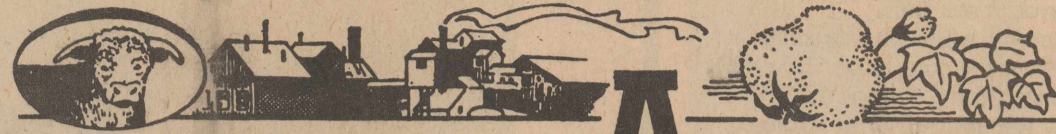


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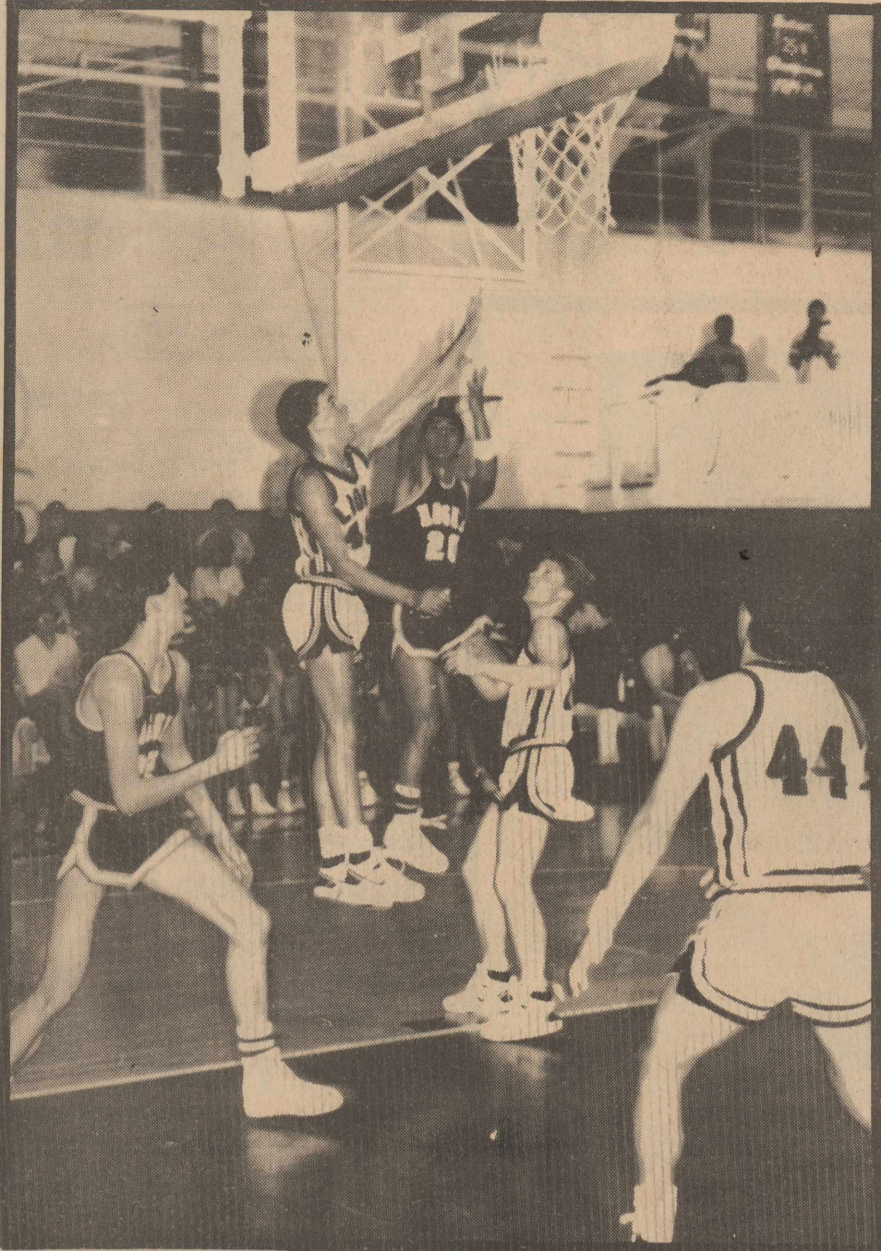
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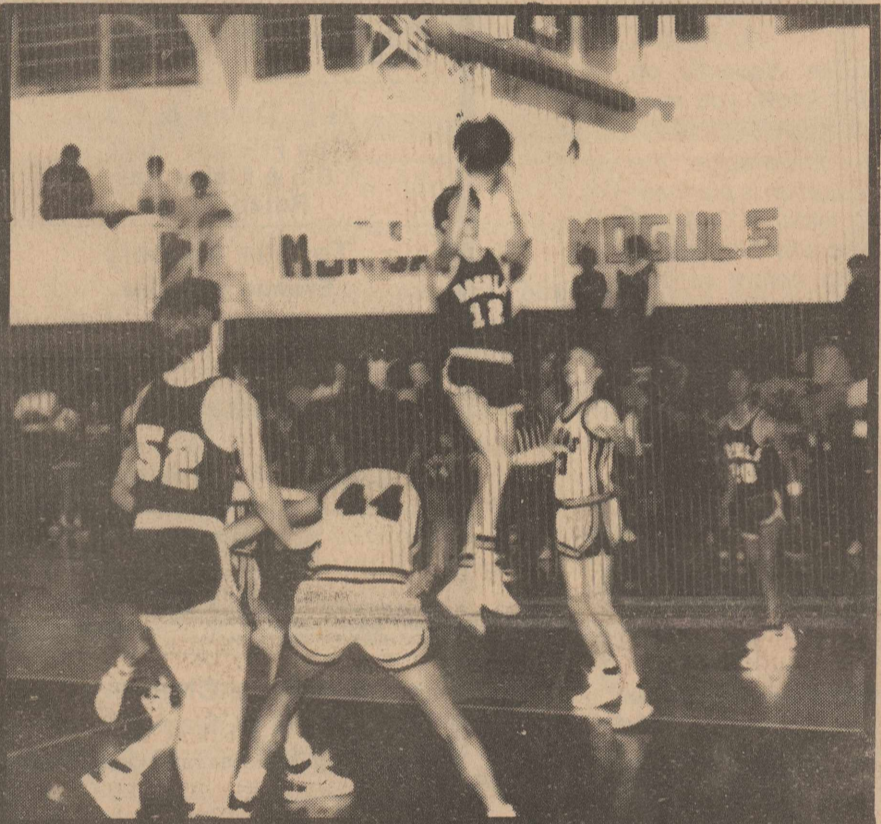
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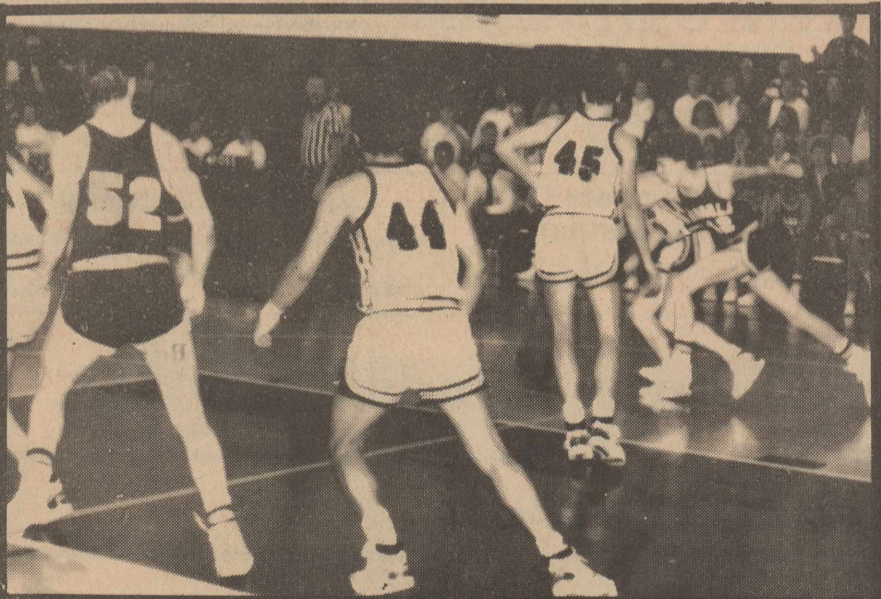
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BAT THAT BALL AWAY: Roby's Reggy Spencer reaches high to bat away a possible score for the Munday Moguls. Spencer and his team were ranked 9th in the State once this year and lost a heartbreaker to Munday to end playoff action.



