

Doctors' Address Meeting On State Of County Hospital

A rather small crowd of approximately 30 individuals were present last week for the second of three county meetings on the state of the Fisher County Hospital. Administrator Pete Hohon, several hospital board members and two of the three

local physicians (Dr. C.M. Callan and Dr. E. Atkins) were present. Hohon opened the two hour session with approximately one-hour of facts and statistics on the state of the hospital and his opinion of the five major factors affecting all Texas rural hospitals.

Following Hohon's address, a question and answer session was conducted with the meeting ending with an address by Dr. C.M. Callan and Dr. E. Atkins. Hohon began his presentation by presenting statistics concerning Medicare. He mentioned that

current trends on admissions indicate that 65-percent admitted to rural hospitals are medicare. Non rural hospitals admit 35-percent medicare patients. Hohon went on to point out that in 1984 all hospitals were placed under the DRG's (diagnostic

related groups), this in his opinion was unfair to rural hospitals as rural hospitals under the current DRG program are reimbursed at a lesser percent than larger inner-city hospitals for the same treatment to medicare patients.

Hohon reviewed the medicare program, spoke of Senator Carriker's medicare enhancement program and pointed to several local problems causing and overall downturn in the treatment of local patients. He indicated that 'out-migration' was a major problem in Fisher County. According to information assembled by his staff, 32-percent of Fisher County hospital patients leave Fisher County for medical care.

The administrator said that the south part of Fisher County tends to out-migrate more due to their relative closeness to facilities in Abilene, Sweetwater and Snyder.

Hohon pointed out some of the new services being offered patients, i.e. - a laboratory that is constantly being updated as to new tests being offered patients; satellite and television hookups with Texas Tech Medical school and local doctors; CAT scan capabilities through a mobil unit at the local hospital the use of a new cardiac drug on heart attack patients and emergency air ambulance services with two Lubbock hospitals.

Hohon indicated that he has trimmed the operating budget at the local hospital from \$2.1 million to 1.9 million but has maintained services at a normal operating level.

Dr. C.M. Callan addressed the group present and began by making comments that would clear up a misunderstanding he recently became aware of concerning his practice moving to the hospital doctors clinic.

Callan said that to his knowledge he never agreed to move to the Fisher County Hospital Doctor's Clinic. Some residents are blaming him for not moving his practice to the hospital clinic.

He said he was interested in doing what was best for the hospital but admitted that he felt the projected tax rate was not enough to accomplish any lasting results. "I think next year we will have to be back for more," said Callan, referring to additional tax dollars for support of the hospital.

Dr. E. Atkins indicated that he has had disagreements with the board in the past but assured those present that he was happy practicing medicine in Fisher County and that he planned to stay in practice for at least five years. He reaffirmed his support

for the local hospital.

Following a few remarks by Frank Mitchell, Fisher County Hospital Board President, the meeting adjourned. Mitchell spoke of a potential roll-back election, but said, "I don't have the nerve to carry a petition around to close the hospital."



WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL: School officially begins next Monday morning for Fisher County children. Sandra Vlasin sent the following entitled 'The Sun Goes Down On Summer', as written by Steve Lawhead - thought parents, grandparents and children would appreciate its thought.

The Sun Goes Down On Summer -

I come to the water one last time as the sun goes down on summer. It's going; I can feel it slip away, and it leaves a cold empty spot, a hole in my warm memories of endless golden days and dreams as ripe as watermelons. I'd give the world to make the summer stay.

The water is calm around me. It's a warm, silent sea of thought dyed in the rich blues of night and memory. Why can't things just stay the way they are? Instead, the days rush headlong into change and I feel like nothing's ever going to be the same.

Soon school will start again. And all the things I thought I'd left behind will come back, and it won't be gentle water, I'll be swimming in it. It'll be noise and people and schedules and passes and teachers telling everyone what to do. One more year of homework, tests and grades. Of daily popularity contests and pressure - cooker competition and heaps of frustration.

The first day is the worst. Not knowing who your friends are, or what's changed since last year. Trying to pick it up where you left off. I'll look real hard for a last-year's friend to get me from one scrambled class to another.

I wonder if I'll fit in.

Football practice started last week. It started without me. I had to make a choice and football lost. Two years on the team and it struck me - who am I doing this for? It's just another thing people expect you to do, so you do it. School is full of those kinds of things - things that sap your freedom, and keep you from being yourself. That's what I want most, to be myself. But that's hard.

Here's what I dread most; when the summer goes, I go with it. I go back to school and I change as soon as I walk through those doors. I have to be someone everyone will like - that's a law of survival.

What would happen if I just stayed the real me? Would they turn me off? Label me "weird"? Would I ever get another date? It seems like so much to risk. But growing is a risk. Change is a risk.

And who knows. I might discover something of myself in the coming year. I might get closer to the person I am - what a discovery that would be.

When the doors open on Monday morning, I'll have a fresh start, a fresh opportunity to find myself. I want to be ready.

Steve Lawhead

FINALLY: Ol' Whistle Britches from his Shinnery Ridge Ranch at Rough Creek came into town and dropped by these few lines.

HEAVEN: Keep your Bible open and you will not find the door to heaven shut.

HONESTY: The person who is straightforward and honest doesn't have to worry about a faulty memory.

HOPE: Hope for the best, and be ready for the worst.

PROGRESS: Coming together is a beginning, keeping together is progress, working together is success.

TASKS: People who say that a task is just as easy as taking candy from a baby have obviously never tried it.

WORRY: Every tomorrow has two handles. We can take hold of it by the handle of anxiety, or by the handle of faith.

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Hospital District Residents May Be Asked To Pay 46 Percent Tax Increase

Fisher County residents can look for a tax increase in hospital taxes for 1989 of approximately \$308,000.00; assuming initial tax base projections hold true as presented by Appraiser Teddy Kral and assuming that the board adopts a tax rate of .40 cents per

\$100 valuation as discussed last Monday night.

The board collected tax dollars of \$659,979.88 last year on a valuation of \$218,247,315.00 and a rate of .3024 cents per \$100 valuation. This year the board anticipates that the valuation base, due to the re-appraisal, will rise to \$241,966,035.00. The board is anticipating adopting a tax rate of .40 cents per \$100 valuation, if that holds as expected a total of \$967,864.14 will be collected for an approximate increase in this years taxes over last years of \$308,000.00.

Administrator Pete Hohon presented board members with a budget in the total amount of

\$1,371,929.00 which is down from the fiscal year 1989 budget of \$1,598,336.00. The board passed the budget.

In a very unusual move, board members at the recommendation of Hohon, initiated the approval of a three point program to attempt to reimburse local taxpayers for using the services at the Fisher County Hospital. The hospital will (1) discount a taxpayer's hospital bill, when it exceeds the amount of taxes paid, by the amount of the tax bill. If a taxpayer has a hospital bill of \$1,000.00 and has paid taxes of \$400.00; that \$1,000.00 bill will be reduced to \$600.00. Point (2) - the bill will be reduced by

10-percent to any person paying their bill within 15 days of receipt of the bill and point (3) - the hospital will give local residents a 50-percent discount on insurance deductibles. If your deductible under your insurance policy calls for you to pay \$500.00; the local hospital will only ask you to pay a \$250.00 deductible.

Hohon was excited about the new discount plan and was in hopes that it would stimulate additional use of services; lab and x-ray services and out patient work.

The board voted to purchase an insurance policy on equipment for

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The 1989 Re-Appraisal - A Shift In Tax Burden

Entity	1988 Adjusted Tax Base	1989 Estimated Tax Base	Increase	1988 Tax Rate	1989 Projected Tax Rate	1988 Tax Dollars Generated	Shift In Tax Burden To Landowners
FISHER COUNTY	\$220,096,002	\$244,744,989	\$24,648,987	.535	.48	\$1,177,513.72	\$118,315.13
HOSPITAL	218,247,315	241,966,035	23,718,720	.3024	.27	659,979.88	64,040.54
CITY OF ROBY	8,399,263	11,617,480	3,218,217	.49	.35	41,156.38	11,263.75
HOBBS I.S.D.	28,951,570	29,547,188	595,618	.795	.77	230,164.98	4,586.25
ROBY I.S.D.	25,376,168	33,076,811	7,700,643	.89	.68	225,847.89	52,364.37
ROTAN I.S.D.	66,991,050	74,604,876	7,613,826	.94	.84	629,715.87	63,956.13
MCCAULEY I.S.D.	29,492,377	31,901,172	2,408,795	1.03	.95	303,771.48	22,883.55
CITY OF ROTAN	19,545,699	25,495,049	5,949,350	.581	.44	113,560.51	26,177.14
ROTAN WATER	32,754,590	39,074,291	6,319,701	.08	.065	26,203.67	4,107.80
							\$364,000.00

McCaulley School Begins Monday, Full Listing Of Teaching Staff Revealed

McCaulley Independent School District will start school for students at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, August 28, 1989. Students will register at this time.

Teachers new to the staff are: Kindergarten- Dawn Vanderpol, graduated in December 1988 from Southern Oregon State College in Ashland, Oregon. Third grade- Peggy Arnwine, graduated in 1988 from San Angelo State University. Fourth grade & seventh grade science- Lindy

Danford, graduated in May, 1989 from Abilene Christian University. Fifth grade- Terrie Morrow, graduated in 1989 from San Angelo State University. Math/History 6,7, & 8- Brent Vanderpol, graduated in June 1989 from Southern Oregon State College. Coach, Health & Science- Shelli Jernigan, graduated in 1988 from Abilene Christian University.

Returning teachers are: First/Second grade- Bobbie

Nichols, graduated from McMurry College in 1977. Choral Music- Geneva Maberry, graduated from McMurry College in 1971. Special Education and Junior High, Jan Hunter, graduated in 1972 from Sul Ross State University and received Masters from Sul Ross in 1978. Language Arts 6,7, & 8- Kathy Smith, graduated from Tarleton State University in 1974.



Dr. Callan And Dick Edwards At Meeting

Home, Business Values Up 43 Percent On Reappraisal

If early week projections by Fisher County Appraiser Teddy Kral are correct, most of the estimated 7,500 tax re-evaluation will be in the hands of local taxpayers by the weekend.

It is estimated that the majority of re-appraisals, according to Kral, will be coming in the area of real estate, i.e. homes, businesses and farm land. Kral said "minerals are about the same." Oil values, industrial properties and utilities are not affected by the re-evaluation. These properties, in Kral's opinion are already at 100-percent and have been for some time. They have been computed by the firm of Pritchett and Abbott of Fort Worth.

Kral in a telephone interview last Monday morning was of the opinion that the letters to tax-

payers, informing them of the re-appraised figures, would be mailed out Friday to arrive at county homes on Saturday, August 26th. Kral estimated that 7,500 notices would be mailed, but some taxpayers could receive as many as five to ten notices depending on the parcels of property owned by the individual taxpayer.

Kral said the increased values, after the re-appraisal, were almost exclusively in the area of ag values and home values. He said agriculture values were on the books at approximately 80-percent of true market value and that homes were on the books at approximately 50-percent of true market value. County businesses were on at some 60-percent of true market value.

Who Will Foot The 1989 Tax Bill

	1988	1989	% OF CHANGE
Oil	\$138,037,720	\$136,613,640	-1
Agr. Land	41,926,615	53,350,353	+27.7
Homes	31,482,691	45,163,265	+43.5
Business Property	3,281,597	4,706,678	+43.4
Personal	6,516,561	6,576,094	+0.9
Automobile	7,037,690	7,962,758	+13.1

Minerals, personal property and automobiles were virtually unchanged.

In the case of Fisher County, the tax base is going to increase from \$220,096,002.00 to \$244,744,989.00 while the rate per \$100 valuation is expected to go from .53½ cents down to .48 cents. A family renting a home in Fisher County, who owns a boat,

automobile and pick-up will realize a decrease in their taxes while a homeowner, business owner or landowner can count on an increase. In fact, the homeowner, business owner and landowner can count on paying additional taxes in the approximate amount of \$364,000.00. That is computed by multiplying the increase in estimated tax base

for this year over the adjusted base for last year, in the case of Fisher County it is \$24,648,987.00 times the new lower estimated effective rate of .48 cents for an increase of \$118,315.13 more in taxes for home, land and business owners.

It is true that the tax base is increasing and tax rate is expected to decrease, however; if only real estate values are up - only real estate owners are going to pay taxes on the increased \$24 million dollars. Taxes for automobiles, minerals and personal property go down.

Tax bases, estimated for 1989, for the nine taxing entities have all increased. Fisher County is up \$24.6 million; Fisher County Hospital District up \$23.7 million; City of Roby up \$3.2

million; City of Rotan up 5.9 million; Hobbs School up ¾ million; Roby School up 7.7 million; Rotan School up 7.6 million; McCaulley School up 2.4 million and Rotan Water Authority up 6.3 million.

Based on the new projected effective tax rate for each of the nine entities, multiplied by the increase in base values, some \$364,000.00 in new tax dollars will be pumped into the total tax pots for all entities by home owners, land owners and business owners due to the re-evaluation. Taxes on utilities, oil, personal property and automobiles will decrease over last years figures.

\$364,000.00 is being shifted from other sources, oil, personal, auto to land, home and business owners.



State Capital Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN—The issue of lawmakers for sale continues to gather steam, perhaps on its way to becoming a major issue in the coming elections.

Meanwhile, the governor's race tightened when a third Republican entered the ring, becoming the first to publicly address the issue of taxes.

