
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Worship-11:00 a.m.



Pouring Back The Ocean

I once met a man with a magnificent philosophy of life. He believed very simply that life should be concentrated on trying to give back what we gain.

Our problem seems to be that so much of our time and effort has to be devoted to gaining, that we have little incentive for returning what we work so hard to acquire.

When my daughter poured a bucket of water back into the ocean I began thinking about our churches. They seem to preach my friend's philosophy.

As a matter of fact, that's where he learned it . . .
From God!

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Little League Yankees Win Title, Pirates 2nd

The Little League race for second place was finally won by the Pirates with a season record of 9 wins and 8 losses. The Rebels finished in third place with a 8-10 record. The Vets were 2-16 for the season and the championship was won by the Yankees with a 16-1 season record.

In the final three games of the season, the Pirates

defeated the Vets on June 28 by a score of 6-2. Sammy Turner was the winning pitcher and Rudy Garza was the loser. He was relieved by Dennis Warren in the 5th inning.

Robby King of the Pirates had an inside the park homerun to take batting honors. Other Pirates getting hits were Joel King a single,

Sammy Turner two singles, Steve Ortega a single, and Joseph Hernandez a single. Chad Terry had a double.

For the Vets a total of 5 singles were recorded. Lyndell Martin had two, while Dennis Warren, Nyle Field and Rudy Garza each had one single.

In the final game of the year the Rebels defeated the Vets by a score of 7 to 5. Joe Carreon and Weldon Hayes each had triples for the Rebels. Other Rebels getting hits were Lance Green, Joe Carreon, Larry Ramirez, Weldon Hayes and Rodney Pearson.

For the Vets Lyndell Martin had a single, Dennis Warren a triple, Nyle Field a double and Rudy Garza a single.

The Yankees defeated the Pirates 12-2 in the second half of the season ending double header. Joseph Cabrera was the winner and Sammy Turner the loser.

Ricky Gibson had 2 singles, and a triple; Henry Williams had a triple; Greg Mitchell had 2 singles as did Greg Gruben. Randy Martinez and Rolando Ramon each had singles.

A total of 4 hits were recorded for the Pirates. Robby King had a triple, Kevin Copeland had 2 singles and Sammy Turner had a single.



Lisa Hale

Lisa Hale Receives U.T. Scholarship

Lisa Hale has been awarded a \$1,250 Houston Endowment Scholarship to the University of Texas at Austin. The scholarship was presented on the basis of outstanding achievement in U.I.L. State competition in speech and drama while a student at Rotan High School.

Lisa is attending the first summer session at UTA and will enroll this fall with a major in drama education. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy D. Hale of Rt. 2, Rotan.

Weems Family To Hold Reunion

The Weems family reunion will be held Sunday, July 10, at the Community Center in Rotan.

All friends and family members are invited to attend and bring a covered dish.

Annual Turnbull Reunion

The annual Turnbull family reunion will be held at the Northeast Community Center between Camp Springs and Snyder, July 9th and 10th.

This is the second weekend in July.

Rotan City Council To Hold Public Meet

The Rotan City Council will hold a public meeting next Tuesday night at 7:30 for the purpose of hearing suggestions on how to spend the approximately \$17,500 in Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, according to City Manager Kenneth Vann.

Vann indicated that the

public is invited and encouraged to attend the meeting. "We want to get as much input as possible from the community on their suggestions concerning the expenditure of revenue sharing funds", commented Lester Sescil, Rotan Mayor.

The Mayor indicated that Vann, at the last Rotan City Council meeting, suggested that the entire \$17,500 be spent to purchase a new garbage collection truck.

In that meeting Vann said, "Our present truck is worn out, it needs a new engine, the body has been used for 14 years and this makes the fourth truck that the packer has been under."

Vann estimated that the new packer and truck would cost in the vicinity of \$19,000.00.

County 4-H Record Books Due July 11

4-H Record Books will be due in the County Extension Office July 11. 4-H members must turn in a record book to be eligible to attend the 4-H Awards Banquet.

District 4-H Record Book judging will be held July 26 in Vernon.

Dr. C. Mills Joins Abilene Clinic Staff

Dr. Craig Mills of Houston has joined the staff of the Perkins Chiropractic Center of 1726 N. Third Street, in Abilene. Dr. Mills is a graduate of the Texas Chiropractic College of Pasadena, Texas, where he was recognized as the outstanding intern of his class. He also received a commendation for his service with and interest in the handicapped children.

Dr. Mills is a Diplomate of the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners and is a member of the Texas Chiropractic Association. He was a founding father of the Pi Kappa Chi Fraternity of the school and served as a board member of the organization. During his senior year, he was in charge of the school laboratory. He also did public relations work for the college in the area of posture analysis in the various shopping centers of Houston.

Before beginning his four years of professional training in Pasadena, he attended Texas Tech in Lubbock and the University of Houston in Houston. Following his graduation in 1976, he established a practice in Houston. Dr. Mills indicated that one of the joys of this practice was his work in pediatrics. He has had special training in Kinesiology and the Gonstead Technique.

Dr. Mills brings with him his wife, Linda, and their two young daughters, Kari Jo and Kathryn JoAnn. They will be living at 618 Briarwood in Abilene. They are members of the Baptist Church. Among the family hobbies are sailing in their boat, automechanics, golfing, tennis and softball.



Craig Mills

4-H Has Different Meaning To People

4-H, the youth program of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, means different things to different people.

To parents, 4-H is an opportunity for their children to associate with other children in a wholesome atmosphere, a chance for them to work with other adults, and an organization where youth take some responsibility for their own behavior. To young people, 4-H is a place to learn, have fun, and associate with kids their own age.

To volunteer leaders, 4-H is an opportunity to help young people and contribute to their community.

To the professional staff of the Texas Agricultural Ex-

tension Service, 4-H is youth development. That is, the purpose of 4-H is to help young people grow and develop along physical, social, mental, emotional and vocational lines. This is accomplished by consciously designed programs that contribute to the learning of young people in each of these areas. In 4-H, youth development is accomplished through adult-led learning groups.

J. Neighbors Trial At A Deadlock

A trial involving John Neighbors of Rotan, the subject that allegedly pulled a weapon on Deputy Sheriff Randy King as he attempted to serve civil papers on him, hopelessly deadlocked in a hung jury last Thursday in District Court in Roby.

Visiting District Judge Waylon Holt, of Snyder, sitting on the bench in the absence of Judge Weldon Kirk, re-scheduled a new trial for August.

