

Kim's Korner
 By Kim Pease

NAME MISPELLED: Great way to start off a relationship with new Rotan Superintendent Wes Hays - spelling his name wrong in 19 places in the announcement article. The blame goes to Ward, Willie, Weldon and Louie Hayes - after 24 years of spelling Hayes with an 'e' - I couldn't get brain to drop the 'e'. Our apologies.

TRUE STORY: Janece and I took our grandson Seth Kiker to a Midland Angels baseball game last week and had quite an experience. First we had car trouble between Snyder and Ira. Fuel pump. Limped back to Mason's Automotive in Snyder and owner Daniel Howell and mechanic Manuel Barrera got us on our way in about an hour.

Howell had a unique machine that fascinated me. It was a temperature gun. Hand held. Point and shoot and instantly it gave a readout of the temperature of the item shot. He was shooting the parking lot in the sun (127 degrees) and in the shade (108 degrees) when I asked what the practical application was for the machine. Something to do with shooting bearings to tell what one is hot; shooting engine and radiator and making some determination from that information. Cost of the 'temperature gun' was about \$200. We did finally make it to the game. The experiences there are another story for another day. My grandson actually thought he was going to go on the field and play with the Midland Angels.

JUMPING: Dan Morris at the Rotan Church of Christ sends us a weekly "Bulletin Board" and in the latest issue is this story. "A lady once invited friends to a mushroom and steak dinner. When the mushrooms were opened, a slight scum was on top. Since the guests were expected shortly, the lady suggested to the man, "Give the dog a little and if he eats it, it is probably all right."

The dog liked it and begged for more, so the dinner was completed and then served to the guests. After the main course, the maid hurriedly whispered to the mistress, "Ma'am the dog is dead." There was no time to waste. There was only one thing to do. . . . Sometime later the guests were reclining after the use of the stomach pump. The lady asked the maid, "Where is the dog now?"

"Out on the front steps, ma'am, where he fell after the car hit him."

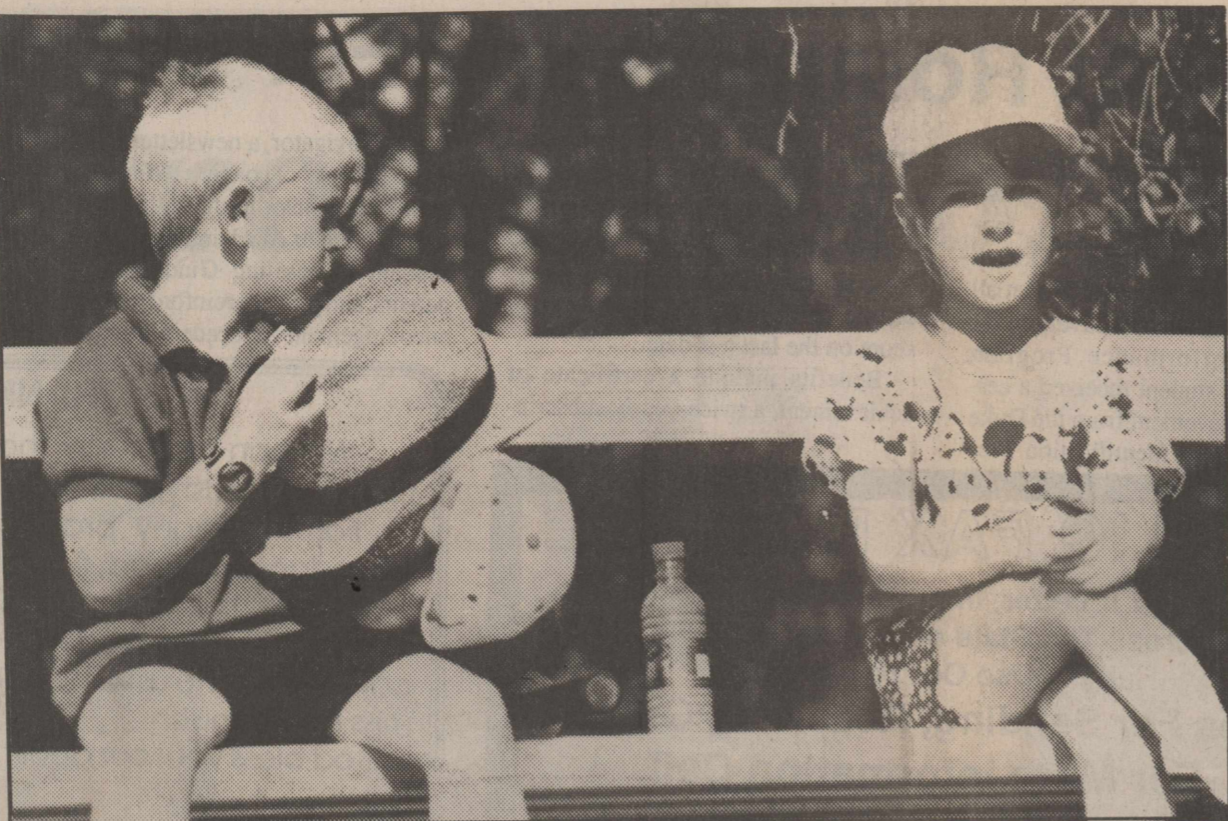
It is always good to investigate rumors and statements we hear before jumping to conclusions. Everything we hear may not be the truth and if we pass on false information about events or someone or something said about someone without having all the facts, it is embarrassing and damaging. In a case like this, many were effected when the lady jumped to conclusions. This hurts the one misquoted and the one bearing false information.

CONGRATULATIONS: To the workers on the downtown median project. Work so far looks great.

EXPENSIVE: The cost of the fine for a seat belt violation varies, county by county. In Fisher County, if Trooper Arwine stops you for not wearing a seat belt the fine is \$64. One story I had told to me recently indicated that the cost was \$80 but that citation was issued near the Dallas - Fort Worth area. Point is - seat belt violations seem to be surfacing as legitimate reasons for being stopped. I was stopped between Aspermont and Guthrie a few weeks ago and given a warning for not wearing a seat belt. A word to the wise - Trooper who gave me the warning also knew up to date statistics on deaths due to not wearing the belt, when involved in a roll-over accident. I try to always buckle up now - I didn't before the latest warning.

FINALLY: You tell on yourself by the friends you seek, by the very manner in which you speak; by the way you employ your leisure time,

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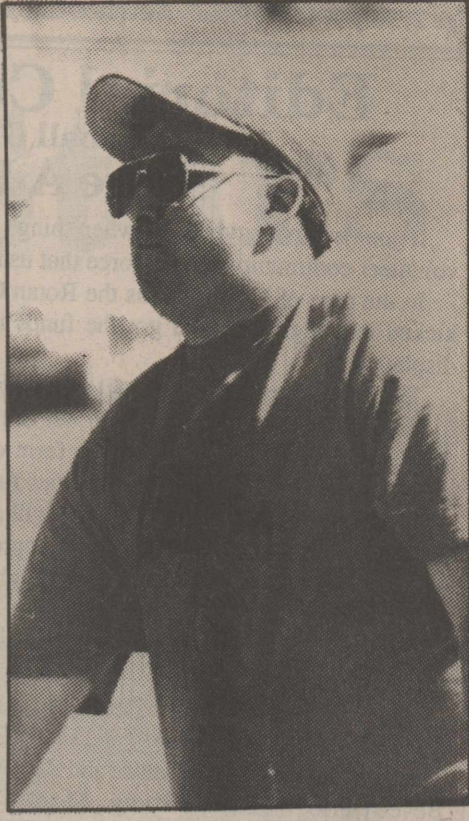
Talk It Over

TALKING IT OVER: Pecos Nowlin, son of Mark and Lisa Nowlin, left, and Bethany Clements, right, daughter of Jaye Neice and Brett Clements of Rotan talk it over in the stands last Monday. The two were early for the softball games and found choice seating for a great day of softball activities.



Swing

SWING BATTER: Trish Robinson, left, wife of new Rotan Attorney Robie Robinson and new Business Teacher at Rotan High School was one of many who participated in the Rotan softball tournament last Monday. Right is George Reyes, pitcher who played.



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Angelina May Berryman Is "Who's Who"

Angelina May Berryman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Brzezinski, and student at Texas State Technical College-Sweetwater, has been selected as one of the country's most outstanding campus leaders by "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities And Colleges" editorial staff. She will be included in the 1994 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges", an annual directory of outstanding students first published in 1934. A campus nomination committee and editors of the publication have included the name of this student based on her academic activities and potential for continued success. She joins an elite group of students selected from institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Roby Board To Interview Two For Principal

Roby School Superintendent George Price indicated early this week that a special meeting of the Roby School Board has been set for 7:00 p.m., Thursday, July 7th at the Home-making Room for the board to interview two Elementary Principal candidates and accept the resignation of a teacher.

The board will be interviewing Bill Fowler of Friendship and Nelda Fortune of Bryan and may offer one of them a contract on Thursday night.

Both candidates are currently certified and this will be the first principalship for each.

The board is also expected to discuss/accept/reject the resignation of Roby Math Teacher Nancy Sparks.

Seven Die In Sunday Traffic Accident

Two adults and five children, all from Rotan, were among eight children and three adults killed in a pickup-truck-tractor accident a mile south of

Hermleigh early last Sunday morning. A 1993 red Chevrolet pickup traveling west on Farm Road 644 with three adults in the cab and 12 children

in the open bed broadsided a southbound truck-tractor at the intersection of U.S. 84 near Hermleigh. The accident was estimated to have

taken place at approximately 4:43 a.m. The three adults were all pronounced dead, as were eight of the twelve children in the rear of the pickup.

The Rotan residents who died in the accident were:

Rosa Martinez Vasquez, age 30; Silverio Delgado, age 27; Gabriel Juarez, 12; Fernando Martinez, 4; Kenny Juarez, 10; Silverio Delgado, 8 and Pablo Juarez, 13.

Funeral arrangements were still pending at press time last Tuesday.

A special "Victims Fund" has been established at the First National Bank of Rotan by the Fisher County Ministerial Alliance. Donations to the fund can be sent to First National Bank, 118 North Garfield, Rotan, Texas or mailed to Fisher County Ministerial Alliance President, Joe Vernon at the First Baptist Church, 201 North McKinley, Rotan, Texas.

