

Tax Rate Comparisons Show Local Schools Were Below The State Average

School districts and county education districts imposed a property tax at the rate of \$1.405 per \$100 of appraised value, which value averaged 98.6% of market value (selling price). The "true tax rate" was \$1.385 (\$1.405 taxes 98.6%) statewide. Locally, the Rotan School District imposed a rate of \$1.420

including \$.926 by the county education district.

In Roby, a rate of \$1.261 was imposed, including \$.926 by the county education district.

Property was appraised in Rotan at 90.6% of its market value making the true rate \$1.287 per \$100 of market value (selling price).

At Roby property was appraised at 94.4% of its market value making the true rate \$1.261 per \$100 of market value (selling price).

The report points out that the calculations of true tax rate based on market value rather than on appraised value is necessary to make a valid comparison of tax levels with

other schools.

The tax on a house that would sell for \$80,000 in Rotan School District would have been \$818. In the Roby School District the tax would have been \$814. If the homeowner were eligible for homestead exemptions, the tax would have been \$641 in Rotan and \$631

in Roby. That compares with statewide average tax bills of \$1078.00 and \$854 respectively for an \$80,000 house.

Last year Rotan School District revenue from the property tax decreased by 5.2% for 1992-93 as compared to a 9.5 percent increase statewide. At Roby revenue from the property tax decreased 1.9% for the same period. Local school districts can levy property taxes to enrich the foundation program. Enrichment last year averaged \$822 per pupil to which the state added an average of \$433 per student to guarantee the tax yield in property-poor districts. Enrichment by the Rotan School District was \$634; the state guarantee added \$979. At Roby the enrichment was \$642; the state guarantee added was \$608.

For the coming year, the local share is increased from the 82-cent rate by county education districts to an 86-cent rate levied by school districts.

The percentage homestead exemption and freeport goods exemptions voted for CEDs will terminate. The legislature increased state aid an average of \$3,990 for each additional student as compared to an average of \$1,825 for all students last year.



CHEERS: To the person responsible for changing the sign at Theatre on the Brazos. You're doing a good job advertising.

JEERS: To the person who spilled a gallon of white paint at the corners of Snyder Avenue and Florence Street. You could have at least thrown a bit of sand on your mess.

CHEERS: To the car advertising Lone Star Cafe "Bubba Likes It" -that's great, Glad Bubba likes it - except, where is the Lone Star Cafe?

JEERS: To people who operate slow moving vehicles without warning signs on the back. Not good. You deserve to be ticketed.

BIG DOINS: There will be a special homecoming celebration on August 8th at the Rotan Church of Christ. Guest Speaker will be Scott Mitchell. He will speak at 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., and 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be served in the new Fellowship Hall.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: August 5 - 11. August 5 - Mary Cadena, Richard Fleming, Alan Weathersbee, Leslie Limones; 6 - Loran Little, Lonnie Starnes; 7 - Kenneth Clark, Felicitia Gauna, Cathy Ann Marquez; 8 - Joe Morrow, Amy gruben, Melba McCall, Denise Powell, Ellen Hataway, Susan Griffith; 9 - Cullen Terry, Charles Cleveland, Dell Helms, Alta B. Hinson, Stephanie Carriker, Brandon Scherwitz, Marty Williamson, Brittany Lakey; 10 - Gary Daniel, Faye Martin, Ruple Weems, Melody Limones 11 - Ardell Floyd, Kaleb Goodwin, Wynelle Terry.

ROBY HOMECOMING: Roby's Homecoming will be on September 24th and 25th. The Roby Lions host the Miles Bulldogs. The homecoming committee is in the process of updating the mailing list. Address changes of Roby Ex-Students should be forwarded to Post Office Box 33, Roby, Texas 79543.

REMEMBER: A little over 20 years ago, in April of 1973, the voters of Fisher County approved a \$1.5 million hospital bond to construct the Fisher County Hospital building and approved it by a 9-1 margin. A total of 1533 voted in favor of the bond and only 171 disapproved.

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WE'RE LISTENING: I dislike having my name misspelled so I am sensitive to the spelling of other names. At the Newspaper office, we are making an attempt to spell all names correctly. Irma Guerra, newspaper typist, has a log of names that have given us a problem in the past or have the potential to give us a problem. If I want to be sure of the spelling of Katy Cade, I simply ask Irma if Katy Cade spells her name with a 'K' or 'C' and is it continued to page 2

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D.A.R.E. Programs To Be Offered In County Junior High Schools



D.A.R.E. PROGRAM: Kerrie Blair displays some of the items she will be distributing in the new D.A.R.E. program at Fisher County schools.

