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NEWS BRIEFS

Rotan Booster Club Meeting

The Rotan Booster Club will hold a meeting on Monday, March 14 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rotan football field. All interested persons are encouraged to attend.

F.C. R.V. Club Meeting

The Fisher County R.V. Club will meet March 18-19-20 at Abilene State Park. Baked potatoes Saturday night- potatoes will be furnished- bring your favorite topping.

Game Night, Pot Luck Supper

The Fisher County Senior Citizens will sponsor "Game" night on Thursday, March 10th with a pot luck and sandwich supper.

All senior citizens and their guests are encouraged to come and join in the fun.

New County Treasurer And J.P Elected

In what was described as very light voting by County Clerk Bettie Rivers, the local electorate voted in two new officers for the only two contested positions on the local ballot. Rivers said that voting was slightly more than half of normal - perhaps because of the wet, cold weather; maybe because of few contested races.

In the race for County Treasurer, Marty Williamson won by nearly a three-to-one margin over her opponent, Marie Henry. Williamson had a total of 611 votes while Henry had 390.

The other local race, for Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace also saw the incumbent fall to a challenger. In this race, Albert Hataway drew 477 votes to Geneva Chandler's 153.

In the contested statewide races the Fisher County votes were as follows:

Democratic ticket -

U.S. Senate: Richard Fisher, 520; Jim Mattox, 330; Michael Andrews, 51 and Evelyn Lantz, 27.

Railroad Commissioner: James (Jim) Nugent, 561; Robert Earley, 240.

Railroad Commissioner (unexpired term): Mary Scott Nabers, 521; David Young, 297.

11th Court of Appeals: Bud Arnot, 446; David Stubbeman, 263.

U.S. Senator: Steve Carriker, 817.

Republican ticket -

Attorney General: John Marshall, 3; Don Wittig, 3; Patricia (Pat) Lykos, 3; Tony Garza, 0.

U.S. Representative District 17: Phil Boone, 6; Don Schmidt Jr., 1; Roy Emerson Falls, 0.

State Senator District 30: Tom Haywood, 9; Doyle High, 0.

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TANYA THIESSEN

Tanya Thiessen Gets "Teacher Of Year" Award From The Region XIV Education Center

The Region XIV Education Service Center has presented Roby teacher, Tanya Thiessen, their 1993-94 Teacher of the Year Award. Mrs. Thiessen received her plaque for outstanding contributions and dedication toward bettering her students involved in the Invent America Contest. She and her "gifted and talented" students have been the most successful group of participants in the contest since the Region began hosting the program two years ago.

Cecelia Boswell, the Gifted and Talented consultant for Region XIV, made the presentation to Tanya as a display of the service center's appreciation and gratitude for the many hours of hard work leading to the overall level of success accomplished by her students.

Mrs. Thiessen begins working with her Gifted and Talented students early in the fall semester brain-storming inventions, researching common time and energy saving devices, and writing logs describing each inventor's progress and invention steps. Later in the semester, she aids students in refining their invention strategies by developing colorful and informative display boards, creating marketing strategies and mastering interviewing techniques. After Christmas, everything must come together rather quickly in order to be ready for the spring contest date. Students print banners and posters as well as portions of their logs using the computers in Mrs. Thiessen's computer lab. Then on the day of the contest, student's in kindergarten through grade 8 display, describe, explain and attempt to promote or market their invention to the judges in Abilene. Mrs. Thiessen's students have excelled the past two years capturing numerous medals and ribbons in this nationally recognized program designed to promote creativity and ingenuity among America's 31 million school students.

Roby Firm Gets $50,000 Agr. Grant

The Texas Agricultural Finance Authority board has consented to awarding $200,000 in Texas Agricultural Diversification Program grants to eight projects, including one in Roby, according to Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry.

The Midwest Development Corporation of Roby will receive $50,000 to construct a prototype cyclone flame cottonseed delinting plant. Instead of using acid, cyclone delinting passes cottonseed through a series of flames in a cyclone separator and is considered more economical and environmentally friendly. The grant was matched with $50,000 in private funds.

TADP is a matching grants program designed to help diversify Texas agriculture by providing money to help transfer newly developed agricultural crops and techniques to the marketplace through agriculture research and innovation, business assistance and small business incubators.

"These projects help stimulate economic activity, create jobs and boost rural economies to benefit the entire state," Perry said.

The Roby grant was the largest of the eight that were awarded. Other projects received from $8,000 to $35,000. The state funds were matched by more than $653,000 in private funds, in-kind services and property donations.

Jason Osuna Is Named MVP For Basketball In District 22-A

The Roby Lions placed five players on the District 22-A All-District or All-Defensive Team. Jason Osuna was voted MVP of the district. Joining Jason on the All-District Team were Brian Osuna, Chad Dannheim, and Randy Gregg.

Ralph Amador topped the All-Defensive list with Randy Gregg also named to the Team.

Filing For Local Elections Continues Through March 23

Filings for city elections continue to be light as of early this week. Candidates have until March 23 to file for positions on the Rotan City Council and School Board, the Roby School Board and the Fisher County Hospital Board.

As of Tuesday, March 8 the following candidates had filed for a place on the up-coming ballots:

Roby School Board - Britt Stuart and Billy Don Atkinson, both incumbents, had filed for re-election. The other incumbent is David Boyd.

Rotan School Board - No candidates had filed for the election as of March 8. Incumbents are Betty Strayhorn and Sheila Murphree.

Rotan City Council - Emma Denton, Lonnie Starnes and Greg Rains have all filed, Denton and Starnes are incumbent candidates. The other incumbent, Connie McQueen, has not filed.

Fisher County Hospital Board - Steve Nowlin, Rodney Tankersley and Kim Pease, all incumbents, have filed for re-election to the hospital board.

Roby Board Re-Hires All Personnel, Roark Resigns

Members of the Roby School Board met for approximately thirty minutes in Executive Session last Monday night to review personnel. After coming out of Executive Session the Board voted to rehire all Elementary teachers, Secondary teachers, Coaches, Paraprofessional & auxiliary personnel, Secretaries/Bookkeepers, Teacher aides, Custodian, Maintenance workers and Lunchroom workers. After the motions to re-hire all personnel by the board, Lance McWilliams read the resignation of Bill Roark, girls basketball coach to be effective at the last day of the 1993-94 school year with the board accepting his resignation.

The board also approved the bills, minutes, monthly tax reports and appointed Superintendent George Price as the Authorized Representative for Texas Department of Human Services for the renewal of agreement for commodities for the 1994-95 school year.

Jim Bob Haley, Elementary School Principal reported on students involved in the U.I.L. Practice meet and stated the District U.I.L. meet would be held next month. Haley also commended Tanya Thiessen for a special award she received for working with Gifted and Talented and stated TAAS tests were underway for grades 4 through 8.

David Mims, High School Principal, commended Coach Ruben Osuna and the Roby Lions Basketball Team for an excellent season and stated after Spring Break on March 14-19 the calendar would be full with students in U.I.L., One-Act Play, Track and the finishing up of the 5th sixth weeks.

George Price reported on the income of the gates at the basketball games and commended the coaching staff and the Roby Lions on a tremendous season.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m.

Rotan School Board Discusses Suit, Warren Issue March 1st

Rotan Independent School Board members met in a special meeting on Tuesday, March 1st for the purpose of discussing two agenda items.

The first item had to do with reviewing and giving consideration to a law suit brought by the League of United Latin American Citizens, District 5, LULAC, against the school which calls for single member election districts.

The board went into executive session at 8:35 p.m. to discuss the suit with their attorney, Judy Underwood. After remaining in closed session for approximately an hour and a half, the board went back into open session at 9:09 with Board President Dr. Vick Burk announcing that no action had been taken on the item. Following the meeting, Dr. Burk indicated that a demographic study was going to be done and that the board would look at that study and other matters relating to the suit at a meeting on March 22nd.

The second item on the agenda was to consider an appeal of Steve Warren relative to a Notice of Warning in his personnel file. Warren had requested that the warning be removed.

In open session the board visited with Judy Underwood, attorney, concerning the Warren matter.

Underwood indicated that there are numerous personnel files within various school systems. The only 'official' file was the one in the administrative office containing the certificate and other pertinent information.

She indicated that the board could, if they wanted to, move Warren's personnel file to an "administrative file" or away from the official file, which the public has access to under the open record act.

She indicated that the school district's employee file does not normally travel with the person. But said that the board could remove the entire evaluation from the official record if they saw fit.

She indicated that in her opinion the 'letter of warning' and the warning being a part of the evaluation in the file was not really that monumental an issue, since it would probably never be called for by another district employing Warren in the future.

Now evaluation results, as they related to the old career ladder system ,used to be called for, but since the career ladder was done away with, the evaluation report has lost a little of its impact outside the local district.

Before the board ended the meeting, it did not take any action on the removal of the warning letter.

Clay Helms asked that an agenda item for the March 8th meeting be "the possible re-evaluation of the superintendent and possibly looking at a new evaluation instrument."

Theatre On The Brazos Will Begin Selling Tickets For Spring Its Production

Theatre on the Brazos held their monthly meeting on Thursday, March 3rd and set box office hours for "The Curious Savage" to be daily starting Monday, April 4 from 3:00 to 5:00. Dates for the production are April 8, 9, 10 and April 15 and 16.



TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS: The Rotan Yellowhammer baseball team started their season off with a championship trophy from the Hawley Baseball Tourney held last week. Team players are (back) Rusty Goodwin, Temple Daniel, Michael Montez, Lee Yanez, Cristo Simmons and Steve Warren. Front row - Val Morin, Jay Carrion, Brandon Rains and Matt Marcer.

1994 District And Area Champions



THE VICTORS: The Roby Lion basketball team finished a successful year as the district, bi-district and area champions. Pictured with the Area Championship trophy are (l to r) Blake Stephens, manager; Neils Kramwinkle; Chad Dannheim, All-District; Jason Gruben; Brian Osuna, All-District; Lonnie Green; Coby Moore; Robert Onofre; Randy Gregg, All-District; Mike Counts; Ralph Amador, All-Defensive; Shea Feagan; Jason Osuna, All-District MVP; Timothy Moore, manager.

Fisher County Ministerial Alliance

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL

Provided This Month By
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Philippians 4:4-6



I heard the story about a young boy who got in trouble with his mom. She told him to go sit in the corner for some time out. He reluctantly went with tears streaming down his face. As he sat down he sobbingly turned and looked at his mother and said, "I may be sitting down on the outside, but on the inside I'm standing up."

Many of us needlessly carry this same attitude towards God. We have the idea that God is this huge bully and everything that He asks us to do is to make us miserable. God is not sitting in heaven meditating upon what pain and sorrow he can cause upon His people. In fact it is the opposite, He desires us to have an abundant life as indicated by Christ in John 10:10 where He says, that they might have life, and might have it abundantly."

God desires and knows what is best for our lives. It is us that get off and hurt ourselves through sin and unbelief. This week try to understand God for who he really is, a loving Father.

An abundant life is not hard to attain when you realize that you have an all powerful, loving God who is at your resource waiting for you to just trust in Him. There is a freedom found in trusting God. We can know according to Philippians 4:13 that we can overcome any situation. We know that according to Philippians 4:19 that God will supply all of our needs according to His endless riches. It is out of this knowledge that we can say with Paul in Philippians 4:4-6 "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say rejoice! Let your forbearing spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."

Therefore don't feel that God is your enemy and against you, trust in Him both on the inside and the out.

Rotan Trio Performs Well At Regional Citizen Bee

Mark Marshall, Matt Mercer, and Joe Gonzalez made a great showing at the Regional Citizen Bee held on the McMurry Campus last Saturday. The students competed against such schools as Cooper High, Abilene High, and Midland Lee High. The Bee consisted of a written test. An oral questioning contest followed that the public was invited to attend. The current events portion of the oral test was definitely Rotan's strong point. All three students answered correctly when asked their respective questions.

Another highlight of the day was the opportunity for the students to meet and chat with State Representative Bob Hunter, who was extremely impressed with the student's knowledge and insight of today's government and current issues.

The student sponsors were Mario Heredia and Dana Eaton. Parents attending the Bee were Alva and Debi Mercer and Jerry and Mary Ann Marshall. The alternate for the team was Chris Boone. Congratulations to the guys for a job well done.

Hospital Board Agrees To Continue Negotiations On Suit

The Fisher County Hospital Board met in special session last Friday afternoon to discuss a pending suit against the Hospital by a former employee. After meeting in executive session with attorney Gary Harger for approximately 50 minutes they voted to instruct Harger to proceed with on-going negotiations.

No further action is planned until the Board hears back from their attorney, Gary Harger.

Present at the meeting were hospital administrator Ella Rae Lovejoy, Debbie Hull, attorney Gary Harger, Steve Nowlin, Cledon Coffman, Rodney Tankersley and Freddie Rasberry.



Happy 1st Birthday
Shelby Rhea
On March 16th

Love, Grandma & Grandpa
Mr. & Mrs. John Almanza

Katrina Rains Sells Steer For $15,000 At Houston Auction

Fisher County 4-H'ers placed 50 percent of their steers at the Houston Livestock Show this year.

Katrina Rains placed first in the heavy Polled Hereford class with a Rains Bred Steer. The steer later sold for $15,000 in the Premium Auction.

Lester Maberry placed 2nd in the light Limousin class. Randell Maberry placed 10th in the middle Limousin class.

Tyson and Cecille Terry did well in the Red Angus Heifer Division. Tyson placed 4th and Cecille 6th in the Junior Heifer Class.

4-H'ers conclude the spring circuit this weekend at San Angelo.

Honor Roll Students

ROTAN HIGH SCHOOL
SEMESTER 2 CYCLE 1
HONOR ROLL
All "A"

FRESHMEN: Laura Blackwelder, Deon Duke, Mandy Dycus, Katie Kennedy.

SOPHOMORES: Shelley Baker, Cassidy Early, April Martin, Christina Morin.

JUNIORS: Amy Blackwelder, Misty Bowen, Melissa Burk, Brian Carreon, Lydia Flores, Marianne Gilbert, David Nowlin.

SENIORS: Jenni Burnes, Jackie Golden, Matt Mercer, Mitchell Montez.

"A/B"

FRESHMEN: Chris Flores, Rusty Goodwin, Amy Gruben, Jason Hargrove, Mikeal Harrison, Leanne Landes, Zach Morris, Kris Rogers, Chris Sanders, Joe Sepeda, Yvette Solis, Tim Tortonesi, Adriana Velez.

SOPHOMORES: Patrick Cassidy, Shon Fudge, Kristy Garza, Shala Gilliland, Kathleen Moffett, Carmelita Munoz, Brandi Murphree, Jennifer Rains, Clinton Williams.

JUNIORS: Chris Gaspar, Jamie Grisham, Michael Hull, Stephanie Hunsaker, Mandye McKinney, Buffy Shipp, Anthony Smith, Dawn Tandy, Amber White.

SENIORS: Chris Boone, Stanley Castillo, Rebecca Daniel, Karen Dickson, Joe Gonzalez, Mark Marshall, Michael Montez, Cristo Simmons, Eleshia White.

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March 10th through March 16th 10th - Chrys Bennett, Kayla Posey; 11th - Stella Mae Mash, Johnnie Brown, Louise Killingsworth, Ann Holcomb, Patti Thompson; 12 - Misty Caswell, Tanner Chapmon, Junior Miranda; 13 - Patsy Stuart, Charles Wild; 14 - Rickey Gruben, Paige Blair; 15 - Ashley Smith, Keifer Cauble, Vernon Allen, Lila Guinn, Jeffrey Anderle; 16 - Gussie Robertson, Terry McDaniel, Verna Pittman.

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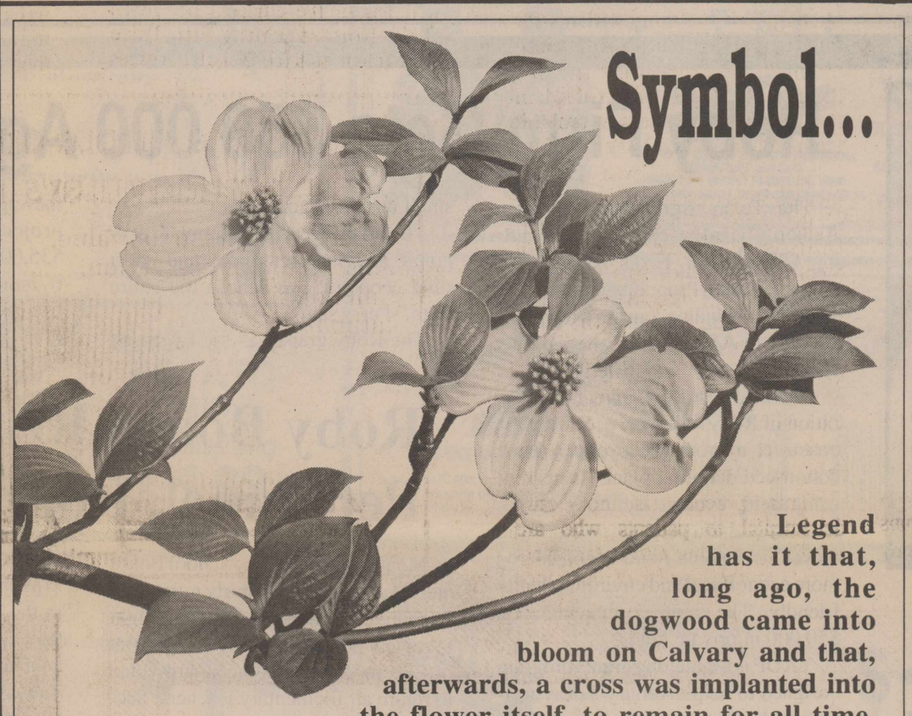
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Legend has it that, long ago, the dogwood came into bloom on Calvary and that, afterwards, a cross was implanted into the flower itself, to remain for all time. You can see it if you look closely, rust brown against the white of each individual blossom.

Many of us carry crosses, faint like the dogwood's emblem, but with us, nevertheless. Somehow, in this Lenten season, we become particularly conscious of them and of our need for help...a certain kind of help that can be found only through the things we learn in God's House.

The Church doesn't pretend to banish our cares and woes, but its teachings realistically consider the experiences of life itself. No matter what our personal cross may be, we seem able to bear its burden with more strength.