ANOTHER MUNDAY SCORE? The Roby team and fans could not believe their eyes as the Munday Moguls chipped away at the Lions lead of almost 20 points to put the game in overtime.



HEADED TOWARD THE GOAL: A Roby player steals the ball and heads back down court for a score. Helping guard are Reggy Spencer and Jerry Carreon.



ANOTHER AND ANOTHER AND ANOTHER: Munday was finally able to catch up to the Roby Lions as they worked the score to 49-49 as the final buzzer sounded. Overtime took the score to 55-52 with Munday taking the trophy.

Roby Lions Suffer Disappointing Loss To Munday Moguls—End Season 25-6

The Roby Lions boys basketball team ended the season ranked 10th in the state last Friday night—they made the Munday Moguls fight to the final two minutes of play before forcing an overtime period and ending the 1988 season with a record of 25-6. Roby made the Munday team look like "Ned in the first reader" for the first period. Roby popped in 23 points to only 11 for Munday.

The packed stands at Aspermont smelled victory for the Lions.

Roby only managed to score 14 points in the second half of play while Munday pumped in 30 points to end the regulation game 49-49.

In the final period Roby scored only 5 points to Munday's 13.

High point individual scorer for Roby was Carter Edmondson with 15 points. He was followed by Jerry Carreon with 13, Rick Onofre with 8, Reggy Spencer with 7, Jason Terry with 6, and James Gantt with 3 points.

Other Roby players last Friday night were Shad Rasco, David Shipp, John Everett, Michael Carreon, Jeremy Terry, Eddie

Onofre, Cory McCombs, and Craig Maxwell.

Anthony Stinnett had a total of 14 points for Munday.

"I want to thank the seniors for their leadership and hard work, we will truly miss them next year. They are Jason Terry, Reggy

Spencer, Shad Rasco, and John Everett," said Head Coach Mickey McCarty. In closing Coach McCarty and Coach Kent Jackson expressed their appreciation to the fans and booster club for their fine support.

Fire Department Ready To Tackle Rattlesnake Problems For Profit

Area residents who have any problems with rattlesnakes will be glad to know that Roby Volunteer Fire Department will be catching snakes for the annual Sweetwater Rattlesnake Round-Up.

Anyone having land to be

hunted should contact Tommie Stuart at 776-2684 or J Donham at 776-2542.

All proceeds raised from the sale of snakes at the Round-Up will help to fund the Roby Volunteer Fire Department.

Rotan Resident Receives Scholarship At HSU

Dilana Long, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Long of Rotan, was one of twenty-two recipients of Hardin-Simmons University's Brinkley Endowed Scholarship for the fall semester.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Brinkley endowed the scholarship, which is

awarded annually to worthy students as selected by HSU's Student Aid Committee.

Dr. Brinkley, a former chairman of HSU's Board of Development and former HSU Trustee, established the fund in 1984.

Rotan UIL Science Team Finishes 2nd at Westbrook

The Rotan High School Science/Math team competed in the Westbrook UIL meet on February 27. The Science team composed of Randel Clawson, Candi Hayes and Kevin Smith finished second overall. Individuals placing were Jan

Posey (3rd-12th grade Calculator; 2nd-12th grade Number Sense), Randel Clawson (1st-11th grade Science), Candi Hayes (4th-10th grade Calculator, 2nd-10th grade Science) and Kevin Smith (6th-10th grade Calculator, 3rd-10th grade Science).

David Armendariz To Appear In WTC Production of "The Dresser"

David Armendariz of Rotan will be appearing in the Western Texas College production of "The Dresser" March 4, 5 and 7 in the Fine Arts Theatre on campus.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and can be reserved by calling the box office at 915-573-8511, extension 234. Curtain time is 8 o'clock each evening.

Armendariz will be appearing

as Geoffrey and will be working on the properties crew. Other members of the cast are Dave Harveson of Fort Worth, Jeff Milburn of Brownfield, Jari Todd of Sonora, Jamie Cofer of Snyder, Shauna Gibson of Vernon, Jim Miller and Mike Carmichael of Lubbock, Tony Lopez of Eldorado and Bret Dillon of Leedey, Okla. The play is under the direction of Jim Rambo.

Senior Citizen Chili Luncheon Raises Money For Storage

Fisher County Senior Citizens will be hosting a chili lunch on Sunday, March 13 from 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. A charge of \$3.50 per person will be used to raise funds for the purchase of a small metal building for storage. Donations are also welcome.

Fisher County Jail Passes Annual Jail Inspection

Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts was notified last Monday that the Fisher County Jail passed the annual jail inspection.

The inspection is annually given by Joe Slater, Texas Commission On Jail Standards, for the purpose of certifying jails as meeting minimum state standards.

Slater's only comment was that Counts secure a few more smoke detectors for the jail area.



DIED IN THE WOOL: Dr. Charles Church, former Rotan resident, now local veterinarian in Snyder pranced into the Snyder Daily News the other day and made 'The SDN Column'.

Church stopped by the office to wish Publisher Roy McQueen a happy birthday. This is what McQueen said in his column about Church's visit.

"We actually were glad to see Church, since it is more his style to do something more outlandish than a personal greeting on a person's birthday."

Church explained that he was reforming-part of the "New Church" image. Just as he said that, Scurry County's number one Aggie gave us a "Hook'em Horns" gesture with both hands.

Church couldn't wait to explain. "One hand is Hook'em Horns. Both hands means "Four In a row in the Cotton Bowl" - Gig'em Aggies.

-KK-

WORRY DEPARTMENT: Just in case you are out of things to worry about - try this on for size. On the AIDS mess. From one of the big city papers, quote, "the church will be asked not to limit its blessings on sex only between men and women who are married, but church leaders this year will consider a report by a Newark, N.J., diocese panel urging the blessing of heterosexual cohabitation and homosexual relationships if they manifest 'healing, reconciliation, compassion, mutuality, concern for others.'" The Episcopal House of Bishops defeated a similar proposal in 1979.

