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Texas Agency Helping Abused And Neglected Area Children

The Texas Department of Human Services Children's Protective Services is on the front line in working toward helping children who are being abused or neglected, and also in working with their families.

When a concerned citizen observes a child who may be in danger of abuse and neglect and calls child welfare, the wheels are set in motion to begin to intervene and help the child and his family. The person calling is guaranteed that the call will be kept confidential.

The Children's Protective Services Supervisor is alerted to the nature of the referral and he/she assigns a priority to the referral and assigns the referral to a specific worker. The priority system makes it possible for the most serious referrals to be investigated immediately. A priority I referral is defined as life endangering. This would include head injuries or broken bones to an infant, or an infant who is failing to thrive. Included would be preschool children left alone. Any sexual abuse of a child under age 12 would be a Priority I. The worker must investigate a Priority I referral within 24 hours. A Priority II referral would be defined as safety endangering. This would include non life-threatening medical neglect, overdiscipline (example, bruises on a 13 year old), sexual abuse of a child over age 12. The worker has 10 days to complete the investigation on a Priority II referral. A Priority III referral is defined as potential abuse or neglect. These include neglect in the form of dirty homes and headlice, keeping children home from school to babysit, truancy. The Department wishes that they had the staff to investigate Priority III cases more often, because they are often cases where services could be espeically may make it possible to provide intervention.

When a referral is received, a trained specialist in investigation of abuse goes into the home and makes a determination of the validity and seriousness of the abuse. If the referral is validated and there does appear to be a situation in which a child is in danger, a protective services case is opened and the situation is monitored and social services are provided to the family in order to improve the home situation. Counselling may be provided. Referrals are made for income assistance if appropriate for vocational training, for alcohol and drug treatment and counseling. It is always the goal of the department to keep children with their families and to improve the family environment.

The Children's Protective Services encourages anyone to call and report suspected abuse, and let them make a judgement about the seriousness of the situation. It may be a case where there is other information known and the referral the children from the home into protective foster care. Then intense services are provided to the family to try to return the children home. Many childern are able to go home or to relatives. The department always trys to reunite families. However, if the child cannot be returned safely to the family, a legal procedure is initiated to terminate parental rights and place the child into an adopotive home.

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Masonic Lodge To Hold 150th Celebration Here

Members of the Masonic Lodge in Fisher County will be holding a giant Sesquicentennial celebration commemorating 150 years of Masonry in Texas. The celebration will be held at the Roby Community Center on Saturday, April 25th beginning at 6:00 p.m.

All Masons contributing to the Grand Lodge of Texas and visiting brethren from other grand jurisdictions, their families and guests as well as members of the Eastern Star are invited to attend the celebration.

Refreshments for the celebration will consist of barbecued brisket and beans with all the trimmings.



WINNING ENTRY: Debby Wilfong proudly displays the winning Rotan Chamber of Commerce entry for the Rotan logo and motto. The motto "A Genuine Texas Town" was selected over 60 other entries as was her drawing of the logo. For her efforts the Rotan Chamber of Commerce presented her with two $50 savings bonds.

Executive Committee Searching For Leader To Head Industrial Development Committee

The Executive Board of the Fisher County Program Development Committee met Monday with Rudolph Martinez presiding in the absence of the chairman.

Discussion of an industrial committee decided each would give thought to who would serve on this committee and appoint the committee at a meeting set for April 27 at 8:00 p.m. in the Couthouse coffee room.

Also a discussion was held and plans were made to have a meeting on Stress on Today's Families. This meeting is to be in late July or August depending on when speakers for the program can be scheduled.

Attending the meeting were Mrs. Fred Kemp, Sheriff Mickey Counts, Gary Floyd, Dr. David Morris, Larry Landes, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Martinez. Also County Extension Agents, Alice Ballenger, Richard Spencer and County Entomologist Paula Verden.

Burglary Attempt Foiled By Sheriff's Deputy

An attempted burglary was foiled last weekend after Deputy Sheriff Jerry Moffett discovered that a person or persons unknown had broken into a home occupied by Christine Cottle, Southeast of Rotan on the Royston Highway.

The attempted burglary was discovered at approximately 6:15 a.m., on Saturday, April 18th.

"It did not appear as if anything was removed from the home, everything was ransacked, gone through," said Sheriff Mickey Counts.

County Unit Of Cancer Society Program Set

The Fisher County Unit of the American Cancer Society will present a public information program Monday, April 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the Rotan Community Center. The presentation is designed to acquaint the county with the work of the society in general and the Fisher County Unit specifically. A film, "Best in People" will be shown at this time. County President Karen Gruben will speak regarding the work of the unit, available programs, the work of local volunteers and other information will be addressed. The public is cordially invited to attend as new members are always welcomed. Refreshments will be served.

Sheriff's Deputy Aids In Recovery Of Stolen Vehicle

Fisher County Sheriff Department Deputy Jerry Moffett aided in the recovery of a stolen vehicle from Stamford last Sunday night, according to Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts.

Moffett routinely stopped a man driving a 1974 Ford Vega near Farm Tractor and Service after the individual ran a stop sign.

When the man was approached by Moffett, the person fleed on foot. Further investigation revealed that the man was driving a stolen car from Stamford.

The man was apprehended, charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle in Jones County and evading arrest in Fisher County.

Kim's Korner

By Kim Pease

I hope someone in Rotan or Roby takes the lead to establish a function which will give our graduating seniors an alternative to a beer bust this year. The kids are entitled to a choice, but if a choice is not offered--they'll probably do just what they've been doing since time immemorial.

Last year several parents with graduating seniors planned a function, but those parents don't have graduating seniors this year. I'm sure a lot of them would be glad to help with some function but someone needs to take the lead.

The teenagers need an alternative-they need something that will provide them with a drug-free and alcohol-free supervised event.

The below story is about a hypothetical family residing in a small community such as Roby or Rotan...

After my child was born, I thought of this story. It is a story of two parents who loved their boy. Phil and Lucy loved little Bobby. They wanted him to have everything that they did not have when they were growing up. They wanted Bobby to have all the freedom that he wanted, for you see they loved little Bobby.

After 18 years of giving Bobby all the freedom that he wanted and after 18 years of giving little Bobby everything that he wanted, it came time for Bob (Bob changed his name, for he was no longer little) to graduate from high school. Phil and Lucy wanted to give Bob the best graduation party that had ever been, because Phil and Lucy loved Bob.

Lucy went and ordered all the food and hired the entertainment, while Phil went and made the arrangements for the refreshing drinks. Phil rationalized that Bob was old enough to drink beer. Besides, what would it hurt?

Phil would be there the whole time to supervise. You see Phil and Judy loved Bob and wanted to do everything to make him happy.

Phil and Judy could not believe their ears when they heard from the highway patrol the next morning that Bob was dead. They tried to understand how God could be so cruel to take their son away from them. Didn't they love Bob? Didn't they give him everything he wanted?

They did not take into account that God did not buy the keg of beer for Bob, but they bought the keg of beer for him. That is what Bob died from, driving while he was drunk.

Some of his friends said that the last thing they remembered was Bob bolding proclaiming. "I can drive. I can do anything. And if you don't believe me, ask my parents."

It is not God's fault when people die on the road because of driving while drunk. And I don't think the whole blame can be put on Bob because Bob was just doing what his parents gave him permission to do. I think the majority of the blame should be put on the shoulders of the parents of Bob--the ones that loved him the most.

Buying kids a keg of beer because you love them is a stupid way of showing love. It is like putting a loaded gun to their head and pulling the trigger. If you love your child, then you should want the best for him or her and giving them a keg party is not what is best for them.

It is a fact that when kids drink and drive, they die. And that my friends is a lousy graduation present!

Fisher County Hospital Collecting Bad Debts

The Fisher County Hospital has received the money or committments that the money will be paid from 14 individuals owing some $16,176.52. Two individuals have paid over $1,700.00 in past due bills in full, according to Fisher County Hospital Administrator Gary McGee.

Of the $48,733.86 owed by 38 individuals, 13 of the individuals owe over $1,000. The hosptial is in the process of getting judgements against the individuals and turning the accounts over to the Fisher County Attorney.

There are a total of eleven individuals who owe a collective total of $7,263.00 that hospital officials are in the process of getting citations issued on.

Sardis Cemetery Word Day April 25

Sardis Cemetery working, Saturday, April 25. Bring sack lunch, and your mowers, starting time 8:00 a.m. Those who can't work come and visit with us.

Sheriff Offers Reward In Jeffrey Home Burglary

The Fisher County Sheriff's Department is investigating house burglary in Roby involving the possible theft of approximately $2,500 to $3,000 in guns, televisions and silver coins.

Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts said last Tuesday morning that his department is investigating the theft of several guns, three television sets and an undetermined amount of silver half dollars and silver dollars.

The theft occurred from the home of Shirley Jeffrey between April 7th and 12th. Mrs. Jeffrey reported the theft to Sheriff's Department officials on April 12th.

"We are offering a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons involved in the burglary--all information will be held in strict confidence," said Counts.

Rotan Lions Club Annual Broom Sale Next Tuesday

The Rotan Lions Club will have its annual broom sale Tuesday, April 28th. Brooms, mops, rakes, mats, dish towels, and many other items will be offered for sale. Location of the sale will be the median on the Snyder Avenue just West of the traffic light. These items are made by the blind and distributed through the Caravan Sales for the Blind. The Rotan Lions Club is a local service club with many projects each year benefiting Rotan. The sale will start at 8 a.m. and end late that afternoon.

Hobbs School To Hold Country Musical May 2nd

There will be another country musical at the Hobbs School on Saturday, May 2, at 6:30 p.m. No admission will be charged.

Any bands interested in performing should contact Danny Weaver of Rotan at 915-735-2066.

Keith Copeland Serving On United States Navy McCloy

Keith Copeland, 23 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Copeland of Rotan, is serving in the United States Navy based at Norfolk, Va. aboard the Navy frigate McCloy.

The McCloy operating in the Caribbean recently, seized a 55-foot fishing vessel carrying 5 tons of marijuana, the Navy reported recently.