Taxes Touchy Subject

Railroad Commissioner Kent Hance announced he will join Clayton Williams and Jack Rains in the gubernatorial sweepstakes.

So far, neither Williams, Rains nor Democrat contenders Jim Mattox and Ann Richards have stated their tax position.

A third Democrat, former Gov. Mark White, will find taxes a little touchy if he joins the race as he has hinted.

White won in 1982 by promising not to raise taxes. He then proceeded, as he later boasted to a northern audience, "to raise every tax and fee in the book," a maneuver which fueled his defeat four years later.

If White tries a 1990 comeback, he will face a credibility hurdle the first time a reporter asks him if he will raise taxes, which will probably occur the day he becomes a candidate.

If he answers yes, he'll drag down the credibility of fellow Democrats Mattox and Richards, two liberals expected to be friendly to new taxes, as Hance painted them.

If he answers no, voters will be reminded that he broke that pledge once before and has never apologized for doing so.

Political Reform

When the well-heeled Capitol crowd dismissed state Sen. Chet Edwards' chances for lieutenant governor against well-funded Comptroller Bob Bullock, Edwards challenged lawmakers to clean up gifts from lobbyists and misuse of state funds.

He angered more than a few lawmakers by predicting that voters won't approve their salary increase in November unless legislators clean up their act.

Edwards, one lawmaker said,

was trying to create a campaign issue and should not be taken seriously.

But every week some new report surfaces of questionable gifts or improper state spending. The issue is far from dead.

Dollars and Gimmicks

Last week, Edwards, some fellow Democrats and Republicans criticized Bullock's mailout of his agency magazine to Democrat primary chairmen, calling it a campaign gimmick mailed at state expense. Bullock denied it was such or improper.

No matter the veracity in that incident, alleged missteps of state officials are increasing, whether true or not. But whether Edwards' tact will brew into a clean house movement remains a quiet speculation.

One example is the revelation that Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower paid some \$16,000 to the wife of state Sen. Steve Carriker to study financially stressed farmers. She delivered a directory of rural artists and craftsmen.

Mattox is investigating defrauding of state universities by a firm because he received a \$10,000 contribution from a Pan American University regent, the firm's head charged. Mattox denied the connection, saying all the regents requested the probe.

Hollywood, D.C. Dollars

Treasurer Richard's campaign has received thousands of dollars from Hollywood figures like her friends Lily Tomlin, Barbara Streisand, James Garner and Norman Lear. Former LBJ associate George Christian remarked Richards has attracted more out-of-state money than any candidate he can recall.

Meanwhile, Mattox has received thousands from Washington, D.C.-based labor groups, prompting some to believe he will lock up the labor vote.

Dog Track Snitch

A runner-up group for the controversial Galveston dog track license says it may pay the monetary price sought by a man who told authorities he was paid by the license winner to sabotage other applicants.

The winner adamantly denied the charges. Officials are still investigating.

Other Highlights

- A Houston federal judge will decide whether county jail conditions there are unconstitutional and if the state is to blame for failing to accept all county prisoners.

- In the runoff for the congressional seat vacated by Jim Wright Republican Bob Lanier received help from Democrat Bill Wright against runner-up Pete Geren, who got Wright's backing.

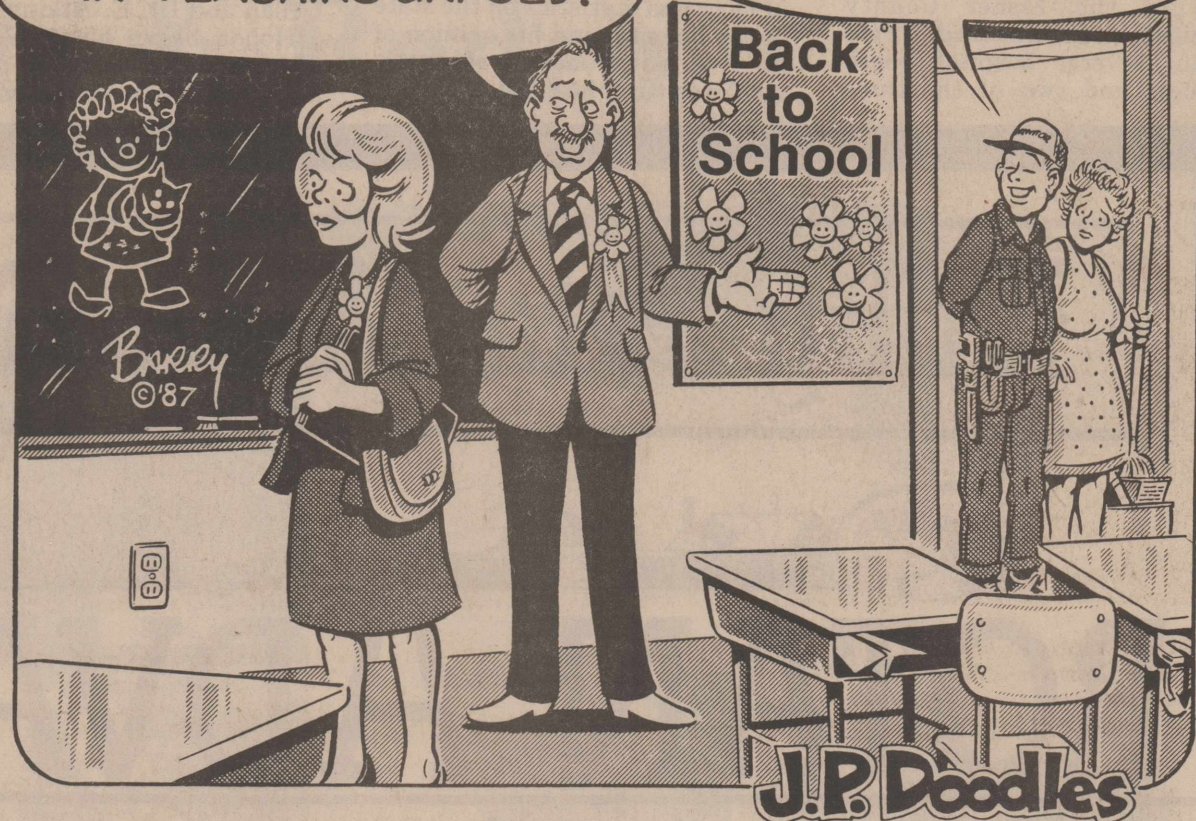
- Hightower said he will lay off an undetermined number of staffers because Gov. Clements vetoed \$3 million from his agency budget.

- As the historic Treaty Oak tree struggles for its life in Austin, Paul Stedman Cullen, 45, was indicted for poisoning it. The felony criminal mischief charge could bring a life sentence.

- State highway officials said they will probably not put a slogan or motto on license plates following the uproar over their proposal, "The Friendly State."

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God's House Has No Fence

It was time again for school to open in the small town, and Amy, who had just turned six years old, was anxious to begin.

School was going to be wonderful. She would have many new friends and learn so many new things. Her chatter had gone on like this for days.

But, on the long awaited morning, Amy was afraid. "I don't think I want to go today," she told her mother.

"But Amy," her mother replied, "You have been looking forward to this day for a long time."

"Will you go with me?" the child asked with tear filled eyes. "There's a big high fence around the school that scares me."

Her mother smiled. "Well," she said, "I'll tell you what I'll do. I will walk you to the gate. But then, you will have to go on in with the other children." Amy seemed happy with the reply.

At the gate, the mother unfastened it, let the child in and then turned the small hand loose. "Be a good girl and learn a lot," she said. "I'll be waiting when you get home."

Maybe that's what our Heavenly Father is saying to us. Be good, learn a lot, and I'll be waiting when you get home.

God's House has no fence and the doors are always open. Don't be afraid to go in.



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From Fisher County's Past

From The Newspapers

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

The Fisher County Hospital district board discussed finances in depth and voted to officially request that the Fisher County Commissioners Court give consideration in assisting them in paying \$655 due 36 judges and clerks that held the July hospital bond election.

Connie Genice Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Moore of Roby received her Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Business Education on August 18 at Tarleton State University. Connie was a 1970 graduate of Roby High School.

TEN YEARS AGO

The members of the Fisher County Hospital Board voted to authorize Gene Vinyard, financial consultant with Vinyard and Street in Abilene, to begin negotiating the sale of \$175,000.00 in bonds for the construction of a new Fisher County Clinic.

Kathy Nowlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Nowlin of Rotan, was to receive her degree in physical therapy from the Allied School of Health Science, University of Texas Health Science Center in Dallas.

Rotan Yellowhammer fans noticed several changes in the appearance of the football field facilities. One of the major changes was the new lighting system and another was the home bleachers and press box facilities.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Mrs. John (Wilda) Leach was the winner of the Grand Prize of \$300 in Rotan Bucks at the town drawing held, involving 20 merchants. Mrs. Leach elected to purchase a new dishwasher at White's Auto with her \$300 in Rotan Bucks.

The National Secondary Education Council announced that Raymond Baker, a Rotan High Junior, was named an Academic All-American. The NSEC established the Academic All-American Scholar Award Program in order to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines.

H. Govan experienced his lifetime dream by attending the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles, California. He traveled with his grandson and his grandson's family and got to see lots of the olympic games and spent two days at Disneyland.

LAST YEAR

The 43rd Annual Fisher County Fair and Rodeo was to begin with a parade through downtown Roby. Scott Feagan, Kyle Moore and Glenn Upshaw were the Parade Coordinators.

Head Rotan Coach, Weldon Nelms continued to have high praise for a good performance by the offensive line.

Yellowhammer Season Tickets Are On Sale Now

Rotan Yellowhammer season football tickets for the upcoming season are on sale at the High School office. One set of tickets will cost \$15.00, which will consist of five home game tickets. Anyone desiring to retain their last years seats or purchase new ones are asked to get their tickets at the office or call 735-3041.

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CHURCH BUILDERS GO TO WASHINGTON: The above photo was taken in Toledo, Washington where residents of Fisher County and other areas of the Big Country constructed a church for the Southern Baptist people congregation who meet in Toledo. Pictured left to right are Ken Foster from Rotan, J and Rosemary Donham from Roby, T.O. and Georgia Upshaw from Snyder, Norman Matthies from Rotan, Polly Matthies from Roby, Susan and Clifton Griffith with sons, Jeremy and Joshua from Roby.

Milton Peebles Is Roby Lions Club Prexy

The members of the Roby Lions Club meet each Thursday afternoon at the Silver Star Cafe in Roby and will be under the leadership of a new slate of officers for the 1989-90 year according to new Lion President Milton Peebles.

Other officers serving with Peebles are Marshall Billingsley, past president; Alvin Petty, first vice president; Billy Don Atkinson, second vice president;

Horace Curlee, third vice president; Zana Beth Branham, secretary-treasurer; Perry Thomson, tail twister; Kiefer Cauble, lion tamer; Cecil King, song leader; Elizabeth Billingsley, greeter and J.T. Palmer, program director.

Directors for the year are Zanna Anderson, Jimmie Laurie, Lee Jones, Ed Deaton and Horace Curlee.

The roll of active club members are: Zanna Anderson, Dr. Ernie Atkins, Billy Don Atkinson, Elizabeth Billingsley, Marshall Billingsley, Zana Beth Branham, Kiefer Cauble, Carol Crumpton, Larry Crumpton, Horace Curlee, Ed Deaton, Pete Hohon, Lee Jones, Cecil King, Jimmie Laurie, Dick Melton, Jeff McClure, J.T. Palmer, Milton Peebles, Alvin Petty, George Price and Perry Thomson.

Inactive members are: Alford Carey, Stuart Carey, Mickey Counts, Mike Harrell, Kenneth Martin, Murray Simmons, Thurman Terry and Parker Wetsel.

Rotan Booster Club Elects Officers

The Rotan Yellowhammer Booster Club met on Thursday, August 17, 1989 and elected officers and discussed the upcoming 89-90 athletic year.

Curtis McQueen was elected President and Norvelle Kennedy and Jim Sheehan were elected Vice-President and Secretary Treasurer respectively.

It was reported that for the previous year the club spent over \$11,000 supporting the Yellowhammer athletic programs.

It is hoped that in the upcoming year the club will receive the same kind of support that it has received in the past, from the fans and the community.

Several fund raising projects are under consideration and will be discussed at upcoming meetings, which are tentatively set for Tuesday evenings at 8:00 p.m. in the old high school library.

Everyone is urged to attend and support the Hammers.

Foursquare Church Bake Sale Is Saturday

Ladies of the Rotan Foursquare Church will have a bake sale on Saturday, Aug. 26.

The bake sale will be at Thriftway beginning at 9:00 a.m.

County School Systems Top State Average In Cost To Educate A Single Student

Texas school budgets have been increased by 50-percent since the school reform HB 72 was enacted five years ago. A total of \$13.5 billion was approved by school trustees in 1,055 Texas school districts last year. To pay for it, officials levied local property taxes totaling \$5.6 billion. The state provided \$4.9 billion. The remainder came from school lunch and other fees, federal aid, bond sales, interest and other revenue.

The figures come from the latest issue of Bench Marks

1988-89 School District Budgets in Texas, an annual publication of the Texas Research League, an Austin-based, educational corporation engaged in government research.

An average of \$3,384 per student for current operations was budgeted last year plus \$288 for repayment of debt and \$464 per student for capital outlay.