-KK-

LIGHTER SIDE: Many feel Vice President George Bush did well in New Hampshire because he partially shed his 'wimp' image as a result of his television encounter with Dan Rather of CBS.

I understand Rather is considering a leave of absence from his nightly newscast to write his memoirs--"Bushwacked By A Wimp".

-KK-

RUMOR MILL GRINDING: The old rumor mill is grinding and it is apparently having an adverse affect on Congressman Charlie Stenholm's office staff.

Stenholm says the latest rumor claiming a federal agency is considering taking religious programming off the air is causing a lot of 17th Congressional District residents undue concern.

"There is no need to worry", said Congressman Stenholm. "Our First Amendment rights guarantee our Freedom of Religion and Freedom of speech".

Apparently Stenholm gets hundreds of letters each time a rumor starts and many originate from churches and church members asking his help in stopping the banning of religious broadcasting.

-KK-

FINALLY: Ol' Whistle Britches from his Shinnery Ridge Ranch at Rough Creek called with a few interesting comments.

Food-The noblest of all animals is the dog, and the noblest of all dogs is the hotdog. It feeds the hand that bites it.

Quarrel-A quarrel is like butter-milk. The longer it stands, the more sour it becomes.

God-The atheist can't find God for the same reason that a thief can't find a policeman.

Advertising-The man who stops advertising to save money is like the man who stops the clock to save time.


Congressmen-New congressmen go home frequently to find out what their constituents think about what they have done. The older and wiser ones remain safely in Washington.

Needs-What the nations of the world need is a peace conference with the "Prince of Peace."



UNBELIEVABLE: Aspermont's gym was unbelievably hot as Roby fans watched their team suffer an unbelievable loss to the Munday Moguls 55-52. The Roby team ended the year 25-6 over all for a super year. Congratulations Roby, we are proud of you!

STATE CAPITAL



HIGHLIGHTS
By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN—Texas voters are responding to candidates crisscrossing Texas with what some experts predict may be a record primary turnout and continued realignment of the Texas electorate.

In other action last week related to Texas government:

- Gov. Bill Clements agreed with a federal decision to postpone choosing a site for the supercollider until after the presidential election;

- A trio of legislators unveiled a compromise plan to install a merit system for selecting Texas judges;

- State officials reconsidered their plan to take liens against the homesteads of medicaid recipients after they die.

Texas Secretary of State Jack Rains has predicted a record turnout. He believes the Republican primary for the first time in history will draw as many voters as the Democratic primary.

First Massive Battle

For one thing, the Super Tuesday strategy has brought campaigning here early; Texas voters now know they will help decide the first massive battle of this campaign.

For another, a Texan is running and stirs the hopes of Texans troubled with a struggling economy.

A litmus for realignment, as the election unfolds, is how well Albert Gore's campaign fares in the Democratic primary, highlighted by the controversial endorsement of party chairman Bob Slagle and some 60 party financial heavy hitters.

Old, New Mind-Sets

Heading towards Election Day, the polls show Gore fourth in Texas behind Michael Dukakis, Jesse Jackson and Richard Gephardt.

Unless Gore makes some kind of fantastic finish, the exposed differences can not be overlooked between the follow-me-boys Democratic Party leadership and the party's rank-and-file precinct organizers, who followed their own mind-set and split behind Dukakis and Gephardt.

Gore's candidacy in many ways is a youthful appeal to the old ways, to conservative rural Democrats, just as Jesse Jackson appeals to black voters, Dukakis to urban liberals. More than the others, how Gore and Jackson fare at the convention will indicate the party's future in Texas.

Realignment, Conservatives

The argument about realignment begins with those rural conservatives, who at one time were the heart of the Texas Democratic Party.

Have they had enough of the Texas Democratic Party's pell-mell bolt towards urban liberalism in hard times? Will they continue to defect in droves to the Republican primary?

Or do they think the Texas Republican Party's urban conser-

vatism is so uncaring that they will accept a diminished roll in the Democratic Party?

For your answer, see if rural counties pick a winner.

Republican Action

The Republican slate, for awhile there, had a wide range of appeal, but in the primary endgame, most candidates are conceding Texas to Vice President George Bush with his favorite son flair.

Frankly, while purists shudder at the damage done to the Eleventh Commandment, "Speak no ill of fellow Republicans", the hammer-and-tongs action has its own appeal to those who think a good political fight is a healthy by-product of democracy.

Certainly, it has brought the Republican image out from the country club backrooms, and, some say, made it more human.

Some say the public scrappings are natural growing pains which cannot be avoided by an expanding party, one which gives candidates a lot to gain and a lot to lose.

Other Highlights

- The state welfare agency is rethinking its plan to file liens on homes of some 8,000 Medicaid recipients to recoup expenses after their deaths. The Department of Human Services board will act on the new state law next month.

- Gov. Clements applauded the "wise" decision to postpone choosing the supercollider site, while others predicted the next president will decide where to build it. Thus, the \$4.4 billion supercollider becomes a rather large political plum for the state which guesses right in the presidential sweepstakes. If it's ever built.

- In a preview of things to come, Rains and Democratic Attorney General Jim Mattox debated before the Houston-based Hispanic Political Action Committee. Both are eyeing the Governor's Mansion for 1990.

Fisher County Nursing Home News

We extend our sympathy to the families of Fawn Wiley and Louise Schubert. Both of these ladies passed away last week.

We thank Bobbie McKinney for delivering the bibles that the Rotan Extension Club made for our residents. We appreciate all this, ladies!

We also thank Mrs. Wiley's family for donating the remainder of the subscriptions to the Rotan Advance & Abilene Reporter News.

We celebrated our February birthdays with a party given by the First Baptist Church ladies J.O.Y. class. Bobbie McKinney and LaVada Jones brought cakes and Marion Able, Celia Peace and Mayrene Morrow served punch, cake and ice cream to residents and staff. Those with February birthdays were: Magnolia King, Jewel Cummings, Kate Boales, Edna Laggart and Lucille Wright - residents; and employees, Mamie Henderson (aide) and Deannie Blaine (Director of Nurses), and William Duke.

Vera Weems came to see Nadine Callan. Virgil Blevins and Harvey Lee Glass from Sweetwater came to see Dove Blevins last week.

Mrs. Whitten's visitors were Iva Mae Early of Abilene and Ruby Rains from Sweetwater.

We have a new resident. His name is Jesse Salazar. Jesse is the father of Reyna Garcia and Carmen Ochoa who work here in the home.

Reyna Garcia

FISHER COUNTY CHURCH DIRECTORY



"Gotta look that up"



Scriptures Selected by The American Bible Society

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Luke 18:9-14	Matthew 22:1-14	John 2:1-21	John 4:7-26	John 4:31-42	John 4:46-54	John 5:1-9

Man has a hunger for knowledge. It first shows itself in childhood and prompts incessant questions and exasperating experiments.

