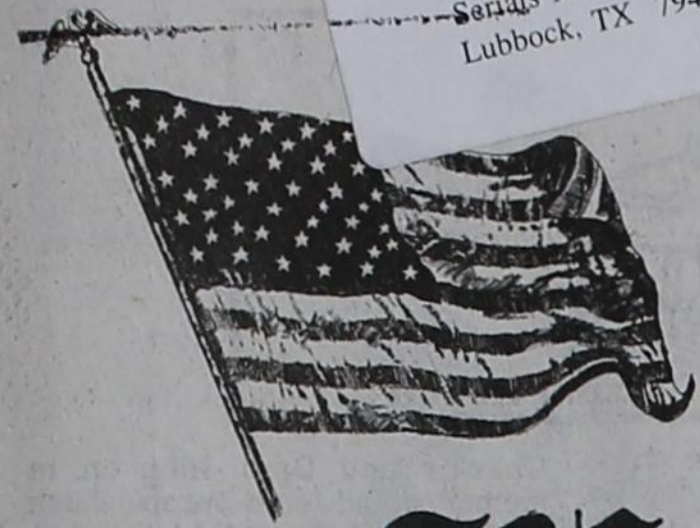


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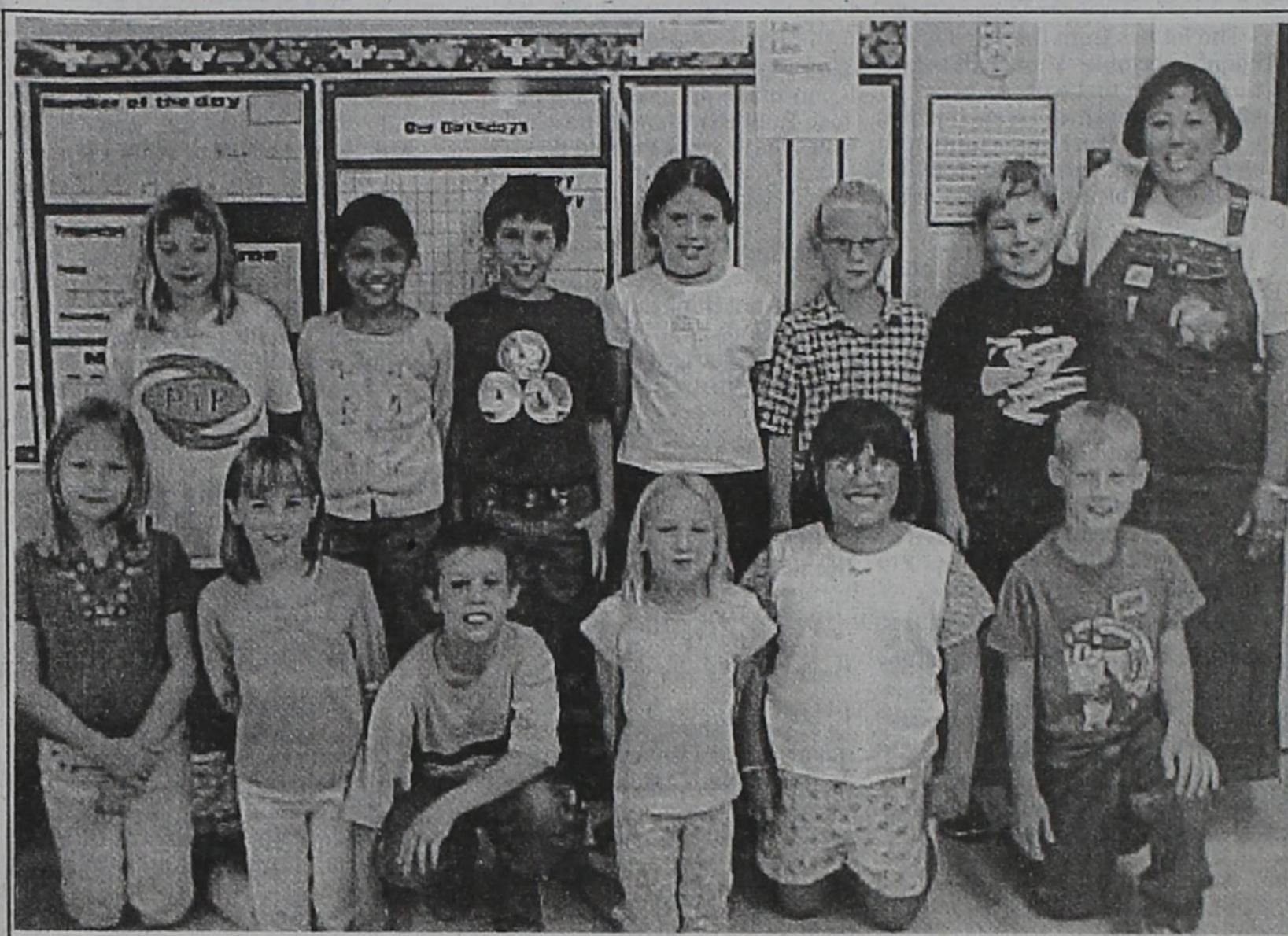
The tragic events of September 11 have touched all Americans, young and old. Everyone has been asking, "What can I do to help?" Motley County third graders are participating in a program sponsored by the Lubbock Avalanche Journal. The "Make Kids Count" program encourages children and students to draw or write letters and notes of encour-

agement to the stricken families, volunteers and heroes in New York City and Washington, D.C. Make Kids Count will deliver these messages of support and condolence to the Red Cross, which will forward them to the appropriate agencies in New York and Washington, D.C.

Motley County third graders have written letters to show they

care and to demonstrate the spirit of America at its best. The students also drew pictures, but due to limited space, we are unable to print all of the pictures. These letters are the feelings of those students in their own words.

see page 5



Business displays offer new interest for Chamber Banquet

With a chance to "show their stuff" some twenty county businesses will provide exhibits at the Motley County Chamber of Commerce banquet on October 6, at 7:00 p.m. at the school auditorium in Matador.

The mini-trade fair will offer door prizes along with information about specific products. More unusual prizes include a two-handed putter, a certificate for foot reflexology, some handmade cottonseed oil/ye soap, and an antique of unknown vintage.

Books, a print, a sterling silver domed Omega necklace, cosmetics, gift items, an apron, and caps will also be given to some lucky people.

The price of a \$10 ticket will also entitle some lucky person attending to win a \$100 bill.

Always a focus of the banquet, the outstanding business of the year and the outstanding citizen of the year will be recognized.

Entertainment will be provided by a group new to many people. The Great Unknown band will play during dinner as RiverSmith's of Lubbock dishes out catfish and chicken in an "all you can eat in an hour" format.

After dinner entertainment comes in a neat package of husband and wife team, Rodney and Sandy Parker of Lubbock.

Sandy Parker is an "idea factory" says local businesses who ask her to sit in often on brainstorming and planning sessions. Most of the ideas come from the variety of experience she has had with magazines such as "Southern Living," "Travel Age," "Vogue," "Travel & Leisure." She also owned her own advertising agency in Dallas and was director of Communications for Highland Park United Methodist Church, with George and Laura Bush and Betty Perot (Ross Perot's sister) as parishioners.

Sandy was born in Dallas, raised

in Atlanta, GA, and based in Dallas 15 years before moving to Levelland to marry her husband, Rodney. Since being in West Texas, Sandy was the President of the Levelland Chamber of Commerce where membership sales and programs soared to its all time record. She left the Chamber of Commerce to create the Llano Estacado Tourism Society - where she feels she can be of more use to the entire area. Sandy has a passion for seeing the region market successfully together. She is currently Executive Director for the Llano Estacado Tourism Society. She also owns a tour service called the "Texas Music Kitchen."

Rodney is the Band Director at Mackenzie Junior High School and assists with the Coronado High School Band. Rodney has been a band director for 21 years in the Lubbock/South Plains area and is from Lubbock. He is singer, occasional song writer, and "helper" on many of Sandy's tours and ventures.

Sandy and Rodney have three children: Amanda (21), Erin (18), and Taylor (5), who lives at home in Lubbock.

Tickets for the banquet may be purchased at the Motley County Tribune, the First State Bank, New To You, Calico Treasures, Matador Variety, and from Chamber directors.

September brings cooler temperatures to Motley County

by Earlyne Jameson

A taste of cooler weather and beautiful autumn days in September was welcomed in Motley County. The wheat crop is progressing just fine. Green bolls of cotton are swelling with fiber and popping open. The grassland is reviving after an arid summer. The peanut harvest has be-

gun and crop reported to be better than last year.

The total rainfall for the month of September registered by the National Weather Service Volunteers of Motley County: Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs 2.06; Betty Simpson, Northfield 3.52; Kelly Meyer, Matador 1.91; Jim Stockton, Whiteflat 1.20 and Tommie Cruse, Flomot 1.33 inches.

