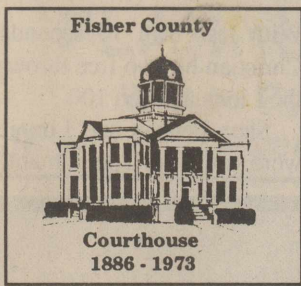


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Angel Care Takes First Place In Annual Rotan Chamber Of Commerce Parade

There were three prizes, amounting to \$225, awarded to three Rotan individuals from a field of ten entries

in the annual Rotan Downtown Christmas Lighting Festival.

The winners in the float division

were - first place, Angel Care awarded \$100; second place, Dena Bailey awarded \$75 and third place Calvary

Baptist Church awarded \$50.

Drawing winners - Carol Posey, Chris Manies and Terri Whitefield of

Lefton Village Houses from White's True Value.

Susie Barrera, Ken Myers, Frances Zambrano and Mary Ann Gonzales, each \$100 savings bonds by National Gypsum.

Chris Manies a \$50 savings bond from the First National Bank of Rotan.

Patti Thompson and Delores Basquez recipients of \$25 in Rotan Bucks from the Rotan Chamber of Commerce.

Heather Morgan, Beverly Price, Randy Morgan - \$50 in Rotan Bucks given by the Rotan Chamber of Commerce and Frances Zambrano an electric grill given by West Texas Utilities.

Nothing New In Investigation Of Arson Fire

Nothing new.

It appears as if the next step in the hunt to find the person or persons responsible for the Rotan arson fire of October 17th will come out of the Fisher County grand jury. They will, if presented sufficient evidence, issue indictments for the arrest of an individual or individuals in connection with the arson incident.

An indictment by the grand jury only indicates that sufficient evidence was presented to the members of the grand jury to cause the incident to be brought to trial.

Fisher County Sheriff Gene Pack is referring all inquiries about the incident to District Attorney Frank Conard in Sweetwater.

Frank Conard was being very cautious in choosing his words concerning the arson investigation. He is still pretty sure the next move will be the presentation of evidence to the Fisher County Grand Jury on December 20th.

C Of C Yard Of The Season Judging Soon

The deadline for Rotan residents, desiring to be considered for the Rotan Chamber of Commerce Christmas "Yard Of The Season" award is Midnight, Friday, December 8th.

We are setting the deadline to give residents notification that all Christmas outside lighting must be complete to be considered for the award.

Judging will take place over the weekend.

Primary Filing Officially Opens

Qualified persons who are interested in filing for a place on the March primary ballots should contact their respective Fisher County Party Chairman.

The filing period for the 1996

primary elections on March 12 officially began Sunday, December 3rd, according to County Clerk Betty Rivers.

State and local candidates in both the Democratic and Republican par-

ties are required to pay their filing fees to local party chairmen prior to the deadline of January 2, 1996.

Independent candidates for county offices must file a "declaration of intent to run for office" with County Judge Marshal Bennett. The same filing period and fees apply.

Foy Mitchell is the county chairman for the Democratic party, while Frank Moore is the Republican party chairman.

The filing period affects five Fisher County elected positions, as well as the district attorney's post and the two political party chairs. Included on the ballot are the positions of Fisher County Sheriff, County Attorney and Tax Assessor-Collector, Commissioners of Precinct #1 and Commissioner of Precinct #3.

In addition to the five county posts, the voters will also decide on a District Judge.

Gene Pack is serving as Sheriff, Betty Mize as Tax Assessor-Collector and Robie Robinson as County

Attorney while Jay Hendon and Charlie Meek are the commissioners.

The filing fee for the district attorney's post is \$1,000, and there is a \$600 filing fee for the Fisher County offices.

A petition can be filed in lieu of a filing fee, with more information available from the party chairman or the county clerk.

Candidates for chairman of the two major political parties should also file before January 2, but there is no filing fee as there is for public office.

Charles K. Black Announces For Comm. Precinct #3 Spot

Charles K. Black has filed for the position of County Commissioner for Precinct #3 in Fisher County.

Black has been a resident of Fisher County since May, 1968. He served as the District Conservationist of Fisher County for the United States Department of Agriculture from May, 1968 to December, 1989 at which time he retired with 28 years of service. He earned a B.S. degree in range management from Sul Ross University and performed graduate school work at Texas Tech University.

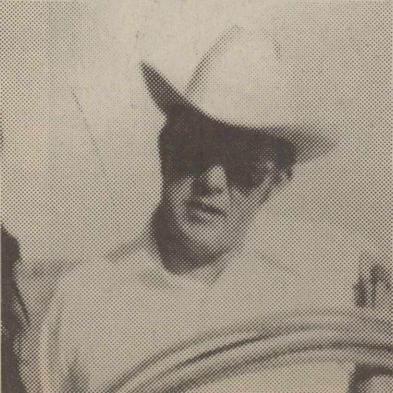
Black and his wife, Myla, live on their farm 3 miles west of Rotan. Black is currently active in ranching and farming, primarily featuring livestock production.

"I strongly feel that Fisher County needs and deserves a change! Modern county government is no longer determined by a few simple decisions; the days are over for a county commissioner to be regarded mainly as a rural road commissioner. It has become necessary for precinct commissioners to make more and more important decisions that affect our county business - how it is operated and how funds of taxpayers are utilized in that operation. Excellent business practices, responsible leadership, and firm management are now needed."

"If elected, one of my main goals is to have all four precincts combine their equipment and personnel into one central unit, hire a qualified county road superintendent to manage it, and let the county commissioners do what they are elected to do which is to represent all of their voters within their own precincts for operating the business of Fisher County. I might add that this has been accomplished in other counties with great success coupled with savings to the taxpayers," emphasized Black. "I want ALL Fisher County rural residents to have excellent access to the closest Farm to Market road by means of an all weather roadway."

"I pledge to represent both the rural and the community residents of Precinct #3 in working towards a meaningful, trustworthy, and streamlined county government that is cost effective. I seriously desire to serve in this capacity. At this time I would like to thank all of the many concerned individuals who have so ac-

tively encouraged me to seek this position of county commissioner," concluded Black.



Charles K. Black

Betty Mize Seeks Re-Election As F. C. Tax Assessor / Collector

I, Betty Mize, am announcing I have filed for re-election as Tax Assessor-Collector. As the elected Tax Assessor-Collector, I have strived to provide every Fisher County resident with quality service by offering a Courthouse office and a Rotan city sub-station office staffed by efficient, friendly, and trusted deputies.

I have been a long-time resident of Fisher County and have graduated

two daughters, Kathi Mize and Kari (Mize) Underhill, from Roby CISD. My husband, Roy, worked at Brazos Inc. in Rotan until its closure in 1982. He has since been employed by Gypsum Transport in Sweetwater. My parents, Lee Roy and Corinne Clark, reside on State Highway 70 in South Fisher County. I recently moved from Roby to live beside my parents during their retired years.

I have over 17 years of tax office experience and education. In 1982, upon completing state mandated courses and lengthy exams, I became State Licensed as a Registered Tax Assessor-Collector. I continue my Certification by attaining 60 continuing education units every five years.

I have a vested interest in the office of Tax Assessor-Collector and pledge to serve my County and its residents in the best manner possible. I would appreciate your vote of confidence by re-electing me for the next four years.



Betty Mize

Harold C. (Hal) Ely Announces As Candidate For Comm. Pre. 1

Harold C. (Hal) Ely of Sylvester has authorized this newspaper to announce his candidacy for the position of Fisher County Commissioner Precinct #1.

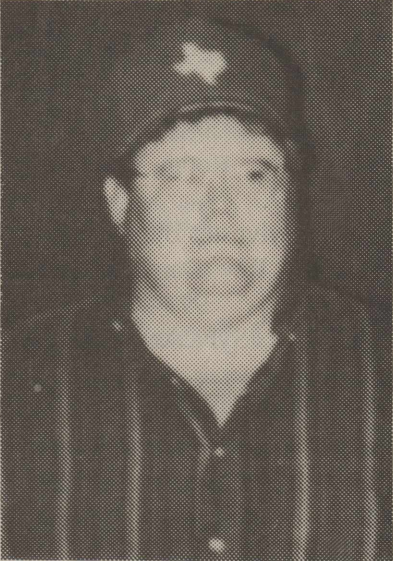
Ely moved to Fisher County with his family in 1970. He attended Roby Junior High and graduated from

Roby High School in 1977. Following graduation Ely worked in Hamlin for the Oil Patch Pollution Service until 1978 then enrolled at Western Texas College in Snyder.

He attended WTC until December 1979 where he acquired an applied science degree in Farm and Ranch Management.

"During my summer break, I worked as a road hand for Fisher County Precinct #1. My duties consisted of operating maintainers, dump trucks, dozers and loaders. Next, I enrolled at WTC until 1981 when I graduated with a Associates Arts Degree in Agricultural Education.

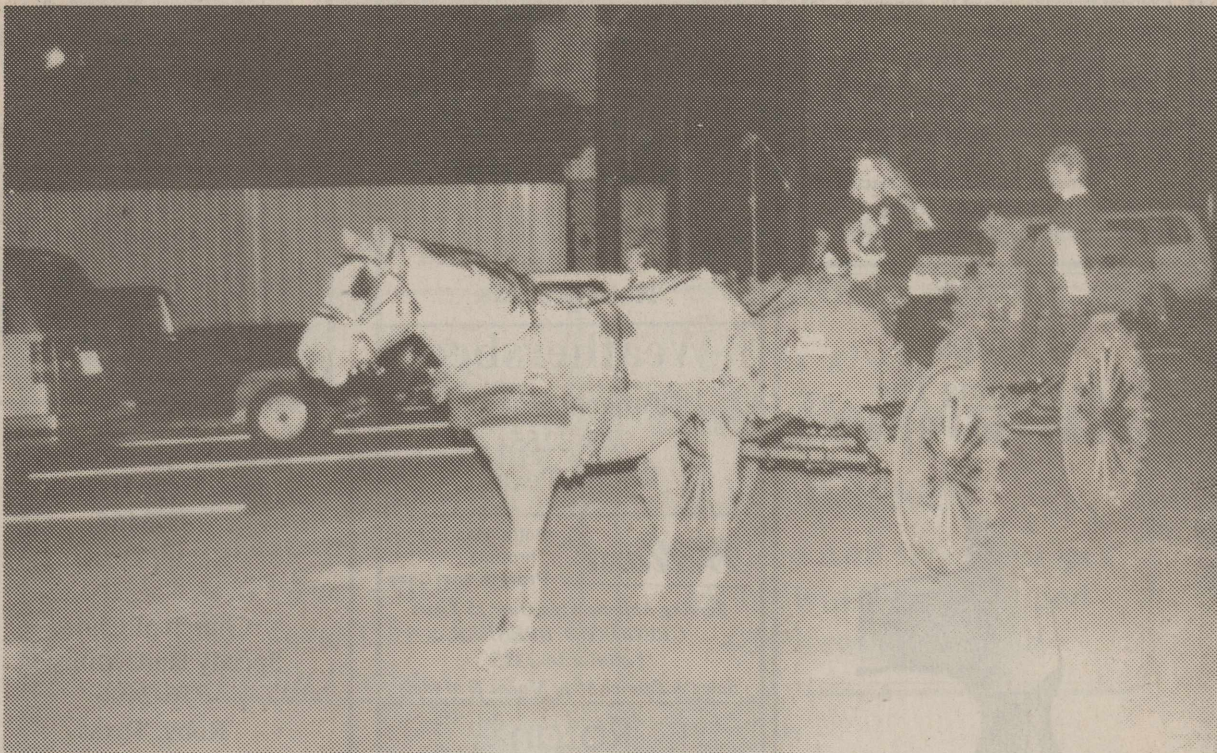
I engaged in farming full time with cotton, wheat and cattle also doing custom farming until 1982. In 1982 I had the opportunity to work for the Scurry County Soil Conservation Service for a year. During that period of time I learned a great deal about how the wind and water affect



Harold C. (Hal) Ely



First Place - Angle Care float



Second Place - Dena Bailey float



Third Place - Calvary Baptist Church float

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Roby Lions Defeat Stamford In Annual 'Round Ball Tourney'

by Makala Herron

Roby Lions Black team tipped off the season with a loss of 38-71 to Abilene Cooper sophomores. While Roby Red defeated Stamford 62-49 during tournament play Thursday.