Kerrie Blair, a member of the Fisher County Sheriff's Department for the past 7 1/2 years, just returned from a two week training session at the Texas D.A.R.E. Institute in Austin, and is now certified to teach the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) in the two Fisher County schools.

Blair along with Fisher County Sheriff Gene Pack are excited about the possibilities available in the future with the program. "We have to get the drugs out of here, eliminate the need and keep kids off drugs," said Pack.

Through the D.A.R.E. program, which is being made available locally through a \$26,000 grant, Officer Kerrie Blair will be teaching in the Rotan and Roby school each week for 17-weeks and stressing drug education.

"I will teach four classes a week, the 5th and 6th graders at Roby and Rotan and I will be visiting in classes Kindergarten through the 4th grade.

The D.A.R.E. Institute in Austin estimates that it costs \$40 to \$50 a year to educate a child about drugs. "We will be passing out book marks, rulers, license plate holders, pencils, etc. in an effort to keep D.A.R.E. in front of the targeted 5th and 6th graders," said Blair.

Blair will be working full-time with the new program, but will also find time to continue being involved in the National Child Safety Program, Noah Program, and Rape Crisis Intervention Program.

She hopes to eventually expand the program to high school and junior high students. In the junior high the drug education program is known as 'jayhop' and in high school it is known as 'defyit'.

She has a letter of approval from the school superintendents and plans on actually beginning her teaching plan in September.

D.A.R.E. began in Los Angeles in 1983 and is known as the most beneficial and effective program of its type for children.

Statistics indicate that 85% of all Texas inmates are either alcohol or drug abusers. A full 80% are high

Four Take Part In HSU Talented Gifted Program

Four students from Roby and Rotan were participants in Hardin-Simmons University's 13th annual Threshold program for gifted and talent students.

Approximately 475 kindergarten through the 10th grade students took part, according to Dr. Bertie Kingore, Shelton professor of education and head of the department of elementary and secondary education at HSU. Participants were Byron Kennedy- 6th grade-Rotan; Bradley Murphree- 7th grade-Rotan; Leslie Brown- 3rd grade-Roby; Sarah Boyd- 7th grade- Roby.

County Fair To Begin Next Week

The 49th Annual Fisher County Fair and Rodeo will be held August 12-14.

Events will include a parade, 3 night rodeo produced by TNT Rodeo Co-Anson, jackpot steer and lamb show, County heifers show, women's and youth divisions, pet show and baked goods auction.

Advance rodeo tickets are being sold by the Fisher County 4-H Exchange Group. Cost of advance tickets are \$3.25 for adults and \$2.25 for students. Tickets at the gate are \$3.50 and \$2.50.

The Roby Lions Club is presently doubling the size of the concession stand for the public's benefit.

No trailer roping is being held this year. New fund-raisers for the association include a cow patty bingo and program ad sales.

A complete Fair and Rodeo run-down will be presented in next week's paper.

Smiths Make A Good Showing At State 4-H Horse Competition

Justin and Ashley Smith were involved in the State 4-H Horse Show held in Abilene last week.

Ashley placed 9th in Western Horsemanship out of 190 entries. She also placed in top 20 in Western Pleasure.

Justin advanced to the semi-finals in every event he entered.

He also placed 9th with his 2 year old Futurity Gelding.

school drop outs.

"We are seeking to give kids the tools to say no to peer pressure," said Blair.

Keith Berryman Will Start New Training Class

Keith Berryman, pastor of the Cross Roads Baptist Church, will begin a new discipleship training class on Sunday nights.

Designed to better familiarize church members with the roots of the Baptist church, Berryman will take the hour a week to teach about Baptist heritage, distinctive doctrines and the factors that have shaped and continue to mold people labeled Southern Baptists.

"This training class could well be entitled 'What You Always Wanted to Know About Southern Baptists' if it needed a title", commented Berryman.