September sales tax rebates up 5.4 percent

Roaring Springs shows big increase

(Austin) -- Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander has sent 1,111 Texas cities and 118 counties \$221.2 million in sales tax revenue. September sales tax rebates are up 5.2 percent compared to September 2000. Year-to-date, payments to cities and counties are up 5.4 percent compared to 2000.

The sales tax rebates Comptroller Rylander delivered include \$203.6 million to Texas cities, up 4.9 percent compared to September 2000. Texas counties received September rebates of \$17.6 million, up 8.9 percent compared to a year ago.

In addition to city and county sales tax rebates, \$75.4 million went to Texas' six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit sys-

tems, and \$7.4 million was paid to 58 special purpose districts.

September sales tax rebates represent sales taxes collected in July and reported to the Comptroller in August.

Matador, with a current rate of 1.000%, received a net payment this period of \$1,690.00, compared to \$1,694.45 last year, a -0.26% change. Matador has received \$20,624.28 in payments to date, compared to \$23,496.51 last year, a -12.22% change.

Roaring Springs, with a current rate of 2.000%, received \$2,191.24, compared to \$1,072.87 last year, a 104.24% change. Payments to date are \$27,088.49, compared to \$9,652.05 last year, a 180.65% change.

AROUND THE COUNTY

News briefs of area events

Men's Breakfast is Saturday

The monthly Men's Breakfast will be held Saturday, October 6, at 7:00 a.m., at the First Baptist Church in Matador.

All men of the county, of every denomination, is invited and encouraged to attend this time of food and fellowship.

Northfield Homecoming set for Oct. 6

The annual Northfield Homecoming will be held Saturday, October 6, at the Matador Senior Citizens building. Registration will begin at 10:00 a.m. A covered dish lunch will be served at noon.

All Northfield exes and friends are invited to attend.

Fifth Quarter at Methodist Church

Fifth Quarter will be held Friday night after the football game at the First United Methodist Church in Matador. All students in grades 6-12 are invited to attend. Pizza, brownies, cookies and other treats will be served.

GO MATADORS! BEAT KRESS!

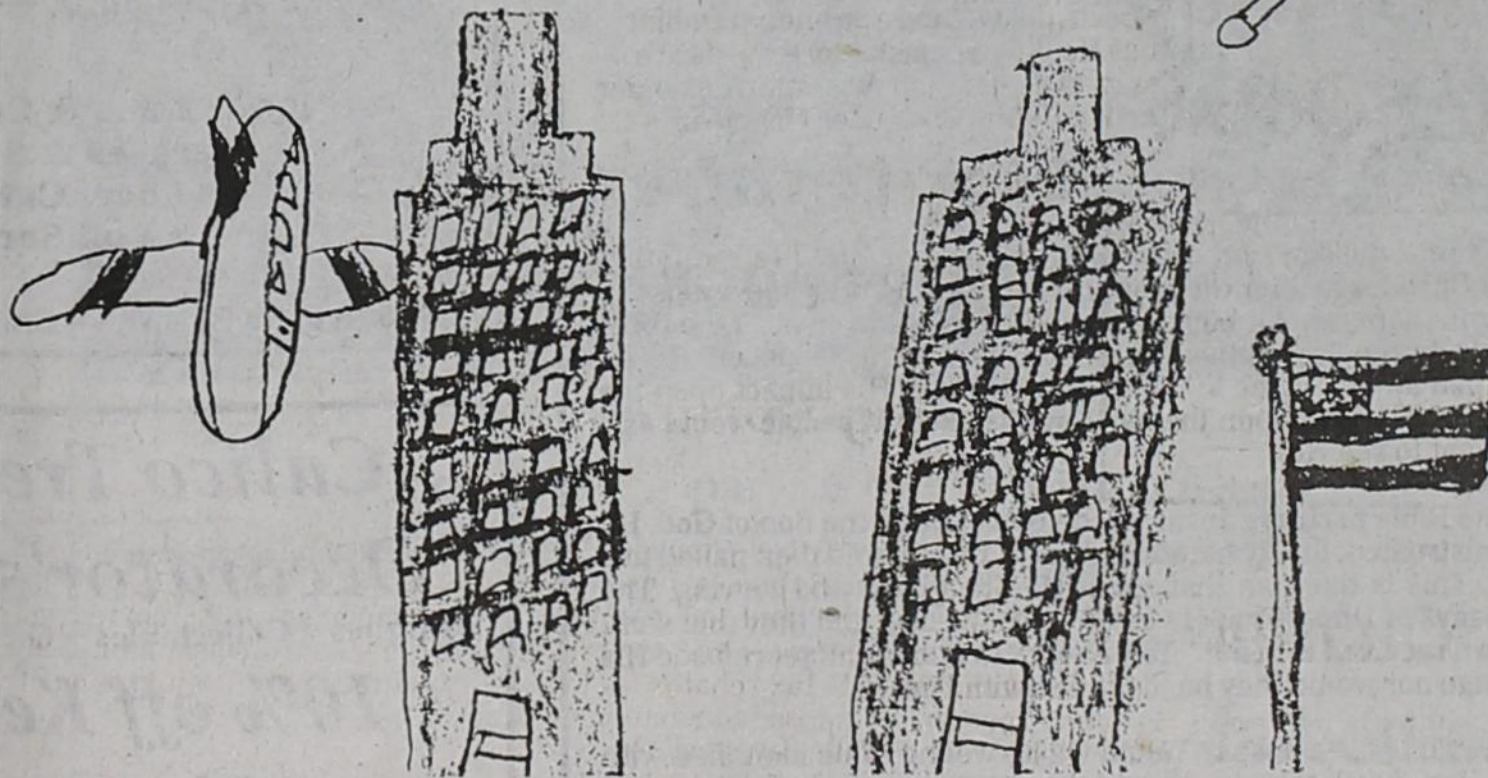
Nanci Leanne Grade: 3 School: Motly Co. 1st

Dear victims or any one out there,
I wished it never happened.
It is quite bad. I think I know why they did it because our Americans were in their country. I hope that they can come to God and let their sins go away. Maybe we won't have to go to war. At least we aren't in it now. I bet a lot of people have broken hearts. We are going to get those terrorists back. It is a big tragedy.

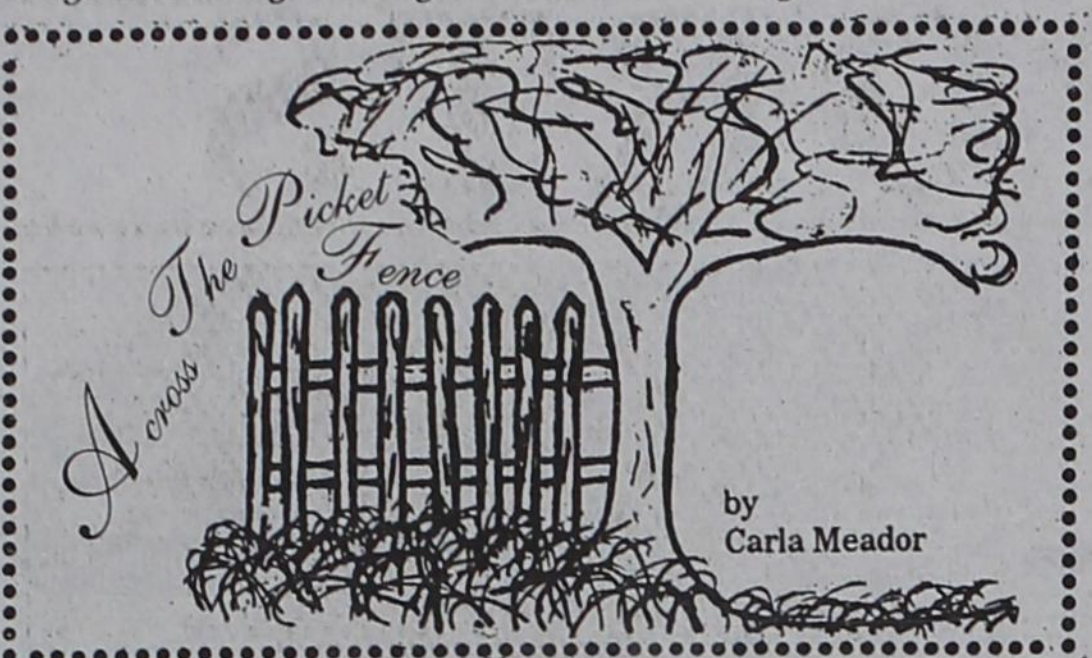
Leanne

I am proud

to be an American!



Motley County third grade students, pictured above with their teacher, Mrs. Kautz, recently wrote letters and drew pictures of sorrow and encouragement to the victim's families and aid workers in New York City and Washington, D.C. after the attacks on America, September 11. The letter writing project was part of the Make Kids Count program of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal and the South Plains Regional Chapter of the American Red Cross. The pictures and letters are part of "Motley County Pride," a new feature to the paper, by school counselor, Tommy Gleghorn. Mr. Gleghorn plans to feature items, making Motley County ISD proud, each week. See more letters on page 5.