Lent is a wonderful time in which to begin making church a regular part of your life – if you haven't already.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Acts	Matthew	Luke	Mark
11:19-30	1:1-17	11:1-13	9:14-29

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Acts	Romans	2 Corinthians
4:23-31	8:18-30	1:1-11



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State Capital Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — A program established in the 1970s to relieve crowding in Texas prisons should be abolished, Republican gubernatorial candidate George W. Bush proposed last week.

"Mandatory supervision," the program under which 3,000 prison inmates were released in 1993, allows convicts to go free without a release date being set by the parole board, after time served and good conduct equal their sentence.

Those released under the program are supervised by parole officials until their actual sentences have expired.

Bush's proposal, if passed by the state Legislature, would block the release of nonviolent offenders. The Legislature in 1987 stopped mandatory supervision of violent offenders, except those convicted before the change in the law.

"Every prisoner who is let out on mandatory supervision has previously been denied for a very good reason, so it makes no sense to let them get out of jail without first passing muster with the parole board," Bush said.

But Gov. Ann Richards' campaign spokeswoman Cindy Rugeley said Bush's proposal would have little effect on the criminal justice system and touted Richards' efforts to lengthen sentences, toughen parole and build more prison cells.

System Bidder Protests

An out-of-state bidder that failed to get the contract to operate an electronic welfare system in Texas has filed a protest accusing the state of violating procedures in awarding the contract.

Deluxe Data Systems Inc. of Milwaukee asked the state last week to disqualify a $200 million contract awarded to another non-Texas firm, GTECH Administrative Services Corp. of West Greenwich, R.I.

In its protest Deluxe Data alleged that GTECH changed its bid after the deadline and received assistance from a former state employee whose staff helped develop bidding criteria.

Andy Welch, spokesman for Texas Comptroller John Sharp, said the Deluxe bid would have cost $15.6 million more than GTECH's bid over the seven-year contract.

AG Files "Headhunter" Suits

Attorney General Dan Morales filed two lawsuits last week against companies he accused of "headhunting," or soliciting patients for treatment at psychiatric hospitals.

One Houston company and two Stephenville firms were named in the lawsuit, which seeks to prohibit them from continuing the practice.

An official of Texas Hotline Inc. of Stephenville, named in one of the suits, denied wrongdoing. Officials of Summer Sky Inc. of Stephenville, which was named in the same suit, and A Place For Us of Houston, named in the other suit, declined to comment when contacted by the Associated Press.

The suits, filed in state District Court in Travis County, seeks civil penalties, court costs, attorney's fees and damages.

"This practice is not only detrimental to patients who are misdiagnosed, but also to taxpayers who bear the burden of insurance fraud and health care fraud," Morales said.

Resigns After Inquiry

The resignation of state Transportation Commissioner Henry R. Munoz III last month came after inquiries by *The Dallas Morning News* into his travel practices and the use of state vouchers.

Munoz of San Antonio, cited family and business obligations as reasons for resigning, and said his leaving had nothing to do with a request made by the *Morning News* for his travel records.

Munoz, 34, said he had been considering resigning since last year, after a promotion at his San Antonio architectural firm.

However, according to the *Morning News*, officials said the Richards appointee was forced out by top aides of the governor "after more than two years of questionable spending practices and conflicts with other state officials."

Study of Two Trade Pacts

House Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, has appointed a special House committee to study aspects of two international trade agreements.

The committee, named last week, will assess the impacts on Texas of the North American Free Trade Agreement and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

A second special committee will examine problems of small businesses in attracting capital in today's lending climate. Laney said it will give special attention to agricultural and minority-owned businesses.

Charter Bus Rules Eased

The Texas Railroad Commission has reversed an old rule by allowing charter buses to operate statewide without having to offer regular route service, Commissioner Mary Scott Nabers announced.

"With this change, travel service should improve for Texas," Nabers said.

Before the change, no one could provide charter bus service unless the company was willing to provide regular route service as well, Nabers said.

Other Highlights

- Secretary of State John Hannah has predicted that 16.5 percent of Texas' record 9 million registered voters will cast ballots in the March 8 primary elections.
- Texas Supreme Court candidate Charles Ben Howell sued the Texas Trial Lawyers Association and three prominent lawyers last week, alleging that they promised to raise funds for and support him, then reneged.

Rotan JV Team Defeats C-City In Baseball

Rotan's Junior Varsity baseball team downed Colorado City y 18-5 on February 28. The Yellowhamers managed 18 runs from 33 at bats and had three errors.

Mikeal Harrison, Dominic Yanez and C.W. Robertson all had three runs, while Russell Price,Charlie Yanez and Joey Sepeda had two each. Rotan's other scores came from single runs contributed by Ray Yanez, Anthony Smith and T.J. Davis.

Letter To The Editor

To All Concerned Parents:

The other day, my seven-year-old son had gotten in trouble for acting up in class. Upon asking him the reason for this behavior and why he did it, it seemed to be centered around what he has seen on TV.

Parents, please stop and think, do you watch all the killing, suicide and sex acts, not to mention the language that is said? Would it make you upset if your child practiced these acts or used this kind of talk?

Speaking for myself, my wife and children, the pay TV channels - HBO, Cinamax, etc. - should have all their "R" rated shows put in walk-in theatres, this way ages of the people that watch this kind of stuff could be controlled. I'm sure this will never happen, but we can control this right here at home. Please think of your children when watching a violent or "R" rated show, for it will reflect on their future behavior.

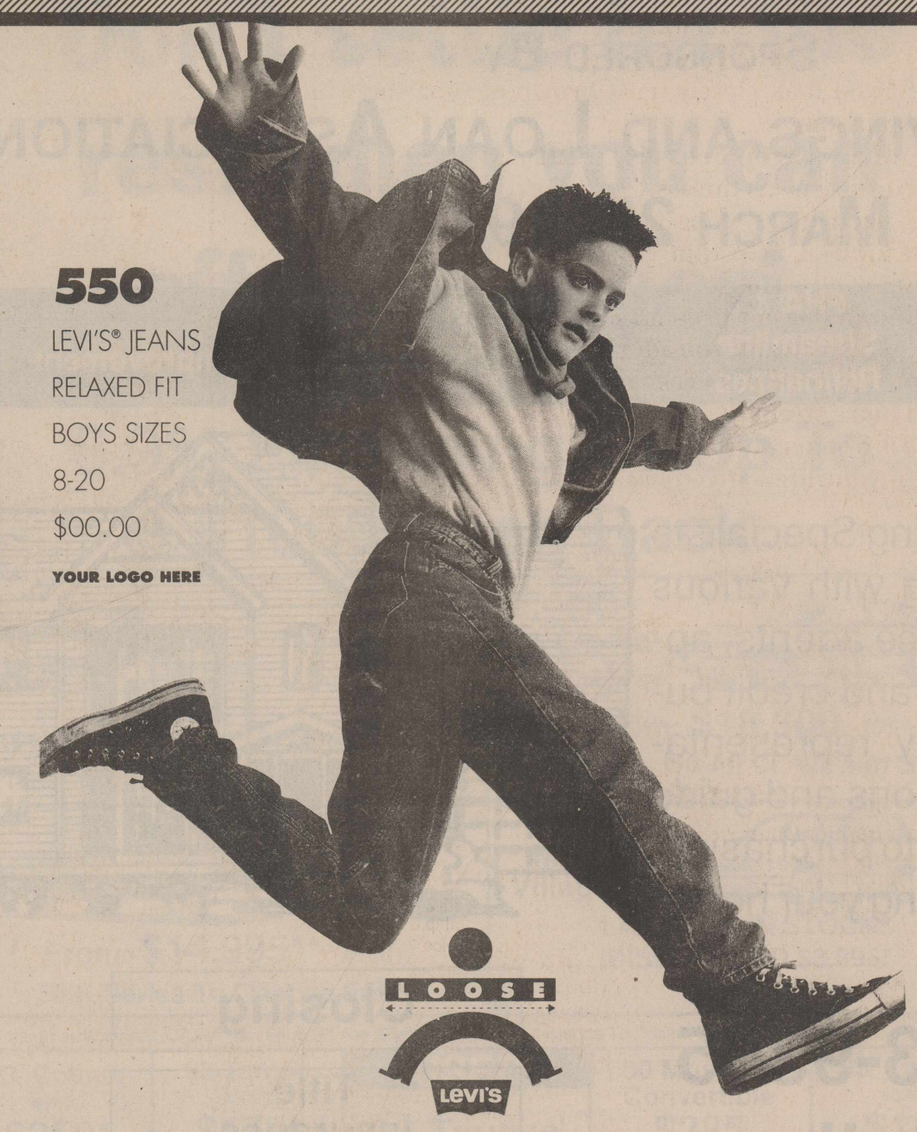
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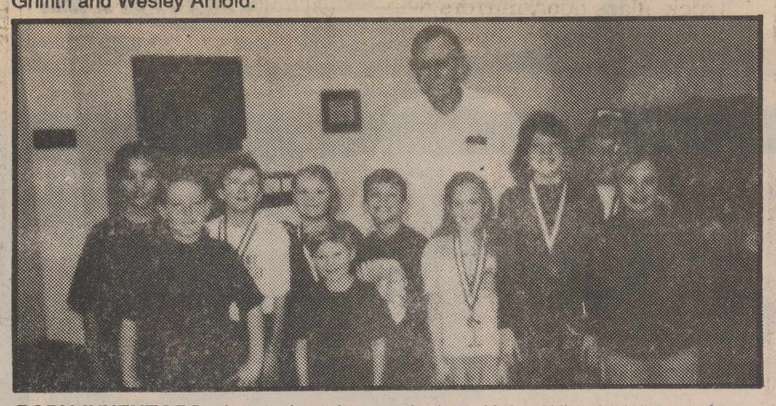
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AND MORE INVENTORS! (l to r) Tanya Thiessen, instructor, and Nancy Robinson-Masters, judge, pose with Latrice Moffett, Jaycee Carey, Candace Brown, Ashley Smith, Sarah Boyd, Sahala Freeman, Karen Carriker, judge Scottie Williams, Cassandra Griffith and Wesley Arnold.