In Fisher County, Rotan ISD's budget provided \$3,744.40 per student for current operations, \$111.38 for debt service, and \$453.36 per student for capital outlay based on the 511 students enrolled in the fall semester of 1988.

Roby ISD's budget provided \$3,422.82 per student for current operations, \$164.60 for debt service, and \$297.19 for capital outlay based on the 334 students enrolled in the fall semester of 1988.

Hobbs ISD's budget provided \$14,602.88 per student for current operations, nothing for debt service and \$248.08 per student for capital outlay based on the 26 students enrolled in the fall semester of 1988.

McCauley ISD's budget provided \$7,565.15 per student for current operations, \$8.47 for debt service, and \$55.58 per student for capital outlay based on the 59 students enrolled in the fall semester of 1988. Because of

some past accreditation problems at McCauley a 'monitor' status was assigned to information released by the Texas Education Agency.

The average cost of all school districts in Texas in 1988-89 to educate a single student figured in at \$3,384.00, according to figures released this week. Roby came closest to hitting the state average with their \$3,422.82 cost per student for current operations. Rotan's cost per student was \$3,744.40; McCauley jumped to \$7,565.15 while Hobbs topped out at \$14,602.88.

Hospital

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maintenance and repair. The cost of the policy to cover all hospital equipment was \$24,000.

Board members voted to purchase the hospital linen at an approximate cost of \$5,000.00 then pay for the laundering of the linen actually soiled. Hohon felt the new arrangement would save the hospital money on the monthly laundry bill.

Hohon reviewed a new satellite system with board members which will link the local hospital with Texas Tech Medical School.

In final action the board extended the offer presented to Dr. Wayne Viehweg in July until he could make a visit to Rotan.

WE ARE REMINDED AGAIN

We are reminded again how fortunate we are to have lived and to live in Rotan and Fisher County.

The family of Jim Obriant acknowledges with deep and humble thanks all who helped in so many ways to ease the pain and sorrow in the loss of him. He was a man of the soil, and loved everyone.

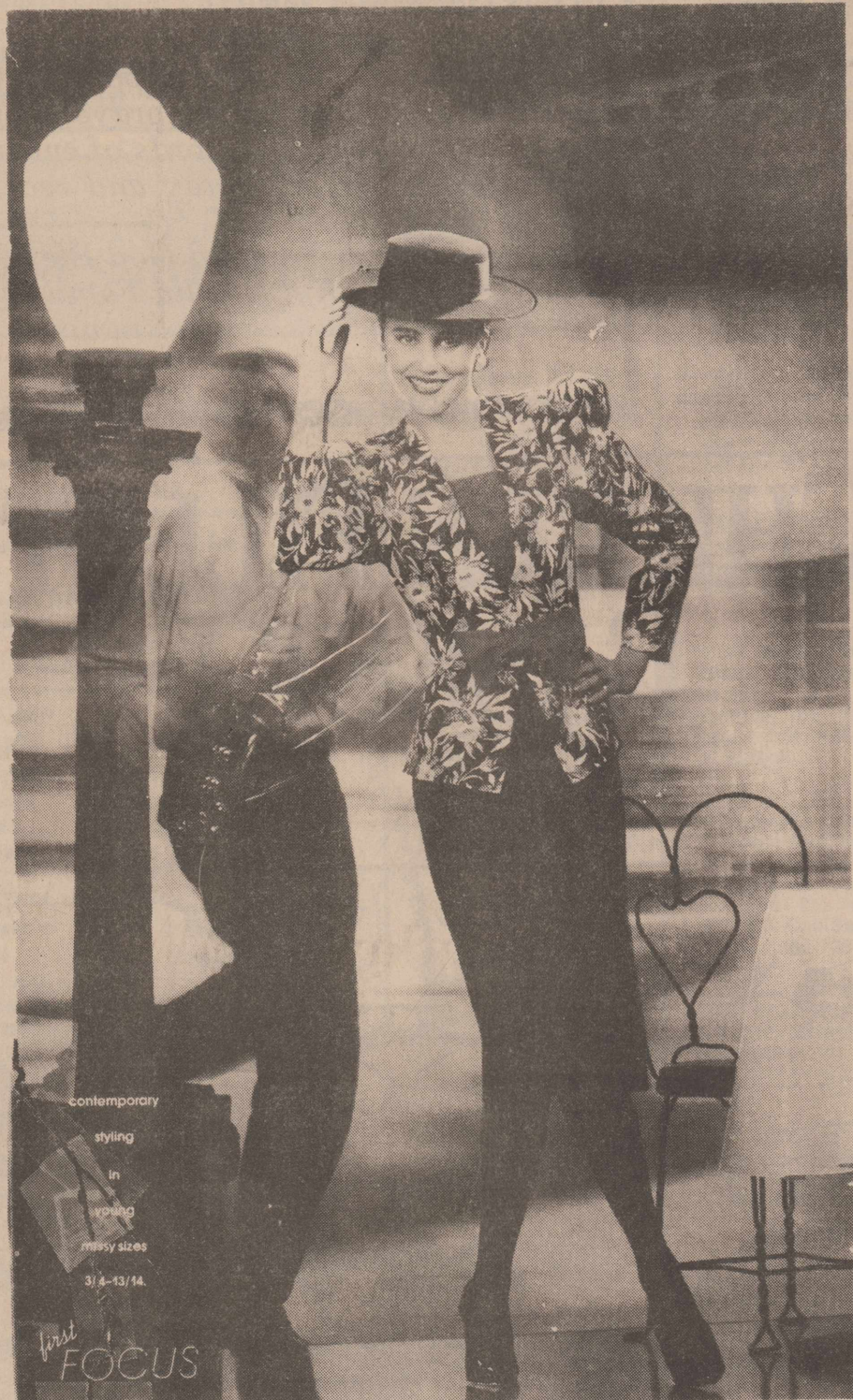
We are comforted, and hope you will be, to know that he, who meant so much and touched our lives so deeply, is now so close to the One who loves so much.

God Bless All Of You,

James F. (Nibs) & Carol Obriant, Mike, Shirley & Katie Obriant, Kelly & Brad Zachry, Craig & Nikki Rowland, Jo Tankersley

Thank You

The family of Buck Reed would like to thank everyone for the flowers, cards, food and other expressions of kindness shown during this time of loss.



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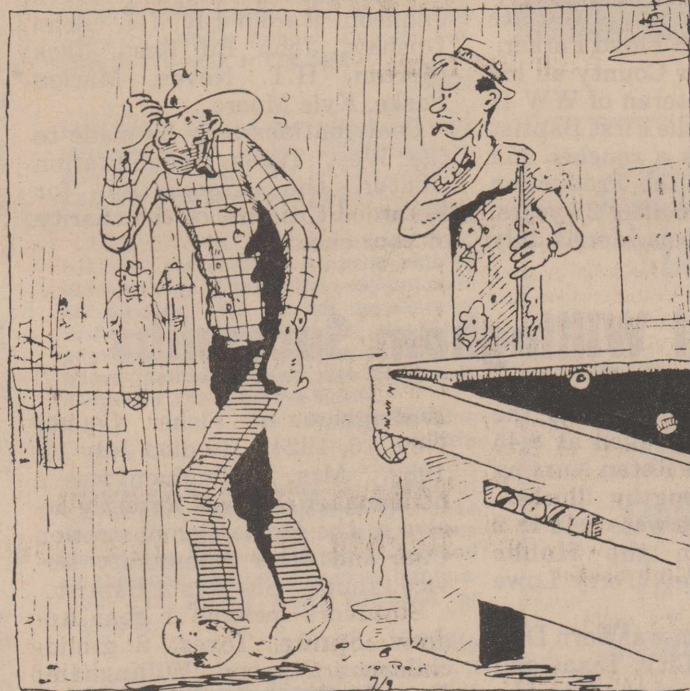
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Coach Nelms Anticipates Good Year

Coach Weldon Nelms is feeling pretty good about the prospects of a respectable season for his 36 Rotan Yellowhammer football players. He began two-a-days with 37 players and lost one to a move leaving him 36, or 2 over his

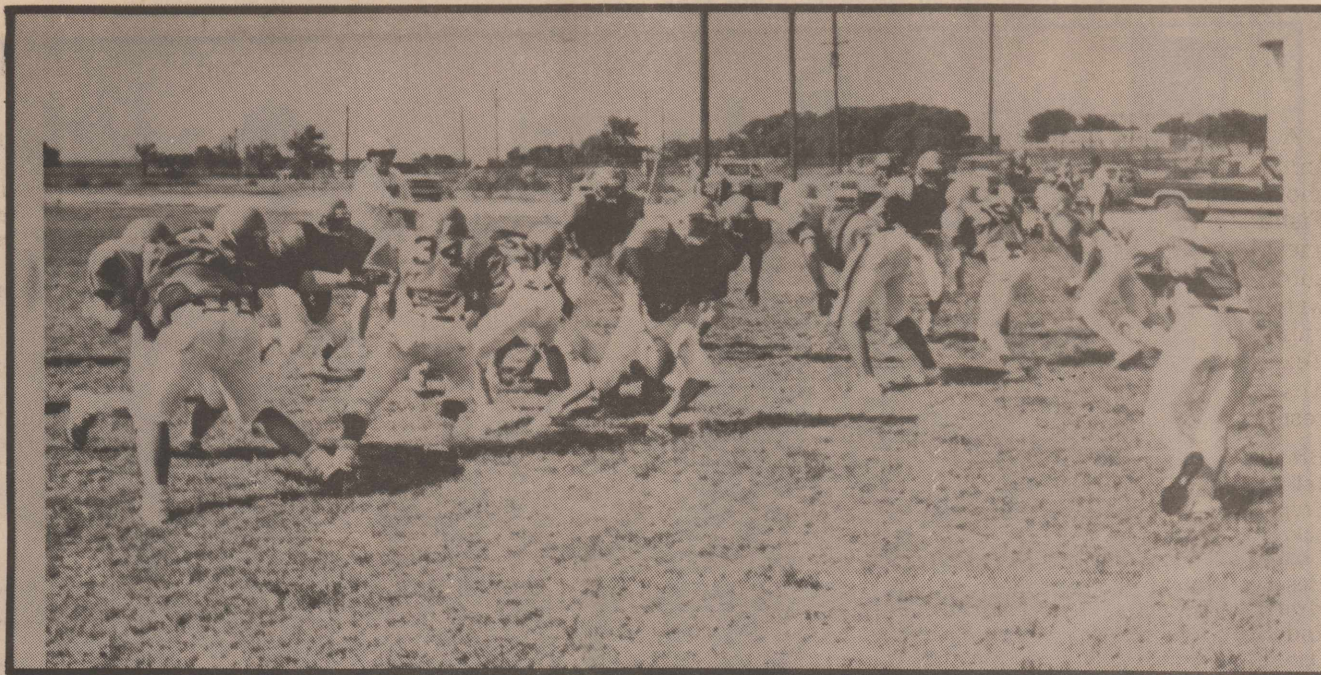
34 that went to quarterfinals last season. Nelms said, "Our first week went pretty good, the older players are about where I expected them to be and the new kids seem to be a little ahead of where I expected them to be."

Nelms said his offensive and defensive line continue to be the main concern of the coaching staff. "We are seeing some bright spots however; if Steve McQueen, Sean Lee and Fabian Flores come around we'll be in pretty good shape."

Head Coach Weldon Nelms had high praise for Joe Huitt, Brandon Alls and Kevin Smith after the first week of two-a-day workouts. Nelms was so impressed with Alls that he moved him to the starting fullback position. Senior Brandon Alls will be backed up by Herman Zavala. At the tailback post Senior Joe Huitt will get the starting nod with David Daniel listed as his backup. Kevin Smith will quarterback the Hammers. Smith is a senior and is coming off a full junior season as the signal-caller. Smith will be backed up by Trey Carrillo and Ruben Yanez. At the wingback post Sophomore Trey Carrillo gets the nod. Sammy Daniel is the backup. Carrillo is the only non-senior backfield starter, according to early projections by Coach Nelms.

The Yellowhammers have already suffered their share of nagging injuries. Lane Landes and Trey Carrillo each have minor hamstring injuries; Steve McQueen, Fabian Flores and Pat Moffett each had minor knee problems and Jason Carrillo and Clay Cozart have hip injuries. "All of the injuries are minor," said Nelms.

Rotan travels to Jim Ned for a 6:30 scrimmage on Friday night. The junior varsity is scheduled to run 15 offensive and defensive plays; varsity will run 15; j.v. will run 10 and the varsity will finish up with 15 and 15 and a few goal line stands.



LOOKING GOOD HAMMERS: The Rotan Yellowhammers are working hard as they practice during two-a-days with the coaches keeping close watch as they run their plays.

Sardis Cemetery Association Work Day

The Sardis Cemetery Association met Saturday, August 19th at the Sardis Community Building and enjoyed a covered dish luncheon after the mowing of all the grounds.

Five riding mowers made the grounds look very clean in a shorter time than usual. Small push mowers and hoes always are needed in places the larger machines cannot go.

A sign for the cemetery has been given by Maxine and William Rogers of Odessa and was erected by some of those attending.

The association would encourage anyone that has family and friends buried at Sardis to consider giving annually to "The Sardis Cemetery Association" fund. This can be done by mail or

in person by contacting Martin Palmer, Roby, Texas, 79543.

Any mowing of the cemetery or old church grounds is generally needed throughout the year and appreciated.