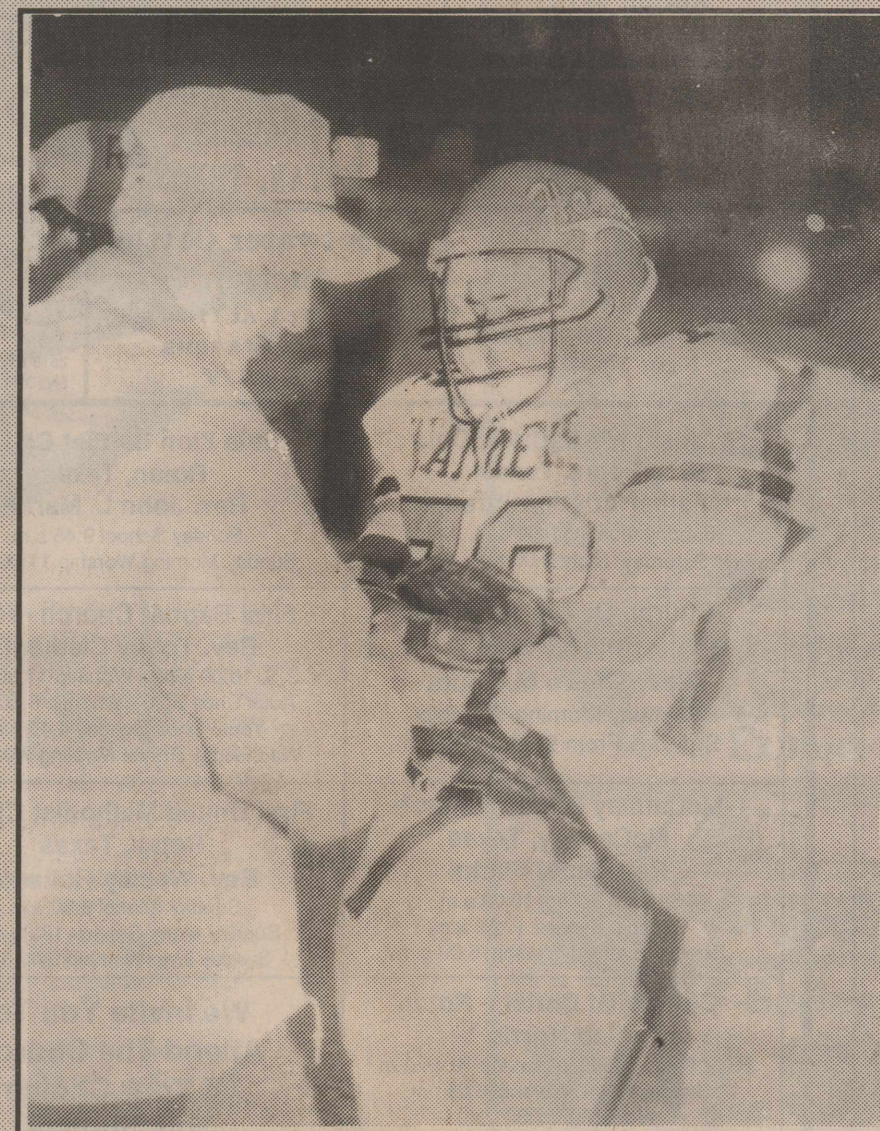
CHARLES JONES

Charles Jones Will Speak At Nazarene Church

Shawn Fouts, new pastor of the Church of the Nazarene in Rotan, announced this week that District Superintendent Charles Jones will deliver the morning message on Sunday, August 15th.

Morning worship services are at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday with Bible study set for 11:00 a.m. each Thursday morning.

Posey, Moffett Gone,Football Season Begins



The two above Rotan Yellowhammers are gone. Coach Ted Posey, left, chose not to sign a contract for the 1993-94 year and is retiring from teaching and coaching. Player Jason Moffett, son of Jerry & Donna Moffett, plans on attending Texas Tech this Fall and will major in Exercise & Sports Science. He has aspirations of becoming a team trainer or physical therapist. The Rotan Yellowhammers and Roby Lions began two-a-day workouts August 4th. Above Posey inspects an injured thumb Moffett suffered last season. Right, is Rusty Goodwin, son of James and Brenda Goodwin, who will be a freshman this year.

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A Mixed Message



A Philadelphia legal firm sent flowers to an associate in Baltimore when it opened its new offices. Through some mix-up the ribbon on the floral arrangement read "Deepest Sympathy". When the florist realized his error, he panicked. "Good heavens," he exclaimed, "then the flowers that went to the funeral said, 'Congratulations On Your New Location!'"

You probably would never send a flower arrangement to a funeral that read "Congratulations On Your New Location," but for a Christian those words are appropriate. To those who die in the Lord death is not the end; it is simply the doorway into our "New Location".

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband...I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp...Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city and his servants will serve him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever (Revelation 21 & 22).