"The purpose of life on earth is that the soul should grow — so grow! by doing what is right.

— Zelda Fitzgerald

That little quote just about says it all. Our soul is the makeup of our being. We should work everyday to make it grow, in kindness, love and by drawing closer to God.

The letters from the third grade students certainly show what their little souls are made of. As young as they are they feel the sorrow, the fear, the anger and most importantly the love that this great nation has felt since the terrible tragedy of September 11.

Take the time to read each letter. Every student also drew a picture. The pictures gave a real insight to their feelings. I wish I had the room to run every one of them. I think its wonderful that teachers like Mrs. Kautz allowed these students to express their feelings in these letters and give them a chance to encourage those directly involved in the crisis. The letters will be mailed to Red Cross, which will forward them to New York and Washington, D.C.

These little letters and drawings really touched my heart. I hope they touch yours.

With children in mind I thought it would be fun to share some more letters written by children from the book Children's Letters To God.

Dear God,

I love you. How are you fine. I'm fine to. My Mother has five girls and one by. I am one of them.

Nancy, 6

Dear God,

I don't ever feel alone since I found out about you.

Nora

God: the bad people laughed at Noah - you make an ark on dry land you fool. But he was smart he stuck with you. That's what I would do.

Eddie

Dear God,

I do not think anybody could be a better God. Well I just want you to know but I am not just saying that because you are God.

Charles

Dear God,

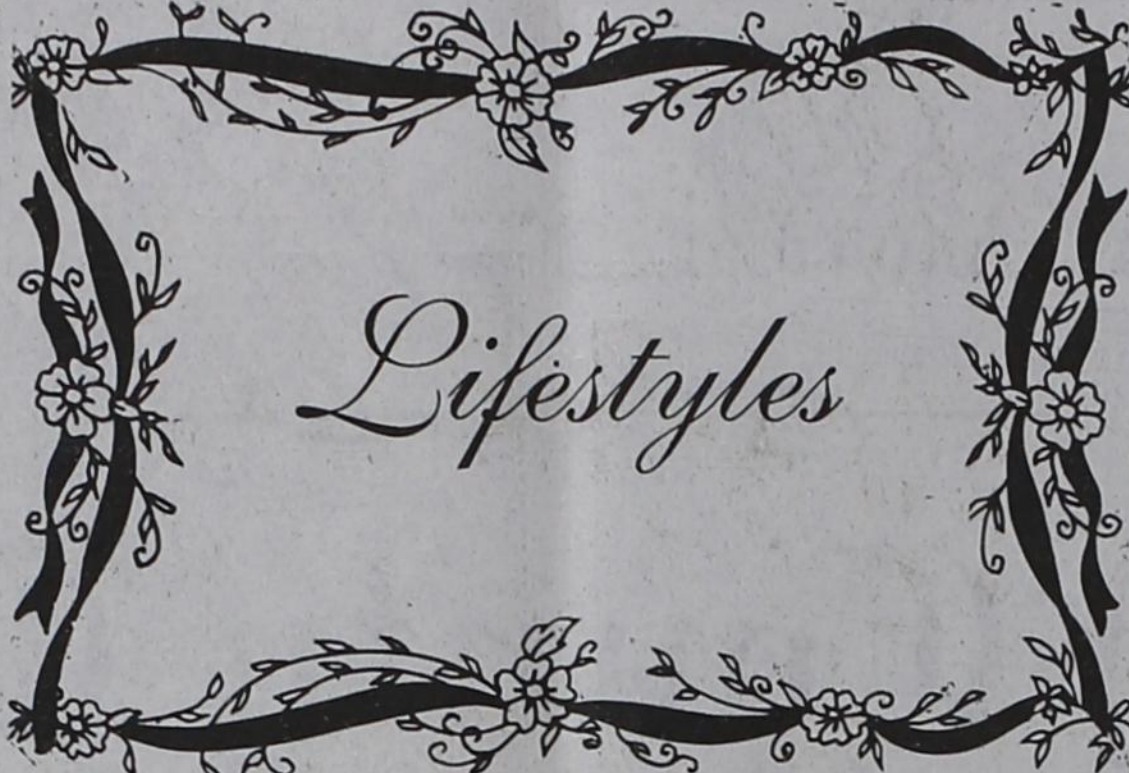
Thank you for the baby brother, but what I prayed for was a puppy.

Joyce

Dear God,

I didn't think orange went with purple until I saw the sunset you made on Tve. That was cool.

Eugene



Pivots & Divots

by Geneva



ROARING SPRINGS RANCH CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT September 15-16

Championship Flight: (Men), 1st, Ken Marshall, club champion, score 139; 2nd, Conway Clary, score 147; 3rd, Robert Osborn, score 148.

Senior Flight: 1st, Charlie Long, 146; 2nd, Johnnie Harkins, 156.

Men's Super Seniors: 1st, Buzz Thacker, 175; 2nd, Carl Sayles, 193.

Others playing were Alan Bingham, R. Dykes, R. Martin, F. Tow, D. Allen, M. Porter, M. Washington, and K. Hewett.

Ladies Championship Flight: 1st, Kay Bingham, club champion, 158; 2nd, LaVoe Thacker, 160; 3rd, Olivia Barton, 162.

Others playing were Tempie Francis, Joy Allen, Dot Grundy, and Francine Braselton.

Men's closest to pin, winner, Kenneth Marshall, 6'4".

Ladies closest to pin, winner, Dot Grundy, 5'3".

TUESDAY SCRAMBLE September 18

Winners - 1st, with a score of 31, Ken Marshall, Bob Hines, and Carolyn Hines.

2nd, with a score of 32, Rob Francis, Tempie Francis and Dot Grundy.

Robin Darsey got closest to pin on #3, 11'7".

Others playing were Sut Braselton, Fran Braselton, Allen

Bingham, Jerry Chatwell, Linda Chatwell, Jerry Collins, Betty Collins, Roy Grundy, Buzz Thacker, LaVoe Thacker, and Geneva Wilson.

THURSDAY LADIES PLAYDAY September 20

18 hole players were LaVoe Thacker and Olivia Barton. LaVoe won low gross.

There were no 9 hole players.

LADIES PLAYDAY September 22

18 hole player was LaVoe Thacker.

There were no 9 hole players.

TUESDAY SCRAMBLE September 25

Winners, 1st, with a score of 28, Alan Bingham, Jim Wilhelm and Carolyn Hines.

2nd, with a score of 31, Kenneth Marshall, Jerry and Linda Chatwell. Alan Bingham got closest to pin on #6, 17'7".

Others playing were Jim Watson, Betty Collins, Dot Grundy, Jerry Collins, Roy Grundy, Bob Hines, Robin Darsey, Ebbie Wells, Yvonne Koetting, Gene Marshall, Jeanne Marshall and Mark Marshall.

Kennith Marshall recently made a hole in one on #3. Congratulations to you, Kennith. That is quite an accomplishment. Ceamon Scott was playing with him. Way to go Kennith.



What a great book discussion we had at the library on Wednesday! We thank Jerry Green, Tempie Francis and Penny Pipkin for their able leadership. Thanks, also, to all who came to the discussion.

We appreciate the memorial donations that we received last week. We thank Horace and Earlyne Jameson for their donation in memory of Laura Lowe. We also thank K.D. and Suzanne Abbott for their donation in memory of Laura Lowe. Likewise, we appreciate the donation by JoAnn and Bill Durham in memory of Mrs. Lowe.

We appreciate the donation by

Charley and Opal Johnson in memory of Bill Jones. We also thank Pam and Jeff Thacker for their donation in memory of Amy Lee McIlroy.

We have two new books for children. One is *The Reluctant Flower Girl* by Lynne Barasch. In this book April's big sister is getting married. April does everything she can think of to stop this wedding.

Fannie in the Kitchen is another new book for kids. This book tells about Fannie Farmer, a little girl who learns to cook and who invents recipes.

Miss SP Motley County Pageant set for November 3

The fourth annual Miss Motley County South Plains Pageant is scheduled for November 3, 2001 in the Motley County School gymnasium. There are four divisions:

- * Little Tot - 4 years- 1st grade
- * Little Miss - 2nd- 5th grades
- * Junior Miss - 6th- 8th grades
- * Miss - 9th- 12th grades

Entry fee is \$10.00; entry deadline is October 24. This pageant is for entertainment only, and winners will not advance to another pageant. For

more information offer for entry blanks, contact Carrol Hays at 347-2676; fax # is 806-347-2871 or e-mail at chays@motleyco.org. You may also write: Carrol Hays, Theater Arts Department, Motley County I.S.D., P.O. Box 310, Matador, TX 79244

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"Sirs, We Would See Jesus"

Wilbur Smith, a respected Bible scholar of the last century, wrote: "The latest Edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica gives twenty thousand words to the person, Jesus. And does not even hint that He did not exist. More words are given of Jesus than Aristotle, Alexander, Cicero, Julius Caesar, or Napoleon Bonaparte."