ROBY INVENTORS: (l to r) Juan Leyva, Andrew Haley, Klay McWilliams, Bryan Kenyon, Jacob Kenyon, Daniel Castor, Leslie Bolton, Tara Carey, April Campa, Teryn Terry are pictured with judge Scottie Williams.

Roby Students Part Of "Invent America"

Roby 2nd-8th grade students in the Gifted and Talented Program participated in the Invent America competition held at the Region XIV Education Service Center in Abilene.

At the 3rd grade level, inventor Leslie Bolton won the gold medal with her invention the "Cord Wrap". Fourth graders: Tara Carey, with her invention "Hunter's Best Friend", and Klay McWilliams' "Quick Load" tied for 1st, therefore; each capturing a gold medal. Also, Bryan Kenyon's "Erase-a-Mark" won him the silver medal, while; inventor April Campa accepted the bronze medal for her invention the "Time Saver". Roby 8th grader, Latrice Moffett conquered the gold medal by demonstrating "The Water Stopper", while Candace Brown's "Cat Slapper" took the silver medal, and Jaycee Carey was rewarded for the bronze medal for her invention "Compact Compact".

Other Roby students inventors who enter the competition were: 2nd graders: Andrew Haley "Filling Tray", Jacob Kenyon- "Trash Bag Recycler Plus, and Daniel Castor's "Super Swirler". 5th graders: Teryn Terry's "Super Sack Saver", and Juan Leyva's "Port-a-Eat". 6th graders: Karen Carriker "Pocket Sling", Cassandra Griffith- "Flexibrush", Ashley Smith- "Cool Travel Pack", and Sahala Freeman's - "Designer's Choice". 7th grade inventors: Sarah Boyd- "The Smart Stick" and Wesley Arnold's "Taste Controller".

Through the inventive process, the students have gained a greater understanding of developing and marketing a new product.

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Rotan Gifted & Talented Students Are Honored At Dinner

Rotan's gifted and talented students in elementary, junior high, and high school, and their parents, were honored with a banquet in the Rotan cafeteria Thursday evening. Following turkey and dressing with all the trimmings, Dr. Nolan Kinsey welcomed students. As the meal was enjoyed, the group viewed Joe Gonzalez and Marianne Gilbert's video entitled Rotan Student Life and then saw Rotan Junior High's Mission Mars activity at the Lubbock Science Spectrum. Both junior high and high school had visited Science Spectrum.

Master of Ceremony Patsy Hamric, GT Coordinator, introduced Mr. Mickey Early, high school principal. He introduced his GT teachers, Mrs. Evelyn Nowlin, and Mrs. LeeAnn Holloway. Mrs. Nowlin explained her program and told of field trips, projects, and activities this school year. Students displayed products they had invented.

Mr. Bobby Richardson, administrative head teacher for junior high, introduced the junior high GT teachers, Mrs. Deanna Kinsey and Mrs. Lisa Cade. Mrs. Kinsey explained that the seventh and eighth grade G/T students now have an advanced reading class and the students are doing novel studies three days a week. The eighth grade GT students are in a "pull out" program on Thursday and Friday of each week. Much of the curriculum for these students has been centered around creativity.

Students Sarah Greenlee, Monica Romo, Kelley Burnett, and Daniel Markham told about past and future plans for the seventh and eighth grade group. Mrs. Kinsey and the GT students agreed that the trip to the Science Spectrum and the Mission to Mars has been the highlight of this year.

Seventh grade GT students are Sarah Greenlee, Daniel Markham, Brooke McCall, Wade Messick, Andrea Miranda, Stacy Morrow, Bradey Murphree, Leticia Ramon, Monica Romo and Philip Yanez. Eighth grade GT students are Jake Baker, Katy Cade, Stoney Carrillo, and Lane Greene.

Mrs. Cade teaches fifth and sixth grade gifted and talented students. Her students presented a skil on higher order thinking skills, and discussed fluency, elaboration, flexibility, and originality. They also informed the guests of projects and activities worked on throughout the year. These students have invented unique board games and they were on display in the cafeteria. The fifth and sixth grade GT students include Ashley Garza, Rode Morrow, Rosanna Muniz, Sarah Shelley, Jennifer Basquez, Lacy Callan, Crystal Early, Jennifer Fowler, Byron Kennedy, Gareth Pipes, Jacob Price, Scott Price, Ruthie Riddel, Nikki Rowland, Jason Soliz, Jeffrey Soliz and Becky Velez.

The elementary GT teachers, Mrs. DeeAnn Mullins and Mrs. Aurora Nowlin, presented their students who told of their projects and activities. GT third and fourth graders are taught by Mrs. Mullins and includes Jennifer Clawson, Laci Day, Rebecca Duke, Darci Eaton, Jodi Granado, Sunny Helms, Zach Kinsey, Heather Martinez, Kristina Martinez, Heather Morgan, Dane Mullins, Emilia Munoz, Paige Nowlin, Allison Pipes, Monica Ramon, Seth Summers, and Selina Williams. These students reported on the Shark and Whale unit they had studied. They went on a field trip to the Education Service Center in Abilene where a team from Sea World of Texas presented a "hands-on" program of Sharks and Whales, at the banquet, these third and fourth grade GT students displayed some of their work. Gyotaku, which is an art of fisher printing and a model of a dinosaur skeleton measuring approximately ten feet in length. The third and fourth graders are presently studying dinosaurs and have a trip planned for early April to the Lubbock Science Spectrum. The special exhibit at that time will be "21st Century Dinosaurs."

The second grade gifted/talented students are Jordon Cox, Shelia Garza, Zach Greenlee, Kristopher Messick, Zach Reyes, Ralph Riddel, Amber Williams, and Colter Williams. These students made portfolios early in the year to keep work they and Mrs. Nowlin approved. The portfolio will be passed on but the student may choose what he/she want to take out or leave in. These eight students are in the process of making a 3-D Texas bulletin board. They would like for everyone to come see it in about two weeks.

Rotan High School gifted and talented students include Katie Kennedy, Laura Blackwelder, Dean Duke, Mandy Dycus, Zach Morris, Joey Sepeda Carlos Yanez, Shelley Baker, Zach Burnes, Amanda Clawson, Cassidy Early, Brandi Murphree, Jennifer Rains, Jimmy Don Tankersley, Clinton Williams, Bobby Kenner, Amy Blackwelder, Misty Bowen, Brian Carreon, David Nowlin, Jody Price, Brandi Thomason, Shon Fudge, Melissa Burk, Lance Hudnall, Michael Hull, Marianne Gilbert, Stephanie Hunsaker, Mandye McKinney, Christina Morin, Patricia Porter, Jenni Burnes, Karen Dickson, Joe Gonzalez, Mark Marshall, Matt Mercer, and Brian Baker.

Approximately 183 students, parents, administrators, GT coordinator and guests enjoyed the banquet.

It's A Baby Boy!

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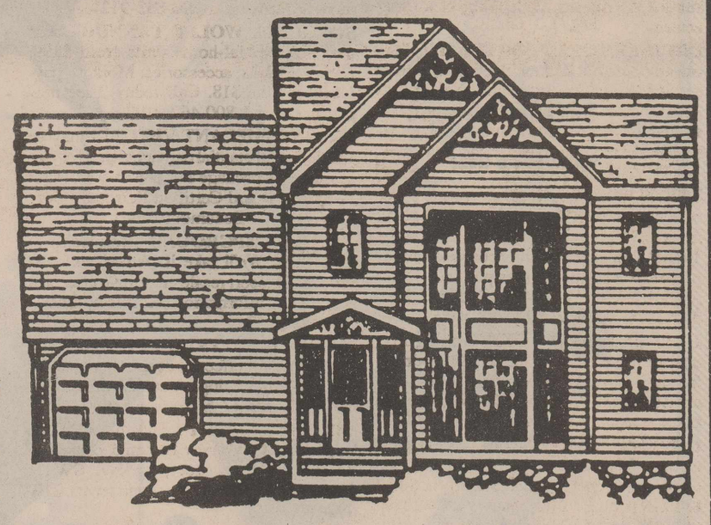
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County Agents Column

By Richard Spencer

The major risk facing livestock producers this year is the unlikely possibility of another weather-related, short-grain crop, leading to another sharp increase in feed costs, according to economists.

Ed Uvacek, president of Western Research and professor emeritus at Texas A&M University, said there are signs in the January 1 cattle and calf inventory that cattleman are finally convinced that the high calf prices of the past several years merit herd expansion.