County Fair Guidelines Being Printed

The guidelines for the home economics and youth sections of the County Fair are being printed and will soon be ready for distribution. Categories for exhibiting will include hobbies and crafts, clothing art, grandparents brag, photography, canned and baked foods,

textiles, horticulture and crops, and old things and collectibles.

Old things and collectibles is an exhibit planned just for the 50th Anniversary. Space will be provided to exhibit any item you consider old (clothing, accessories, heirlooms, books, periodicals, furniture, household items, handmade articles, toys, dolls, photographs and collections). Items entered in the fair in previous years (10 years or more) can also be entered. If you have

your fair ribbon for the item entered, exhibit it too.

Vacant House Owned By Rotan School Burns

A house, located just off Roby Avenue and formerly belonging to D.T. 'Crickit' McDonald Jr., burned last weekend in what Rotan Fire Chief Archie Neely suspected was the result of fireworks.

The home, located in Block 234, lot 4, was owned by the Rotan Independent School District and others and was acquired in a tax sale for some \$1,227.81 in past due taxes, fees and court costs on February 10, 1993.

Dr. Phil Plunk Will Present Slides Sunday

Dr. Phil Plunk, an Albany, Texas dentist, will be the speaker at a Family Night Supper and Mission Program at the First United Methodist Church at Rotan, according to Wes Holland, Pastor.

The public is invited to attend.

Dr. Plunk is scheduled to give a slide presentation on the mission opportunities in Quetzaltenango, Guatemala following a covered dish meal at 5:00 p.m., Sunday, July 10th.

Gin Turn-Row Meeting Site

There will be a Turn Row Meeting on Thursday, July 7, at 8:00 a.m. at the Terry's Gin in Roby. Speakers will be Dr. Billy Warrick, Texas Agricultural Extension Service Agronomist and Louis (Red) Chedester, Texas Agricultural Extension Entomologist (PM). The public is welcome to attend.

Fisher County Rain Gauge Report

Rain gauge report information taken from the Horace Carter Farm, 2 miles North of Rotan

	1994	1993	1992	1991	1990	5Yr. Avg.
January	0.70	0.95	1.80	1.90	1.70	1.40
February	0.55	1.80	4.45	0.10	2.00	1.80
March	0.15	1.20	0.95	0.10	2.55	1.00
April	1.50	0.75	0.60	0.15	5.85	1.75
May	4.05	1.65	3.20	3.35	0.95	2.64
June	0.03	2.45	4.60	9.20	1.70	3.60

Year Tot. 6.98 8.80 11.15 14.80 14.75
 Total rainfall for the past six months has been 6.98 inches

Old Photographs Needed

The Newspaper Office is seeking cooperation in securing old photographs for a special tabloid section planned for the 50th anniversary of the Fisher County Fair & Rodeo in August.

Old town photographs, old Sheriff's Posse pictures or any old western theme pictures would be welcomed. They will be returned to you unharmed. Leave at The Newspaper Office.

Meetings Of Interest

- Roby School Board, Special Meeting (Hire Principal) July 7, 7:00 p.m.
- Fisher County Commissioners Court, July 11, 9:00 a.m.
- Roby School Board, July 11, 7:30 p.m.
- Rotan City Council, (Grant Hearing) July 14, 6:30 p.m.
- Rotan City Council, July 14, 7:00 p.m. (Regular Meeting For July)
- Fisher County Appraisal Board (Budget Review), July 15, 6:00 p.m.
- Fisher County Hosp. Board, July 18, 6:30 p.m.
- Rotan School Board, postponed until July 18 - 19
- Rotan Water Auth. Board, July 20, 11:00 a.m.
- Rotan Development Corp., July 20, 3:00 p.m.



BATTER UP: Lisa Cade was one of the players on the First United Methodist Church softball team last Monday. She and participants from about eight other teams played all day Monday, July 4th in a special one-day Rotan Community softball tournament.

Editorial Comment

By Kimball G. Pease
Take A Bow

It goes without saying that when things get done in a small town, it is the volunteer community service force that usually gets it done. In the case of Rotan, it was the Rotan Community Service League, who kicked into high gear and got the funds together for the annual fireworks display.

The display last Monday night was magnificent. The cost of the third annual Rotan fireworks display was approximately \$3,500. All the funds came in the form of donations, profits made from a chicken supper and other miscellaneous fund raisers.

Next year the July 4th celebration will again include fireworks. The fund for next year's bash was seeded with approximately \$200 that was collected when the hat was passed last Monday night.

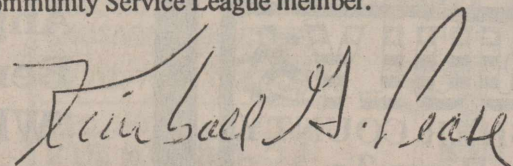
We need to express our appreciation to the 18 members of the Rotan Community Service League for their hard work in pulling-off a most successful fireworks display for 1994.

The RCSL members are: Dale and Martha Cox, George and Tisha Reyes, Jeff and Deidra Groves, Larry and Linda Callan, Kevin and Sherry Copeland, Terry and Ruben Garza, Denise and Robby Hoffman, Jenna and Ward Hayes, Beverly Price and Cindy Posey. Thanks.

The RCSL members sold ice cream at the softball game with the proceeds going to the 1995 fireworks event and they plan on selling tickets for 'Cow Patty Bingo' that will take place at Rotan Days on July 23rd.

Great bunch of younger folks who have done a wonderful job with the annual fireworks display.

Anyone desiring to make a cash contribution to the 1995 fireworks display can hand it to any Rotan Community Service League member.



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by the use you make of dollar and dime. You tell what you are by the things you wear, by the spirit in which your burden you bear, by the manner in which you bear defeat, by so simple a thing as how you eat. You tell what you are by the way you walk, by the things you criticize, by the way you treat dogs and children, by the books you read and by the things that make you laugh and cry. You tell on yourself by the way you live.

CONGRATULATIONS: To Ella Raye Lovejoy and Dell Ray 'Squatty' Helms. They were married last Monday afternoon.

BROKEN BONE: Scott Nowlin, oldest son of Jim and Mop Nowlin, injured his foot in a second base sliding accident at the softball tournament last Monday afternoon. He was scheduled for surgery at Abilene last Tuesday morning. Was to have a pin put in to help the bone heal.

ANOTHER OFFER: There are only a handful of professed Republicans in Fisher County, I mean died in the wool Republicans - those who come out of the hills to vote in Republican primaries. We have more

who on occasion vote Republican anyway. One Republican said he objected to the 'Question Of The Week' last week concerning Ann Richards coming to Fisher County and being treated like a Queen. I am sorry. The questions are, for the most part, sent in or asked by others. We just make an attempt to get an answer. The Republican though George Bush Jr., should get an invitation to come to Fisher County. In fairness to George Bush Jr., he could probably get a bigger audience at the hot dog concession at the Ballpark in Arlington than he could at a Fisher County Republican bash.

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Four At Rotan Qualify For Duke Program

Four Rotan students qualified for the Duke University MAP program, according to principal Jim Cain. Jennifer Clawson, Rosanna Muniz, Delilah Reyes, and Steven Smallwood met all requirements for the Motivation for Academic Performance Program (MAP). Each student received a certificate of achievement from the Duke University Talent Identification Pro-

gram. Duke University identified high achieving fourth and fifth grade students across sixteen states. To qualify these students had to have a 95th percentile on the NAPT verbal or math score on the last test date.

Benefits include a certificate of achievement, a twice-yearly subscrip-

tion to Navigator, a newsletter that addressed issues of concern to intelligent young students, through 6th grade, a MAP Guide to Academic Programs, a Student Counseling Guide for their parents, and positive reinforcement and encouragement for academic achieve-

ment. Jennifer is the daughter of Danny and Pat Clawson. Rosanna Muniz is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Muniz. Delilah is the daughter of Ruben and Janie Reyes. Steven is the son of John and Rhonda Smallwood.

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God bless you, our dear friends. We will never forget you.

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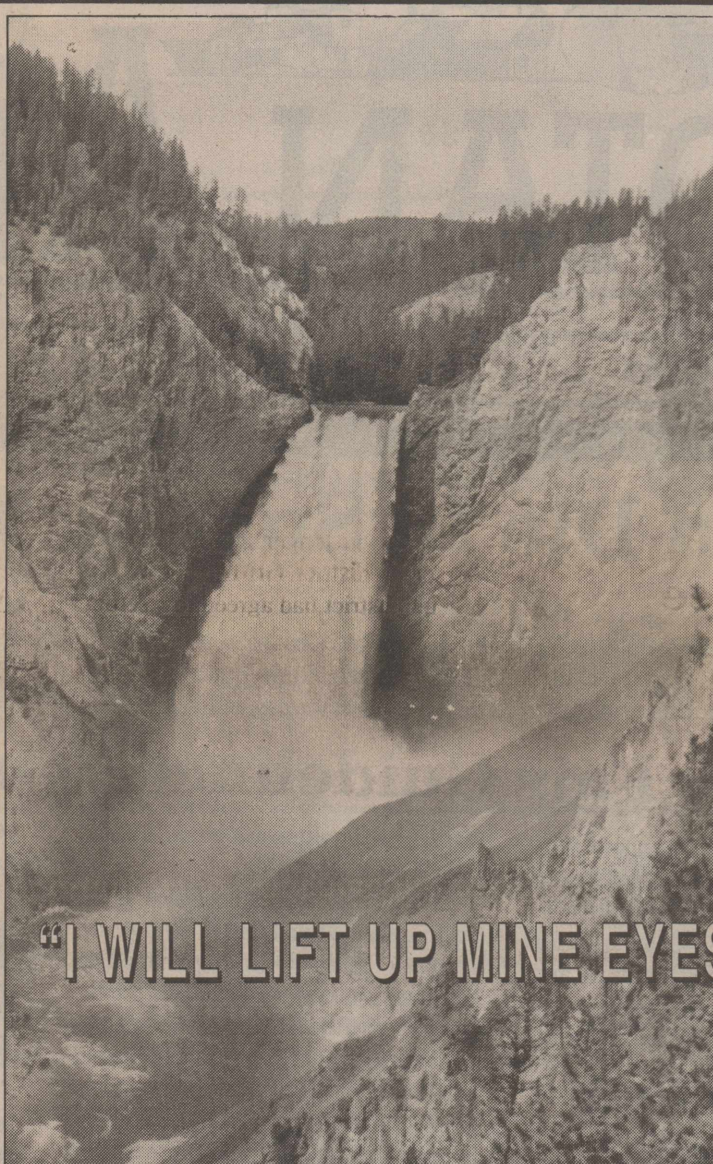
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When you returned safely home to dine upon the repast from the Creator's soil, He cared for you still. "He will keep your going out and your coming in..." (Psalm 121:8)

Finally, as our Father wrapped you in the soft darkness of night, you could slumber peacefully. "The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night" (Psalm 121:6).