The McCloy, which had a Coast Guard law enforcement team aboard, seized the Orion I on April 12, minutes after firing shots to stop the board.

The Orion I had been spotted 10 hours earlier riding low in the water and flying a Bahamian courtesy flag.

The Coast Guard boarding team found 200 bales of marijuana and 12 Columbian crewmen were arrested, the Navy said.

Copeland is an electronics technician aboard the McCloy and has been in the Navy for the past 3½ years. He is scheduled to be honorably discharged in May.

Palette, Brush Club Annual Art Exhibit Sunday

The Palette and Brush Club will present their annual Art Exhibit Sunday, April 26th from 2 until 4 p.m. at the Fisher County Courthouse in Roby. Artists from Fisher County will be showing their work. Refreshments will be served.



MEDAL WINNERS: Two Roby High School students were among a host of West Texas students taking part in the Western Texas College Social Science Contest. The two local students, Reggy Spencer, second from left, back row and Jill Branson, second from left, front row were medal winners in the science contest.

Five Employees Of National Gypsum Retire Since Jan. 1

A total of five 1987 retirees of the National Gypsum Plant in Rotan were honored recently at a banquet by the company in Sweetwater.

The banquet was held at the Cross Ties Restaurant in Sweetwater on Tuesday night, April 14th.

The five retirees had a total of 188 years of employment with the National Gypsum Company in Rotan.

The honorees were Henry Garcia, who retired on March 1, 1987 and Floyd Woolf, who retired on April 1, 1987. Both Garcia and Woolf retired with 40 years of service each.

Frank Leach retired on March 1, 1987 with a total of 39 years and John D. Mercer retired on January 1, 1987 with 35 years.

Clarence E. Anderson will retire on May 1, 1987 and will complete 34 years of service.

Each of the retirees were presented a gift from National Gypsum.

Soccer Teams Compete In Several Area Games

In Saturday's 8-9 year old soccer game, the Rockets tied Snyder's Warriors, 1-1. The Rocket's single score came from an outstanding individual effort by Kris Rogers. On a 40 yard run, Rogers out maneuvered four defending Warriors in a spectacular scoring play. The Rockets next game will be with Roby's Blue Bombers.

Rotan's 6-7 year old team, the Blizzards. also met defeat in Saturday's game. Final score of the game against the Sonics was 2-1. Scoring for the Blizzards was C.W. Robertson. This was C.W.'s second score on the season. The Blizzard's next game is scheduled for April 24th, 10:00 a.m., against the Rangers.

Rotan's two 10-11 year old teams squared off last Thursday at Rotan's soccer field. The Mavericks narrowly defeated the Flyers by a score of 2-1. Bryce Moore provided the Mavericks with the first goal in the hard fought game. Moore scored on a pass play from forward Matt Mercer against goaline. Adam Yanez, in the first half of the play. The second half of the game saw Steven Warren score on a power shot against goalie Mitchell Montez. Scoring for the Flyers was Cristo Simmons. Simmons scored on a well placed penalty shot against goalie Coby Moore.

The Mavericks and Flyers will be playing again on Thursday in Rotan at 5:30. The game will be played at the field on Lakeview Ave, next to the golf course.

The two teams would like to thank the Rotan Gin for allowing them to play on their land. Goals were donated to them by Garcia's Welding. Officiating was by Chris Cottle.

Maverick team members include Lee Yanez, Travis Deen, Joe Gonzalez, Matt Mercer, Steven Warren, P.J. Garcia, Bryce Moore, Coby Moore, Dawn Tandy, Elaine Soliz, Shana Schooley, Brandon Weaver, Clay Hargrove, and Eric Smith. Coaching the Mavericks are Pete Garcia and Marcus Gonzalez.

Flyers team members include Michael Montez, Mitchell Montez, Cristo Simmons, Adam Yanez, Brandon Rains, Joe Sepeda, Mark Marshall, Chris Gaspar, Eric Whitley, Lane Hicks, Jackie Golden, Corinna Wright, Teasha Callan, and Brian Dickson. Coaching is provided by Larry Dickson and Greg Rains.

Flyers & Mavericks Leave Field With Tied Scores

In the Flyers and Mavericks second game the two teams left the field with a tied score of 1-1. The first score of the game came during the first half. Scoring for the Flyers on a well executed pass play was Michael Montez. Goalie for the Mavericks was Steven Warren.

In the second half of the game, the Mavericks evened the score when Eric Smith scored on goalie, Brian Dickson.

The Maveriskc saw action again on Monday. The Mavs played Snyder's 13-14 year olds team, the Strikers. Final score of this game was Strikers 5, Rotan Mavericks 0.

The Mavericks will not see action again until they play in the tournament which is scheduled for April 30th thru May 30th.

Rotan's Flyers will be playing Snyder's Eagles in Snyder Saturday, at 10:00. Snyder's soccer fields are located on 37th and El Paso Street.

Hobbs Menu

Monday: Steakettes, salad, potatoes, hot rolls, cake, milk.

Tuesday: Baked ham, potatoes, okra, hot rolls, cookies, milk.

Wednesday: Enchiladas, salad, red beans, hot puffs, milk.

Thursday: Barbecue, potato salad, corn, sliced bread, banana pudding, milk.

Friday: Hamburgers, fries, lettuce, tomatoes, chocolate cake, milk.

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24:1-35

Monday
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24:36-53

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2:14-36

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Acts
2:1-10

Thursday
Psalm
31:1-13

Friday
Psalm
21:1-11

Saturday
Acts
10:34-48



Scriptures Selected by
The American Bible Society

WE BELONG TO HIM

The little boy worked hard creating his little sailboat that measured about twelve inches. He spent hours and days, carving, cutting, and gluing it.

When he sailed it on a stream that ran through the park, it got into a fast current and was soon out of sight. Lost.

Weeks later the little fellow was walking down the street and spotted his small boat in the window of a pawn shop.

"That's my boat!" he screamed to the shop keeper.

"I'm sorry, son, but I bought that boat from another boy. It's mine. I paid him money for it," said the shop owner.

"How much do you want for it?" asked the little boy. When given a price he ran home, robbed his piggy bank, and came back and bought his boat.

Holding it close to his chest, he whispered to it, "You are mine twice: I made you and now I bought you."

We belong to God both by CREATION and REDEMPTION. He created us and, through His Son, redeemed us.

Meet him Sunday in His House of Worship and express thanksgiving that He has both created and redeemed you.

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REV. ELI SEPEDA
Sunday School-9:45 A.M.
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Sunday Evening Bible Study-5:30 P.M.
Worship Service 6:00 P.M.
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DON DAWES-MINISTER
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Sunday School-9:45 A.M.
Worship Service-10:45 A.M.
Sunday Eve.-Ladies Bible Class-5:00 P.M.
Worship Service-6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Evening Bible Study-7:30 P.M.

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Morning Worship-10:30 P.M.
Youth-6:00 P.M.
Evening Worship-7:00 P.M.

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Hobbs Community
Sunday School-10:00 A.M.
Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening-6:00 P.M.

McCAULLEY BAPTIST CHURCH
McCaulley, Texas
REV. JAMES BRIGHAM
Sunday School-10:00 A.M.
Worship-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening 6:00 P.M.

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776-2159
Sunday School-10:00 A.M.
Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Eve.-Ladies Bible Study-5:00 P.M.
Sunday Eve.-Children Grades 3-6-5:00 P.M.
Worship Service-6:00 P.M.
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Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening Bible Study-6:00 P.M.
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FIVE BUSINESS RATIOS

All businesses, large or small, will benefit by making month-to-month and year-to-year comparisons of certain business ratios.

The owners of small businesses are often intimidated or confused by business ratio concepts. Don't be embarrassed to ask your accountant how to construct and use these ratios. Ask him or her every month if necessary until you finally get comfortable with the necessary information.

It's the change in your business ratios and a comparison of the ratios to other businesses in your industry that should assist you in making good, profitable decisions.

Here are five common business ratios:

*** Gross profit percentage. This ratio is computed by dividing gross profit by net sales. Gross profit is the difference between sales and the cost of goods sold. An unsatisfactory gross profit percentage is a major factor in many business failures.**

*** Net profit percentage. This is computed by dividing net profit by net sales. Unincorporated businesses should make an allowance for the owner-manager's compensation before making industry comparisons.**

*** Breakeven point. When expressed in dollars, it is computed by dividinig the fixed costs by the gross profit percentage.**

*** Operating expense ratio. This is computed by dividing the operating expenses by net sales. An increase in this ratio from one period to the next should serve as a warning to management.**

*** Return on investment. This is computed by dividing net income by total equity (assets minus debts). This measures the overall profitablity of the company. A large ration which increases annually is of course desirable.**

By the use of these ratios you and your accountant can make decisions which will increase the profitability of your company.

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By Joy Walker

Has everyone been enjoying this heat wave we have been having. It was 100 degrees in Snyder on Sunday, and several days last week it was well over 95 degrees. I think it is a little early for this kind of weather, but it will probably cool off again and a shower or two would sure help the pastures. Some of the fields are still pretty wet, but the pastures need a rain, and they are predicting 40 percent chance Monday night and all day Tuesday. As long as we don't get one of those storms, but with the hot days and nights, we are liable to.

Mrs. Sarah Warren and family from Andrews visited with the Rudolph Martinezs on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Warren from Snyder visited with the Martinezs on Sunday, and ate dinner with them. That evening Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Martinez and their family from Rotan all vistied and they all ate supper together Sunday night.

Joe Hardin from Merkel came after Mrs. Bea Hardin Sunday morning and took her to his home for dinner. She stayed until late Sunday evening and really enjoyed the day. There was a big crowd there and she got to visit with a number of kin folks who she hadn't seen in a while.

