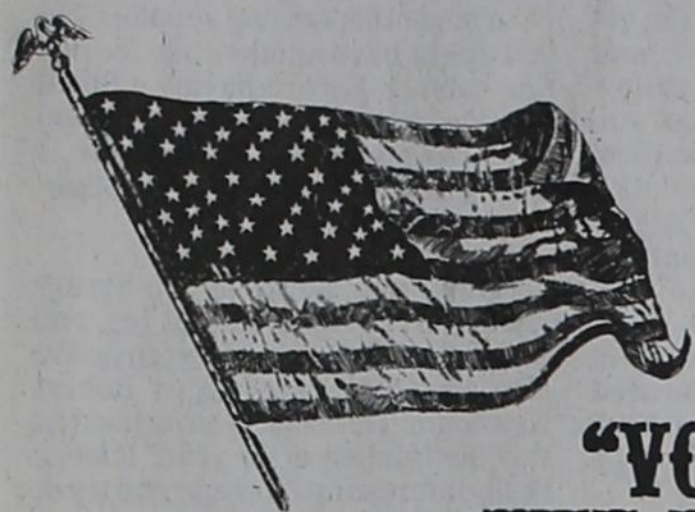


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Chamber banquet honors man, woman, business of the year

by Marisue Potts

Cloggers from the Czech Republic danced their way into the hearts of those attending the 8th annual Motley County Chamber of Commerce banquet on Thursday night, August 15. Sponsored by the local People to People International Chapter, the energetic twelve from Prague tapped danced and yee-hawed to Country-Western music. They also presented a tour of Europe through folk dances including the Greek circle, the Highland fling, a polka, and the rousing Can-can.

Audience participation by the 165 in attendance enhanced the performance of the group known as "Crock 14", according to Han Janeckova, a 21 year old, brown-eyed blonde. "Because the people liked us, it helped us dance well," she said in very good English she had learned from a language school. Petr Thymes, age 16, was the youngest dancer and only had a few English phrases down. However, his smile spoke volumes and he literally beamed while he danced. The young people, who dance for fun and support themselves with outside jobs, will take their routine to various sites while touring the Southwest.

While staying with host families, the group toured the Motley County Museum, Roaring Springs Resort Ranch, Caprock Canyons State Park, and the 6666 Ranch. Vann and Sondra Francis hosted a backyard pool party for the Czechs and their host families, Junior and Eva Barkley, Butch

and Judy Renfro, Marisue Potts and Ralph Powell, and Gerald and Penny Pipkin. The Pipkins are credited with bringing the group to Matador, through her work with People to People, and accompanied the Czechs on a tour of Georgetown, Austin, and San Antonio.

Not to be eclipsed by entertainment, three very important people to Motley County were singled out for recognition at the annual awards presentation. Carla Meador, editor of the Motley County Tribune who was also nominated in the business category, was named outstanding woman of the year for her service to the community, from an impressive list of nominations that included Suzanne Abbott and Dinah Elliott Young.

Charley Johnson, a former school administrator who has served on almost every board in the county and given unselfishly of his time, was honored as outstanding man of the year. Also nominated were Alex Crowder and Jim Watson.

Matador Motor and Implement, an old line family business in Matador represented by Larry Hoyle, was named as outstanding business of the year. Hoyle is another fellow who has given a great deal of time to civic endeavors. Also in the running were Pipkin Insurance and Graham Supply. Graham Supply was inadvertently left off the nominations list at the banquet. Graham Supply, represented by Dana and Ross Graham of Roaring Springs, new owners of another old line business, has taken an

aggressive stance in going-out for business. Chamber President, Marisue Potts, apologizes for that unintentional omission.

Over forty businesses displayed their wares or participated in the awarding of merchandise to those lucky enough to have their names drawn. A Red Hat-wannabee, Barbara Armstrong, assisted by Master of Ceremonies, Edd D. Smith, awarded some very interesting items. Merchants provided, among other things, a cedar table, a Coca-Cola bench, a beautiful ring, a reflexology treatment, a spa, fuel, book-keeping supplies, a lawn chair, tupperware, a certificate for a will, a tee shirt with international flags, a \$50 bond, and various gift certificates, including ones from all the cafes. The finale came with the crisp \$100 bill that the chamber gives away each year. The Chamber appreciates all the businesses that participated in this fun give-away and the scouts from Cub Scout Troop 360 that drew the names. Also to be recognized for service beyond the call of duty is the crew of Rosalee Davis, laughingly known as "The Red Hot Chili Mommas." The ladies not only prepared a delicious banquet but also stayed late to feed the dancers after their lengthy performance.

And last, but certainly not least, recognition should be given to the Texas Highway 70 Band, consisting of locals Gerald Pipkin, Kelly Keltz, Billy Donaldson, Pat Seigler, and Brant Bearden, for the beautiful western swing music provided during dinner.



HONORED AT BANQUET — Larry Hoyle, left, received the award for Business of the Year at last Thursday night's annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet. Carla Meador was named Woman of the Year and Charley Johnson was named Man of the Year. See more banquet pictures on page 3.

Moore family turns hobby into successful business

The Summer of 1985 was a hot one, but also a busy one for Wayland and Glynard Moore. The two brothers started their business, Moore Maker, that summer developing their hobby of making spurs, buckles, and bridle bits into a prosperous venture.

The two enjoyed working together and soon established a family business. Glynard's son, Kyle, and Wayland's son, Dave, are also a part of the business and work full time at the operation. Glynard passed away in January of this year leaving a space in the hearts of family members which can't be filled. "We miss Glynard very much here," Wayland said.

Wayland and Glynard were born and raised in Motley County and attended school here. Wayland graduated from Matador High School in 1950 and Glynard graduated from Roaring Springs High School in 1953. Both attended Texas A&M University.

Wayland began his teaching career in Roaring Springs ISD where he taught for a year, before moving to Matador ISD where he was a teacher and Principal for 20+ years. In 1982 he went to work at Guthrie ISD as Superintendent and worked in that capacity for three years before retiring. He also had farming and ranching interests. He and wife, Betty, have three children and six grandchildren.

Glynard enjoyed farming and ranching and was successful in those operations for many years. He and wife, Doris, have two children and three grandchildren. Mrs. Moore still lives in the family home just down the road from the shop.

Moore Maker, which started out in Glynard's barn, quickly became a very busy operation. "People started asking for other items in addition to the spurs, buckles and bridle bits," Wayland explained. The first new item they added was dehorner, which are made completely, from start to finish, in their shop in Matador. With the success of this item, the Moores decided it was time to expand and built a shop behind Wayland's home. In 1991 the company incorporated. In 1995 they added an office. "Betty (Mrs. Moore) was glad to get us out of the house," Wayland said. "We were using the dining room for an office."

The Moores and their employees constructed most of the shop and office building themselves. The inside walls of the business are overlaid with old barn wood which came from

an old barn which belonged to Wayland and Glynard's great-grandfather, J.C. Lancaster. We had torn down the old barn several years ago,

Wayland said. We stored the wood, not knowing what we would use it for, but it worked out great in here," he continued.

The added space was necessary with the continuation of the growth of the business. "What started out as a hobby, got out of hand," Wayland said. "At some point we had to quit making the bits and spurs because of the time required."

Soon after expanding, the company began selling their famous knives. Moore Maker knives are sold throughout the United States and Canada. Each knife is made under contract in the United States, and each one bears the special Moore Maker emblem. Knives range in size from 2 5/8", a small bone handled, one blade knife, to 11 1/2", a limited edition display knife, made to commemorate the turn of the century.

Each knife is a limited edition and when produced there are only 500 made (250 with a smooth bone handle and 250 with a jigged bone handle). The Moores also offer a working knife and a roper's knife, which features a stainless steel pocket clip.

"There are very few knife factories left in the United States," Wayland explained. Mr. Moore also explained that the knives are 70% of their sales. He continued, "Ninety percent of our business is wholesale and only 10% retail." There are two or three business in Motley County which offer the knives and other Moore products. The products are also sold in over 1800 stores across the country.

Although well-known for their famous knives which are collector's items to many, the Moores also offer several other products. "We mail out about 8,000 catalogs a year, Mr. Moore said. The company usually produces a new catalog each year, but recently printed a catalog they plan to use for two years, if possible. They mailed out 6,200 of these new catalogs just last month. The handy, pocket-size catalog not only features color pictures of their knives, but the other great products the Moores offer, including Pliers, Shears, Sharpening Stones, Pocket Whetstone, a Multi-purpose eraser which erases rust, tarnish, etc. from knives and small hand tools, a Diamond Sharpener, Knife and Gun Oil, Knife Scabbards, Knife Opener, Dehorner which are



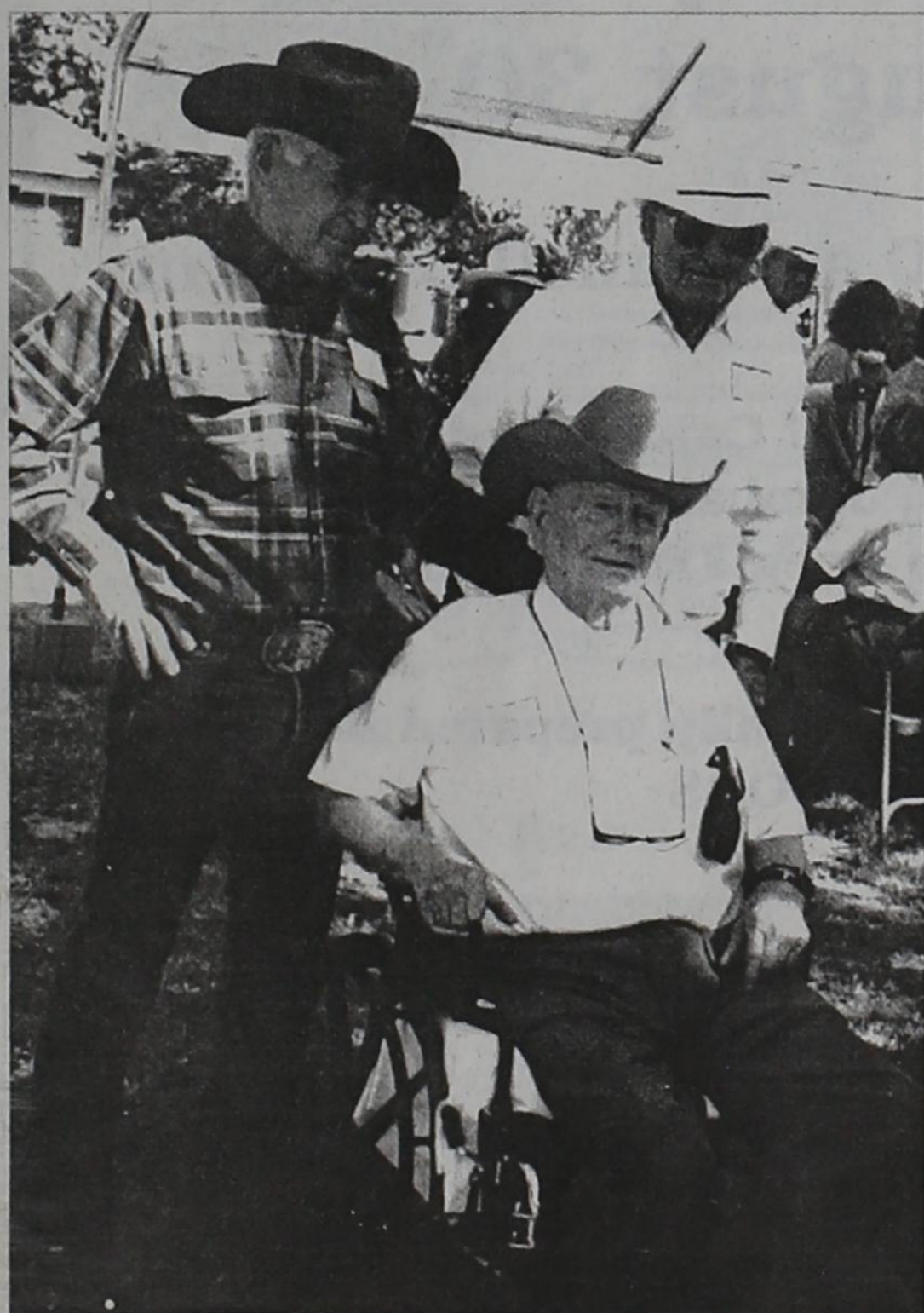
Wayland Moore displays a pair of pliers, one of the many specialty items Moore Maker, Inc. has available.

offered in various sizes, Tube Calf Dehorner, a Guillotine Type Dehorner, Horn Tippers, Spring-Loaded T-Post Drivers, Wire Stretchers, Barbwire Grip, Saddle Pliers, Bullnose Fence Pliers and Plier Scabbards. Also featured are Electric Fence Chargers, T-Post Puller, Tie-Bar, Wild Game Caller, a 7 lb. Anvil and a paperweight Anvil.

The Moores are currently working on a large Guillotine dehorner, which they are developing out of an aluminum alloy. When complete the Guillotine will weigh only 8 pounds compared to 18 pounds for those available now. They have a patent pending on this product.

This old-fashioned family business operates with no computers and does not accept credit cards. Most business is done by telephone. "We take the order by phone, mail it out and send a bill," Mr. Moore explained. "Payment is usually made right away. It is very rare that we have ever lost a payment." Orders are placed from everywhere, so it is not unusual that they receive a phone call in the wee hours of the morning from a store in a state with hours of time difference. "We have even received orders on Christmas Day and have opened the shop to sell a last minute gift," Moore said.

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LEGENDS

Three legends of the Matador Land and Cattle Company at the 2001 Matador Cowboy Reunion, (left to right) Leroy Webb of Santa Rosa, NM, Keith Slover of Paducah, and Johnny Stevens of Matador. The 2002 Reunion will be held Saturday at the home of Jerry and P.K. Green in Roaring Springs, beginning at 11:00 a.m. The ninth annual gathering welcomes old-timers who worked for the Matador Land and Cattle Company, any of its successors, and those currently on the Matador Ranch payroll. Spouses and guests of eligible participants are also welcome.

Cowboy Church services will be held before Rodeo

Rev. Ron Brunson of Plainview will hold Cowboy Church services Friday and Saturday evenings before the Old Settlers Rodeo, August 23 and 24. The services will be held at the arena.

The Brunson family will also be featured musicians at the Cowboy Reunion to be held Saturday at the home of Jerry and Patricia Green in Roaring Springs.

Spirit Rally set for August 27

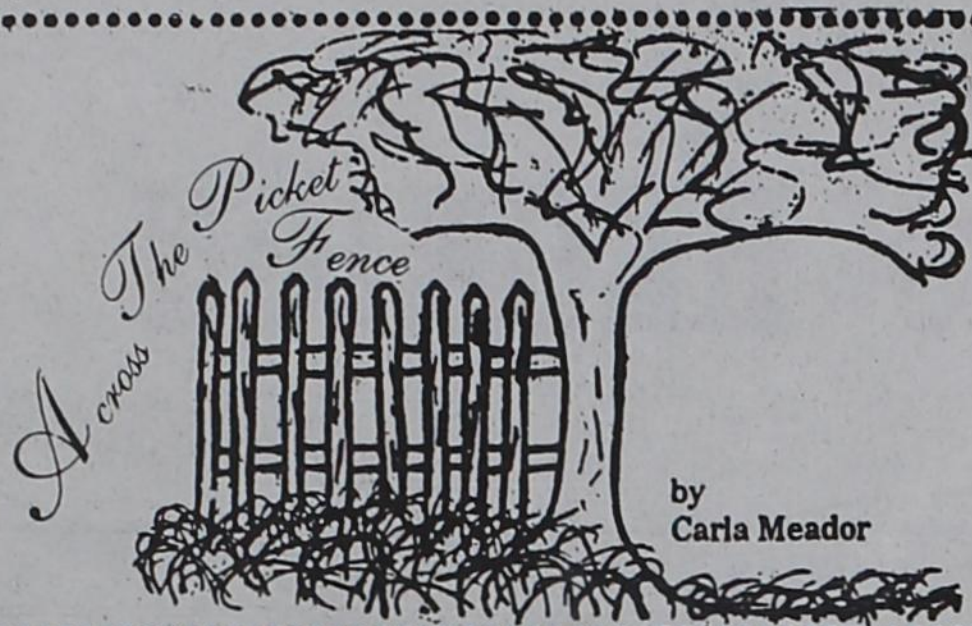
The Motley County Booster Club invites everyone to come out to meet the new MC coaches and show their support for the Matadors as they start out a new season playing six-man football. All Fall sports will be recognized at the Spirit Rally which will be held Tuesday, August 27 at the football field, at 7:30 p.m.