But it continues all through life. Recently, on discovering something you didn't know, you murmured to yourself, "Gotta look that up..."

Upon this basic hunger for knowledge, the Church's program of religious education is planned. That's why we urge parents to foster a Christian atmosphere in the home. It is also why the Church provides religious instruction long before secular education begins. And it accounts for continuing emphasis on youth and young adult activities in most congregations.

We adults haven't outgrown the hunger for knowledge. Most of us recognize that our scientific and material progress points up the crucial need for spiritual standards to believe in. God has vital truth to impart to men. The place to look it up is your church.

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UIL SCIENCE WINNERS: L-R Top Row—Norris Green, John Everett, and John Cross. L-R Bottom Row—Shane Cross, Shana Feagan, and Dale Alsup.

Roby Wins UIL Science Meet At Westbrook February 27

Saturday, February 27, the Roby UIL Science team not only competed in but won the Westbrook meet. The following students competed in the senior division: 1st Reggy Spencer, 2nd John Everett. In the junior division Norris Green took 2nd while

John Cross took 4th place. In the freshman division Dale Alsup won 1st while Shana Feagan and Shane Cross tied for 5th place.

The Science team received a plaque for their efforts. The team is coached by Mr. Al Blaine.

Sunday and Monday were beautiful spring days—so warm and not much wind.

Lorene Henderson was getting out of her car a couple of weeks ago when the wind caught the door and blew it against her leg cutting and bruising it very badly. She has been to the doctor and is supposed to keep it elevated most of the time. It has been very painful.

Burt Hale is home from the hospital and feeling much better. We're glad he is home again.

Mary Etta O'Donald is getting over the flu. She and her mom Carrie McCain went to Breckenridge to visit John and Julie Kaczyk and children then went on to see Don O'Donald and family. Eirle went to Don's Thursday and returned Sunday. Edith and Ben Ashlock of Abilene visited the O'Donalds and Carrie on Sunday.

The Davis family had a get together Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Hamlin in the home of Olin and Lois Cooper. Calvin and Ruth Davis spent Thursday night with Harvie and Cleo then they

Rotan ISD Joins Severe Weather Awareness Week

The week of February 29 through March 4 is Severe Weather Awareness Week. Students in the Rotan ISD will be participating in tornado drills this week at their respective schools.

News From Down South

By Bertha Warren

all went on to the Coopers. Also attending was Ellie Mae Hayes of Hamlin and some of the children and grandchildren. They had lots and lots of good food and played 42 and other games and just had a very enjoyable time.

Frances Doty of Snyder formerly of Roby spent Saturday with Mable Warren. Mable talked with Bill and Lita Jones in Kermit and found out that Elmer Jones came home Thursday and is doing as well as can be expected. It's going to take time but we hope he will be up and around before long. Mary Sullivan had been in Kermit with them but has returned home.

Bob Clark from Houston left our house Saturday to go to Fort Worth and spent a few days with J. M. and Florene Smith then on to Houston.

Ben and Edna Benson drove out Sunday of last week as it was such a nice day for a drive.

Mom (Jewell Ratliff) came out Sunday with Billy and Joyce (O'Bryant) Williams from Abilene. They also visited Georgia Ratliff in Sweetwater.

Steve and Tacha Warren invited Wayne and me over to eat Saturday night to celebrate my birthday. We had a very nice time. Sabrina made a cake for the occasion that was very good.

Ottie Polk hasn't been feeling well the last few days but is feeling better now. We missed them in church Sunday.

Wayne and I ate supper with Ed and Ollie Ogden Monday night. Ollie had Wayne's favorite—chicken and dumplings and chocolate pie. As usual we ate too much but it sure was good.

The Theater on the Brazos is getting ready to have another play. Tryouts will begin Monday and continue on Tuesday night.

Call and let us know what is going on in your world.

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I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their encouragement and support during my campaign for Commissioner, Precinct #1. Everyone I met and talked to treated me most courteously. I'm proud that I am a Fisher County native and I want to serve as your next commissioner. I feel that you and I, working together, can continue to improve Fisher County and make it an even better place to live than it is now. I urge you to exercise your right to vote on Tuesday, March 8, 1988.

Ronald Henry

Department Of Health Provides Clinic And Immunizations Mar. 9

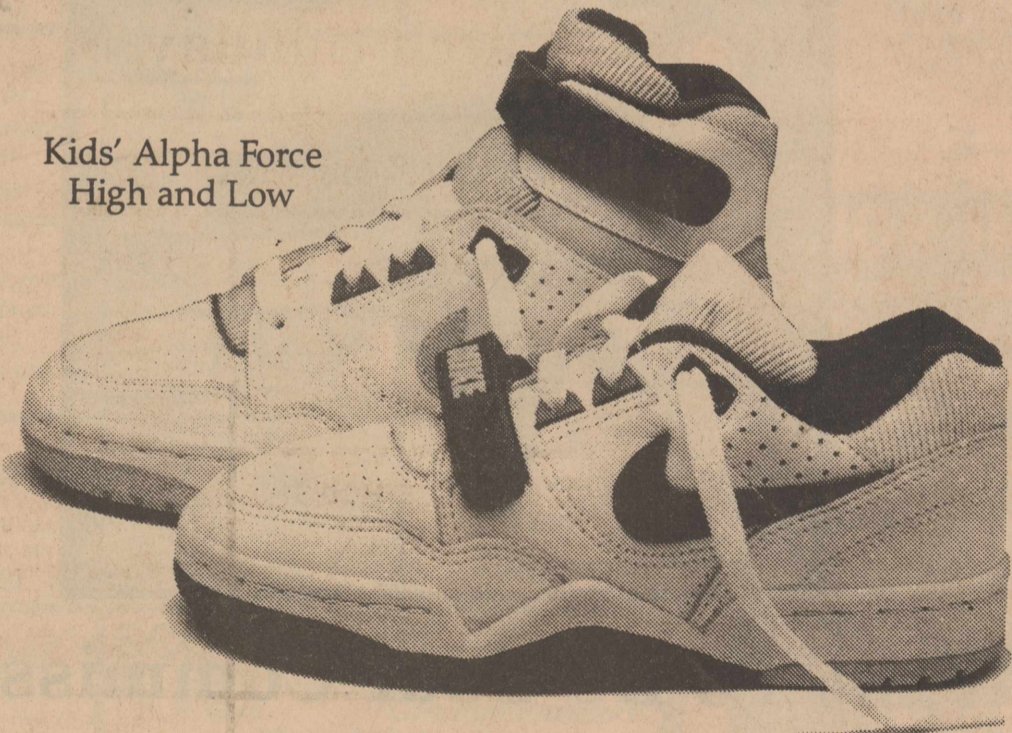
The Texas Department of Health will be providing their Comprehensive Clinic/Immunizations on Wednesday, March 9, 1988 at the Roby Annex from 9:15 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1:00-3:30 p.m.

Parents or legal guardians must accompany infants or children. A small fee will be charged for this service.

If you have any questions, please contact the Department of Health at 235-8368 or 776-2178.