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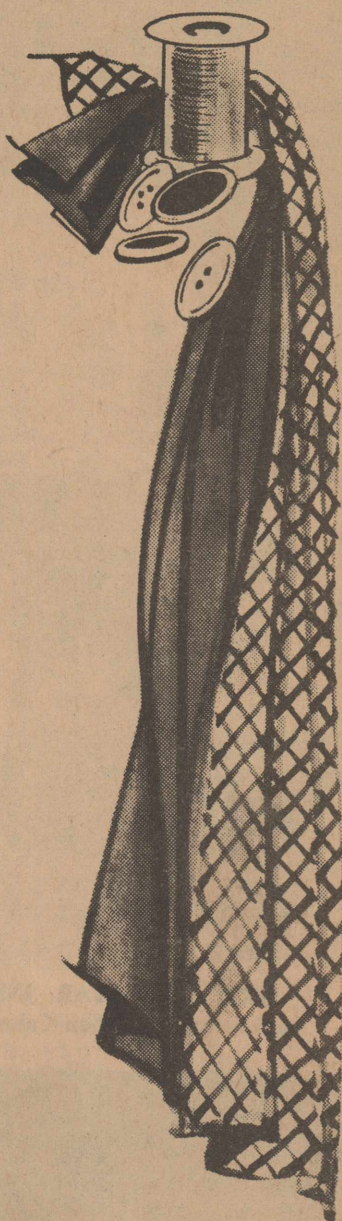
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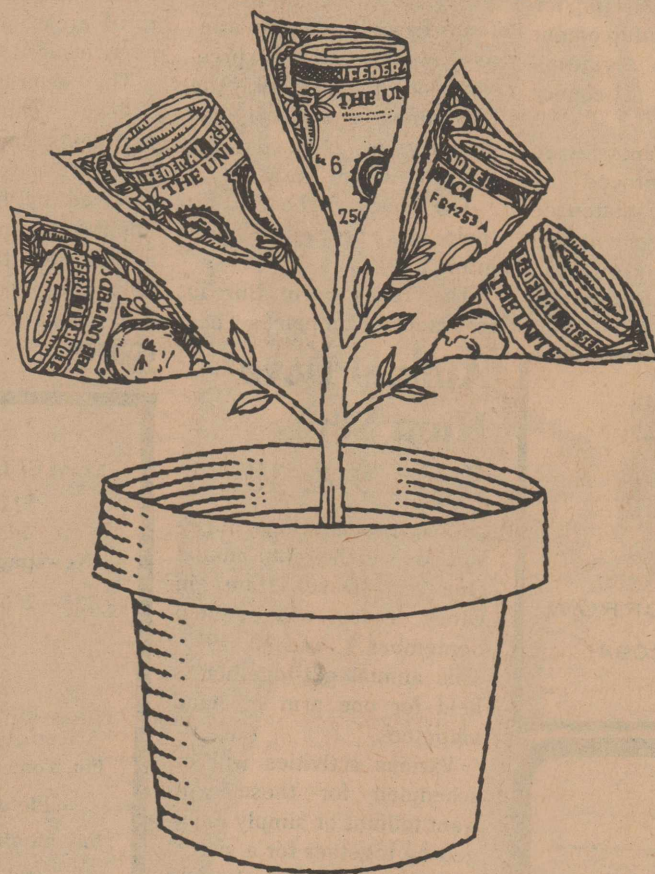
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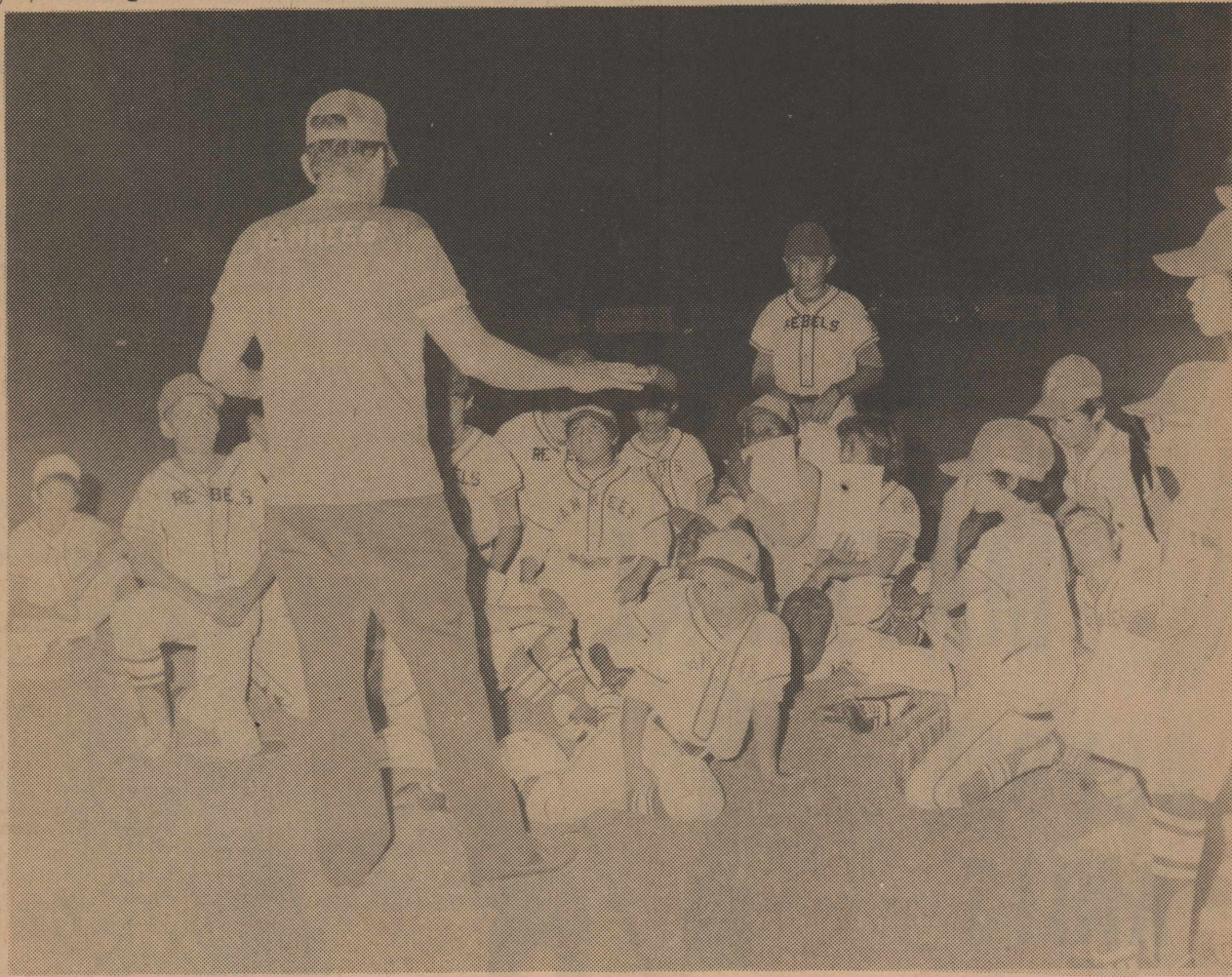


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FIRST ALL STAR INSTRUCTIONS: Yankee coach, Ruben Cabrera, discusses

Little League All Star rules with the 14 new players just after selections were made.



ALL STARS AND ALTERNATES: A total of 24 Rotan Little League players and alternates will be wearing All Star Hats

Little League President, Dick Evatt, presented certificates of participation to the 14 Little League All Stars for 1977 last Thursday night during the annual announcement ceremonies.

The team consists of 10 players from the 12-year old group and four 11-year old players. The exact same age group make up went into producing the 1976 All Star Team.

For the second year in a row the All Star Team was selected by the players, managers and coaches of the Yankee, Rebel, Vet and Pirate teams. Each of the 13 team players, plus the two coaches and manager had a vote in the selection. No player, coach or manager was allowed to vote for a fellow team member.

Those named to the All

Star team included: Sammy Turner, Henry Williams, Joseph Cabrera, Weldon Hayes, Ricky Gibson, Robby King, Larry Ramirez, Dennis Warren, Lance Green, Kevin Copeland, Gregg Mitchell, Joe Carreon, Gustavo Almanza, and Rolando Ramon.

Cabrera, Mitchell, Gibson and Carreon are 11-year olds, the remaining team members are 12-year old players.

A total of 10 players were named to the All Star alternate post. They include: Joel King, Tony Zambrano,

Julian Montez, Joseph Hernandez, Richie Medrano, Armando Montez, Toby Moore, Carlos Yanez, Lance Greenway, and Lyndell Martin.

The Rotan All Stars will play the winner of the Hamlin-Merkel game on Tuesday, July 19, in Hamlin.

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Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary upon the estate of W.D. Hariman, Deceased, were issued to Willie Marshall Hariman on the 27th day of June, 1977, in Cause No. 2440, in the County Court of Fisher County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby requested to present the same to Willie Marshall Hariman, whose address is c/o Norman Arnett, Attorney at Law, Box 340, Rotan, Texas 79546, within the time prescribed by law.

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Briscoe Approves Criminal Grant

Governor Dolph Briscoe has approved three criminal justice grants affecting Fisher County.

An award of \$22,743 provides prosecution assistance to the district attorney of the 32nd Judicial District which serves Fisher, Nolan and Mitchell counties.

West Central Texas Council of Governments received

two grants, one for \$16,559 and one for \$180,410, for upgrading law enforcement communications systems throughout the 21-county region.

The local grants were among 116 approved by Governor Briscoe statewide from Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) funds under the Crime Control Act of 1976.

Farm Bureau Makes Donation

The Rotan Volunteer Fire Department received a check for \$75.00 recently from Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies as an expression of thanks for the Department's work on the property of D.H. Lovett, Route 1, Rotan, Texas.

The money will be used for their loss prevention program.

The Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies pay

volunteer fire departments this amount when the department works at a fire in rural areas, involving property insured by them.

The Insurance Company believes volunteer fire departments have contributed to reduce the amount of loss involved by fire and more important, to prevent fires. It is their hope this money will help the Rotan Volunteer Fire Department in their program.

Annual Dove Hunt Set Sept. 9 & 10

Congressman Omar Burleson advises the sixth annual One-Arm Dove Hunt in Olney, Texas, will be held September 9, and 10, 1977. This annual get-together is held for one arm or hand amputees.

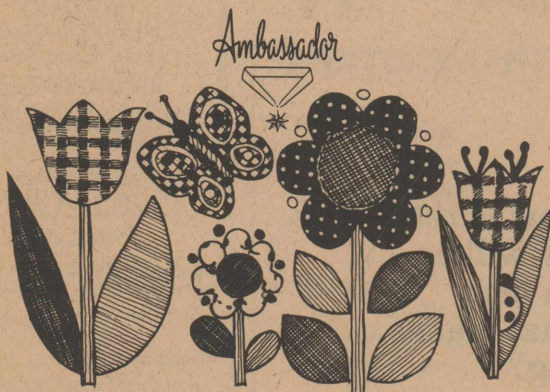
Various activities will be scheduled for those who want to hunt or simply enjoy getting together for a visit.

Anyone desiring further information about this event, may contact Mr. Jack Northrup, Box 582, Olney, Tex. 76374.

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Notice

A public hearing will be held July 12, 1977, at 7:30 a.m. at the Regular meeting of the Rotan City Council meeting, Rotan City Hall.

Purpose—dispersment of 1977 Revenue Sharing monies.

By order of
Lester A. Sencil
Mayor, City of Rotan
20-2tc

Notice to bidders:

The Fisher County Commissioners will accept bids on the construction of a 60 x 30 ft. steel building at their next regular meeting on July 11, 1977. The building will contain two rest rooms, wiring, plumbing, a 5 inch thick concrete floor, two outside steel doors, two storm doors, and be insulated, 12 ft. cabinet with sink, 10 ft. walls, air conditioner.

Information on bids other than what is contained in the notice can be obtained by contacting A.J. Ford or Dwight Lovett.

The contractor will be required to comply with the provisions of the Davis Bacon Act and should acquaint himself with these provisions before submitting a bid on this project.

All bids should be submitted prior to July 11, sent to Fisher County Judge, and be clearly marked steel building bids.