Expansion of the beef cow herd is occurring but not at a very rapid pace. Cow and calf numbers were only up about one percent from January a year ago, but the significant figures are the 4 percent more cows in the inventory and the 3 percent increase in heifer calves kept for breeding, compared to a year earlier.

The reason for all that caution is due, in part, to past experiences and partly because of the difficulty feed lot operators are having making a profit.

The calf crop now getting ready to be placed on feed is no larger than a year ago, so cow-calf operators should still see profits in 1994. The expansion phase, which began in 1989, even if very slowly, has yielded only about 1 percent per year increase in cattle and calf numbers. The peak of this cycle should come sometime in the 1995-97 period.

Since feedlot placements were considerably lower in the last quarter of 1993 - about 6 percent less than a year earlier - supplies of cattle coming to market this spring and early summer will be well below a year ago and possibly even under that of 1992.

Choice fed steers should sell in the low-to-mid $70 per hundredweight range in the first quarter of this year, rising to between $78 and $81 in the second quarter and leveling off in the mid-$70s in the last half of 1994.

A consistent $10 spread between feeder calf and fed steer prices is expected with the average feeder costing between $85 and $88 per cwt. in the first quarter, topping at between $88-$92 in the April-June quarter and back into the mid-$80 for the last half.

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The Texas Beef Council collected $11,885,022 in beef checkoff dollars from Texas cattle producers and importers in its fiscal 1993 year.

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U.S. farm borrowing in [illegible] will rise by one percent to two pe[illegible]t, the fourth annual increase, the U.S. Department of Agriculture recently announced. Total end 1993 farm debt, excluding households, is estimated at $141.4 billion, up 1.5 percent from the end of 1992, but 27 percent below the 1984 peak of $193.8 billion. Knight-Ridder Financial reports that most agricultural banks should have enough funds to meet expected modest demand for loans in 1994.

County Home Extension Agent News

By Beth Dannheim

Get On The Move ...

Do you want to learn about the relationship between good nutrition and getting or staying fit? It is easy if you find out about this year's National Nutrition Month "Eat Right America" campaign sponsored by the American Dietetic Association.

The theme for the campaign is "Nutrition Fuels Fitness". The first step in promoting fitness is having a balanced diet which includes many different foods. Being physically fit is more than just engaging in regular aerobic exercises three times a week. It is working activity into daily life, such as taking the stairs instead of the elevator.

Exercises should be a part of a healthy life-style at any age, but most Americans, young and old, aren't getting enough. If exercise has not been a part of your daily routine, now is the time to start. If you do exercise regularly, keep it up!

Regular physical activity can make your heart and lungs stronger, increase your muscle strength and flexibility, and help you feel good. You can improve your shape and decrease your body fat. If you are a physically inactive adult, before you start a vigorous exercise or sports program check with your doctor to help decide what activity is best for your general physical condition.

The number of calories you need depends on how much energy your body uses. People have different basal metabolic rates (level of energy required to support involuntary body processes compositions). Your genes are unchangeable, but you can change eating habits and activity patterns. In the battle of the bulge, two weapons are needed - diet and exercise. Whatever body structure you have, you can be fit and not fat.

No one plan for losing weight is best for everyone. If you are not physically active, regular exercise may help you lose fat and keep it off. If you eat too much, decreasing your calorie intake may help. Long-term success usually depends upon new and better lifelong habits of both physical activity and eating.

For a good start, try a brisk half-hour walk three times a week - make it a habit!

Everybody Knows The Dangers Of Tobacco, Right?

Wrong.

Kids don't. And that makes them easy prey for a potentially lethal addiction.

Cigarette smoking is the No. 1 health problem in this country - "the single most important preventable cause of death," the U.S. surgeon general says. A major risk factor for heart attack, cancer and stroke, cigarette smoking claims an estimated 417,000 American lives each year, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Unfortunately, many children don't know about - or ignore - the dangers of smoking. They experiment with smoking and then, before they know it, they're hooked...for life.

Nationwide, the CDC estimates that 75 percent of all smokers start before age 18, and 90 percent before age 21. Every day 3,000 American young people become smokers, new recruits to fill the shoes - and graves - of the 3,500 smokers who quit and the 1,150 smokers who die each day.

Peer pressure is a major reason why 2.2 million teenagers smoke. They're also seduced by cartoon characters that glamorize smoking and sophisticated imagery that promises popularity, power and freedom. Impressionable young people are no match for the persuasive power of $4 billion (over $450,000 an hour) spent yearly for tobacco advertising.

Many children, too young to smoke, are still at risk from tobacco. Second-hand smoke causes up to 300,000 lower respiratory tract infections (such as pneumonia and bronchitis) in children less than 18 months old. Up to 15,000 of these children must be hospitalized. And mothers who smoke 10 or more cigarettes a day can cause up to 26,000 new cases of asthma in their kids each year.

Now, a new menace - smokeless tobacco - is becoming more popular. A recent CDC survey found that nearly one in five males in grades 9-12 now uses smokeless tobacco. And smokeless tobacco has been directly linked to cancers of the mouth, throat and esophagus, gum disease and tooth loss.

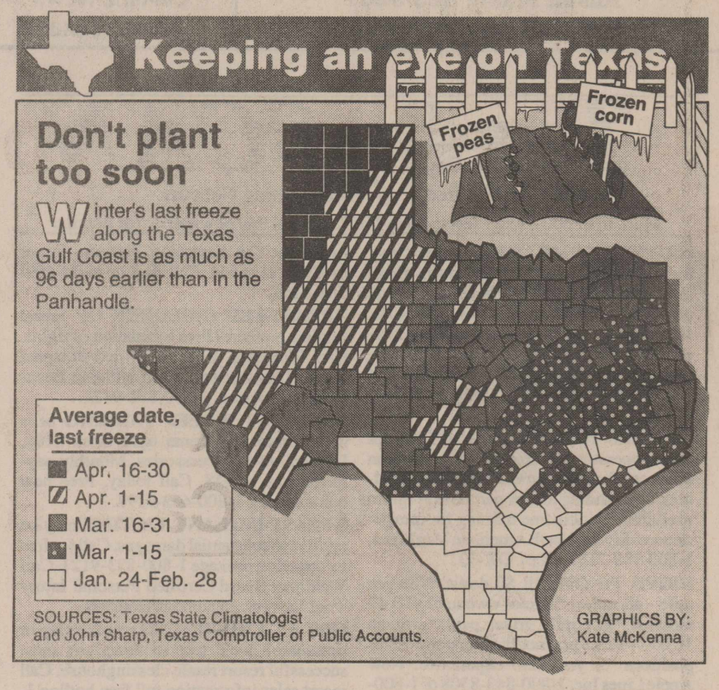
Tobacco use in any form must be discouraged for clear medical and health reasons. You can help by taking a few simple steps.

First, set an example. If you smoke or use tobacco products, quit. If you can't quit, don't use tobacco products in front of your children. Warn them of the dangers and keep the products out of your kids' reach. Also, don't allow smoking in your home.

Finally, make sure the schools in your area are smoke-free.

Safeguard the life and health of your children. The vast majority of teens don't use tobacco products. Help your kids grow up free of this danger.

For more information, contact your local American Heart Association or dial 1-800-AHA-USA1 (1-800-242-8721).



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Bids will be opened in special session of Commissioners Court to be held Friday, March 11, 1994, at 9:00 a.m . Fisher County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Marshal Bennett
County Judge
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN
(TIP)

The Texas Department of Transportation will conduct public hearings at two sites in the Abilene District to discuss the 1995-1997 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

The 1995-1997 Transportation Improvement Plan is a three-year plan developed by the Texas Department of Transportation for Borden, Callahan, Fisher, Haskell, Howard, Jones, Kent, Mitchell, Nolan, Scurry, Shackelford, Stonewall and Taylor counties.

The TIP includes the following:

* A priority list of projects and project segments that will be carried out within the 3-year period, and

* A financial plan that demonstrates how the TIP can be implemented, indicates resources from private (if any) and public sources that are reasonably expected to be made available to carry out the plan, and recommends any innovative techniques to finance needed projects and programs.

The public hearings will be held:

* April 5 at 6 p.m. in the V.I.P. Building, 508 East Gould, Stamford.

* April 7 at 6 p.m. in the District Courtroom, 349 Oak Street, Colorado City.

A 10-day comment period following the public hearings will permit other interested persons to submit written comments to Maribel P. Jaso, District Engineer; Texas Department of Transportation, Abilene District, P. O. Box 150, Abilene, Texas 79604.

All written comment must be received at the Abilene District Office no later than 12 noon on April 17, 1994.

Those desiring to make oral comments or presentations at the meetings may register starting at 5:30 p.m. Any interested persons may appear and offer comments, either orally or in writing. Comment cards will be available at registration.