Even Napoleon said of Jesus: "I know men and I tell you that Jesus Christ was no mere man. Between Him and whoever else in he world there is no possible term of comparison." In all of the Bible there is nothing so captivating as the study of the Jesus and His effect upon all that came into contact with Him. His impact upon the people of His days upon the earth was such that people would ask, "We want to see Him."

The Bible portrays Jesus as the Son of Man, the Son of God. He was mistreated, finally hated, maligned, beaten and then nailed to a cross. This is the man that spent His life giving and serving. The Bible says of Him, "That He came unto His own and they that were His own received Him not." Yes, many saw Jesus and yet refused His message nor would they be identified with Him.

Would we see Jesus? Would we be willing to be identified with Him? If so, it will take exposure to God's Word, coupled with prayer and obedience to walk with Jesus. It will mean growing and maturing in the "grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." I want to see Him in glory. I am sure that you do too.

Roaring Springs Church of Christ
Michael G. Crowley, Sr.
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PTO will sponsor Box Tops for Education

The Motley County PTO is heading up the Box Tops for Education Fund Raiser once again. The best aspects of this fund raiser is that it requires NO door-to-door selling for the children and NO COSTS are involved!

The goal of the project this year is to raise money for school field trips. A Box Tops goal of 5000 tops has been set. That's \$500 to spend towards educating Motley County ISD children. What an incentive!

All you need to do is clip the Box Top logos from participating General Mills products or Betty Crocker products and send them to school with your children. Motley County gets 10 cents for each box top collected. For those who do not have school age children, just come by the school and deposit your box tops in the huge school house collection box located in the front lobby.

Be sure to mark the back of each

box top logo with your child's grade so his group can receive credit towards the Box Tops Contest at school. The winning group will enjoy a movie showing, popcorn and drinks. That means a free afternoon to just sit back, relax and enjoy a show! What kid wouldn't enjoy that?

Also this year, Betty Crocker has joined Box Tops for Education! Now shopping with Betty Crocker Catalog Points can benefit MC ISD, too! Now through December 20, 2001, double box tops - 4% of any catalog purchase will be awarded to MC ISD. To enroll in this program call Betty Crocker Catalog Customer Service at 1-800-328-8360, Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., CT, or online at www.bettycrocker.com, click on BTFE Catalog Enrollment.

Any questions regarding Box Tops for Educations, please contact Mary Ann Potts at 806/983-3400 or 983-3311 to leave a message.

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Motley County School News



Mrs. Parks is helping her Pre-K students learn many new things as they begin their school career this year. They are pictured here making dinosaur cookies.

Pre-K students busy learning new things

by Tony Salazar
and Ysef Alvarado
MC Journalism students

This year Pre-K is learning about the alphabet, numbers, shapes, sizes and colors. Last week they were learning about the letter "D" and also studied about dinosaurs since it starts with the letter "D". Some of the dinosaurs they learned about were

the Triceratops, Brontosaurus, formerly known as the "long neck" and many others.

These youngsters also watched a movie to learn more about dinosaurs. After the movie, these creative students gathered ingredients and produced their own idea of a dinosaur egg replica, or as some may consider them, dino-cookies. After their

quick cooking experiment the sixth grade put on a dinosaur puppet show.

To understand more about dinosaurs, Mrs. Parks borrowed a truck of dinosaur bones from the University of Texas Tech.

This week Pre-K students will learn about the letter "F" and also Fireman Fred will be here to talk to them about fire safety.

How the attack on America affected me

by Amanda Hurt

Note: Amanda wrote this article for the September 29th issue of the school's paper, *M.C. Times*. Amanda

is a Sophomore at Motley County High School and the daughter of Tommy and Kate Hurt of Matador.

I woke up on September 11, 2001, like any other day. The thought that the United States was being attacked didn't even cross my mind.

Every classroom had their TV on and we all watched in horror as our country was being torn apart. No one

talked; we just sat in silence watching America's innocence be shattered. We learned of terrorists who hijacked four planes. They crashed two of them into the World Trade

Centers, one into the Pentagon and the other into a field near Pittsburgh killing thousands of innocent victims and forever changing us.

Watching the news was like watching the worst horror movie. It's been a week since the attacks, and it still doesn't seem real. Every day I

see images from the mass devastation in New York and Washington; and I have to tell myself that it's all

real, that I'm not dreaming. War is a phrase that is on everyone's mind. President Bush said, "We must step up to the challenge."

America has stood as one through this horrible tragedy. Everywhere I turn American flags are flying. Driving through town and seeing Old Glory in store windows and on houses brings a smile to my face.

It is too bad something like this had to happen to bring us all together. September 11, 2001, will never be forgotten. And I know America will come through this like we have so many times in the past. Like someone once said, "Freedom isn't always free."

MOTLEY COUNTY PTO NEWS

Motley County PTO members met on Monday, October 1, for their regular meeting. There were 21 members present.

Wendy Taylor, chairperson for the booths at the Harvest Carnival, informed the group that the booths reserved to date are the Pumpkin Shuffle, Putt-Putt Golf, Football and Baseball Throw. A face painting booth is possible but is still undecided. Carthel Bros. of Floydada are donating the pumpkins to PTO for the Pumpkin Shuffle and the kids at school will be decorating them. A big thanks to Carthel Bros.

Tina Brooks, chairperson for fund raisers of PTO, will also have a table set up at the Harvest Carnival where a beautiful 3-piece box set of porcelain, trimmed in 24 karat gold, Christmas ornaments by Avon may be ordered. The cost is \$8.00.

Kathy Gillespie has sent in the registration form for Tyson chicken products and is awaiting the school's I.D. number. Mrs. Gillespie is the chairperson of the project. She informed the group that participating Tyson products carry an A+ label and that is what should be clipped off and saved.

The subject of the laminating paper that was tabled at the September meeting was declined at this time.

Announcements were as follows:

— Building Strong Families Workshop in Lubbock, November 1. Deadline for registration is October 22. The cost is \$5.00 and that includes a meal. For more information contact Carol Ann Turner.

Box Tops for Education chairperson, Mary Ann Potts, announced that the school collection box is set up in the lobby of the school and is ready for kids to drop their box tops in. The contest is set for October 1 through November 9. The winning group depositing the most box tops, will receive a movie, popcorn and drinks from PTO on November 16. Remember to clip box tops and mark with grade level before depositing in the collection box.

— Book Fair is scheduled for October 15-19 at the school.

— The next PTO meeting is set for November 5.

— Deadline to submit recipes for the school cookbook is October 19.

— The Sweet Shop will be open this Friday for all students, Pre-K through 12th grade. The Sweet Shop will also be selling cupcakes on October 9.

— The teacher present with the most parents present was Pam Thacker. Pam will be receiving a book for her room courtesy of PTO.

SCHOOL MENU

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk.

Lunch: Barbecue on a Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Onion, Chips, Fruit, Milk.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

Breakfast: Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Creamed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn, Hot Roll, Honey, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

Breakfast: Cereal, Blueberry Muffin, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Chili Cheese Fries, Green Salad, Crackers, Cake, Strawberries, Milk.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11

Breakfast: Waffle, Sausage, Syrup, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Barbecue Wienies, Pork & Beans, Salad, Peach Cobbler, Milk.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk.

Lunch: Beef Tips on Rice, California Blend, Texas Toast, Banana Pudding, Milk.

Book Fair at School
Multi Purpose Room
October 15-19



Thank you for reading the
Motley County Tribune

SPORTS



Motley County Matador, #77, Kyle Ashby, goes for the block during last Friday night's game against Anton. Other Matadors on the play are #82, Clint Cooper, and #60, Justin Jameson.

photo by James Gillespie

Bulldogs slip past Matadors

The Anton Bulldogs slipped past the Motley County Matadors last Friday night at Burleson field by a score of 36-22. The game was close through the middle of the fourth quarter with the Matadors leading 22-21 with about five minutes on the clock. Two late fourth quarter scores by the Bulldogs provided the margin of victory.

The Bulldogs and their octane offense, ranked second in the area, were held in check by the Matadors for virtually the entire first half of the game. In fact, the Bulldog offense did not score a touchdown in the first half. Their lone score came from the defense, which intercepted a pass as time ran out in the half and returned it 70 yards for a touchdown. The Matadors offense mounted three long scoring drives in the first half with tough running and some nifty passing and the defense shut down the Bulldog offense with hardnosed tackling and the help of some timely turnovers. Scoring touchdowns for the Matadors in the first half were Shawn Marvel who finished the game with 16 rushing yards, Ysef Alvarado who rushed for a team high

of 103 yards, and Bo Long who had 22 rushing yards in the game. Lorenzo Salazar, PAT holder, ran in a two point conversion and passed to Frank Martinez for another and the Matadors went into the locker room at the half with a 22-8 lead.