Bids will be opened on July 11, at 10:00 a.m., the Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Dwight Lovett,
County Judge,
Fisher County, Texas
20-2tc

Notice to bidders of County's intentions to let contract for the installation of carpet in Fisher County Courthouse Annex at Roby, Texas.

Sealed proposals addressed to Dwight Lovett, County Judge, Fisher County, Texas, will be received until 10:00 a.m. on the 11th day of July, 1977, at the County Courthouse, for the installation of carpet in the Fisher County Courthouse Annex at Roby, Texas.

Proposals will, at said time, be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor, material, tools, and equipment, and performing all work, required for the completion of this project in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by Lovett, Sellars, McSpedden, and Gober, Architects, San Angelo, Texas.

Any bid received after the above fixed time of receiving bids will be returned unopened.

Bids must be submitted on the prescribed proposal form which is included in the Specifications for this project. The Bidder must supply all the information required by such proposal form and comply with the requirements of the plans and specifications.

Bidders must submit with their bids a Cashier's or Certified Check on a bank satisfactory to the Owner, payable to or endorsed, without recourse to Fisher County, Texas, in the amount of 5 percent of the maximum bid price, or submit a Proposal Bond in the same amount from a reliable Surety Company satisfactory to Fisher County, as a guarantee that the Bidder will enter into a contract and execute the required bonds within ten (10) days after notice of acceptance of his bid and the award of the Contract to him. Bids without Check or Proposal Bond will be not be considered. The checks and proposal bonds of unsuccessful bidders will be returned.

No Performance Bond is required. However the Owner reserves the right to withhold all payment until the work is completed.

One set of plans and specifications be obtained by bonafide prime bidders, upon deposit of \$10.00, at

the office of the Architect, Lovett, Sellars, McSpedden, and Gober, 618 South Abe, San Angelo, Texas 76903. All deposits will be refunded upon the return of plans and specifications promptly and in good condition.

Bidders should carefully examine the plans, specifications, and other documents, visit the site of the work and fully inform themselves as to all conditions and matters which can in any way affect the work or the costs thereof. Should a bidder find discrepancies in, or omissions from, the plans, specifications, or other documents, or should he be in doubt as to their meaning, he should at once notify the Architect and obtain clarification prior to submitting any bid. No bid may be withdrawn for at least thirty (30) days after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids.

All prices must be stated in both script and figures. The County intends to enter into a Contract with the lowest responsible Bidder. The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive formalities. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating the price in the bids, the County reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid.

The Contractor will be required to comply with the provision of the Davis Bacon Act and should acquaint himself with these provisions before submitting a bid on this project. The Contractor must furnish the Certificate of Compliance with the Davis Bacon Act on the appropriate form with the Contract Documents.

Dwight Lovett,

County Judge,
For The Commissioners
Court,
Fisher County, Texas
20-2tc

Notice of Public Hearing on proposed use of Revenue Sharing Funds for the year 1978 will be held in the Commissioners Court room at 10:00 a.m., July 11, 1977. All citizens of Fisher County will have an opportunity to provide oral or written comments on the possible use of these funds.

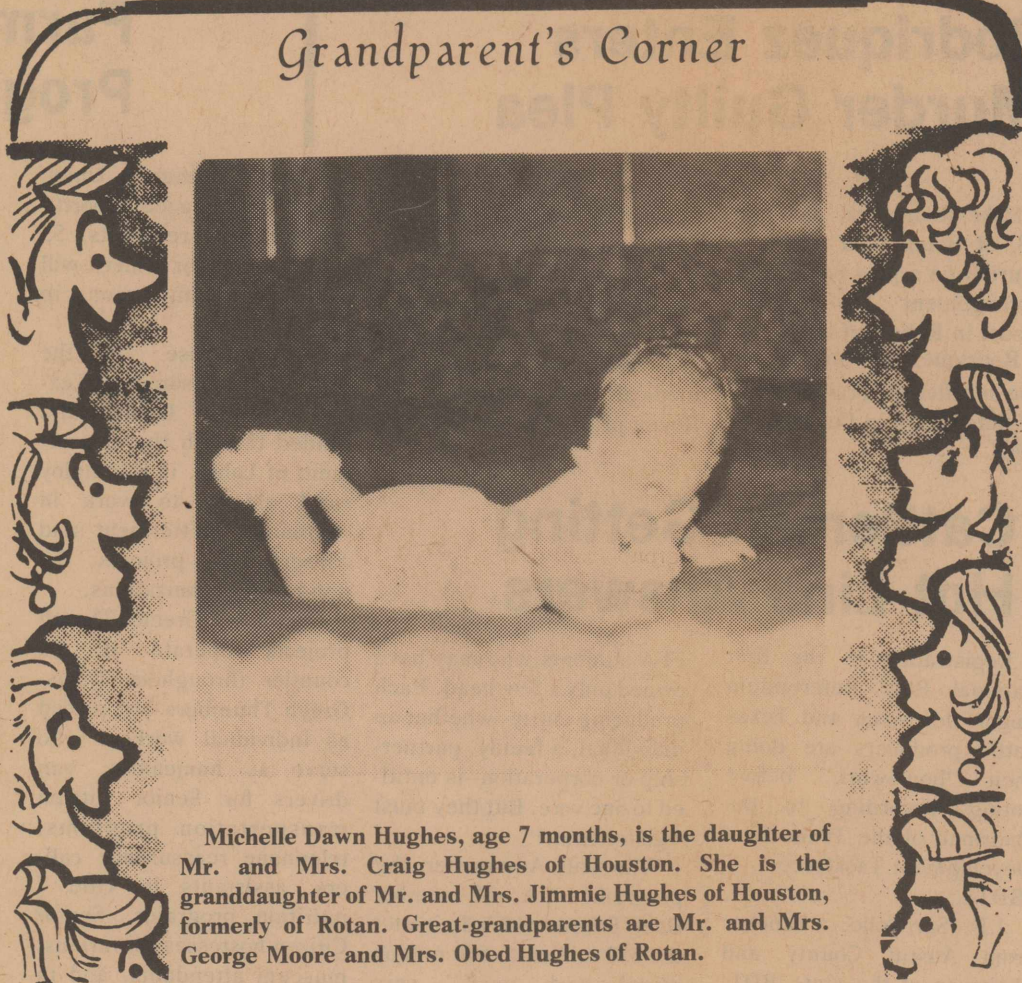
Witness my hand and seal of office this the 27th day of June, 1977.

Dwight Lovett,
County Judge,
Fisher County, Texas
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Crite Family Reunion Held July 3rd & 4th

The Crite family reunion was held July 3 and 4th, at Proctor Lake.

Those attending were: Aggie Crite, Dink Butler and family, Rossie, Butler, Stephenville; Bill, Nancy, Shirre and Vickie Crite, James, France Crite, Joe, Jannie Crite, Jackie, Cathie Chamman, Dixie, Lake Worth; Jack, Shirley, Ty, Rip Butler, Springtown; Willie, Johnnie, Tunnell, Lary, Debbie, Amanda, Dublin; Ronnie Tunnell, Amarillo; Mike Crite, Cathy McCombs, Raygene, Donna Shipp, Biddie Shipp, Rotan.



Michelle Dawn Hughes, age 7 months, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Craig Hughes of Houston. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Hughes of Houston, formerly of Rotan. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Moore and Mrs. Obed Hughes of Rotan.

EMS System Receives July Grant Approval

The West Central Texas Emergency Medical Services System has just received word from the Texas Department of Health Resources in Austin that their grant from the Department of Health,

Education and Welfare has been approved. The grant went into effect July 1. This is the third year that the 19-county WCT EMSS has received federal funds to upgrade their system.

The EMSS will receive a sizeable portion of the \$300,000 grant. The rest of the grant will be used in Austin for the operation and support of the WCT area.

The goal of this EMSS grant is the progression of the Basic Life Support System in West Central Texas, to an Advanced Life Support System.

The first two grants have

Shipp Family Holds Reunion At Rotan VFW

The annual Shipp family reunion was held June 26 at the VFW in Rotan.

Those attending were: Edna Berline Smith, Riverside, Calif; Dean, Carolyn, Denise and Neil Shipp, Friona; Hugh Rogers, Bovina; Gaines and Jeraldine Shipp, Roswell, N.M.; Dorothy Walden, Midland; Bea, Denny and Donny Shipp, Jayton; Eugene, Buelene, Vickie, Jackie, David and John Shipp, Frances and Robert Morgan, Roby; Winfred, Barbra, Randy and Celisa Shipp, Leslie Fletcher, Herschel and Buffie Shipp, Snyder; Dan, Genene and Ryan Shipp, Abilene; Harvey, Colette, Sutte, Paulette Shipp, Brownwood; Andy, Barbara, Kevin and Karla Shipp, Sweetwater; Newt, Inez and Norman Coon, DeLeon; Aunt Ollie Shipp, Callie Shipp, Beatrice Atwood, Judy and Endgate Adkins, R.T. Shipp, Ervin and Polly Strickland, Herbert and Lois and Vickie Moore, Ollie and Fern Shipp, Donn and Deana Shipp, Rotan.

Others reported about the towns of Royston, county schools, and old settlers.

Slides on "Texas' Colorful Past" were shown and narrated by Mrs. James Cave.