God is with us each day. Will you worship Him this Sabbath? "I will lift up mine eyes" (Psalm 121:1).

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Titus	James	James	2 Peter	2 Peter	Luke	Hebrews
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Question Of The Week.....

QUESTION: "Several years ago there was a Rotan School plan in place to permit senior citizens admission to sporting events free. Is that still in place, if so how do I get a card and what ages qualify as a senior citizen?"

ANSWER: - "For several years now, Rotan ISD has issued, upon request, a "Gold Card" to persons 65 years of age or older. This card allows free admission to all sporting events - home games only. The card does not have to be renewed each year, but another will be issued if the original is lost or destroyed in some manner. "Gold Cards" are issued through the office of the superintendent. Since 1991 there have been a total of 93 cards issued." *Pat Porter, Office of the Superintendent, Rotan Schools, Rotan, Texas*

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

Oregon Case Lauded As A Victory For Rural Texans

The Supreme Court decision in the Oregon case called Dolan versus Tigard is being celebrated as a victory by landowners in rural Texas, according to the president of the state's largest farm organization.

"This case shows there really is a fifth amendment and it is not some kind of constitutional quirk to be ignored while private rights are trampled," said Bob Stallman, president of the Texas Farm Bureau.

The takings clause of the fifth amendment states that government may not take private property for public use without compensation. In this and other recent decisions, the court seems to have expanded the definition of "taking" to include the diminished value of property due to government mandates and regulations.

In the case, Florence and John Dolan, a mother and son with a plumbing supply store in Tigard, Ore., decided to expand their store. The necessary building permits were conditional requiring the Dolans to give up a strip of their land as a "greenway" and bicycle path. The strip in question amounted to 10 percent of the Dolan's property.

The court ruled that such action con-

stituted a "taking" under the fifth amendment, and that the Dolans were entitled to compensation.

Stallman, a rice farmer from Columbus, said it will now be more difficult for governments to impose regulations that lower the value of property, or to demand that private property be dedicated to public use without compensation.

"This is an important decision for farmers, ranchers and landowners across the nation," Stallman said. "It will force governments at all levels to look more closely before taking a person's property without compensation."

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2,000 Expected At PTA Meet In Austin This Month

More than two thousand PTA members are expected to arrive in Austin for the annual Texas PTA Summer Leadership Seminar at The University of Texas at Austin campus July 15-17.

More than 120 workshops will be offered for PTA leaders representing PTAs throughout Texas.

Workshop topics include: legislative issues, school vouchers, site-based decision making, TAAS testing, TV and violence, Shots Across Texas, HIV/AIDS education, parent/teacher conferences, and many PTA leadership skills workshops.

Workshops are scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Sunday in the University Teaching Center and the Graduate School of Business.

District Judge Rules School Meeting Illegal

A judge ruled recently that a South Texas school district violated the Texas Open Meetings Act by not keeping a certified agenda of a closed meeting in which it discussed a teacher's contract.

District Judge Joe E. Kelly voided the action of the Cuero Independent School District in rescinding a contract extension of teacher Jimmy Brown.

The board previously had voted to extend his contract. The court also awarded Brown \$4,500 in attorney fees.

Brown's attorney, John Griffin Jr. of Victoria, said the ruling was significant for two reasons:

- (1.) It confirmed the necessity of keeping a certified agenda or tape recording of a closed meeting so that if a question arose, the court could determine any violation of the Open Record Act.
- (2.) Under the personnel exemption of the Open Meeting Act, the individual who may be discussed at an executive session has the right to be present, or to ask for an open meeting.

Brown no longer is employed by the school district. Griffin said Brown and the district had agreed to a settlement in the case.

PTA members may register on-site at Jester Center Friday, July 15, from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The registration fee is \$50.

With a membership of 800,000, Texas PTA is the largest child advocacy organization in the state and is affiliated with National PTA, the oldest and largest child advocacy organization in the nation. PTA is committed to bettering the environment of home, school, community and place of worship for all children.

Taxpayer Seminar To Be Held In Abilene On July 13 To Address State Taxes

"At the Comptroller's Office, we understand that state tax issues can sometimes become very complex and confusing. Since taxpayers can't just pick up and come to Austin whenever they need assistance we'll hold a free taxpayer seminar in the Abilene area on Wednesday, July 13, 1994," State Comptroller John Sharp announced today.


The seminar will be held at 1290 S. Willis, Suite 211 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Vanessa Zientek and Mary Domanski from the Comptroller's Abilene field office will be available to meet and discuss any questions pertaining to state taxes.

"It's important that taxpayers have a full understanding of state taxes. This seminar has been designed just for that," Sharp said.

Vanessa Zientek and Mary Domanski, two of our many agency experts, will be available to deliver quick information to all tax questions and assist taxpayers in any way we can.

Those taxpayers who cannot attend the free seminar can call the Comptroller's toll-free hotline at 1-800-252-5555 for additional assistance.

For more information about the Abilene seminar, call the Abilene field office at (915) 695-4323.



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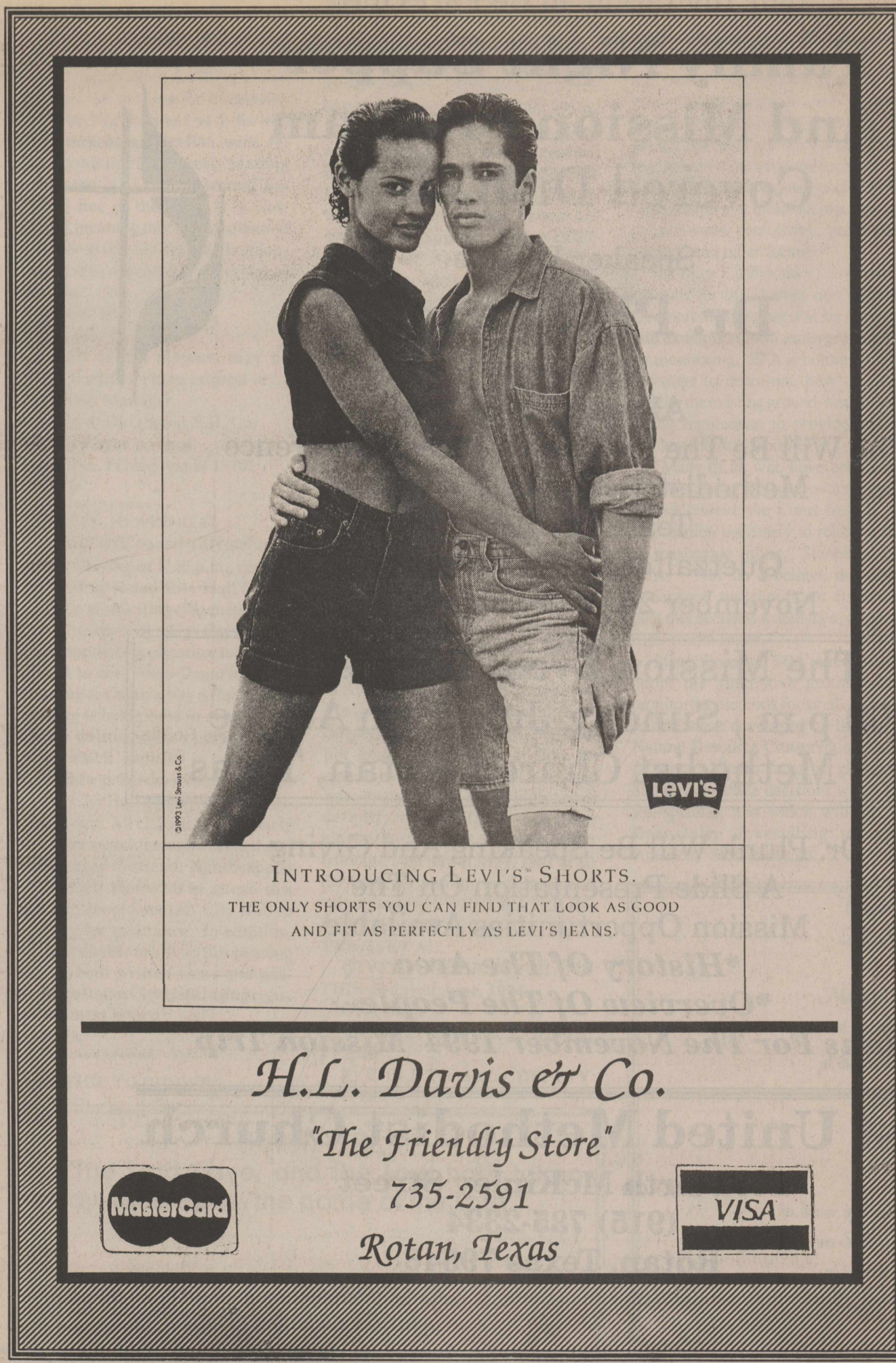
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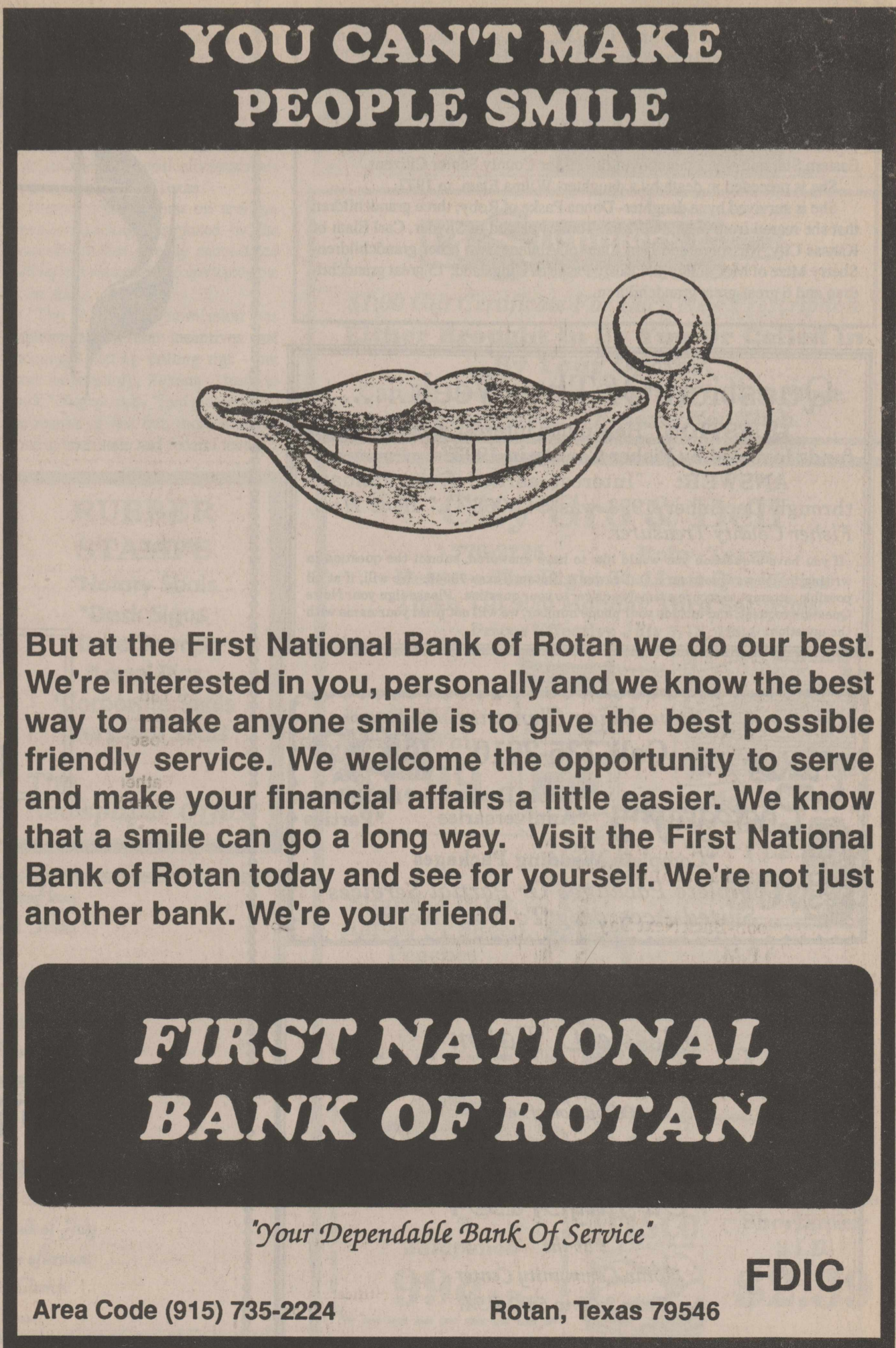