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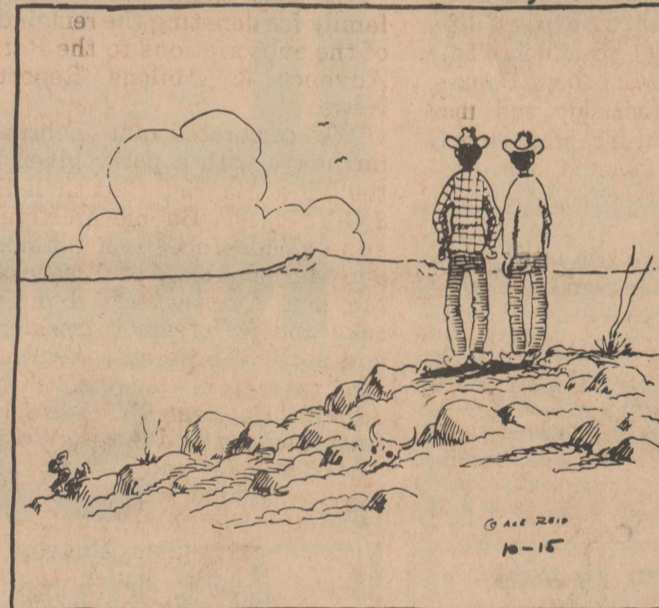
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Tax Planning By Richard Rodgers CPA



There is much to be said for starting a savings program early in your working career. Unless you already have your retirement fully funded, you should be investing at least 10 percent of your annual income. It would be good to invest a larger percentage if possible. In the early years, while your earning capacity is still undeveloped and you're rearing children, it's difficult to invest even the 10 percent.

It is safe to assume that your earning power and inflation will cause your income to increase annually. If you continue to invest 10 percent of your income earnings every year, your investment program should stay ahead of inflation.

The compound earnings on those early-year contributions will have a significant impact on the accumulated retirement dollars. For example, a twenty-five year old person will have 40 years of investment prior to retirement at age 65. If this person invested \$2,000 per year for 40 years, his or her \$80,000 of investment would grow to about \$310,000 at 6 percent after-tax annual earnings.

If that same person waited five years to start investing, his \$2,000 annual investment would grow to only \$223,000 by age 65, an \$87,000 difference. If the individual started the \$2,000 investment program at age 35, it would accumulate to \$158,000. If not started until age 40, the total accumulated funds would be about \$110,000.

It's easy to see from this comparison the importance of starting your investment program early.

Ninety-five percent of all Americans retire with inadequate funds. Since Social Security alone does not provide a comfortable retirement, each of us must provide for ourselves.

If you have a company pension plan, you may have the necessary funds when they are needed. It is worth your time to project your cash needs for retirement (10 years? 20 years?). Will your current pensions provide the type of retirement you want? If not, make adjustments now.

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Fisher County Plays Host To 1st Annual 42 Tourny, Arts & Crafts Show

The fun and fellowship will start at 8:00 a.m. in the Roby Community Center, Saturday, March 5 for the Fisher County 42 Tourny. There will be registration from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. for tournament teams.

All tournament players must be registered by 9:30 a.m. to participate. A \$5 entry fee is required.

About a dozen arts, crafts, and Fisher County products booths will be set up early that morning. A large crowd is expected to view and buy these products.

A \$1 admission fee will be charged to spectators of the tournament. The Arts and Crafts Show is free. The \$1 admission to the tournament makes one eligible for the drawing of door prizes which will be Fisher County gift certificates. Drawings for the door prizes will begin at 10:00

a.m. and will be held at each hour throughout the day.

The Fisher County Youth Chamber of Commerce will run a concession stand during the tournament.

Some of the officials and helpers with the tournament will be Roy and Helen Noles, Jack and Jean McClure, Phil and Becky Elmore, Alvin and Kathy Petty, Bob Terry and Susan Griffith.

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Mary Wyrick

Hospital News

Admitted to the Fisher County Hospital during the week of February 23-29, 1988 were the following people: Residents of Rotan Edward Carrier, Willie Garrett, Alfonso Soliz, Joseph E. Gauna, Aurora Martinez, George Poteet, Delores Almanza and Rudolph Martinez. Citizen of Roby admitted was Ronald B. Green. Sylvester had two residents in the hospital: Woodrow M. Lawlis and Cora Roberts. Joe Lewis Barrera from Snyder was also admitted.

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WTC Student Receives Nursing Cap In Recent Ceremonies

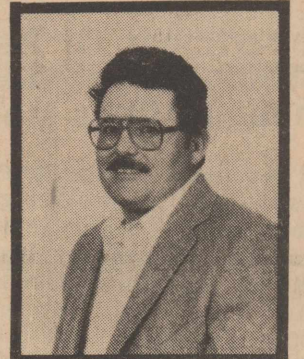
Mary Wyrick of Rotan was among the Vocational Nursing students at Western Texas College receiving caps in ceremonies held February 25. Presentation of caps marks the beginning of the clinical phase of the students' 12-month training.

I Would Appreciate Your Support On March 8th.

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Fisher County Commissioners Court will accept bids for lease of grassland at the airport. Copy of lease agreement will be available at office of County Judge. Bids will be opened in regular session of Commissioners Court, March 14, 1988, at 9:00 a.m.

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NOTICE
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By Citizens State Bank, Roby, Texas. Commercial building in downtown Roby. Three years old. West side of square, 20' X 50'. 25:tfc

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JOB OPENING
Housekeeper for hospital. Requires hard labor, make or female, male preferred. Contact Micaela Hernandez at Fisher County Hospital. 2:tfc

FINAL CLOSE OUT SALE
For Henry, Ruth (McWhirter) Ellis Estate, Saturday, March 5 at 9:00 a.m. Microwave with furniture storage stand, luggage, bicycle, and useful miscellaneous items. Come see if you can use any of them. In Roby, go 1/2 mile W. from Courthouse on Snyder Hwy., turn South on Laurence St./Fm 419, 1/2 mile West side. Brick house with cedar shake shingle roof. 4:1tc

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BID NOTICE

Fisher County Commissioners Court will accept bids for sale of 2 used typewriters. Typewriters may be seen at the Courthouse. Bids will be opened March 14, 1988 at 9:00 a.m.

Marshal Bennett
County Judge
4:2c

CORRECTION

The names listed below were left off of the Fisher County Jr. Livestock Show Thank You Sheet:

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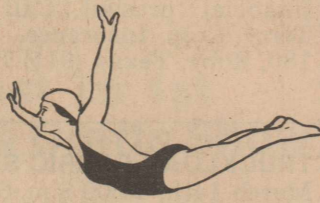
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Subject To The Democratic Primary
Pd. Pol. Adv. By Eric Cupp, Roby, Texas 79543
Not Authorized By Candidate

Nine Students Honored At Tarleton

Nine Tarleton State University students were honored by their peers as VIPs on campus for 1987-88. Laurie Derrick, a senior from Stephenville, and David Bates, a senior from Arlington, were selected as Miss and Mr. TSU after a general election among the student body.