Following the meeting, delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Mehaffie to visitors Mrs. Dick Melton and Jennifer and Jil and Ann Hicks, and members, Mrs. Fay Anderson, Mrs. Willie Newhouse, Mrs. Auroora Martinez, Mrs. Preston Campbell, Mrs. Willard Burk, Mrs. Fred Waddell, Mrs. Lynn Randolph, Mrs. Joe Ballenger and Mrs. James Cave.

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Grandparent's Corner

Two Fisher County 4-Hers To District

Two Fisher County 4-H Club members will be entered in the District 3 and 7 4-H Dress Revue in Abilene July 8.

Patricia Posey, winner of the Senior Division of the Fisher County 4-H Dress Revue will be competing against seventeen other girls

from District 3. Four of these eighteen will then advance to State Dress Revue.

LaRhea Smith, winner of the Junior Division of the County Dress Revue will also be competing against seventeen other Junior girls. Juniors do not advance past the District contest.

The judging will be in the morning at the Abilene Civic Center. West Texas Utilities Company sponsors a luncheon at noon for all girls entered in the Revue and one adult leader for each girl. Following the luncheon at 1:30 p.m. the girls will be presented in a revue to the public.

Accompanying the girls will be Mrs. Richard Posey, Mrs. Alton Smith and Mrs. Alice Ballenger.

Leisure Lodge News

By Ima Berry

Our residents enjoyed a watermelon feast on Friday and really enjoyed it too.

Our new United Methodist minister, John Robertson, and a group from the Methodist Church brought the Sunday afternoon services. Everyone enjoyed it very much.

We always look forward to the Sunday School on Sunday morning.

We all appreciate the volunteers so much for all they do.

Looking forward to Fisher Co. Singing tonight.

We had several out of town visitors the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Mike Barker of Odessa and Jack Barker of Roby visited Mary Lee Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Simmons and family of Abilene visited the Tom Simmons.

Mrs. Katherine Vaughn of Ralls visited Miss Maudie Moize.

Mr. and Mrs. Woody Crawford of Gainesville and Sharon Crawford of Dallas visited Mrs. Deel.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Broyles and Duane of Abilene visited Warner McNaron over the weekend. Mrs. Broyles is Mr. McNaron's granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Dane Hudnall and son of Abilene visited the G.A. Hudnalls.

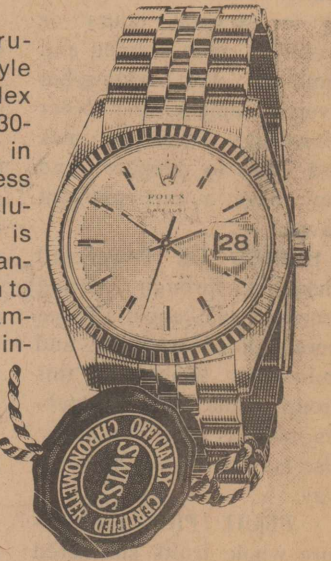
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would like to extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Joe Murphree.

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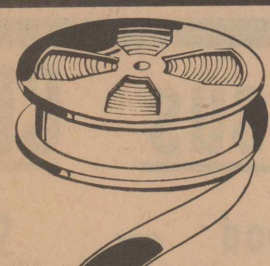
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Home Economics

By Alice Ballenger

776-2171

Court House Roby, Texas

Pickles add spice to meals and snacks. The skillful blending of spice, sugar and vinegar with fruits and vegetables give crisps, firm texture and pungent, sweet-sour flavor.

Pickles and relishes contribute some minerals and vitamins, contain little or no fat, and except for the sweet type, are low in calories. Some are high in sodium content, however.

Pickles are generally made from fruits and vegetables, including cucumbers, green tomatoes, okra, green beans, zucchini squash, onion, cauliflower and beets.

Pickles are classified on the basis of ingredients and preparation method.

FRESH PACK are quick-process pickles, such as cross-cut cucumber slices and whole cucumber dills, gherkins, and dilled green beans. These are short-brined for several hours or overnight, then drained and combined with boiling-hot vinegar, spices and other seasonings. These are quick and easy to prepare, and they have a tart pungent flavor.

BRINED OR Fermented Pickles go through a curing process of about three weeks. Dilled cucumbers and sauerkraut belong to this group, while other vegetables, such as green tomatoes, also may be cured the same way.

FRUIT PICKLES feature whole fruits simmered in a spicy, sweet-sour syrup. Pears, peaches and watermelon rind are prepared this way.

RELISHES use fruits and vegetables which are chopped and seasoned, and then cooked to the desired consistency. Some are piccagli, pepper-onion, tomato-apple chutney, tomato-pear chutney, hoseradish and corn radish.

To obtain satisfactory pickle products, use good quality ingredients and proper procedures--correct proportions of fruit and vegetables, sugar, salt, vinegar and spices are essential.

Select tender vegetables and firm fruit. Pears and peaches may be slightly underripe for pickling. Use unwaxed cucumbers for pickling whole, as the bane cannot penetrate wax.

Use fruits and vegetables as soon as possible after harvesting or after purchasing from a market. If they cannot be used immediately refrigerate them or spread them where they will be well ventilated and cold.

Do not use fruits and vegetables that show even slightest evidence of mold. Proper processing kills potential spoilage organisms but does not destroy the off-flavor that may be produced by mold growth in the tissue.

In preparing cucumbers be sure to remove all blossoms, as they may be the source of the enzyme responsible for softening the cucumbers during fermentation.

Use pure granulated salt if available. Regular table salt has fillers to prevent lumping and may cause cloudy brine. Use a high-grade cider or white distilled vinegar of 4 to 6 percent acidity (40 to 60 grain). Vinegars of unknown acidity should not be used. Do not dilute the vinegar unless the recipe so specifies. If a less sour product is preferred, add sugar rather than decrease vinegar.

Use either white granulated or brown sugar. White sugar gives a product a lighter color. Use soft water if possible to assure proper acidity. If not available, boil the water and remove the scum before using.

For heating pickle liquids use utensils unchipped enamelware, stainless steel, aluminum or glass. Metal utensils, such as copper, brass, galvanized metal and

iron react with acids and salts and cause undesirable color changes and make the pickles unsafe to use.

For fermenting or brining pickles, use crock, stoneware, glass or unchipped enamel bowls or casseroles.

Suggested recipes for pickles and relishes:

Brined Dill Pickles
20 pounds (about 1/2 bushels) cucumbers, 3 to 6 inches in length,
3/4 cup whole mixed pickling spice
2 or 3 bunches dill plant, fresh or dried,
2-1/2 cups vinegar
1-3/3 cups salt, pure granulated
2-1/2 gallons water

Cover cucumbers with cold water. Wash thoroughly, using a vegetable brush; handle gently to avoid bruising. Take care to remove blossoms. Drain on rack or wipe dry.

Place half the pickle spices and a layer of dill in a 5-gallon crock or jar. Fill the crock with cucumbers within 3 or 4 inches from the top. Place a layer of dill and remaining spices over the top of cucumbers. (Garlic may be added if desired). Thorough mix the vinegar, salt and water and pour over the cucumbers. Cover with a heavy china or glass plate or lid that fits inside the crock.

Use a weight to hold the plate down and keep the cucumbers under the brine. A glass jar filled with water makes a good weight. Cover loosely with clean cloth. Keep pickles at room temperature and remove scum daily when formed. Scum may start forming in 3 to 5 days. Do not stir pickles, but be sure they are covered completely with brine. If necessary, make additional brine, using original proportions specified in recipe.

In about 3 weeks the cucumbers will have become an olive green color and should have a desirable flavor. Any white spots inside the fermented cucumbers will disappear in processing.

The original brine is usually cloudy as a result of yeast development during the fermentation period. If this cloudiness is objectionable, fresh brine may be used to cover the pickles when packing them into the jars.

When making fresh brine, use 1/2 cup salt and 4 cups vinegar to 1 gallon of water. The fermentation brine generally is preferred for its added flavor and should be strained before heating to boiling.

Pack the pickles, along with some of the dill, into clean, hot quart jars; add garlic if desired. Avoid too tight a pack. Cover with boiling brine to 1/2 inch from the top of the jar. Adjust jar lids.

Process in boiling water for 15 minutes. Start to count processing time as soon as the hot jars are placed into the actively boiling water.

Remove jars and set upright, several inches apart on a wire rack to cool. The recipe yields about 9 to 10 quarts of pickles.

Dilled Green Beans
4 pounds whole green beans (about 4 quarts)
1/4 teaspoon hot red pepper, crushed per pint jar
1/2 teaspoon whole mustard seed per pint jar
1/2 teaspoon dill seed per pint jar
1 clove garlic per pint jar
5 cups vinegar
5 cups water
1/2 cup salt

Wash beans thoroughly; drain and cut into lengths to fill pint jars. Pack beans into clean, hot jars; add pepper, mustard seed, dill seed and garlic.

Combine vinegar, water and salt; heat to boiling. Pour boiling liquid over beans, filling to 1/2 inch of top of jar. Seal with cap and ring according to manufac-

turer's directions.

Process for 5 minutes in large kettle of boiling water that covers the jars 1 or 1 inches and has 1 or 2 inches space at the top for water to boil. Place a rack in the bottom of the kettle to hold the jars off the bottom.

Start counting processing time as soon as the water in the kettle returns to a boil. Remove the jars and complete the seal if necessary according to manufacturer's directions. Set jars upright, several inches apart on a wire rack to cool.