Roby Seniors Matt Counts, Keith Hardin, Steven Estes, and Brad Atkinson kept Roby alive in the first half at the line against Cooper. In the second half a hot Cooper team put in 30 points. Roby kept shooting but was unable to close the gap.

In same day tournament play, Roby Red took on the Stamford Bulldogs. Stamford unable to recover from a strong defensive game from Lonnie Green and Shea Feagan stalled at 49 points in the second half. Green led the Lions in rebounds and scored 14 followed by Chris Terry 12, Shea Feagan 12, and Robert Onofre 8.

Friday tournament play was hard work for Roby Black and Roby Red both going into overtime play with no play off.

Roby Black went into overtime on a two pointer by Matt Counts against Spur to tie the score 58-58. With 4.5 seconds left in overtime Roby's J.D. Hearn put the Lions ahead with two at the line. On an inbound pass under Spur's basket the Bulldogs stole the ball scoring two and a free shot knocking Roby Black out of the tournament. Matt Counts hit two 3 pointers making him high point with 16.

Fisher County Political Candidate Column

The Rotan Advance - Roby Star-Record has been authorized to announce the following candidates for public office.

Fisher County
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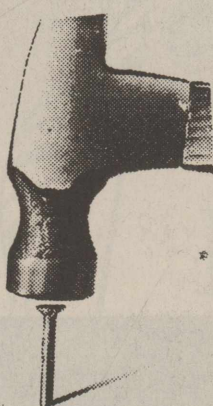
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The rate for a listing in the Rotan Advance - Roby Star-Record Political Column is \$80.00 for all offices. This fee includes a front page announcement article and a one-column photograph to be run with the announcement. The listing will be carried in the Political Column from the date of the announcement until the election.

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Roby Red fought off the Haskell Indians for three quarters with Lonnie Green and Robert Onofre scoring 8 each. The Indians hit the warpath in the fourth quarter tying the score at

75. In overtime play Onofre hit a three pointer and Green added two. The Roby Lions came up short when Haskell made 6 out of 7 at the free throw line and allowed Haskell's

Burgess two field goals. A final score of 80-85 put Haskell in the championship game.

In Saturday tournament play for third place Roby Red defeated Co-

per sophomores 100-72. The Lions led the entire game with Lonnie Green scoring 19, Robert Onofre 17, Shea Feagan 16, and Chris Terry 14. The Roby bench contributed 34 points.

With less than 10 seconds Kevin Christian hit two free throws giving the Lions an even 100.

Shea Feagan and Lonnie Green were voted All Tournament Team.

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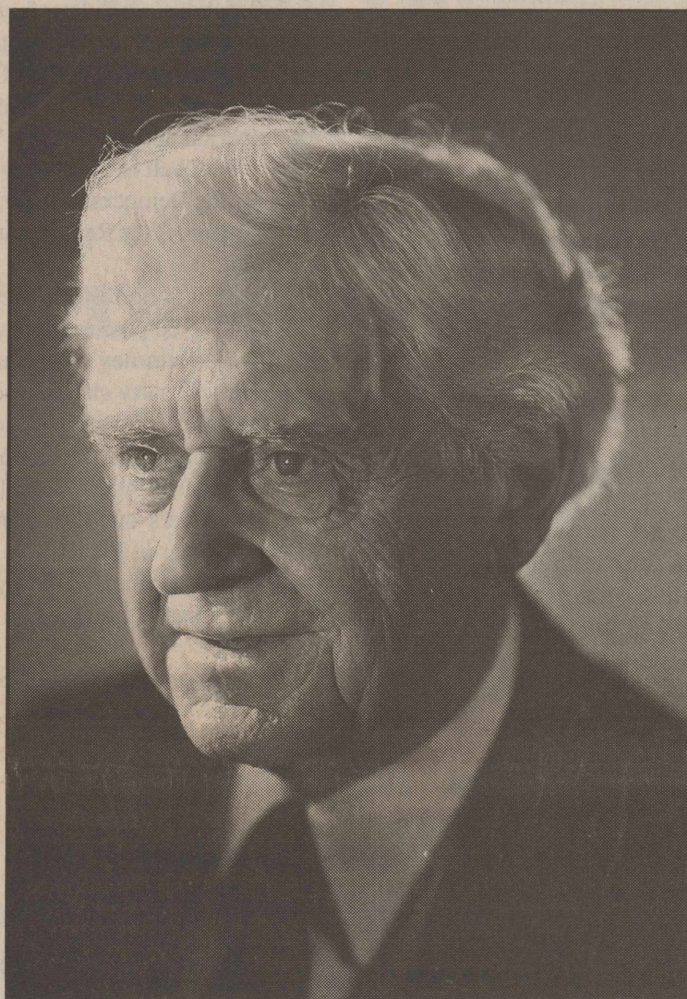
I was a little girl, then. The pews at our church were rough wooden benches, and my feet wouldn't reach the floor.

But, as though it were yesterday, I remember his sermon. About a woman who poured oil on the feet of Jesus. Some people said this was a wasteful thing to do. The oil was expensive; the money might have been given to the poor...but Jesus wasn't angry with the woman!

"In the eyes of God," our old minister said, "the most precious treasure is the love in a human heart."

No single thought has influenced my life more than that one. Most of my happiness - all of my strength when sorrows come - have been somehow entwined with that simple truth. I shudder at times to think; what if that day I had not been there?

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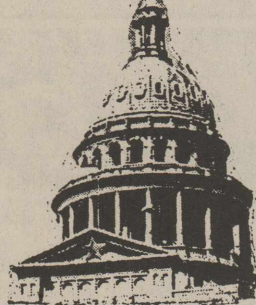
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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — If federal grant money comes with strings attached, Texas Education Commissioner Dr. Mike Moses doesn't want it.

Last week, Moses rejected a plan by the Texas Health Commissioner David Smith to apply for a \$500,000 federal grant from the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

The money could be used for health services, such as AIDS education, counseling and nutrition programs. Minnesota, California and Michigan received grants under the same program.

And though CDC officials say the terms of the grant permit — but do not require — pregnancy counseling and condom distribution on campuses, Moses held fast on his choice not to apply.

Moses' action is consistent with his decision earlier this month to decline a \$1.35 million federal grant from the CDC, to be used for AIDS education and prevention programs.

Reading, Writing, Arithmetic

Deputy Education Commissioner Joe Neely said TEA officials understand the importance of health issues but would rather concentrate the agency's resources on reading, writing and arithmetic.

"It's a matter of priorities. Our primary concern is on improving student learning and instructional programs — teaching kids to read, write and compute. Certainly other

things are important. It's a matter of who takes the lead," Neely told the *Austin American-Statesman*, adding that sex education and other controversial issues can sap the agency's main mission — academics.

Smith said he sees a pullback on the issue of school health. "This worries me. We should not be turning away money that can be used by local communities for the health needs of children." He said 1.5 million of Texas' 3.6 million school children are without health insurance.

Montford Won't Run for Senate

State Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, chairman of the powerful Senate Finance Committee, said he won't seek the Democratic Party's nomination for Republican Phil Gramm's U.S. Senate seat.

Montford, a lawyer whose tenure in the Senate began in 1983, said he wants to remain in the Texas Legislature as the federal government shifts more authority to the states.

"It's obvious that the states will have greater and greater responsibilities to solve our nation's problems. I, for one, welcome the challenge."

Gramm is running for both reelection and the presidency under Texas' "LBJ Law," which was passed to allow then-Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson to run for president in 1960.

White Set to Be Demo Chief

Former state Sen. Hector Uribe of Brownsville ended his campaign for Texas Democratic Party chairman last week, clearing the way for Houston lawyer Bill White to become the party's next chief.

White, a leading Democratic fund-raiser and former No. 2 official in the U.S. Energy Department, has the support of the top statewide Democratic elected officials for the party post.

Calling White a clear favorite, Uribe said he won't challenge White at the Dec. 9 meeting of the party's executive committee, where a new chairman will be chosen to

serve about seven months.

Uribe also said he won't be a candidate for chairman at the party's state convention next June, where a chairman will be elected to a full, two-year term.

Other Capital Highlights

■ Lawyers who post advertisements on the World Wide Web must pay \$50 to have the content reviewed by bar officials, the State Bar of Texas announced last week. And, every time a lawyer changes the content of his web-page ad, another \$50 will be charged by the State Bar for an additional review. Some lawyers complained of the strict new regulation, but a bar official said the content reviews are designed to protect the public from misleading ads.

■ U.S. Rep. Steve Stockman, R-Friendswood, defaulted on \$15,630 in student loans in 1994, the *Beaumont Enterprise* reported last week in a copyright story. A Stockman aide told reporters the congressman should not have been on the default list because he made a \$2,000 payment that was not credited, but aides couldn't find the canceled check. Stockman used the loan to attend the University of Houston-Clear Lake and graduated in 1991 with an accounting degree.

■ Texans now wager more than \$3 billion a year on the state lottery, more than 12 times the amount wagered on horses last year. The difference may explain why some of the state-licensed parimutuel tracks are close to bankruptcy. Joe Straus Jr., chairman of San Antonio's Retama Park board of directors, told the *San Antonio Express-News* legislation is needed to allow off-track wagering and lottery ticket sales on horse tracks.

■ State health officials are making their annual plea to Texans: get influenza vaccinations or suitable medication. At the onset of symptoms, "we would advise you to call your doctor," said Lynne Schulster, staff epidemiologist at the Texas Department of Health. Flu cases have been confirmed in Pasadena, Dallas County and Bell County.



Courtney Mann Winner In Kiva Beauty Pageant

Courtney Mann, age 3, daughter of Jim Mann and Lori Garcia, won first place in her division at a recent beauty pageant.

She was her division's first place winner in the Kiva Shrine Baby Pageant in Lubbock.

Public Hearing

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held on Monday, December 11, 1995 at 7:15 p.m., in the Rotan ISD School Cafeteria prior to the regular scheduled board meeting. The purpose of this hearing will be to review and answer any questions concerning the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) report for the 1994-95 school year for Rotan Independent School District.