Booster Club members will sell shirts and sign-up new members beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The evening will kick-off with a patriotic theme, when horseback riders bearing Flags enter the field.

Brownies, Cookies and Ice Cream will be served after the rally. Booster club members and others that would like to help are asked to bring brownies or cookies.

Everyone is invited to join in the fun and wish Motley County teams good luck for the 2002-03 season.



Although my space is very limited this week, I would like to use it to extend a very big thanks to the Masonic Lodge and to the Chamber of Commerce for the very special honors they have bestowed upon me. I know there are a lot of very deserving people in Motley County and I feel very honored. Thank you!

It's hard to believe that Old Settlers is here again, already. I hope you enjoy this special edition. A big thanks to Mr. Johnny Davenport from Post who was kind enough to let me use his wonderful pictures. They are great! Mr. Davenport said he took these with just a little, cheap camera.

That was in the 50's - cameras must have been made better back then. To get the quality he has in most of his pictures, you have to spend quite a bit of money on camera equipment now. Also, I think he is a very talented photographer.

Mr. Davenport has donated his pictorial book, *The Last Matador Wagon* to the Motley County Museum and graciously gave me a copy also. If you would like to see more of these great pictures, stop by the Library. We are hoping to get this book published, so keep your fingers crossed. I know there are a lot of people who want a copy of this one.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Carla,

While being at work, prior to teachers returning, one day delivery started for the Community Network Grant, which had been written by Mr. Copp with the help from several teachers and Cathy Morton from the Region 17 Service Center.

I have been employed by Motley County Schools for 17 years and have from time to time been aware and grateful for grants we have received for different purposes over the years.

With amazement I watched as 65 new computers were unloaded in the lobby. At this point it crossed my mind to just try to research a little and find out a total grant money amount we have received for the school since 1996 when Mr. Copp became Superintendent. The reason I chose that year forward is that I knew he could help me with the research, and occasionally he even had to ask me a question about something that the answer could be found in my PEIMS database. It was always exciting to me when he came to me with a question and I could help fill in the blank with the numbers he needed.

It takes hours and hours of time consuming work and filling out forms and being able to write the words that people are wanting to hear to turn loose of their money for a grant. There is always a need for them but it takes a very well informed person to write a grant that will be approved.

I, as an employee and tax-payer, would like to say a big thank you to Mr. Copp, Shelly Cox and Beverly Darsey for the latest grants and to all who have helped at any time in any way in writing and getting these grants.

The following is a list of grants received by the school since 1996. They are listed by year, grant name, amount and what they have been specified to be used for. One thing

about grants is that you have to use them for what they tell you what they are to be used for. I know there have been times we would love to have been able to use them how, when and where we needed them.

I would like to explain every grant to you, but cannot do it as I do not understand all of it myself. I have found out the meaning of the initials and will list that for you. The Community Network Grant computers will be placed at the Court House, Library, Senior Citizens Center and the Museum, as well as upgrading our computer labs at school.

TIF - Telecommunications Infrastructure
TRSI - Texas Research Systemic Initiative
CN3 - Community Network
LB - Library

1996: TIF, \$61,169, Internet Access.

1997: TIF UF97, \$83,656, Internal Internet Access

1999: TIF PS7, \$50,000, ITV

1999: TIF - TAMU, \$20,000, Science.

1999: Pre-K, \$28,639, Staff

1999, TRSI, \$22,676, Math/Science

2000: TIE, \$881,901, ITV - Video Editing.

2000: Pre-K, \$32,529, Staff

2001, TIF Discovery - TAMU, \$6,776, Science

2001: TIF PS9, \$48,884, Computer Lab.

2001: Pre-K, \$29,279, Staff

2002: Pre-K, \$26,682, Staff

2002: CN3, \$250,000, Community Labs

2002: LB 13, \$30,000, MCISD Library.

The Total: \$1,572,191!

In appreciation to all who have helped.

Carolyn Ewing

Pivots & Divots

by Mary

Ladies play day on August 15th was for most pars on odd holes. Playing 18 holes were Louise Barton, Olivia Barton, Francine Braselton, LaVoe Thacker, and Geneva Wilson. Francine won the ball with 5 pars! LaVoe had an EAGLE on #1 the first nine! A 2 on #1 is really great!

Playing 9 holes were Frances Hobbs and Marihelen Wason.

Frances won the ball.

There were 18 players for the Scramble on Tuesday, August 13th. Jim Watson got closest to the pin on #6. First place team, with a score of 30, were Ken Marshall, J. Nelson, and Kelly Keltz.

Second place team, with a score of 31, were Buzz Thacker, LaVoe Thacker and Mickey Hurt.

Other players were Jim Watson, Dot Grundy, Salina Elliott, Conway Clary, Casey Lawrence, Geneva Wilson, Kenny Barton, Olivia Barton, Roncho Grundy, Harvey Case, Sut Braselton and Francine Braselton.

WE NEED TO FOLLOW!



In reading the New Testament we find that most people understood that Peter was a follower of Jesus Christ. They drew their conclusion from the fact that Peter was always with Jesus. Peter also was an active participant with the Lord in His work while on this earth. Therefore, he was recognized by most as a disciple of Jesus.

We, today, can follow Jesus and also be an active participant in the things He would have us do as Christians. The word Christian itself means to be "Christ-like." In our reading of John 10: 3-6 we find the principles that show us that we need to be familiar enough with our Lord to both recognize and obey His directions. The passage reads in part... "and when he brings out his own sheep, he goes before them; and they follow him, for they know his voice."

The principle found here is simple. Wherever the Good Shepherd directs we are to follow. The most difficult part of this is getting our heart right with God so that our Lord Jesus can lead us. If our heart is not in tune with God, you and I will not hear the Shepherd's voice. The out come of that is sad to contemplate.

Roaring Springs Church of Christ
Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

Radio Programs - K-96 FM

Bible Study - 10 a.m.

Worship - 9:00 a.m.

Lifestyles

Roaring Springs Volunteers to sponsor Wood Carving class

The Roaring Springs Community Volunteers will sponsor Wood Carving classes during Old Settlers, August 23 and 24. The sessions will be held at the Roaring Springs Community Center on Friday and Saturday, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The project will be a ten to twelve inch cowboy. Cost of the blank will be \$17.50 to \$20.00. The cost of the class will be \$30.00. Each person should bring carving tools as there will be a limited number available for loan.

Charlie Brooks, from Whitehouse, Texas, will be the Instructor for the class. Mr. Brooks has been carving and teaching carving for twelve years. He currently serves as Director of the Texas Woodcarvers

Guild and attends six to eight show/sales per year where he has won several first place and merit awards. He serves as instructor at the Texas Woodcarvers Guild in April and September each year and at Rally on the Rio in Mercedes each January. He and his wife, Kathy, have served as chairpersons for the East Texas Woodcarving Show in Tyler for the past six years.

Mr. Brooks' work may be viewed on his website at www.cbwoodstudio.com and he will answer any questions at cbrooks@cox-internet.com or 903-839-7042.

For more information contact any Roaring Springs Volunteer member.

A Note of Thanks

Thank you to all the family and friends who have been so kind concerning Donnie's surgery with calls, visits, food and especially prayers. We appreciate it very much.

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Tomorrow, Friday, August 23, is the Rootin' Tootin' Beans Lunch at the Library. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library and is a fund-raiser for the library. You get a plate of the best beans you have ever eaten, luscious yellow cornbread, tea, pickles, onions, relish and a cookie all for a donation. Plus, you will be served by Motley County Celebrities. Plan to come by the library for this scrumptious meal anytime from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. Gooooo Eatin'!

The library has a small supply of the new Feist Directories if you need an extra one. This is the newest book with the American Flag on the cover. Come by and pick one up.

The library has for sale a solid

wood cabinet with 35 drawers. The drawers will hold 3X5 cards or whatever else you might need to store. I see many spools of thread, sorted by color, and other sewing supplies, but you might have another use for this fine cabinet. We are having a Silent Auction on this item. Come by and write down your bid. The reserve is \$50.00. The bidding will end September 12 at 5:30 p.m.

Three new books in the library include Nora Roberts' *Hot Ice*, and Barry Siegel's *Lines of Defense*. We also have *5th Sorceress* by Robert Newcomb. This book is advertised as the "best fantasy of the year." It looks really interesting. Come in and try it, you might like a little fantasy.

Family & Consumer News

by Jennifer Trufan, CEA-FCS

MORNING ROUTINES FOR FAMILIES

Chaos! Does this one word describe your morning routine of getting your children off to school and you into work?

If so a set morning routine is probably the best way to resolve this situation and bring organization and relief into your's and your children's lives.

Here are a few ideas to help you and your children start the day off in a more organized, less chaotic manner.

- Shower and bathe the night before.
- Lay out clothing, including accessories.
- Check the weather report, and if inclement weather is predicted, lay out jackets, mittens, hats, boots or umbrellas, too.
- Prepare lunches and store them in the refrigerator.
- Have backpacks ready to go in an area near the exit door.
- Keep a calendar on the refrigerator with children's schedules. Check it so that musical instruments can be placed near the door on Music days, school library books can be packed and ready for return, or sneakers and gym shorts can be laid out with school clothes.
- Set up the coffee maker, using a kitchen timer, so that it will be ready when the family awakens.

• Set table for breakfast, even pouring cereal into bowls if cereal is a favorite breakfast choice.

• Set the clock radio, allowing an extra ten minutes for unexpected events.

• Upon awakening, it's best for parents to get washed and dressed, including makeup, before the rest of the family awakens.

• As early as possible, children should be encouraged to be independent, getting up with their own alarm clocks, getting washed, and ready for school on their own. A parent's role should be, hopefully, to help kids coordinate bathroom schedules and fix breakfast while their getting ready.

• If cereal's not on the menu, there are other quick, easy breakfast choices available. Pancakes and french toast can be pre-cooked in bulk, frozen individually and reheated in the microwave. Fruit smoother, made with fruit, milk and yogurt are quick, popular breakfast selections. Muffins, bagels and fresh fruit are preparation-free. When dealing with children, it's best to limit their choices to two or three items and give them a manageable experience in decision-making.

• By following some of these simple steps parents can start their day off in a smoother, blissful way. This will hopefully bring better family relations and lead to all having a good day at both school and work.

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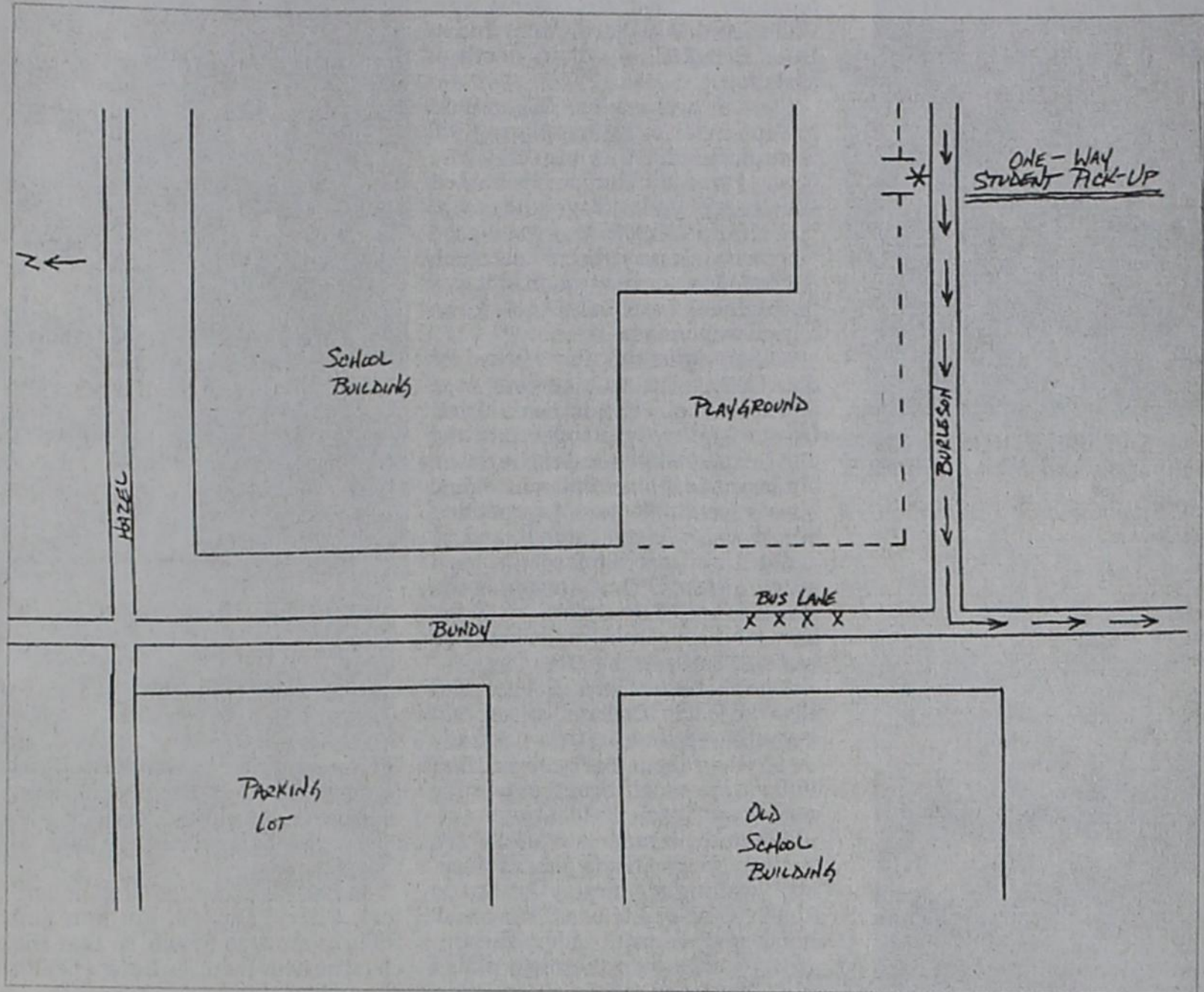
Changes made for student pick-up

Beginning with the 2002 school year, anyone picking up students from Motley County School will need to follow the traffic flow pattern which is outlined below.

Parents are asked to proceed west on Rurleson (one-way), picking

their child up at the playground gate, then traveling to the corner where a left turn is made onto Bundy (heading south). All students meeting parents will be asked to exit the school grounds through the elementary playground gate, located on the south side of the school.

Please do not drive on Bundy, in front of the school, until the school buses have left on their routes. Parents are asked to avoid parking in the student/faculty parking area or on the grass next to the parking lot.