In the second half the Bulldogs came out strong and gradually chipped away at the Matadors lead. They closed to within one point early in the fourth quarter and the Matadors could not get anything serious going offensively in the second half. It was just a matter of time before the Bulldog offense exploded and they finally did late in the fourth quarter with two touchdowns.

In addition to Alvarado, Long, and Marvel, Frank Martinez rushed for 47 yards in the game and caught five passes for 49 yards to finish the game with 96 all purpose yards. Clint Cooper had one reception for 23 yards. Tony Salazar was 6 of 17 passing for 72 yards. The Matadors finished with 260 yards of total offense for the game.

Defensively the Matadors played an outstanding game against a very

good offensive team. Ysef Alvarado led the defensive stand with eight tackles and two interceptions. Kyle Ashby and Brad Baxter each recorded eight stops with Ashby recovering a Bulldog fumble. Kevin Elder had seven tackles, Frank Martinez had 6 tackles and a fumble recovery, and Justin Jameson and Clint Cooper each had 5 defensive stops. Chantry Meyer also recovered an Anton fumble in the end zone to stop a Bulldog drive in the second half. Offensively the Bulldogs finished with 291 total yards of offense.

Coach Freddie Green stated, "We played hard and kept ourselves in a position to win against a very good team. If we could have gotten a couple of breaks here and there we could have won the game." Coach Green also said that this next game against Kress will be challenging and a measuring stick for the team. "Kress beat Meadow, who beat us, but we are a much better team now than we were then. It will be a good game."

Come support the Matadors as they take on the Kress Kangaroos at 7:30 Friday night at Burleson field.



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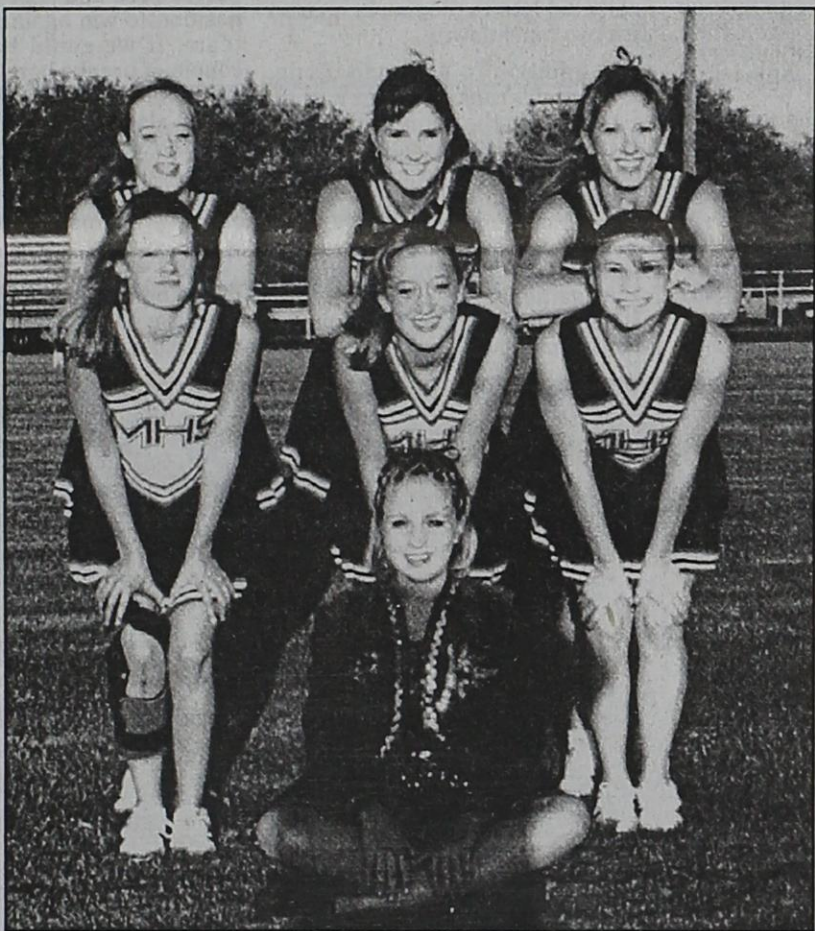


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MOTLEY COUNTY MATADORS



MOTLEY COUNTY MATADORS — Pictured left to right (back), Coach Lee Sanchez, Coach Edward Elizando, Tony Salazar, Clay Cooper, William Ho-Gland, Brandon Moore, Chantry Meyer, John Wesley Stevens, Ramiro Martinez, Britt Pierce, T.J. Christopher, Clint Cooper, Bradley Baxter, Kevin Elder, Quinten Rose, Ysef Alvarado, Kenny Johannes, Justin Jameson, Manager Jose Flores, Coach Freddy Green; (front) Jessie Blanton, Bo Long, Brandon Martin, Frank Martinez, Kyle Ashby, Lorenzo Salazar, Matt Henzler, Cody Cooper, Arturo Flores, and Shawn Marvel.



MOTLEY COUNTY CHEERLEADERS — Charli Ream, Brittany Donaldson, Courtney Hays, at back left to right; (middle) Sabrina Osborn, Mandi Ream, Brenda Gillespie, and in front, Mascot, Cassie Campbell.



CHEERING FOR THE MATADORS are members of the Motley County High School Pep Club. Pictured at back, left to right, are LaRissa Bethard, Amanda Hurt, LaShea Rose, Sierra Atherton, Mylinda Gilmore, Sandra Torres, Crystal Belk; (middle) Emily Hurt, Annie Green, Kelsi Wallace, Sylvia Martinez, Leslie Taylor; (front) Stachia Baxter, Candice Buckner, Brittany Moore, and Kristopher Bethard.

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Motley County Matadors 2001 Varsity Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Sept. 14	Smyer	Here	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Lorenzo	There	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Anton	Here	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Kress	Here	7:30 p.m.
District games:			
Oct. 12	Paducah	There	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Munday	Here	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Knox City	Here	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Crowell	There	7:30 p.m.

Bettye & Ashley Stevens

Douglas, Janie,
Cassie & Kittie Campbell

Jim & Judy Cooper

Rickey & Naomi Lawrence

Dale & JoEtta Bumgardner

Rodney & Glenda Williams

James, Kathy,
Robert & Brenda Gillespie

Children's feelings of tragedy expressed in letters

Dear Policeman and Firefighters,

Thank you for everything during this tragic time. Thank you for help in finding the survivors. Our school is having a blood drive for the American Red Cross. If I were old enough I would donate blood. I hope this tragedy ends.

Adriann Walker

Dear New York City,

I am very sorry about what happened. I wish that this never did happen and I think that the rescue workers will find the missing people.

Colby McCleskey

Dear President Bush,

I hope that this tragedy will end. Sorry that New York City is hurt. I'm sorry that people are hurt and firefighters have been killed. Even the people that were on that plane were killed. I hope people will be safe from now on.

Anna Moctezuma

Dear Victims of New York City,

I heard what happened in New York City. It broke my heart. A lot of people died there in New York. I am sorry that a lot of people died and I wish it never happened. Thank you for saving people.

Alyx Smith

Dear New York City,

How are you? I am sorry for what happened. But you will always have love from us. I felt the same as you when the buildings fell and when the planes crashed into the buildings. Please let people see this because we all love everyone.

One day I hope everyone feels better, okay. This is to everyone and let the White House see this. Please have a very good life. We love you. Don't forget.

Mercedes Saenz

Dear New York City,

If I was in New York City, I'll help all the people that is still alive. I'm sorry that happened to all of those people.

Dillon Walker



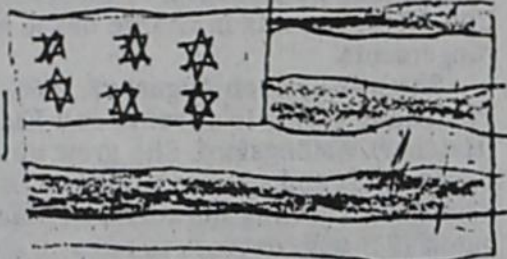
Dear rescue workers I think if you don't give up you can be a big help. To other people and make them happy. and you can make a big difference. If you give up you will break other peoples hearts.

I hope you don't give up

Name James Frank Potts
Grade 3rd
School Motley Co, ISD

Dear Pres. Bush,

I am sorry and I wish it would of never have happened. I heard what happened. I feel bad.



from Jacob
Motley Co, ISD
3rd grade
Dillworth

Dear Police and fireman,

I hope no one else gets hurt. I hope we do not go to war. If I were old enough I would help save people. Thank you for saving people. Now join me in the pledge. I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United State of America and to the republic of which is stand, one nation under God.