The public is invited to attend.
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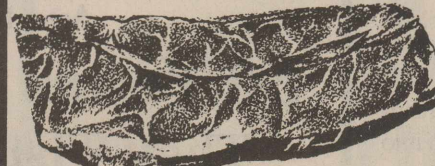
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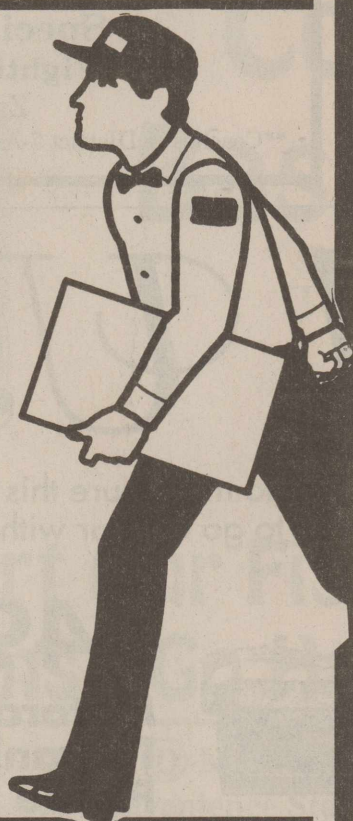
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Tom Hargrove's Book "Long March To Freedom" Released To Book Stores

On August 22nd Thomas R. Hargrove, American agricultural expert, author, and editor of scientific publications at the International Center for Tropical Agriculture (called CIAT, from the initials of the center's name in Spanish), walked out of the mountains toward Cali, Colombia, and freedom after eleven months' captivity at the hands of Marxist guerrillas. On November 22nd, less than three months after Hargrove was set free, Ballantine Books will publish in hardcover, "Long March To Freedom": Tom Hargrove's Own Story of His Kidnapping by Colombian Narco-Guerrillas (\$23.00).

In an effort to keep his spirits up during his long captivity, Hargrove recorded each day's events in a journal written on scraps of paper, deposit slips, and in two small children's notebooks. Following his release, he wanted to share his story with the public and to describe the trauma of day-to-day existence as a hostage so Hargrove gave the original manuscript of his diaries to Owen Lock, a friend and the editor of Hargrove's earlier book, "A Dragon Lives Forever: War and Rice in Vietnam's Mekong Delta 1969-1991, and Beyond" (Ivy books, 1994). During the early part of his hostage experience, Hargrove wrote: "What will I do with this diary when I'm released?.....The story starts with color and excitement and, for me anyway, adrenaline.....For now just having the diary is one of the most important factors of my existence."

Lock, the Editor-in-Chief of Del Rey Books, has called the editing of this book one of the most gratifying experiences of his twenty-six year career. "It's an honor and privilege to publish Tom's book," Lock says. "His diary movingly chronicles life in captivity -- his abduction and march into the Andes Mountains, the day a guerrilla leader killed himself over the accidental death of a cow, the sexual abuse of women guerrillas by their commander, the same women's tormenting Tom -- right to the minute of Tom's being freed. The irony here is that we have Tom, a front-line combatant of the Green Revolution, the goal of which is to help the peoples of the world feed themselves, being kidnapped and held for ransom by mem-

bers of a political revolution, who claim to be fighting on behalf of the same constituency."

Hargrove was abducted September 23, 1994 by a guerrilla group calling itself the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC). His captors, who mistook him for a CIA officer because the Spanish acronym of the International Center for Tropical Agriculture is "CIAT", were described by Hargrove in a "Dallas Morning News" interview shortly after his release, as "young, uneducated Indian peasants who had been recruited by the group, one of several Marxist revolutionary groups operating in Colombia."

Subsisting on very meager food, and living in squalor while being imprisoned in one wet, cold, dreary, Andean mountain camp after another, Hargrove lost fifty pounds. But the worst torment came from his near total isolation: for eleven months he could speak only with his teenage

captors, and then only if they wished to talk to him. When they did speak, the content was not likely to be edifying: most could barely read, one could not tell time, another insisted that Japan was a Communist power. A phenomenon called the Stockholm Syndrome is sometimes observed among people who have been held captive - they "fall in love" with their captors. This is emphatically not the case with Tom Hargrove.

The guerrillas demanded a six-million-dollar ransom for Hargrove's release. While his family desperately tried to negotiate a more realistic sum, Hargrove was being continuously moved from one nasty mountain encampment to another, in an effort to elude the Colombian armed forces. For the last five weeks of his captivity, the group holding Hargrove hid in a volcanic caldera. Finally, in return for a ransom arranged by his family and supporters, Hargrove was set free. And when he

was, he managed to smuggle his diaries out in his money belt and underclothes.

Tom Hargrove was raised on a West Texas cotton farm. The Vietnam War catalyzed his career in international agriculture when, as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army, he was assigned as a rice expert in one of Vietnam's poorest areas. Hargrove received his B.S. degree from Texas A&M University and his Ph.D. from Iowa State. He spent almost twenty years in Asia with the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI). Until his kidnapping in September, 1994, he headed the communication program of the International Center for Tropical Agriculture ("CIAT") near Cali, Colombia.

Since his release, Hargrove has been slowly acclimating himself to the routine of everyday life -- with the help of his family and friends. "Long March To Freedom" is his second book.

"Long March To Freedom", a hardcover volume, will include a 16-page photo insert, and be priced at \$23.00.



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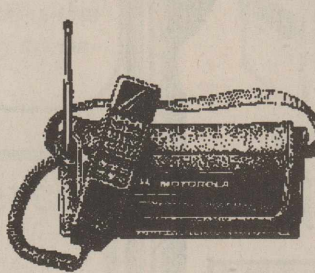


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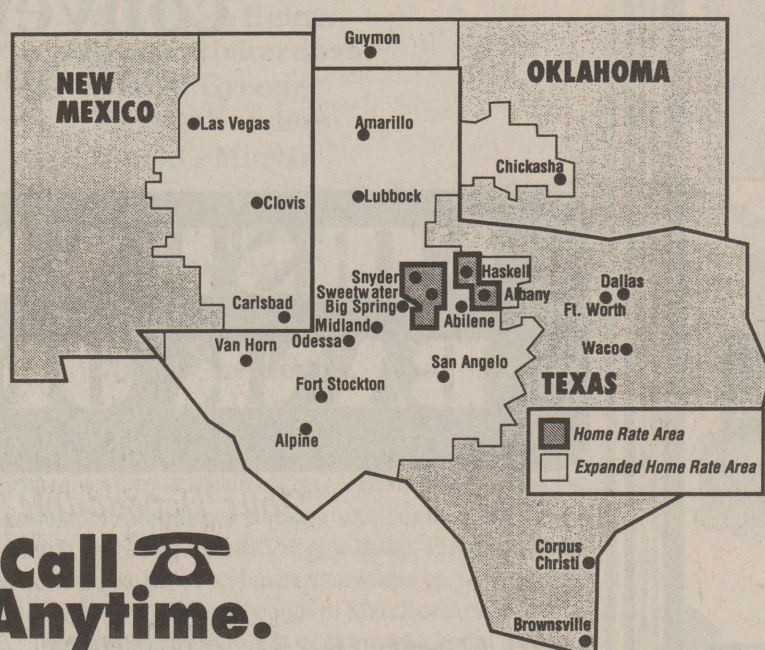


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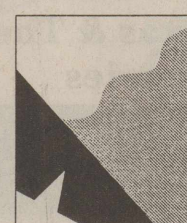


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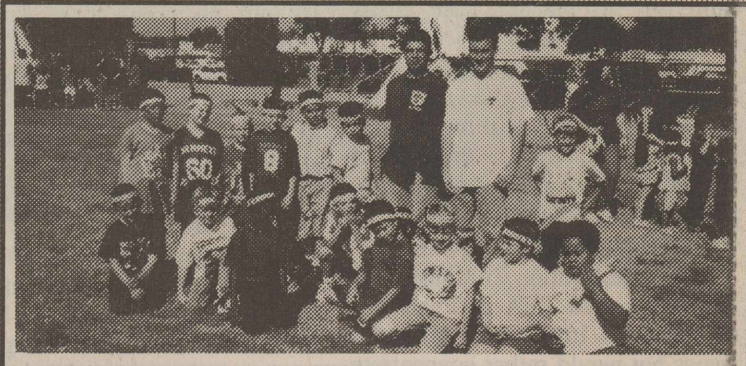
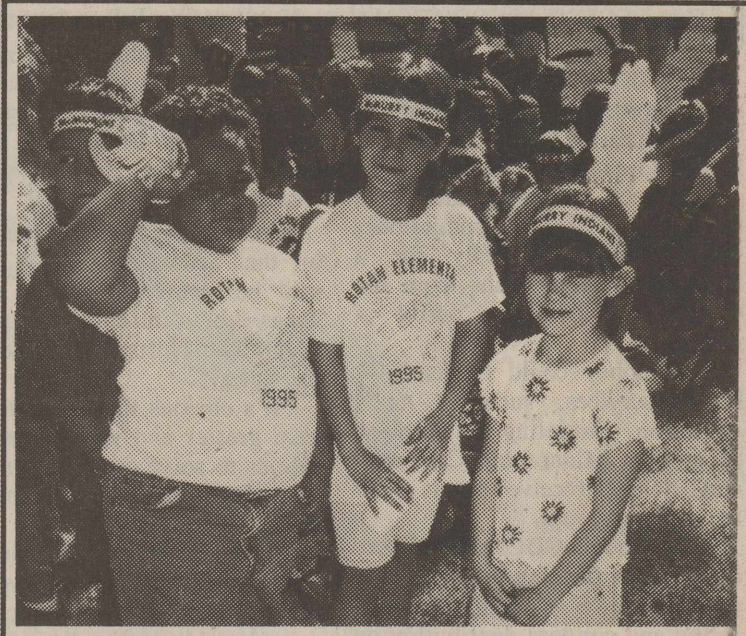
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The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zoltan Czigany of Garland, Texas and the late James Dowden. Theresa is a hairstylist employed by JCPenney in Plano.

The bridegroom is the son of Billie Gruben of Rotan and the late Glen Gruben. Maury is an Advanced Financial Analyst for EDS in Plano.

The wedding ceremony was held at Covenant Church with Jeff Driver officiating.

The bride's brother, Ken Dowden of Salem, Oregon and the groom's sister, Donna Kennedy of Rotan lighted remembrance candles in honor of their late fathers.

The bride was given away by her brother, Robert Dowden of Carrollton.

During the bride and groom's communion, Bobby Gruben, the groom's uncle of Rotan, sang "The Wedding Prayer".

Bride's Attendants

Matron of honor was Selina Dowden, bride's sister-in-law, of Little Rock, Arkansas. Joy Driver and Chris Paleczka of Dallas, and Jolene Dowden, bride's niece of Little Rock.

Groom's Attendants

Best man was Tony Gruben, groom's cousin, of Paint Rock. Todd Gruben, groom's cousin of Austin, James McGiboney of Alexandria, Louisiana and Jim Gruben, groom's brother of Rotan.

Attendants

Ushers were the bride's brothers Philip Dowden of Little Rock and Ken Dowden and the groom's brother-in-law Norvelle Kennedy, Jr. of Rotan.