Bates received double recognition as he was also chosen senior class favorite along with Mario Munoz of Hempstead. Others chosen for honors were junior favorites, Jennifer Wright of Roby and Mike Deen of Irving; sophomore favorites, Kim Kasper of Cleburne and Richard Webb of Valley Mills; and freshmen favorites, Nishi Whiteley of Pflugerville and Toby Burkes of Odessa.

Laurie is a Marketing major at Tarleton. She is a member of the Alpha Gamma Delta national sorority, was selected as a Kappa Alpha Southern Belle and is a member of the Order of Omega, a scholastic honor sorority. She is a

Distinguished Student at TSU and is listed among Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges.

Bates is an Agri-Business major. His activities include serving as chairman of the University's Student Advisory Board and vice chairman of the Chancellor's Student Advisory Board for The Texas A&M University System. He is a member of the Alpha Zeta honorary agricultural fraternity, the Collegiate FFA and the Interclub Council.

Majoring in Agricultural Education, Maria is active in student government where she is president of the Senior Class. She is a member of the Collegiate FFA and is on the Tarleton Center Advisory Board.

Deen, a Criminal Justice major, is a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha national fraternity and the Order of Omega. He serves as Vice President of Finance in the TSU student government and is Coed Dorm Director. He is also a member of the Criminal Justice club.

Jennifer is a Horticultural Education major who is active in Alpha Zeta and the Horticulture Club. She also serves on the Tarleton Agricultural Council, the TSU student government, and is active in Block and Bridle.

Richard is a Criminal Justice major and a member of the Kappa Alpha Order, a national mens fraternity. He is a member of the Special Events Committee and serves as a Resident Advisor.

A Business Education major, Kim is a member of the Delta Zeta national sorority, and the Phi Sigma Epsilon national professional fraternity in sales, sales management and marketing.

She is active in the student government and is a Peer Advisor.

Also a Business Major, Toby is a member of the Texan baseball team. He is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Nishi is an Agricultural Education major. She serves on the Tarleton Agricultural Council and is a member of 4-H. She is vice president of the Freshman Class at Tarleton.

Lady Lions End Season With Loss To Novice Panthers

Snyder High School was the site of Quarter Final Playoff game for the Roby Lady Lions and the Novice Panthers. The Lady Lions were knocked out of playoff action as they suffered a loss to the Novice Girls 60-50.

Cherie Feagan led the Lions with 19 points: 4 field goals, 2 three pointers, and 5 free throws. Following her lead were Missy Turpin and Carol Kirby each with 8 points. Shana Feagan had 7 points and Both Becky Kiser and Donna Gordon.

Other members of the Lady Lions team were Autumn Shelley, Myra Hohon, Sherri Heflin, Michelle Beauchamp, Patricia Gonzalez, Lorena Cave, Martha Goodrum, Angie Brzezinski, and Jenny Blaine.

Coach Byron Shelley and the Roby Lady Lions wish to express their gratitude to all the fans who so faithfully supported our efforts this season. "Your enthusiasm helped to pull us through some very close games," said Shelley.

"I would like to personally thank our senior girls for their hard work and leadership this year. Roby will miss you on the court," concluded Coach Shelley. These senior girls are Donna Gordon, Missy Turpin, Cherie Feagan, and Becky Kiser.

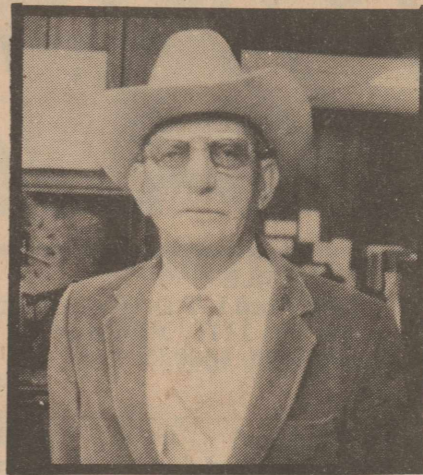
Theatre On The Brazos Hold Play Tryouts On March 7th

The Theater on the Brazos will have tryouts and a brief business meeting Monday night, March 7 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the First Methodist Church in Rotan. The play is a comedy *The Meddlesome Maid* by Charles Geauga. There will be parts for 5 men and 5 women. Opening date for the play will be late April. Everyone interested is invited to attend one or both nights.

Legal Notice

The Rotan Independent School District is now taking applications for custodian. For further information contact David Hargrove (735-3182) in the Elementary Principal's office or Alton Fields (735-2332) in the Superintendent's office.

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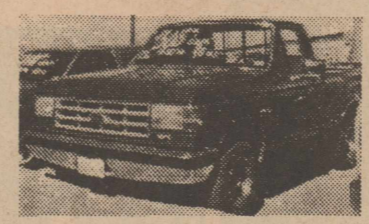
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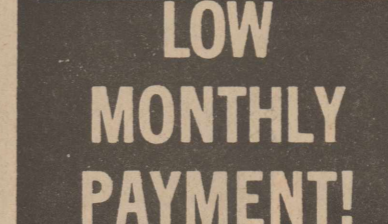
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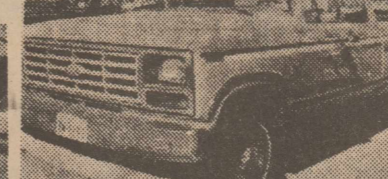
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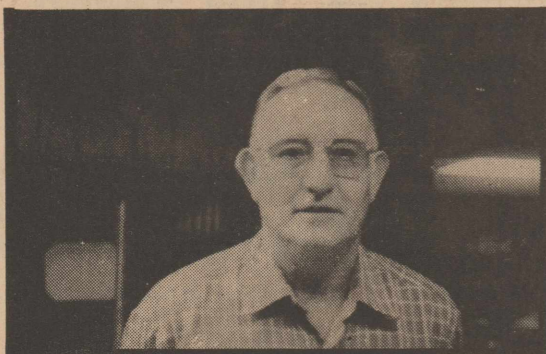


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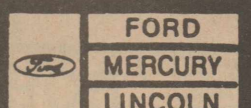
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Well this past week we have really had some warm weather, almost like summer, and I wish we could get some showers or a good rain as that is what we really need. Everything is trying to green up, even the lawn, but a good rain would really help it. My bulbs in the yard are sure growing and some folks have the most beautiful daffodils already in full bloom. I also noticed some fruit trees almost in full bloom, so bet they will get killed, as I am sure that the cold weather isn't all over for this year.

Mrs. Lealon Wilburn had a birthday on Sunday, and she spent

the day with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Etheredge. Happy Birthday to her. Congratulations to Irma Miranda and Ramon Guerra on their wedding on Saturday which was held at Crossroads Baptist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Martinez attended the wedding of Irma and Ramon on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Knipe and Taren from Snyder spent Saturday night and Sunday with the James Ratliff's. John Swofford and 4 friends all from Texas Tech in Lubbock spent Friday night, Saturday, and Sunday morning with the Ratliffs.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lindsley from Brownfield visited Sunday evening with Mrs. Vida Boyer. Mrs. Lindsley is Vida's niece. Julie Hardin and a girl friend from Abilene spent Saturday and Sunday with Bea Hardin. Morris Hardin from Lubbock and Alton Smith, also from Lubbock, visited with Bea all day Sunday; they worked most of the day and really had lovely weather for their outside work.