Mr. and Mrs. David Etheredge and Dustin from San Angelo visited with the J.W. Etheredges over the Easter weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Randy Etheredge and Cody were also there over the weekend. They all went to the home of Mrs. Lealon Wilburn for Easter dinner on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. James Sherrill and LaTesha from Sweetwater were there, also Mr. and Mrs. David Yearwood and family from Levelland, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wilburn and Justin from Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilburn and girls, so they really had a big crowd. LaNell visited with Todd Etheredge on the phone; they are still in Atlanta, Ga. LaNell also visited with Jeremy Ham in Snyder on Wednesday; he flew in from Atlanta to visit his grandparents on his spring break.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Phillips from Post visited with Mrs. Opal Phillips on Friday. Sunday Opal went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Thornton for dinner and the Easter egg hunt. All of the Phillips, Hyers, and Porters were there, also C.J.'s son, Don Thornton and two daughters, from Abilene, so they had a big crowd. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cave and family from Midland spent Saturday and Sunday visiting with the Gary Hyers. Mrs. Oleta Stewart from Whitney and Mrs. Maureen Miller from Denton visited Sunday evening and spent the night and part of Monday with Opal. They are Josh's sisters.

Jim and I attended the District track meet on Thursday which was held at Jayton, and was it hot that afternoon. But by the time they had run off the prelims and started the finals, the sun was setting, and it was really nice that night. Congratulations to the Rotan boys and girls who will now advance to regional; we have quite a few this year. Donnie Carl placed first in both the 800 and the mile with his best times of the year. Now they will go to a regional track qualifiers meet this Saturday, and I hope that the weather isn't too hot. They all seem to run better at night after it has cooled off. Friday we ate supper with the Wilber Grubens and visited with Greg, who was home from Tarleton. Saturday we went to Abilene for the day and it was sure crowded and then Sunday we visited in Snyder with Mr. and Mrs. Pat Patterson. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Zeck, Julie and Emily, and Mrs. Bettsey Robertson and little baby, Blake Margaret, who was here visiting her parents from Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. Sure enjoyed seeing them all again.

Mrs. Flossie Burnett from Midland was surprised with a birthday dinner and an Easter get together at the home of Ivin and Annabeth Martin this weekend. Those present were Ivin and Annabeth, Lyndell Martin, Andrea Callan from San Angelo, Mrs. Judy Doyle and daughter from Abilene, Rita and E.P. Burkhead from Midland, Jenny and Charlie Armstrong from Ruidosa, New Mexico, Pat and Ted Hamilton from San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Max Burnett and Phillip from Waco, Linda Faulkenberry from Waco, and Amy and Jamie Barton from Mineral Wells, they are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Hess from Inadale, Buddy Burnett and Mrs. Gwendolyn Jay from Abilene were also there. They really had a good day and sure enjoyed all being together for the first time in several years. Happy birthday to Flossie.

Well, thisis all for this week. See you next Thursday.

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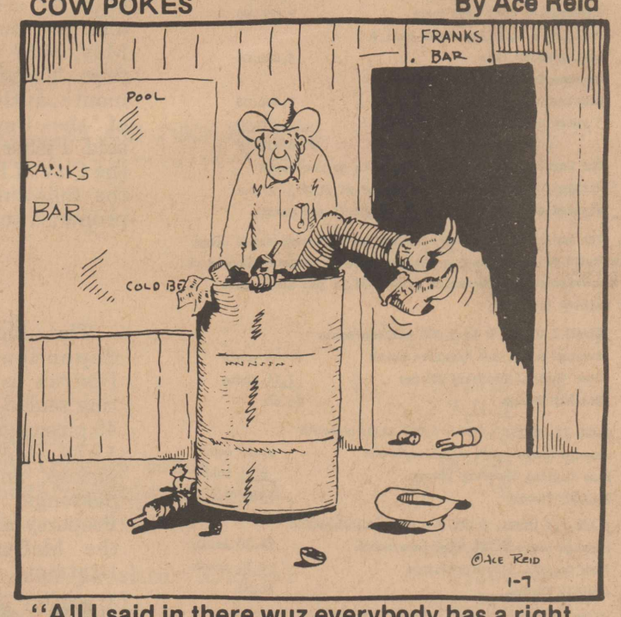
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ORDINANCE NO. 147

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SEWAGE RATES IN THE CITY OF ROTAN, TEXAS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING A PENALTY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, The City of Rotan has constructed a new Sewage Disposal Facility and lift Station under an Enviromental Protection Agency Grant;

WHEREAS, Provisions of the Enviromental Protection Grant for the City of Rotan to establish a Cost Recovery System and user charge schedule;

WHEREAS, All users of the Sewer Facility shall be assessed and shall pay for their proportioned use of the Facility through an established cost recovery and user charge schedule.

WHEREAS, the proportioned use of the Facility shall be based on the water usage of the three low water usage months of December, January and February which the greater percentage of water use is discharged into the Sewer System;

WHEREAS, All Residences, Businesses, Churches, Schools, Motels, Rest Homes, Public Housing Authorities and others inside the Corporate City limits shall participate where sewer connections are available or made available by the City.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROTAN, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. The City of Rotan has established a Cost Recovery System and User Charge Schedule for the Purpose of recovering costs incured in construction and the maintainance and operation of the Sewer Facility.

SECTION 2. Projected Operation, Maintainance and Recovery Cost is $41,360.00 per year or $3,446.67 per month actual average metered water usage 5,550,914 gallons per month. Water usage cost for O. M. & R. purposes: $3,446.67 ÷ 5,550,914 = 0.0006209 per gallon cost per gallon X 1,000 gallons = 0.6209 per M/gallons use 0.621/1000 gallons.

Following are the calculations for user charges based on the operation, maintainance and capital expenditures of each of the eight (8) classes of wastewater users.

CLASS I USERS 0 - 3,000 gallons water/month - 285 users
average usage 2,400 gallons/month
O. M. & R. cost/1,000 gallons = $0.621
Average Cost to user 2.4 X $0.621 = $1.49/month

CLASS II USERS 3,000 - 6,000 gallons water/month - 260 users
average usage 5,094 gallons/month
O.M. & R. cost/1,000 gallons = $0.621
Average Cost to user 5,094 X $0.621 = 3.16/month

CLASS III USERS 6,000 - 9,000 gallons water/month 177 users
average usage 7,245 gallons/month
O.M. & R. cost/1,000 gallons = $0.621
Average Cost to user 7,245 X $0.621 = $4.50/month

CLASS IV USERS 9,000 - 12,000 gallons water/month 60 users
average usage 10,393 gallons/month
O. M. & R. cost/1,000 gallons = $0.621
Average Cost to user 10,393 X $0.621 = $6.45/month

CLASS V USERS 12,000 - 15,000 gallons water/month 28 users
average usage 13,428 gallons/month
O. M. & R. costs/1,000 gallons = $0.621
Average Cost to user 13,428 X $0.621 = $8.34/month

CLASS VI USERS 15,000 - 25,000 gallons water/month 14 users
average usage 18,171 gallons/month
O. M. & R. cost/1,000 gallons $0.621
Average Cost to user 18,171 X $0.621 = $11.28/month

CLASS VII USERS 25,000 - 50,000 gallons water/month 11 users
average usage 30,364 gallons/month
O. M. & R. cost/1,000 gallons $0.621
Average Cost to user 30,364 X $0.621 = $18.86/month

CLASS VIII USERS over 50,000 gallons water/month 7 users
average usage 96,021 gallons/month
O. M. & R. costs/1,000 gallons $0.621
Average Cost to user 96,021 X $0.621 = 59.63/month

SECTION 3. CAPITAL RECOVERY COSTS

House for Standby Generator	$ 3,000.00
Rotan Share of Construction Grant	54,637.00
Change Order #6 - Increase in Cost of Standby Generator	1,395.00
Land Swap & Misc. expense 1 acre	6,181.00
Change Order #2 - Ineligible Construction	1,483.30
Engineering Cost Land Swap	2,000.00
Drilling & equiping water well & moving water line	5,000.00
Engineering Cost - Ineligible Construction	1,800.00
5 years Simple Interest 10%	30,916.49
	$106,412.79

The Capital Cost of $106,412.79 to be recovered within 5 years in 60 Installments of $1,773.55 and divided equally by 842 users at $2.11 per month.

SECTION 4. The months of December, January and February water usage will be the basis of the following charges made to Various Classes of Users for Maintainance and Operation plus a $2.11 per month base charge for Capital Recovery.

CLASS I USERS: 0 to 3,000 gallons/month

average usage 2.4 M/gallon/month	$1.49 month
Base Capital Recovery Charge	2.11 month
Monthly Charge	$3.60

CLASS II USERS: 3,000 - 6,000 gallons/month

average usage 5,094 M/gallon/month	$3.16 month
Base Capital Recovery Charge	2.11 month
Monthly Charge	$5.27

CLASS III USERS: 6,000 - 9,000 gallons/month

average usage 7.245 M/gallons/month	$4.50 month
Base Capital Recovery Charge	2.11 month
Monthly Charge	$6.61

CLASS IV USERS: 9,000 - 12,000 gallons/month

average usage 10,393 M/gallons/month	$6.45 month
Base Capital Recovery	2.11 month
Monthly Charge	$8.46

CLASS V USERS: 12,000 - 15,000 gallons/month

Average usage 13,428 M/gallons/ month	$8.34 month
Base Capital Recovery	2.11 month
Monthly Charge	$10.45

CLASS VI USERS: 15,000 - 25,000 gallons/month

average usage 18,171 M/gallons/month	$11.28 month
Base Capital Recovery	2.11 month
Monthly Charge	$13.39

CLASS VII USERS: 25,000 - 50,000 gallons/month

average usage 30,364 M/gallons/month	$18.86 month
Base Capital Recovery Charge	2.11 month
Monthly Charge	$20.97

CLASS VIII USERS: Over 50,000 gallons/month

average usage 96,021 M/gallons/month	$59.63 month
Base Capital Recovery Charge	2.11 month
Monthly Charge	$61.74

SECTION 5. Repeal of Conflicting Legislation
All other ordinances, resolutions, or other actions of the City Council of Rotan, Texas, in conflict with the rates, fees, charges, definitions, or other provisions hereof, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. Billing of Charges for Services
A monthly billing for the herein charges will be included with the monthly water billing at the end of each month.