Attending from Abilene was Larry Teague and his nephew John Johnson. Margaret and Homer Grimes came from Sweetwater. Jerlene and Martin

Palmer, Roby. Other locals were Mable Warren, Sandy and Mike Martin and children, Norma Lou and Dutch Parks.

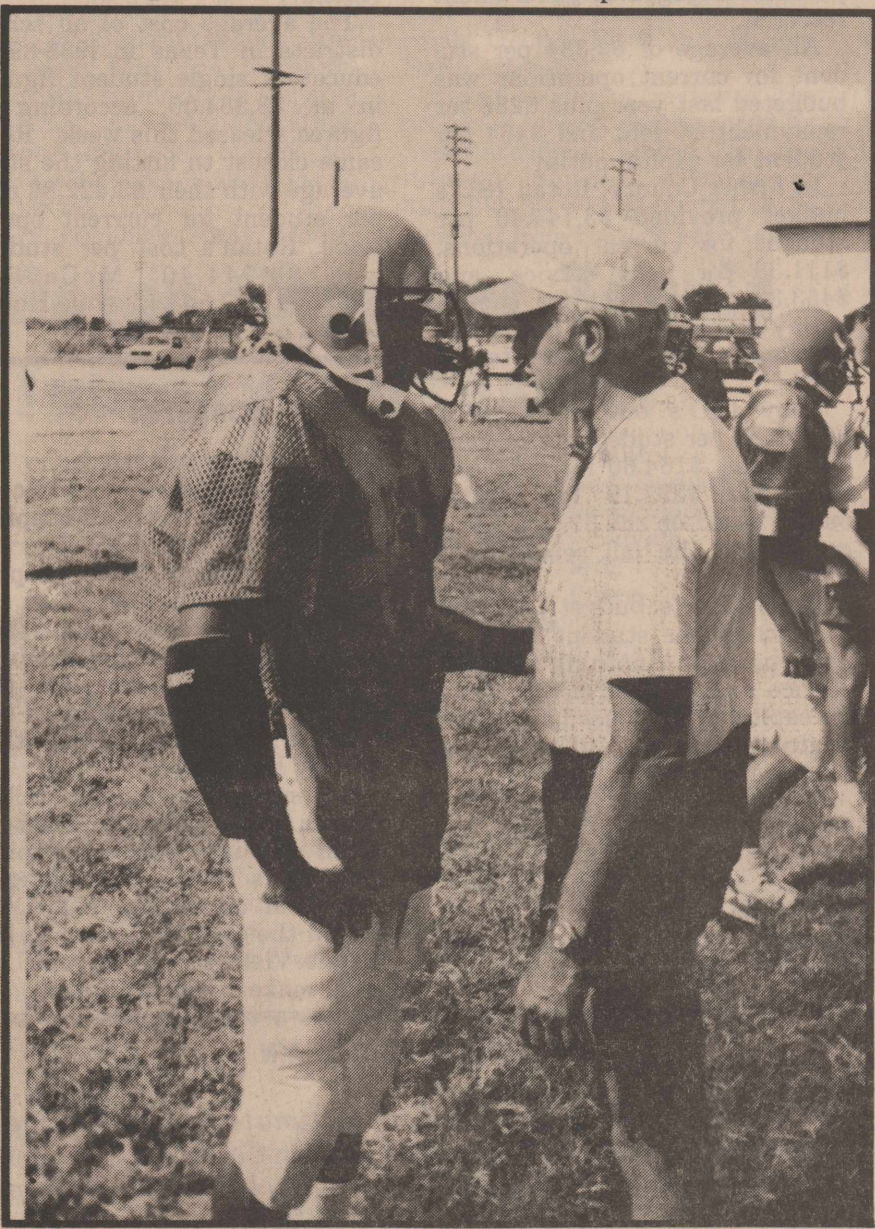
There was some discussion about a Sardis Homecoming in the future. Should anyone be interested and would give names and addresses to any of the locals, perhaps the idea could become a reality.

Five Members Of Roby Fire Department Attend AGRO-Rescue School In Floydada

Five members of the Roby Volunteer Fire Dept. attended the annual Floydada AGRO-Rescue school this past Saturday in Floydada, Texas.

This school trains Rescue Personnel in Farm Machinery Extrication. The school is sponsored by the State Firemen's and Fire

Marshals' Association of Texas, Panhandle Firemen's and Fire Marshal's Association, Texas A&M Extension Service and Floydada Fire Dept. Roby firemen attending were: James Terry, Larry Gruben, Ruben Rodriguez, Kevin Rivers and Todd Donham.



COACH'S INSTRUCTION: Coach Ted Posey of the Rotan Yellowhammers instructs one of the players as two-a-days have begun. The Hammers are showing strong and will play their first scrimmage against Jim Ned on August 24th.

Funeral Services For Dwalyn Parker

Dwalyn Parker, 63, of Roby, died at 7 AM Friday in the Fisher County Hospital after a brief illness. Services were at 2:30 PM Sunday in the First Baptist Church with Rev. Jim Ritter and Rev. Alvin Petty officiating. Burial was in the Roby Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

He was born Nov. 23, 1925 in Roby and was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Floyd Parker. He lived in Fisher County all his life. He was a veteran of WW II and a member of the First Baptist Church. He was a rancher and had retired from the Production Credit Association after 27 years. He married Mineola Morris July 15, 1950 in Roby.

Survivors include: Wife, Mineola Morris Parker, Roby; 1 son: Jimmy Dwalyn Parker, Jr., Coleman; 1 daughter: Vickie Lee Gosling, Carrollton, Tex.; 1 brother: Fano Parker, Roby; 4 grandchildren: Jennifer Parker, Coleman, John Parker, Coleman, Lee Gosling, Carrollton, Matthew Gosling, Carrollton.

Pallbearers were: Alvin Johnson, Harold Ely, III, Glenn Upshaw, John Ed Reed, Jack Morton, H.T. Neves, Marion Paske, Kyle Moore.

Contributions may be made to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, the Association for Retarded Citizens, or the charity of your choice.

Jewell Willingham Succumbs

Jewell Willingham, 86, of the Hobbs Community, died at 8:45 AM Sunday in the Rotan Nursing Center after a lengthy illness. Graveside services were held at 2 PM Monday in the Hobbs Cemetery with Rev. Terry Lowe officiating.

Mrs. Willingham was born Dec. 8, 1902 in Dodd City, Texas and was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Bellar. She moved to Fisher County as a child from Dodd City. She married Sterling

Willingham in Fisher County Nov. 16, 1924. He died July 12, 1980. Mrs. Willingham was a homemaker and was formerly active in the Home Demonstration Club and other community service groups. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include: 1 son: Andrew, Spring, Texas; 2 grandchildren: Stephen Willingham, Amarillo, David Willingham, Irving; 2 great granddaughters: Kelly Willingham and Casey Willingham, both of Amarillo.

Services Held For Jim Obriant

James Franklin (Jim) Obriant, 86, of Rotan, died at 8:45 PM Thursday at his farm South of Rotan. Services were held Sunday at 4:30 at the First Baptist Church in Rotan with Rev. Alvin Petty and Rev. Steve Peace officiating. Burial was in the Rotan Cemetery.

He was born Jan. 2, 1903 in Comanche County and was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Moris Franklin Obriant. He came to Fisher County as a child from Comanche County. He married Lola Mize Dec. 24, 1925. She died Sept. 26, 1971. He married Gladys Taggart in Abilene in 1974. He was a member of the Fisher County Farm Bureau and was a former partner in the P & O Lumber Co. in Rotan. He had served as a Rotan School Board member. He was a farmer and stockman and a Baptist.

Survivors include: Wife of Rotan; 1 daughter: Jo Tankersley, Rotan; 1 son: James Franklin Obriant, Jr., Midland; 4 sisters: Glenn Waddell, Placentia, CA, Grace Keener, Welch, Mary Frances Hamby, Westmoreland,

CA, Lillian Standefer, Odessa; 3 grandchildren: Craig Rowland, Rotan; Mike Obriant, Michigan, Kelly Kirkpatrick, Bolling Green, KY; 2 great grandchildren: Katie Obriant, Nikki Rowland.

Pallbearers were Jim Rowland, F.W. Brown, Jimmy Carreon, Garvis Hinson, David Senn, Roland Ray, Jr.

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CITY OF ROBY

TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

City of Roby is currently making plans to apply jointly with City of Sweetwater to Texas Department of Commerce for Texas Community Development Program funds. A public hearing to solicit the input of the citizens in the submission of the Community Development Program application will be conducted.

The public hearing will be held at City Hall, West Hwy 180 at 4:00 p.m., August 28, 1989 to discuss housing and community development needs, use of past TCDDP awards, amount of funds available and eligible activities. It will also allow affected citizens an opportunity to comment on the proposed project, amount of funds requested and estimated amount proposed for activities that will benefit low/moderate income persons.

More detailed information on proposed activities, amounts of funds and proposed location of activities will be available for inspection at the City Hall after the hearing. Handicapped individuals who may have difficulty in attending this meeting should contact the City Hall to arrange for assistance. Para residentes necesitados de interpretes, favor de comunicarse con la municipalidad antes de las audiencias publicas.

For further information, contact Bobbie Beauchamp at the City Hall at 776-2271. 29:1tc

A Thank You Note

The family of Buck Reed would like to extend its heartfelt thanks for the outpouring of love and concern during this time of loss. A special thanks to Dr. Callan, Dr. Atkins and hospital staff of Fisher County Hospital for all the time and effort spent in caring for Buck Reed.

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WEDNESDAY: Tacos, Pinto Beans, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Jello/Fruit, Cornbread.
THURSDAY: Fish, Macaroni & Cheese, Black Eyed Peas, Hot Rolls, Butter, Fruit, Milk.
FRIDAY: Hamburgers, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Pickles & Onions, French Fries, Peanut Butter Cookie, Milk.

TO OUR COMMUNITY FAMILY:

We want to take this opportunity to thank each and every one for the prayers, phone calls, cards, well wishes and words of encouragement during Jim's hospital stay and recovery time.

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1989 Fisher County Fair Draws Good Entries And Crowds

A big crowd of people and animals gathered for the stock show held in conjunction with the Fisher County Fair. 29 head of sheep and 46 head of cattle were shown. A fine group of animals were on display. Several of these animals will be shown at the West Texas Fair and the State Fair of Texas later in the fall. Individual results are listed below.

Breeding Sheep, Suffolk Rams: 1st Chuck and Chad Dannheim; 2nd Stephanie Hunsaker; 3rd Holly Hunsaker
 Champion Ram - Chuck Dannheim; Reserve - Stephanie Hunsaker
 Ewe Lambs: 1st Holly Hunsaker; 2nd Stephanie Hunsaker; 3rd Chad Dannheim; 4th Cassidy Early; 5th Jason Gruben
 Yearling Ewes: 1st Chuck Dannheim; 2nd Chad Dannheim
 Grand Champion Ewe - Chuck Dannheim; Reserve - Holly Hunsaker
 Market Lamb - Finewool: 1st Ty West; 2nd Justin Smith; 3rd Ty West
 Finewool Cross: 1st Justin Smith; 2nd Jason Gruben; 3rd Crystal Early; 4th Ty West; 5th Shelia Green
 Mediumwool: 1st Chuck Dannheim; 2nd Stephanie Hunsaker; 3rd Holly Hunsaker; 4th Shea Feagan; 5th Jason Gruben; 6th Cassidy Early; 7th Cassidy Early; 8th Shelia Green; 9th Ashley Smith
 Grand Champion Lamb - Chuck Dannheim; Reserve - Stephanie Hunsaker
 Heifers - Shorthorn: 1st Katrina Rains
 Hereford: 1st Joey Teague
 Angus - Junior Calves: 1st Sandy Kiser; 2nd Carissa Kiser; 3rd Kelly McWilliams
 Senior Calves: 1st Carissa Kiser
 Grand Champion Heifer - Katrina Rains; Reserve - Sandy Kiser
 Market Steers - Lightweight: 1st Ryan Jeffrey; 2nd Ryan Jeffrey; 3rd

Jeremy Terry; 4th Tim Bob Smith; 5th Christie Anderson; 6th Chuck Dannheim; 7th Billy Floyd; 8th Kyle McWilliams; 9th Chad Dannheim
 Middleweight: 1st Ryan Jeffrey; 2nd Cody Smith; 3rd Johnny Smith; 4th Shanna Smith; 5th Jeremy Terry; 6th Bryce Moore; 7th Cassie Terry; 8th Matt Counts; 9th Katrina Rains; 10th Johnny Smith
 Light Heavy: 1st Ryan Jeffrey; 2nd Shanna Clift; 3rd Cassie Terry; 4th Cassie Terry; 5th Bryce Moore; 6th Katrina Rains; 7th Kelly McWilliams; 8th Coby Moore; 9th Cody Smith; 10th Anita Floyd
 Heavy: 1st Ryan Jeffrey; 2nd Carissa Kiser; 3rd Ryan Jeffrey; 4th Jeremy Terry; 5th Mike Counts; 6th Katrina Rains; 7th Tim Bob Smith; 8th Cody Smith; 9th Coby Moore; 10th Chuck Dannheim
 Grand Champion Steer - Ryan Jeffrey; Reserve - Ryan Jeffrey
 Fisher County Barrel Race Results: 1st Jennifer Fowler; 2nd Ryan Posey; 3rd Jessica Fowler; 4th Christie Parr
 Parade Results: 1st Nolan County; 2nd Fisher County; 3rd Scurry County
 Jr. Posse: 1st Fisher County
 Band: 1st Roby High School
 Floats: 1st Roby 4-H Clovers; 2nd Rotan Shamrock 4-H; 3rd Roby 4-H Tumbleweeds