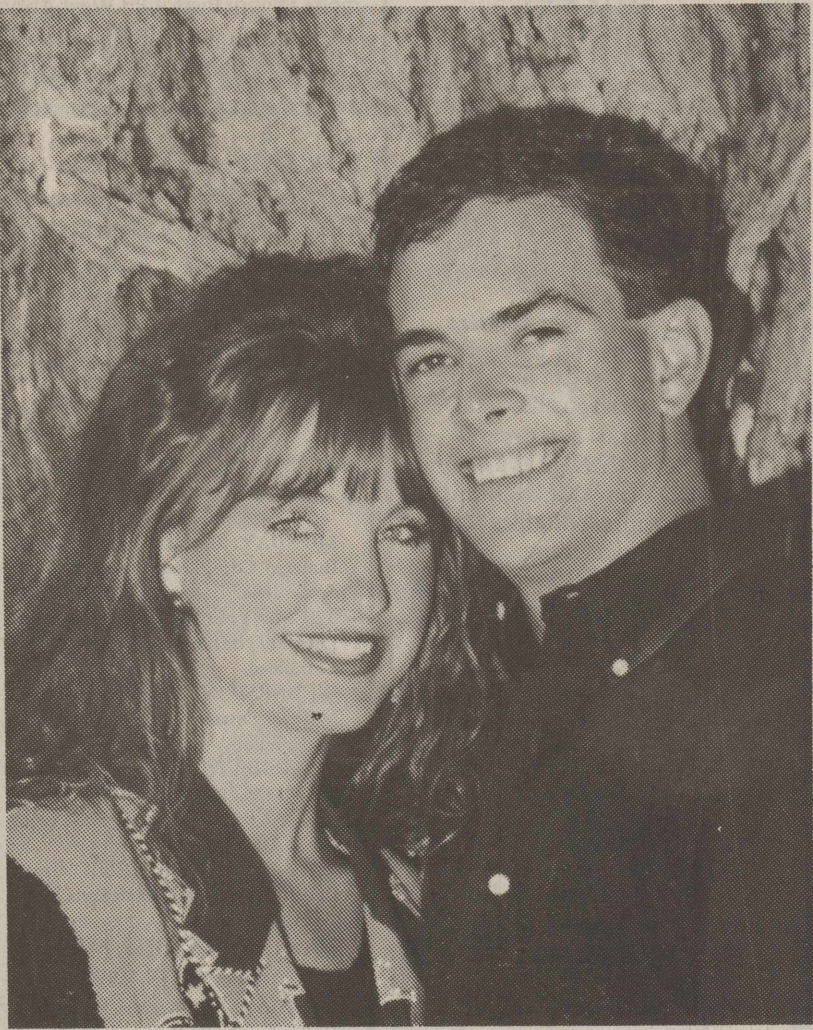
Candlelighters were Jason Dowden of Little Rock and Lauren Kennedy of Rotan, nephew and niece of the bride and groom.

Registering guests and handing out programs were Misty Gruben, Katie Kennedy and Byron Kennedy of Rotan, nieces and nephews of the groom.

The reception was held at the Plano Centre in the Northbrook room.

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Lorissa graduated from Roby High School and is a senior at Tarleton State University.

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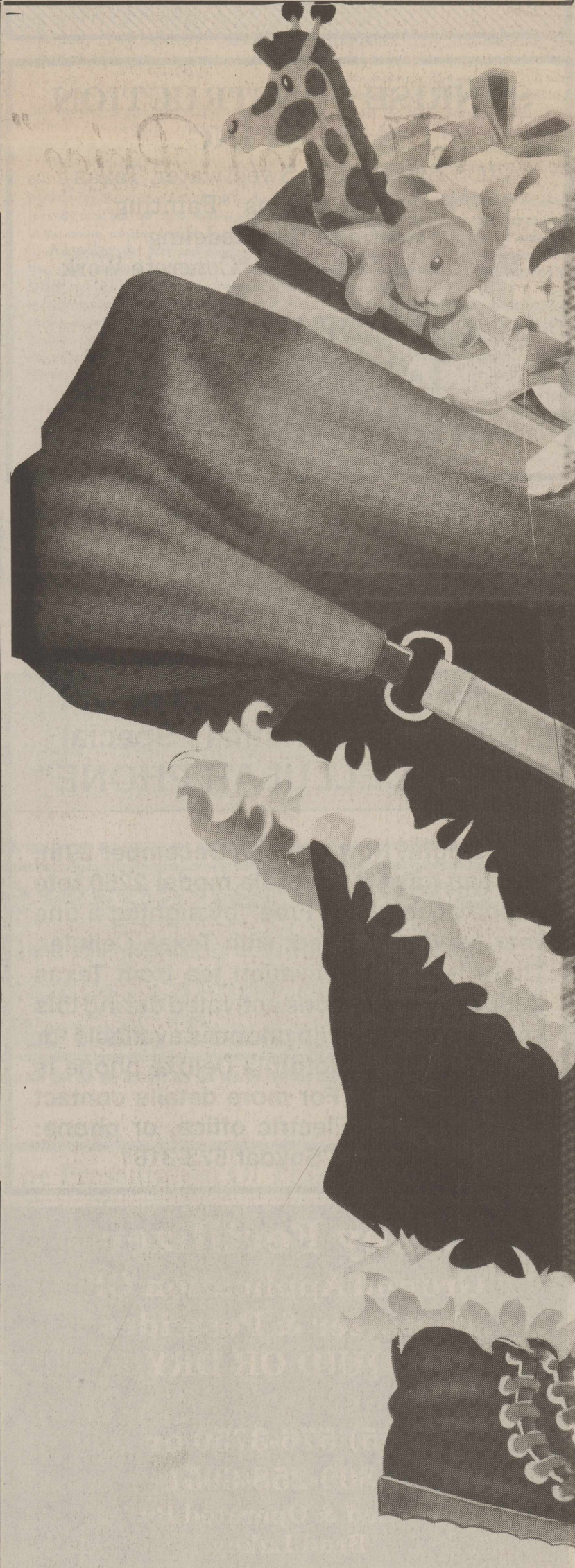
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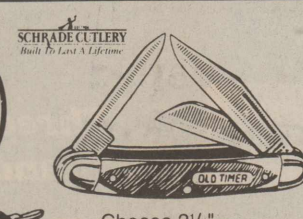
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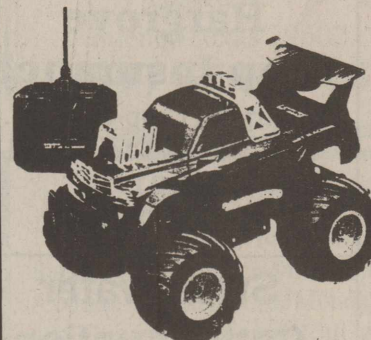


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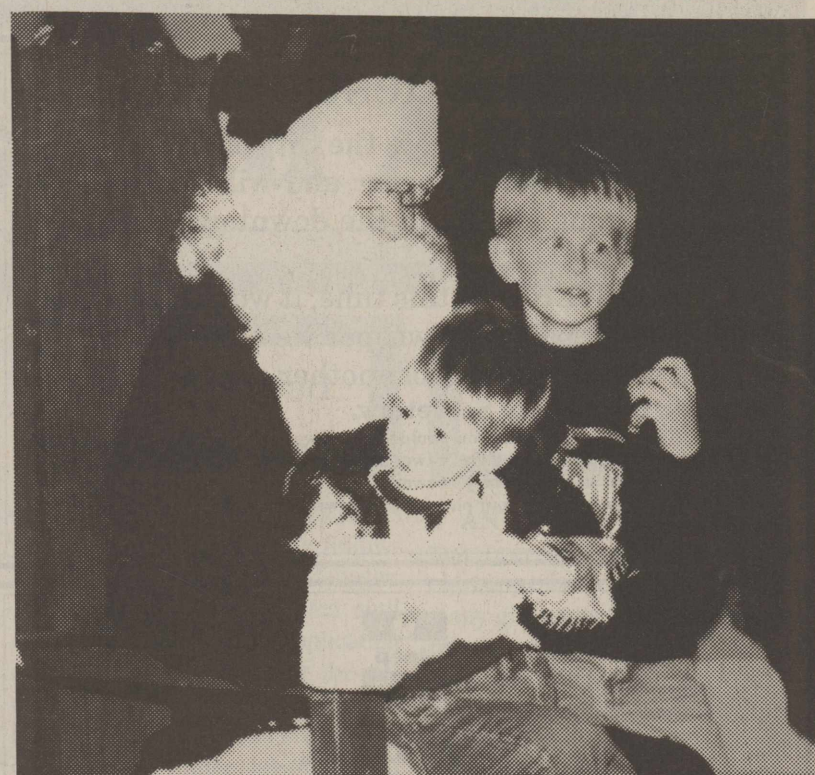
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6:30 P.M. Hamlin -vs- Eula

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NEWS BRIEFS

X-Mas Tour of Homes

Four Heritage Homes and one new home are on Snyder's sixth annual Christmas Tour of Homes sponsored by Historic Scurry County, Inc., and the Scurry County Historical Commission on Dec. 10. Open house will be held in the Cornelius-Dodson House and the Dermott School on the Scurry County coliseum grounds during the tour hours, 2-4:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served in the Dermott School.

African Children's Choir

The Grammy-nominated African Children's Choir will perform for Snyder's second community candlelight service, scheduled Dec. 15 at Scurry County Coliseum. There is no admission. The program will last approximately one hour, refreshments will be served afterwards.

Rotan Band Booster Meeting

There will be a very important Band Booster meeting on Wednesday evening, Dec. 6th at 5:15 p.m. at the Rotan Band Hall. All band parents and boosters are strongly encouraged to attend.

McMurry Univ. Fin. Aid Workshop

Members of the McMurry University Office of Financial Aid will present a financial aid workshop at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 14, at Roby High School. The workshop will include a brief explanation of the financial aid application process, as well as hands-on assistance in completing the forms.

The workshop is free and open to the public. Parents and students who are interested in attending McMurry or any other college or university are welcome. For more information, contact Glenna Stuart at 915-776-2223.

TSTC Vocational Nursing

The Vocational Nursing Department at Texas State Technical College Sweetwater has extended the application deadline for the Spring 96 class from November 30, 1995 to January 31, 1996. This change is due in part to candidate interview conflicts which would have taken place in December, but will now be scheduled in mid-February. Applicants for the Spring 96 class must complete entrance testing and application requirements by the deadline to be considered for the Spring 96 class. For more information, please contact TSTC at (915) 235-7378 or 1-800-592-8784.

"Strut Your Stuff" Cancelled

"Strut Your Stuff" has been cancelled until further notice.

Koats For Kids Campaign

Fisher County 4-H will again this year, sponsor a "Koats For Kids Campaign". The 4-H'ers are collecting good used winter coats. They will clean, sort, size, and distribute them to children who need a winter coat. If you have a good child's coat and want to donate it, please give the County Agent's office a call (776-2171) and someone will pick it up. You can also take the coats to Sherry McKimmey in Rotan, or to the County Agents office in the Courthouse.