Sarah Ferguson

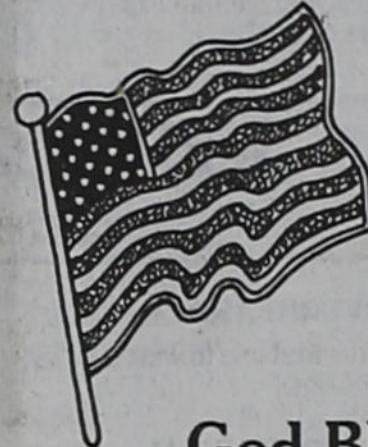
Dear Victims,

I am sorry about what happened in New York. I hope you are not hurt very bad. I feel sorry for you and for all the people who have died. The rescue workers have worked really hard to try to keep the people alive. I wish the hijackers would not have even been there. I thank the hospitals, the firemen, the rescue workers, and our wonderful President. I am proud to be an American.

Kyla Simpson

I'm sorry for what happened in New York City and I'm sorry for those people that died. My family is trying to help those people that are in the hospital. I hope that everything gets back to normal. When I watch the news and when people die I get sad. I am proud to be an American.

Leslie Alvarado



God Bless America!

"The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him."

Nahum 1:7

Family & Consumer news



by Mozelle Montano, Extension Agent, Family & Consumer Sciences

SAFETY AMONGST US

It becomes a big problem to us to stop and consider what we should send to New York City, should we collect clothing, food, what? This is always a big decision this time during the aftermath of a big tragedy says Mozelle Montano, Extension Agent.

Here are some of the things that have been suggested:

Financial contributions allow professional relief organizations to purchase exactly what is most urgently needed by disaster victims and to pay for the transportation to distribute those supplies. Unlike in-kind donations, cash donations entail no transportation cost.

In addition, cash donations allow relief supplies to be purchased at locations as near to the disaster site as possible. Supplies, particularly food, can always be purchased locally - even in famine conditions.

This has the additional advantage of stimulating local economies (providing employment, generating cash flow), ensuring that supplies arrive as

quickly as possible and reducing transport and storage costs.

Volunteers without prior disaster relief experience are generally not selected for relief assignments. Expertise in technical fields such as medicine, communications logistics, water/sanitation engineering. Keep in mind that once a relief agency accepts a volunteer, they are responsible for the volunteer's well-being - i.e., food, shelter, health and security. Another person without the necessary technical skills and experience can often be a considerable burden to an ongoing relief effort.

Do not make assumptions about the needs of disaster victims. Exactly what is needed can be confirmed by checking with an established relief organization.

There are a couple of websites that may offer you more details: <http://www.humanitarian.net/> and <http://www.unnyc.org> (United Way, or <http://www.redcross.org>, or <http://www.giveifive.org>.

Floydada Punkin' Days to be celebrated October 13

If you've been looking for something fun for the whole family to participate in, Floydada's Punkin Days celebration can provide it. This year the harvest party will be held October 13th and heralds Floydada's claim as Pumpkin Capital U.S.A.

Lots of Arts and Crafts and food booths will be open for business beginning at 9:00 a.m. on the manicured lawn of the Courthouse.

Judging will begin under the pavilion at 9:30 a.m., on entries of the smallest pumpkin, the largest pumpkin, ugliest gourd, prettiest corn, best painted pumpkin, best carved pumpkin and best pumpkin pie. Entries will be accepted from all over Texas.

Smaller children will enjoy the special games created for them, including: a pumpkin drawing contest, pumpkin rolling race, the great pumpkin toss and pumpkin bowling.

Those a little older can partake in a timed carving contest, seed spitting contest, wheelbarrow race and a pumpkin pie relay race.

The person who guesses the weight of the pumpkin piled in the trailer will win \$25.00, and prizes of \$200.00, \$300.00 and \$500.00 will be awarded to the winners of the Cow Patty Bingo.

Pumpkin games include a motorcycle skills with pumpkins. Motorcycle enthusiasts can also enjoy a bead run, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Entry fee into the bead run is \$5.00, and the winner takes home 50% of the pot.

It is an all day event that can be enjoyed by everyone in the family.

For more information on Punkin Days call the Punkin Day Chairman, Angie Lipham, 983-3434.

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NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

ROARING SPRINGS NEWS

E3 Jerod Rieger visited the last two weeks with his wife, Candace and son Jaden, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Graham and in-laws, Mr. and Mrs. Bucky Marvel. He drove to Dallas September 30 and spent the night with his dad before flying out of Dallas October 1 for Yokota Air Base in Tokyo Japan, his next tour of duty.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Largent visited Friday with his mother, Mary Lumsden, and his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Don Largent.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Mullins of Plainview spent Saturday night with his mother, Odessa Mullins. They had lunch in Dickens and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Mullins.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Burton of Quanah spent Saturday night with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bur-

MATADOR NEWS

Billie and Faye Slover went to Stamford last Friday for the Cisco and Stamford football game. Meeting them there were Jerry and Barbara Luster of Cisco. The Slovers' granddaughter, Amanda Luster is head cheerleader for Cisco. The Slovers drove on to Cisco to spend the night. On Saturday they all went to Abilene to attend the Hardin-Simmons Cowboys football game. Their granddaughter, Lisa Vernon is one of 22 cheerleaders for Hardin Simmons. The Cowboys won the game, 69-14. After the game they all went to Red Lobster to celebrate the good grades of Lisha's friend, Eric,

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MONDAY THRU SATURDAY

FLOMOT NEWS

HOSPITAL NEWS

Mrs. Edith Washington is a patient in the Mangold Hospital in Lockney where she had medical treatment during the weekend and began medical tests on Monday. With her are sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington and Mr. and Mrs. Seab Washington.

L.E. Shorter returned home Friday from Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock following a by pass heart surgery. He is reported to be recovering just fine.

Emily Milam celebrated her birthday Saturday in the home of her parents, Christi and Dwain Milam of Petersburg. She blew out her two candles on a decorated cake and put on an entertaining show when opening her gifts. Beside her friends, family members attending a luncheon and the party were Mrs. Geneva Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter of Flomot, Mrs. Cindy Calvert of Mesquite and Mrs. Keri Sehon and Brian of Ropesville.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall visited the past two weekends in Midland with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cory Kendall, Conner and Chancey.

Cara Franks and friends, Cheyenne and Katie of Canyon visited the weekend with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington.

Visiting Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers and Donnie Rogers was Ronnie Rogers of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey visited in Higgins Thursday and Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Jay Kennedy, Jackie and Tanya. They attended the Junior High football game Thursday night in which grandson, Jackie played.

Mrs. Geneva Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter and houseguest, daughter, Cindy Calvert of Mesquite, who visited from Thursday until Monday, Sept. 25-Oct. 1, enjoyed the Gaither Homecoming Concert held Friday night at the Spirit Arena in Lubbock.

Weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert were Mrs. Gwen Mandrell, Shae and Peyton of Lubbock. Visiting them Sunday were Alvia Joe Calvert and son, Christopher of Dumas. Christopher remained to visit.

Floyd T. Starkey of Ralls visited his mother, Mrs. C.W. Starkey, Wednesday.

Luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter, Sunday were Mrs. Cindy Calvert of Mesquite, Mrs. Christi Milam and Emily of Petersburg, Mrs. Keri Sehon and Brian of Ropesville and Mrs. Geneva Martin of Flomot. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Shorter.

Mrs. Dona Browning of Rising Star is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse and with friends and relatives in Turkey.

Visiting from Friday until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay were daughter and children, Mrs. Lori Kleibrink, Kyler and Karlee of Clifton.

WHITEFLAT NEWS

OVERHEARD

A friend is the first one to walk in when the world walks out.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson attended the funeral services of Sterling Donaldson Tuesday morning held at the First Baptist Church in Farwell. Also attending were Mrs. Myrna Stephens of Matador and son, James Hollis Stephens of Roaring Springs.

Mrs. Dan Barton of Matador and Mrs. Frances Dixon attended the funeral services of Mrs. Bobbie Trull held at the First Baptist Church in Crosbyton Wednesday morning. Joining them to attend were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Risser of Matador and daughter, Kaci Risser, student at Wayland University in Plainview.

Jack Samford of Matador accompanied Mrs. Juanita Cooper to Amarillo, Thursday where she visited until Sunday with daughter and family, Kay, Ken and Kourtney Dunnam. She had medical appointments, Friday. Mr. Samford visited in Canyon from Monday until Wednesday, Oct. 1-3, in Tulsa Oklahoma in the home of his niece, Mrs. Pat Gross and her houseguest, her mother and his sister, Mrs. Nina Barton of Coalinga, California.

Mrs. Carol Gilbreth of Sundown and Hal Martin were in Amarillo recently to be with their sister, Mrs. Sharon Davis of Fritch, who had major surgery at the Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Risser of Matador, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Dixon and Mrs. Frances Dixon enjoyed the Gaither Homecoming Concert Friday night held at the Spirit Arena in Lubbock.

Ryan Martin, student at Tarleton University in Stephenville, visited the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Martin. Sunday, they and Ryan's friend, Jamie Pigg of Turkey, student at Clarendon Junior College, attended the Fifth Sunday Singing, luncheon and worship services held in Roaring Springs hosted by the First Baptist Church.