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OBITUARIES

Christy Hudnall

Christy Hudnall, 40, of Rotan, died Wednesday afternoon, June 29, 1994, at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock from injuries received in a one car automobile accident June 17th. Funeral services were at 2 p.m., Friday, July 1, 1994 at First Baptist Church- Rotan, with Rev. Mel Swoyer and Rev. Michael Jeter officiating. Burial was in the Roby Cemetery and arrangements were by Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hudnall was born March 22, 1954 in Fisher County and had lived in the county all of her life. She graduated from Roby High School in 1972 and Angelo State University in 1983. She had taught school the past 11 years at Hobbs and Roby schools. She was a member of several teachers organizations and was a member of First Baptist Church of Roby.

She married David Hudnall August 5, 1983 in Roby.

She is survived by: Her husband- David Hudnall of Rotan; a son- Lance Hudnall of Rotan; a daughter- Kim Hudnall of Rotan; her parents- Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stuart of Roby; a sister- Tammy Mulanax of Midland; a brother- Gary Stuart of Roby and grandparents- Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stuart of Roby and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Sumerlin of Snyder.

R.P. (Foot) Kemp

R.P. (Foot) Kemp, 92, of Roby, died Thursday in the Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo. Services were at 2 p.m., Sunday in Weathersbee Chapel in Rotan. Burial was in the Roby Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home in Rotan.

Mr. Kemp was born Dec. 31, 1901 in McCaulley, Texas and had lived all his life in Fisher County. He graduated from McCaulley High School and attended North Texas Agriculture College in Arlington. He married Grace Jarnagin June 4, 1930 in Anson. Mrs. Kemp passed away May 25, 1992. Mr. Kemp was a farmer and rancher and a Methodist.

Survivors include: 2 daughters- Janell Hausenfluck, Eldorado, Judy Davis, Sweetwater; 1 son- Donald Ray Kemp, Hobbs, N.M.; 2 brothers- W.J. Kemp, Hamlin, Guy Kemp, Roby; 2 sisters- Nita Lee, McKinney, Ruth Crance, Conway, Arkansas; 8 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by 1 granddaughter; 1 sister; and 6 brothers.

Pallbearers were grandsons.

Fred Hawkins

Mr. Fred Hawkins, 77, of Rotan died Sunday night in Dallas. Funeral services were at 10 a.m., Thursday at First Baptist Church with Rev. Joe Vernon and Rev. L.D. Parks officiating. Burial was in the Belvieu Cemetery with Weathersbee Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Hawkins was born May 11, 1917 in Fisher County where he made his home until 1950 when he moved to Sweetwater. He was employed at 7-11 Auto Parts. In 1969 he moved to Rotan where he was associated with the parts department of F&M Chevrolet-Buick Co. and with Farm Tractor.

He married Crystelle Leach, December 25, 1937, at Cross Roads Baptist Church near Rotan. She died January 13, 1991. Mr. Hawkins was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II. He was a member of First Baptist Church where he was a deacon and had taught the Men's Adult IV Sunday School Class until his health failed a few years ago.

He is survived by: a daughter- Lynda Kenner of Rotan; three sons- David Hawkins of Dallas, John Hawkins of Midland and Timothy Hawkins of Topeka, Kansas; a sister- Oma Davis of Harlingen; a brother- Buford Hawkins of Brownwood; and ten grandchildren.

Grandchildren are- Tyson Hawkins, Christy Hawkins, Cathy Hawkins, Kelly Light, Holly Hawkins, Justin Hawkins, Jamie Hawkins, Billy Kenner, Bobby Kenner and Britt Hawkins.

Mandy Campbell

Mandy Campbell, 99, of Roby, died Monday night at Fisher County Hospital. Funeral services were at 2 p.m., Thursday, at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Steve Patterson and Rev. Jim Hawthorne officiating. Burial was in the Roby Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Mrs. Campbell was born April 8, 1895 in Franklin, Tennessee. The family moved to Kentucky and then to Texas in 1907. She was the daughter of William Martin Dowell and his wife, Ellis Hooper Dennings Dowell. She was the widow of E.M. Grice and E.F. Campbell.

Mrs. Campbell was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Roby where she was the oldest member. She was also the oldest member of the Roby Eastern Star and was a member of the Fisher County Senior Citizens.

She is preceded in death by a daughter- Wilma Elam, in 1977.

She is survived by: a daughter- Donna Paske of Roby; three grandchildren that she reared from birth, Pat (Mrs. Tommy) Hood of Snyder, Carl Elam of Kansas City, Missouri, and Don Elam of Abilene; two other grandchildren- Sherry Mize of McCaulley and Rusty Paske of Kingsland; 15 great grandchildren and 6 great-great grandchildren.

Question Of The Week.....

QUESTION: "How much interest was earned on funds invested by Fisher County in 1993?"

ANSWER: - "Interest earned from January through December 1993 was \$41,068.41." *Ilene Hale, Fisher County Treasurer.*

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

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Hustling Around Hobbs

by Joy Walker....

We are still enjoying a heat wave? But we did get some lightning and thunder and such high wind Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning, but not a trace of rain. Everything is so dry and there is now a ban on outside burning, and on fireworks in the parts of the county where fire is a hazard. Lightning started so many fires this past week, and firemen have been busy night and day trying to keep the fires from spreading.

Louise Martinez went to Abilene Wednesday, and Steve Warren from Snyder spent part of Monday with Louise.

We were pleased to have Diana Threatt's parents at church last Sunday. John and Wilma Bullock are from Monahans and were here visiting. Diana brought our special music Sunday morning and we always enjoy her playing and singing.

It is with great sorrow that we learned of the passing of Christy Hudnall who had been in the hospital at Lubbock since her bad car wreck. Christy was a lifelong resident of Fisher County, and taught school at Hobbs and Roby. She was teaching at Roby at the time of her death and she will be greatly missed by us all. She passed away at Lubbock on Wednesday, July 29th, and was buried Friday with services at the First Baptist Church in Rotan, and burial in the Roby cemetery. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to her husband, David; son, Lance; daughter, Kim; to her mother and dad, Richard and Patsy Stuart and to the remainder of her family.

I am looking for Mark, Melody and little Kassie today (Friday) and we will be going to Stamford some, as Mark is roping, so they will be bringing a horse. Hope they bring him something to eat, as everything is really dry and so parched looking. I don't know how the cotton still looks good. Mark and them are used to that green down around

Austin, and won't like this dry, hot weather.

Of course it's hot down there and so humid, but they get a rain just about every week, if they don't they think they have a drought. There will be many parades this 4th of July, and lots of family get togethers and picnics, and I hope that everyone has a safe and happy holiday. Take care with the fireworks. I am sure some folks are going to be gone for the 4th, but I will try to get you all next time.

Have a wonderful 4th.

Janet Martin Graduates At Ingleside H.S.

Janet Lyn Martin was recently one of sixty-six graduating seniors to receive diplomas during commencement exercises held May 25, 1994 at Mustang Stadium in Ingleside, Texas. Janet is an honors graduate and attended Ingleside High School from ninth through twelfth grade. She attended Rotan schools from kindergarten through eighth grades.

Her parents are Ronnie and Susie Martin of Ingleside. She is the granddaughter of Robert and Ruth Martin of Rotan and Winston Robison of Sweetwater.

AG Rules School Must Release Teacher Scores

The Texas Attorney General has ruled that information about school teachers evaluation scores must be released by the Aransas Pass Independent School District.

The ruling stated that none of the Open Records Act exemptions cited by the district (personnel information and memoranda) applied. This action was cited in Attorney General Opinion OR93-601.