SECTION 7. Penalties
A ten percent late charge will be added to charges if not paid by the 20th of the month following usage billing. If not paid by the 25th of the aboved mentioned month service will be discontinued until paid along with a reconnection fee.

SECTION 8. The Water Usage, Capital Recovery Charges will be reviewed annually and appropriately charges will be made yearly for the useful life of this project.

SECTION 9. The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to publish this ordinance in the manner and for the length of time prescribed by law.

SECTION 10. This Ordinance shall become effective May 1, 1987 and applied to the first billing thereafter.

Passed on first reading the 7th. day of April 1987.

Jelly M. Hamilton
Mayor

ATTEST:
Kenneth Hines
City Secretary

LEGAL NOTICE

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 6th day of April, 1987 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of ROBY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. HAMILTON FOSTER ESTATE; Cause No. 4140 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will procced to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 5th day of May, 1987 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:

Being all those certain Lots 23 and 24 in Block 72 of the Original Town of Sylvester, Texas, and being more particularly described in that certain Deed of record in Volume 22, page 279 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 6th day of April, 1987 as the property of Unknown Heirs of Hamilton Foster Estate, if living; to satisfy a judgment amounting to $174.28 with interest from the 28th day of January, 1987, at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of Roby Independent School District, Et Al.

Given under my hand this 6th day of April, 1987, Mickey A. Counts, Sheriff, Fisher County, Texas.

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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 6th day of April, 1987 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. CLARA E. WILKES, Cause No. 4085 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 5th day of May, 1987 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:

Being all those certain Lots 3 and 4 in Block 240 of the Inside Addition to the City of Rotan, Texas, and being more fully described by that Deed of record in Volume 136, Page 605 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 6th day of April, 1987 as the property of Carra E. Wilkes, if living; to satisfy a judgement amounting to $274.19 with interest from the 28th day of January, 1987, at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of Rotan Independent School District, Et Al.

Given under my hand this 6th day of April, 1987, Mickey A. Counts, Sheriff, Fisher County, Texas.

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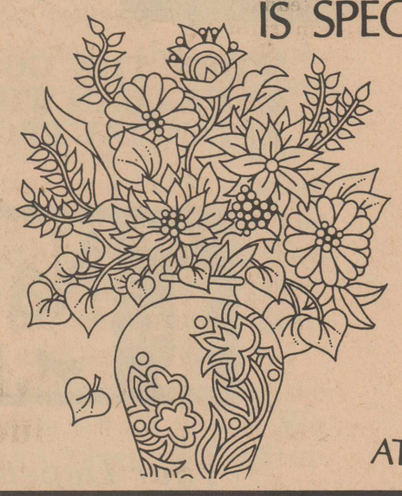
The McCaulley Independent School District is now accepting sealed bids on: 1971 49 passenger school bus, 1974 GMC ¾ ton pickup, and 1976 nine passenger Dodge van. Property may be seen at the McCaulley School District, McCaulley, Texas, and will be sold as is. Bids will be received up through May 4, 1987 and will be opened on May 12th at the regular school board meeting. The McCaulley School Board reserves the right to reject any or/all bids.

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Rotan Jr. High Track Team In Hawley Meet

The Rotan Junior High girls track team recently competed in the Hawley Triangular Meet. The meet was divided into 7th and 8th grade divisions. Rotan 7th grade girls won first place overall, and 8th grade girls won 2nd overall. Placings were as follows:

7th grade: Tracy Williams, 2nd, 100 meter dash; Jodie McClain, 4th, 200 meter dash; fifth, 100 meter dash.

Misty Gruben, 1st, 200 meter dash; Laurel Pizzaro, 2nd, 100 meter hurdles; Sharilyn Murdoch, 4th, 100 meter hurdles; 3rd, 1600 meter run; Julie Parr, 1st, 400 meter dash; Leticia Martinez, 6th, 400 meter dash; Terry Warren, 1st, 800 meter run; Jennifer Martinez, 3rd, 800 meter run; Czrena West, 2nd, 1600 meter run; Terry Warren, Kay Roddy, Julie Parr, Tracy Williams, 1st, 400 m. relay; Czrena West, Christi Parr, Kristi Martinez, Misty Gruben, 3rd, 400 m. relay; Kay Roddy, Misty Gruben, Laurel Pizzaro, Tracy Williams, 2nd, 800 m. relay; Cathy Sepeda, Kristi Martinez, Christi Parr, Jennifer Martinez, 3rd, 800 m. relay; Kay Roddy, Laurel Pizzaro, Julie Parr, Terry Warren, 1st, 1600 m. relay; Cathy Sepeda, Kristi Martinez, Leticia Martinez, Jennifer Martinez, 3rd, 1600 m. relay.

8th grade: Shawna Speck, 4th, 100 meter dash; 3rd, 200 meter dash; Elizabeth Jones, 1st, 100 meter hurdles; Sherri Conner, 2nd, 400 meter dash; Terri Johnson, 1st, 400 meter dash; 1st, 1600 meter run; Vanessa Peek, 1st, 800 meter run; Debra Martinez, 2nd, 1600 meter run; Debra Martinez, Vanessa Peek, Sherri Conner, Elizabeth Jones, 2nd, 800 m. relay; Vanessa Peek, Terri Johnson, Sherri Conner, Elizabeth Jones, 1st, 1600 m relay.

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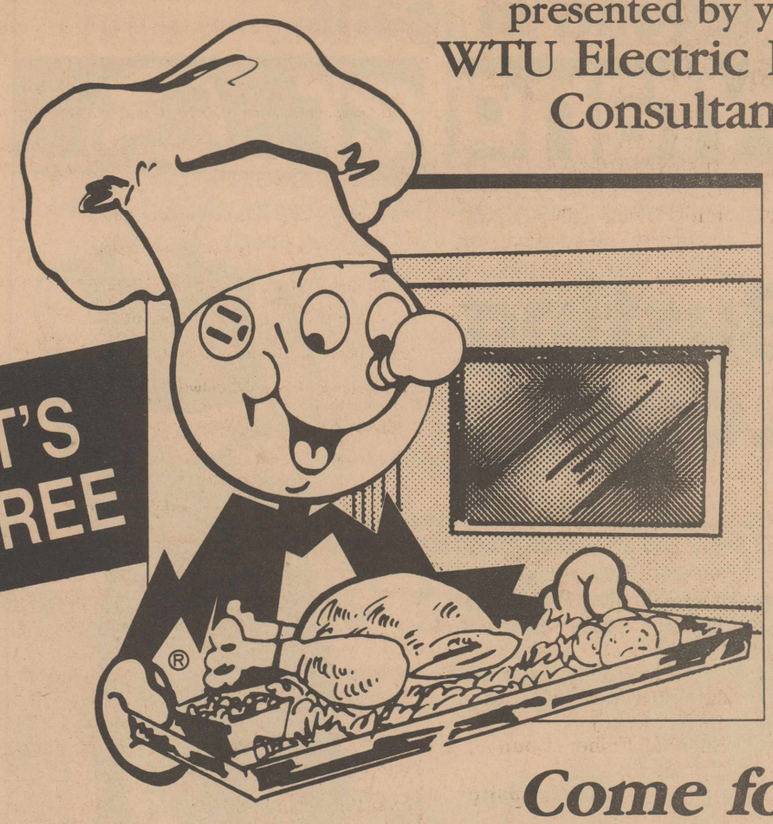
Legal Notice

Fisher County Commissioners Court will accept bids for sale of 760 John Deere scraper. Bids will be opened Thursday, April 30th, 1987, at 9:00 a.m. in Commissioners Courtroom, Roby, Texas. For further information, contact Billy Henderson, Commissioner Precinct 2 or Jay Hendon, Commissioner Precinct 3.

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Roby Elementary School Takes First Place In County UIL Meet

The Roby Elementary School won first place in the overall team standing in a district including Roby, Jayton, Rotan, Hobbs, Trent and McCaulley. In the team point standings, Roby scored 237.5, Jayton 132.5, and Rotan 105. Participation was very strong from all schools this year creating an excellent learning situation. Participants included grades 2nd through 8th and competion was very strong this year. Individual awards are as follows:

Music Memory: Karen Dickson, Missy McKinney, Mark Marshall, Tracie Hull and Joe Gonzales, Rotan, first place; Becky Terry, Mike Elliott, Joel Collier, JoAnna Chavira, Roby, 2nd.

Poetry: Angela Peace, Rotan, first; Anita Floyd, Roby, third; Jenny Gibson, Hobbs, fourth; and Elaine Gomez, McCaulley, fifth.

Spelling: Anita Floyd, Roby, first; Lucy Raymond, Rotan, third; Martha Billingsley, Roby, third; Matt Mercer, Rotan, fifth; and Jessica Yanez, Rotan, fifth.

Impromptu Speaking: Bryan Mauldin, Roby, first; Jeremy Terry, Roby, second; Efrian Pizzaro, Rotan, fifth; Jennifer Blaine, Roby, sixth.

Modern Oratory: Jennifer Kincaid, Roby, first; Dale Alsup, Roby, second.

Calculator: Monte McKinney, Rotan, third; Suzanne Maxwell, Roby, fourth; Ruben Yanez, Rotan, fifth; Shana Feagan, Roby, sixth.

Number Sense: Rachel Dawes, Rotan, first; Angela Peace, Rotan, third; Heather Randolph, Rotan, fourth; Ben Singletary, Roby, sixth and Alisa Royer, Roby, sixth.

Prose: Kashaun Morris, Roby, second; Jennifer Kincaid, Roby, third; Angie Brzezinski, Roby, fourth.

Picture Memory: Anita Floyd, Roby, first; Bryce Moore, Roby, first; Alfred Rivas, Roby, first; Taris Hawkins, Roby, first. Amy Blackwelder, Rotan, third; Stephanie Brian Carreon, Rotan, third; Brandi Thomason, Roby, third; Christy Alaniz, Roby, third; Shelly Gomez, McCaulley, fourth; Jay Leatherman, McCaulley, fourth; Debra Perez, McCaulley, fourth.