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OBITUARIES

Allen Mathews

Graveside services for Allen Mathews, 91, of Dumas, formerly of Quitaque were held at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 2, at the Resthaven Cemetery in Quitaque. Arrangements were under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador.

Mr. Mathews died Saturday morning at the Dumas Nursing Center in Dumas.

He was born April 13, 1910, in Jordan Valley, Texas. He was a farmer and rancher and a member of the Church of Christ.

His survivors include two daughters, LaDonna Madden of Amarillo and Gail Walters of Sunray; one sister, Lola Mae Andrews of Amarillo; six grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Tommie Sturdivant

Graveside services for Tommie Findley Sturdivant, 93, of Matador, were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 2, at the East Mound Cemetery in Matador. Officiating was Elder Matt Swan of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Mrs. Sturdivant died early Saturday, September 29, at her residence in Matador.

She was born July 29, 1908, in Delwin, Cottle County, Texas. She was married to James P. Sturdivant in 1933. They moved to Motley County in 1946. She had resided

in Matador since 1946. She was a homemaker and was a 52 year member of the Order of Eastern Star, Matador Chapter #66.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1986, and by a son, James Sturdivant in 1990.

Her survivors include a daughter, Pina Sue Sturdivant of Matador; a son, Tim Sturdivant of Salt Lake City, Utah; a sister, Dorothy Westfall of Denver, CO; five grandsons.

Anne Wallingsford

Sheilda Anne Wallingsford, 45, of Chapman, Nebraska, died Monday, September 24, 2001, at St. Francis Medical Center in Grand Island, Nebraska.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, September 28, at Prairie Creek Cemetery near Archer with the Rev. Curt Ensz officiating. Burial was in the Prairie Creek Cemetery.

Wagner Funeral Home in Central City, Nebraska was in charge of the arrangements.

She was born on August 28, 1956, in Plainview, Texas, to Jerome and Elsie (Hatcher) Wallingsford. She grew up in Clovis, N.M., and attended Central Community College in Grand Island, graduating in 1985 with degrees in nursing and computer programming.

She married Dan Lawson on December 16, 1976, in Clovis, NM.

She was a member of the genealogy Web sites My Family.com, Random Acts of Kindness and Ancestry.com. She loved to ride horses and write poetry.

Survivors include one son, George Stanley of Tulsa, Okla.; three daughters and a son-in-law, Tanya Duncans of Central City, Sarah and Joseph Remold of Grand Island and Hazel Stanley of Grand Island; one stepson, Daniel Barrett of Denver; one stepdaughter and stepson-in-law, Michelle and Rod Fordland of Central City; nine grandchildren; her father and stepmother, Jerome and Martha Wallingsford of Matador; her mother, Elsie Wallingsford of Panama City, Fla.; four brothers and two sisters-in-law, Jay and Inez Wallingsford of Tacoma, Wash., Jim and Donna Wallingsford of Commerce, Texas, John Wallingsford and Joe Wallingsford, both of Matador; and two sisters, Phyllis Stalls and Carol Wallingsford of Panama City, Fla.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Carla,

I want to thank you for printing the articles and the pictures of the Frank Mitchell Veteran's Memorial project. This has helped us in our project. Since I have last up-dated you and your readers, we have received two donations from Rita Groves and Albert (Suckerrod) Ozborn. This brings the total donations to \$3,670.00 from 59 donors.

So far we have poured 6 of the eight standing forms that are designed to hold the granite slabs with the veterans names. On Friday of this week we will pour two more concrete standing forms to hold the last two of the granite slabs with the names of 546 men who fought for our country from Roaring Springs and the surrounding communities.

If you haven't driven by to see what we are doing, the forms are built in such a way to perfectly hold each tablet of granite. They fit inside so that they will be protected and stable. We plan to also pour a concrete upright support for the large centerpiece, a larger granite tablet that has the seal of each of branch of our armed forces. There is also an American eagle inscribed on this stone, in color. It is a beautiful tribute to the many hometown men who have kept our country safe.

We also plan to pour a cement walkway that is handicap accessible. After the pouring of the next two supports, we will have spent over \$3,200.00. We will need another \$1,000.00 for material to finish the project. We have been able to get this much done because of your donations, local men donating their time to prepare the forms for each pouring and reassembling them again each time, and because of Joe Bruce King's time and effort of obtaining and delivering these stones from a quarry near Marble Falls, Texas. We have had professional expertise in the designing and the construction on this project from a retired cement contractor, Kenneth Abbott. We have purchased the cement from Floydada. We will clean and stain the names in a darker color before they are set in place.

We think that you will be very proud of this memorial and glad that you have been a part of it.

Again if anyone would like to make a donation for this memorial to these brave men, please send to Kelly Keltz, Secretary, Roaring Springs Lions Club, P.O. Box 83, Roaring Springs, TX 79256, or to me, Corky Marshall, President, P.O. Box 307, Roaring Springs, TX 79256. For questions, call 806-348-7000 or corkymon@caprock-spr.com.

Again, I want to thank everyone who has helped or donated to this project.

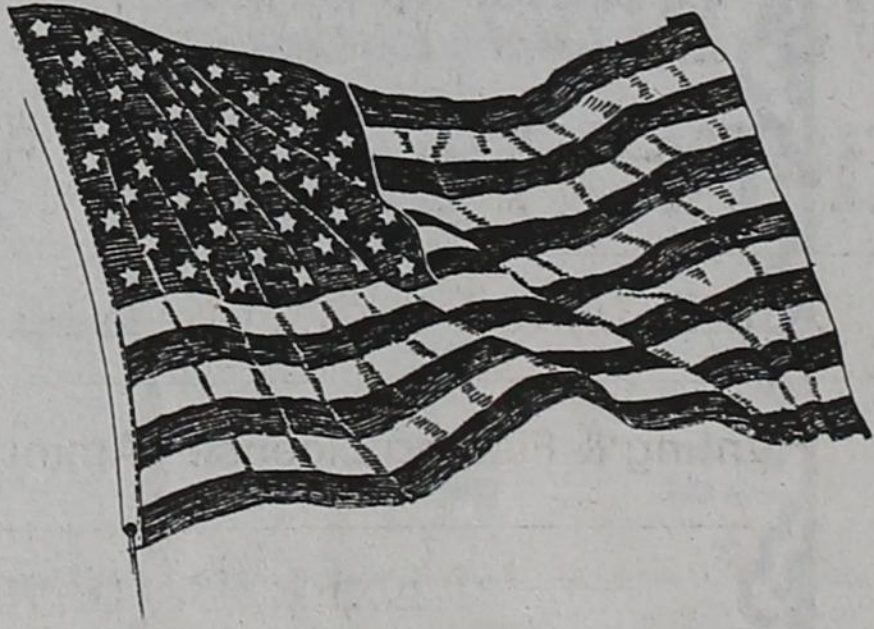
Yours truly,
Corky Marshall

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Farm and Ranch News



TEXAS FARMERS STOCKMAN SHOW WILL BE HELD OCTOBER 11-13

LUBBOCK, TX- Farm Progress is again proud to present the Texas Farmer-Stockman Show, October 11-13 in Lubbock, Texas. Still the largest outdoor working farm show of its kind in the southwestern United States, the Texas Farmer-Stockman Show promises to be bigger and better than ever, with patrons traveling from as far as South America to attend the three-day event. The show kicks off Thursday morning, October 11, with the traditional ribbon-cutting. Federal, state and local officials will be on hand to welcome guests.

More than 200 exhibits on the 54-acre exhibit field will demonstrate the latest agricultural products, services, and technologies. This year's fare includes more animal health and handling demonstrations, expanded wildlife and conservation seminars (including presentations on range-land grasses and playa wetland activities), antique tractors, crafts, Family Living Programs, and the ever-popular Ride-n-Drive areas that consistently draw record participation. A new addition this year is Ag in the Bag, an educational fair representing High Plains agriculture.

Acres of cropland are reserved for

field demonstrations each day. Scheduled demonstrations include the latest harvest equipment, tractors, tillage, and specialty implements. Harvesting equipment will specifically include cotton strippers with broadcast headers to harvest narrow-row cotton. Other equipment will be demonstrated on grain sorghum, and alfalfa.

The Texas Farmer-Stockman Livestock Arena features a variety of events this year, including horse training with Craig Cameron and team roping with Rickey Green. The Family Living programs schedule is again full and features something for everyone. Oiling and Navajo weaving demonstrations take place each day.

Mark your calendars! You're cordially invited to attend the Texas Farmer-Stockman Show, October 11-13 in Lubbock, Texas. The show is located just one and one-half miles east of Loop 289 on E. 50th Street. Just look for the tents. Show hours are from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. Adult admission is \$5, visitors 17 and under are admitted free of charge.