"A Christmas to Remember"

The Rotan High School Band, along with the Junior High bands will be presenting a Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 10, at 2:00 p.m. in the H.S. Auditorium. All the bands will perform. Admission is free.

Theatre on the Brazos

The regularly scheduled meeting for Theatre on the Brazos will be held on Thursday, December 7, 1995 in the Theatre building. Agenda items will include the just concluded play and the upcoming spring play and musicals. All are encouraged to attend. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Courthouse Hosts Open House

The employees of the Fisher County Courthouse will host a Christmas Open House, Tues., Dec. 19 from 10:00 to 2:00 in the coffeeroom of the Courthouse. The public is encouraged to attend.

McCauley Monthly Musical

The McCauley Recreational Development Cooperation will host its monthly musical December 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ag Building on the old school grounds. A concession stand will be open. No alcoholic beverages are allowed. There is no admission charge. Any band or individual is encouraged to perform. Everyone is encouraged to come join them for an evening of family entertainment. For more information, call 915-962-5441.

Ask The Question.....

QUESTION: "Does the City of Rotan intend on fixing the street sweeper and will someone resume sweeping streets in the downtown area on a regular basis?"

ANSWER: "At this time, it would not be cost effective to repair the sweeper we have but we are looking into a purchase of another sweeper." **Harold Sanders, Rotan City Secretary.**

If you have a question you would like to have answered, submit the question in writing to - News Question, P.O. Drawer A, Rotan, Texas 79546. We will, if at all possible, attempt to secure a timely answer to your question. Please sign your News Question request, and include your phone number, we will not print your name with the question.



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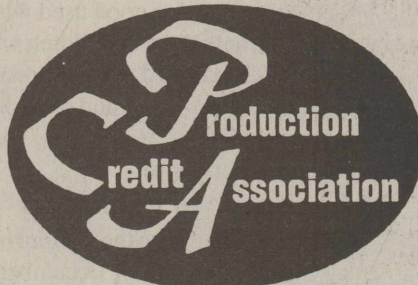
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Agricultural News

County Agent Ag. Column

By Richard Spencer

by Richard Spencer
Dr. James Wright with the Texas Dept. of Health informed us last week that the air drop for the Oral Rabies Vaccination Program will begin about mid-January over a 55 county West Texas area (including Fisher County) to immunize grey foxes and coyotes against the disease. The vaccine is enclosed in a 2 x 2 wafer of flavored dog food that will be dropped by the thousands (70 per square mile) from special equipped Canadian aircraft. The yellow twin engine aircraft, flying at 200-500 feet, will drop bait over 18,000 square miles. The air drop technique was initiated in Texas last February where some 850,000 vaccine baits were dropped in a 40 mile wide band in deep South Texas to the south of San Antonio. The ORVP will cost \$2 million for this area. But Dr. Wright said savings to the health care system, livestock and wildlife industries, and human lives will far exceed that.

At the recent meeting of the Extension Program Council, Mickey Counts was elected

Chairman, Charlie Meek- Vice Chairman and Louise Martinez- Secretary.

Cattle with cow licks above their eyes have calmer dispositions, two Colorado State University researchers recently said. They said the link between cow licks and temperament might help cattle and horse breeders develop animals with calmer dispositions. - Feedstuffs

A group of farmers in Texas has found a way to turn extra wheat straw into an unusual building material, and they opened a factory in Perryton this summer. The "EnviroPanels" can be used as interior wall partitions and ceilings and for other nonload-bearing application. Work in this is also being done in Wichita Falls.

Wildlife officials in both Arizona and New Mexico have shied away from the plan to reintroduce endangered Mexican wolves in remote areas of the states. Their reluctance is

due partly to the criticism of ranchers and others who oppose the experiment.

At a recent U.S. Animal Health Association meeting in Reno, Nev., livestock health officials revised their protocol for handling vesicular stomatitis cases.

Vesicular stomatitis is a livestock virus that has hit several states, including Texas, hard during the past six months. The disease is rarely fatal but can cause blisters and sores in the mouth, causing animals to lose weight.

Nationally, the accepted way to handle vesicular stomatitis has been to isolate affected animals and quarantine their premise and surrounding premises in a 10-mile radius until at least 30 days after the infected animal healed. These quarantines have caused the cancellation of numerous events and have cost producers and sale barns millions of dollars.

At the meeting, most of the regulatory officials agreed the quarantine should involve only the affected animal and its premise, said Terry Beals, head of the Texas Animal Health

Commission. After an investigation, more premises or areas may be quarantined if exposure has occurred. The quarantine still would last at least 30 days after the sick animal heals.

Under the new procedure, areas hit by vesicular stomatitis should suffer fewer movement and trade restrictions. "Individual states may still impose restrictions as they deem necessary."

Most animal health officials believe the best way to contain vesicular stomatitis is to control flies and insects, limit human and animal exposure to affected animals and thoroughly disinfect livestock handling and hauling equipment.

Practical knowledge about vesicular stomatitis is evolving, and regulatory agencies are tailoring restrictions that impose fewer burdens on the livestock industry. "Vesicular stomatitis outbreaks occur every 10 to 15 years in the United States, with the last in 1982-83. Because it's not an 'everyday' infection, officials are still gaining ground on this disease."

County Extension Agent F.C.S. Column

By Beth Dannheim

by Beth Dannheim
Looking for gift ideas? Here is a list of truly valuable gifts you can give all year long -- any time, any place! The Gift of Praise -- Appropriate mention-right in front of the fellow of superior qualities or of jobs or deeds well done. The Gift of Consideration - Putting yourself in the other fellow's shoes, and thus proving your genuine understanding of his side of the case.

The Gift of Concession - Humbly saying at just the right point, "Sorry - you're right and I am wrong."

The Gift of Gratitude - Never forgetting to say "Thank You" and never failing to mean it.

The Gift of Attention - When the other fellow speaks, listen attentively. If his words are directed to you personally meet his eye squarely.

The Gift of Inspiration - Plant seeds of courage and action in the other fellow's heart. Help him to strive for greater accomplishment and lasting satisfaction.

The Gift of Your Personal Presence - In sickness, in trouble or in a day of great joy, there is nothing quite equal to your personal expression of sympathy or congratulation.

These are the gifts that all can bestow throughout the year and be richer for the giving.

Source: Cheer.
Quick Lowfat Tips:

Preparing lowfat foods sound like a good idea, but some recipes can take up a lot of time. Try these quick lowfat tips:

* Forget about cream sauce and try this lowfat, high fiber substitute. Puree cooked white beans and red bell pepper with chicken stock to the desired consistency and season with your favorite herbs. Then pour over pasta for a meal that's heavy on flavor, not fat.

* You may not be getting your sandwich worth with "diet" or "light" breads. Although lower in calories, they're typically just sliced a

little more thinly or whipped with extra air. Keep in mind that most breads are low in fat and high in carbohydrates. So go ahead and serve yourself a hearty slice of whole-grain bread, and cut down on high-fat spreads like butter and mayonnaise and high-fat fillers like bologna and cheese.

* Is skim milk a bit watery for your taste? Try adding a couple tablespoons of nonfat dry milk. The result is a thicker, richer liquid with

a higher level of calcium to boot.

* For guilt-free potato chips, preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Wash one large potato and cut into thin slices. Lightly coat a baking sheet using an oil spray. Lay chips on sheet and lightly spray with oil. Sprinkle with seasonings such as paprika and garlic. Bake for about 30 minutes, turning once. The chips are done when they appear brown and crisp.

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WHO ME? I didn't touch the ball, could be what Brandi Murphree is thinking as she reacts to a referee's whistle at the Double Mountain Basketball Tournament last weekend.

THANK YOU

We want to express our deepest appreciation to the host of friends and relatives who came to us with love and sympathy, to those who could not come, but sent flowers or messages of condolences, we are indeed grateful. Also thank you Dr. C.M. Callan and hospital staff for your wonderful care. To father Reynaldo Reyes and the St. Joseph Catholic ladies and friends for their time and the food that was served. May God's Blessing be upon you.

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Rotan Lady Hammers Defeat
Knox City Squad By 12 Points

by Phillip Hull
Last Tuesday night the Rotan Lady Hammers defeated the Knox City Houndettes in a 38 to 26. The girls lost to Knox City last year in a quadruple overtime game by one point. This year's game didn't seem quite as complicated.

Leading the Lady Hammers to victory was sophomore Tracy Posey with 8 points. Jennifer Rains and Laura Blackwelder both added to the score with 6 points apiece. Brandi Murphree had a total of 5 points. Amy Gruben and Crissi Martin both had 4 points each. Monica Gaspar and Katie Kennedy both had two points, and Marla Phares had one point. The Lady Hammers will play their hearts out in the Rotan Tournament this weekend. Come on out and

support them.

The j.v. girls won with a 36 to 21 final score. Scoring for the Lady j.v., was freshman Stacy Morrow with 12 points, Tember Palmer, Renee Helms, and Jamie Dalzell each with 6 points. Sarah Greenlee had 4, and Keri Robertson had 2.

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QUESTION: "How many hours did hospital personnel work that could be attributed directly to the recent fire?"

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EMS personnel stayed on the scene until the fire was extinguished, at the request of the fire department. Some EMS staff members were on site during the following days. It was felt that the scene was safer with EMS personnel readily available, especially with the prisoners working through the rubble, and until the walls were knocked down." Ella Raye Helms, Administrator, Fisher County Hospital.

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1995-96 Rotan Yellowhammer Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time	Teams
Dec. 5	Robert Lee	There	4:00	4 Games
Dec. 7-9	Winters Tourney	There	9:00	B&G JV
	Roscoe Tourney	There	9:00	B&G Varsity
Dec. 12	Robert Lee	Here	4:00	4 Games
Dec. 15	Roscoe	Here	4:00	4 Games
Dec. 19	Six Weeks Tests			
Dec. 28-30	Jaylton Tourney	There	9:00	B&G Varsity
Jan. 2	Post	Here	4:00	4 Games

Dec. 11	Snyder	There	5:00	7G	8G
Jan. 11	ACHS (Jr.H.)	Here	4:00	7G	7B 8G 8B
Jan. 13	Snyder	Here	11:00	7G	8G
Jan. 15	Roscoe	Here	4:00	7G	7B 8G 8B
Jan. 18-20	Roscoe Tournament		TBA		8G 8B

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Letters to the Editor are encouraged. They must be signed. All letters should be kept to approximately 200 words. Letters are subject to be edited for clarity, liable and for the purpose of only conveying one point. Letters are run on a space available basis.

Dear Kim -

In reviewing the newspaper article regarding the last board meeting, I have noted three significant corrections that need to be made:

1. The hospital is only turning over \$13,377.32 in bad debts, not \$21,350.21. At the meeting, we discussed that we will be collecting the \$4,861.57, \$2,414.82 and \$696.50 bills;

2. The operations profit and loss should also be changed. We discussed the respiratory outpatient volume, and the fact that the journal entries are made in the following month. We talked about the additional \$31,248.31 in revenue for October, and Rodney commented that if the additional outpatient revenue was reflected, we actually showed a \$3,814 profit in October.

3. The operating loss without tax money is \$567,593. However, after taxes there is a year to date profit of \$166,067, and not a \$166,067 loss. Thank you for making these corrections.