Spelling: Tiny Carrion, Rotan, first; Suzanne Maxwell, Roby, second; Janie Zapata, Roby, third; Jennifer Elkins, Roby, sixth.

Story Telling: Rhonda Henry, Roby, first; Kelly McWilliams, Roby, second; Kye Lamm, Roby, third.

Ready Writing: Brian Carreon, Rotan, first; Brian Dickson, Roby, second; Bryce Moore, Roby, third; Amanda Clawson, Rotan, fourth; Misty Bowen, Hobbs, fifth; Melissa Burk, Rotan, sixth.

Ready Writing: Alisa Royer, Roby, second; Ben Singletary, Roby, third; Jason Moffett, Rotan, fifth.

Ready Writing: Jennifer Kincaid, Roby, first; Jenny Blaine, Roby, second; Julie Parr, Rotan, third; Misty Gruben, Rotan, fifth; and Jennifer Elkins, Roby, sixth.

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Rotan Nursing Center

Wednesday, the residents filled plastic eggs with candy for our Easter egg hunt Friday. After filling the eggs and eating some of the candy, they had cokes. Friday we had several pre-school children to hunt the eggs. We had a prize egg and Jacob Dickson found the prize egg. It was a large plastic egg with a stuffed duck inside. After the egg hunt the children and residents had punch and cookies together in the dining room.

Some of our residents went out for Easter and others have been going out with families driving around looking at the Bluebonnets and other wild flowers.

Visitors in the home last week were Belen Galan and Rachel Galan of Abilene visiting Helen Galan. Dorothy Scifers of Hamlin visited Nancy Bagwell, Naomi Thompson of Abilene visited Vineta Goodman and William J. Aalams of Kerrade, Netherlands visited Fannie Albert.

The Peacemakers Chime Choir of the First United Methodist Church of Roby were here Wednesday evening to play and sing for our residents. They also gave each resident a flower and a vase. The vase was made from wood by Calvin Elkins of Roby.

Lora Cleveland

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By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County, on the 6th day of April, 1987 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of ROBY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VS. MARTHA A. HOHMAN, Cause No. 4134 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 5th day of May, 1987 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 37 of the Original Town of Sylvester, Texas, and being more particularly described in that certain Deed of record in Volume 37, Page 14 of Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Tract II: Being all that certain Lot 12 in Block 47 of the Original Town of Sylvester, Texas, and being more particularly described in that certain Deed of record in Volume 33, Page 638 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Tract III: Being all those certain Lots 13, 14 and 15 in Block 47 of the Original Town of Sylvester, Texas, and being more particularly described in that certain Deed of record in Volume 66, Page 514 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 6th day of April, 1987 as the property of Martha A. Hohman, if living; Fred Hohman, Jr., if living; H.F. Medley, if living; Mildred L. Buckett; to satisfy a judegment amounting to $594.69 with interest from the 28th day of January, 1987, at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of Roby Independent School District, Et Al.

Given under my hand this 6th day of April, 1987, Mickey A. Counts, Sheriff, Fisher County, Texas.

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By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County, on the 6th day of April, 1987 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. J. LEE CARLISLE, Cause No. 4120 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 5th day of May, 1987 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:

Being all that certain Lot 7 in Block 312 of the Inside Addition to the City of Rotan, Texas, and being more particularly described in that certain Deed of record in Volume 50, Page 514 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 6th day of April, 1987 as the property of J. Lee Carlisle, if living; to satisfy a judgement amounting to $227.02 with interest from the 28th day of January, 1987 at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of Rotan Independent School District, Et Al.

Given under my hand this 6th day of April, 1987, Mickey A. Counts, Sheriff, Fisher County, Texas.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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 6th day of April 1987, by the clerk thereof, in the case of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL. VS. T.J. BOSTON, Cause No. 4147 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 5th day of May 1987 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:

Being all those certain Lots 4 and 5 in Block 339 of the Inside Addition to the City of Rotan, Texas, and being more particularly described in those certain Deeds of record in Volume 110, page 450 and Volume 111, page 12 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 6th day of April, 1987 as the property of T.J. Boston A/K/A/ T.J. Boston, if living; to satisfy a judgement amounting to $205.82 with interest from the 28th day of January 1987, at 10 per cent, per anum, and all costs of suit in favor of Rotan Independent School District, Et Al.

Given under my name this 6th day of April, 1987, Mickey A. Counts, Sheriff, Fisher County, Texas.

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NOTICE: Strayed 4½ miles N.E. of Rotan, one black heifer, approximately 400 lbs. Contact 735-3584 after 6:00 p.m. Please. 11:2tp

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County Agent Report

By Richard Spencer

The Fisher County Crops Committee met recently and endorsed May 20 as the Uniform Planting Date for Fisher County. This was the date proposed by the Fisher-Jones Pest Management Committee. Boll Weevil numbers are expected in epidemic numbers this year; so everyone is urged to support the planting date to keep the numbers down as low as we can. Other Rolling Plains counties are setting their dates even later than ours around May 25 or 26.

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Texas was approved for a Class B brucellosis classification on April 1 by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Texas has been classified as both a Class C and Class B state since 1980. With the Class B status, the B-C line will be eliminated, and the B designation will mean less restriction on interstate movement of cattle for Texas producers.

Increased efforts will be needed in the future, however, to reach the state's eradication goal.

Currently, six states now have Class B status, 19 others have Class A status and 23 have a designated Free status. In addition, one has a B-C status and one is designated as a C state.

"The next step for Texas is to meet the Class A status as mandated by the USDA. The target date for this is October 1, 1990. Other states are putting pressure on Texas producers to increase efforts to control and eradicate brucellosis.

The approval changing Texas to a Class B state resulted from the reduced herd infection rate, the increasing number of certified free herds and the strong continuaton of the calfhood vaccination program for heifers.

Services Held For "Tuffie" O'Briant

Marion P. "Tuffie" O'Briant, age 61, of Irving died Thursday April 16, after a long illness.

Services were held in Irving, Saturday at 2:00 p.m. in Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel, with the Rev. Edward Samples officiating. Burial was in Oak Grove Memorial Garden in Irving.

Tuffie was born in Fisher County February 10, 1926. He was the son of the late Frank and Mary O'Briant.

He enlisted in the Navy in 1944. Taking basic in San Diego. Then shipped out to the South Pacific, aboard a cruiser. His first engagement was off the coast of Layte. His ship was hit. Tuffie was seriously injured. Twenty-three days later he arrived in Australia for first aid. He was later back to San Diego. He stayed in the hospital there and Norman, Oklahoma for about 18 months.

He married Helen Duty, February 1947 in Abilene.

He was a resident of Irving for the last 25 years, after moving there from Baird. He retired in 1986 from ABF Freight Systems, where he had been a truck driver for 36 years. He is credited with more than three million miles of driving without an accident. He was a member of Disabled American Veterans Association, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Teamsters Local No. 745.

Survivors include his wife Helen, two sons, Raymond and James of Irving; one daughter: Linda Murphree of Waxahachie; three brothers: Dennis of McCaulley; Lionel of Lovington, N.M.; and Morris of Seaside, California; four sisters: Lelia Nash, Abilene; Faye Ray, Roby; Hazel Petty, Clyde; and Lucille Gabel, Rotan. Four grandchildren, Tracie and Steve Murphree, Jr. of Waxahachie; Ray and Keith O'Briant of Irving.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.

Attend Funeral

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gabel of Rotan; Faye Ray of Roby; Mr. and Mrs. Dennis O'Briant of McCaulley and Mrs. Julis Decker of McCaulley attended the memorial service of Marion P. "Tuffie" O'Briant in Irving, Texas Saturday.

Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Waddell had their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren for a visit over the Easter weekend. A birthday party was given Saturday night honoring Mary Lu Waddell. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Billy John Waddell, Anson; Mr. and Mrs. Steve Waddell, and Sarah, Lancaster; Mr. and Mrs. Allan Waddell and Kimberly, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Turnbow, Jack Daniel; Mr. and Mrs. Don Waddell, Dr. and Mrs. Fred Waddell, Beaumont, Texas.

Eleven Roby Students In WTC Science Contest

Eleven students from Roby High School participated in the annual Western Texas College Social Science Contest recently.

About 150 students from 15 area high schools competed in the five contests. They were divided into Division I and II according to school size, with Roby, Abernathy, Crosbyton, Grady, Hermleigh, Highland, Seagraves and Sundown making up Division II.

Medals were awarded the top three contestants in each of five contests and the highest ranking senior in each contest received a scholarship to WTC. Abernathy received the plaque for having the largest number of points in Division II, while Abilene High received the Division I plaque.

Roby students entering the competition were Rachel Petty, John Cross, Larry VanLiew and Karie Martin in World History and Geography; Teri Morgeson, Kathy Hunt, and John Everett in Current Events and Reggy Spencer, Jill Branson, Greg Meek and James Gantt in U.S. History.

Spencer was awarded the gold medal as first place winner in U.S. History and Miss Branson received the silver medal as second place winner.

Dr. Franklin Pruitt, Contest director, expressed appreciation to all the students and sponsors who helped make the event a success.

Hospital News

Patients admitted to the Fisher County Hospital from April 14 thru April 20 were: Edna McArthur; Raymond McKimmey; Callie Shipp; Marguerite Hargrove; Jerry Salazar; Leonard Laughlin; Walter Hale; and Herbert Goodwin, all of Rotan; Fred Ridgely; Patricia Morton; Victoria Beddo; and Esther Jones, all of Roby.

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Saturday, April 25, 1987

2:00 P.M.

Rotan Gin Co.



Reggy Spencer



Gerry Streety

FFA Double Mountain District Banquet

The Roby FFA participated in the Double Moutain District FFA Banquet April 14 at Anson. Reggy Spencer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spencer was elected as the new 1987-88 District FFA President. Joey Teague, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Teague, was re-elected as the District FFA Secretary. Teresa McClure, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley McClure, represented the Roby FFA in the Sweetheart Contest and was an outstanding candidate.