Letter To The Editor



Wants To Revamp Rodeo Grounds

Dear Editor:

I am a youth at Rotan High and was wondering why we have let the rodeo grounds get so run down? I would be willing to help mow and clean it up if we were able to have a few playdays and or rodeos. There are many interested in participating in these events. I have seen a few people down at the rodeo grounds and I have talked to a

few of them and they are disturbed by the way the rodeo ground looks and the shape it is in. We have very nice equipment out there and I hate to see it rust away. I don't quite understand why we are spending money on new things in town when we have old items.

Thank You,
 Dawn Tandy

Chamber Warns About Map Ads

Dear Editor:

The Rotan Chamber of Commerce has endorsed the printing of a Fisher County map by Liberty Marketing Company. The map has been printed and is ready for distribution. However, it has come to our attention that another map for Rotan and Roby has possibly been scheduled by a different company who may solicit local advertising.

Our merchants should be aware of this situation. The Chamber has agreed to endorse only one map, due to the accurate updated version using the new 911 location numbers.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
 Peggy Bilbo, President
 Rotan Chamber of Commerce

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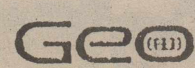
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FOR SALE: House by owner, 3 bedroom, 1 bath, central air, back patio, 907 E. 5th, call 735-2573. 17:tf

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Charges for announcements must be paid in advance, and the same policy applies to all political advertising carried in the columns of this newspaper.

Names of candidates for each office will be listed in the Political Calendar in the order that they are received at the newspaper office.

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FISHER COUNTY Political Calendar

Rate for listing in the Rotan Advance-Roby Star Record Political Column is \$80.00 for all offices. This fee includes a front page announcement article and a one-column photograph to be run with the announcement, in addition to the listing in the Political Column from the date the announcement is made until the final election.

Charges for announcements must be paid in advance, and the same policy applies to all political advertising carried in the columns of this newspaper.

Names of candidates for each office will be listed in the Political Calendar in the order that they are received at the newspaper office.

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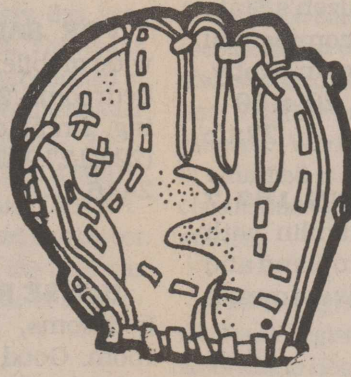
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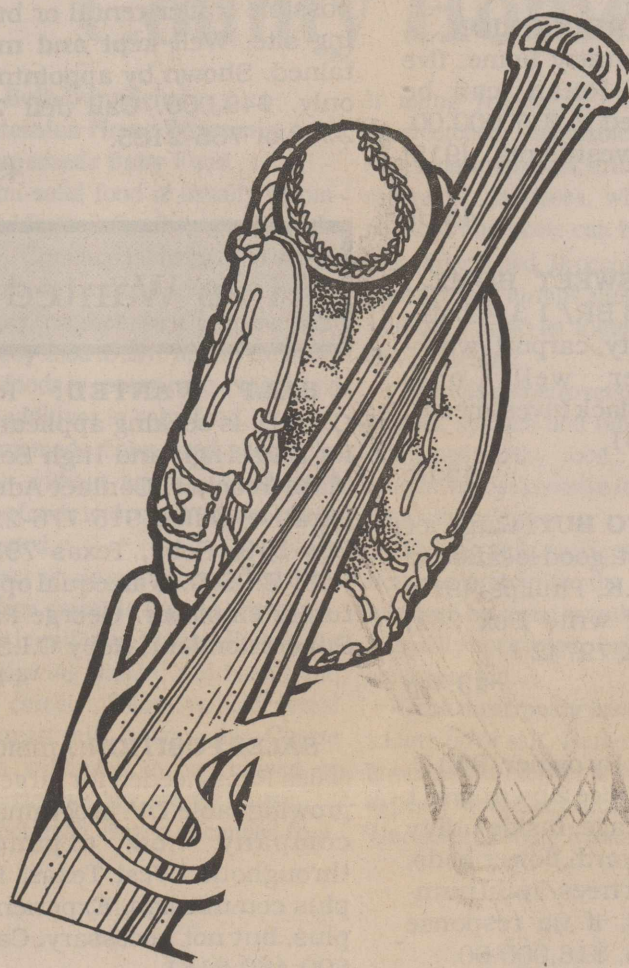
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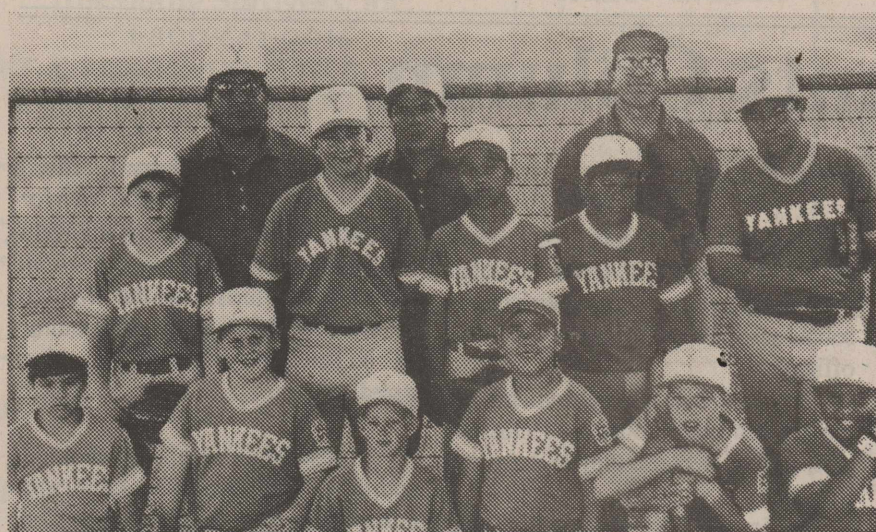
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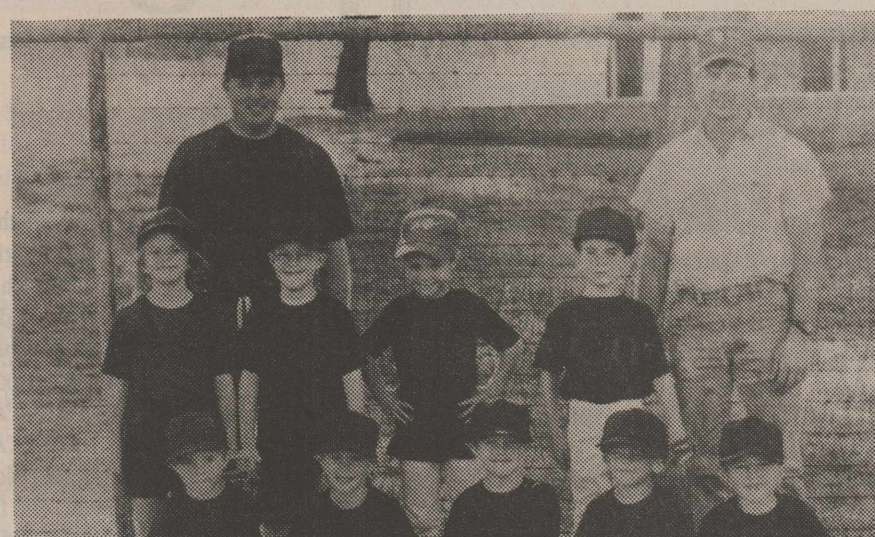
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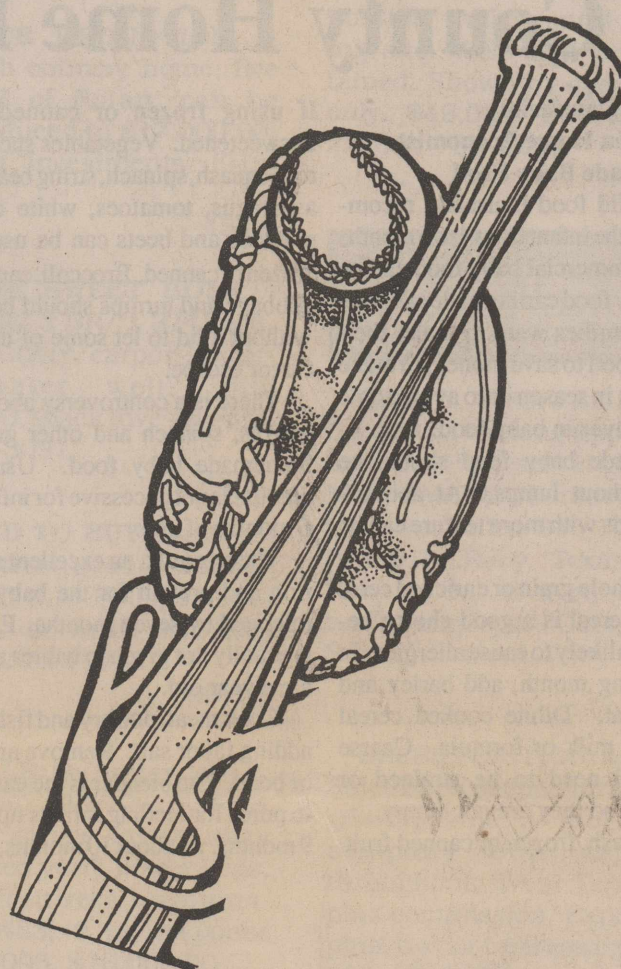
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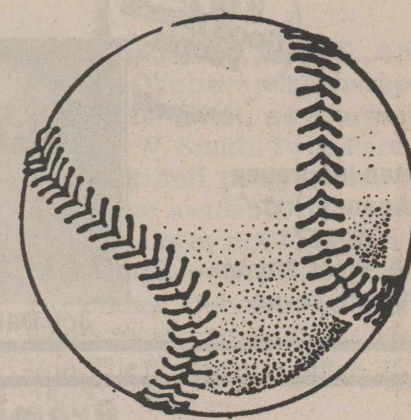
BLACK TEAM: Front row, left to right: Toby Terry, Coach Mike Terry, Lyndi Stuart, Nikki May, Kandra Lakey, Shane Stuart, Coach Speedy Hart, Stuart Posey, Brandon Moreno. Front row, left to right: Seth Martin, Cody Reed, Daniel Castor, Bryant Terry, Josh Sepeda, Andrew Haley.