Fisher County Hospital News

Patients admitted to Fisher County Hospital June 28 thru July 4, 1977.

Octavia Jones, Nelle Corhn, Joy Garcia, Lorena Clark, Archie Fairey, H.G. Rogers, Effie Murphree, Rotan; Terri Smith, Sweetwater; S.E. Lee, Jayton; Elsie Moore, Kay Hatfield, Hatfield Baby girl (Myllinda Kate), Aspermont



FIRST HAIR CUT: Ronnie Martinez, 6 month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martinez, had his first hair cut last week. He is the tenth child of Mr. and Mrs. Martinez. He has seven sisters and two brothers. John Price received the honor of cutting Ronnie's hair for the first time.

Rodriquez Enters Murder Guilty Plea

Mike Rodriquez, Jr., age 28, of Rotan pled guilty to murder on a plea bargaining arrangement at District Court in Roby last week. Rodriquez was on trial for the murder of Frank Reyna of Rotan back in February of 1977.

District Judge Weldon Kirk sentenced Rodriquez to 7 years probated and restitution in the approximate amount of \$1,700.00. The restitution involves the medical bills incurred on Reyna prior to his death.

Cattlemen Getting Hot Line Answers

Registration in the first national Beef Referendum began this week and Texas cattle producers are doing their "homework" before voting, according to the chairman of the Texas Beef Development Taskforce (BDT).

J.D. Sartwelle, a rancher from Austin County and chairman of the state BDT, reports excellent response to a toll-free Beef Referendum "Hotline". "We are getting dozens of calls each day from interested cattlemen," he says. "The vast majority indicate they favor the program, after getting their questions answered."

The most frequent questions with Sartwelle's answers, include: Who can vote? "Anyone who owned cattle during 1976 is eligible to register and vote," he says. "This includes 4-H or

FFA students who may have owned only a few head. Each producing entity--whether an individual, a family, partnership or corporation--is entitled to one vote. But they must register first."

Who will Administer the program? "A 68-member Beef Board will administer the \$30 million to \$40 million raised each year," says Sartwelle. "The Board members will be cattle producers nominated by existing producer organizations in each state."

How will this program benefit cattle producers? "Beef research, education, promotion and foreign market development will be the stimulus needed to put the cattle business back on a profitable basis," he says. "This program will increase beef consumption and help stabilize market conditions which will benefit cattlemen and consumers alike. Nutritionists say the average American is eating only half of the meat needed for good health". Sartwelle adds, "Through nutrition research and consumer education, consumers will improve their diet and beef producers will get their fair share of any increase."

Is is a government program? "No," declares Sartwelle. "This is a producer program all the way--financed by producers and administered by producers."

Registration for the Beef Referendum began June 6 in more than 2,000 county ASCS offices across the U.S. Cattle producers have until Friday, June 17, to register for the Referendum. Actual voting will be July 5-15 at the ASCS offices.

Texas cattle producers with additional questions can call, toll-free, 1-800-682-4106 for additional information on the Beef Referendum.

Farmers Union Job Program Will Begin

Texas Farmers Union Green Thumb, a job opportunity for rural residents, 55 years of age or older, will begin operating soon in Fisher County.

The purpose of the program, sponsored by Texas Farmers Union and funded through the Department of Labor, is to employ rural elderly to work in community betterment and conservation projects for non-profit organizations.

Currently Green Thumb projects operate in 36 counties throughout Texas. Green Thumbs are placed as individual workers who serve as homeaides, van drivers for Senior Citizen transportation programs, telephone reassurance callers, assistants in Title 7 nutrition programs, Senior Citizen hostesses, librarians, museum attendants, and in numerous other social service activities. Most counties also have a Green Thumb

crew which works throughout the county in improvement projects such as repairs for public schools, weatherization of homes belonging to rural elderly, public park improvements, and other useful community projects working for both county and city governments.

Green Thumb workers are paid minimum wage for a 20 to 24 hour work week. Eligible applicants receive a medical examination which is paid for by the Texas Green Thumb program and also receive annual examinations while in the program. Training sessions are held periodically covering subjects of interest to the older worker such as information on nutrition and food preparation, home and work safety, consumer affairs, social activities and other areas of importance.

Green Thumb has served Texas for seven years and has workers in 36 counties. The program serves the rural elderly of Texas whose incomes are too low to meet the normal needs and whose job opportunities are limited.

Residents of Fisher County are eligible and must be 55 years of age or older, farm or rural background, pass a general physical examination

Social Security Needs Changes To Cut Delays

Timely reporting of changes that affect Social Security and Supplemental Security Income checks can help eliminate delayed and incorrect payments according to Glyn Hammons, Social Security District Manager in Abilene.

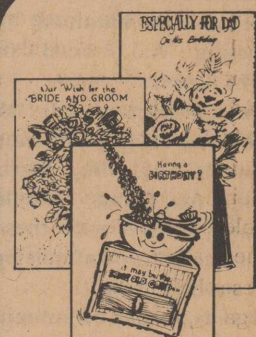
"Correct, prompt payment of Social Security and SSI checks is a matter of concern to recipients, taxpayers, and administrators alike," Hammons said. "Delayed checks and incorrect payments cause hardship for recipients and waste tax dollars."

Both Social Security and SSI checks can be affected by changes in address, income and work, marital status, school attendance and trips out of the country.

Supplemental Security Income benefits are also affected by changes in resources and living arrangements. All changes should be reported immediately.

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Public Notice

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Lots One (1), Two (2), Three (3), Block 42, Original Town of Roby, Fisher County, Texas

Levied on this 5th day of July, 1977, as the property of Will Potts, the unknown owner or unknown owners and any and all other persons unknown, including adverse claimants, owning, having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the real property hereinafter described; the heirs and legal representatives and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of each of the above named and mentioned persons who may be deceased; and the corporate officers, trustees, receivers and stockholders of any of the above named and mentioned parties which may be corporations, foreign or domestic, defunct or otherwise, together with the successors, heirs and assigns of such corporate officers, trustees, receivers or stockholders to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$400.97 with interest from the 29th day of April, 1977, at 9 per cent per annum and all costs of suit, in favor of the City of Roby, the Roby Independent School District, the Fisher County Hospital District, the Fisher County Water Authority, the State of Texas, and the County of Fisher.

Given under my hand this 5th day of July, 1977.

Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff, Fisher County
21-3tc

Sheriff's Sale
The State of Texas
County of Fisher

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County on the 28th day of June, 1977, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of the City of Roby, Et Al, Vs. J.O. Knight, Et Al, Cause No. 3870, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's sales on the First Tuesday in August, 1977, it being the 2nd day of said month before the north courthouse door of said Fisher County in the City of Roby, Texas, 10: A.m., the following described property, to-wit:

Lot Six (6), Block 48, Original Town of Roby, Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on this 5th day of July, 1977, as the property of J.O. Knight, the unknown

owner or unknown owners and any and all other persons unknown, including adverse claimants, owning, having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the real property hereinafter described; the heirs and legal representatives and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of each of the above named and mentioned persons who may be deceased; and the corporate officers, trustees, receivers and stockholders of any of the above named and mentioned parties which may be corporations, foreign or domestic, defunct or otherwise, together with the successors, heirs and assigns of such corporate officers, trustees, receivers or stockholders to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$114.97 with interest from the 29th day of April, 1977, at 9 per cent per annum and all costs of suit, in favor of the City of Roby, the Roby Independent School District, the Fisher County Hospital District, the Fisher County Water Authority, the State of Texas, and the County of Fisher.

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Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff, Fisher County
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Sheriff's Sale
The State of Texas
County of Fisher

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County on the 28th day of June, 1977, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of the City of Roby, Et Al, Vs. J.C. McMahan, Et Al, Cause No. 3872, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's sales on the First Tuesday in August, 1977, it being the 2nd day of said month before the north courthouse door of said Fisher County in the City of Roby, Texas, 10: A.m., the following described property, to-wit:

Lot Four (4), Block 75, Original Town of Roby, Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on this 5th day of July, 1977, as the property of J.C. McMahan, the unknown owner or unknown owners and any and all other persons unknown, including adverse claimants, owning, having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the real property hereinafter described; the heirs and legal representatives and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of each of the above named and mentioned persons who may be deceased; and the corporate officers, trustees, receivers and stockholders of any of the above named and mentioned parties which may be corporations, foreign or domestic, defunct or otherwise, together with the successors, heirs and assigns of such corporate officers, trustees, receivers or stockholders to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$199.67 with interest from the 29th day of April, 1977, at 9 per cent per

annum and all costs of suit, in favor of the City of Roby, the Roby Independent School District, the Fisher County Hospital District, the Fisher County Water Authority, the State of Texas, and the County of Fisher.

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Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff, Fisher County
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The State of Texas
County of Fisher

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County on the 28th day of June, 1977, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of the City of Roby, Et Al, Vs. J.N. Weakley, Et Al, Cause No. 3877, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's sales on the First Tuesday in August, 1977, it being the 2nd day of said month before the north courthouse door of said Fisher County in the City of Roby, Texas, 10: A.m., the following described property, to-wit:

Lot Five (5), Block 75, Original Town of Roby, Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on this 5th day of July, 1977, as the property of J.N. Weakley, the unknown owner or unknown owners and any and all other persons unknown, including adverse claimants, owning, having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the real property hereinafter described; the heirs and legal representatives and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of each of the above named and mentioned persons who may be deceased; and the corporate officers, trustees, receivers and stockholders of any of the above named and mentioned parties which may be corporations, foreign or domestic, defunct or otherwise, together with the successors, heirs and assigns of such corporate officers, trustees, receivers or stockholders to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$221.24 with interest from the 29th day of April, 1977, at 9 per cent per annum and all costs of suit, in favor of the City of Roby, the Roby Independent School District, the Fisher County Hospital District, the Fisher County Water Authority, the State of Texas, and the County of Fisher.