Mrs. Vida Boyer is feeling much better and was able to be at church this Sunday.

Tuesday, Jim and I went to Snyder and watched the Roby Girls play against Novice. Unfortunately they lost the game, and so will not advance any further. Friday night we went to Aspermont to watch the Roby Boys play Munday, and this was not Roby's week, as although the boys were 15 points ahead at the half, they ended up losing to Munday with a score of 52-55. It was so crowded in the Aspermont gym and so hot, we were uncomfortable, so don't know what the boys felt like. Anyway congratulations to both Roby boys

and girls for coming this far.

Heard from Melody and she ended up placing 8th at the San Antonio rodeo; they paid 12 places there. She rode at the Houston rodeo Thursday night and was placing 4th in the 1st go 'round, but might get moved down an notch or two-we hope that doesn't happen. Then she ran her 2nd run Friday night but didn't have as good a run, so probably won't place in the 2nd go or the average.

Are you all glad that the Olympics are over? I don't care if I never see another downhill ski race or any of that for a long, long time, but the skating was really worth watching and we watched it all, taping that which we would miss when we were away from the house. That way we could speed up all those commercials, of which there were plenty.

Hope that everyone is staying clear of the flu which is really making folks sick, and know that you all are enjoying the warmer weather. See you next week, after a good rain, which would sure be nice.



WAITING FOR THE GUN: Vanessa Peek of Rotan High School waits for the signal to start the race on Friday, Feb. 19. The meet was held at the Lubbock Christian University Field House.

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For your anniversary, February 24, 1988

Former Fisher County Resident Dies In Hico

Donald Fred Park, 61, died Monday, February 22 in Hico, Texas. Services were at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 24 at the First United Methodist Church in Hico with the Reverend John Hutcheson officiating. Burial was at the Country Oaks Cemetery, directed by the Rutledge Funeral Home.

Mr. Park was born in Stamford on February 24, 1926. On August 14, 1953 he married Janice Eaton of Roby. He was the son of the late P. D. and Ruth Park, Fisher County residents.

Survivors include his wife, Janice Eaton Park of Hico; two daughters, Donice Polk of Hico, and Dianna Mathis of Stephenville; a son, D. H. Park of Hico; seven sisters including Mary Jo Pope of Roby; and five brothers including Dan Park of Rotan and Billy D. Park of Roby; and four grandchildren.

Book Of The Week

Calvin Miller has authored the story of creation in rhyme titled *Buckets of Nothing*. This delightful book will capture the hearts of children young and old as Miller shows the power, imagination and humor of God, such as the following excerpt:

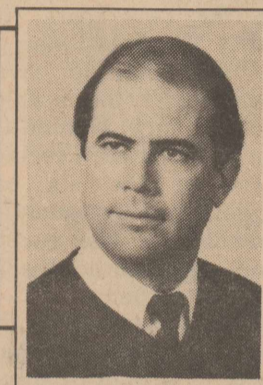
**But one day God said,
"This black makes me lonely.
Who needs all this black?
It's like walking around
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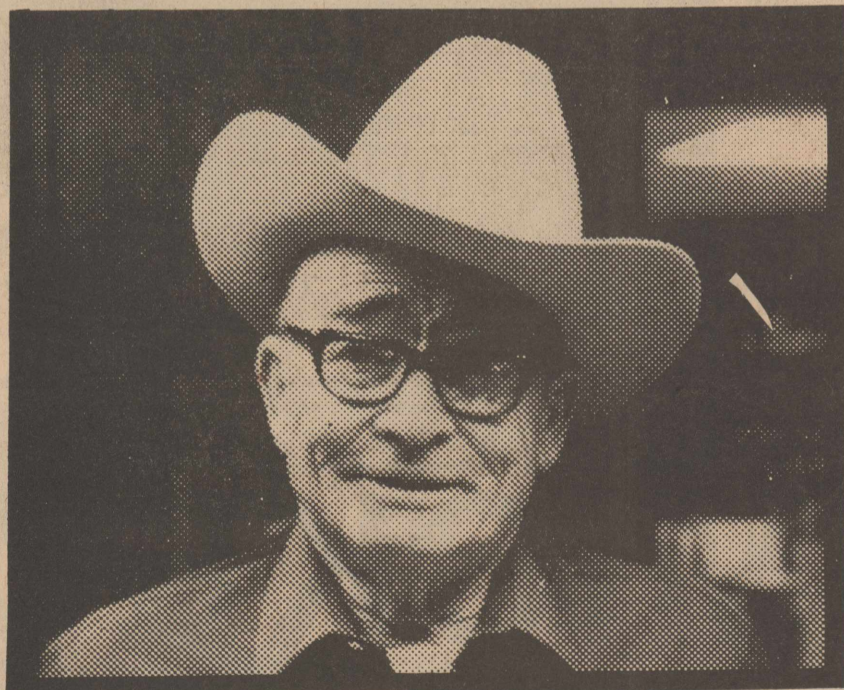
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County Candidates Seeking Votes Respond To Questionnaire-Voters

Editor's note: All candidates in the three contested races for Fisher County Sheriff and Commissioners were sent this particular questionnaire. Most were returned. The intent of the questions was to better inform the voting public and to help lead the voter to a more intelligent decision.

Super Tuesday is fast approaching. Soon it will be time to vote for the future leaders of our county, state and national governments. These are important decisions. These decisions need to be made with care and caution, especially those that are closer to us in Fisher County.

There are three candidates for Fisher County Sheriff: Troy Gruben, Mickey Counts and Jerry Moffett. They were asked by this newspaper to give three goals that they hoped to accomplish during their tenure as Sheriff if elected. Following are their answers:

Troy Gruben—1) To enforce the laws as they are written, uncolored by my own personal beliefs and morals. 2) To Run the Sheriff's office more efficiently, to cut down on taxes. 3) To slow down drug traffic because our children are the greatest resource of our county.

Mickey Counts—It is difficult to single out only three goals I wish to accomplish as Sheriff for the next term. The responsibilities of the office not only covers law enforcement but many other aspects of public service. The most important goal and the item that is always first on my list is the safety and security of the people of Fisher County. I have strived the past eleven years as Sheriff to keep our county a safe and secure place to work and live.

I want to continue the efforts to reduce thefts and burglaries in Fisher County. This is one of the top three goals. I have already taken steps to reduce thefts and burglaries by hiring an additional Fisher County Deputy with the sole responsibility of night patrol in all areas of Fisher County. I feel this will be a deterrent to future thefts and burglaries.

After the safety and security of the citizens of Fisher County and after curtailing thefts and burglaries, I would have to say that the third goal would be to continue our work in areas of housing prisoners for other counties. This has brought in excess of \$100,000 into Fisher County in 1986 and this money has helped to keep taxes down and has enabled Fisher County to support other services without drastic cutbacks. We will continue our efforts to work with other law enforcement agencies in order to provide this service for Fisher County.