Gerry Streety, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Streety, participated in the Talent Contest. He placed second and will travel to the Area FFA convention May 15 in San Angelo. Gary Teague, former Double Mtn. District FFA Vice President, was the guest speaker at the banquet.

Other FFA members attending the District FFA banquet were Jay Linn Helm, KenLee Dennis, Gilbert Carreon, and Darry Thomson. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dudley McClure, Mrs. James Streety, and Advisor Mr. Gary Daniel, and Kathie and Autumn Daniel.

The Double Mtn. District FFA banquet will be held in Roby next year. The banquet is held at the District FFA President's home Chapter.



Joey Teague



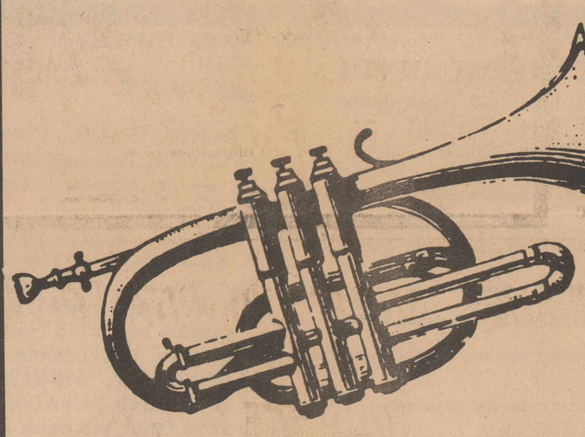
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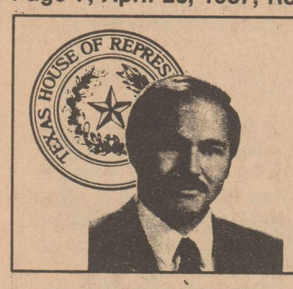
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What Happens When The Well Runs Dry

Texas State Treasurer Ann Richards is re-emphasizing her warnings to legislators of the dire consequences of ignoring the coming cash shortfall. Richards predicts that many school districts will be forced to delay the start of school this fall. This is because of the state's projected inability to cover its $407 million in payments due to local districts in September. If the state fails to raise additional revenue to cover its obligations, the loss will be felt most severely by smaller and poorer school districts that may be unable to borrow to make up for the state's shortfall. Richards is attempting to impress the Governor with the reality of the fiscal situation by laying out the actual consequences of the state's failure to deal with the situation.

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Richards projections have inspired a Houston-area teacher to coin a new phrase about Governor Clements version of no-pass, no-play. Dr. Joye Thorne of the Aldine ISD says that if the state fails to pass an effective tax bill (presumably over Clement's iron-clad veto threat), that Texas schools won't play in fall 1987--not football, band, or English. It's a sobering thought that legislators are increasingly aware of.

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Texas is not alone in its budget woes. More than 20 states are facing serious shortfalls, but the situation in West Virginia should wake up non-believers to a much larger potential disaster for Texas if we don't take action. The West Virginia Governor simply closed the state for a week when the state couldn't pay its bills. State colleges and universities were shut down and all state employees were "furloughed" for a week, so that for all practical purposes, West Virginia was "closed". Knowledgeable leaders here say that is just a preview of what Texas is up against.

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Some other consequences of letting the state run out of money; The Medicaid contract with the state's private insurance carrier would lapse, cancelling the payments to nursing homes for thousands of elderly residents...the highway department would be forced to stop usual maintenance and seal coating before the end of the warm weather period, leaving highways vulnerable to winter decay...state employee pay checks might be cashable for 7 to as much as 60 days after issuance, or might be discounted by banks like warrants during the 30's depression...businesses that supply and contract with the state would not get paid on time, perhaps putting them in technical default with their own suppliers.

Variety Of Services Offered To Cancer Patients Free Of Charge

The American Cancer Society in Fisher County has announced that there are a variety of services available to cancer patients without charge. Many people are unaware of what can be done for cancer patients right here in Fisher County. All that is needed in most cases is permission from the patient's doctor.

Loan equipment such as hospital beds, wheel chairs, walkers, and commode chairs are available as well as gift items including eggcrate mattresses, sheepskins, bed pans, pillows, ostomy supplies, dressings, wigs and many other items.

The Cancer Society also helps patients and their families with literature and information on other agencies. Many times there is a need to know more about cancer or what assistance might be available even on a local basis.

Most people think of the American Cancer Society only in terms of cancer research. While it is true that the American Cancer Society puts millions of dollars into cancer research, the society also works with local people in the work of helping cancer patients in every possible way.

Anyone needing more information on the services available for cancer patients may contact Gayle Duke, Service and Rehabilitation Chairperson, by calling 735-3067 or writing her at Rt. 1 Box 73, Rotan, Texas, 79546.

Card Of Thanks

The Fisher County Ministerial Alliance would like to express our appreciation to everyone who had a part in the Holy Week Revival Services. The success of these services was made possible only because of your sharing your time and talents with us in worship. Thank you for being a part of this combined ministry.

Rev. Jim Hawthorne,
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11:1tc

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Rotan, Texas

BALANCE SHEETS

ASSETS

	December 31, 1986	December 31, 1985
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash on hand and in banks	$ 481,107	$ 645,567
Accounts receivable, less allowance for uncollectible accounts (1986 - $244,094; 1985 - $120,451)	186,595	324,758
Property taxes receivable, less allowance for uncollectible taxes (1986 - $70,801; 1985 - $61,576;) (Note 6)	184,313	170,514
Taxes collected but not remitted (Note 6)	61,539	42,243
Receivable from third party payors (Note 2)	12,660	0
Inventories	24,454	33,222
Prepaid insurance	25,600	23,955
Accrued interest receivable	761	761
Total Current Assets	977,029	1,241,020
NOTES RECEIVABLE (Note 8)	19,500	0
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT - AT COST:		
Land	45,600	45,600
Buildings	2,252,655	2,252,655
Equipment	784,338	718,042
	3,082,593	3,016,297
Less accumulated depreciation	1,183,498	1,067,121
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	1,899,095	1,949,176
DISCOUNT ON BONDS	6,375	6,900
ASSETS DESIGNATED FOR FUNDING OF BOND PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST (Note 3)	0	41,480
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 2,901,999	$ 3,238,576

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

	December 31, 1986	December 31, 1985
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	$ 54,912	$ 35,833
Accrued salaries and expenses	7,341	15,436
Accrued interest on revenue bonds	0	190
Accrued interest on general obligation bonds	36,818	39,443
Current portion of revenue bonds payable (Note 4)	0	35,000
Current portion of general obligation bonds payable (Note 4)	110,000	105,000
Current portion of capital leases payable (Note 5)	2,364	0
Payable to third party payors (Note 2)	18,782	25,652
Total Current Liabilities	230,217	256,554
LONG-TERM DEBT: (Notes 4 and 5)		
General obligation bonds payable	1,350,000	1,460,000
Long-term portion of capital leases payable	10,924	0
Total Long-Term Debt	1,360,924	1,460,000
DEFERRED TAX REVENUES (Note 6)	184,313	170,514
Total Liabilities	1,775,454	1,887,068
FUND BALANCE:		
Unreserved	910,216	1,090,635
Reserved: (Note 7)		
Payment of revenue bonds	0	41,480
Payment of general obligation bonds	216,329	219,393
Total Fund Balance	1,126,545	1,351,508
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	$ 2,901,999	$ 3,238,576

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Rotan High School Boys Track Team Captures District Title

The Rotan High School boys track team captured the district title in the annual track and field meet conducted at Jayton last Thursday by accumulating 134 points.

Other schools finishing,in order of placings, Roby-second place with 92 points; Jayton-third place with 88 points and Roscoe in fourth place with 76 points.

In the 3200 meter run, two Roby boys crossed the finish line first and second. James Gantt had the winning time of 11:04.47 while Mike Reeves crossed in second place with a time of 11:04.49.

Roby's sprint relay team took a second place finish with a time of 45.11. That team consists of Shalon Thompson, Rodney Green, Paul Hyer, Greg Meek, James Gantt, and Jason Terry. Rotan's sprint team dropped the baton and was unable to compete in the finals.

Donnie Carl Gruben finished first in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:01.37 while Roby's Paul Hyer was second with a time of 2:01.34.

In the 110 meter high hurdles, Willard Roddy of Rotan finished first with a time of 15.90. Kevin Smith was fifth with a time of 18.45.

Rotan took a third place finish in the 100 meter dash. Nathaniel Wynn was picked third with a time of 11.50. Steve McClain finished in fifth place with a time of 11.70.

In the 400 meter dash, Robert Roddy finished first with a time of 50.41. Third place went to M. Marshall of McCaulley with a time of 52.65 and fifth went to Robert Daniels with a time of 54.78.

Willard Roddy was first in the 300 meter intermediate hurdles with a time of 40.25 while Billy Speck was sixth with a time of 45.28.

Leo Castillo came in first in the 200 meter dash. He had a time of 23.22. Greg Meek of Roby finished second in the 200 meter dash with a time of 23.26. Rotan's Steve McClain was sixth with a time of 23.75.

Four of the six individuals placing in the shot put competition were from Rotan and Roby. The winner ws Vicente Ortega with a toss of 42' 8". Fourth went to David Carreon of Rotan with a distance of 39 feet 7¾ inches. Fifth place went to Marlon Terry with 38 feet 3 inches and sixth went to Jay Linn Helm with a toss of 38 feet 1½ inches.

Three from Fisher County placed in the discus competition. Vicente Ortega won second place with a toss of 117 feet 6 inches. David Carreon was fourth with 112 feet 10 inches and Jay Linn Helm was fifth with 112 feet 5 inches.

Donnie Carl Gruben won the mile with a time of 4:42.40 while Mike Reeves of Roby finished second with a time of 4:42.45. Billy Speck of Rotan was third with a time of 5:01.03.

The Rotan mile relay team of Leo Castillo, Nathaniel Wynn, Willard Roddy, Robert Roddy, Robert Daniels and Billy Speck finished first with a time of 3:27.28.

Roby's mile relay team was second with a time of 3:29.99. That team consists of Paul Hyer, Greg Meek, James Gantt, Rodney Green, Shalon Thompson, and Mike Reeves.