Texas Hwy. 70 Band — Pictured left to right, Gerald Pipkin, Billy Donaldson, Kelly Keltz, Pat Seigler and Brant Bearden, performed during last week's annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

SCHOOL MENU

MONDAY, AUGUST 26
Breakfast: Biscuit, Sausage, Gravy, Juice, Milk.
Lunch: Tamales, Spanish Rice, Salad, Chips, Frozen Yogurt, Milk.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Pears, Milk.
Lunch: Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Chips, Mixed Fruit, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28
Breakfast: Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Juice, Milk.
Lunch: Barbecued Ribs, Scaloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Pickle, Onion, Sliced Bread, Cake, Peaches, Milk.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29
Breakfast: Cereal, Cinnamon Toast, Mixed Fruit, Milk.
Lunch: Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Green Salad, Bread Stick, Jello with Fruit, Milk.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30
Breakfast: Waffle, Sausage, Syrup, Juice, Milk.
Lunch: Chicken, Nuggets, Creamed Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots, Hot Roll, Honey, Milk.



CROCK 14 — Members of the dance group "Crock 14" performing at last week's Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet. The group from the Czech Republic was sponsored by the local People to People International Chapter.

4-H Food Project Workshop set for August 26th

A 4-H Food and Nutrition project will be held on Monday, August 26 at 3:30 p.m. at the Motley County School in Mrs. Jones' Home Economics Room. During this workshop 4-H members will register for the 4-H Food project. The workshop will also include hands on activities which focus on food safety and food preparation. Participants will also receive

instruction in the food guide pyramid and preparation for the county food show. The county food show is scheduled for Sunday, September 22 at 2:00 p.m. at the Motley County School cafeteria. Winners of the county food show will advance to the District 4-H food show to be held, Saturday, November 2 in Wichita Falls. 4-Her's who complete the food and nutrition

project will get to travel on an exciting educational field trip to the Mrs. Bairds' production facility in Lubbock, Tx. The 4-H food and nutrition project is open to students in the third grade through high school. Those interested may get more information at the workshop or by calling the Motley County Extension Office at 347-2733.

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WATER'N AT TEE PEE CITY, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1958 — Pictured left to right are Marcell Wallace, Bob Goff, Jimmy Jack Fields, Dolan Finch, Frank Bumpus, Ft. Worth, Lee Robbins, Ray Bumpus, Stogie Bumpus, Booger Red Stegall, Thad Bumpus, and John Bumpus.
(photo by Johnny Davenport)



MATADOR RANCH, TEE PEE CITY, October 21, 1958 — On the left with horses tied is the Hoodlum Wagon. The cart held the cookstove when camp was moved. A cowboy with a newly stretched grass rope. Nylon ropes were just coming on the market. Notice linens spread over the mesquite bush. Cowboys washed their bedrolls and laid them out to be "aired out."
(photo by Johnny Davenport)

The Last Wagon Boss

by Johnny Davenport

Note: This article is used with permission from Johnny Davenport.

Booger Red Stegall was the last Matador Wagon Boss. He was a long-time Matador cowboy. He married on June 18, 1948. He and his wife, Billie, lived at Ballard Camp and at Bear Creek Camp, both north of Matador.

He was promoted to Wagon Boss in September of 1952, replacing Bill Hemphill, who was moved up to Range Boss. Bill Hemphill is the last surviving Matador Wagon Boss.

I always thought Boog was a good Wagon Boss. I never knew how much of it was him, or how much of it was the Matadors' way, but, I know it was a good wagon to be at.

Other outfits that I've worked for didn't want you to take your rope down when starting to pen a drive. On the Matadors, Booger Red not only expected you to take it down, but he made it plain that you should have a loop built, too. If something breaks out, you can catch it, and tie it down and get back to the herd much quicker. That always made sense to me. Remember, we didn't have a bunch of moo-moos here, we had wild cattle at the Matadors!

The Matadors gave Booger Red all of the Dogie (Orphan) calves, that we gathered that Fall. So naturally we all joked about this by saying that every time a calf broke out, Boog would say "Catch that Dogie!"

When the Matadors closed down in 1959, Booger had a job, as Foreman, waiting for him at the Spade Ranch, west of Lubbock. For an ol' brush popper from below the Caprock, working on the open plains must have been quite a change.

In the Spring of 1964, Booger Red went to work as the foreman on Billy Lewis' OX Bow Ranch north of Turkey. I was working at the Mill Irons



Booger Red Stegall

east of Turkey at the time, so I got to work with Booger some more. A few years later Booger moved to Clarendon. Later he went to work, as foreman, for the Herring Ranch, west of Stinnett. He worked there for several years before moving back to Clarendon.

In 1992 his daughter (step-daughter), Cheryl Gipson, got him and Billie to move to Fritch, so that she could be near them, as Boog's health was failing.

He passed away on May 13, 1993. Booger Red Stegall, along with his wife, Billie, who passed away in 2000, is buried in Clarendon.

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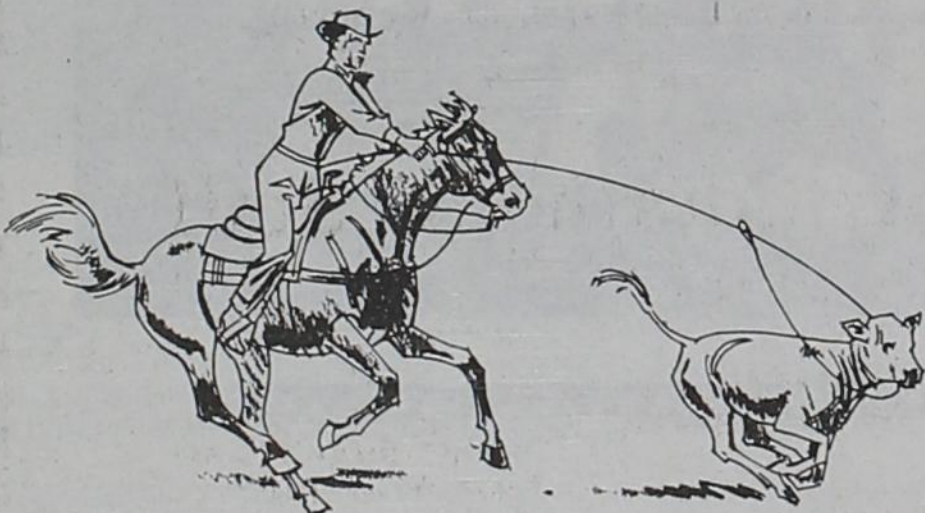
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He was to run the wagon until he learned the country and the ways of the Matadors, and then he was to replace A.W. Rickels as Superintendent. He had only been there about two weeks, Johnny once told me, when A.W. Rickels had a stroke. Someone was dispatched to the wagon with the news, and told Johnny to roll his bed, that he was moving to the "big house," to be the new Superintendent.

In January, 1940, Johnny was named Superintendent of the Upper Matadors. He held that position through most of 1946 when Maurice Reilly, the Superintendent of the Matador Division died unexpectedly, on June 15, 1946. Johnny was moved to the Matador Division to be the fifth, and as it turned out, the last Superintendent at the Ballard Springs Headquarters.

In the Fall of 1958, Johnny along with Pete Timmons, leased some Mill Iron land, at CeeVee, Texas. He also went into partnership with a group, which included Coyal Francis, and George Adams. They bought a bunch of the Matador land. Johnny ended up with the Hornica (Dugout) Country, which he still owns.

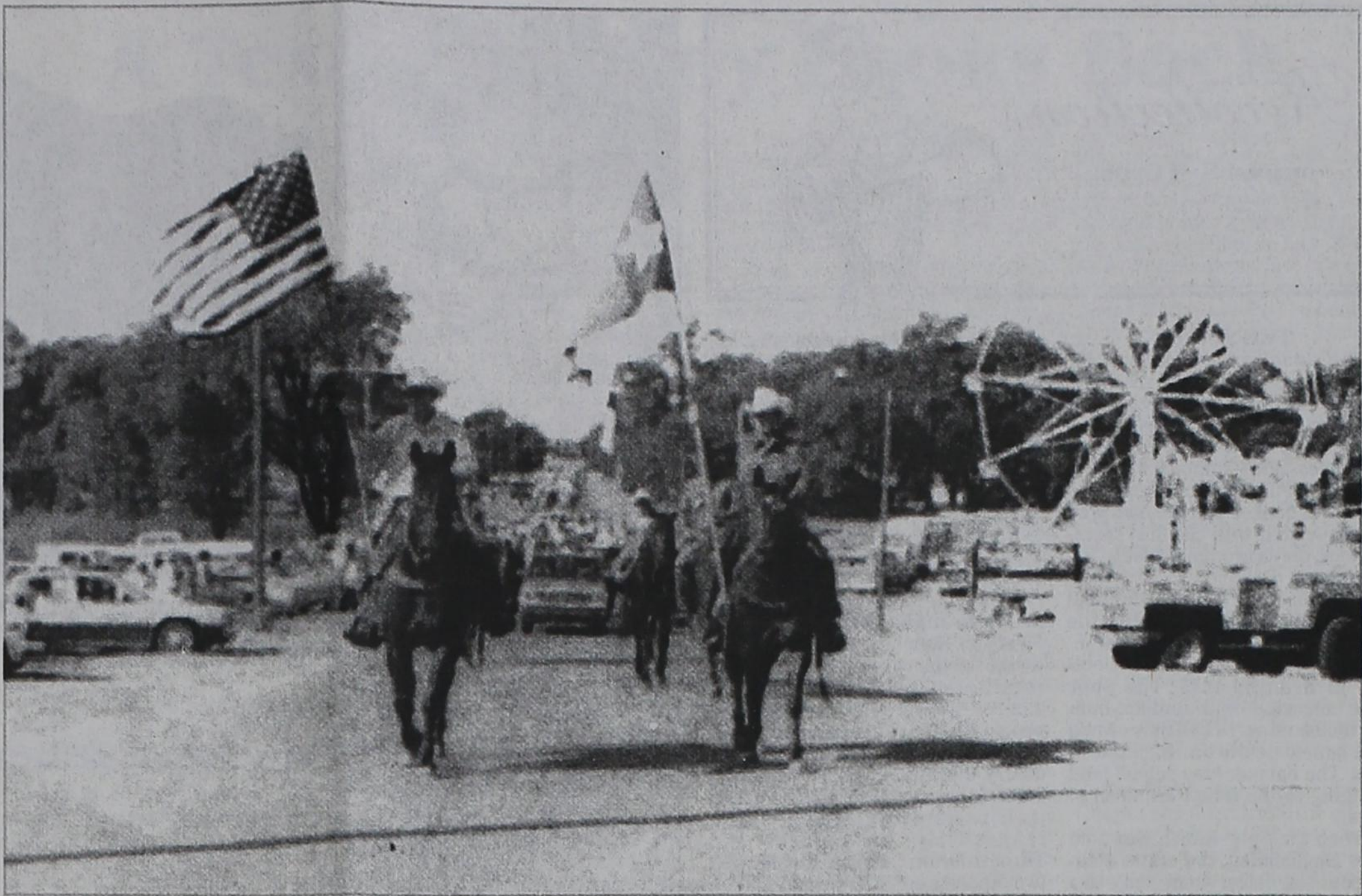
George Adams ended up with a lot of the rest, which included Lucky Knob and most of the Tee Pee City Country. Johnny ran this "Adams Ranch" for 13 years.

"I know that it takes all of the management of a ranch to make it a good place to punch cows, but from a cowboy's point of view, management goes no higher than the Superintendent. That's the position that Johnny held at the Matadors for most of his adult life. When he was around the crew, I never saw, or heard, him tell anyone anything to do. That was Booger's wagon, and his crew. Johnny was Booger's boss, but Booger Red was our boss.

I always thought Johnny was the best Ranch Superintendent I was ever around!"

Johnny now lives in Abilene, Texas.

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LEADING THE PARADE — Old Settlers parade, unidentified horsemen, believed to be in the early 70's.

(Tribune file photo)



Mollie Barton (Burleson) and Willie Sue George (Rochelle) on Tom Ball Creek bridge.

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Roaring Springs bathhouse in the 1930's. (photo courtesy of Marisue Potts)

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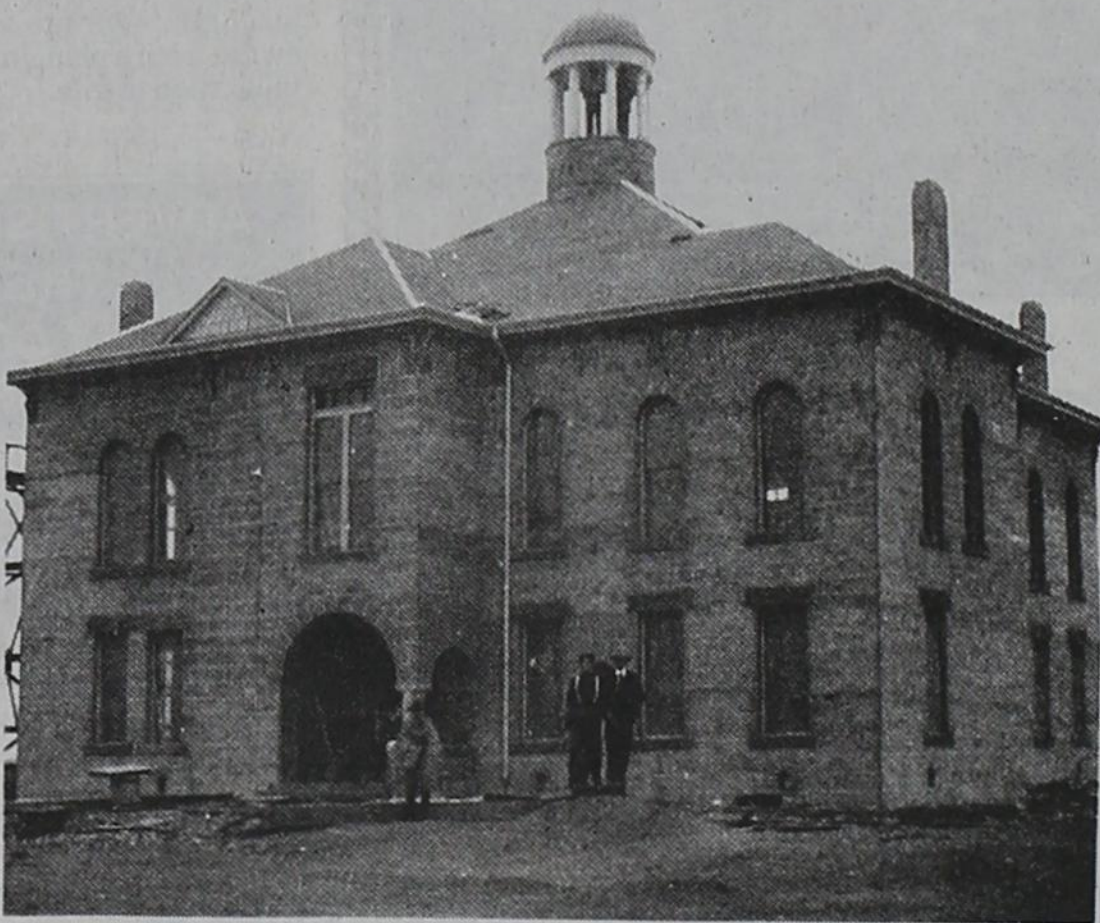
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Recollections

by John Duff Green



THE SPUR

The establishment of the Spur Ranch and its financing or reorganization would be largely a retelling of the Matador. The two ranges joined or bordered each other for some thirty miles. Bud Campbell, a brother to Henry Campbell, and Lomax, a Fort Worth banker and the man who was associated with the first Matador stock, play a prominent roll in the Spur affairs.

The time was almost identical and the main difference was that the Spur was largely British capital instead of Scotch. The British Company invested in 1885. The Spur range consisted of around six hundred thousand acres and they owned in fee simple nearly one half million acres. The balance was school land belonging to the minor children of Texas.