The Crop and Horticulture results are as follows:

Potatoes: Allen Morton - Blue; Amanda Moore - Red
 Tomatoes: Amanda Moore - Blue;

Kelly McWilliams - Blue; Coy Stuart - Blue; Monroe Moore - Red
 Squash: Monroe Moore - Blue; Mrs. Coy Stuart - Blue; Lenora Morton - Blue; Amanda Moore - Red; Coy Stuart - Red
 Pumpkins: E. B. Hull - Blue; Preston and Wayden Willhite - Blue
 Cantalope: Allen Morton - Blue
 Bell Pepper: Amanda Moore - Blue; Coy Stuart - Blue
 Okra: Kelly McWilliams - Blue; Allen Morton - Blue; Coy Stuart - Red; Mrs. Coy Stuart - Red
 Cucumbers: Monroe Moore - Red
 Peaches: Allen Morton - Blue; Mrs. Coy Stuart - Red
 Grapes: Nan Arnett - Blue
 Peas: Monroe Moore - Blue; Coy Stuart - Blue; Kelly McWilliams - Blue; Allen Morton - Red
 Hot Peppers: Amanda Moore - Blue; Monroe Moore - Blue; Monroe Moore - Blue; Coy Stuart - Blue; Mrs. Coy Stuart - Blue
 Onions: Amanda Moore - Blue
 Sweet Potatoes: Allen Morton - Blue
 Figs: Allen Morton - Blue; W. P. Schubert - Blue; Coy Stuart - Red
 Fruit Basket: Mrs. Coy Stuart - Blue; Frankie Cornell - Blue
 Cotton: Brandon Scherwitz - Blue;

Brent Scherwitz - Blue; Matt Floyd - Blue; Anita Floyd - Blue; Bobby Hoffman - Blue; Nikki Rowland - Blue; Jim Obriant - Blue; Billy Floyd - Red

The Fisher County Fair resulted in great attendance and entries. The results are as follows:

Pre School:
 Salads: 1st Aaron Greene - Best of Show; 2nd Jacob Dickson
 Cookies: 1st Aaron Greene
 Cake: 1st Tara Carey
 Crafts: 1st Aaron Greene
 Jewelry: 1st Aaron Greene; 2nd Tara Carey
 Accessories: 1st Tara Carey - Best of Show
 Tee-Shirts - Machine Decorated: 1st Tara Carey
 Tee-Shirts - Hand painted: 1st Jacob Dickson
 Elementary:
 Quick Breads: 1st Lane Greene
 Salads: 1st Lane Greene; 2nd Mikya Dickson
 Yeast Breads: 1st Lane Greene - Best of Show
 Cookies: 1st Cory Rains; 2nd Katrina Rains; tied for 3rd were Lane Greene

and Monroe Moore
 Crafts: 1st Crystal Early
 Holiday Decorations: 1st Crystal Early; 2nd Ashley Smith
 Jewelry: 1st Crystal Early; 2nd Crystal Early; 3rd Jaycee Carey
 Accessories: 1st Crystal Early; 2nd Jaycee Carey
 Others: 1st Crystal Early; 2nd Crystal Early; 3rd Crystal Early
 Wood Crafts: 1st Crystal Early
 Photography: 1st Jeremy Griffith
 -Best of Show; 2nd Josh Griffith
 Bandanas: 1st Ryan Branch; 2nd Katrina Rains; tied for 3rd was Lane Greene and Holly Hunsaker
 Painted Tee-Shirts: 1st Ryan Branch
 Decorated Tee-Shirts: 1st Jaycee Carey
 Spin Out: 1st Crystal Early
 Hand Painted Tee-Shirts: 1st Lance Moore; 2nd Mikya Dickson; 3rd Ty West
 Ceramic Dry Brush: 1st Jaycee Carey
 Oil Finish: 1st Jaycee Carey
 Glaze: 1st Monroe Moore; 2nd Monroe Moore
 Juniors:
 Jewelry: 1st Kasey Greene; 2nd Cassidy Early; 3rd Kasey Greene
 Accessories: 1st Leslie Stephens; 2nd Leslie Stephens; 3rd Leslie Stephens

Ceramics - Dry Brush: 1st Patrick Buckner; 2nd Patrick Buckner
 Glaze: 1st Amanda Moore
 Other: 1st Leslie Stephens; 2nd Rhonda Henry; 3rd Cassidy Early
 Bandana Belts: 1st Leslie Stephens
 Plaques: 1st Cassidy Early
 Pictures: 1st Jeramie St. Clair - Best of Show; 2nd Rhonda Henry
 Hand Painted Tee-Shirts: 1st Christie Anderson; 2nd Anita Floyd; 3rd Chad Dannheim
 Spin Art Tee-Shirts: 1st Chris Boone; 2nd Brandi Murphree; 3rd Jamie Grisham
 Painted Tee-Shirts: 1st Cassidy Early
 Dresses: 1st Carissa Kiser - Best of Show; 2nd Amanda Moore; 3rd Kelly McWilliams
 Pajamas: 1st Kasey Greene
 Jumpsuits: 1st Kelly McWilliams
 Wood Crafts: 1st Cassidy Early; 2nd Carissa Kiser; 3rd Rhonda Henry
 Canned Goods: 1st Phillip Hull - Best of Show; 2nd Cassidy Early
 Salads: 1st Phillip Hull - Best of Show; 2nd Kelly McWilliams; tied for 3rd place was Phillip Hull and Kasey Greene
 Cookies: 1st Kelly McWilliams

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FOR SALE: Kennedy Home Place, large 10 room rock home with 5 bedrooms, 2 baths, and many extras. Also garage, store room, barns, pens and 7 acres. Located 2½ miles north of Rotan, \$70,000. Call Betty McCright 735-2945 or Tinne Cade 735-2944. 28:1tc

FOR SALE: Choice land, 110 acres, part Edwards Estate. 3½ miles N.E. of Roby, 1½ miles of river front. Call (915) 672-9213 or 673-4271, Ext. 238. 28:4tp

FOR SALE 314 acre farm, north of Sweetwater in Fisher County, 2 bedroom house, barn, 2 tanks, windmill. (915) 235-5884 or (915) 235-3302. 28:2tp

FOR SALE: Malouf Estate in Rotan, very large 12 room house, formal dining, storage building, water well, 3 lots, needs some work. Good investment. Owner will carry. \$45,000.00 as is. United Farm Agency 776-2131 or 776-2626. 28:1tc

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TEMPORARY POSITION AVAILABLE: Fisher County ASCS Committee is now accepting applications for a Program Assistant. Interested persons may obtain application forms at the local ASCS Office, 501 West Highway 180, Roby, Texas. Applications will be accepted thru August 31, 1989. EOE Employer. 29:1tc

NOTICE: Rotan Nursing Center is now taking applications for LVN's. Contact Juanita Underhill 735-2233. 29:1tc

LOST & FOUND

LOST OR STOLEN: old saddle, has silver horn, stamped in semi-circle "Dee's Shoe Shop - Fred W. Maker". Disappeared 5 miles NW of Rotan. Any information call Paul Heathington, 735-3430. 27:4tc

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County Fair Shows Results

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Cakes: 1st Rhonda Henry
Brownies: 1st Phillip Hull; 2nd Kasey Greene; 3rd Rhonda Henry
Cream Pie: 1st Kasey Greene
Fruit Pie: 1st Phillip Hull
Yeast Bread: 1st Phillip Hull; 2nd Kasey Greene; tied for 3rd place was Phillip Hull and Kasey Greene
Quick Bread: 1st Amanda Moore; 2nd Kasey Greene; tied for 3rd was Phillip Hull and Kasey Greene
Crafts: 1st Phillip Hull
Decorative Pillows: 1st Rhonda Henry; 2nd Rhonda Henry; 3rd Rhonda Henry
Door Hanging: 1st Rhonda Henry; 2nd Rhonda Henry
Stuffed Animals: 1st Rhonda Henry
Needle Point: 1st Rhonda Henry; 2nd Rhonda Henry
Holiday Decorations: 1st Rhonda Henry
Quilts: 1st Rhonda Henry
Teen-Age Division:
Clothing: 1st Jessica Moore - Best of Show
Blouses: 1st Angela Buckner
Ceramics-Dry Brush: 1st Angela Buckner
Art: 1st Julie Parr - Best of Show; 2nd Julie Parr; 3rd Julie Parr
Fruit Pie: 1st Christie Parr
Adult Division:
Canned Goods: 2nd Ms. Coy Stuart
Beets Pickles: 1st Ms. Coy Stuart
Dill Pickles: 1st Stella Mash
Sweet Cucumber Pickles: 1st Louella Waddell; 2nd Stella Mash
Bread & Butter Pickles: 1st Stella Mash
Squash Pickles: 2nd Ms. Coy Stuart
Other Pickles: 1st Stella Mash
Squash Relish: 1st Stella Mash; 2nd Stella Mash
Other Relishes: 1st Ms. Coy Stuart; 2nd Jane Nowlin
Beans: 1st Louella Waddell; 2nd Ms. Coy Stuart; 3rd DeLana Hinson
Blackeyed Peas: 1st Ms. Coy Stuart; 2nd Louella Waddell
Okra: 1st Louella Waddell; 2nd De Lana Hinson; 3rd Ms. Coy Stuart
Squash: 1st De Lana Hinson; 2nd Ms. Coy Stuart
Peaches: 1st Ms. Coy Stuart; 2nd Louella Waddell
Apples: 2nd Ms. Coy Stuart
Pineapple: 1st Ms. Coy Stuart
Pears: 2nd Ms. Coy Stuart
Berries: 1st Ms. Coy Stuart
Apricots: 3rd Ms. Coy Stuart
Figs: 2nd Ms. Coy Stuart
Juices: 1st Ms. Coy Stuart
Others - Fruit or Vegetables: 1st Louella Waddell - Best of Show
Apricot Preserves: 2nd Ms. Coy Stuart; 2nd Martha Wright
Peach Preserves: 2nd Ms. Coy Stuart; 3rd Louella Waddell
Watermelon Preserves: 1st Martha Wright
Peach Jam: 1st Louella Waddell
Plum Jam: 2nd Nan Arnett; 3rd Ellen St. Clair
Fig Jam: 1st Jane Nowlin
Grape Jam: 1st Jane Nowlin
Other Jam: 1st Stella Mash
Plum Jelly: 3rd Louella Waddell
Grape Jelly: 1st Ms. Coy Stuart; 2nd Nan Arnett
Peach Butter: 1st Louella Waddell
Honey: 1st Ms. Coy Stuart
Cakes: Bobbie McKinney; 2nd Bernice Randolph; 2nd Bernice Randolph
Cookies: 1st Bobbie McKinney, Belynda Rains, Ms. Coy Stuart; 2nd Bernice Randolph, Ms. Coy Stuart, Belynda Rains; 3rd Bobbie McKinney
Pies: 1st Jane Nowlin - Best of Show; 3rd Bobbie McKinney
Candies: 3rd Bobbie McKinney
Bread: 1st Jane Nowlin, Bobbie McKinney
Art: Landscape: Best of Show - Charles Dannheim; 1st Ora Bennett; 2nd Louella Waddell; 3rd Louella

Waddell
Western Art: 1st Glenna Gene Moore; 2nd Carolyn Simmons; 3rd Fay Anderson
Still Life: 1st Glenna Gene Moore; 2nd Louella Waddell; 3rd Ora Bennett