The Texas Department of Transportation's TIP proposal can be examined during business hours through May 31, 1994, at the Abilene District office, 4250 N. Clack, Abilene.
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NOTICE OF SHERIFFS SALE
THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF FISHER

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32ND Judicial District Court of Fisher County, on the 7th day of March, 1994 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of MCCAULLEY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT vs NEVILLE GENE STEVENSON; Cause #4345 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at 10:00 a.m. on the 5th day of April, 1994 which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the NORTH door of the Courthouse of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

Tract I: Being all those certain Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Block 5 of the Wilson Addition to the Town of McCaulley, Texas, and being more particularly described in those certain Deeds of record in Volume 69, Page 106 and Volume 69, Page 107 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Tract II: Being all that certain Block 8 of the Wilson Addition to the Town of McCaulley, Texas, and being more particularly described in those certain Deeds of record in Volume 69, Page 114 and Volume 67, Page 208 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 7 day of March, 1994 as the property of NEVILLE GENE STEVENSON, P. O. Box 31, Novice, Texas 79538; W. S. GRIFFITH, if living; MRS. W. S. GRIFFITH, if living; to satisfy a judgment amounting to $5,713.17 with interest from the 14th day of January, 1994 at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROBY CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 7 day of March, 1994.

Gene Pack
SHERIFF FISHER COUNTY, TEXAS
by Patti J. Thompson
DEPUTY
6:3tc

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NOTICE OF SHERIFFS SALE
THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF FISHER

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32ND Judicial District Court of Fisher County, on the 7th day of March, 1994 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of ROBY CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT vs. JAMES O. HOUCHINS; Cause # 4444 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 5TH DAY OF APRIL, 1994 which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the NORTH door of the Courthouse of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

Tract I: Being all those certain Lots 1, 2 and 3 in Block 48 of the Original Town of Roby, Texas, and being more particularly described in that certain Deed of record in Volume 561, Page 239 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Tract II: Being all that certain Lot 4 in Block 48 of the Original Town of Roby, Texas, and being more particularly described in that certain Deed of record in Volume 561, Page 239 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 7 day of March, 1994 as the property of JAMES O. HOUCHINS, 1205 West Ninth, Austin, Texas 78703, having heretofore filed a written answer; but failed to appear; W. M. FERGUSON, if living; WILLIAM FINNIE, if living; DENNIS C. JEFFERSON, if living; KEVIN L. JEFFERSON, if living; The unknown owner or owners, shareholders, officers, transfers, successors or assigns of ROBY TOWNSITE COMPANY, a Corporation; to satisfy a judgment amounting to $1,803.49 with interest from the 14th day of January, 1994 at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROBY CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 7 day of March, 1994.

Gene Pack
SHERIFF FISHER COUNTY, TEXAS
by Patti J. Thompson
DEPUTY
6:3tc

Hustling Around Hobbs

by Joy Walker

What lovely weather we had both Saturday and Sunday, almost hot, with 87 degrees reported in Abilene on Sunday. By Tuesday, though, expect to pack those good memories of beautiful days away and face brisk north winds that should bring wintry temperatures again to the area after dark. Freezing temperatures are also expected before daylight Thursday, but the cold in the wee hours Wednesday pose the greatest threat during the period to the fresh fruit buds of peach, plum and apricot trees. Maybe it won't get as cold as they are predicting and the fruit trees will be saved, sure hope so. My apricot is in full bloom but thankfully the peach and pecan trees are not out yet.

Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Etheredge attended the Roby Basketball (boys) Play-off game Friday night in Abilene when Roby beat Knox City. Then they went back Saturday morning to watch Roby play Lipan. Roby lost that one but it was sure a good game, and if Roby had been hitting as well as they usually do, we might have won that game too. The J.W. Etheredges also stayed and watched the championship game that night between Lipan and Robert Lee. Sam and Roxie Etheredge spent the day Sunday with Jackie Wayne and LaNelle also, Cody and Randi Marie, and Randy Etheredge was in and out. Mrs. Randy (Vicky) Etheredge was sick all day Sunday and wasn't able to be there. They all helped Jackie Wayne celebrate his birthday Sunday. Happy birthday to him. Mrs. Lealon Wilburn also spent part of Sunday with the Etheredges. Mrs. Mary Ozuna is now home from the Fisher County Hospital. She came home Friday, but is still very weak. Louise Martinez has been going to visit Mary nearly every day. Visiting with Dutch and Norma Lou Parks Friday and Saturday were Larry and Susan Parks from Midland. Coming to the Parks Saturday were Pache, Julie, Levi and Dylan from Odessa. Jonnye, Robert and Nathan Brown from Lubbock, also Cary Brown and Kyle Beck from Snyder all visited with the Parks Saturday.

I have been going to see some really good basketball games this past weekend. Friday night I want to Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Daniel, Autumn and Alison, and we watched the Roby boys defeat Knox City. This was the regional play-offs held at McMurry College. Then Saturday morning Kathie and I went back to Abilene to watch Roby vs Lipan and although Roby played well, and it was a close game, 54 to 54 with 3 minutes remaining, Roby eventually lost by 10 points. We came home after the game as Odell Daniel was here visiting with the Daniels for the weekend. He went home Sunday.

Lipan eventually beat out Robert Lee for the championship and will now advance to the state play-offs this weekend in Austin.

Today (Monday) the weather isn't too bad, but it's not as warm as Saturday and Sunday, and we are expecting that cold front and some rain with it tomorrow. Hope we get that rain.

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Roby Lions End Season With 31-2 Record



UP FOR TWO: Brian Osuna goes up and scores against the Lipan Indians in the Regional Play-offs held at Hunt P.E. Center last weekend. The Roby Lions fell to the Lipan Indians after a nail bitter of a game. Lions fans definately got their share of victory with a 31-2 record as the Roby Lions ended their season.

What do you say when you call time out with 26 seconds left in a game and you're down by 8? Coach Ruben Osuna told his Lions not to let this game ruin their season but to remember the great year they have had.

The Roby Lions had enjoyed a great season and experienced only their second loss of the year as they were defeated by the Lipan Indians by a 64-54 margin in the Region II- A regional semi-final game at Hunt P.E. Center on the campus of McMurry University in Abilene.

The Lions had advanced to the Regional Tournament with a 75-57 over the Sterling City Eagles on March 1 in the Area Championship game at McMurry. All twelve Lions got into the scoring column. Jason Osuna pumped in 25 point and Lonnie Green had 10. Randy Gregg, Niels Kramwinkle and Ralph Amador each had 6. Brian Osuna and Chad Dannheim contributed 5 each while Coby Moore added 4; Shea Feagan, 3; Robert Onofre and Jason Gruben 2 each; Mike Counts 1.

Roby advanced to the Regional Tournament on Friday to face the Knox City Greyhounds in the quarter-final match. The Lions entered the contest sporting their 30-1 record. The Lions were able to apply their trademark man-to-man defense effectively to force the Greyhounds into committing 23 turnovers enroute to a 67-49 victory. Chad Dannheim hauled in 7 rebounds and Brian Osuna accounted for 9 steals and Randy Gregg grabbed 4. Jason Osuna led the Lions with 19 points; Lonnie Green, 12; Brian Osuna, 9; Randy Gregg, 6; Ralph Amador, 5; Jason Gruben, 5; Chad Dannheim, 4; Coby Moore, 3; Niels Kramwinkle, 2; Shea Feagan, 2; Brian Osuna contributed 8 assists to the Lion cause.

Roby advanced to the semi-final game against Lipan Indians, 31-3. The Indians were able to connect on some early shots to take a 22-14 lead into the 2nd quarter. The Lions worked their way back into the contest to close the Indian lead to 38-33 at halftime.

The Lions clawed their way back in the 2nd half tying the game with 3:33 remaining in the contest. The Lions were unable to propel themselves into the finals as Lipan successfully connected on their shots down the stretch forcing the Lions to commit fouls to regain possession. Lipan used the charity stripe in the closing moments to bring the Lions' fabulous season to a close. The Lions finished the year as District Champions, Bi-District Champions, Area Champions, and Regional Semifinalists with a 31-2 record.

Lonnie Green hauled in 8 rebounds against the Indians while Brian Osuna and Chad Dannheim each garnered 7. Brian Osuna also provided 5 assists. Jason Osuna connected for 23 points to lead the Lions in the scoring column. Chad Dannheim and Lonnie Green each had 6; Brian Osuna, Randy Gregg, and Jason Gruben each had 4; Ralph Amador popped in 3; Niels Kramwinkle and Coby Moore each had 2.

Seniors Randy Gregg, Ralph Amador, Niels Kramwinkle, Jason Gruben, and Brian Osuna closed out their high school careers on Saturday. It was only fitting that the only teams to hand the Lions their losses this season met in the Regional Finals on Saturday night. Lipan will represent Region II-A at the State Tournament in Austin this weekend after defeating Roby's District 22-A rival Robert Lee 77-75 in the Regional Finals.

Hospital News

ADMITTED:

Arldie Keener- Rotan; Lucille Gabel- Rotan; Francisco Mijares- Rotan; Mary Ramirez- Rotan; Alice Ballenger- Roby; John Sharp- Rotan; Alpha Ashton- Rotan; Pedro Zavala- Rotan; Kate Fancher- Rotan.

DISMISSED:

Polly Stricklin- Rotan; Perfecto Flores- Rotan; J. R. Tankersley- Rotan; Anita Macias- Rotan; Hubert Bennett- Roby; Mary Ozuna- Rotan; Lucille Gabel- Rotan; Tommy Harbin- Rotan; Mary Ramirez- Rotan; Leonora Cleveland- Rotan; Francisco Mijares- Rotan.