When the Spur Ranch was sold to the Englishmen, the cattle actually counted better than sixty-two thousand head. The fellow Lomax has credit for naming the Matador, meaning "The man who harasses the bull", and then he comes along and hands to the Spur its equivalent in Latin, and named the Spur the Espuela Land and Cattle Company (Limited).

The Swensons ultimately acquired the Spur Ranch by reason, as I understand it, of having in former years made loans to the Company that never could be liquidated out of income. The Swensons broke the

ranch up in the main by colonization, though they retain large bodies of land that they still graze and that have never been offered for sale. An outsider, to be sure, doesn't know but one might surmise that Swenson retained his individual investment in pasture land, as it is general knowledge that the Gerard Trust Company and Menton Estate interest helped Swenson pay cash for the Spur Ranch property.

It will be noted that little mention has been made about the SMS or Swenson Ranches. This was intentional, for the very good reason that as far as I know they were never considered free grass or open range people. It is my understanding that when they entered the ranching industry, they first acquired lands and fenced them in 1882, then stocked their pastures with cattle. Those ranges lay in Jones and Throckmorton Counties and formed two separate units. In the latter Nineties the Tongue River Range was bought and the Spurs about 1905.

I do know from observation that they had a herd of splendidly bred cows in 1889, fine table-backed cows, that showed a lot of Durham and Hereford blood, in fact few herds could compare with them. At that time, and it is generally known, the

SMS cattle have stayed in the forefront and are recognized as among the very best range-bred cattle to be found in Texas today.



Doug Meador (left) and Kirk Martin, working cattle at Stokes, 1942.

photo courtesy of "Tootie" Meador

TRAIL DUST

By DOUGLAS MEADOR



SAGEBRUSH, A SYMBOL

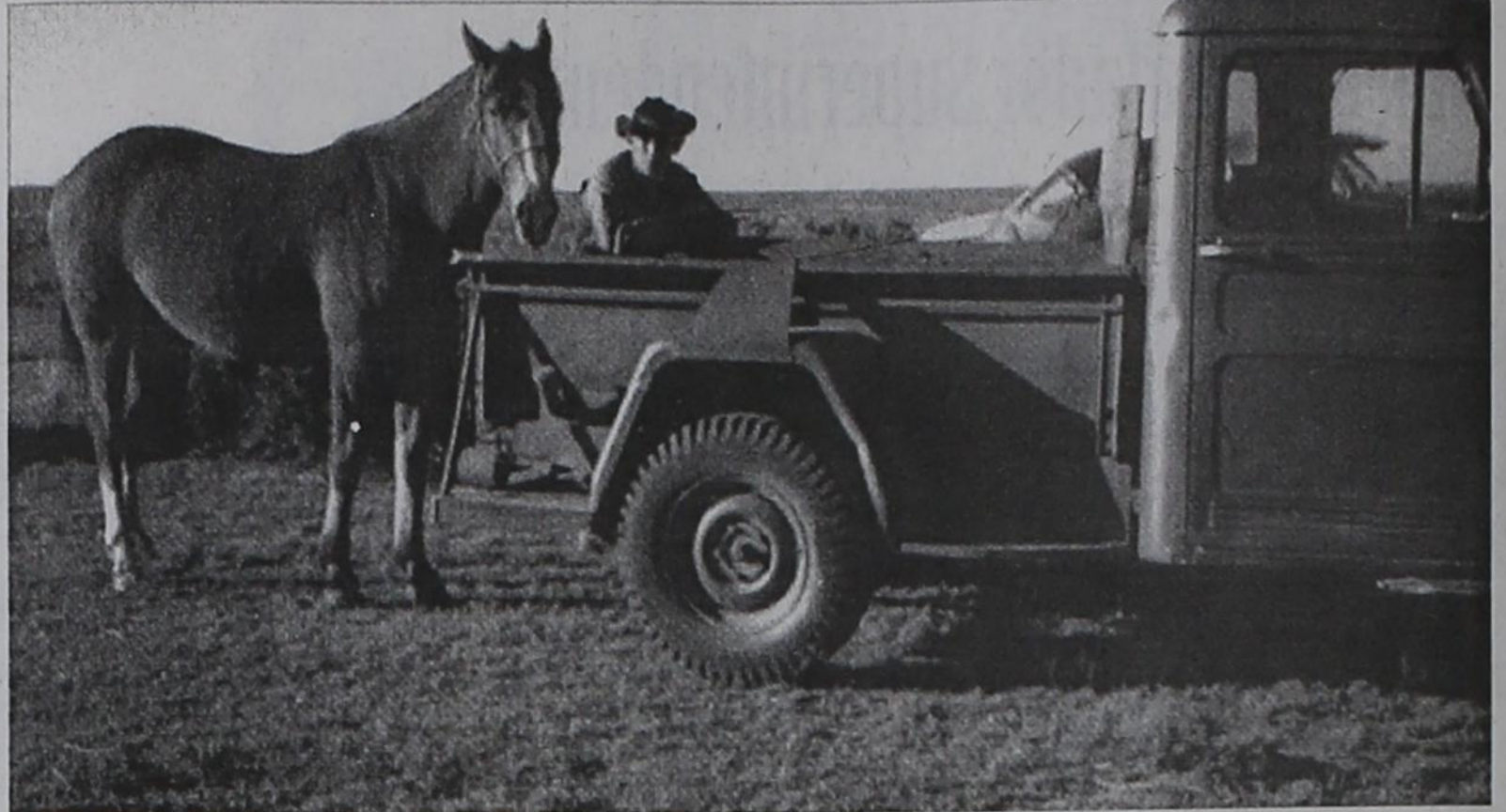
There is no shore to the shallow sea of lavender sage brush being driven into a mauve horizon by the wind. Grizzly waves are sweeping the breakers of red cliffs against the skyline to a melting taper that was the sun but the few reefs are lost in a vastness which must extend beyond the province of purple dust sifting from a drowsy sky at twilight.

A chaffed creation pauses beside the island of night to breathe the fragrance of sage as sachet hanging in the wardrobe of the soul. A bandoline to perfume the temple of dreams and placed near the strange garments of memory. After the yellow moon-lantern is fastened to the balcony of stars, so that its wick reaches the bowl of space, warm channels of silver empty swiftly into the shadows. Now the running swells seem to break and spray the gleaming splendor against the sky and brush the remote palisades of silence. A screech-owl floundering through the night is a gull strayed from companions and lost over a bewildering ocean.

When cowboys build lonely fires beside their unrolled blankets, there is the frankincense of burning sage to enchant the altars of solitude and the soft clean branches gathered for a mattress prepare a couch worthy of none less than a prince. It is an opiate that soothes the inflamed heart, bringing peace to the fretful soul. It seeps into the blood of men who ride over the dwarf forests through a lifetime and grows over their graves when they are done with spurs, stakerope and latigos.

Sagebrush is symbolic of the country of far horizons and men who homestead adversity because their restless spirits cannot become acclimated in a territory where the water-holes never run dry. Scorched by the flame swept over white coals of rainless days through the ages and beaten by the wind's relentless fury, strength, courage and gentleness evolve from a plant in the experimental garden of fate.

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THE WAGON BOSS, 1958, MATADOR RANCH — Booger Red Stegall and his top horse, Tom Thumb, at Red Hills, November, 1958. The two-tone Mercury behind the Jeep belonged to Henry Merrell. Notice the outside sun-visor through pickup window.

(Photo by Johnny Davenport)



HEAD'N OUT — Matador Cowboys follow wagon. This picture was taken in 1952. Jim Cloyd is pictured on Dun horse and Delbert Boyd is black horse. The rest of the crew were Bill Hemphill, Wagon Boss; Rosie Deaton, Drive Leader; John Bumpus horse wrangler; and riders, Henry Merrell, Shorty Hammack, J.R. Edwards, Glenn White, H. Stevens, Tommy Hemphill, Richard Bumpus, Spike West and Wrong Bilberry, who went to the Army before this picture was made. Rosie, Stogey and Glenn broke the horses and the other men worked the trigger traps.

(Photo courtesy of Jim Cloyd)

Trail Dust by Douglas Meador

BLESSINGS - When good fortune comes my way, breaking abruptly from the forbidding clouds of despair, as good fortune often does, I feel suddenly humble, and a prayer of thanks rises in my heart. For when I am honest with myself, I know I have received more than I deserve, which, perhaps, is the amount of blessings everyone receives.

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A Texas Cowboy Looks Back

by Walker Williams
with Tom Sanders

Editor's Note: The following story is a chapter from Walker Williams' book, written in 1957 and 1958, with the help of his nephew, Tom Sanders. Walker Williams started to work for the Matador Ranch when he was fifteen, building fences and soon became a wrangler and then a cowboy. In the early 1930s he was wagon boss. He also worked for a number of ranches in new Mexico, Arizona and California.

THE BUFFALO

"The buffalo were exterminated by the late 1870's because they were not protected by the government in any way. In my opinion the states could have established open and closed seasons that would have given some protection to them before it was too late.

"When I was a kid I remember hearing some of the old timers say that killing all of the buffalo was the only way to control the Indians. Enough powder and lead used at the proper time was another way which proved to be effective when the seven hundred or more Indians, the largest war party ever to assemble on the South Plains, attacked the twenty-eight buffalo hunters at Adobe Walls and when Colonel MacKenzie routed Lone Wolf and his fifteen hundred warriors out of Palo Duro Canyon at the head of Red River. The truth of the matter is this -- most of the Indians were all tucked away safely on the reservation before the slaughter of the Texas buffalo even began. Lone Wolf's band made their way back to the reservation in the Indian Territory before the fall of 1874 and this was the last of the serious Indian troubles in Texas, except for the Adobe Walls fight.

"In the fall of 1874 the buffalo hunters moved into West Texas. A hide hunting outfit usually consisted of one or two shooters, four to six skinners, two or three stretchers, and two wagons. One of these was a heavy wagon used to haul hides to the hide yard and was pulled by six or eight oxen. Horses or mules were used for the smaller wagon which was used to gather small bunches of scattered hides for the heavy wagon.

"Hides were attacked at different places over the country and some were lost by prairie fires and some because bugs and worms of various kinds got into them. There is one place in the northern part of Motley County known as Hide Bug Flat to this day because the hide-hunters had a large stack of hides there that were ruined by bugs.

"Freighters with heavy wagons drawn by oxen made a special business of hauling these hides to the shipping points. Hides stacked north of the Canadian River were hauled to Dodge City and those south of the Canadian were hauled to Fort Griffin, due north of the present town of Albany on the Clear Fork of the Brazos River, and from there to the railroad at Fort Worth.

"The greatest slaughter came in the winter of 1877-78. More than 100,000 hides were taken in December and January in Texas alone. It was claimed that at one time during that period there was a stack of buffalo hides in Fort Griffin as long as a city block, as high as a man could reach throwing hides out of a wagon, and so wide that it must have been made by driving wagons down both sides of the pile in stacking.

"The hunters usually left the meat lying on the ground to rot. W.M. Graham, now deceased, of Matador, killed buffalo in 1876 where the town of Dickens now stands. He spoke of a big camp east of Dickens on Salt Fork Creek that dried the meat for human use. Graham said there were huge piles of buffalo bones stacked near the camp from which the meat had been cut. In the late fall and early winter some hunters shipped the hind quarters to the Railroad.

"Guns used for this wholesale slaughter were of different makes. The Sharps rifle was used more than any other kind. The fifty calibers

known as the 'big fifties' were the favorites. Cartridges were expensive, but most of the hunters had reloading kits and thus cut expenses considerably.

The Big Fifty had 2,000 foot-pounds at its muzzle blast and could shoot a heavy ball farther and more accurately than any rifle before. And was not equalled until the later English elephant guns. The three-inch bottlenecked cartridges were overloaded with up to 110 grains of powder, while the limit was supposed to have been only 90 grains. This would kill the biggest buffalo at 600 yards; some of these rifles were equipped with 10x and 20x telescopes, and helped drop buffalo at three quarters of a mile. Except for the last five years or so each hunter carried with him at all times his 'bite', a Big Fifty cartridge emptied of its powder and filled with cyanide, a guaranteed quick death in order to avoid capture by the Indians. This was the hunter's insurance against mutilation of his body if he saw he was going to be killed by Indians. The warriors would only scalp a person they had actually killed and would not cut them up in any way.

Experienced hunters, after locating a herd, would shoot from a stand behind a bunch of bear grass or other cover at distances from two hundred to five hundred yards. The heavy bullets were usually placed behind the buffalo's shoulder so as to pierce the heart or lungs. If their guns became hot and fueled with burned powder they would pour water from their canteens down the barrel. Professional hunters could kill a herd of two hundred from one stand by dropping each lead buffalo as the herd started moving off. The heavy gun barrel was rested on a forked stick he placed on the ground.

Billy Dixon, of West Virginia, age twenty-four at the time of the Adobe Walls fight, once killed 120 buffalo without moving his rest sticks. Other top scores for stands were Charlie Rath, 107, and Frank Collinson (who knew the Matador country very well), 121.

The calves of these herds were left to wander amongst their dead mothers to starve to death or to be eaten by lobo wolves. Therefore, there were no young animals to replace the older ones that were killed.

In 1873 Dodge City was known as the buffalo capital of the world. In 1874 Indians who slipped away from the reservations in the Oklahoma Territory made West Texas unsafe for the buffalo hunters and a large number of these worthy Knights of the Prairies concentrated near Fort Griffin in Shackleford County, Texas for protection. But, by the spring of 1874 West Texas was again safe from Indian attacks and the hunters began moving out on to the buffalo range, which reached from the Canadian River south, to the Concho River near San Angelo, west to the Pecos River. The spring of 1875 saw the Texas Plains covered with hunting outfits. Graham was with another man looking for a horse range at that time and told me later that when they went up Blanco Canyon and turned out on the Plains where Crosbyton is now located the shooting sounded like an army in battle from dawn to dusk.

In 1876 the hunters realized the buffalo were practically all gone in the Dodge City area, so the majority of them moved in on the southern herd and made Fort Griffin the buffalo capital in 1877. About 1,500 hunters concentrated in the area. The hide yard was a reasonable distance from town and consisted of five acres or more and was covered with drying hides. Within two months more than 100,000 hides were taken and as a result the price went down to about one dollar a hide. The end of the buffalo hide business was in sight.

At the close of the year 1878 the southern herd was virtually exterminated except for a small herd which had eluded the hunters and drifted south. A hunter by the name of Cauley moved southwards and located them at a fresh water lake near where Seminole now stands and killed the entire herd. The same year

the Texas and Pacific Railroad had finished its line from Fort Worth to El Paso, so Cauley shipped the hides and the hind quarters, which were frozen that winter, from Midland to Fort Worth.

Thus, in only four years the buffalo hide hunters did more to solve the Indian problem than the Army had been able to do in thirty years, just as General Phil Sheridan said in 1878 when he opposed a Congressional bill to protect the buffalo. The Indians' commissary had been destroyed. The buffalo were gone - one of our nation's most valuable resources.

The buffalo were gone, but they left their bones scattered over the prairies as a remembrance of the time when they were supreme. C.D. Bird helped his neighbor hunt buffalo bones before coming to Motley County from Dickens County in 1885. Bird was in his teens at the time and had fun picking up the hunters' lead bullets that were sometimes lying about the bones. Buffalo bones, according to Bird, sold for seven or eight dollars a ton. On the trip back after delivering the bones the wagons carried freight. It was during this period that Bird saw five buffalo on Malcom Flat six miles west of the present town of Spur, on the Malcom Ranch. Bird's father shot one of them.

Sanders' note: I believe that Tom and Ella Bird were relatives of C.D. Bird? After the death of her husband in 1888, Ella Bird married A. Dumont. In later years her writings, called *A Woman on The Buffalo Range: The Journal of Ella Dumont*, appeared in the October 1964 *West Texas Historical Association Yearbook*. Ernest Lee (Ed.)