Given under my hand this 5th day of July, 1977.

Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff, Fisher County
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Sheriff's Sale
The State of Texas
County of Fisher

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County on the 28th day of June, 1977, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of the City of Roby, Et Al, Vs. Loyd Pfeiffer, Et Al, Cause No. 3874, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's sales on the First Tuesday in Aug., 1977 it being the 2nd day of said month before the north courthouse door of said Fisher County in the City of Roby, Texas, 10: A.m., the following described property, to-wit:

Lots One (1), Two (2), and Three (3), Block 37, Original Town of Roby, Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on this 5th day of July, 1977, as the property of Loyd Pfeiffer, the unknown owner or unknown owners and any and all other persons unknown, including adverse claimants, owning, having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the real property hereinafter described; the heirs and legal representatives and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of each of the above named and mentioned persons who may be deceased; and the corporate officers, trustees, receivers and stockholders of any of the above named and mentioned parties which may be corporations, foreign or domestic, defunct or otherwise, together with the successors, heirs and assigns of such corporate officers, trustees, receivers or stockholders to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$657.97 with interest from the 29th day of April, 1977, at 9 per cent per annum and all costs of suit, in favor of the City of Roby, the Roby Independent School District, the Fisher County Hospital District, the Fisher County Water Authority, the State of Texas, and the County of Fisher.

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Sheriff, Fisher County
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The State of Texas
County of Fisher

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County on the 28th day of June, 1977, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of the City of Roby, Et Al, Vs. Joe R. Wright, Et Al, Cause No. 3878, and to me as Sheriff,

directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's sales on the First Tuesday in August, 1977, it being the 2nd day of said month before the north courthouse door of said Fisher County in the City of Roby, Texas, 10: A.m., the following described property, to-wit:

Lot Four (4), Block 37, Original Town of Roby, Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on this 5th day of July, 1977, as the property of Joe R. Wright, the unknown owner or unknown owners and any and all other persons unknown, including adverse claimants, owning, having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the real property hereinafter described; the heirs and legal representatives and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of each of the above named and

mentioned persons who may be deceased; and the corporate officers, trustees, receivers and stockholders of any of the above named and mentioned parties which may be corporations, foreign or domestic, defunct or otherwise, together with the successors, heirs and assigns of such corporate officers, trustees, receivers or stockholders to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$131.07 with interest from the 29th day of April, 1977, at 9 per cent per annum and all costs of suit, in favor of the City of Roby, the Roby Independent School District, the Fisher County Hospital District, the Fisher County Water Authority, the State of Texas, and the County of Fisher.

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To all those who waited the long vigil, some all night, while the search was being made for us, God Bless you.

The flowers at the funeral were so beautiful, and our homes are filled with them now. They continue to speak of your love.

Thank you for the vast amount of beautiful food, the prayers made in our behalf, the sacks of mail, both cards and memorials, and the visits.

To all of you who worked and waited, many we'll never know, thank you from the depths of our hearts.

We'll be missing many of you with thank-you cards, because we don't have your names on any of our lists. You've just quietly come and gone. Please accept this letter as our sincere thanks.

Joe loved Rotan, as we all do. Our hearts reach out to you in love, as your arms have reached out to us.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

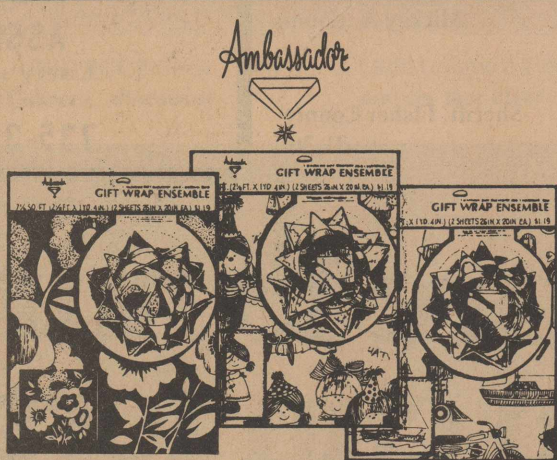
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ALL STARS: A total of 14 All Stars were picked from approximately 60 Little Leaguers last Thursday night during the League closing ceremonies.

Roby Lodge To Install 1977 Masonic Leaders

The Roby Masonic Lodge installation meeting will be held Saturday, July 9, at 8:30 p.m. Officers to be installed are: Worshipful Master, Lowell Thornburg; Senior Warden, Jack Mash; Junior Warden, H.H. Gibson; Secretary, Jimmy Price; Treasurer, Forrest Tettler; Senior Deacon, Ben Neep; Junior Deacon, Alva Kolb; Senior Steward, Ed Deaton; Tiler, Norman Matthies. This will be an open installation.



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July			
Fri. 1		97	71
Sat. 2		95	74
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Mon. 4		95	68

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June 1.65
1976 7.77
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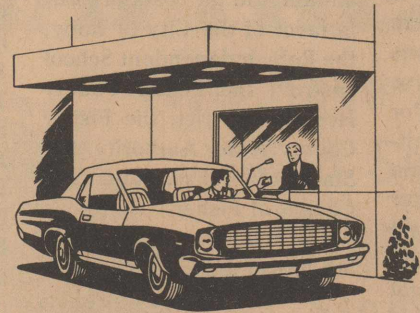
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WANTED: Your Butane and Propane Business. Call 735-3378. Ned's Fuel Service, Rotan. 17-tfc

GARAGE SALE: All day Saturday at 212 E. Forrest, Rotan. 21-tfc

NOTICE: Control hunger and lose weight with New Shape Diet Plan and Ydrex Water pills. At Summers Drug. 20-4tp

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HAND MADE GIFTS: Vera's Gift Shop. Open 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 5 p.m. 908 E. 8th St., Rotan. 49-tfc

FOR SALE: 1975 4 door Ford Sedan Custom 500, A-1 Condition, water air condition. Call 776-9201 days, 776-2524 night. 21-2tc

FOR SALE: 1968 Mailibu 2-door, extra clean; also stereo receiver with tape deck and turntable, call 735-3474, Rotan, after 6:00 p.m. 18-tfc

NOTICE: We have 18 new styles of thank you notes for your selection. Newspaper Office. 13

WANTED: A man to work. See W.T. Trimbel 209 W. McArthur St. 21-1tp

NOTICE: Baby sitting wanted, daytime hours, Roby and Rotan area. 776-2578. 21-1tf

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FOR SALE: Schwinn three speed bike, like new. 202 S. Florence, Rotan. 21-1tp

BACKYARD SALE: 1110 N. Cleveland, dishes, clothes and odds and ends. Wed., Thurs. and Friday. 21-1tp

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Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Turner

Alvin Turners Will Celebrate 50th Ann.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Deroll Turner of Rotan will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary July 9 at the Rotan Community Center. Hours are from 4 to 6 p.m. The celebration will be hosted by their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy C. Waddell of Bowie and Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Reed of Haskell. Also in the houseparty will be the grandchildren of the couple, Lisa and Jan Waddell of Bowie, and Susie Harlan of Fort Worth.

The couple was married July 17, 1927. Mr. Turner was born August 23, 1906 at Bradshaw in Taylor County. Mrs. Turner, the former Ruby May Cayce, was born Oct. 20, 1905 in Eastland County. They met in 1925 at the Union Community Church and were married in Snyder.

They lived eight years in Snyder, moving to Rotan in 1935 where they have lived since.

Mr. Turner is employed at Thriftway Grocery Store in Rotan. He was previously employed by Wooten Whole-

sale Grocery at Snyder for seven years.

They are members of the Church of Christ.

Mr. Turner enjoys fishing and golf and Mrs. Turner enjoys sewing.

Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend the reception.



Melisa Sparks

Melisa Sparks First In San Angelo Meet

Melisa Sparks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sparks of Brownfield, won first place in the prose division of speech at San Angelo State University last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sparks and Tammie Sparks of Rotan attended the program which was held at the University where Melisa had attended a speech camp for the last three weeks. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Acker and Mr. and Mrs. Oral Sparks of Rotan.

The Veterans Administration reminds GI Bill students that new payment procedures started June 1, local VA offices have full details.

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Mrs. Willie McWhirter is still in Fisher County Hospital where her condition is still the same. Pete Deel is at home from Levelland Hospital where he had been several days. It is reported he is doing better. Mrs. Homer Robertson is still confined to Fisher County Hospital where her condition was slightly improved. I hope all of these people continue to improve. Our prayers are with you.

Visiting recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O.D. Knox have been Mrs. J.R. McAnnally of Kermit, Menard Timmons of Denison, Mrs. Edd Kaffer and son of Gatesville and Delmer Burk of Baird.

John and Doris Sneed, Kelly and Lisa of Ft. Worth visited several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Chandler.