Jerry Moffett—1) To develop a strong aggressive anti-drug and alcohol program, targeted at the suppliers, dealers and abusers. 2) To develop a workable and badly needed a residential and business security check program for the protection of all the property and business owners or renters of Fisher County. 3) To re-establish the integrity of the Fisher County Sheriff's Department by developing better communication between the departmental officers and the citizens of Fisher County, by establishing proper attitudes of the departmental officers toward the citizens of Fisher County, and by educating the departmental officers that we must first learn and obey the laws of the State of Texas, and set the example before we can correct and justifiably enforce those laws.

The second question put before the candidates for Sheriff in Fisher County was "What do you see as the biggest law enforcement problem facing our county and how do you plan to solve it?"

Troy Gruben—"Drugs being readily available to our children." He plans to solve the problem by maintaining patrols and trying to work with outside agencies to bring undercover agents into our county for help if necessary.

Mickey Counts—"The drug and alcohol problem is nothing unique to Fisher County or West Texas, it is a national problem at the brink of being out of control. In an attempt to curtail the illegal use of alcohol and drugs in Fisher County I feel education of our youngsters should rank as priority number one. I want to protect our youngsters and educate them. I am working with the schools and youth organizations on education and passing out materials and giving programs concerning the identification and misuse of drugs and alcohol. I am

active in the thirteen county 'Narcotics Task Force' which is designed to investigate the manufacture and sale of illegal drugs.

If the people of Fisher County re-elect me as Sheriff I will continue to work with everyone to combat the sale and use of illegal drugs and alcohol in our county."

Jerry Moffett—"I believe drug abuse is the biggest problem in our county today. The problem of drug abuse can never truly be solved or stopped. However, a large portion of this problem can be stopped by using the existing laws to aggressively seek out, identify, arrest and help prosecute any person involved in the transportation, distribution, possession and sale of any illegal drug."

Moffett plans to solve the problem in this manner: By developing a strong aggressive anti-drug and alcohol program for all of Fisher County to educate the possible offender about the health and legal risk of drug and alcohol abuse.

There are six candidates in the race for two seats for Fisher County Commissioner: Jay Hendon and Donald Gruben for Precinct 3; Tommie Jack Stuart, Ronald Henry, Donald Coker and Charlie Meek for Precinct 1.

Five of the six candidates responded to the questionnaire and following are the questions put before the candidates and their answers to them:

What do you see as the biggest problem facing our county and how do you plan to solve it?

Donald Gruben—With the decrease in population in our county we have lost money, not only tax revenue but consumer

money that is necessary to keep businesses in Fisher County. Fisher County is a great place to raise a family and we need to find a way to encourage people to come here to live. In order to do this we are going to have to look into diversifying our county to other things besides agriculture. Without jobs, people cannot live here. If we increase our population each resident will have a lighter tax burden. We have to develop a positive attitude in promoting and developing Fisher County.

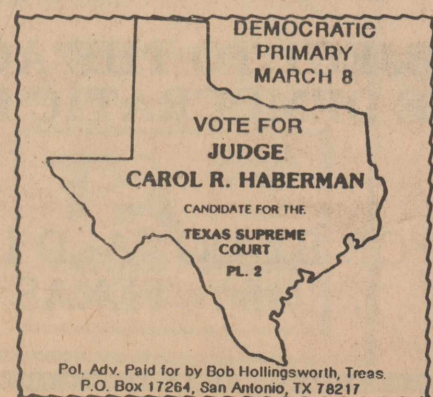
Tommie Jack Stuart—The biggest problem facing Fisher County, as I see it, is the declining population and shrinking tax base. During my recent term as Commissioner we formed the Economic Development Commission which is actively working through a task force of concerned citizens to bring people into the county, support local businesses, and create new jobs.

Ronald Henry—We're losing our young people to other localities that can provide jobs. We need to attract industries that can sustain our rural lifestyle yet offer employment to our people.

Donald L. Coker—I feel that the biggest problem that Fisher County is facing is a tax increase. Money is a problem everywhere. My plans to keep a tax increase from happening are to take a hard look at the county's budget, work with our oil companies, which are our biggest tax people, and help the Economic Development Commission to bring in other resources to help keep our younger generation at home. Everyone pays taxes and there are not many in Fisher County under the age of 40 that are paying taxes.

Charlie Meek—There are so many problems facing our county, but I believe our economy (which affects everyone and every job) is a major concern.

I believe I can be a part in helping solve this problem mainly by going to the polls and helping get the right ones elected to office (from the President to our local officials) who really care and are willing to work for the good of our county, state and county. This includes me as a candidate for Commissioner of Fisher County. I have run on the platform that I



am dedicated to service, honesty, and hard work.

The second question posed to the candidates was "What is the most pressing financial problem you feel Fisher County is facing in the next few years and give your possible solution to that problem?"

Donald Gruben—Our depressed economy caused by the decline in oil and agriculture profits is our greatest financial problem to be faced in our county. Real estate values have dropped and our population has decreased. These factors make it hard for our businesses to compete with businesses in larger towns. The loss in property values, the decline of oil prices, and the decrease in the number of businesses has resulted in a loss of money on our tax rolls. What tax revenue Fisher County takes in needs to be used efficiently in order to keep the tax burden as low as possible for our Fisher County residents. I am currently serving on the Fisher County Economic Development Task Force—Light Manufacturing—Agriculture Products to see if we can't come up with some applicable solutions to these problems.

Tommie Jack Stuart—The most pressing financial problem facing Fisher County relates to depression of prices in agriculture and petroleum which hinders new construction, retail business sales, and all economic areas.

Again, the answer can be found in cooperative effort of groups such as the Economic Development Commission and concerned, informed citizens with the positive attitude that we can do it.

Ronald Henry—Of course the drop in oil revenues has hit Fisher County pretty hard, as has the depressed farm economy. I feel that we need to find other sources of income for the county, such as developing our water resources, our hunting and sports potentials, trying to find new light industries to locate in our county, developing what industries and talents we already have. Whatever, the final solution will be, it cannot be reached without hard work and effort from all of us here in Fisher County.

Donald Coker—The most pressing problem I see that Fisher

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County has, and is going to cost them financially over the next few years, is replacing all the worn out equipment that each precinct has. I feel a solution to this problem is for the Commissioners to look at joining forces and have good equipment for the county and not for just each precinct. It is my belief that at this time the county has 20 trucks, 15 motor graders, 4 loaders, 4 backhoes, and 2 Dozers insured. And as of November 30, 1987 a \$13,000 tire, \$57,000 repair, \$108,250 payment and lease and \$56,000 fuel expense on this and other road equipment. This problem can be worked on and the county better served at a lower cost and each precinct still keep the equipment needed to serve their purpose.

Charlie Meek—There are many financial problems affecting folks of Fisher County—such as falling farm prices and a major slowdown in oil drilling and oil prices.

Again, I believe I can be a part in helping by going to the polls and helping get those elected who care about the financial needs of our county and really throughout the country. I will always help in any way I can for the betterment of those things that will help us

have a good way to provide for our families.

One thing I will try to do if elected commissioner is to strive to keep taxes and use of tax dollars as low as possible, because

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