Seascape: 1st Fay Anderson; 2nd Louella Waddell - Snow Scene: 1st Bertha Warren - Pen & Ink (Portrait): 1st Ronald Peek; 2nd Ronald Peek; 3rd Ronald Peek - Pen & Ink (Western Art): 1st Charles Dannheim - Pen & Ink (Still Life): 1st Ronald Peek - Pen & Ink (Wildlife): 1st Ronald Peek - Pen & Ink (Landscape): 1st Ronald Peek - Pencil (Portrait): 1st Ronald Peek - Portrait - Oil: 1st Fay Anderson; 2nd Glenna Gene Moore - Wildlife - Oil: 1st Britt Stuart; 2nd Louella Waddell; 3rd Fay Anderson - Landscape (Acrylic): 1st Louella Waddell - Decorative: 1st Louella Waddell - Tole: 1st Louella Waddell; 2nd Bobbie McKinney - Textiles: Crochet Doilies: 1st Martha Wright; 2nd Deborah Dickson; 3rd Irene Young - Crochet Dolls: 1st Irene Young; 2nd Bobbie McKinney - Crochet Scarves: 1st Deborah Dickson; 2nd Oleta Henry; 3rd Bobbie McKinney - Other Crochet Items: 1st Martha Wright; 2nd Deborah Dickson - Counted Cross Stitched: 1st Freda Buckner; 2nd Jane Nowlin; 3rd Cindy Lewis - Applique Plaques: 1st Sue Branch - Applique Quilts: 1st Lenora Walden; 3rd Marta Morris - Applique: 1st Bessie Decker - Picture & Plaques: 1st Neva McQueen; 2nd Belynda Rains - Quilt: 2nd Ora Bennett - Handpieced Baby Quilts: 1st Bessie Decker - Machine pieced Hand quilted Baby Quilt: 1st Melinda Meador; 2nd Glenna Gene Moore - Handquilted quilt: 1st Lucille Armstrong; 2nd Lenora Walden; 3rd Mary Boydston - Machine quilted quilt: 3rd Mary Boydston - Machine pieced handquilted: 1st Marta Morris - Crochet Afghan: 1st Martha Wright, Shirley Byrd; 2nd Ms. Coy Stuart, Eva Mae Woody; 3rd Ora Bennett - Crochet Baby Afghan: 1st Mary Boydston; 2nd Dorothy Decker; 3rd Bessie Decker - Home Furnishings: Handmade Dolls: 1st Belynda Rains; 2nd Stella Mash; 3rd Ms. Coy Stuart - Hand Dressed Doll: 3rd Louella Waddell - Other Doll: 3rd Louella Waddell - Holiday Stocking: 3rd Melody Gordon - Holiday Decoration: 3rd Stella Mash - Other Glazed Ceramic: 2nd Bobbie McKinney - Dry Brush Ceramic: 1st Freda Buckner - Ceramic Glaze: 1st Lisa Carey - Ceramic Kitchen Accessories: 1st Bobbie McKinney - Table Cover: 1st Chris Reyes; 2nd Martha Wright; 3rd Irene Young - Tufted Rugs: 1st Pat Ely - Bedspreads: 1st Eva Mae Woody; 2nd Shirley Byrd - Pillow Covers: 1st Connie Early - Floral Wall Hangings: 2nd Ellen Hataway - Floral Arrangement: 1st Bobbie McKinney - Cloth Doll: 2nd Bobbie McKinney - Hand Dressed Doll: 2nd Irene Young - Basket: 1st Debbie Dickson - Basket Wall Hanging: 2nd Debbie Dickson - Needlepoint Wall Hanging: 1st Oleta Henry - Rugs: 3rd Evelyn Crawford - Mens Hobbies: 1st Mike Putnam; 2nd Ken Meyers - Furniture: Mike Putnam - Flowers-China Painting: 1st Ms. Hawkins; 2nd Mary Green; 3rd Dorothy Decker - Beginners Fruit China Painting: 1st Glenna Gene Moore - Rose China Painting: 3rd Louella Waddell - Fruit China Painting: 1st Ms. Hawkins; 2nd Mary Green; 3rd Ms. Mayberry - China

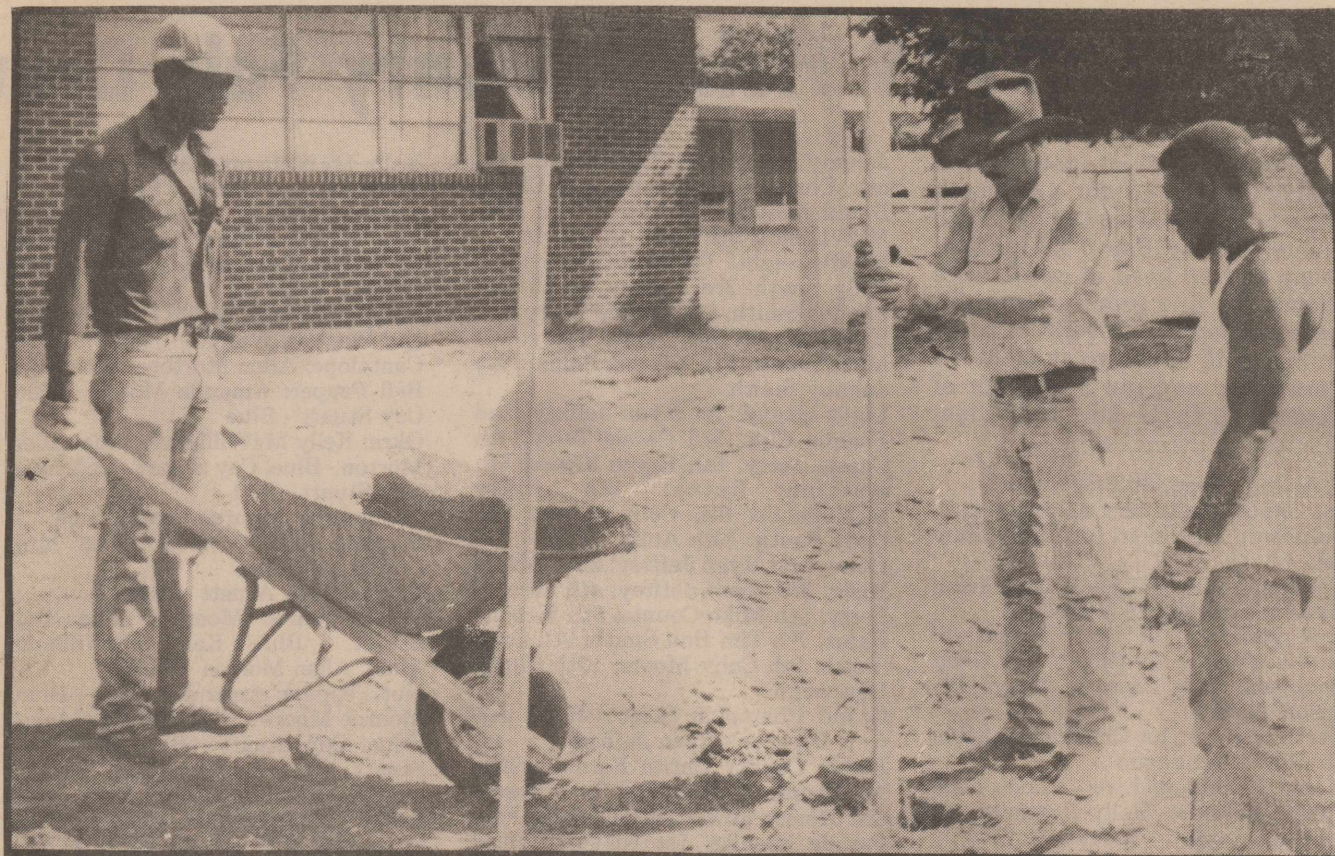
Painting Scenes: 1st Dorothy Decker; 2nd Ms. Moore; 3rd Louella Waddell - China Painting Birds: 1st Ms. Green; 2nd Ms. Mayberry - Best of Show Winners Listed Below:
Adult Home Furnishings: Oleta Henry - Elementary Textiles: Jaycee Carey - Jr. Hobbies: Jeremy St. Clair - Grandparents Brag: James and Cynthia Putnam - Youth Division Baked Goods: Preschool: Aaron Greene - Elementary: Lane Greene - Jr.: Phillip Hull - Teen Baked Goods: Christie Parr - Adult Hobbies: Joey Hull - Elementary Hobbies: Jeremy Griffith - Adult Clothing: Sue Branch - Adult Art: Charles Dannheim - Adult Baked Goods: Jane Nowlin - Adult Textiles: Martha Wright - Textiles JR. Division: Carissa Kiser - Preschool Textiles: Tara Carey - Teen Textiles: Jessica Moore - Teen Hobbies: Julie Parr - Most Blue Ribbons Adult Division: Ms. Coy Stuart
Dog Show Blue Ribbon Winners included: Cassie Terry - Grand Champion; Bobby Hoffman, Chelsey Callan, Shea Feagan, Brook Warren, Sonya Gaona, Becky Frierson, Jason Gruben and Hunter Stuart. Costumed Pet division included: Grand Champion Crystal Early, Bobby Hoffman and Sandy Kiser

Hobbs School District Will Open Doors On August 28th

Hobbs Independent School District will open its doors to begin the 1989-90 school year on August 28, 1989 at 8:00 a.m. The school will be under the supervision of new superintendent M. B. Maxwell, Jr. Shirley B. Montgomery, a newly hired teacher at Hobbs will be teaching 5th and 6th grades. Dorothy Harris will be teaching 3rd and 4th grades, while Christy Hudnall will be teaching Kindergarten through 2nd grades. The aids will consist of Vicky Etheredge and Olga Onofre. Students entering Hobbs School for the first time should bring their previous school record if any and immunization records.

Rotan Band Boosters To Meet This Evening

There will be a meeting for the Rotan Band Boosters Thursday evening at the Band Hall, beginning at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect officers and it will also provide an opportunity to meet the new band director. The meeting is for parents with students in the band, grades 8-12 and anyone else interested in the booster club. Everyone is encouraged to attend.



MAKING IMPROVEMENTS AT ROTAN SCHOOL: The above workers are putting up a new metal fence around the Primary building. Center is Mike Cade with his two helpers.

Sales Tax Rebate Drops .13%

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said last Friday that cities, counties and transit authorities received 9.8 percent more in sales tax rebates this month than they did in August 1988. "We sent more than \$193 million in sales tax money to local governments this month, and Texas businesses continue to report higher sales tax collections," Bullock said. Bullock noted that cities received an average of 7.4 percent more income from sales tax this month than in August 1988, and year-to-date payments to cities are up by an average of 9.7 percent over the same period last year. "We've predicted that the steady growth trend will continue, although it remains spotty in some areas of the state," Bullock said.

Checks totaling \$121.9 million were sent to 1046 cities that have a local sales tax rate of either one or one and one-half percent. Fisher County's total received this period was \$15,334.34 as compared to last years comparable payment of \$15,354.11, down .13 percent. Breaking that down into towns shows that Roby received \$2,583.42 this period as compared to last years comparable of \$2,361.90 which was up 9.38 percent. Rotan is where the refund fell, 1.86 percent with a payment this period of \$12,750.92 as compared to last years payment of 12,992.21. Sales tax totals for the year to date total \$11,470.07 as compared to last years total to date of 10,084.99 which is up a total of 13.73 percent.

Rotan's totals were down 3.42 percent with a year to date total of 48,544.37 for this year as compared to last years total of 50,262.33. Houston received \$20.9 million this month, the largest payment in the state. Dallas' check of \$13.6 million was second-largest according to Bullock. The state's six metropolitan transit authorities and one city transit department received \$60.6 million, an increase of 15.1 percent, Bullock said. Another \$11.3 million was allocated to 92 counties that collect the one-half percent county sales tax. August's checks represent taxes collected by monthly filers in June and by quarterly filers in April, May and June and reported to the Comptroller's office by July 20, concluded Bullock.

Kelly Dee McWilliams Is New Junior Member Of Angus Association

Kelly Dee McWilliams, Roby, Texas, is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports Dick Spader, executive vice-president of the national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph, Missouri. Junior members of the association are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association and take part in Association sponsored shows and other national and regional events. The American Angus Association is the largest beef registry association in the world, with over 24,000 active adult and junior members.

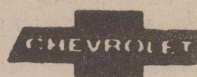
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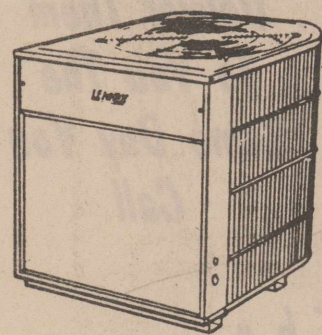
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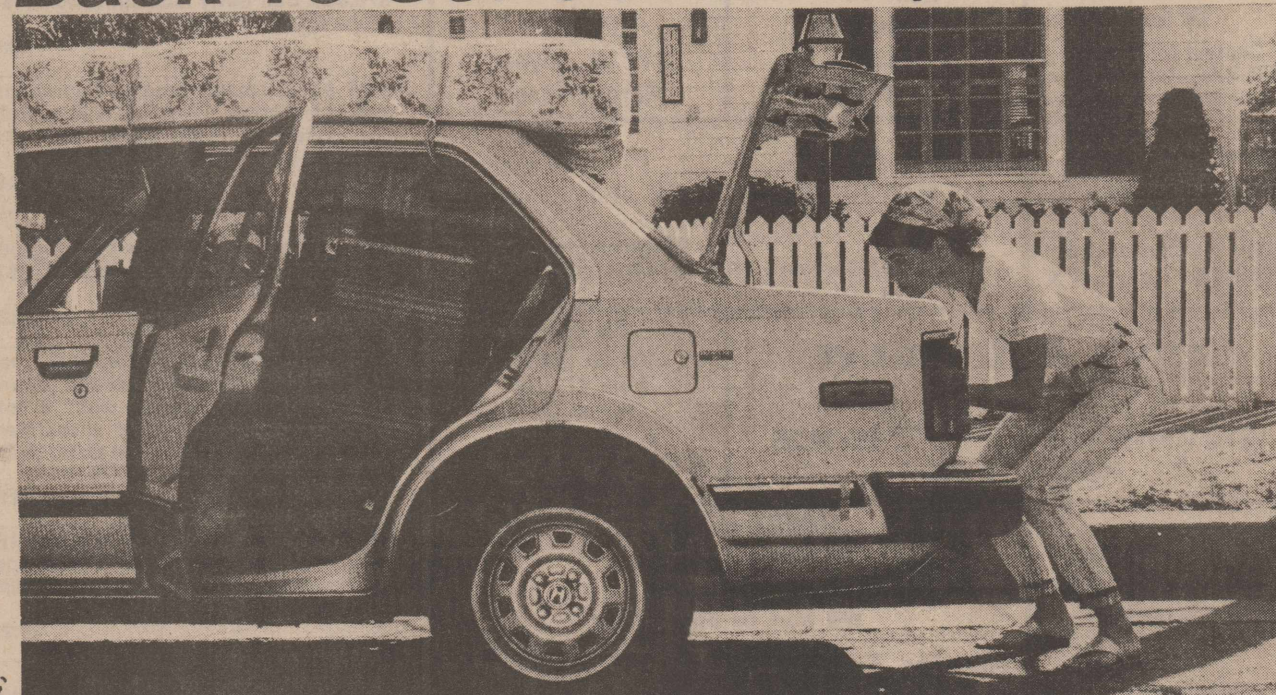
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Since none of us are required to file a financial plan with the government or any other entity, financial planning often doesn't get done. The more years you put off planning, the more difficult it is to ensure yourself of adequate funds for retirement. A fifty-year old person has far fewer years until retirement than does a thirty-year old and, therefore, a much more difficult time accumulating the necessary assets. There is no time like the present to get started. Don't wait for income tax filing time or until the kids are out of college or until you get that next big pay increase.