F.C. Historical Commission Plans To Enter Float In Round-Up

by June Anderson

Twenty-five members and one guest, Nathan, young son of Rolene Bryan attended the March 1st meeting of the Fisher County Historical Commission. When the 15 more names that have been paid for are added to the Veteran Memorial, there will be a total of 592.

Plans are being made for our organization to enter a float in Sweetwater's Rattlesnake Round-Up parade to be held March 11th.

There was some discussion on things people are keeping for a future county museum. This precipitated a varied and lengthy discussion on Dead Man Cockron.

Bob Maloof, state archaeologist, Mondel Rogers, Sweetwater artist and several of F.C.H.C. members are planning a trip to see the pictures on the walls of a box canyon in the region of the Alan Henry Dam.

F.C.H.C. members are looking forward to attending the Fandangle at Albany and going early enough to see some of the historical attractions there.

THANK YOU

Many thanks to the Roby student body, faculty, and fans for your spirited support of our team this season.

You are the greatest and we are truly appreciative of your faith in us.

The Roby Lions

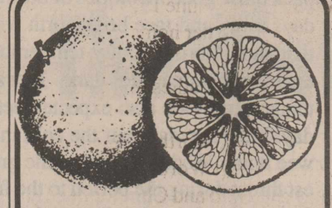
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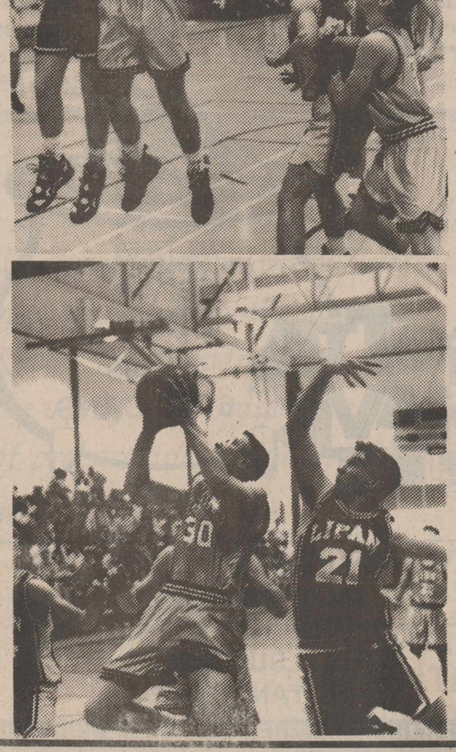


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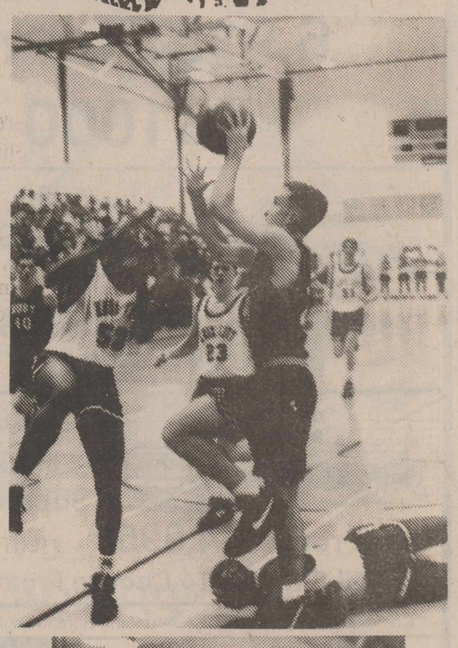


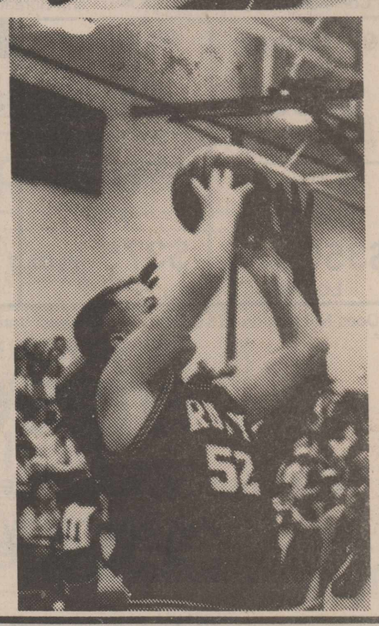






ROBY LIONS: The fighting Roby Lions, District, Bi-District and Area Champions. Left to right: Neils Kramwinkle, Brian Osuna, Robert Onofre, Lonnie Green, Randy Gregg, Chad Dannheim, Jason Osuna, Timothy Moore, Manager, Shea Feagan, Jason Gruben, Mike Counts, Ralph Amador, Coby Moore, Lance Moore, Assistant Manager.





For all the hard work by the players, all the long hours and dedication by the coaches, for the help by the Athletic Club, Parents, Administrators, Teachers, and Cheerleaders - Thanks, for a Great Basketball Season.

Roby Lion Supporters

OBITUARIES

Sidney R. Brumfield

Sidney R. Brumfield, 100, of Comanche, passed away at 8:45 a.m., Sunday, March 6, 1994, in the Western Hills Nursing Home in Comanche.

Mr. Brumfield was born November 24, 1893, in Fannin, Texas, the son of the late Ed and Viola Blackburn Brumfield.

Mr. Brumfield was a farmer in Fisher County for many years, moved to Odessa in 1947, and operated the Trolley Inn Cafe for a number of years. He was a Rock Mason and oil field serviceman in his later years. Mr. Brumfield moved to Comanche from Odessa in 1980. He was a Baptist and a member of the Eagles Lodge in Odessa.

He is survived by one daughter; Viann Melot of Comanche, seven grandchildren, thirteen great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two sons; Edwin Brumfield, May 1992 and Buddy Brumfield February 1979. Local grandchildren include: Mike Melot and Donna Grayson both of Comanche.

Funeral services for Mr. Sidney R. Brumfield were on Monday, March 7, 1994, in the Hall & Chaney Funeral Home Chapel in Comanche, Texas with the Reverend Don Longoria officiating. Graveside services were at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 8, 1994, in Roby Cemetery, Roby, Texas.

Doris Pettit

Doris Pettit, 76, of Fort Worth and former Rotan resident died Monday morning at Osteopathic Medical Center of Texas in Fort Worth. Funeral services were at 2 p.m., Wednesday, March 2, 1994, at Weathersbee Chapel in Rotan with Rev. Joe Vernon officiating. Burial was in the Belvieu Cemetery.

Mrs. Pettit was born October 21, 1917 at Sulphur Bluff. She was the daughter of Oliver and Lilly Dale Glaze. She moved to Rotan in 1935 and married Hazel Pettit there on January 11, 1936. He died June 19, 1986 and Mrs. Pettit moved to Fort Worth at that time. She has made her home in Fort Worth since.

She was a homemaker and a member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary.

She is preceded in death by a brother and a sister.

She is survived by a daughter, Nancy Crite of Fort Worth; three grandchildren, Mike Barker of Sweetwater, Sherrie Crite of Fort Worth and Vicky Tatro of Fort Worth; and two great grandchildren, Trey Tatro and Christopher Tatro, both of Fort Worth.

Oma Lois Lee

Oma Lois Lee, 72, of Rotan, died Wednesday morning in the Rotan Nursing Center. Services were at 2 p.m., Friday in Weathersbee Chapel with Dan Morris and Rev. Joe Vernon officiating. Burial was in the Rotan Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Mrs. Lee was born July 25, 1921 in Fisher County and was the daughter of Virgie Weems and the late Lon Weems. She married R.D. (Doss) Lee July 13, 1971 in Anson. Mr. Lee died October 25, 1987. Mrs. Lee moved back to Fisher County in 1971 from Hamlin. She was a member of the Rebecca Lodge and was past president and secretary of the Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW. She was a member of the Rotan Church of Christ.

Survivors include: 1 daughter- Delona (Mrs. Jack) Cox, Roby; Mother- Virgie Weems, Rotan; 1 sister- Lillie Mae (Mrs. Rex) Rollins, Azle; 3 brothers- L.D. Weems, Yermo, Calif., Virgil Weems, Rotan, Bernard Weems, Snyder; 2 grandchildren- Michele Goodwin, Waxahachie, Denny Cox, Longview; 3 great grandchildren- Brady Goodwin, Waxahachie, Justin Cox, Longview, Taylor Cox, Longview.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Clayton, in 1977.

Rotan 7th & 8th Grade Track

The Rotan 7th and 8th grade track teams finished third and second, respectively, at their first relays last weekend. Results are as follows:

7th Grade Track Results

400 meter relay - Adon Garza, Brandon Carreon, Daniel Markham and Michael Almanza, 2nd, 58.9.

800 meter run - James Featherston, 1st, 2:23.3; Wade Messick, 5th, 2:58.97.

100 meter dash - Guy Duke, 1st, 12.84; Adon Garza, 7th, 66.38; Daniel Markham.

400 meter dash - James Featherston, 1st, 67.69; Damon Clawson, 2nd, 68.7; Michael Almanza, 5th, 72.9.

200 meter dash - Guy Duke, 1st, 27.35; Brandon Carreon, 4th, 31.35.

1600 meter run - Wade Messick, 3rd, 6:56.4; Kelley Burnett, 6th, 8:28.7.

1600 meter relay - Damon Clawson, James Featherston, Brandon Carreon and Guy Duke, 3rd.