Ella Raye Helms

P.S. Kim - I have a correction to my correction.

If the \$31,248.31 revenue is added in, then the year to date profit is

actually \$197,315.31.

Debbie and I discussed today that we probably need a mechanism to document this on the monthly financial statement, instead of a verbal discussion.

Thanks,
Ella Raye Helms

EDITOR'S NOTE: Thanks for bringing this to our attention. With respect to #1 - I am personally pleased as a tax paying citizen that accounts are being turned over to a collection agency when bills are not paid. With respect to #2 and #3, I think it is a dangerous precedent to change any report by entities based on projected or anticipated income and expenses. The figures will show in the following month or quarter and over the course of a year all straighten out. Over the 10 month pull, we're talking about an average monthly loss from operations of \$56,759; an average monthly income from taxes of \$73,366 and an average gain for the hospital of \$16,607.

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Pursuant to Section 294 of the Texas Probate Code, Notice is hereby given that Original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of James Wallace Hanson, Deceased, were issued to Rudy V. Hamric as Independent Executor of said Estate in Cause No. 3096 of the County Court of Fisher County, Texas, on December 4, 1995. The mailing address of said Independent Executor and for the purpose of filing claims is P. O. Box 457, Rotan, TX 79546.

All persons having claims against

by Joy Walker.....

We have really been having some beautiful weather, almost like Spring, but last Monday night it snowed all night, and we had a bitter cold wind all day that day. Tuesday it was still very cold but the sun came out during the day and all the snow soon disappeared.

The farmers have sure been taking advantage of this beautiful weather and the strippers are all in the fields, and some folks are almost through. With a few more weeks of this kind of weather, they should be almost done with the cotton stripping.

We are pleased to be able to report that Windle Cave came home from Houston last Wednesday, and is doing okay. We hope that he will continue to improve. He will have to go

back and see the doctors in Lubbock and Houston again, but so far, they are really pleased with his progress.

Andrew Williams is feeling much better and was able to attend some basketball games last week.

Happy birthday to Randy Etheredge whose birthday was Sunday, December 3rd, and to Cody Etheredge whose birthday will be Sunday, Dec. 10th.

Colter Williams and Cody Etheredge sang a special Sunday morning also Pam Osuna sang a beautiful song for us.

Dianne Ratliff had her annual Christmas party for her customers out at the ranch at Rough Creek on Sunday. There was a nice crowd there.

Mrs. Lealon Wilburn spent the day Sunday with the J.W. Etheredges. Cody and Randy Etheredge also visited Sunday evening. Cody attended the Theatre on the Brazos play, Stone Soup, Sunday evening; he really enjoyed it as his mother, Vickie, was in the play.

Louise Martinez attended the Arts and Crafts Show which was held at Snyder on Saturday. It was held in the Snyder Coliseum and was really a good craft show. Louise went with her daughter, Tachi Warren. Steve and Tachi Warren from Snyder ate lunch with Louise on Sunday, and then they went to visit with Bert Warren.

Betty Mauldin is now at home following her surgery last Monday,

By Joy Walker
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Roby Lion Talk

By Mike Christian
Head Football Coach & A.D.



Final Lion Talk

Basketball season is going strong. The beginning of every season is always an exciting time. Both the Lady Lions and Lion's teams show promise for a successful season.

Since this is my last 'Lion Talk' of the year, I wish to thank a lot of folks who helped us have Roby's best season ever.

First, our coaches. Matt Torres, Perry Graves and Harold Scott. We couldn't have a harder-working, more loyal staff. They put the kids first.

Tim Moore, out student trainer, will be almost impossible to replace. He is almost like another coach and was as important as any senior on our team.

Thanks to Larry Castillo for filming; Scott Feagan for running the clock, Speedy Hart for announcing; the Roby custodial staff (Eli, Josie, Al, Johnny) for helping keep things neat and clean; Toby Terry, Josh Sepeda, Klay McWilliams and Juan Lujan for helping Tim with manager duties; Mrs. Counts, Mrs. Estes, Mrs. McWilliams, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Terry, Mrs. Hardin, Mrs. Graves and all the other mothers who decorated and brought goodies; Mike Terry for keeping statistics; Brad Stuart and Mike Terry for bringing watermelons; Beth Underwood and a great job by our cheerleaders; Kim Pease for giving us news space for our articles; George Price and Gary Daniel for their administrative support; the Roby School Board for letting us coach and build a program and Barbara Christian and the Roby band.

To All of you who I didn't mention, or who gave us encouragement in so many ways, thank you all for your support. If you weren't mentioned, it is an over-sight, not intentional.

Finally, thanks to a great group of Roby Lions who gave so much good effort and attitude this year. You will always be remembered.

Next Week - watch for an article on "Crowd Control". In the mean time, remember as you attend basketball games not to do anything that would cause our teams to be disqualified from playoff honors by demonstrating unacceptable behavior.

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Directors select those to be directors. Anyone desiring to serve as a Rotan Chamber of Commerce director can contact any of the directors with March 1997 expirations. Peggy Bilbo, President, indicated that consideration is given to business owners as well as non-owners. The chamber year traditionally ends in March or April with the annual banquet. The chamber is currently working on a brand wall and toll-free area dialing.

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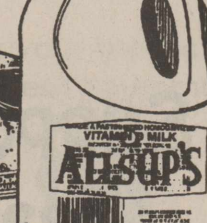
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Kim Pease, Editor, Rotan Advance - Roby Star Record.

If you have a question you would like to have answered, submit the question in writing to - News Question, P.O. Drawer A, Rotan, Texas 79546. We will, if at all possible, attempt to secure a timely answer to your question. Please sign your News Question request, and include your phone number, we will not print your name with the question.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients admitted and dismissed to the Fisher County Hospital during the week of Nov. 28 - Dec. 4, 1995 were as follows:

A D M I T T E D :
Wiley J. Harvey- Roby; Teresa Natividad-Rotan; Teresa McArthur-Rotan; Houston Green-Peacock, Tx.; Connie Trejo- Rotan; Nona Bilbo-Rotan; Tommy Harbin-Rotan; Jessie Ashley- Roby; Jackie Holcomb-Roby; G.W. Joplin- Rotan; Wayne Day- Rotan.

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Polly Harrison- Roby; Houston Green- Peacock, Tx.; Connie Trejo-Rotan; Tommy Harbin-Rotan; Teresa McArthur-Rotan; Teresa Natividad-Rotan; Ruth Waddell- Roby; Jackie

Holcomb- Roby; Jessie Ashley-Roby.

Markham Featured In Lubbock

Daniel Markham, son of Larry and Jan Markham, age 15 of Rotan High School was one of David Brandon's top students featured in

Guitar Showcase '95 on Sunday, Dec. 3 at the Garden and Arts Center in Lubbock. He played a classical piece "Estudio" and a rock version of "Little Drummer Boy".

Rotan Varsity Boys Basketball Team Take Home Tourney Gold

by Phillip Hull

The varsity boys took home the gold after a hard played tournament last weekend. The boys played Jayton, Anson (another district 7 AA team), and Post for the championship. The guys played good and could stand proud after it was over. The Hammers played Jayton Thursday afternoon for the first game. The score for this game was 63-42.

The second game for the Hammers was against Anson. Rotan gave the Tigers their first defeat for the season after being 7 and 0. We will also face Anson in the regular season. The Hammers were down by 19 after the first half. This must have scared the Hammers and they came back in the second half to win with a score of 72-63. Clinton Williams had 24 points on the night with 6 steals and 4 assists. Junior Joey Sepeda had 12 points and 2 assists. Shon Fudge and Stoney Carrillo both had 10 points. Larry Daniels had 9 points and 3 steals. Zack Burnes pitched in 4 and Kris Rogers had 2 points. The win put the Hammers in

the championship game on Friday.

The final game was against Post, the Hammers had previously beaten Post earlier in the season, and this really pumped them for the game. Again leading the Hammers was Clinton Williams with 20 points, 8 steals, and 3 assists. Jay Ben Alls had 12 points and 8 rebounds. Shon Fudge made 8 points and jumped for 4 rebounds. Joey Sepeda totaled 5

points and 3 assists. Zack Burnes and Stoney Carrillo both had 4 points during the victory over Post.

The team was really excited about the tournament and are anxious to

play in the tournament that will take place this weekend in Rotan. The games will start Thursday and last through Saturday night. Come and watch some ball!

The Pastor's Column

By Rev. Larry Holder
First United Methodist Church
Rotan, Texas



They gave Moses this account: "We went into the land to which you sent us, and it does flow with milk and honey! Here is its fruit. Numbers 13:27-33

Through the story in Numbers 13:25-33, God shows us what can happen when his chosen people fail to move ahead in faith. God had rescued his people from the land of Egypt and had provided all their needs on their journey to the promised land, and still they did not fully trust their God, as they approached the promised land they sent spies out to explore the land as they had been instructed to do. When they returned, they reported that Canaan was indeed a good land but the people who live there are very powerful and the cities are well fortified and very large. Caleb and Hoshea (Joshua) tried to persuade the people to trust God and to move ahead, but others discouraged the people. So God sent the people into the wilderness.

The Advent season is a time of preparation. Like the Hebrew people, we are at the boarder of a future filled with promise. What will we do? Will we move forward on faith or will we fail to see the true meaning of these days. Trust in God and expect him to do great things to be alert to the opportunities that he has for you, and you will come through Christmas Day into a more meaningful life with God in Christ.

"The Pastor's Column" is available to any Fisher County pastor on a rotating basis. Submit devotionals to "The Newspaper Office", Post Office Drawer A, Rotan, Texas 79546.

Fisher County Rain Gauge Report

Rain gauge report information taken from the Horace Carter Farm, two miles north of Rotan

Aug. 1995	- 4.95 inches	Total For Year 18.15 inches
Sept. 1995	- 6.55 inches	Total For Year 24.70 inches
Oct. 1995	- 1.10 inches	Total For Year 25.80 inches
Nov. 1995	- 0.02 inches	Total For Year 25.82 inches

THANK YOU

Thank you to all of you special people who remembered us during Andrew's surgery. Our hearts were so warmed by all of the cards, calls, flowers, visits and genuine care you have for us. Andrew is home and doing much better.

Andrew & Louise

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on soil and causes erosion and what to do to solve the problem.

My primary job was to do terrace design, water ways, diversion terraces and dirt reservoirs. In February 1986, I enlisted in the Army Reserve. I was sent to Lowry Air Force Base to attend classes for the Air Force Community College when I completed my training and received an Associates Darts Degree in Photography. After completing this, I was stationed in Abilene Army Reserve Unit of the 244th P.O. In February 1994, I was honorably discharged from that unit.

I am now living in Sylvester where I have lived for the past 17 years.

Along with the jobs listed I have worked for several area people and have enjoyed knowing them all.

I would like to have the opportunity to work for all of you as your Commissioner, Precinct #1.