Nearly all buffalo hunters' wives stayed home, but in December, 1876, Ella Bird left Fort Belknap in Young County, Texas with her husband for the Caprock country. Mr. Bird had resigned from the Texas Rangers in order to hunt and he bought his supplies at Fort Belknap, including a Sharp 45, weighing 16 pounds, that used a cartridge about five inches long, a reloading outfit with cartridge shells, primers, a keg of powder, fifty pounds of lead, three knives, etc., as described by Mrs. Bird.

They were accompanied by their friend Alex Johnes, and set up their camp near where Dickens and Cottle counties now come together. Johnes built a rock house, chinked with mud and covered with dirt as their winter quarters in only about four days of work. The ruins of this house must still be there waiting to be found. The Birds lived there for three years.

Mrs. Bird described the method of shooting buffalos differently from other accounts I've heard and read. Her words are:

"When all was ready they would shoot the one that seemed to be the leader. They never shot them behind the shoulder, in the heart or they would pitch, buck around and break the stand. Always shoot far back in the body behind the ribs. This made them sick. They would hump up, walk around and lie down, and then wait a moment till another led. Shoot it then, another leader, on and on till you had shot several, then they would begin milling around and around. You had a stand on them, then you could kill all you wanted."

Mrs. Bird lived in Paducah many years before dying at an old age.

The buffalo bones were shipped by rail to St. Louis and used some how in refining sugar, to make buttons, combs, knife handles, etc. The hooves were used to make glue. The bone collectors got at the most \$12 to \$15 per ton for hooves and horns. In some of the railroad shipping points in the 1870's there were stacks of bones 12 feet high, 12 feet wide, and a half-mile long.

There were still enough buffalo on the range in the early 1880's to give the ranchers a little trouble. I was well acquainted with an early Matador Ranch cowboy, Jack Morris, who was in C.C. Slaughter's range camp on the South Plains near the present town of Big Spring before the buffalo

completely disappeared. Morris said the boss was visiting with him and remarked one day, 'Kid, I see your horses are looking bad. You've been running buffalo haven't you?' Morris said he told him he had. The boss said, 'From now on just run up and shoot them. Don't keep running them.' Morris said he had been 'running the hell out of those buffalo' to keep them away from the good grazing spots for the cattle.

I believe the buffalo could have been domesticated to a certain degree. I have had some experience with buffalo and also with Brahma cattle and I found that the nature and ways of the buffalo and the Brahma cattle are very much the same. The few buffalo that were preserved by Charles Goodnight and few of the other farsighted cowmen has proven that the buffalo could have been domesticated. In the late 1930's a part of the Goodnight buffalo herd drifted down into the JA range on Red River and were gathered by the JA cowboys who put them in corrals and hauled them back to the Goodnight ranch.

The first buffalo calf captured by Charles Goodnight with the intention of raising it was in 1878 and was eventually known as Old Sikes. He was an independent as Goodnight himself. If he decided to go somewhere and a barbed wire fence was in his way he just walked through it. At feeding time he would sometimes go to the horse corral, stick his head under the gate, lift it up off its hinges, go in and eat all the corn he wanted, while the horses, nearly scared to death, would run out the gate and as far as they could. But Goodnight liked the old buffalo and seemed willing to put up with anything.

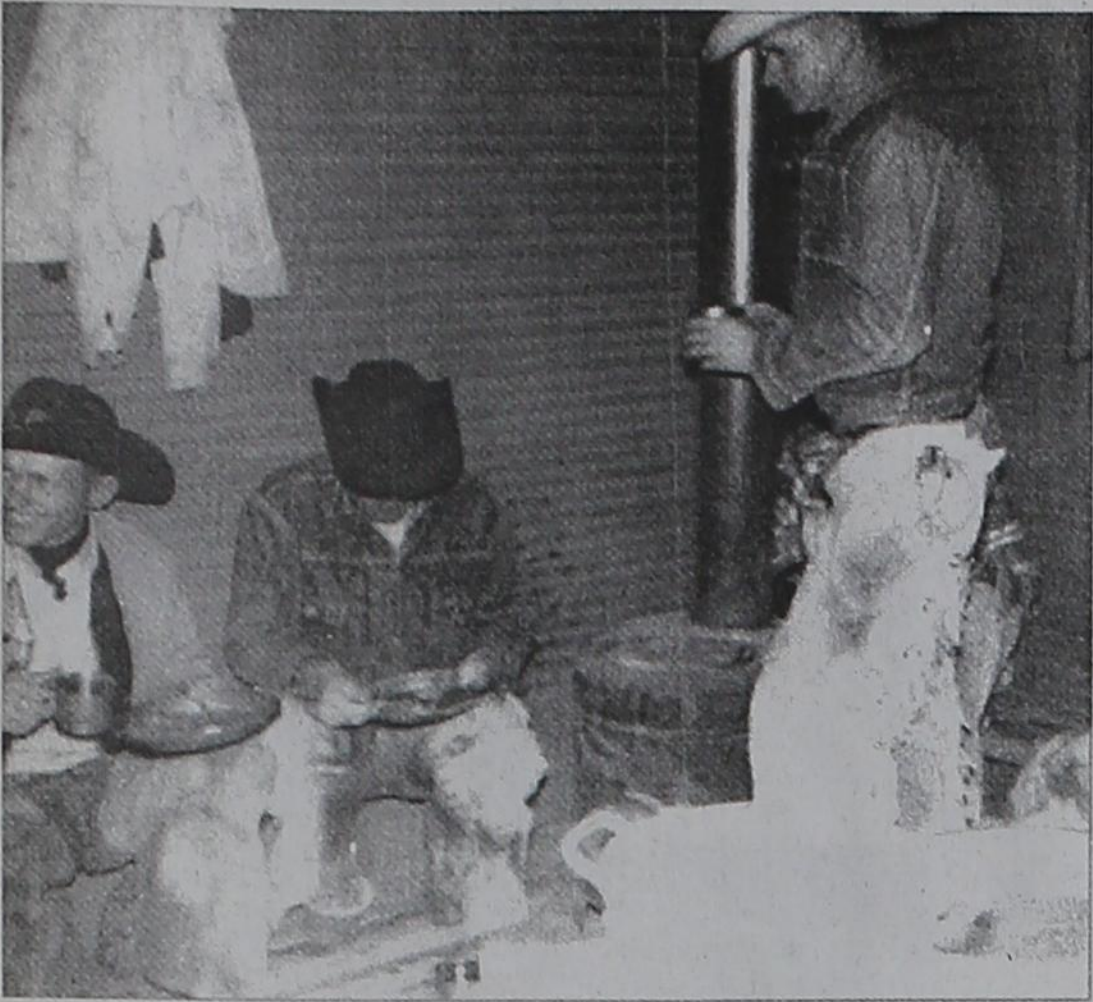
One day in 1886, Old Sikes left the ranch and Goodnight sent two ranch hands after him. They hunted for several miles before finding him and then discovered they couldn't push him back to the ranch, so they dismounted and threw buffalo bones, of which there were many laying around, at him until he decided to head for home. When they got him there they put him in a strong corral made of good lumber six-feet high, but during the night he jumped the fence and headed for the Salt Fork.

Again, cowboys went after him, but they lost the trail and had to give up. The following summer Old Sikes turned up in the roundup and was returned to the ranch house. This time he was dehorned and placed in a pasture, with the other Goodnight buffalo, that was protected with an extra good special fence. He seemed to be happy there.

That fall, however, when an attempt was made to pen him for the winter he chased the cowhand out of the pasture. Goodnight then tried it himself, but Old Sikes charged him, too. Goodnight finally ran out of patience and that Christmas Eve a 964-lb. carcass hung next to the cookhouse. The Christmas dinner was extra good that year since buffalo steak, I think, is better than beef.

I always wondered how the Indians could work the buffalo hides into robes and so many different articles. I thought that buffalo hides were like cow hides, stiff and unpliable after being tanned. In 1939 an old buffalo bull was seen in the Matador country. Where he came from no one knew. He eventually got into a farmer's field which he used for his private grazing ground and was causing considerable damage to the farmer's crops. This served as an excuse for a buffalo hunt so, the chief Game Warden was called and they had a short court session in which the harmless old bull was declared a dangerous and destructive animal and ordered to be disposed of immediately. A group armed themselves, when out and in a short time the old bull was brought down. They took the hide off and put the meat in cold storage. The meat was about half fat and almost unfit for use. One of the party wanted a pair of chaps made out of the hide and others wanted various articles. They sent the hide to a tannery and when it was returned it was in excellent condition, but too soft and pliable for chaps or

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FALL 1960 in the bunkhouse at Wolf Creek Camp. Left to right are Johnny Davenport, Omar Parks and Chig Gwinn.

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1919 FLOMOT COTTON FIELD: Those on wagon are Tede and Ora Blackshear, Earnest and Rui Everhart; on the ground are Mary B. and Viola Blackshear, Bessie and Stella and Mr. Everhart.

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THE STORY OF A RAILROAD MAN

by Opal Pipkin

Bertram Palestine Estes was the fireman on the first train of the Quanah, Acme and Pacific Railroad that came into Roaring Springs in 1913. Other members of the crew that brought that train in were Bill Norman, engineer; Bill Young, conductor; and the brakeman who was either Fred or Tom Watson.

Bert Estes had already been working on railroads a long time - perhaps ten years. His first job was water boy at Shorty's tank. His older brother, Marvin, who was already working on the "Q" helped him get it.

Their mother, Dorinda (Dora) Hughes, had died when Bert was 14 and Marvin was 19 and already working on the railroad. Their father, Worley Estes, had remarried and the boys moved away.

One day Bert was on the job at the water tank when a man arrived to tell him he was "bumping" him off his job. It was a common practice in those days, if a man lost his job, he could "bump" the next person in line and take his job. The man was embarrassed when he found out he was bumping a kid.

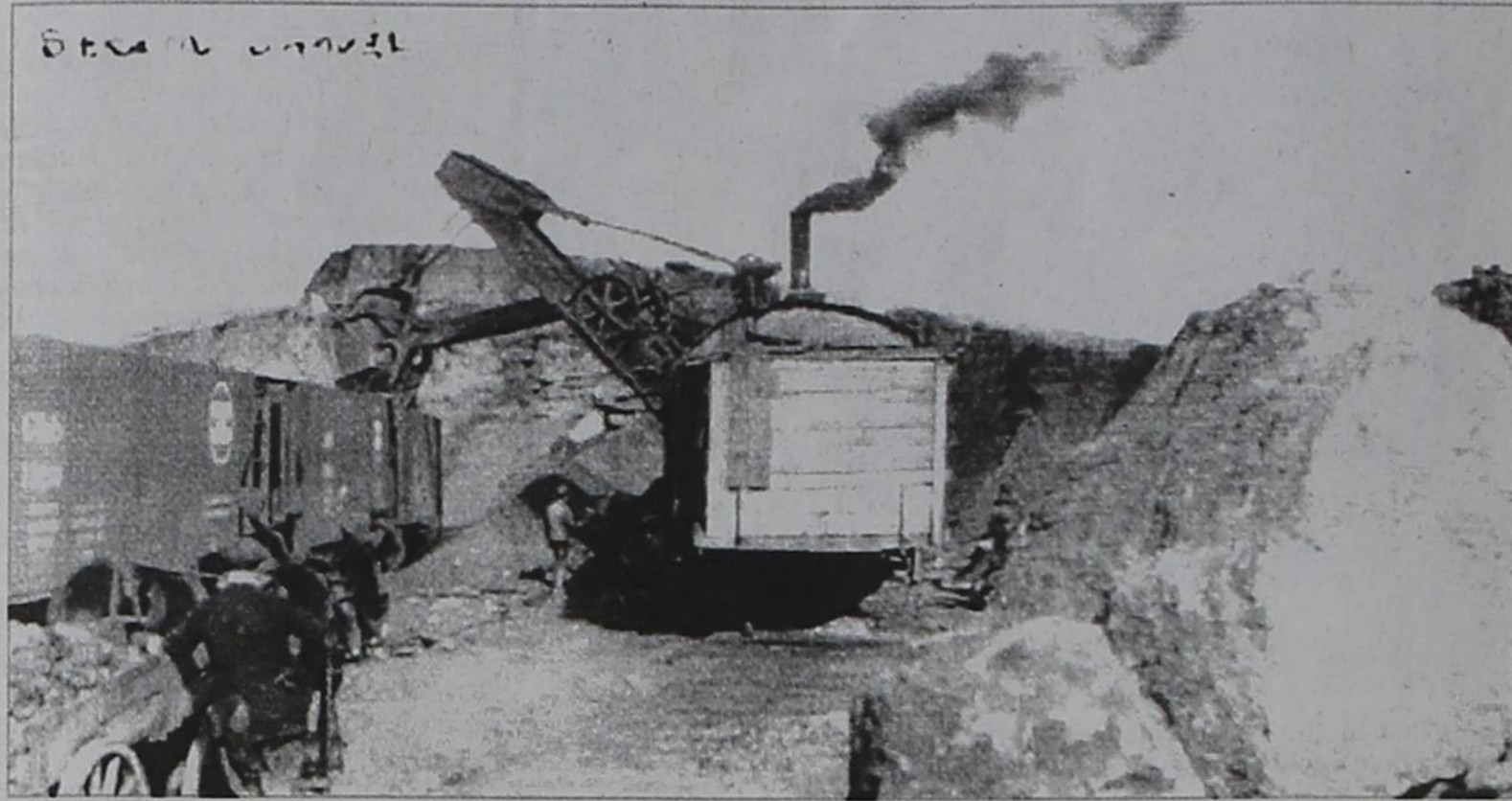
Bert's next job was night watching on the Frisco. All these different lines came into Quanah at the round house including the Fort Worth and Denver. His job at this was to keep the fires "banked" in the different engines and have them ready to go early the next morning. So he watched the engines all night, kept the fires going, and called the engineers early the next day to a new day of work.

The older men liked to trick Bert and scare him. There were three soldiers of the Spanish-American War whose bodies had been shipped to Quanah. They were there a long time and not claimed. The older men tried to scare Bert about them.

He had a very interesting experience there in 1908. A brilliant light appeared in the East and shown long enough to create quite a bit of wonder to everyone who saw it. It was 50 or 60 years later that Bert learned that the bright light was caused by a meteor which struck northern Russia causing considerable damage.

Bert worked as a fireman four years while studying to become a full fledged engineer which he became in 1918 after passing an examination. He worked on the Q. A. and P, also Frisco and Ft. Worth and Denver Railroads.

He married Christmas Eve day in 1907 to Miss Winnie Davis Scott in Olustee, Oklahoma. She was the daughter of Garrett Davis Scott and Annie Laura Willis. She was born at Krum, Texas. She grew up in the home of her grandparents,



The Steam Shovel (top picture). Mr. Estes' Engine in lower picture. Bertram Palesine Estes was the fireman on the first QA&P train that came to Roaring Springs in 1913.

(photo courtesy of Opal Pipkin)

Montreville and Frances Willis in Denton County, Texas. Her father, Garrett Scott, had died when she was seven years of age. Her paternal grandparents, Dr. John and Lucretia Wilson Scott, lived in Denison, Texas.

The Scotts were from Kentucky, and following the Civil War, had come to Texas to work on the railroads.

The Willis family was from Missouri, and following the Civil War, came to Denton County, Texas, in 1867, to be farmers. Winnie was raised by women on both sides of her family who were southern women.

Bert Estes' family was from Georgia. Many of his female relatives were teachers in a Cumming, Georgia Academy. The men were in the Georgia Southern Army. When Tecumseh Sherman got through with Georgia, it was time to leave.