The following questions should serve as reminders of the problem areas needing attention. Are you investing at least 10% of your earnings? Do you have specific investment goals? Is your insurance program - life, disability, and casualty insurance - reviewed at least annually with your insurance agent? Is your will current under existing laws, and is it applicable for your state of residency? What will your net worth and annual income be at your desired retirement age?

Even if you feel competent to direct your own financial plan, a review by an independent advisor may be worthwhile.

A plan does not have to be complicated to be beneficial. It does not have to be financially painful, and by all means it should be tailored to your specific family needs. If you have no detailed financial plan, get one underway soon.

Planning for your retirement is a continuing process. You will build on it and make changes rather frequently. With this in mind, get at least the framework of your plan underway. Keep it simple, make it fit your needs, and get started now.

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Annual Royston Reunion Held

The annual Royston Community Reunion was held Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 19 & 20, 1989 at the Rotan Community Center. Over 100 persons registered on Saturday.

Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. everyone went to the former town site of Royston for the Historical Marker Ceremony. It was well attended by local people and former Royston residents. They came from all over Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Miss.

Master of Ceremony was Shorty Crawford. Invocation was by Roy Webb. The Dedication address was by State Senator Steve Carrier of Roby. Steve said his ancestors came to the community at the turn of the century. His address was most interesting.

The unveiling of the marker

Roby ISD To Open Doors On Aug. 28th

Roby Independent School District will open its doors for the new school year on August 28, at 8:00 a.m.

Elementary students, Kindergarten through eighth grade report to their respective classrooms.

High school students registered last week and should report to the classes shown on their schedule.

New students are to report to the principal's office for proper enrollment. Busses will run their regular schedule on Monday.

LEGAL NOTICE

McCauley Independent School District is accepting bids for the roof repair of several buildings. Contact McCauley I.S.D. Superintendent Henry E. Hunter for further details and specifications. 915-962-5548 or P.O. Box 187, McCauley, Tx. 79543. 28:2tc

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Plans and specifications including minimum wage rates as provided by Law are available for inspection at the office of Steve Hill Resident Engineer, Abilene, Texas, and at the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction Division, D. C. Greer State Highway Building, 11th and Brazos Streets, Austin, Texas 78701. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder. Usual rights reserved. 28:2tc

Roby City Commission Approves 5% Pay Increase For All City Employees

The members of the Roby City Commission met for their monthly meeting in Roby City Hall on Tuesday, August 15 and in closed session approved a five percent pay raise for all city employees. The pay increase on the total 1988 salary of \$99,295.00 will amount to \$4,964.75 bringing a total payroll to \$104,259.75 for

the new fiscal year.

Joining the commission was Don Kenneally, Personnel Director for the City of Sweetwater. Kenneally first apologized for the delay in bringing the topic of discussion before the commission. The City of Sweetwater is in the process of updating their city water system, also where the city

of Roby gets their water, to an elevated water storage system located in the northeast corner of town. This project is to assure the City of Roby a larger amount of water available to them. A grant must be obtained by the City of Sweetwater in the amount of \$400,000.00 to acquire the new system, with a deadline on the grant application of August 31,

1989. To assist them in obtaining the grant, Kenneally asked Roby City Commissioners to run an inside city limit survey to be attached to the grant application. The survey was to begin immediately and at the expense of the City of Roby. Consisting of various questions concerning the water system in each house, the survey was to be conducted by local individuals.

City Commissioner, Cecil King moved that the City of Roby should conduct the survey in an attempt to help improve the water system, and to publish a public notice of a special meeting inviting citizens to attend and discuss the possibility of the adoption and signing of the resolution. The motion was seconded by commissioner Archie Rivers and passed. The special meeting was also set to be held in the Roby City Hall on Monday, August 28, at 4:00 p.m.

Also present at the meeting were Murray Simmons - Mayor, Jimmy Price - City Manager and Bobbie Beauchamp - City Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved followed by the approval to pay the bills. The meeting was adjourned.

News From Down South

By Bertha Warren

It's about this time every year I forget how I waited for the first warm days of spring so the garden could be planted. Then watch every day to see if the seeds were breaking ground and then daily trips to wait for that first taste of fresh vegetables, black-eyed peas and okra. Then you have peas and okra twice a day, every day, seven days a week. The deep freezer is full, the refrigerator is full, the neighbors and all grocery sacks are full and you realize there will be peas and okra until frost and we'll probably have a late frost. But the first couple of days they sure do taste good.

I talked with Betty (Kidd) Steele and she reported the children of the late Benny and Claie Kidd had their reunion in Aston, OK, Aug. 12, 13 and 14. They had a drawing for a family quilt and Kay Kidd of Sweetwater won it and she sure was proud of it. It was beautiful. I saw it after the Claytonville/Capitola quilting club finished the quilting. About 60 attended. It was hosted this year by Margie Flint and family. Those attending were B.C. Kidd and family, Britty Steele and family, Frankie Lee Toland and family all from Sweetwater. Frankie wasn't feeling well and didn't get to go

Third Scheduled Town Meeting To Be Held At McCauley

Residents of the McCauley community will have the opportunity to ask questions of the Fisher County Hospital Administrator and board members at the third scheduled town meeting in Fisher County.

The McCauley meeting will be at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 29th in the McCauley Fire Station.

Administrator Pete Hohon extended an open invitation to anyone in Fisher County to attend the McCauley meeting. He will attempt to update interested people on the state of the hospital district.

till Saturday. John Kidd and family from Eastland, M.E. Waddell and family of Midland, Ann Cearley of Denver, Colo., Jane Collens and Wanda Jordan and their families of Houston and Margie Flint and family of Holdenville, OK. They reported all having a cool and wonderful time. John and Betty will host the 1990 event.

The McCormicks held their annual reunion at the Claytonville/Capitola center Saturday and Sunday. About 50 friends and relatives attended. Everyone enjoyed the visiting and good food.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayman Leverton's grandson Erick Brann has just returned from a 3 week visit with his other grandparents in Denver, Colo. Eric is the son of April Brann of Abilene.

Our sympathy goes out to Mineola Morris Parker and the remainder of Dwalyn's family. We also extend our sympathy to Gladys Taggart O'Brian and the rest of Jim O'Brian's family. We learned of the death of a Fisher County pioneer, Jewell (Mrs. Sterling) Willingham.

Our sympathy to the remainder of Jewell's family.

Received a note from Britty Fry of Sweetwater with news of her niece Debbie Trotter daughter of Andrew and Beulah Polack was one of 14 to receive her Cap. Aug. 4th in a ceremony at TSTI

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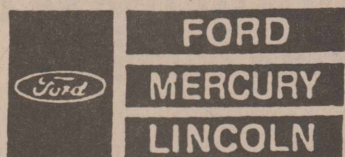
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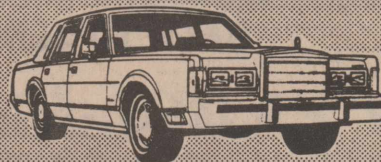
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Roby School Board Approves School Budget

The members of the Roby School Board approved a budget for the 1989-90 school year, approximately 10-percent higher than the 1988-89 amended budget of \$1,032,128.99, and were informed by Superintendent Jimmie Laurie that the increased amount was primarily in the area of salaries and administration. The total approved budget for 1989-90 is \$1,155,466.00 and is up \$123,338.00.

Board members Andy Moore,

Jeff McClure, David Morris, David Boyd, Richard Gaona and Lance McWilliams were present for the meeting last Monday night. In addition Superintendent Jimmie Laurie and Principals George Price and Mickey Early attended.

Board members reviewed the proposed budget as presented by Superintendent Laurie. In the 1988-89 budget a total of \$183,983.00 was projected to be received from current year taxes,

however, only \$152,843.29 had been received. The new budget is built around projected 1989-90 tax collections of \$222,493.00. Laurie informed board members that 6.8 percent of the taxes were uncollected for 1988-89.

In the discussion concerning the budget, David Morris questioned the \$13,000.00 being paid by the Roby ISD for a counselor that only comes to the school a day and a half a week. Morris felt the funds paid were excessive for the amount of time the individual spent in Roby.

Morris also expressed his

dissatisfaction over not enough money being allocated in the budget for instructional equipment. He said he wanted to see more computers in classrooms, especially in the lower grades.

Principal Mickey Early told the board that a total of thirteen computers were in use in lab situations in his building. No official class schedule was set aside for computers but teachers were utilizing them very well. Forty software programs are in use in Early's building.

Morris stressed his desire to see

emphasis on graduating students fully prepared for the job market. Board members are to discuss updating the computer and availability of additional computers in the next several months. Board member Jeff McClure indicated that a good place to start implementing computers was in the business department.

Superintendent Jimmie Laurie informed board member that the accreditation document concerning the recent evaluation would be addressed at the September meeting.

After a discussion, initiated by David Morris, concerning old band instruments, unrepaired, in the band hall; the board voted to repair the instruments.

The board discussed the new rate for schools established by Lone Star Gas Company. Under the new rate, schools would stand a lesser chance of being closed due to cold weather gas curtailment

by purchasing gas under the new rate structure. Superintendent Laurie informed the board that the new rate would mean an increase of approximately \$500.00 in gas costs. The board approved the new rate with all board members voting in favor with the exception of David Morris.

Board members approved Mickey Early, George Price, Jimmie Laurie, Aubrey Burrows and Kay Moore as career ladder appraisers for the 1989-90 school year.

The substitute teacher list and bus driver list was approved.

The final item discussed by the board was the possible increase in the tax base for the 1989 tax year. The 1988 adjusted tax base for the Roby ISD was \$25,376,168.00 while Appraiser Teddy Kral is estimating that this year's value could jump to \$36,076,811.00. A certified tax roll is estimated to be available for the board on September 8th.

Rotan Chamber Tennis Tourney Successful

The 3rd annual Rotan Chamber of Commerce sponsored tennis tournament was held last weekend with a host of individual and team trophies awarded, according to Janece Pease, Rotan Chamber Activities Chairman.

"The numbers were down a little this year, but the enthusiasm was present and overall the tournament was a success. A good portion of the credit for the tournament's success goes to the three assistants who helped conduct the tournament. Special thanks to Adriana Cox, Betty Jones, John Cox and Jim Gruben," said Mrs. Pease.

The full results to the tournament are listed below:

Open Mens Singles:
1st - Reid Cave
2nd - Norville Kennedy
3rd - Mike Garcia
Open Mens Doubles:
1st - Robert Morales & Mike Garcia
2nd - Reid Cave & Kent Cave
3rd - Moses Gonzales and David Thornton

Julie Parr Named F.C. Fair Queen

The Fisher County Fair Queen and runner-ups were announced after the grand entry at the Fisher County Rodeo last Saturday night. Winning the 1989 Fisher County Fair Queen was Julie Parr, daughter of Danny and Pat Parr of Rotan. Julie was sponsored by Southern Styling.

The first runner up for the queens contest was Martha Goodrum, daughter of George and Laura Goodrum. Martha was sponsored by Rheta's Beauty Shop. Shanna Bennett, daughter of Marshal and Chrys Bennett was the second runner up and was sponsored by Murphree Flying Service.

The girls were judged on their modeling ability and personal interview.

Tracy Posey New 1989 F.C. Jr. Rodeo Queen

The 1989 Fisher County Junior Rodeo Queens were announced prior to rodeo performances last Saturday night. Winning the Junior Queen title was Tracy Posey, daughter of David and Cindy Posey. Weathersbee Funeral Home served as Tracy's sponsor.

The first runner up title was taken by Jessica Fowler, she is the daughter of Terry and Tonia Fowler and was sponsored by Black Investments. The title of second runner up was taken by Jennifer Fowler also the daughter of Terry and Tonia Fowler and was also sponsored by Black Investments.

These young ladies were judged on horsemanship and personal interview by out of town judges.

Kelly McWilliams Named Senior Rodeo Queen

The 1989 Senior Rodeo Queen, Kelly McWilliams was crowned last Saturday night at the Fisher County Rodeo. Kelly is the daughter of Lance and Terry McWilliams and was sponsored by Midwest Electric Cooperative.

Melissa McKinney, daughter of Monte and Dihna McKinney won the title of first runner up. Melissa was sponsored by F & M Chevrolet. The second runner up in the senior rodeo queen contest was Melissa Burk, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Vick Burk. She was sponsored by Rotan Veterinary Hospital.

The Senior Rodeo Queen contestants were judged on horsemanship and personal interview by out of town judges.