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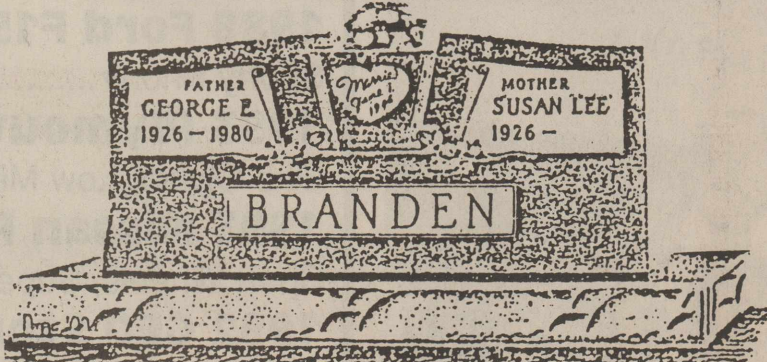
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Rotan Varsity Girls Take Consolation Trophy In Double Mountain Tourney

by Phillip Hull

The Rotan Varsity girls played in the Aspermont Tournament last weekend, they played great and won consolation. The girls went up against Jayton, Aspermont's j.v. and Trent.

The girls had Jayton the first game of the tournament. Jayton is a very tough team, but our girls gave them a run for their money. The final score was a heart breaker, 42-38. Senior Jennifer Rains led the Hammers with 18 points, and close behind was Amy Gruben with 11. Brandi Murphree pitched 3 points. Crissi Martin, Katie Kennedy, and Tracy Posey all had 2 points.

The next game was against Aspermont J.V. The Lady Hammers

pounded them 52-29. Again Jennifer Rains led the girls 15 points, and 2 assists. Laura Blackwelder with 11, and Tracy Posey one point behind her with 10. Yvette Solis threw in 8 points, 4 assists, and 4 steals, and this being Yvette's first game this year. Amy Gruben had 4 points, and 2 steals. Crissi Martin had 3 points, and Katie Kennedy had 1 point and 4 steals. With this win the Lady Hammers would play in the consolation game against Trent. The Lady Hammers easily took the Gorillas 43 to 29.

You probably can guess who led the Hammers to victory once again. Jennifer Rains with 17 points, and 5 assists. Jennifer totaled 50 points

throughout the whole tournament. Tracy Posey had 10 points and 11 rebounds. Katie Kennedy shot and made 6 points and had 4 rebounds. Amy Gruben gave 4 points. Brandi Murphree, Monica Gaspar, and Crissi

Martin all had 2 points.

The girls played a great tournament and they will take part in the tournament this weekend at Rotan. Hope to see you there!

Roby Junior Varsity Girls Overpowered By The Winters Junior Varsity Team

by Makala Herron

Roby J. V. girls over powered by a 2A Winter's J.V. team lost 58-19 Tuesday night in Winters. Freshman Chasity Valenzuela led the scoring for the Lady Lions with 10 points. Teammates adding to the score were Cassie Terry 4, Kristi Bond 4, and April Grannon 1. This loss leaves the J.V. Lady Lions with a 2-2 season.

In varsity play the Lady Lions were defeated 56-45. Lady Lions' offense plagued by turnovers and fouls gave up 12 points in the second quarter. The half ended with Roby Senior Shawna McKee scoring 12 of Roby's 16 points.

The chill continued into the second half. Lady Lions failed to stop nineteen and twenty point scoring runs in the third and fourth quarters. Shawna McKee was the Lion's leading scorer with 17. Lion's Shella Graves finished with 11. Carissa

Kiser put in 6 followed by Lanette Teague 5, Kelly McWilliams 2, Amber Kelly 2, and Mandy Taylor 2. This loss leaves the Lady Lions with a 2-2 season.

Varsity girl's ball continued Thursday-Saturday at the Roby Round Ball Classic. Game one Lady Lions came out on top defeating Stamford 73-55. High point Lady Lion Shawna McKee scored 34 points. Game two Lady Lions lost to the Haskell Maidens 64-81. McKee contributed 34 points with teammate Shella Graves scoring 9 points. Saturday Roby played Hamlin for third place defeating the Lady Pipers 69-64. Shawna McKee scored 36 points. Roby's Denmark exchange student Rikke Graversen scored 9 points in her first week of tournament play.

Senior Shawna McKee was voted tournament MVP with a 35 point scoring average.



Up For Two Points In Rotan Game

Obituaries

Chester Murphree

Chester Murphree, 61, of Lubbock, died Saturday night (Dec. 2, 1995) at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. Graveside services were at 2 p.m., Monday at Cottonwood Cemetery west of Rotan. Rev. Joe Vernon officiated.

Mr. Murphree was born in the Cottonwood Community of Scurry County, the son of Guy and Dessie (Helms) Murphree. He married Quata Branscum January 12, 1956 at Rotan. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving in 1956 and 1957. For the past 35 years he has been a State Farm Insurance Agent at Lubbock. He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church of Lubbock.

He is preceded in death by two brothers, Snyder Murphree and F. J. Murphree and by a sister, Betty Kiker.

He is survived by his wife, Quata of Lubbock; a son, Jerry Murphree of Big Spring; a daughter, Debra Malone of Abilene; a sister, Monte Fay White of Hilltop Lake; a brother, Pat Murphree of Midland; 9 grandchildren and 19 nieces and nephews.

The family wishes for friends to make memorials to their favorite charity.

Dorothy Underhill Boyd

Dorothy Underhill Boyd, 68, of Hurst, died Saturday afternoon at her home. Funeral services were at 2 p.m., Tuesday (Dec. 5, 1995) at Weathersbee Funeral Chapel in Rotan with Rev. Joe Vernon officiating. Burial was in the Coffee Cemetery near Lake Sweetwater.

Mrs. Boyd was born in Rotan, May 25, 1927 and graduated from Rotan High School. She married George William Boyd, Jr. September 12, 1946. He died in 1990. Mrs. Boyd moved to Hurst in 1966 from Richland, Missouri. She retired from the U. S. Postal Service in 1990 after 22 years with the Arlington Post Office. She was a member of the Shady Oaks Baptist Church of Hurst.

She is preceded in death by two brothers, Preston and Darrel.

She is survived by four sons, Bill of Richardson, Joe of St. Paul, North Carolina, Michael of Hurst, and Stephen of Hurst; two daughters, Joda Summers of Kansas City, Missouri, and Remy Beaty of Hurst; and by 6 grandchildren.

Lela Peel

Lela Peel, 92, of Rotan, died in a Weatherford nursing home Sunday afternoon. Services were at 10 a.m., Tuesday in Weathersbee Chapel with Rev. Larry Holder officiating. Burial was in the Rotan Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Mrs. Peel was born Oct. 16, 1903 in Fisher County and was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Adams. She had lived most of her life in Fisher County. She married James A. Smith who is deceased. She married J.D. Peel in 1924 in Stamford. Mr. Peel passed away April 8, 1975. Mrs. Peel was a Licensed Vocational Nurse and worker for Callan Hospital for over 30 years before retiring. She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Rev. Doyle Ward Morton

Rev. Doyle Ward Morton, 84, esteemed minister for 58 years in the United Methodist Church, died Sunday, December 3, after a long illness. The son of Nealy A. and Edna Morton, he was born in Roby, Texas on August 4, 1911. He graduated from grade school in Dublin, Texas, and from high school in Stephenville, Texas. He attended John Tarleton Agricultural College. He was licensed to preach in 1931 and served the Roby (TX) Circuit in 1931 and 1932. He graduated from McMurry College in Abilene in 1937 and Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University (SMU) in Dallas in 1939.

He married Mary Archer in 1939, and they went to Scarritt College for one term. In 1939, they went to Brazil as missionaries. They served churches in Brazil for five years, where he was pastor and preached in Portuguese. Upon returning from Brazil, he received his master's of arts degree from Perkins School of Theology at SMU.

In 1945, he transferred to the Southwest Texas Conference and served as pastor of churches until his retirement in 1977. United Methodist churches served were: Sabinal, Port Lavaca, Elgin, Eldorado, Bishop, Sonora, Beeville, St. Mark's in McAllen, and Faith Church in Austin. He served on the Conference Board of Ministry, the Conference Commission on Equitable Salaries (chairman) and the Conference Board of Evangelism (vice-chairman and chairman).

He and Mary had three children: Doyle Robert (Bobby), Carolyn Grace (Mrs. Brad Smith), and Marydel. Doyle Robert (Bobby) and Marydel died as children. Mary died in 1974 and his buried in Elgin with their two children, Bobby and Marydel.

He moved to San Marcos as part-time associate pastor for visiting shut-ins in 1978. In 1979, he married Mrs. Gwendolyn Whittenberg. They enjoyed retirement and travel for 16 years. During his retirement, he also worked as part-time minister for the Martindale United Methodist Church. He dedicated his life to his faith and to serving the church.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Gwendolyn Fay Morton; one daughter, Mrs. Carolyn Smith; two stepsons, Jimmie E. Whittenberg and Jean Ray Whittenberg; two nephews, Joe Burnes and John Burnes; and three nieces, Nancy Sparks, Joann Triplett and Patricia Sue Triplett.

Funeral services will be held at the First United Methodist Church in San Marcos on Thursday, Dec. 7, at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at the Elgin Cemetery at 3 p.m.

Survivors include: 3 sons: Bill Smith, Weatherford, Jack Smith, Chula Vista, CA, George Peel, El Paso; 1 daughter- Gail (Mrs. David) Williams, Abilene; 12 grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren; 3 great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, James David Peel, Jr., in 1936 and by a daughter, Pat Anderson, in 1981.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Roland Virgil Rains

Roland Virgil Rains, 82, died Saturday in a local nursing home. Graveside services were at Gardens of Memory Cemetery, directed by Lacy Funeral Home. Local family member surviving is brother- Raymond Rains of Rotan.



Roby Players In Tournament

Winners Named In Punt, Pass, Kick Contest

Winners of the 1995 Punt, Pass, and Kick sponsored by the Rotan Lions Club held on Sat., Nov. 18 were as follows:

5 year old division:
1st- Trey Groves; 2nd- Tie- Zane Reyes and Jace Langthorn

6 year old division:
1st- Carlos Carrillo; 2nd- Adrian Daniel

7 year old division:
1st- Hunter Helms; 2nd- David Gonzalez

8 year old division:
1st- Bryan Saucedo; 2nd- Cody Etheredge

9 year old division:
1st- Rocky Saucedo, 2nd- Stephanie Carrillo

10 year old division:
1st- Jessie Foster; 2nd- Jeremy Reyes.

Fisher County Meetings Of Interest

All meetings open to the public.

Fisher County Commissioners Court
9:00 a.m., Monday,
December 11
Commissioner's Room

Rotan School Board
7:30 p.m., Monday,
December 11
Rotan School Cafeteria

Roby School Board
7:30 p.m. Tuesday,
December 11
Home Economics Room

Rotan City Council
6:30 p.m., Tuesday
December 12
Rotan City Hall

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TAX PLANNING

Written By
James E. Rodgers, CPA



LAST-MINUTE MOVES COULD CUT YOUR TAXES

This year is almost over, so you must act fast if you want to cut your tax bill for 1995. Some last-minute moves you might consider:

* If you're in business and have been planning to purchase a new piece of equipment, buy before year-end. You can write off up to \$17,500 worth of equipment on your 1995 tax return (instead of depreciating it over the several years). Also consider making needed building and equipment repairs before year-end in order to take the deduction for the expense this year.