The family moved to Indian territory. Bert was born in 1890 and grew up there. He had a very interesting life in Oklahoma where he went to school in Olustee. It was there he met Winnie. They were very young when they married. It was one teenage marriage that was successful, lasting 62 years!

There were six girls born to this pair. All six married Motley County men.

The Great Depression affected the railroads as well as other professions. Bert Estes worked the Ink and Buchanan Dams in 1928-1930's. He furnished the "rolling stock" to supply the materials for the dams. Later, he was with the Ft. Worth and Denver when the railroad line was built on the South Plains. He was working at Quitaque when the tunnel was built. One day he came in with a huge

bone about the size and shape of a stove pipe. We all exclaimed over it when he told us it was a fossil.

He took the first train over the new line to Dimmitt, Stinnett, and Sterling City. There were big celebrations in all these towns when the railroads came, and then again, especially in Dimmitt, when the first big shipments of wheat left for the north.

The men in Motley County and surrounding towns had another source of employment during the Depression when the highway through Matador was built. There was much talk about "ponding and jetting" during this time. Douglas Meador was writing a great deal about this as publisher of the newspaper.

The Estes girls married the following young men in Motley County:

William Neal Pipkin - banker and insurance agent - married Opal;

William Foy Jacobs - merchant - married Vivian;

Robert Darsey - rancher and farmer - married Winifred;

R.E. Campbell, Jr. - merchant, grocer and car dealer - married Lucretia;

Homer Shamble - cotton broker - married Virginia;

Bobby Lee York - the Space program at Langley Air Force Base - married Shirley.

Bert Estes took the job on the

Motley County Railroad in 1923, and

the family moved to Matador in the

fall of that year. All the children, there

were five at that time, enrolled in the

Matador School.

The Matador schools were excel-

lent. Many graduates had gone on to

college and good careers such as doctors, lawyers, school administrators and judges. In 1926 two of the faculty members became medical doctors, one becoming head of the Texas Medical Association. One Superintendent later became president of John Tarleton College.

Many of the young men were sent to military prep schools for study before going to the bigger colleges and universities.

One reason the Matador school was so fortunate in the quality of its teachers was the tax structure in Motley County. The Matador Ranch had such a high tax payment, it paid for all the County as well as the school expenses. The teacher pay was in cash while the adjoining counties paid in script.

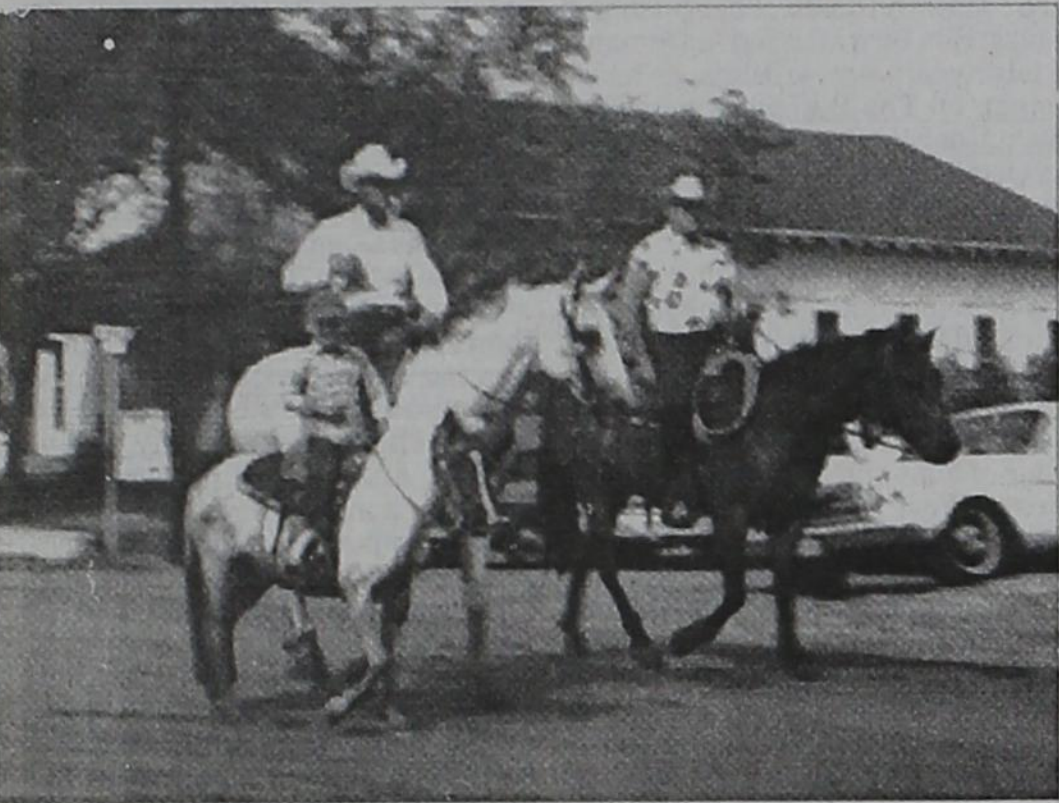
When Bert took control of operating the daily duties of the Motley County RR, there was a very lackadaisical attitude toward the most basic duties of the train schedule. It took several times of the train leaving without the mail until the Post Office began to move the mail in a timely and proper manner from the town to the depot.

The Motley County RR also had a "jigger" that was used on some days when it was not necessary to fire up the engine. The "jigger" was some type of contraption made from a truck chassis and a motor. The days the train didn't run, the "jigger" took the mail and brought back the freight, along with groceries. Included in the groceries were bananas. However, there was some complaint from the local grocers over the frequent strange disappearance of the banana shipments.



Cowboy Soldier - Wildhorse Warren, WWII.

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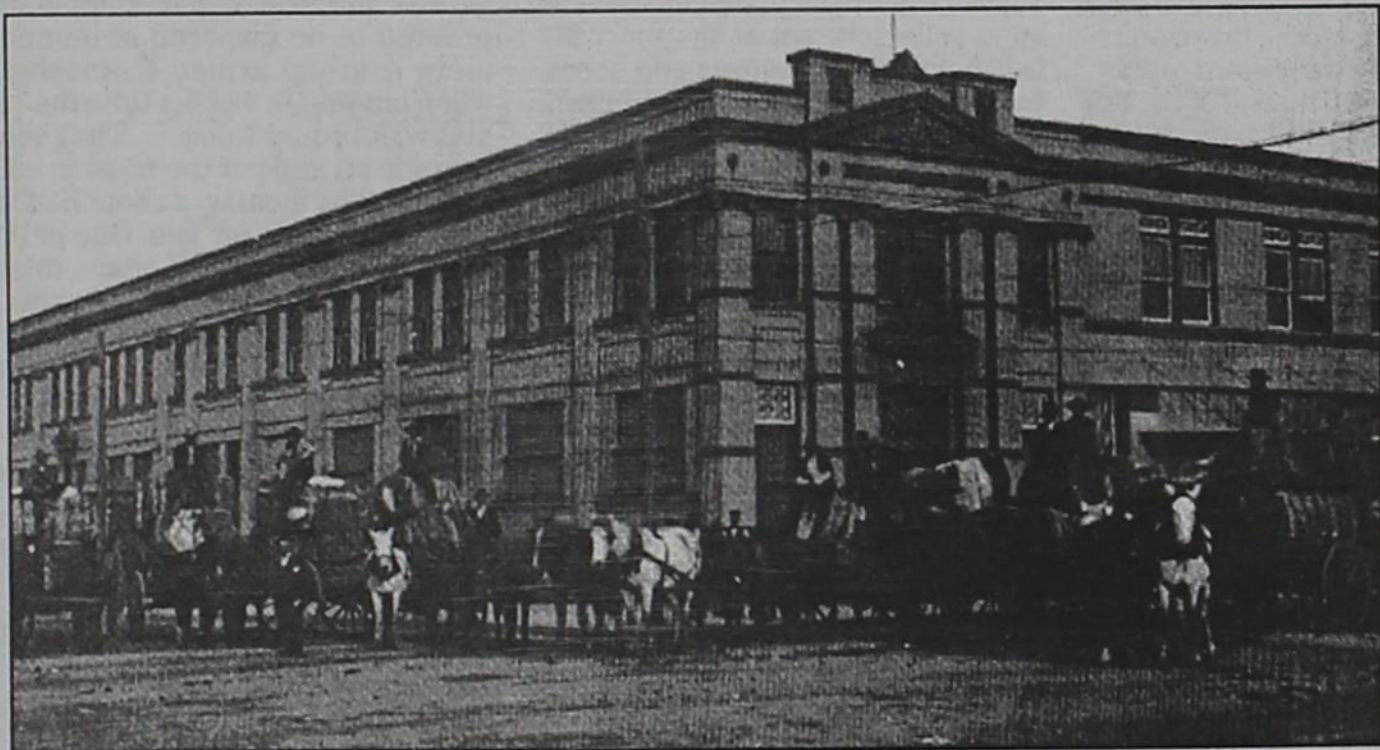


Old Settlers Parade, 1960's, Dusty Burleson, Teen Burleson and Clay Hart.

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TAKING A BREAK — Photo taken at Tee Pee City, October, 1958. Pictured left to right at back are Henry Merrell, Frank Bumpus, John Bumpus, Carlos Clower, Ft. Worth; in front, left to right, Jay Nails and Jinks Wilson.

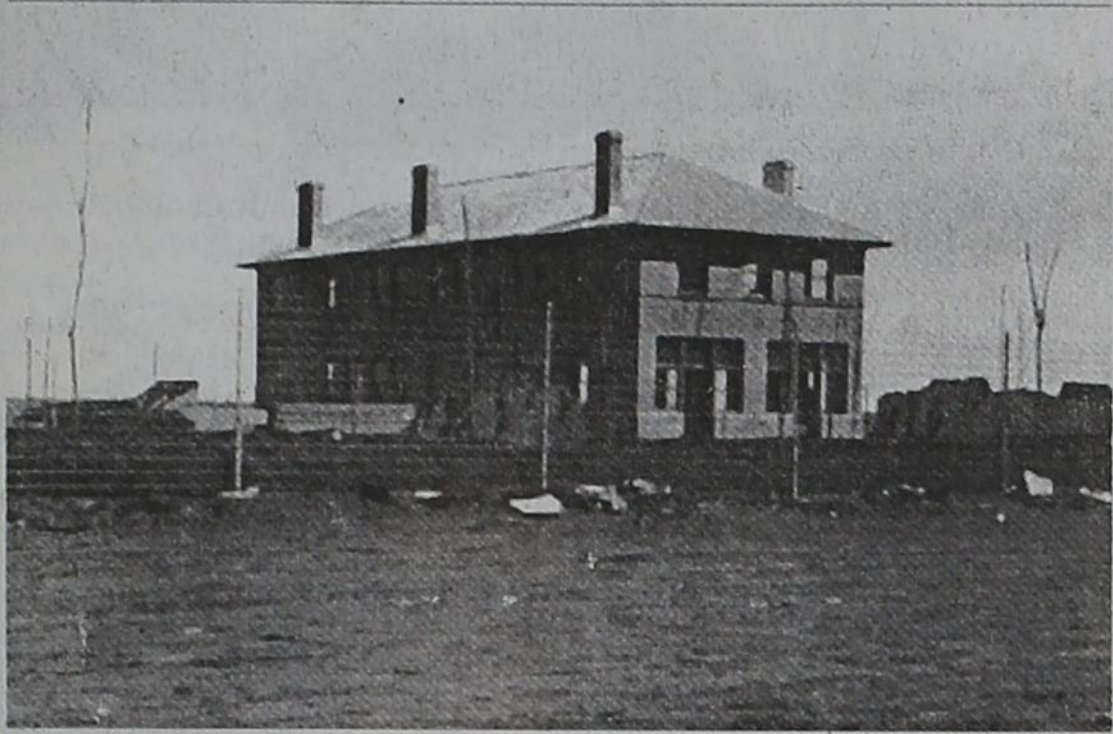
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MOVING HORSES from Red Hills to Tee Pee City, December 18, 1958. Left to right, Johnny Davenport, Richard Bumpus, John Bumpus, Jay Buck Bumpus.
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The Madadors Chuckwagon set up and waiting to feed the cowboys.



The Roaring Springs Hotel under construction in 1913

K. Jones was manager of Roaring Springs Hotel

Reprinted from 1940 edition of Matador Tribune

Manager of the first hostelry in Roaring Springs, K. Jones moved with his family to that city when it was

founded in 1913. The Travelers' Hotel was built the following year by Sam Lazarus, and was operated by Mr. and Mrs. Jones for several years. In 1920, Mr. Jones owned a drug store, which was later operated by his son, Harold (Casey) Jones. Other children are Mrs. Paul Barrier of Lubbock and Fred Jones of Temple. Mr. Jones passed away in 1932, and his wife continued to reside in Roaring Springs until her death.



COTTLE-KING COUNTY RODEO, RANCH CUTTING, 1961 — Pictured left to right on horseback are Elmer Parks, Sam Whitley, John Stotts, Boots O'Neil, Pockets Crawford, Lathan Withers, Son Reid, Bill Flowers, unidentified, unidentified, Sheep Morrow, next three men are unidentified; in front (l-r), Gobler Hart, Royce McClary and Bill Flowers; (middle front) George Humphreys and Jay Humphreys (head behind George); man standing (near middle of mounted cowboys) is unidentified. In the stands, beginning at top left, are Roy Shepard, Tut Garnett and Jim Cross, pictured left to right; at top on right are unidentified, Stogie Bumpus and Marion Martin; young woman sitting below is Little Anne, owner of the 6666 Ranch.

(photo by Johnny Davenport)

A Texas Cowboy looks back

leggings. It was just right for gloves, coats and other articles of outdoor wear. That was when I discovered the difference between buffalo hides and the hides of cattle. A piece of buffalo hide tanned properly, that is twelve inches square can be wadded up and held in the palm of your hand while cow hides are always stiff.

The mustang and the buffalo meant life to the Plains Indians. Their entire economy was based upon the buffalo and all parts of the animal were used. Pemican, a hold over ration used by the Indians when traveling light on long journeys, was made from the inside tender loin of

the buffalo. For this the meat was cut in thin strips and dried in the sun, then pounded almost into a powder, mixed with edible berries pounded well and dried in the sun, mixed with walnuts, pecans or pinons, then boiling buffalo fat and mixing it all together before pouring into lengths of intestines. Early day hunters learned from the Indians how to make pemican for their own use.

Now the buffalo are gone forever - the huge bulls, the smaller cows with their calves; the light tan colors of the calves and the darker brown tint of the older animals in contrast with the browns and soft greens of the plains that stretched as far as you could see - never more to darken the prairies with their force of number; never more to shake the earth with the thundering hooves, a great natural resource destroyed by greedy businessmen for personal profit.



Bundy Campbell

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Moore Maker

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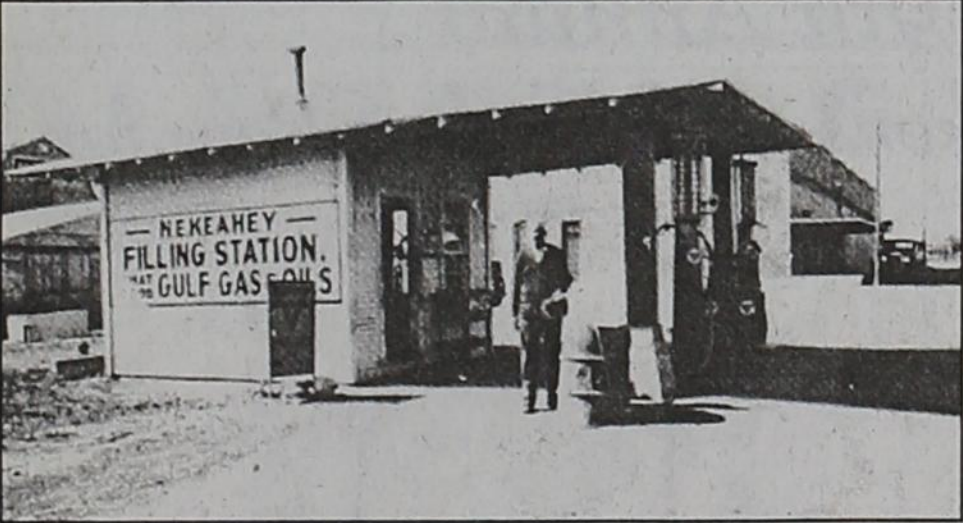
The company employs seven local young men, Tony Gonzalez, Ty Barclay, Joe Gonzalez, Randy Ho-Gland, and Brandon Moore, Glynard's grandson. "All our employees seem like part of the family," Mr. Moore said. "We have a very good working relationship," he continued.