Penny Coker and Brad Stuart left Roby Wednesday morning for a 13 day tour of Washington D.C. on a 4-H program. I'm sure they will have lots to tell when they get back home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hamby of Seymour and Bob Brock visited Mrs. Joe Morris Monday, July 4.

Joe Wayne and Melissa Bryant of Ft. Worth, children of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bryant, have been visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Pursley, and great-grandmother Mrs. Pat Headstream. Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Bryant and Lena Comoux of Abilene were in Roby for the holiday. The Bryants traveled on to California.

Gloria Lou and Cindy Posey left last week for an 8 day trip as graduation gift from her grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. David Posey of Rotan. Gloria Lou went along as a chaperone.

David and Terry Bordofsky of Big Spring and Allan Porter of Dallas have been visiting the Freddie Stuarts.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Hughs had visiting with them Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Sims and Darlene of Corpus, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Coen of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce F. Hughs of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Nowlin. Mark and Dana of Rotan. Mr. and Mrs. Sims are going to stay for a two week visit. Mr. and Mrs. Buck Hughs and Winston Dickie of Woodson attended the funeral last week of Roxie Henson. Buck and Winston were honorary pallbearers.

Happy Birthday wishes go to: Horace Mitchell, July 5; Coy

Sheriff's Sale
the State of Texas
County of Fisher

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County on the 28th day of June, 1977, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of the City of Roby, Et Al. Vs. H.C. Roberts, Et Al. Cause No. 3876, and to me as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's sales on the First Tuesday in August, 1977, it being the 2nd day of said month before the north courthouse door of said Fisher County in the City of Roby, Texas, 10: A.m., the following described property, to-wit:

Lot Seven (7), Block 46, El Paso Addition to the Town of Roby, Fisher County Texas.

Levied on this 5th day of July, 1977, as the property of M.H. Francis, Et Al, the unknown owner or unknown owners and any and all persons unknown, including adverse claimants, owning, having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the real property hereinafter described; the heirs and legal representatives of each of the above named and mentioned persons who may be deceased; and the corporate officers, trustees, receivers and stockholders of any of the above named and mentioned parties which may be corporations, foreign or domestic, defunct or otherwise, together with the successors, heirs and assigns of such corporate officers, trustees, receivers or stockholders to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$250.25 with interest from the 29th day of April, 1977, at 9 per cent per annum and all costs of suit, in favor of the City of Roby, the Roby Independent School District, the Fisher County Hospital District, the Fisher County Water Authority, the State of Texas, and the County of Fisher.

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Lot Four (4), Block 96, Original Town of Roby, Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on this 5th day of July, 1977, as the property of H.C. Roberts, the unknown owner or unknown owners and any and all other persons unknown, including adverse claimants, owning, having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the real property hereinafter described; the heirs and legal representatives and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of each of the above named and mentioned persons who may be deceased; and the corporate officers, trustees, receivers and stockholders of any of the above named and mentioned parties which may be corporations, foreign or domestic, defunct or otherwise, together with the successors, heirs and assigns of such corporate officers, trustees, receivers or stockholders to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$168.48 with interest from the 29th day of April, 1977, at 9 per cent per annum and all costs of suit, in favor of the City of Roby, the Roby Independent School District, the Fisher County Hospital District, the Fisher County Water Authority, the State of Texas, and the County of Fisher.

Given under my hand this 5th day of July, 1977.

Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff, Fisher County
21-3tc

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Stuart, Jerry Wayne Stuart, July 6; melvin Thomson, July 8; Gene Terry, Linda Williamson, July 9; Susie Hilliard, July 10; Ora Bennett, Ola McGinnis, July 12.

Recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Charlie Moore have been Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fields of Marfa, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris and children of Hereford, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Airs and children of Hereford; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Thatcher and family of Decatur; Mr. and Mrs. Ruth Weaver of Henderson, Nevada; Mr. and Mrs. Lunell Kempper and family of Las Vegas, Nevada; Mr. and Mrs. Kent Weaver and daughter of Victor, Calif. and grand-daughter Monica; Wayne Moore and family of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Neil Moore and children of Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. James Carter and boys of Rotan; Mrs. Glenda Adkins and daughter of Spur; Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Smith; Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Moore; Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Moore; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Moore and boys; Mr. and Mrs. Andy Moore; Mr. and Mrs. Tubby Moore and children; Mr. Hue Moore; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Upshaw and family, Huelane Cook and children, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Randolph and son, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Warren of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Murff and children of Junction. This was a real house full. I'm sure they all had a good time reliving the past.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Joe Murphree.

Mrs. Tommie Jack Stuart, Debbie and Sharon, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Palmer and Mr. and Mrs. J. Donham, Todd and Shawn all traveled to Sweetwater Friday night to help Ann Pope of Splendora celebrate her 16th birthday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck McCord, Ann and Pat Cleveland stayed with the McCords and Heather for a few days visit.

Mrs. Clyde Farrar had several visitors in her home last week. They included Ronald and JoAnn Gann, Randy and Dee Dee of Ft. Worth, Ronda and Mike Foster of Yuma, Ariz., Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Farrar and children of Clarendon; Eula Mae Hull, Kathy and Reva Joe of Hobbs, Donald and Shirley Hull and Sharon of Rotan, Mike and Debbie Hull and Tracey, Stella Goodwin, Allen and Opal Hull, Nelda, Jimmy and Jo Swafford, Woodie and Eddie McDaniel, Dorothy, Henry and Roy Preet of Snyder, Brenda Wylie, Brendi Oliver of Hermleigh.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jan McWhorter on the birth of their son, Robert Ray, born June 24 at Fisher County Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 7 ozs. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Barrington.

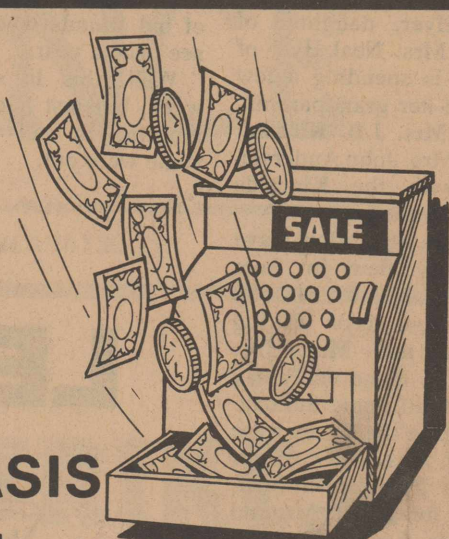
Visiting last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orvill Hollobaugh were Stephen, Betty and Son Hollobaugh of Rulorsia, New Mex.; John and Cathie Hollobaugh of Las Cruces, New Mex.; Phill, Lindy and great-grandson David Wayne Hollobaugh of Levelland; Aza Lee Baster of Kerrville; and Maybell Parker of Roby. The four generations of Hollobaughs were together for the 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Ballenger, Chad and Mark of Roscoe, Jeanette Klepper and family of Midland; J.L. Ballenger of Sweetwater all visited with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ballenger over the weekend.

Landon (Jug) Stuart, Melba, Barry and friend Kathy of Carrollton went to Lake Texhoma over th weekend. They arrived just a short time after Shorty Stuart and grandchildren of Honey Grove had left to go back home. Jug reported catching several fish.

"Ridicule may fire one to success or burn him to a crisp".
God bless you, see you next week.

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Newspaper Office
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Hustlin' Round Hobbs

By Mrs. Jimmy Walker
Hobbs, Texas 735-2840

Hope that everyone had a good 4th, but the weather was so hot we almost roasted as we were at Stamford Friday, Saturday and Monday. Wish it would come a good shower and cool things off.

Leah Hyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Hyer of Andrews is spending a few days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Kincaid. Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson visited with the Kincaids Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Cave and family flew in from Farmington, New Mexico and spent a few days visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Cave. They came on Friday and returned home Sunday. Also visiting the Caves were Mr. and Mrs. Billy Carter and boys from Brownwood. Saturday for dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cave, and Mrs. Vida Boyer joined the Caves and their visitors. Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Cave went to Brownwood Sunday afternoon and attended the 4th of July celebration featuring Anita Bryant. They spent the night in Brownwood with the Billy Carters and returned home on the 4th.

Glenn and Larry Phillips of Post and Don Phillips of Abilene visited with the Josh Phillips one day last week.

Mrs. James Ratliff and Teresa attended the West Texas Barrel Racing which was held at Snyder Saturday and Monday nights. Teresa participated in several of the barrel races.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Walker and Melody attended the Open Youth Horse Show at Stamford on Friday morning and Melody participated in the show. We went back Saturday morning for the Registered Quarter Horse show and Melody showed at halter. She rode in the Open Barrel race Monday morning in the slack and just missed getting in the top ten by one, so was kind of disappointed.

Congratulations to Penny

Public Notice

Notice to All Persons Having Claims Against the Estate of Aubrey Burrows, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of William Aubrey Burrows, Deceased, were issued on June 27, 1977, in Cause No. 2439, pending in the County Court of Fisher County, Texas, to: Aubrey Lee Burrows, Route 1, Roby, Texas.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated this the 27 day of June, 1977.

Aubrey Lee Burrows, Executor
May, s Moore, Dickson and Roberts, Inc. P.O. Box 638, Sweetwater, Texas
By Johnny M. Moore Attorney for the Estate 21-1tc



A baby girl was born June 21 at Fisher County Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Monte McKinney of Rotan. She weighed 8 lbs. 12 ozs., was 18 inches long and is named Mandye Hollye. She has a brother, Monte, age 4 and a sister, Missy, age 2.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Muri McKinney of Rotan and Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Acker of Dalhart. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Acker, and Mrs. Joe Roberts, Rotan; Mrs. C.W. Simmons, Aspermont; and Mrs. Ora Lee Simmons of Crane.