High jump - James Featherston, 3rd, 5'.

Shot put - Jeremiah Morris, 5th, 27'7"; Guy Duke, 6th, 27'1"; Kelley Burnett.

Long jump - James Featherston, 4th, 13'.25'.

Discus - Jeremiah Morris, 4th, 64'8"; Guy Duke, 5th, 64'7".

8th Grade Results

400 meter relay - Kenneth Messick, Jake Baker, Rys Day and Joey Lujan, 3rd, 55.2.

110 meter high hurdles - Kaleb Goodwin, 3rd, 19.46.

800 meter run - Jeremy Alls, 1st, 2.17; Guy Kelley, 2nd, 2:27.52; Lane Green, 6th, 2:44.12.

100 meter dash - Stoney Carrillo, 1st, 12.46; Joey Lujan, 4th, 13.34; Jake Baker.

400 meter dash - Stoney Carrillo, 1st, 61.34.

300 meter intermediate hurdles - Kaleb Goodwin, 2nd, 48.35; Kenneth Messick, 6th, 57.65.

200 meter dash - Joey Lujan, 5th, 28.51; Rys Day.

1600 meter run - Jeremy Alls, 1st; Guy Kelley, 3rd; Lane Green, 6th.

1600 meter relay - Kaleb Goodwin, Stoney Carrillo, Guy Kelley and Jeremy Alls, 2nd.

Triple jump - Jeremy Alls, 2nd, 32'10.5"; Jake Baker, 6th, 30'4.75"; Rys Day, 7th, 29'6.75".

Running high jump - Stoney Carrillo, 5th, 4'8".

Shot put - James Flores, 5th, 36'11.25"; Kaleb Goodwin, 33'7.25"; Jeff Anderle, 8th, 29'7".

Long jump - Stoney Carrillo, 16'10.5"; Jeremy Alls, 15'2.75"; Jake Baker.

Discus - James Flores, 4th, 89'2"; Luis Yanez, 5th, 86'9"; Henry Almanza.

Rotan Wins 1st Home Game And First District Match-Up

The Rotan Yellowhammer baseball team added two more wins to their record last week with victories over Coahoma and Winters.

Hammers vs Coahoma

On Tuesday, March 1, the Rotan baseball team defeated the Coahoma Bulldogs at the Rotan baseball field. This was the first high school baseball game played in Rotan in over 30 years.

Befitting the occasion, Michael Montez threw a no hit, no run game (called after five innings for darkness). Michael worked the full five innings, giving up no runs, on no hits, issued three bases on balls and struck out six after pitching to only 18 hitters. He was supported with nine runs on six hits, nine base on balls, 12 stolen bases and no fielding errors by the Yellowhammers.

Rotan Thaws Blizzards

Michael Montez threw another no hitter on Monday, March 7 when Rotan defeated the Winters Blizzards 7-2 in Winters. This was the team's first district game of the year.

Michael threw his second no hitter of the year, facing 23 batters and gave up nu runs, no hits, one base on ball and struck out seven. He was supported with seven runs on seven hits, eight bases on balls, ten stolen bases and only two errors by the Rotan team.

Statistics for the two games were as follows:

1993 Season Baseball Totals
18-3 Record
Rotan Vs Coahoma

Yellowhammer	AB	R	H	BB	SO	SB	E
Temple Daniel	4	2	1		2	4	0
Brandon Rains	3	1	1	1		1	0
Michael Montez	1	1	0	3		2	0
Lee Yanez	4	0	1			1	0
Matt Mercer	2	1	0	1			0
Jay Carrion	2	2	1	1		2	0
Steven Warren	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
Adam Yanez	0	1	0	1			0
Cristo Simmons	3	0	2			1	0
Rusty Goodwin	2	1	0	1	2		0

Rotan Vs Winters

Temple Daniel	3	2	1	1	1	3	1
Brandon Rains	3	1	1	1		1	
Michael Montez	2	0	0	2	2	1	
Lee Yanez	4	1	1				
Matt Mercer	3	0	1	1			1
Jay Carrion	4	0	1			2	
Rusty Goodwin	0	0	0	2		3	
Adam Yanez	2	0	0			2	
Cristo Simmons	3	2	1		1	2	
Steve Warren	4	1	1		2		

Rotan Places 4th At The Bearcat Relays In Ballinger

The Rotan Yellowhammer track team placed fourth in their first meet of the season at Ballinger last Saturday. The team was lead by JayBen Alls with second place finishes in the 3200 and 1600 meter runs. The Bearcat relays were won by Wylie with Hamlin and Brady taking the number two and three spots, respectively. Rotan edged out host Ballinger for the fourth spot and Early was sixth.

Yellowhammer results were as follows:

3200 meter run - JayBen Alls, 2nd, 11.49.51; Chris Flores, 5th, 12:16.91; T.J. Davis, 13:15.26.

400 meter relay - Trey Brown, Brian Baker, Jason Hargrove & David Nowlin, 3rd, 46.00.

110 meter high hurdles - Shon Fudge, 3rd, 16.52; Brian Carreon, 18.78; Phillip Hull, did not finish.

800 meter run - Chris Leach, 3rd, 2:30.90; T.J. Davis, 4th, 2:35.38.

100 meter dash - Trey Brown, 2nd, 11.35; David Nowlin, 5th, 11.42; Brian Baker, 12.13.

400 meter dash - Phillip Hull, 59.20.

300 meter intermediate hurdles - Shon Fudge, 44.20; Jason Hargrove, 49.00; Brian Carreon, 50.39.

1600 meter run - JayBen Alls, 2nd, 5:21.53; Chris Flores, 4th, 5:45.00; Chris Leach, 5:46.00.

1600 meter relay - Phillip Hull, Jason Hargrove, Shon Fudge & JayBen Alls, 4th, 4:00.00.

Triple jump - JayBen Alls, 5th, 36'00"; Jason Hargrove, 6th, 34'09".

High jump - Joey Powell, no height.

Shot put - Brian Baker, 4th, 44'06"; Patrick Zambrano, 30'1.5"; Chris Gaspar, scratch.

Long jump - Phillip Hull, 16'10.5".

Discuss - Brian Baker, 120'; Chris Gaspar, 100'; Anthony Smith, 90'.

The Yellowhammers will travel to Anson this Saturday for their next contest.



ROTAN SLUGGER: Jay Carrion takes a swing during one of Rotan's recent victories against Coahoma and Winters. The Yellowhammers played their first game at the new home field last week.

THANK YOU

We wish to express our appreciation to Wendell Morrow for allowing us to hold the concession at the John Deer Auction. Also to James Carter and the guys for their extra effort. Without help from Sue Cleveland, Nell Crawford and Irene Nowlin, we would not have been able to have it.

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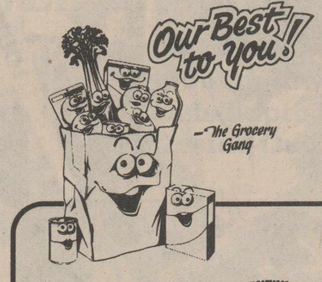
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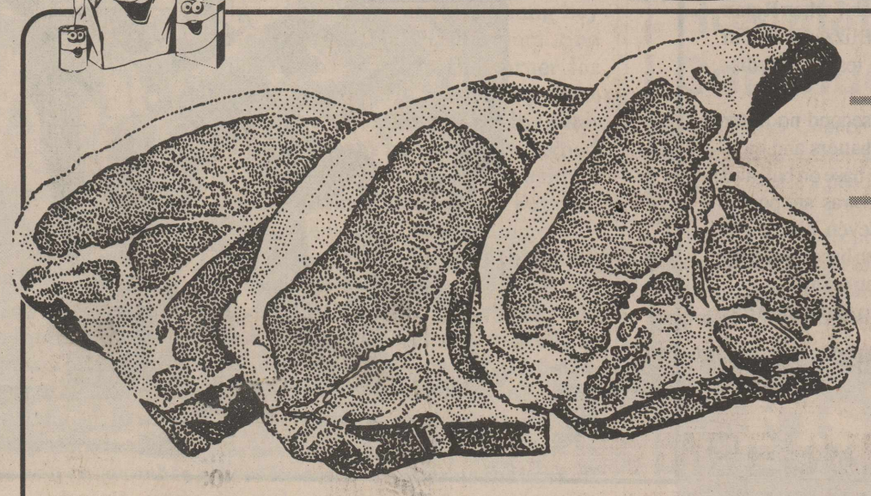
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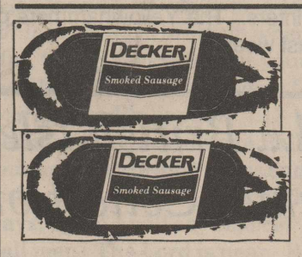
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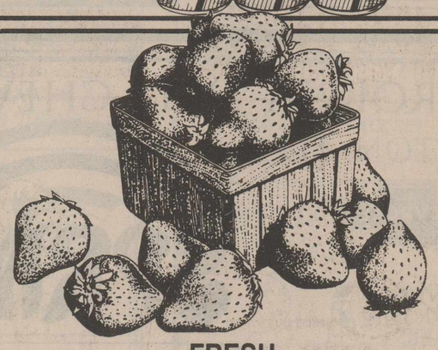
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