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The Moores are glad to be a part of the Motley County business sector. Their roots grow deep here and they are proud of their heritage. Everyone is welcome to visit their shop.

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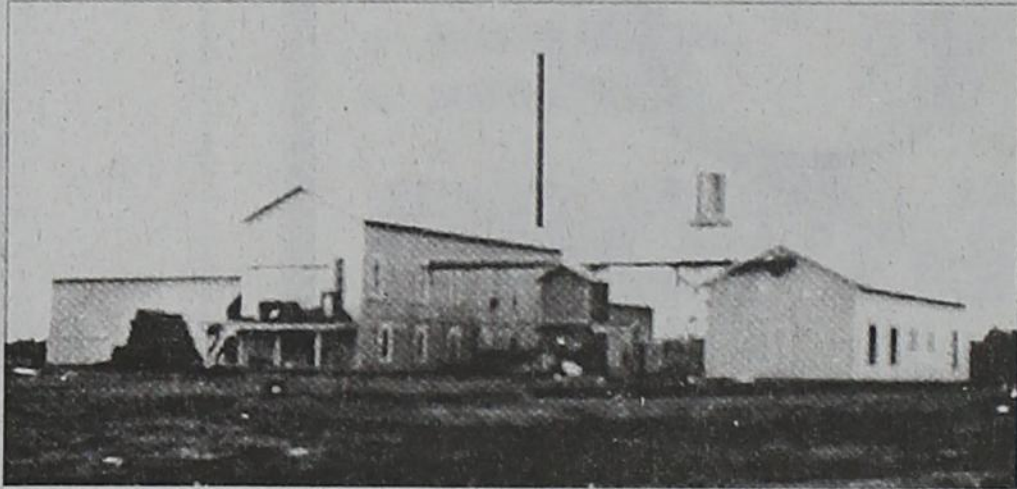


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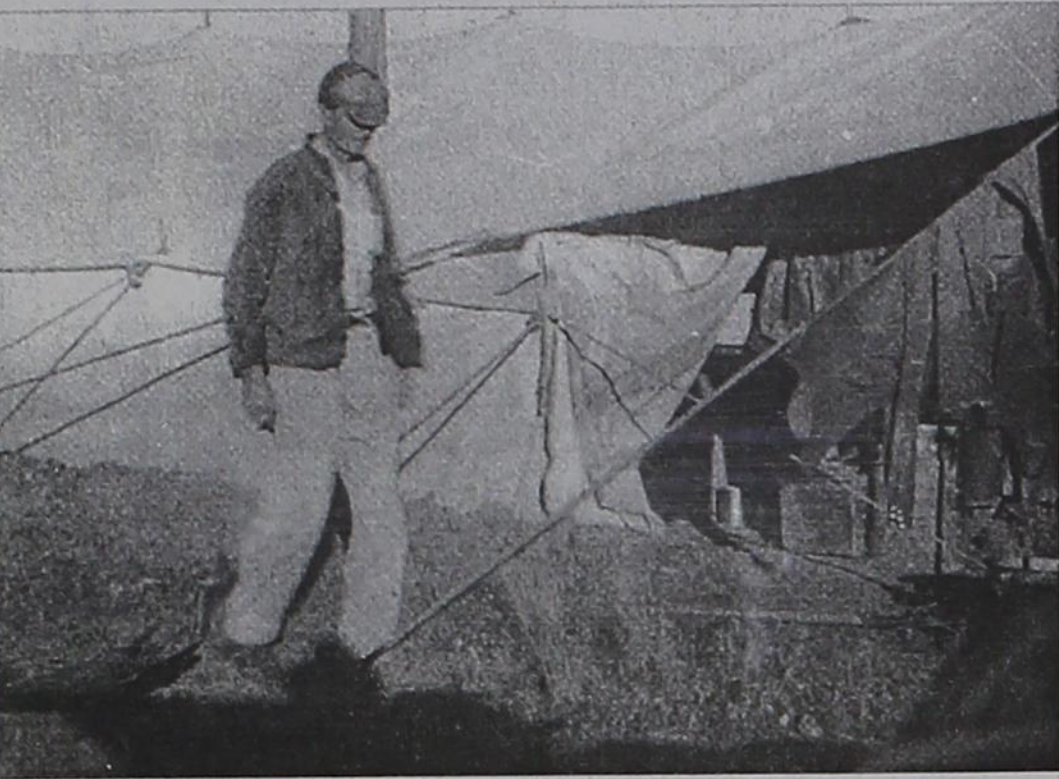
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Remembering a Cowboy



Slim Felts at Red Hills, December 1958
(photo by Johnny Davenport)

by Johnny Davenport

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Slim, like most boys his age, went out on his own at a very young age. He went to work for the Spur Ranch, near Dickens, Texas, when he was fifteen years old.

He married in 1917, in Dickens. Slim went to work for the Matadors in 1925, and he and his wife, Lula May, moved to Larquey Camp, located a few miles west of Matador.

Five years later, the Matadors moved Slim and his family over to the east side of the Ranch, to the Payne Place, which is located 10 or so miles northwest of Paducah, Texas.

Slim spent the next twelve years of his life at the Payne Place. In 1942, the Matadors moved a house onto the northeast side of East Pasture. Slim and his family moved there - East Camp.

Slim was a good hand and rode very good horses. He was a quiet, easy going man and was well liked and respected by the boys at the wagon.

On the Matadors when the wagon

was in a campman's country, that campman helped work it, with the crew. It was standard that the campman was to meet the cowboys on the drive or to ride to the wagon and go from there. Slim always brought his bed roll and stayed with the wagon when he worked his country.

I remember a luxury that Slim lavished upon himself each day - his bedroll was next to mine inside the wagon tent. Slim would sit down on the ground and lean back onto his bedroll, pull out a good cigar and sit there and enjoy life as he smoked that cigar. "One cigar a day," Slim said.

Slim and Lula May raised six children. The older ones were grown before Slim moved to East Camp, but the youngest one was not in school yet.

When the Matadors sold, the state of Texas bought East Camp, and most of the country that went with it. The state turned this into a Game Preserve.

Slim stayed there, working for the state until he retired in 1963. He then lived out the rest of his life in Paducah. Slim passed away in 1980.



FLOMOT GENERAL STORE — W.E. Burleson, Bundy Campbell, baby Bundy Hal, baby Marisue Burleson, Mollie Burleson.
(photo courtesy of Marisue Potts)



LET'EN THE AIR OUT OF 'M — November, 1958, Red Lake on the Matadors. Mounted cowboys, left to right are Bob Goff and Stogie Bumpus. Pulling rope, (l-r) Ft. Worth, Johnny Davenport, John Bumpus, Frank Bumpus, Dagge Roehr's hat above Frank's head.
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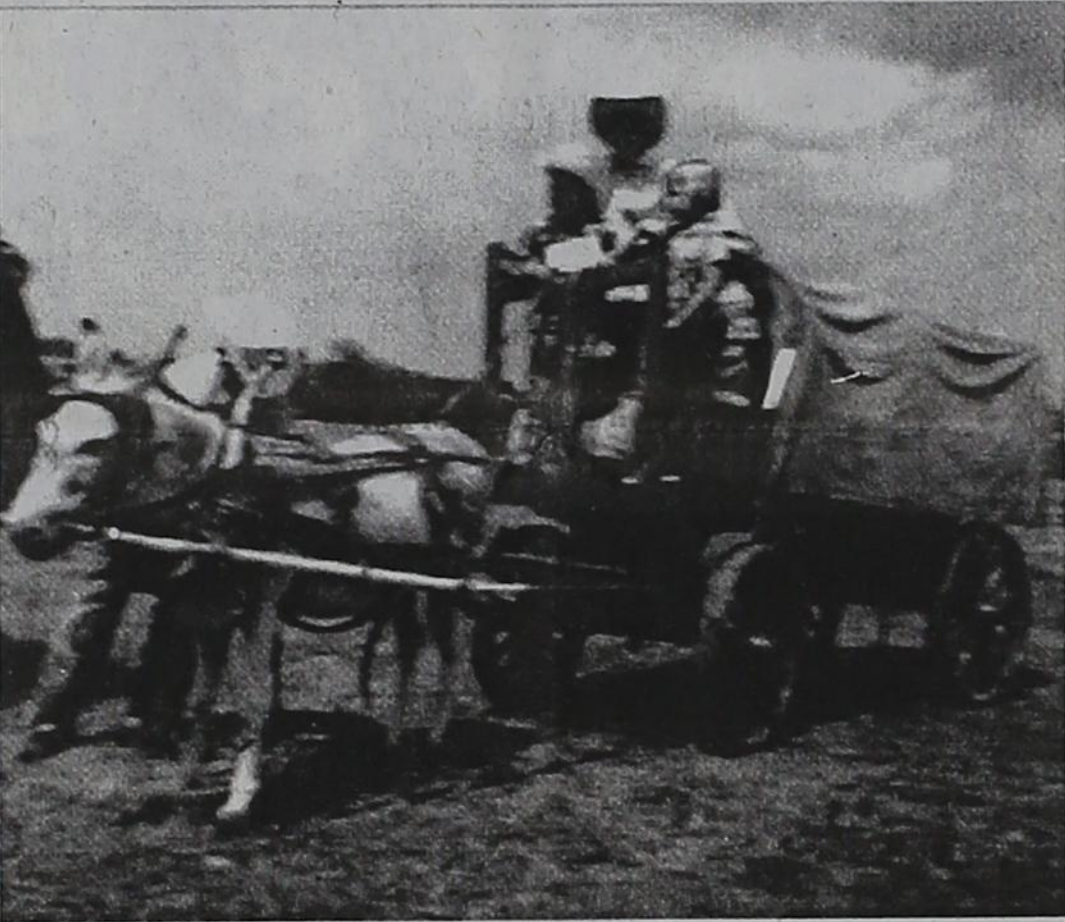
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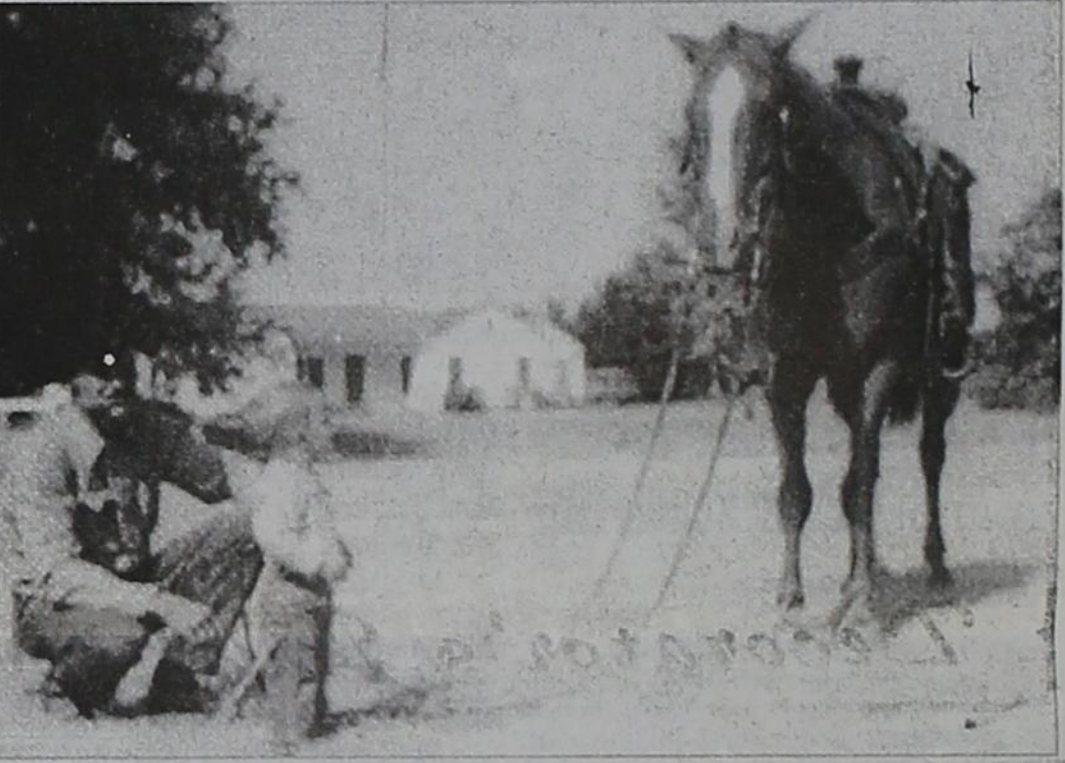
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W.E. Burleson hooks up mule for Tom and Jim Potts and Carrla and Beverly Burleson for the Old Settlers Parade.
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Johnny Davenport and son, Billy Davenport. This picture was taken August, 1960, in Roaring Springs just after the Old Settlers Parade. The horse's name was "Accident."
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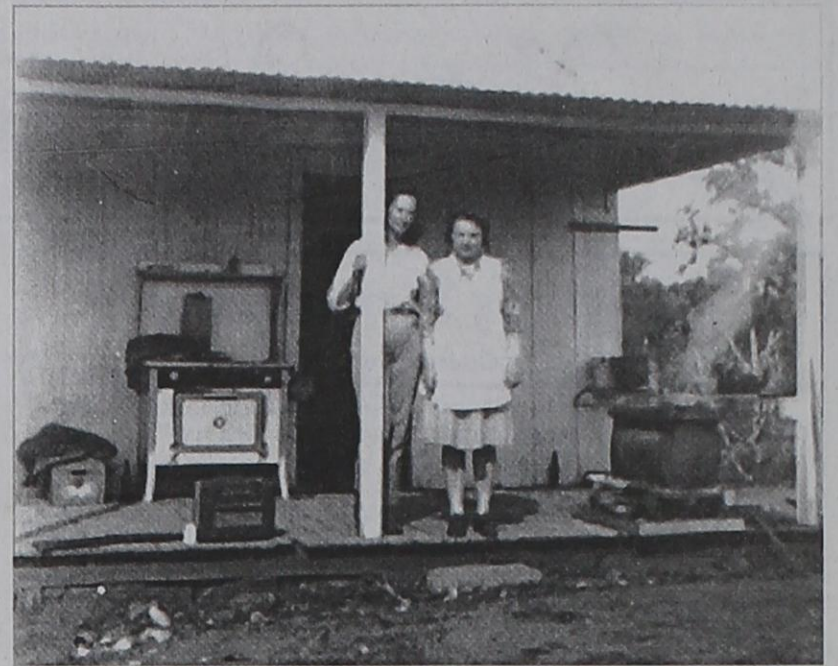
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Pulling the Wagon into Matador Headquarters to start working trigger traps and break horses, August, 1952. Bob Thornton was the Cook on the Wagon. Wishy Dirickson, Drive Leader on horse; Arizona Dave was on the Hoodlum Wagon.

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Mollie Barton Burleson and Lillie Mae Martin Johnson cooling on wood stoves.

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Allie Barton (Hart) in north Motley County on the Barton farm, North Pease.