WANTED
TV Viewers Sunday
11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
Channel 2
First Baptist Church
Rotan

Funeral Service

H.G. Rogers

H.G. Rogers, 92, of Rotan, died at 9:35 a.m. Monday at Fisher County Hospital. Services were held at 4 p.m. Tuesday at Rotan Church of Christ.

Charles Lindley, minister, officiated. Burial was in Rotan Cemetery, directed by Weathersbee Funeral Home. Born July 23, 1884, in Hood County, He married Minnie Brown Aug. 30,

1912, in Palo Pinto County. He came to Fisher County in 1940. His wife died Sept. 16, 1968.

Survivors include two sons, Dee of Fort Worth and Joe of Springtown; a sister, Mrs. J.D. Penn of Mineral Wells; a brother, Walter of Mineral Wells; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

A daughter, Juanita Bowden died in 1934.

Pallbearers were I.T. McArthur, Darmon Bratton, Richard Posey, Glenn Posey, Arvin White and Luther Donham.

Meat should be frozen at 10°F. or less, and as quickly as possible.

The State Department of Education will distribute the county amounts to the school districts in accordance with Federal Regulations. Each school district is guaranteed no less than 85 per cent of its fiscal year 1977 allocation.

UNUSUAL GIFTS: Need something out of the ordinary for gifts for someone special. Show them you care with an unusual gift from The Newspaper Office. 50-tfp

Hospital Notes

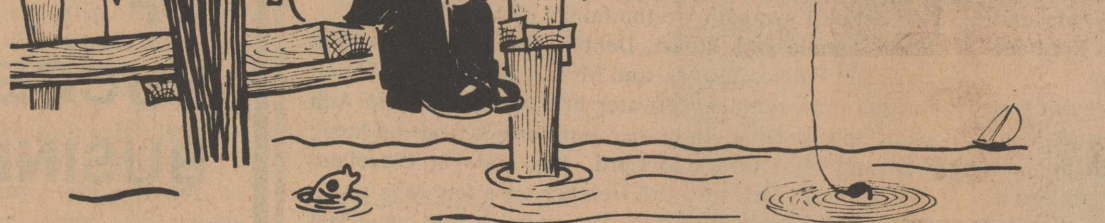
Hospital admissions June 21 thru June 27, 1977.

Wayne Jones, Hermleigh; Shelly Paul, Florene Long, Deborah McWhorter, McWhorter baby, W.W. Butler, Roby; Dianna McKinney, McKinney baby girl, Janice Copeland, Elizabeth Bigham, Sylvia Almonza, Al-

monza baby, Linda Trout, Lometa Little, Willia McWhirter, Emma Flores Rodriguez, John Mercer, Annie Knight, Chrys Bennett, Bennett baby, Judy Speck, Lucille Puryear, Emma Denton, Rotan; Linda White, White baby, McCaulley; Doyle Ford.

"No disguise can long conceal love where it exists or long feign it where it is lacking." La Rochefoucauld

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3' OFF LABEL
CAMAY SOAP BATH BAR **29¢**

6' OFF 2 BARS
SAFEGUARD 2 BATH BARS **67¢**

AQUA
ZEST SOAP BATH BAR **37¢**

BUY 3 - GET 1 FREE!
COAST 4 BATH BARS **\$1.19**

KLEENEX BOUTIQUE BATHROOM
Tissue 4 ROLL PKG. **79¢**

DEL MONTE FLAT CAN
TUNA **59¢**

LIPTON PURE INSTANT
TEA 3 OZ. JAR **\$1.49**

MARGARINE
PARKAY QUARTERS 1 LB. BOX **49¢**

BORDEN MILD OR TANGY CHEESE
KISSES 7 OZ. PKG. **79¢**

SHURFRESH BUTTERMILK OR SWEET MILK
BISCUITS 3 8 OZ. CANS **39¢**

ENERGY BRIQUETS
Charcoal 10 LB. BAG **99¢**

SHURFINE
FLOUR 5 LB. BAG **59¢**

TOTAL GROCERY SAVERS

REG. OR SUGAR FREE A&W
ROOT BEER 6 16 OZ. BTL. **\$1.19**

NABISCO VANILLA
NILLA WAFERS 12 OZ. BOX **59¢**

JIF - FOR CHOOSY MOTHERS
PEANUT BUTTER 12 OZ. JAR **69¢**

FOR GREAT SANDWICHES - HUNT'S
MANWICH 27 5 OZ. CAN **89¢**

SHURFINE SUGAR
FROSTED FLAKES 15 OZ. BOX **69¢**

SKINNER'S SHORT CUT ELBO
MACARONI 12 OZ. PKG. **29¢**

10¢ OFF LABEL
DYNAMO 32 OZ. BTL. **\$1.19**

WHITE POTATOES 10 LB. BAG **89¢**

CALIFORNIA SANTA ROSA
FRESH PLUMS LB. **39¢**

PURE VEGETABLE
Crisco Oil 48 OZ. BTL. **\$1.89**

U.S.D.A. GRADE A COUNTRY PRIDE FRYERS
BOX O' CHICKEN LB. **39¢**

2 BREASTS - 2 LEG QUARTERS - BACKS ATTACHED - 2 WINGS, 2 PKGS. GIBLETS

NORMEL BLACK LABEL SLICED
BACON 1 LB. PKG. **\$1.49**

U.S.D.A. CHOICE BEEF BONELESS
CHUCK ROAST LB. **99¢**

U.S.D.A. CHOICE BEEF BONELESS
CHUCK STEAK LB. **\$1.19**

U.S.D.A. CHOICE BEEF BONELESS
CHUCK STEAK LB. **\$1.29**

U.S.D.A. CHOICE BEEF TENDERIZED
SWISS STEAK LB. **\$1.69**

U.S.D.A. CHOICE BEEF TENDERIZED
BEEF CUTLETS LB. **99¢**

GUARANTEED 81% LEAN - CHUCK QUALITY
GROUND BEEF LB. **89¢**

LITTLE BOY BLUE
CORN DOGS 12 OZ. PKG. **89¢**

SELECT SLICED YOUNG
BEEF LIVER LB. **59¢**

SHURFINE SLICED
STRAW-BERRIES 10 OZ. PKG. **39¢**

TOPPING - 7' OFF LABEL
COOL-WHIP 9 OZ. CTN. **49¢**

SARA LEE
POUND CAKE 12 OZ. BOX **99¢**

ORE-IDA
TATER TOTS 2 LB. BAG **59¢**

MINUTE MAID FROZEN
ORANGE JUICE 12 OZ. CAN **69¢**

SUNSHINE CRACKERS
HI-HO 16 OZ. BOX **69¢**

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NEW! 75 SHEET ROLL
TERI TOWELS JBO ROLL **59¢**

FACIAL TISSUE
KLEENEX 200 Ct. BOX **59¢**

MAXI PADS
NEW FREEDOM 12 Ct. BOX **79¢**

ALL GRINDS COFFEE
MAXWELL HOUSE 1 LB. CAN **\$3.39**

CERTIFIED - PAIL
WILSON LARD 4 LB. PAIL **\$1.79**

SAFE EVEN WITH COLORS
CLOROX 1/2 GAL. JUG **59¢**

15¢ OFF LIQUID CLEANER
AJAX 28 OZ. BTL. **99¢**

CALIFORNIA LONG
APRICOTS LB. **49¢**

CALIFORNIA ROYAL
BANANAS LB. **19¢**

WASHINGTON BING LARGE
CHERRIES LB. **79¢**

CALIFORNIA
CARROTS LB. **19¢**

EXTRA FANCY SMALL
OKRA LB. **49¢**

CALIFORNIA RED
CABBAGE LB. **19¢**

OUR DARLING C.S. OR W.K.
Golden Corn 303 CANS **\$1.49**

SWIFT VIENNA
Sausage 5 OZ. CANS **3\$1**

HEALTH & BEAUTY AID SAVINGS

FAST & GENTLE
BAYER ASPIRIN 100 Ct. BTL. **99¢**

ASSTD. SHAMPOO
EARTH BORN 8 OZ. BTL. **99¢**

JOHNSON & JOHNSON BABY
SHAMPOO 7 OZ. BTL. **\$1.19**

JOHNSON & JOHNSON
BABY BATH 4 OZ. BTL. **79¢**

KRAFT GRAPE
JELLY 2 LB. JAR **89¢**

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SPARKLING GLASSWARE YOU CAN BUY EVERY TIME YOU SHOP - NO WEEKLY SCHEDULE TO FOLLOW! FROM ONLY 49¢ TO 1.09

SHURFINE GRANULATED
SUGAR 5 LB. BAG **89¢**

WAGNER QT
Fruit Drink 3/\$1

FRESH CUT UP PAN READY
DRESSED FRYERS LB. **59¢**

BEST OF BREASTS, LEGS, THIGHS
PICK OF THE CHICK LB. **89¢**

FRESH
FRYER BREASTS LB. **99¢**

FRESH
FRYER THIGHS LB. **89¢**

FRESH FRYER
DRUM-STICKS LB. **89¢**

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