* Individuals who plan to itemize deductions this year may want to squeeze more deductions into 1995. Make charitable contributions in December that you would otherwise make next year, and pay any deductible interest or real estate taxes that are due. As you try to beef up your itemized deductions for 1995, be careful. If you'll be in a higher tax bracket next year, or if you're subject to the alternative minimum tax this year, delaying deductions until 1996 is likely to be a better overall strategy.

* Every taxpayer should maximize the tax-cutting opportunities in retirement plans. If you're self-employed, investigate a Keogh retirement plan. You won't have to make your 1995 contribution until 1996, but you have to establish your plan by December 31st of this year. Employees should consider 401 (k) plans if they're available. Finally, there's the Individual Retirement Account which you can set up and contribute to as late as April 15, 1996.

* If you're an investor, review your portfolio before year-end to see if you should be selling something before year-end to improve your tax position. Don't make the mistake of selling just to create a tax loss, however.

Choosing the right strategies for cutting taxes is a very individual thing. What is a wise move under one set of circumstances is exactly the wrong thing to do under another. For assistance in making the right moves in your particular circumstances, give us a call before year-end.

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Methodist Church in the absence of their preacher, Steve Patterson, who was doing Missionary work at a prison. Keifer Cauble, John Lawlis, Mrs. David Pilgrim, Brenda Stearns, Sabra Patterson, Aubry Nell Cauble also went with Steve.

We were sorry to learn that Chester Murphree passed away Saturday evening at Lubbock. Funeral services were held Monday with burial in Cottonwood Cemetery, west of Rotan. Our sincere sympathy goes out to the Murphree family.

Dorothy Jean Underhill Boyd of Hurst passed away Saturday. Her funeral will be Tuesday at Rotan with burial in the Coffee Cemetery near Sweetwater.

We were sorry to learn of the death of Lela Peel who died Sunday at Weatherford. Services are pending with Weathersbee Funeral Home. Mrs. Peel was Gail Williams (Mrs. Dave) mother, formerly of Rotan. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Dave and Gail and the remainder of the family.

Virgil Rains, Raymond Rains' brother, was buried on Monday at Stephenville. Janie Rains went to the

funeral. Our sincere sympathy goes out to the Rains family.

Randy Perkins of Snyder is going to have heart by-pass surgery on Wednesday at Lubbock. Randy is Roy Carter's son-in-law. We hope to hear that he is doing fine.

Zach Givens of San Angelo spent the weekend visiting with his grandparents, Jan and George Price. He attended the basketball games on Friday night with them. He went home Sunday.

Visiting with the Gary Daniels family over the Thanksgiving holiday were Kathie's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Ray York from Cuba, New Mexico, Kathie's grandmother, Ruby Griffith from Idaho, Kathie's sister Mrs. Vicky Sterling and three children from Farmington, New Mexico, Mrs. Denise York and two children from Odessa, and Gary's dad, Odell Daniel from Odessa, so they had a full house. This weekend Denise York and her two kids came and visited from Odessa.

Everyone is sure busy now with the Christmas holidays not so very far away, and all the little kids are sure getting excited. See you next week.

Roby 7th Grade Boys Big Win

The Roby 7th grade boys opened the season with a decisive win over Spur. Leading scorer was Salvador Hernandez with 26 points, and 11 rebounds. Lance Moore contributed with 16 points and Jeremy Griffith had 12 points while also playing good defense. Final score- Cubs 54, Spur 20.

The 8th grade Cubs were successful this Monday also. Wes Pullig,

Jason Amador and Robert Pippin led the offensive effort with double figures. Amador scored 19 points, Pullig had 13 and Pippin had 11 points. The 8th grade boys stayed close to Spur, trailing for 3 quarters, then improving their defensive and offensive effort in the 4th quarter to take a 45 to 31 final score for the Cubs. The next game is (to be announced later).

Spinal Screening At Roby 6th & 8th

Spinal screening for Roby 6th and 8th grade students has been scheduled to begin on Wednesday, December 13, 1995.

Children will be screened for two types of spinal deformities: scoliosis and kyphosis. Scoliosis is a condition in which the spine is twisted, causing misalignment of the upper

body or lower back. This condition can worsen and lead to much pain, as well as complications of the heart and lungs. Kyphosis is a type of spinal deformity in which the upper spine shows a pronounced curve. This condition is also referred to as "round back" and can be corrected if detected early.

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Glass Gathered From Coast To Coast

Glenn And Janis Copeland 'Collect' Goofus Glass Among Other Things

by Ruby Wild

Glenn and Janice Copeland's home is virtually a museum - a magnificent show place of varied and interesting collections.

When I approached Glenn about writing an article on his collection, he surprised and amazed me by asking, "Which one?" I did not realize what a storehouse of treasures I had opened up. What a perplexing choice!

Glenn and Janice are co-collectors, and their enthusiasm and pride in their Goofus Glass collection peaked my interest - something I had never heard of.

It is not known specifically when it was first manufactured, but merchants bought it in quantities as a "give-away" to customers.

The types of glass used in making Goofus Glass were clear glass, milk glass, opalescent and crackle glass. The artistic designs of roses, grapes, birds and butterflies are what make Goofus Glass distinct and beautiful. The designs however, are somewhat obscured by the paint which, in most cases, continues to scale off. Possibly, for this reason it has been called "ugly old stuff" or Goofus Glass.

Harry Northwood began manu-

facturing Goofus Glass in 1897 and continued until 1910. On the bottom of his products, there is a large N in a circle. Glenn and Janice have a bon bon dish with his logo.

Their very first purchase of Goofus Glass is a beautiful fourteen inch vase, from a feed store in Joplin, Missouri in the late 1960's. Another of their very treasured items is a decorative bowl, which they bought in Greenville, Texas with the inscription, "Compliments of W.A. Bucy, Dry Goods", stamped on the bottom. There is no record of such a company existing as far back as 1800. They

have a clear glass vase from a tavern in New York which is believed to be a hundred years old.

Their collection consists of approximately two hundred and fifty pieces. Glenn said that the reason they are so proud of their Goofus Glass is that they have traveled coast to coast finding it. Which only proves what a rare and valuable collector's item it is.

Items in their collection, other than the above mentioned, are: three peacock vases in perfect mint condition (very rare, indeed), approximately fifty plates, one saucer, six matching cereal bowls, ten powder bodes (two without lids) four opalescent Daisy and Plum bowls, one La Belle Rose decanter with stopper and matching tray, two miniature lamps, one 'Gone With The Wind Lamp' without shade (given to them by Harold and Carol Roberts), a picture frame, a water bottle, and shelves and shelves of beautiful vases ranging in height from fifteen and one half inches to five and one half inches. Among them are three sizes of Cabbage Rose Vases, one green vase and two purple vases.

All are displayed beautifully and readily visible to the spectator. One would have to behold with his own eyes to really appreciate the beauty and grandeur of this gorgeous collection of Goofus Glass.

It is believed that Goofus Glass preceded Carnival Glass, but they did share the limelight at fairs and carnivals as prizes.

The merchants bought Goofus Glass for about thirty cents a piece. Now that it is a rare collector's item, antique dealers (although, they still refer to it as "that ugly old stuff") exact an exorbitant price. The least expensive being about thirty dollars. Those in perfect mint condition much more expensive.

Thank you, Glenn and Janice for teaching this "old dog" that we never get too old to learn - even about things that have been in existence for more than one hundred years - like Goofus Glass!

Soil Conservation District Is Selling \$2. Windbreak Trees

Homestead, field and livestock windbreaks should be considered as investments in the future value of your property. Each system is unique and should be designed for your site, it's conditions and your objectives.

Homestead windbreaks reduce soil loss to wind erosion, conserve soil moisture, protect crops and increase wildlife habitat.

Livestock windbreaks cut feed costs in the winter whereas feed is used more for weight gain and less to generate body heat. There is also a lower animal death rate in the winter when protection is provided.

Whatever type of windbreak you plant, success depends on proper establishment and care during the first few years after planting. The time that you spend on site preparation, weed control and replanting is often repaid many times during the life of the windbreak.

Important items to consider are site location, site preparation, proper plant material selection, pre-planting care of the trees, planting techniques and post-planting care such as weed control, protection against livestock and wildlife damage, irrigation, dis-

eases and insects and replanting dead trees. Even under the best growing conditions, some seedlings will die.

The personnel at the Natural Resources Conservation Service (formerly the Soil Conservation Service) in the Rotan field office will assist you in the development of a windbreak for your homestead, livestock or field. Windbreak trees grown by the Texas Forest Service are now available thru your local Soil and Water Conservation District, located in the Natural Resources Conservation Service office at 111A N. Garfield, Rotan, Tx. The Upper Clear Fork Soil and Water Conservation District has 800 windbreak tree seedlings for sale for \$2.00 each. Orders can be taken over the phone at 735-3411 or you can come by the office. Trees available include the Afghanistan pine, Pinyon pine and Ponderosa pine with no limit of quantity to order. Other evergreens and selected hardwood seedlings can be purchased with a minimum number to be ordered. The last day to order is February 2, 1996 or while supplies last. Call or come by the office for your windbreak needs and we will be glad to assist you.

Important Tips Given To Hunters About Safety, 'Defensive Hunting'

It's opening day and the sun is still a faint glow when the doe is spotted by the anxious hunter. He peers through his scope as she disappears into the brush 75 yards ahead, pausing only to look back over her shoulder as if being followed.

The hunter turns his head slowly to his left as he hears the movement of something easing through the brush. Surely, it's the buck that the doe was looking back at. The hunter again raises his rifle and puts the crosshairs on an opening in the brush. The small opening offers his only shot, and it will have to be a quick one. Slowly the grey form moves into the clearing, an indistinguishable hulk in the pre-dawn brush. The hunter's trigger finger inches backward, ever so slowly until...wait that's not a buck, it's a camo-clad hunter sneaking among the brush. He eases his finger off the trigger and his .270 back to his lap.

A cold chill grips him as he realizes how close he came to making his unannounced comrade an unfortunate statistic.

Hunting, by statistical measures, is a very safe sport. However, each year five to 10 Texans are seriously wounded or killed in a hunting accident, said Dr. Dale Rollins of San Angelo, Extension wildlife specialist.

Some of those are unfortunate cases of mistaken identity as nearly happened above, he added.

Hunters being mistaken for game can be completely avoided with two basic rules of hunting safety. The first is to positively identify the intended target. Never take "sound shots," he said.

Next, practice "defensive hunting". Wearing some item of blaze orange clothing makes hunters easily identifiable to others.

Blaze orange clothing is a requirement only for those on public lands, but it's a good idea for anyone hunting, especially deer hunters during the gun season.

"Wearing a blaze orange cap and/or vest is very cheap life insurance," he advised. "We lose one or more hunters each year who could have, and probably would be alive today if they'd been wearing blaze orange."

The high visibility fabric has been used for more than 20 years in many states, and all have witnessed a visible reduction in hunting accidents of hunters being mistaken for game. Some hunters resist blaze orange as a greater chance of being seen by deer.

"We once thought that deer were color blind, and that they couldn't distinguish colors, only patterns," Rollins said. "Today we know that deer do have limited color vision, but not to the degree that something like a wild turkey has."

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