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News Around the County

Roaring Springs News

By Odessa Mullins

Lula Swim met Rev. and Mrs. Monte Wike in Littlefield for lunch on Sunday. She visited Rev. and Mrs. Donnie Howell that afternoon and then went on to Sudan for church services Sunday night, with the Wikes.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Largent visited his mother, Mary Lumsden Tuesday. They had lunch at the Hitchin' Post.

Lester Mullins drove his wife to the Covenant Hospital in Lubbock, Friday after tests indicated a closed artery behind her heart. She is recovering from a procedure to clean the artery. They returned home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Burton went to Claude, Friday, for a family reunion of her family. They joined her mother, Avis Haney and her sisters and brothers at a

sister's-in-law home, Jo Ann Haney. They returned home Sunday evening.

Von and Mike Verrill of Forbes, Scotland visited Ken and Dinah Young last week. Mr. and Mrs. Verrill are the parents of the Young's son-in-law. Mr. Verrill has been in the Scotland Air Force for over 40 years and trains pilots to attack enemy submarines. While here the group enjoyed spending time in the Young's orchard, hiking and picnicking at Caprock Canyons and picnicking at the Springs.

Randy Meredith and son John drove Angelica and Jonah Meredith to Grants, NM last weekend where they met their parents, Cody and Leah Meredith of Las Vegas, NV, to return home after visiting family here for the past few weeks.

Neighborhood News

by Rita Groves

Just like the groundhog that comes out in the spring, and if he sees his shadow, goes back to take another six-weeks nap. That's me, except I can't crawl in a hole. I sat in my chair and waited, for a whole day. My mother always said, "This also shall pass." I go into shock, and instead of helping someone, I hibernate and eat. When I saw Ruth Lowrimore's picture among the obituaries, and Sam Kennedy's name in the Pending notice, came this strong desire to crawl back in bed, and just not get up again. I first knew Ruth's mother when she moved into town from Dutchman's camp, which I have always taken for granted was a "line camp for the Matadors." I had long since decided I would need to have a career that would pay more than a cowboy's wages, so since Mrs. Plemons became a close neighbor and was the wife of a cowboy, I adopted her. Her husband was Hawley, born 29 March 1869 and died December 31, 1957. He was a mason. She very graciously accepted my "friendship." It was that old search for a grandparent to which I was yielding. When she tired of driving, needed money, or for whatever reason, and decided she no longer needed her little Green Ford, we bought it for the Hepcats. A car was needed to haul their instruments to and fro.

My small teacher's salary furnished money to acquire transportation for the portable instruments. My salary that first year was \$2003 for a nine months term. School administrators were cooperative. Using the last period, every Friday afternoon, I took "kids" to Mrs. Ohmer Kirk in Floydada for music lessons. Sometimes the load of music lovers included the three Goodwin kids - Martha, Jane Anne, and Billy, sometimes Frank Traveek, but never Gerald Pipkin, who could, and still can play any instrument. We all agree that he has a great personality and talent, but he never learned to read notes, so when he went to Tech, the band needed others. When you hear of those who live on memories, that's me. Intruding at a recent practice session, I was amazed at the appreciation and love for music among our young merchants. I'm afraid "dedication" is what is needed. Algie didn't mind that we spent his last dime on a set of Premier drums so that Pat Groves could join the band. Ward Rattan helped Pat get started, and Pat wore a mask at times that helped.

I'm sorry I got off the subject of Ruth Lowrimore's death. (I blame it on my age.) I never knew Ruth very well. She lived in Lubbock while I was enjoying her mother, but I saw her often, and she kept a house in Matador, and never neglected to visit her mother often. Her brother Will, better known as "Bill" Plemons, who lived there later was a great friend of Algie's.

Sam and Donna Kennedy were our neighbors in Roaring Springs. We hope Donna will stay. Sam, I didn't know very well, but Donna and I had common interests in Avon and sewing. People just don't seem to make time to visit anymore. But Sam will be missed at the Cowboy's services, and their reunion at Green's place.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Alma and Everett Shorter enplaned from Lubbock Airport last Friday to San Antonio and visited grandson and family. Mr. and Mrs. Russel Rhodes until Sunday. They celebrated the first birthdays of their twin daughters, Kathryn and Krysten Rhodes, Saturday. Cameras and videos were busy when they were presented their decorated cakes and gifts. Among the many guests were their paternal grandparents, Judy and Richard Rhodes of Conroe.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Johnson and daughter Mrs. Neal (Kayla) Guest of Turkey attended the wedding Saturday of Tamera Lynn Armes and Jason Keith Stanley held at the Oakwood United Methodist Church in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee attended the Otwell Twins concert Saturday night held at the Gem Theatre in Turkey.

Ronnie Rogers of Lubbock visited Friday and Saturday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers and brother, Donnie Rogers.

Johnnie Starkey accompanied his mother, Mrs. C.W. Starkey to Amarillo, Friday for her heart pace maker check up. She received a good report. They visited family members before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Kendall, Jere and Jacob visited in Houston from Sunday until Wednesday of last week with friend, Jere Banawski.

Whiteflat News

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD
An elderly man had a problem hearing so he went to the doctor and got a hearing aid. In a couple of weeks he went back to the doctor and the doc asked him how his family liked his hearing aid.

He said, "I didn't tell them I had it. I just sat and listened and I changed my will three times!"

Mrs. Frances Dixon and friends, Mrs. Eugenia Barton, Mrs. Norma Marrs and Mrs. Louise Barton of Matador enjoyed the performance of the Otwell Twins Saturday night at the Gem Theatre in Turkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barton of Lub-

bock celebrated the birthday of his uncle, Wilson Barton, Sunday with lunch at the Sportsman Cafe in Quitaque.

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They visited in Canyon with son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey. Also with them when in Amarillo were daughter and husband, Bessie and Clifton Reid.

Mary Ellen Barton attended the Chamber of Commerce banquet in Matador Thursday night.

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Visiting with Mrs. Juanita Cooper last week were her sister and husband, Lee and Vann Bradford of Gruver and brother, and wife, Gordon and Freddie Harmon of

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OBITUARIES

Ruth Plemons Lowrimore

Memorial services for Ruth Plemons Lowrimore, 90, of Lubbock were held at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, August 17, in the Ford Chapel, First Baptist Church of Lubbock. Officiating was Rev. Randy Holman. Arrangements were under the direction of Sanders Funeral Home.

Mrs. Lowrimore died Wednesday, August 14, 2002.

She was born in Channing, Texas, April 16, 1912, and moved to Lubbock in 1928 from Matador. She married William Lowrimore, Jr. in 1936 in Lubbock. He preceded her in death, March 1, 1972. She graduated from Lubbock High School. She was a homemaker and a member of

First Baptist Church for over seventy years. She was also a member of the Rachel Sunday School Class and served as the class secretary.

A son, Don Lowrimore in 1999, and a grandson, Michael Lowrimore in 1996, preceded her in death.

Survivors include a son, Will and wife, Jane Lowrimore of Austin; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; a nephew, Gene Plemons of Amarillo.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Matador Cemetery Association, c/o Seigler Funeral Home, P.O. Box 370, Matador, Texas 79244.

Sam Kennedy

Funeral services for Sam Kennedy, 79, of Roaring Springs, were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, August 18, at the Roaring Springs Baptist Church. Officiating was Walt Arnold of Silverton. Interment was in the Dickens Cemetery at Dickens, Texas, under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador.

Mr. Kennedy died early Thursday, August 15, 2002, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Amarillo.

He was born November 8, 1922, at Dickens, Texas. He graduated from high school in Aspermont and had lived in Arizona, Oklahoma, and in Channing, Texas, prior to moving to Roaring Springs in 1988. He was a retired professional rodeo performer, and belonged to a number of rodeo associations, including RCA Rodeo Cowboys Association, IRA (International

Rodeo Association), USTA (U.S. Team Ropers Association), Oklahoma Daly Team Ropers Association, and the National Old-timers Rodeo Association.

He is survived by his wife, Donna; two daughters, Mariann Cannon of Atoka, Oklahoma and Debbie Kennedy-Mott of New Richland, Washington; one son, Dean Kennedy of Pelkie, Michigan; one sister, Ann Halbedl of Ruidoso, NM; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Justin Cannon, Rodger Cannon, Pat Smith, Bill Gholson, David Taylor and Richard Thomas.

Honorary Pallbearers were William Gholson, James Gholson, Jim Hall, Andy Mocheals, J.N. Fletcher, Gene Ray Ward and Brent Whitaker.

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Farm Service Agency News

by Debbie Shaw, CED

EMERGENCY CRP HAYING AND GRAZING EXTENDED THROUGH NOVEMBER

The Secretary has authorized emergency haying and grazing of CRP acreage until November 30, 2002. Motley County will continue participating in this emergency program through November 30th or until conditions should no longer warrant the need for emergency haying and grazing. Livestock and/or hay should be removed by December 1, 2002.

2003 SMALL GRAIN NAP APPLICATION DATES REVISED

We have received notification of revised 2003 Small Grain Application Closing Dates. The following application closing dates are applicable to all Texas counties. The 2003 application closing date for all small grains intended for grazing is September 1, 2002. The final planting date is October 1, 2002.

The application closing date for all small grains intended for forage is September 30, 2002. The final plant-

ing date is October 1, 2002.

Producers are reminded that they should have their application for payment signed by all producers who have an interest in the 2002 small grain grazing or forage loss and all production evidence should be submitted by September 1, 2002, in order to finalize your 2002 NAP loss.

DIRECT AND COUNTER-CYCLICAL PROGRAM

In the producer meetings last week, we discussed that producers will be eligible to "plug-in" a minimum actual yield when their yield drops below 75% of the NASS yield for all covered commodities except peanuts if their production evidence is not acceptable or verifiable. Peanut producers will be able to use 100% of the NASS yield as a "plug" for low yields. Producers will be able to utilize the NASS yields if they want to prove up yields for the counter-cyclical program and are updating their base acreage using the option to use average planted acres from 1998-2001. Listed below are the NASS yields for Motley County.

CROP	PRACTICE CODE	WEIGHTED AVERAGE	75% OF WEIGHTED AVERAGE	100% OF WEIGHTED AVERAGE (PEANUTS)
Wheat	I	35	26	
Oats	N	36	27	
Upland Cotton	I	517	388	
Upland Cotton	N	163	122	
Corn	I	129	97	
Corn	N	54	41	
Sorghum	I	65	49	
Sorghum	N	42	32	
Peanuts	I	2930		2930
Peanuts	N	1712		1712
Sunflower	N	851	638	
Soybeans	I	34	26	
Soybeans	N	17	13	
Barley	N	34	26	

Cow-Calf Clinic set for September 10th

The 2002 Western Rolling Plains Cow/Calf Clinic will be held on September 10, 2002. This year's program will address Foreign Animal Diseases with topic discussions on E.I.A. or Coggins, Mad Cow Disease, TB (Tuberculosis), West Nile Virus, and Chronic Wasting Disease.

Guest speakers will be Dr. Arnaldo Gutierrez, Federal Veterinary Officer and Dr. Jim Amin, Area I Di-

rector of Texas Animal Health Commission. You won't want to miss this opportunity to have all your questions answered concerning these diseases.

Registration and welcome being at 5:45 p.m. at the Jayton Community Center. A meal will be provided, so those wishing to attend are encouraged to R.S.V.P. no later than September 3. Call the Kent County Extension Office at 806/237-3751, Dickens office at 806/623-5552, King County office at 806/596-4451 or the Stonewall County office at 940/989-3510.

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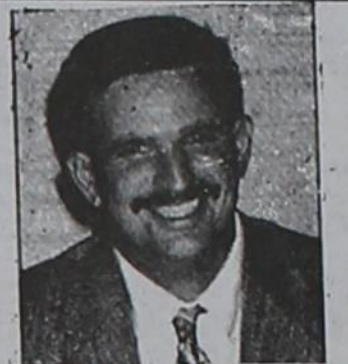
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County Agent's Report

by Lonnie Jensechke - Motley County Extension Agent



GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

In November, many Texans will take to the poles over proposed Groundwater Conservation Districts. This local control is the legislatively preferred method to manage groundwater in our state. The basic job of a groundwater conservation district is to create and implement a comprehensive management plan. They are in charge of permitting large wells and keeping records of all wells. Management rules cover conservation, preservation, protection, prevention of water waste, and recharge. Each district is unique in its funding, controls, and powers. Voters should learn as much as possible about their proposed district.

TRACKING MOVEMENT OF CATTLE WITH SATELLITES

Technology used in automobiles is now used to track cattle. The Global Positioning System allows researchers to better understand why cattle make the choice where they graze. USDA researchers have installed collars with special radio receivers on

a dozen cattle. The receivers collect information from 24 to 30 satellites. Using satellite coordinates, researchers can determine where a cow was and at what time she was there. GPS

units also monitor head movements that indicate whether the animals are eating, sleeping or just walking. Once this information is collected the data will be put in a computer using the Geographic Information System to understand and visualize the environment the cattle were in. Later, computer software will be developed to determine what cattle do in various situations and the affects of adding fences and water.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
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Motley County will hold a public hearing at 5:30 p.m. on August 29, 2002, at the Motley County Courthouse in regard to the submission of an application to the Office of Rural Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The County encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views and proposals to Judge Ed Smith at the County Courthouse. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact the County Courthouse at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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Motley County is requesting proposals for engineering services in conjunction with the Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) from the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) for the program years 2003-2004. The TCDP provides financial assistance in the form of grants for public infrastructure improvements, economic development, housing, and planning activities. Accordingly, the County is seeking to contract with a qualified engineer/engineering firm (registered to practice in the State of Texas) to prepare all preliminary engineering reports, budget justification, and maps of submission of application(s) to the appropriate funding category. The qualified engineer/engineering firm will prepare all preliminary and final design plans and specifications and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections for the application project that is awarded a contract by the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA). Please submit your proposal of services and statement of qualifications for these proposed services to Motley County, Attn: Judge Ed Smith, P.O. Box 719, Matador, TX 79244. The County must receive proposals no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 30, 2002, to be considered. The County reserves the right to negotiate with any and all engineers or firms that submit proposals, per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards. Motley County is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Motley County Hospital District will use rules and procedures found in the County Indigent Health Care Program Handbook published by the Texas Department of Health. In summary, these rules are:

1. Application forms must be completely filled out.
2. Verification of income, residence, household composition, and resources is required, if questionable.
3. Maximum Countable income cannot exceed: (Monthly)

FAMILY SIZE	25% FPL
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4	\$377
5	\$441
6	\$506
7	\$570
8	\$634
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10	\$762
11	\$826
12	\$891

4. Total countable resources and assets cannot exceed \$2000 or \$3000 if the household contains a relative who is aged or disabled. The value of a car greater than \$4,650 is counted against the \$2000 limit. Personal possessions and homestead are exempt assets.
5. Eligible persons must be a resident of Motley County.
6. Applicants must provide all information and documentation which is required.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE MOTLEY COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT will hold a meeting at 7:00 p.m. on September 10, 2002, at the Motley County Clinic Boardroom to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for Tax Year 2002.

The proposed tax rate is .12000 per \$100 value.

The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in Motley County Hospital District by 2.22 percent.

THE CITY OF ROARING SPRINGS will hold a meeting at 6:00 p.m. on September 9, 2002, at the City Council Room, City Hall, Roaring Springs, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for Tax Year 2002.

The proposed tax rate is .39878 per \$100 of value.

The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in the City of Roaring Springs by .03 percent.

THE CITY OF MATADOR will hold a meeting at 6:00 p.m., September 12, 2002, at City Hall Council Room, Matador, Texas, to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for Tax Year 2002.

The proposed tax rate is .33761 per \$100 of value.

The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in the City of Matador by .03 percent.