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TAX PLANNING

Written By
Richard E. Rodgers, CPA

Don't Sell That Property- Exchange It

Selling property used in a trade or business or investment activity is normally a taxable event. But if you exchange such property solely for property of a "like-kind," you may qualify for deferring the tax on the transaction.

What is like-kind property? Generally, it is property which falls into any one of three categories: (1) real estate; (2) personal property, if in the same "asset class" or "product class"; or (3) any property which is of the same nature and character. Both the exchange and replacement properties must be used actively in a trade or business or held for investment. An exchange of an office building used in a trade or business for unimproved land to be held as an investment would generally constitute a like-kind exchange. An exchange of a ship for an airplane, which are neither the same asset class nor the same product class, would not.

Certain assets are specifically excluded from eligibility for like-kind exchange treatment. Among them are stocks and other securities, notes, inventory, and partnership interests.

It is not necessary for the exchange of properties to be simultaneous. However, in the case of such a "deferred" exchange, the replacement property must be specifically identified in writing within 45 days, and must be received within 180 days (or by tax return due date, if earlier), after transfer of the exchange property.

Keep in mind that the like-kind exchange rules only defer the tax. All gain or loss, including that attributable to the period before the exchange, will be recognized upon a taxable disposition of the replacement property. Also, if you receive money or non-like-kind property in an exchange transaction, you will recognize gain (but not loss) up to the amount of money or non-like-kind property received. For this purpose, a net relief from liabilities is considered money received.

The rules governing like-kind exchanges are complex. If you are contemplating such a transaction, give us a call early in the process. We can help structure your exchange to properly meet the rules for this special tax deferral.

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Fisher County Agricultural News

County Agents Column

by Richard Spencer

Inez Neves made one of the better wheat crops in the county this year averaging over 20 bushels. The results of the Wheat Variety test conducted in this field was as follows: Weathermaster 135-24.5 bushels, Wintex- 23.5, Cimarron-20, TAM300-20, TAM201-19.5, Russian 1310-17.5 and TAM 101-15. The wheat was planted November 15 and harvested June 2. The field was fertilized with 150 pounds of 20-6-6-03 liquid fertilizer.

The USDA's estimated stock total of 3.6 million bales at the end of 1993/94 would be the lowest ending stocks since 1990 and corresponds to a stocks-to-use ratio of 21 percent. Estimated offtake is 17.3 million bales, the largest total offtake since the record 18.2 mil-

lion in 1926. In projections for 1994-95, the USDA estimates the crop at 17.7 million bales, which would be the second largest crop on record. USDA also projected total offtake at 17.5 million, 200,000 bales above the '93-'94 estimate. World production in '94-'95 is estimated at 84 million bales, with consumption projected to rise to 85.5 million.

The top agricultural issues facing the Texas Legislature in January 1995, according to House Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, are reauthorization of the Texas Department of Agriculture, government actions affecting private property rights, regulations on odors from ag operations, changes in the process for issuing environmental permits and how water is allocated from the

Edwards Aquifer.

After 50 year absence, black bears are recolonizing Big Bend National park and are going to reestablish themselves across West Texas, say wildlife officials.

The bears were mostly eradicated in the Big Bend area around the 1930s and '40s, largely because they endangered livestock.

The first sightings began in Big Bend Park in 1985. There were 502 bear sightings in the park last year.

The bears' colonization will probably hit upon several mountain ranges. The Davis Mountains already have some bears, and some migrants have been spotted wandering across West Texas, says a Texas Parks and Wildlife biologist.

A new species? Jerry Martin, a Roswell, N.M., rancher has filed a formal petition with the US Fish and Wildlife Service requesting that the "Homo sapien Agriculturist" and the "Western Rednecked Homo sapien Agriculturist" be listed as threatened and endangered species.

Dr. Jose Amador, plant pathologist and director of the Texas A&M agricultural Research and Extension Center in Weslaco, has been named as President Clinton's choice for assistant secretary for science and education at the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Dr. Amador expects to appear soon at Senate confirmation hearings.

County Home Extension Agent News

by Beth Dannheim
Extension Home Economist
Homemade Baby Food

Semi-solid food is usually recommended for the infant from 4 to 6 months of age. Commercial baby food can be used or baby food can be made at home.

Many families want to make their own baby food to save money, to make use of foods in season or to avoid some of the additives in baby food.

Homemade baby food should be smooth without lumps. At about 9 months foods with more texture can be introduced.

Select whole grain or enriched cereals. Rice cereal is a good choice because it is unlikely to cause allergies. In the following month, add barley and wheat cereal. Dilute cooked cereal with breast milk or formula. Coarse cereals will need to be strained or blenderized so they are not lumpy.

Select fresh, frozen or canned fruit.

If using frozen or canned, select unsweetened. Vegetables such as carrots, squash, spinach, string beans, peas, asparagus, tomatoes, white or sweet potatoes and beets can be used fresh, frozen or canned. Broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage and turnips should be cooked without a lid to let some of the strong flavor escape.

There is a controversy about beets, carrots, spinach and other greens for homemade baby food. Usually the amount is not excessive for infants over 6 months of age.

The egg yolk, an excellent source of iron and protein for the baby, is well tolerated by seven months. Egg white is usually not given to babies until they are a year old.

Cook meat, poultry and fish without adding fat or salt. Remove any gristle or bone. The blender is the easiest way to puree for feeding infants up to about 9 months. At about 10 months, coarsely

ground or finely chopped meat, fish and poultry can be fed to the baby.

Make sure that the blender, grinder or whatever equipment used to puree is clean and that hands have been washed. Meats and eggs pureed for the baby should be kept only one day in the refrigerator because they spoil easily. Pureed fruits and vegetables can be stored in the refrigerator for two to three days. To store homemade baby food up to three months, put the mixture into ice cube trays, cover with a moisture-vapor proof wrap, and freeze. Transfer to freezer bags or air tight containers. One ice cube is about the right size for one serving.

If you are planning to make your own baby food at home, here are some things that you should not do:

* Do not season baby foods even if they seem tasteless to you. Baby food should not have added sugar, salt, fat, fat-back or seasonings.

* Do not use mixtures such as pizza, casseroles, cobblers or meat pies which are prepared for family consumption because of the salt, sugar and fat content.

* Do not use fried or greasy foods.

* Do not use pickled or brined foods such as pickles or sauerkraut.

* Do not use processed foods such as hot dogs, sausage, luncheon meat or cured pork because of sodium content as well as nitrates and nitrites.

* Do not use honey in food for infants under one year of age. Some honey contains organisms which can cause illness or death in infants.

* Do not give a baby food that contains nuts, popcorn or raisins. Even up to 1 to 2 years of age, small foods such as these can cause choking.

Remember to gradually introduce the baby to a variety of foods from each of the food groups. Start only one new food at a time, one teaspoon at a time.

County Entomologist Report

Scores of Texas cattle producers converged on the Capital City in an effort to fight a tax on livestock being considered by state officials as a way to help balance the state budget.

Led by members of the Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas (ICA), the mostly small cow-calf producers filled a meeting room where the new levy was discussed by the Texas Animal Health Commission. The Legislature has directed the commission to develop a series of recommendations on how the state can assess "user fees" on a broad base of animal species, including cattle, poultry and exotic livestock.

The recommendations, which must be ready for the Legislature when it convenes in mid-January 1995, would be aimed at producing the \$8 million

spent annually by the commission on animal health services such as brucellosis testing, a federally mandated program.

"Under the Legislature's rationale, small cow-calf producers would be burdened with another tax to pay for a federally required test," said ICA 2nd Vice President Jim Grumbles, a cow-calf producer from Montalba who testified before the commission. "Brucellosis testing is not a 'benefit' that cattle producers submit to voluntarily. It is a mandate handed down by the federal government. Forcing Texas cattle producers to pay for a federal requirement not only is inappropriate, it's just plain wrong."

Grumbles compared the livestock tax to the \$25 fee previously charged businesses that collect state sales taxes.

That fee was abolished by the Legislature after businesses complained that they were being required to pay the state so they could charge and collect the state's taxes.

"A livestock tax is no different," Grumbles said at the commission meeting. "The small, independent cow-calf operator would be forced to pay a fee to comply with federal animal testing programs that we have no choice but to comply with."

Further, said Jim Selman, ICA 1st Vice President, the intent of the Animal Health Commission is to protect the general public, not to provide services to cattle producers. He noted that most of the commission's budget now comes from the state's general revenue fund, with all Texans' tax dollars sharing in the cost to help ensure healthy, whole-

some food products for consumers.

Selman, who ranches in the Gonzales area, said a livestock tax could produce an increase in consumers prices for beef. "The last thing we need is another cost factor -- another tax -- to cope with," said Selman.

ICA President Wayne Dierlam said the association is willing to work with the commission in finding other alternatives. "Farmers and ranchers are up to their necks in taxes and government regulations," Dierlam said. "Another tax would not only create another layer of state bureaucracy, it would hurt the small producer who can least afford another hit from the government."

Most of ICA's 5,000-plus members are small cow-calf operators.

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Question Of The Week.....

QUESTION: "Is the Fisher County Hospital Pharmacy every left unattended by hospital personnel?"

ANSWER: - "Someone is always available to meet the needs in the pharmacy, either in the building or by pager. Several Fisher County Hospital employees are cross trained to work in more than one department. For example, one technician is trained to work in respiratory therapy or pharmacy, and is also an excellent ultrasound tech. Another technician serves as an EMT, but can also work in the pharmacy, and has been trained to give respiratory treatments as well. *Ella Ray Lovejoy, Administrator, Fisher County Hospital.*

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

Legal Notice

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ICC Docket AB-362

Section 10904 (e) of the Interstate Commerce Act (49 USC 10904 (e)) and the regulations of the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) issued thereunder require that the Texas & Oklahoma R.R. Co. (T&O) file with the ICC and with the Railroad Commission of Texas a diagram of its system which shows the several lines of its railroad in the State of Texas and their status with respect to possible abandonment or discontinuance of service. Section 10904 (e) also requires that public notice be given of that filing as follows:

Description of T&O Lines

1. Line of railroad extending between the Oklahoma-Texas State Line northeast of Odell, Texas and Orient Junction (near Sweetwater), Texas, for a distance of approximately 155.49 miles.