Open Mixed Doubles:
1st - Kent Cave & Barbara Gray
2nd - Reid Cave & Shawna Speck
Open Womens Singles

1st - Jill Robards
2nd - Angela Peace
3rd - Pat Boone
Duffer Mens Singles:
1st - David Hargrove
2nd - Edward Montemayor
3rd - Larry Robards
Duffer Mixed Doubles:
1st - Misty Gruben & Jim Gruben
2nd - Jill Robards & Larry Robards

Duffer Womens Doubles:
1st - Linda Dickson & Casey Nelms
2nd - Barbara Gray & Mary Adams
3rd - Shirley Weathersbee & Mae Clark

Duffer Mens Doubles:
1st - Edward Montemayor & Thomas Brown
2nd - David Hargrove & Clay Hargrove

Jr. Womens Singles:
1st - Shawna Speck
2nd - Misty Gruben
Jr. Mens Doubles:
1st - Kashaun Morris & Matt Mercer
2nd - J.P. Martinez & Jason Carrillo

Jr. Mens Singles:
1st - Kashaun Morris
2nd - Clay Hargrove
3rd - Matt Mercer
Jr. Mixed Doubles:
1st - Trey Carrillo & Shawna Speck
2nd - J.P. Martinez & Misty Gruben

Community Team Training School Held In Junction

Members of the Rotan Ind. School and community leaders attended a Community Team Training School at the Texas Tech Center in Junction, Texas on August 15, 16, and 17th.

The purpose of the conference was to train a team from our school and community to assess and solve local problems, and therefore reduce disruption behavior in our schools.

The Rotan teachers attending the three day training session were Marshall Hill, Nancy Tandy, Verna Mae Pittman, Patsy Hamric and Joyce Hill. Joe Dickson, Fisher County Juvenile officer attended as a concerned community leader.

Rotan City Applies For \$250,000.00 Grant

The Rotan City Council met on August 15, in regular session and applied for a \$250,000.00 grant to replace and install sewer lines at several locations in town. The city proposed to come up with the \$37,500.00 extra that is needed for a total projected cost for the project of \$287,500.00.

The resignation of Police Chief Floyd Bankston, was accepted through a motion made by Charles Atwell and seconded by Jim McCright. All departments reported being in good condition with the pool turning in receipts totaling \$5,981.25 through August 11, 1989. City Secretary Kenneth Vann classified this as a fair amount for the summer.

Community Center expenses for the month of July totaled \$904.34 with an income of \$250.00 leaving a deficit of

Funeral Services Held For Buck Reed

Buck Reed, 71, of Rotan, died Tuesday at Fisher County Hospital following a lengthy illness. Funeral was at 2 P.M., Thursday, August 17th, at Weathersbee Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Steve Peace officiating. Burial was in the Belvue Cemetery of Rotan.

Mr. Reed was born August 8, 1913 at Eden, Texas, the son of Plez and Georgia (Jacoby) Reed. He married Edith Acker, July 16, 1946 at New York City. He entered military service during World War II and was a 21 year veteran of the U. S. Army, retiring with the rank of Major. He was a member of the Baptist church. He moved to Rotan in 1975 from San Antonio.

He is survived by: His wife of Rotan; 2 sons: Kenneth of Amarillo and Michael of San Antonio; 2 sisters: Viola Pyburn and Lucille Meeks, both of San Angelo; 1 brother: Jinks Reed of San Angelo; 3 grandchildren.

Casket bearers were Rafe Hargrove, Mark Hargrove, Bob Cave, Rafe Hargrove, Bob Sparks and Wayland Pyburn.

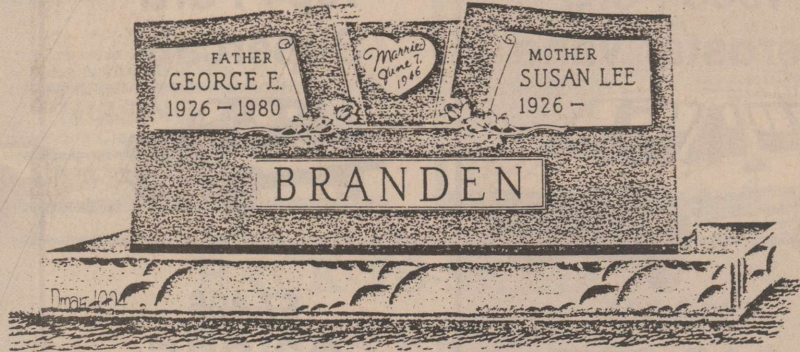
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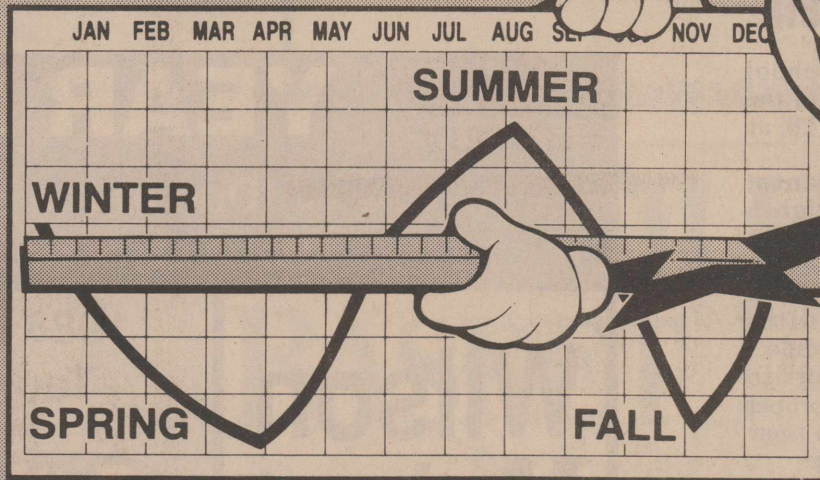
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Descendents Of Frank & Mary O'Briant Hold Reunion

The descendents of Frank and Mary O'Briant held their 29th annual reunion on Sunday, Aug. 13, 1989 at the Roby Community Center. Oldest O'Briant was Lela Nash of Abilene; youngest was Christine Dean of Houston and Vincent O'Briant traveled the farthest from Anchorage, Alaska. Other family members present were Pauline O'Briant of Roby, Julius, Dorothy, Darrel and Doug Decker of McCaulley, Faye Ray of Roby, Dennis and Annie O'Briant of McCaulley; Lionel and Rita O'Briant of Lovington, N.M.; Willie Virginia and Cory Richmond of Albuquerque, N.M.; Ken and Ronda Davis of Albuquerque, N.M.; Curtis, Neva and Stephen McQueen of Rotan; Mor-

ris O'Briant of Seaside, CA; Bessie Eaton and Gary Eaton of Rotan; Gerry Patterson of Abilene; Tom and Laura, Sarah and Janey Grothe of Azle, Tx.; Brooke Stephens of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ray of Rotan; Stacy, Debbie and Colt Wood of Stamford; Danette, Gregory and Mitchell Pope of Roby; Roland and Hue Lane and Melanie Ray of Roby; Bessie Decker of McCaulley; Hal, Pam, Christine and Taylor Dean of Houston; Glenn and Lucy Gabel of Rotan; Morris Franklin and Elizabeth O'Briant of Fort Worth; Raymond, Pat, Ray and Keith O'Briant of Irving, Tx.; Archie and Hazel Petty of Clyde, Tx.; Mr. and Mrs. Mike White, Brian, Eric and Michelle of Midland.

Rotan Nursing Center News

We showed "Father's Little Dividend" with Spencer Tracy as our movie of the week. Popcorn and orange-aid was served. Volunteer Bobbye Barker called our bingo game this week.

We want to thank Andria Givens and Lori Underwood of Abilene for volunteering their time playing games with the residents and giving several of the ladies manicures. Wednesday we practiced our skills by working puzzles.

The visitors in our home this week were: Rev. and Mrs. John Matthis from Little Zion Baptist Church. Lula Butler, Billie Faye Ellison, and Carolyn Ellison visited Lou Stovall. Lupe Mijares visited Frank Mijares.

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to Jewell Willingham's family.

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Hospital News

Patients admitted to the Fisher County Hospital August 15 thru August 21 were: Fleeda Messick— Rotan; Dona Whitley— Rotan; Pete Ozuna— Rotan; Rhonda Weems— Rotan; Rush W. Callan— Sweetwater; Crystelle Hawkins— Rotan; Juanita Trejo— Rotan; Helen Conners— Rotan; Rachel Dawes— Sweetwater; Romie Kersh— Rotan; Dwalyn Parker— Roby; Gerardo Gauna— Rotan; Raymond Alls— Loraine.

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Head Football Coach Steve Long Has High Praises For Lions

Roby Head Football Coach Steve Long had high praises for the attitude and work habits of his 1989 squad but did admit that the Lions have lost some size from the 1988 squad. "We're not as big, we're down in size, but

what we lost in size we make up in attitude. The kids are just fantastic, have a very good attitude and have been a pleasure to work with," said Long.

Long only had 22 Roby Lions last year. This year he has 25 with

at least 2 more expected when school begins. He picked up two players from McCaulley he hadn't counted on. Brothers David Scott a freshman and Shawn Scott a sophomore came out for two-a-

day practices. Another newcomer was Chris Estes a McCaulley freshman.

Long was most set on the personnel that will be lining up on defense for the 1989 Roby Lions. He indicated that Gilbert Carreon, Eddie Gonzales and Rodney Matthies, all seniors; with Mike Williams will fill interior defensive line positions. Senior Rudy Gonzales will be the backup. At linebacker, Michael Carreon, Joe Don Helm and Sammy Castillo get the nod with Albert Barrera and Tim Hohon in backup roles. The defensive secondary will consist of corners Jamie Amador and Laramie Collier with Jeremy Terry at free safety and Kenny Hefflin at strong safety.

Roby faces Rising Star in an away scrimmage at 6:00 p.m., Friday, August 25th. Long anticipates the varsity will run 20 offensive and 20 defensive plays; 10 and 10 for the second team then finish up with 25 minutes for each side under game conditions.

Hustling Around Hobbs

By Joy Walker

Sure was stormy Wednesday night, with lots of wind and so much lightning, but we missed a good rain again. The cloudy skies kept everyone from watching the Lunar Eclipse here, but they showed it on television from San Antonio. Now it will be 1993 before it will occur again.

Our community was saddened by the death of Mrs. Jewel (Sterling) Willingham on Sunday. She was in the rest home and had been sick for a long time. Graveside services were held on Monday at the Hobbs Cemetery. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to her son Andrew and the remainder of her family.

Mrs. Martha Gilliland from Farmington, New Mexico, and her son, McCoy from Midland visited in Snyder one day last week and then came to see J.C. and Alice Cave. They also visited in Roby and Sweetwater. Mrs. Gilliland is the mother of Mrs. Jackie Cave of Farmington.

Mrs. Louise Lemons, Mrs. Opal Phillips and Mrs. Bea Hardin all went to the revival at Cross Roads Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boydston went to Peacock for the day and visited with Frank's sister and her husband on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Pat House had a small family get together, so they all enjoyed the day.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ratliff went to Lubbock after Sunday school on Sunday and stayed until Monday with John and Teresa Swofford. They really enjoyed their visit.

I went fishing with Greg Gruben, Carol and Wilber on Saturday evening. Greg was here

from Midland for the weekend and he also visited with Becky Baer and Evette in Abilene. We also visited with Vera Ellen and Billie Joe McCombs Saturday night. All the school teachers are back at school, getting ready for the new school year and the boys are working out for football. I have been working at the library at the Roby School all summer and before that for several months, and was glad to have all the teachers back. Am looking forward to all the kids coming back to the school. Monday I went to Abilene with Carol and we went shopping with Evette and spent the day over there. Also visited with Becky Baer for a short while.

Every day it is so cloudy I don't see how we don't get a good rain, but by night, all the clouds are gone. Sunday I sure thought it was going to shower, but no such luck. Heard from Melody and she had been running real good in two or three rodeos so was glad that Dandy is doing so well. Know that I missed some of you this week, but left early and then when I got back, you were either outside or gone. Will try again

next week.

See you next Thursday.

Watch out for all the little kids who are going to be going to school pretty soon.

CJC Offering Course In Real Estate

Cisco Junior College is offering a course on real estate investments at the Abilene Center in September. The course will cover all phases of investing in real estate in today's market.

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The course carries three semester hours credit. Total cost of the course is \$127.00 for tuition and book.

For additional information, call the Abilene Center at (915) 698-2212.

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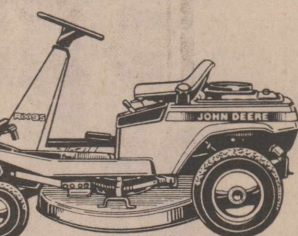
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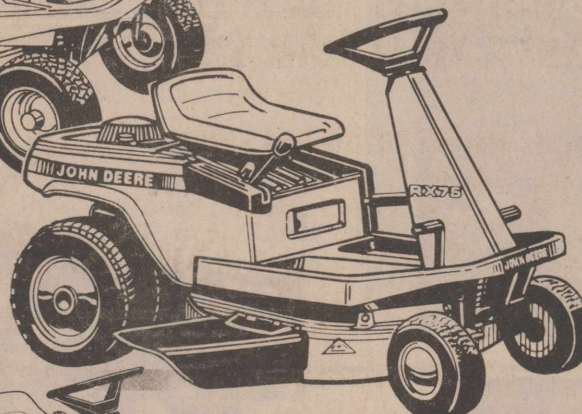
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