In the pole vault, Roby's Reggie Spencer was fourth with a jump of 11 feet and Michael Carreon was fifth with the same height.

Spencer was fifth in the high jump with a leap of five feet ten inches.

Rotan-Roby Girls Track Teams Finish Third & Fifth

The Rotan girls track team, after accumulating a total of 115 points last Thursday afternoon, captured third place in the total point standings at the District 10A meet in Jayton.

Roby finished with 53 points and finished in fifth place overall.

Kristy Martin finished in second place in the 3200 meter run. She had a time of 13:39.82, Patricia Gonzales was third with a time of 15:16.65.

The Rotan 400 meter relay team finished second behind Loraine witha time of 53.70. That team consists of Shannon Boone, Julie Pease, Jan Posey, Denise Powell, Lucy Stinson, and Jerri Boone.

Roby's sprint relay team finished in sixth place with a time of 58.49.

In the 800 meter run Ann Williams finished first with a time of 2:33.19; Donna Gordon was second with 2:34.61.

In the 100 meter hurdles Lucy Stinson finished second with a time of 18.14 was fifth with a time of 21.87. Rotan's Lori Martinez was sixth with a time of 27.14.

Lucy Stinson was third in the 100 meter dash with a time of 13.67 and Angela Huitt was fifth with a time of 13.84.

The Rotan 800 meter relay team consisting of Cathy Jones, Jerri Boone, Jan Posey, Denise Powell, Lucy Stinson and Julie Pease was second with a time of 1:52.42.

Roby's 800 meter team was sixth with a time of 2:02.85.

Shanna Bennett was fifth in the shot with a toss of 27 feet 8½ inches.

In the discus Cherie Feagan was third with 77 feet 10 inches and Deena Williamson was fifth with 76 feet 8 inches.

Only one Fisher County girl placed in the high jump. Shanna Bennett cleared 4 feet 8 inches.

In the long jump, Kirby of McCaulley was sixth with a leap of 14 feet 10½ inches. She was fifth in the triple jump.

Julie Pease of Rotan was second in the 400 meter dash with a time of 63.19. Shannon Boone was fifth with a time of 66.73.

In the 200 meter dash, Jan Posey was first with a time of 27.34 and Ann Williams was third with a time of 28.34. Fifth place went to Angela Huitt with 29.77.

Kristy Martin finished second in the 1600 meter run. She had a time of 5:57.76. Jeannie Wyrick had a time of 6:25.20 to finish in 5th place.

The 1600 meter relay team from Rotan made up of Shannon Boone, Ann Williams, Denise Powell, Julie Pease, Jerri Boone and Jan Posey finished second with a time of 4:15.89.

Roby's team finished fourth with a time of 4:39.61.



REGIONAL BOUND: Donnie Carl Gruben, left, and Paul Hyer, right, representing Rotan and Roby respectively, will be running at the regional meet at McMurry next weekend.



SECOND PLACE QUALIFIERS: The Rotan girls 800 meter relay team took second at the District meet. Left to right: Cathy Jones, Jan Posey, Jerri Boone, and Denise Powell.



ROBY RUNNERS: The above five Roby runners are regional bound. Left to right: Paul Hyer, Greg Meek, Shalon Thompson, Rodney Green and James Gantt.



ROTAN GIRLS MILE TEAM: Team members, left to right: Ann Williams, Shannon Boone, Jerri Boone and Julie Pease.



REGIONAL BOUND: The Rotan boys mile relay team, left to right: Leo Castillo, Willard Roddy, Robert Roddy and Nathaniel Wynn.

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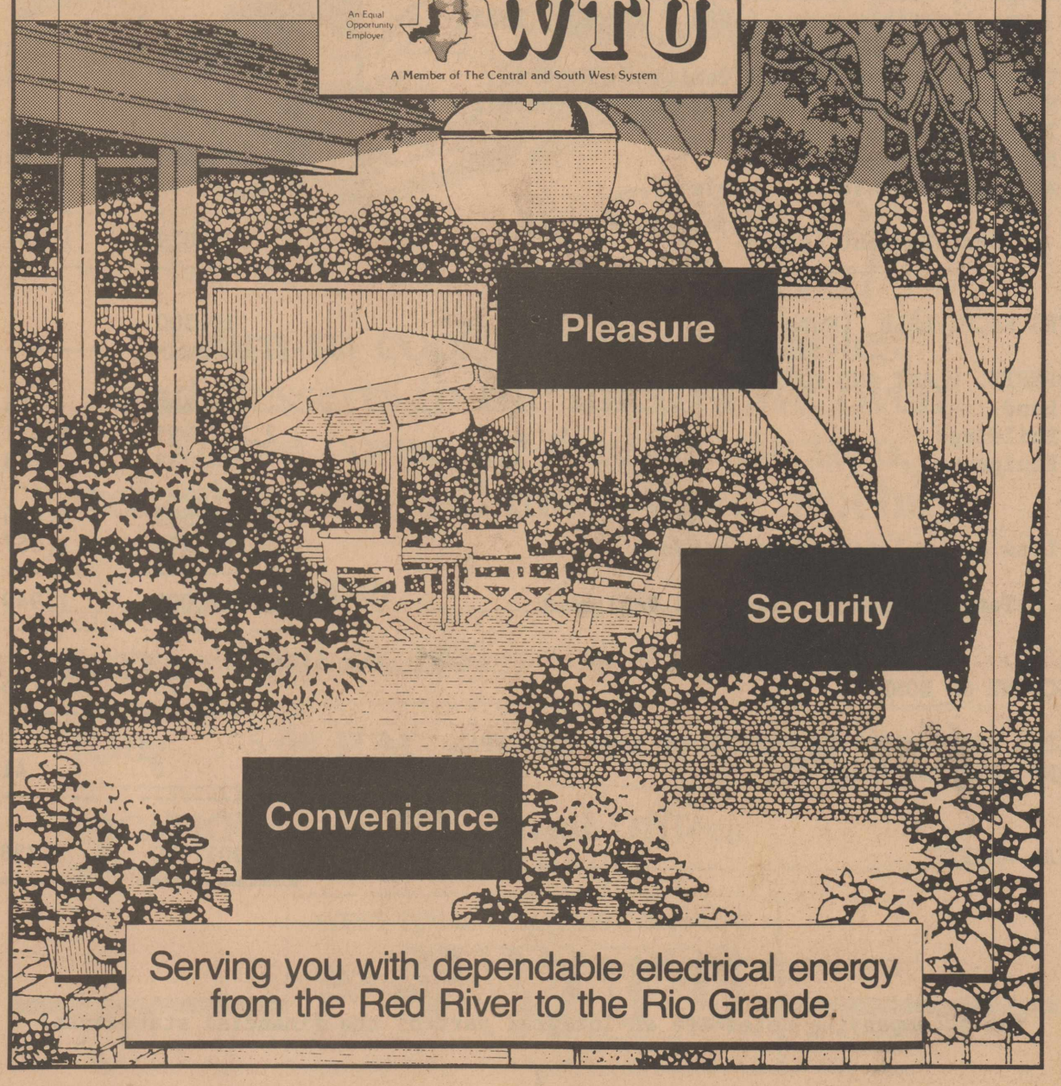
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Card Of Thanks

The Aub Hamric family would like to express our thanks to each of you who were so kind and comforting to us during his illness and since his death. The cards, food, flowers, memorial gifts and your visits were deeply appreciated.

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F.C. Nursing Home News

Everyone enjoyed the egg hunt Friday. We had ten children come hunt Easter eggs.

Baldemar Frausto, Stacy Trejo and Jacob Trejo received prizes.

The staff had almost all the residents out on the back porch to watch. They all enjoyed it. The staff was also most helpful in bringing eggs for the egg hunt.

Last Tuesday the Matron Fidelis class gave our April birthday party. Nellie McGuire and Willard Denton had April birthday's. We enjoyed having Bessie Cleveland, LaMerle Denton, and LaRue Vann bring our party.

Wednesday evening we enjoyed the "Peacemakers" from Roby. They played the chimes and sang for us and they also brought us an Easter Lilly. We hope they come back soon!!

Dove Blevins had two visitors last week that I forgot to mention. Jackie Golden and Penny Tankersley. These two girls also came this last week and visited the residents and wished them a "happy Easter".

Doug Simmons visited Cleo Simmons. Altha Pearce visited Ray Morrow.

Roy Cummings visitors were David and Beckie Cummings, Ron Peek and Sue Cleveland and her grandson.

Walter Miers came to see Bessie and Nash Miers. J.D. Kincaid's visitors were Zack, Megan, Ronnie and Gina Kincaid. May Hurst and Ruth Brown visited Ezell Whitten.

Judy Branch's visitors were Robert, Janet and Ashley Branch. Doris, Ryan, and Terry Jane, Marshal Bennett and Lorena Darden.

Sybil Howard received two pretty plants and got to go home for a while Sunday. Her visitors were Hattie Bell, Mary Garcia, Doris, Ryan and Terry Jane Branch.

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News From Down South

By Bertha Warren

What a beautiful beginning of spring with all the Bluebonnets, Buttercups, and Easter. It's a shame spring cannot stay around longer.

Leo and Liz Blythe of Odessa came to Sweetwater Sunday and took his mother Alma Blythe to the dedication of the Highland Baptist Church. The church had been heavily damaged in the '86 tornado. A large crowd attended. They had to bring in more chairs so everyone could be seated. The entire service was beautiful and the building so nice. Everyone is very proud of the new building. Boyd and Jennie Blythe of Alvin called Sunday to wish his mother a happy Easter.

Noma Toland's visitors this weekend were her cousin of Midland, Joyce and Bill Barrett. They were on their way to Ft. Worth and dropped by for a while. On Saturday another cousin, Warley Reid of Clovis, N.M. came by and had lunch with her. He had been to Malvern, Ark. visiting friends and relatives. He also visited with his brother, Eugene Reid and his sister, Katie Sue Trammell in Sweetwater before returning home Saturday afternoon. Warley is formerly of the Roby and Palava Communities.