Kim's Corner

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'y' or 'ie' at the end? I say all that because I have been spelling a name wrong for 22 years and just realized it. I know that Laurence Wayne Sparks spells his name with a 'u' but I have been spelling Lawrence Sparks - the Big Daddy - with a 'w' instead of a 'u'. I was under the impression Laurence Wayne's name was spelled differently - but not so I now find out. We'll try to get that name correct and we'll make an attempt to record any others that we have been spelling incorrectly. Log the correct spelling with Irma.

FINALLY: Why is it that a man is inspired to think deep and ask himself questions while shaving?

BACHELORS: They are much like detergents. They work fast and leave no rings.

DEBTS: They are about the only thing that we can acquire without money.

NEW UNIFORMS: The Fisher County Sheriff's Department officers are all sporting new uniforms. Black, lightweight, sharp looking.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Kindness is the golden chain by which society is bound together. - Goethe.

ROUGH CREEK POINT OF VIEW: Most couples at Rough Creek believe that working in a garden is like walking with God.

MARK TWAIN: "Humor is mankind's greatest blessing" - Paine, Mark Twain: A Biography, 1912.

LITTLE KNOW FACT: 38 percent of Americans refuse to take part in market research surveys.

EDUCATION: May education never become as expensive as ignorance.

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FINALLY: If you want to keep friends, don't make them a dumping ground for all your troubles.

MARK TWAIN: "The church is always trying to get other people to reform; it might not be a bad idea to reform itself a little by way of example."

FINALLY, FINALLY: The most difficult years of marriage are those immediately following the wedding.

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Sunday Night Worship 6:00 p.m.
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Ladies Bible Class - Wed. 9:30 a.m.

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VS. VALUE

The story surfaces often in the business world. Two brothers entered the watermelon business. They bought a truck and loaded it with watermelons. They paid \$1.00 each for the melons, drove into the city, and sold the melons for \$1.00 each.

Business was booming, but they finally discovered they were making no profit. They had a meeting and decided the solution to their profit problem was to buy a bigger truck!

They were guided more by passion for the product than wisdom of profit. Often the passion to produce - to succeed at whatever cost - blinds us to the reality that life is not measured by VOLUME but by VALUE; that profit in life cannot be measured by what is gained, but by what is paid and what is lost in the process.

Jesus said it centuries ago: "What does it profit a man if he should gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" (Matt 16:26). He indicated that volume is not a criterion for success. Even the volume of gaining the whole world is too small a gain to pay one's soul for.

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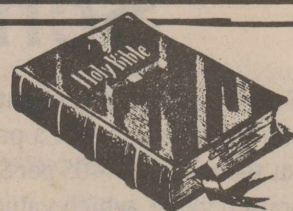
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S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Adult Choir 5:20 - Worship 6:00 p.m.
Youth Choir Sunday 4:45 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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Wednesday Night Service 7:30 p.m.

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Rev. Robert Kennedy
S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

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S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 7:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church - Rotan
Rev. Joe Vernon
S.S. 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
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Rev. Jeff Sedberry
S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
2nd Wednesday Fellowship 6:30 p.m.

Cross Roads Baptist Church
Rotan, Texas
Rev. Keith Berryman
S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sun. Night Worship Service 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
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Rev. Jeff Sedberry
S. S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 9:30 a.m.
Community Dinner 6:00 p.m.
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First United Methodist - Roby
Rev. Ron Kelley
S.S. 9:45 a.m. - Worship 10:50 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Night Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

Emmanuel Baptist Church
Rotan, Texas
Rev. Johnny Guzman
S.S. 9:45 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Worship 7:00 p.m.

Sylvester Baptist Church
Sylvester, Texas
Rev. Danny Martin
S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 p.m.



State Capital Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — Attorney General Dan Morales' opinion clarifying a new state ethics law brought a sigh of relief from some 2,000 Texas school board members who would have been forced to resign if they held at least 10 percent of stock in a business that contracted with their school district.

School officials endured a one-week wait for the opinion, in which Morales said the law was intended to apply to trustees who personally benefit from contracts awarded by school boards.

"It really is only that instance where there's a clear conflict of interest — some sort of motivation or even where the appearance of impropriety exists ...," Morales said.

Under an older and still applicable law, however, school board members must disclose potential conflicts of interest and must not vote on matters in which they have a "substantial interest" in a business seeking a contract with the school district. Under the law, if 10 percent of a family's income is derived from that business, then a substantial interest exists.

But the new law is written to prevent school trustees from serving who have "significant interest" in a business entity.