Farm Service Agency News

by Debbie Shaw, CED



Weather Conditions

Based on the ongoing severe weather conditions and circumstances involved, the State committee is authorized to extend counties previously approved for emergency CRP grazing according to certain conditions approved through OCTOBER 31, 2001. This authority is limited to counties previously approved for emergency grazing which, the severe and prolonged drought conditions coupled with a lack of available grazing. No additional payment reduction shall be changed to participants who previously grazed and in-

curred a 25 percent payment reduction. Emergency Haying is not included in this extension.

"For counties or portions of counties, as appropriate, approved by State Committee under this authority, livestock shall be removed by November 1, 2001. Please report the State Committee approvals and disapproval's by November 16, 2001. Further extensions of time are not anticipated.

If you have any questions, please contact the Motley County FSA Office.



The next step in the process of getting a new Farm Bill is at hand. Members of the U.S. House of Representatives appear ready to begin debate of the Food Security Act of 2001, HR 2646, on October 3.

Almost two years in the making, HR 2646 is the culmination of a concerted effort by the House Ag Committee to craft a program that incorporates the best of past programs and the best of current farm policy.

In doing so Ag Committee Chairman Larry Combest and Ranking Minority Member Charles Stenholm hope to chart a safe and reliable course through the tricky waters of complying with international trade obligations, protecting a diverse U.S. agricultural industry, and balance the importance of protecting U.S. water, soil and air.

The House Legislation has garnered the support of producers and general farm organizations nationwide. In the Bill the House would re-establish a critical safety net for producers and also provide a strong financial commitment to extending the highly successful conservation programs offered through the United States Department of Agriculture.

A bevy of amendments, mostly aimed at furthering the interests of environmental and anti-farm program organizations are expected and will cripple the carefully crafted legislation's ability to provide a firm base of support for farmers and ranchers.

One of the most serious potential roadblocks is an amendment that would shift as much as \$1.9 Billion from commodity programs to the Conservation Title of the Bill in each of the ten years that the Bill is designed to cover.

Not content to accept the more than doubling of spending for Conservation programs such as the Wet-

lands, Reserve Program, Wildlife habitat Incentives Program and others, the "Boehlert/Kind/Gilchrest Amendment" seeks to siphon some \$19 Billion and funding that currently resides in the Commodity Title.

The key point to be made against the amendment is that HR 2646 increases funding for Conservation programs by 75 percent over current budget levels.

The other interesting twist of the proposed amendment is that it directs USDA to not reduce the support levels provided to so-called "small" farms or to decrease funding for programs involving the dairy, sugar, peanut or tobacco programs.

IN simple terms it is aimed directly at taking \$19 Billion in much needed assistance away from cotton and grain farmers who have been reeling from the devastating financial effects of yield and market losses over the past three to four years.

Other amendments are expected to be offered as well and will most assuredly include an attempt to ratchet down payment limits for larger farms.

In order to continue to support the efforts of Rep. Combest and Rep. Stenholm, PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett will travel to Washington to make visits and encourage approval of HR 2646.

BOLL WEEVIL ERADICATION

At a meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation held in Abilene Tuesday, Program Director Charles Allen reviewed 2001 operations and presented proposals for eradication plans to be conducted in 2002 in eleven zones across Texas and two regions of New Mexico.

Twelve of the thirteen areas will continue in full season long boll weevil control while the Southern Rolling Plains, already declared functionally eradicated, will proceed with maintaining its weevil-free status. The committee approved the proposed plans for 2002.

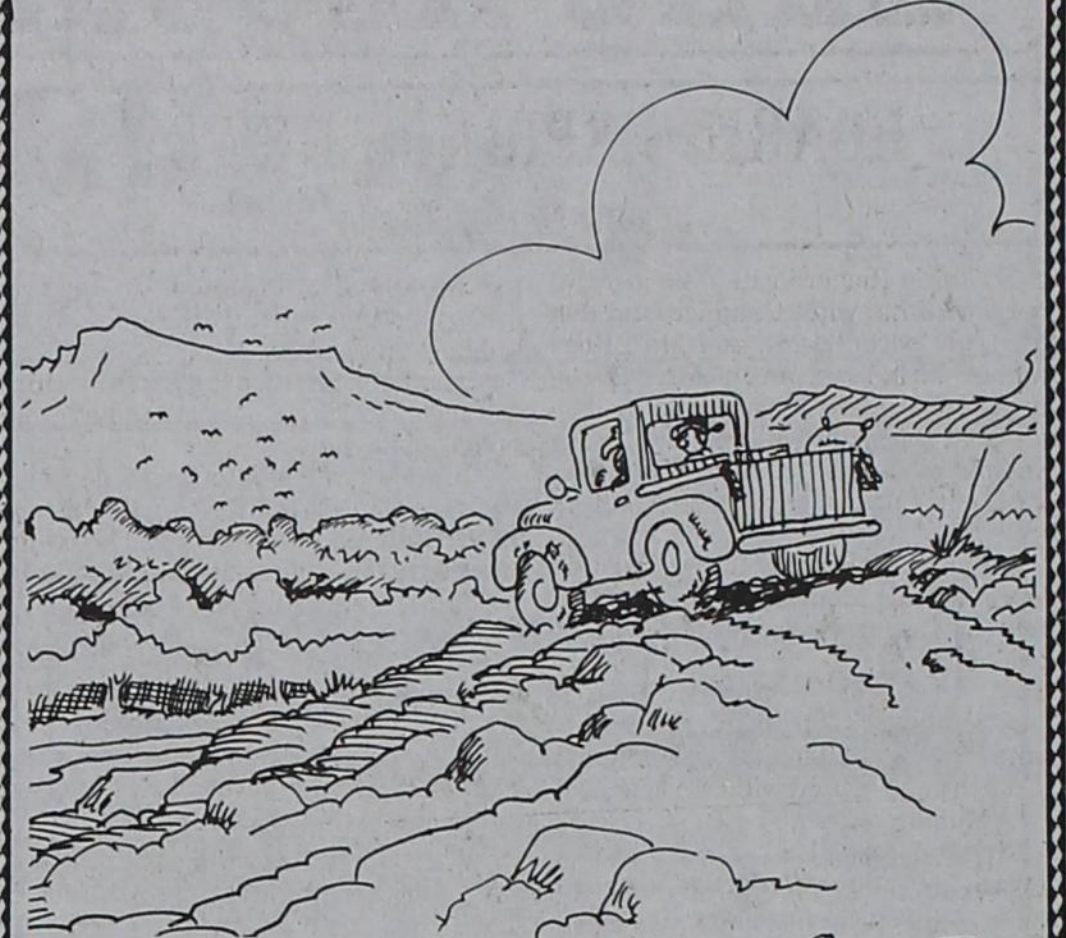
Allen reported that the nationwide shutdown of agricultural spray operations for national security reasons had no adverse effect on eradication operations. All planned treatments had been achieved on a timely basis.

In the two most recent additions to eradication efforts in the PCG 25 county area, the Northern High Plains Zone and Southern High Plains Zone have both just completed their third full week of diapause treatments.

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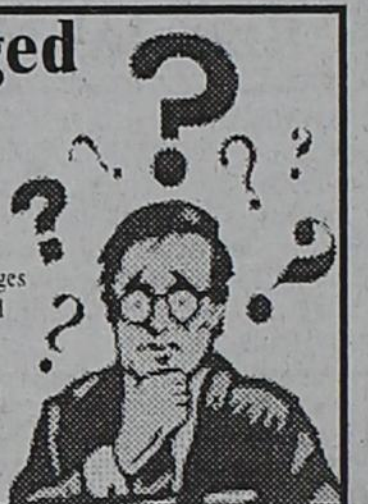
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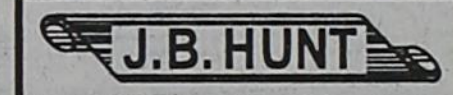
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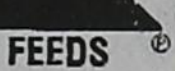
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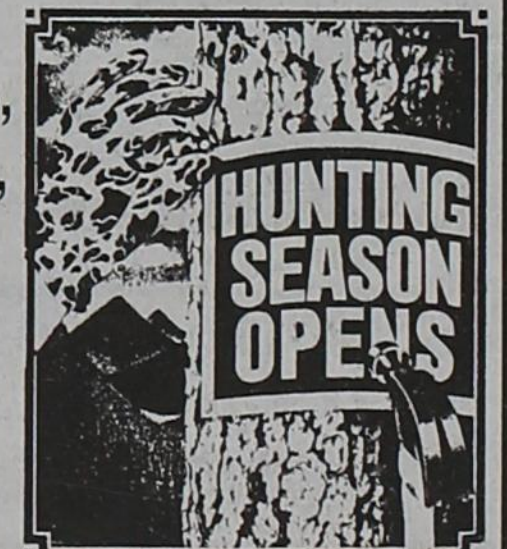
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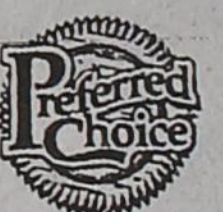
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