Don, Nancy and family of Brad spent the weekend with Eircle and Mary Etta O'Donald. They attended the rodeo in Sweetwater and returned home Sunday evening.

Elmer and Bessie Jones had their 65th wedding anniversary Saturday at the Claytonville/Capitola Community Center. They both looked so good. It was good to see them back in this part of the country. About 90 or 95 guests registered. The youngest attending was a great grandson, the one week son of Roger and Susie Upshaw of Rotan. They had a big Easter egg hunt late in the afternoon for the smaller ones. Erna Lee Jones' children to attend were Calvin, Ginger and Shelly of El Paso; Randel, Erma and Josh of Sugerland; Carlos of Huntsville; Vonda of Green Bay Wis.; and LaRue and girls of Indiana. All of them have returned home except Vonda and she will spend the week in Sweetwater.

Greg, Becky and Tyler Ogden of Midland came to visit Ed and Ollie Ogden Friday and George, Carolyn, and Allen Ogden of Brownwood came Saturday and returned home Sunday.

Frances Morgan attended the anniversary of the Joneses Saturday while Bobby went to Snyder to see his sister, Betty Copeland and his aunt, Nellie Kurger of Milwaukee, Wis., who is visiting for a few days.

Ted and Nell Smith of Merkel went to Reno, Nev. with some friends, Lillie and Thusel Burwick of Blackwell to help the Burwicks celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary.

Kennith Smith of Sweetwater has just returned from a fishing trip in Okla.

We're sorry to report Heck Roberson is still in the hospital. We hope he will soon be out and home again.

Lowell and Helen Thornburg are proud great grand parents. Granddaughter Gwen and Eddie Thompson of Snyder have a new son, born Tuesday the 14th of April in Lubbock. Grandparents are Barbara Scrivner of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Thompson of Ennis Creek. Great great grandmother is Sally Hobbs of Roscoe. Mother and baby are fine and are home. His name is Tyler Brandon. Lowell and Helen had lunch at Barbara's Sunday and got to visit the new baby. Congratulations to Gwen and Eddie.

See you next week.

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

Extension Homemakers

A number of Fisher County Extension Homemaker Club members attended the Annual District 3 T.E.H.A. meeting, in Jayton Tuesday according to Alice Ballenger, County Extension Agent-Home Economics.

Mrs. Lowell Thornburg, of Fisher County and District Director of District 3 Texas Extension Home Asscoation, presided, Bobbie McKinney, Rotan, was secretary for the day.

A total of 183 Extension Homemakers and extension employees attended the meeting. Seventeen counties in the Rolling Plains area were represented.

Guest speaker for the morning program was Dr. Harry Kreneck, President of Texas Western College in Snyder. Dr. Kreneck, being interested in History, talked about history of this area of the State.

The afternoon guest speaker was Dr. Arnold Isaacson, Regional Director of Public Health, Region 2. Using a video and slies, Dr. Isaacson discussed a health hazard that is very prevelant today and one which everyone needs more education on.

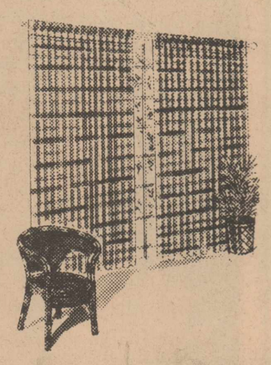
Attending the meeting from Fisher County were Mrs. Richard Floyd, Mrs. Frances Floyd, Mrs. J.M. Long, Mrs. Hazel Hudnall, Mrs. Joe Henry, Mrs. Dan Park, Mrs. Eda Bickerstaff, Mrs. James Cave, Mrs. Lynn Randolph, Mrs. Fred Waddell, Mrs. Audie Burk, Mrs. Z.H. Anderson, Mrs. Gene Turnbow, Mrs. Julius Decker, Mrs. Eddie Brigham, Mrs. Tommy Frierson, Mrs. David Clark and Mrs. Jeff McClure.

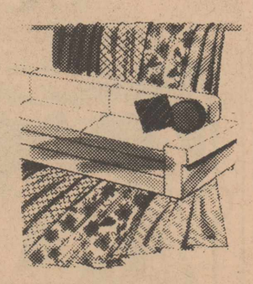
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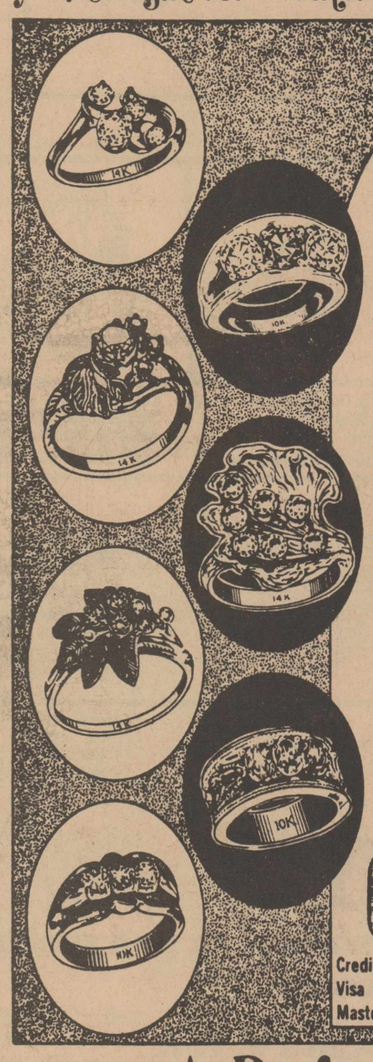


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The bride is a graduate of Iowa Park High School and the University of Texas Health Science Center. She is employed by Lubbock General Hospital.

The groom graduated from Sudan High School, West Texas University and Texas Tech School of Medicine. He is completing his residency in family practice at Texas Tech University Health Science Center.



Mrs. Mark Steven Lane

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN—The Texas Senate stepped off the sidewalk and into the street last week to challenge Gov. Bill Clements' threatened quick-draw veto.

Senators gave final approval to a $40 billion budget, knowing full well it was $3 billion more than Clements said he would allow without a veto. It will also require that amount in new taxes.

Clements, who earlier signed legislation allowing private companies and local governments to build and operate prisons, called their budget "a giant step in the wrong way."

The budget now goes to the House where representatives are expected to trim a little, but not enough to suit Clements.

Some predict the budget will be presented to the governor in the waning hours of the session, and if he vetoes it, time will run out before lawmakers can get to the bloody, bloody task of overriding with two-thirds votes in both chambers. The issue may well have to be decided in a summer special session.

The Senate

In other action, the Senate passed legislation to:

• Permit universities, colleges and athletic conferences the right to sue boosters whose actions bring on penalties. Court-awarded damages could be sought for lost television and ticket revenues.

• Help Texas compete for the federal supercollider project site by hiring a private consultant without red tape.

• Broaden the Open Meetings Act to cut down the number of closed-door meetings of public bodies and provide criminal penalties for violations.

• Give local telephone companies the right to raise or lower competitive rates. Non-competitive rates will still need approval of the Public Utilities Commission.

• Change the name of North Texas State University to the University of North Texas.

The House

In the House last week, lawmakers voted to:

• Prohibit public school students from smoking and chewing tobacco at school or at off-campus activities.

• Pass eight bills in an anti-crime package that give more flexibility to prosecutors fighting crime.

• Give the governor and other officials more authority to deal with emergency budget problems when the Legislature is not in session.

In Committees

New measures shaped in committees and moving to the floor for debate include proposals to:

• Modify the controversial no-pass, no-play rule by shortening the suspension period from six weeks to three weeks (Senate).

• Drop parental consent for abortions for unmarried teenagers from the anti-abortion bill (Senate).

• Overhaul funding of universities and revise accounting and management practices for higher education (House).

Speaker Blasts Governor

Speaker Gib Lewis last week ripped Clements for flip-flopping on a $1 billion tax initiative and referendum to fund prison construction.

The governor also opposed Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby's three-point "Build Texas" plan to be financed by bonds.

"The only reason we were trying some of these smoke and mirrors and bonds and things was to try to appease the governor. Now we get the floor cut out from under us," Lewis said.

Texaco, Pennzoil

The Texaco-Pennzoil legal battle reached the Legislature last week with the two oil companies hiring the top lobbyists to work lawmakers.

Texaco wants legislation to help it avoid putting up $11 billion in bond money while courts sort out their squabble. Texaco claims the amount is exorbitant.

Prison Reform

State attorneys last week argued that Texas was working to comply with federal court-ordered prison reforms and should not be fined $800,000 a day in contempt charges.

However, federal judge William Wayne Justice told them he wants everything resolved in the question of compliance before any fine amounts are decided. That will take about three more weeks.

Justice then toured a Texas prison unit to view facilities for handicapped inmates.

In a related event, the Texas Adult Probation Commission approved the state's first "boot camp prison" to be built in the Beaumont-Port Arthur area, if funds can be found.

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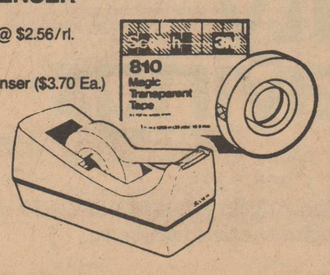
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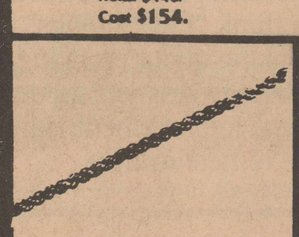
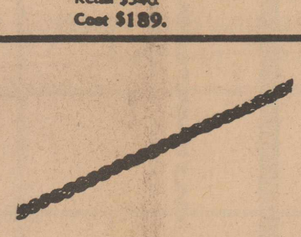
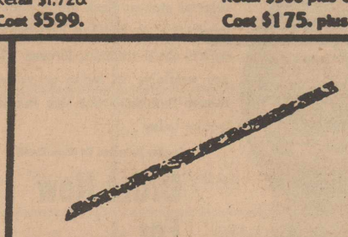
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