2. Line of railroad extending between a point near Shauler, Texas and a point near Maryneal, Texas, for a distance of approximately 16.20 miles.

Please note that the first described line of the T&O is, by this notice and filing with the ICC, being designated as a category 1 line, meaning that the T&O currently anticipates applying to the ICC for approval of the abandonment or discontinuance of service over this line within the next three (3) years after the filing of this diagram. (A petition for exemption from the requirement of a formal abandonment application with respect to this line is currently pending before the ICC.) The second described line of the T&O is in Category 5, meaning that it is not planned or under study for future abandonment or discontinuance of service at this time.

System Map (attached)

Copies of this diagram may be obtained upon written request to:

General Manager
Texas & Oklahoma R.R. Co.
1060 Wayne Avenue
Indiana, Pennsylvania 15701
45:1tc

PUBLIC HEARING #1

Rotan City Council will conduct a public hearing at 6:30 p.m., on July 14, 1994 at Rotan City Hall for the purpose of soliciting citizen input for the development of a Community Development Application to be submitted to the Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs. This hearing is being held in compliance with a written citizen participation plan, which includes a complaint/grievance procedure, and is available at City Hall during regular business hours. All citizens, particularly low income residents, are invited and encouraged to attend. Handicapped individuals that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. In addition, citizens unable to attend this hearing may submit written views and proposals to Rotan City Hall during regular business hours.

45:1tc

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Roby CISD is accepting bids on a new IBM compatible computer lab. Bid Specification Sheets with requirements may be obtained by request at Roby CISD, P.O. Box 519, Roby, Tx., 79543/915-776-2222. Bids must be in the Roby CISD Administration Office by 10:00 a.m., Thursday, July 7, 1994. Bids will be reviewed July 11, 1994 at School Board Meeting.

44:2tc

**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 23rd day of June, 1994 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of SWEETWATER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT vs. ROYCE DOYLE RASCO; Cause # 4316 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 2nd day of August, 1994 which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the North door of the Court-house of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

Tract I: Being all that certain 16.89 acre tract of land in Section 8, Block 21, of the T & P Ry. Co. Survey, Fisher County, Texas, and being more particularly described in that certain Deed of record in Volume 398, Page 100 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 23 day of June, 1994 as the property of ROYCE DOYLE RASCO, Route 1, Box 105, Roby, Texas 79543, having heretofore filed a written answer and appeared; BILLIE L. RASCO, 1613 Josephine Street, Sweetwater, Texas 79556, having heretofore filed a written answer and appeared; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (IN REM ONLY), by virtue of the Deed of Trust by the Small Business Administration filed on August 29, 1979, of record in Volume 135, Page 370 of the Deed of Trust Records of Fisher County, Texas (Note from Royce Doyle Rasco and Billie Rasco, 1613 Josephine, Sweetwater, Texas 79556; \$70,400.00; FDLB 2694362009 LUB), said UNITED STATES OF AMERICA may be served by delivering a copy of the Citation and Petition to the Assistant United States Attorney for the Abilene Division of the Northern District of Texas and by mailing two (2) copies of the Citation and Petition by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, the Attorney General of the United States of America, Tenth and Constitution, Washington, D.C. 20530, having been duly served with citation in the manner and for the length of time required by law, failed to file a written answer or appear and wholly made default; to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$2,642.87 with interest from the 10th day of May, 1991 at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of SWEETWATER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND
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Gene Pack
SHERIFF FISHER COUNTY,
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By Patti J. Thompson, DEPUTY
45:3tc

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Job 1:21

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Enrollment Opens For WTC Cosmetology Classes

Students interested in enrolling in the Western Texas College cosmetology course starting Sept. 1 are urged to complete the application process now, Judy Border, instructor, said.

Persons planning to enroll should go to the Admissions Office to pick up the required forms. These forms should be completed by July 14 when prospective students will interview and take a pre-entrance exam. The exam is scheduled at 8 a.m.

Total cost for tuition, fees, books and kits is \$1,500. Financial aid is available to those who qualify. Forms to apply for financial aid can be picked up at the Financial Aid office. These

forms require up to four weeks processing and need to be filled out as quickly as possible for the September quarter.

Cosmetology students receive 1,500 hours of training in a 12-month period and are then eligible to take state Board of Cosmetology tests for licensing. Western Texas College graduates have a 100% passage rate.

Cosmetology classes are Monday through Thursday 8:30 - 5:00 p.m. Students have a break at Christmas and in March.

To set up an interview or for more information contact Mrs. Border at (915) 573-8511, ext. 267.

2nd Round Of Oilfield Incentives Being Readied

Railroad Commission Chairman James E. (Jim) Nugent said today the agency is readying a second round of oilfield incentives to stem Texas' oil production decline which reached a 50-year low in April.

"Round one of our Texas Incentive Package is bringing some much-needed relief to Texas producers," Nugent said. "But we've got to do more to slow the hemorrhage our economy is suffering from falling oil production."

Preliminary figures for April show

Stenholm Urges Flexibility In Landfill Laws

During a Public Meeting on Groundwater Monitoring Requirements for Small, Dry, and Remote Landfills, Congressman Charles Stenholm urged EPA to give states flexibility in complying with the landfill regulations mandated by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

"As a farmer and a native West Texan, I understand the importance of safeguarding the nation's groundwater," said Stenholm. "By the same token, we must balance such protection with the ability of rural America to remain economically viable."

In 1991, Stenholm was instrumental in establishing an arid exemption for small towns facing stringent groundwater monitoring requirements. "In arid parts of the west, the potential for groundwater contamination is quite low," stated Stenholm. "I felt it was neither practical nor fair for one set of regulations to be implemented nationwide, without taking into consideration variations in precipitation, topography, ground-water percolation, population density, and other factors."

On May 7, 1993, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit issued a ruling that set aside the arid exemption from underground water monitoring. EPA is holding public meetings to determine how they can modify the existing ground-water monitoring regulations to provide greater implementation flexibility.

"Many of us who have been carefully following this issue over the years do not believe the Court had all the information necessary to render a fair or reasonable ruling," Stenholm told EPA. "Nor do I believe the Court understood the significant fiscal impact this decision would have on small rural communities."

Stenholm urged EPA to review and adopt the alternative ground-water monitoring methods for small landfills in arid areas developed by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission. "States must be given the authority to make decisions which are site-specific, and which will not be financially devastating to rural America," Stenholm said.

Texas oil production fell 100,000 barrels a day over the past year, to 1.47 million barrels a day. That the first time Texas' oil wells have pumped under 1.5 million barrels a day since 1942, Nugent said. As oil production falls, so does the benefit to the state's economy that comes from crude sales, oilfield salaries, and equipment purchases.

"At an average price of \$15 a barrel, the loss in wellhead value we have suffered over the past year is \$547.5 million," Nugent said. "Using the comptroller's economic multiplier of 2.9, the total loss to the Texas economy is almost \$1.59 billion. That's a serious blow to both the economy and the state's oil and gas industry."

Nugent said the Commission is hard at work drafting phase two of the Texas Incentive Package for the state legislature to examine during its 1995 session. Ideas under consideration include:

- * excluding non-producing oil and gas fields from direct taxes when the fields are returned to producing status,

- * incentives to encourage oil and gas research facilities in Texas,

- * allowing producers to offset taxes on marginal well production with negotiable "chits" earned on new well production.

- * brightening the industry's future by encouraging more students to study petroleum engineering.

"We are considering a wide range of concepts for the Texas legislature to consider in 1995," said Nugent. "As with previous incentives, we hope they will prove revenue positive. But taxpayers should not that, at worst, they will be revenue neutral. We are also sowing the seeds for the high-technology future that is so critically important for this industry and Texas."

Nugent said the first oil and gas incentive package proposed by the Commission has already encouraged drilling and enhanced recovery projects in the state.

"The Railroad Commission has implemented several incentives that encourage putting drilling rigs - but more importantly, Texans - back to work," Nugent said. "I am pleased with the results so far; but, more must be done at both state and federal levels."

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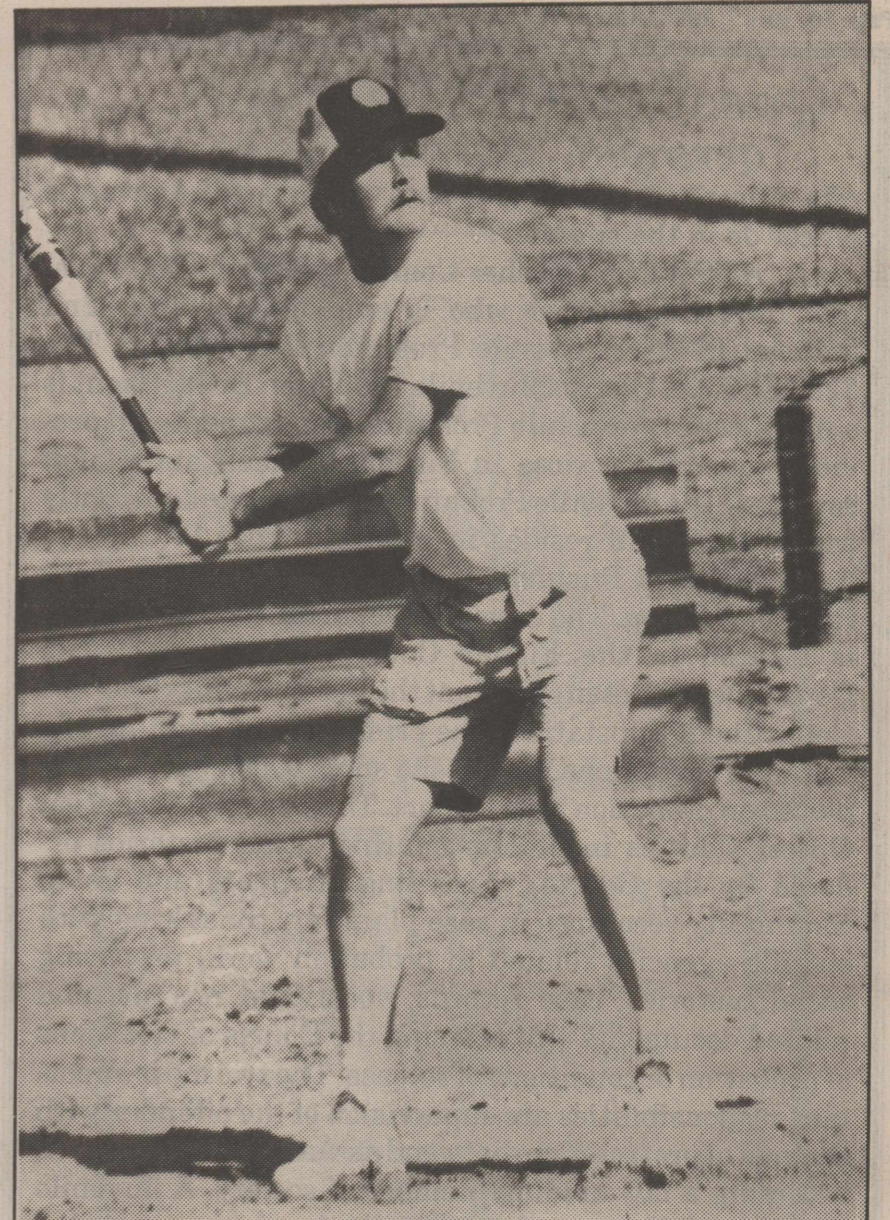
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Question Of The Week.....

QUESTION: - "Does Fisher County have a juvenile officer? If so, who is it and what does the juvenile officer do in the summer?"

ANSWER: - "Fisher County has a full time Juvenile Probation Officer who is employed by the 32nd Judicial District Juvenile Probation Department. The 32nd Judicial District Juvenile Probation Department is a multi-county Juvenile Probation Department and provides juvenile services in Fisher, Mitchell and Nolan counties. The Juvenile Probation Officer who is currently assigned to, and resides in Fisher County is Gaylene Rushfeldt. Mrs. Rushfeldt maintains office hours in both Roby and Rotan. The Juvenile Department's Roby office is located in the Fisher County Courthouse. The Department's Rotan office is at the Fisher County Sheriff's Department Substation. The primary responsibility of a Juvenile Probation Officer is the supervision of offenders placed on probation by the Court. The Juvenile Probation Officer's duties include: preparing social histories ordered by the Courts, counseling offenders and using community resources in case planning, consulting with outside agencies related to probation work, preparing social histories, case records, vocational records, and related documents and advising the Courts of violations of probation or conditions of release. The two most important responsibilities are supervision of the offender with the goal of protecting society and assisting the offender in becoming a law-abiding member of society. A Juvenile Probation Officer may be assigned other duties as needed by the Chief Juvenile Probation Officer. The duties of a Juvenile Probation Officer change very little in the summer months and in most instances, the workload intensifies. Mrs. Rushfeldt conducts office visits with each probationer a minimum of once a week, conducts home visits, assists the Fisher County Sheriff's Department in juvenile related matters, compiles pre-sentence investigation reports, and other duties as needed." *Ronald E. Munns, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, Fisher County, Roby, Texas.*

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

Changes In Poverty Guides Could Result In More Low Income Medicare Takers

"Recently announced changes in the national poverty guidelines could result in more low-income Medicare beneficiaries receiving help to pay for Medicare expenses, such as the Medicare premiums, deductibles, and coinsurance payments" said Glyn Hammons, Social Security manager in Abilene. The rules vary from state to state, but in general, an individual can qualify if his or her income is near the national poverty level of \$7,600 annually (the equivalent of \$633 per month). A family of two qualifies if their income is near \$10,080 annually (\$840 per month). "Even people whose income is slightly above these limits may qualify for limited help," Hammons said.

Hammons also said that "resources" such as bank accounts and stocks are another qualifying factor. They cannot exceed \$4,000 for one person or \$6,000 for a family of two. "Generally, resources are the things you own,"

Hammons explained. "But not everything is counted. For example, we don't count the value of your car."

"Only your state can decide if you're eligible for this kind of help," said Hammons. So, if you're a Medicare beneficiary with a low income and very limited assets, contact your state or local welfare or social service agency to apply. Hammons explained another way this program helps. "If you're 65 or older with low income and very limited assets," Hammons said, "and you don't qualify for premium-free Part A Medicare because you're not eligible for Social Security, Texas may be able to pay your Part A premiums."

For more information, call the Health Care Financing Administration's toll-free telephone number, 1-800-638-6833.

Name Left Off Of Rotan Elementary Excellence List

The Rotan Elementary School inadvertently left Mark McCall's name off the Rotan Academic Excellence List. They apologize for any inconvenience it may have caused.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients admitted and dismissed to the Fisher County Hospital during the week of June 28 - July 4th are as follows:

ADMITTED:
John W. Morgan- Rotan; Lorene Dowell- McCaulley; Ismael Barrera-Rotan; Crystal Bencomo- Rotan.
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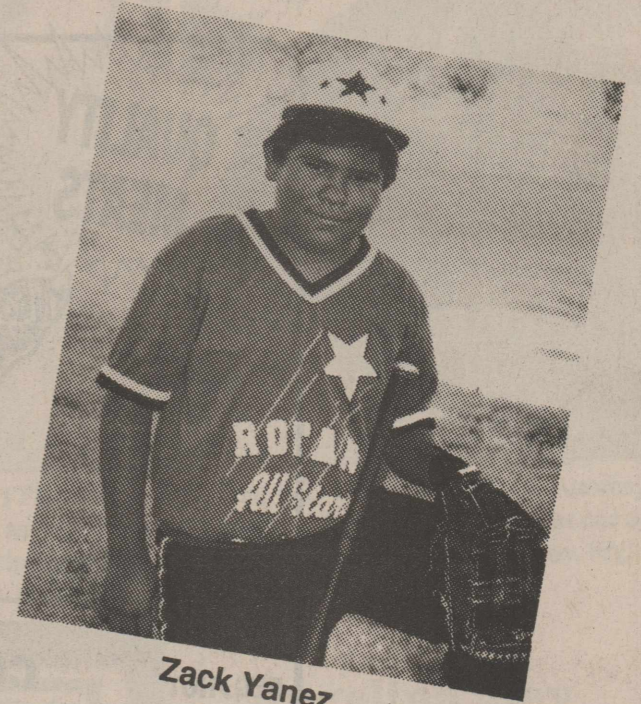
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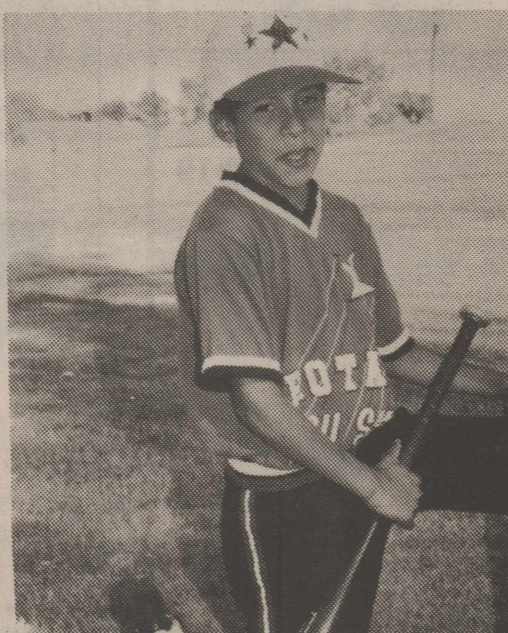
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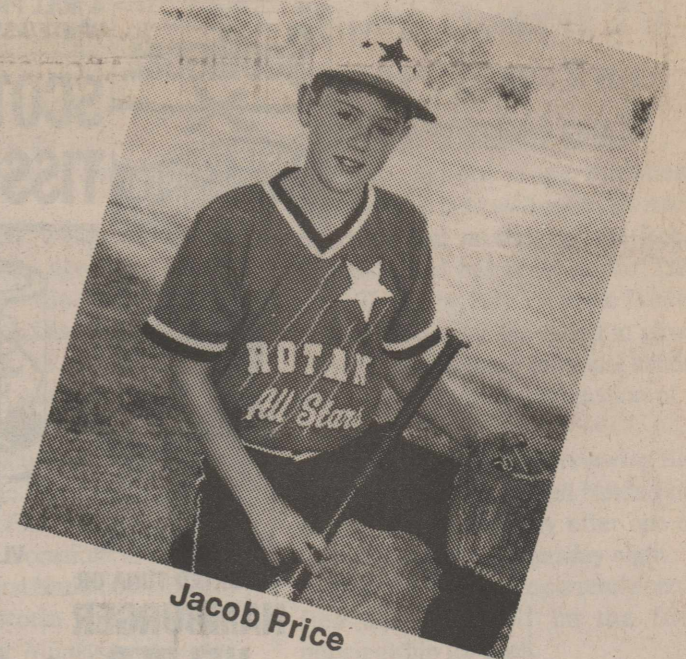
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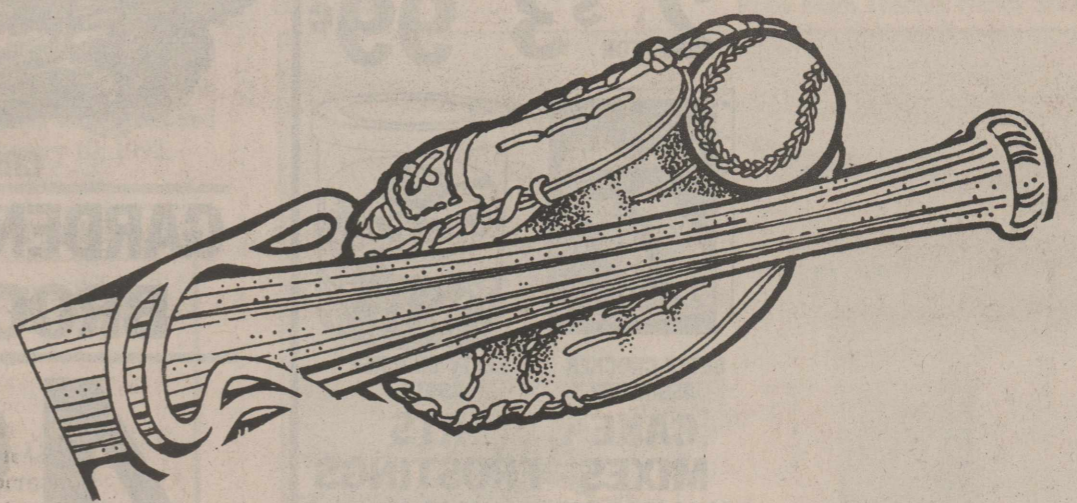


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