Morales suggested that when the state Legislature convenes in 1995, lawmakers should define "significant interest."

Meanwhile, there will be cause for concern if school board candidates try to use the law to force incumbents out of office, according to Buck Wood, legal counsel for the Texas Association of School Boards.

Kubiak Solicits Credit Unions
Texas House Appropriations subcommittee chairman Dan Kubiak, D-Rockdale, last week had some explaining to do regarding a letter he sent to credit unions across the state, asking the institutions to do-

nate \$100 each to a credit union in his home county. Kubiak's subcommittee oversees Texas credit unions.

But Kubiak said the letter was only an attempt to help his constituents, and furthermore, none of the credit unions that received letters sent donations to the Milam County Credit Union.

The 300-member minority-owned Milam County Credit Union which Kubiak helped organize needed to build its capital reserve account, from which loans of less than \$100 are made, he said.

Terry Young, spokesman for the Texas Credit Union League, said, "We've seen the letter, and we don't feel there is any undue pressure. I think he is just trying to utilize an avenue to help a credit union build capital."

Also responding to the letter, Texas Republican Party spokeswoman Karen Hughes said Kubiak "is clearly abusing the power of his office," and Common Cause of Texas executive director Suzy Woodford said, "I think this is probably something Dan would have been better advised not to do." Tom Smith, director of the Texas office of the watchdog group, Public Citizen, also called Kubiak's letter inappropriate.

Richards Urges Appointees

Gov. Ann Richards at a seminar last week reminded more than 100 people she appointed to state boards and commissions that with less than two years remaining on her four-year term, "Our job is to shake (state government) up ... air it out, give it a good scrubbing."

She urged appointees to be independent and to make decisions for the good of all Texans, including giving women and minorities the opportunity to win state contracts. "We don't have an agenda here about who you do business with, but we do have an agenda that you open up the business of the State of Texas and make it available to everyone."

Richards also reminded the group that what they do in the office is a "direct reflection of what the governor's office is, and what it stands for."

Parker Plans Not Settled

Responding to rumors that he may not seek re-election, Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur, last week said, "The practice of law is becoming increasingly burdensome and complicated, as is serving in the state Senate."

Parker, 59, was elected to the state Senate in 1976, and before that served 13 years in the Texas House of Representatives.

He is chairman of the Economic Development Committee and serves on the finance and jurisprudence committees.

Parker said he would consult with family, friends and the citizens of the 4th Senatorial District before

making a final decision.

TABC Director Leaving

The director of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission announced he is leaving the job on Sept. 1.

Dick Durbin, 65, cited a successful review by the Legislature and efforts to increase the number of minority employees as some of his accomplishments.

When Durbin took office a little more than a year ago, the agency faced allegations of selective enforcement of alcoholic beverage codes and race and sex discrimination.

Other Highlights

■ A McAllen jury last week acquitted state Rep. Sergio Munoz, D-Mission, of federal charges of plotting to steal nearly 700 pounds of marijuana from a police locker.

Thank You

I wish to express my sincerest thanks to all the many friends and neighbors who sent flowers, cards, brought food and especially your prayers during my recent surgery and stay in the hospital. Your kindness and prayers have sustained me.

*God, bless you,
Helen Hodges*

1973 CLASS REUNION

The Roby High School Class of 1973 will be having a reunion Saturday, September 25, 1993, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., at the Cottonwood RV Park. Friends, relatives, and teachers are also invited. Sandwiches, chips, and dips will be served. Anyone needing more information can contact Audrey Duncan 776-3020 or Terry McWilliams 776-2534.

9-1-1 Emergency Calls

For Week July 26 - August 2, 1993

6:15 p.m. July 27- Caller dialed the wrong number.

8:48 p.m. July 27- Caller reported a fallen power line across the street at intersection of McArthur and Lakeview Roads in Rotan. WTU was contacted to fix the line.

9:04 p.m. July 27- Caller dialed the wrong number.

1:42 a.m. July 28- Caller reported a drunk outside building at Builders Transport. Subject had left the scene when officer arrived.

7:01 p.m. July 29- Caller requested ambulance for subject who had passed out. Transported to Fisher County Hospital.

12:57 a.m. July 30- Southwest Bell called to inform they would be working on lines and would call periodically to make sure 911 was working.

10:24 p.m. August 1- Ambulance requested at Rotan Nursing Center for person who had fallen and needed to go to the hospital.

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Thank You

Thank you so very much for all the prayers, love and concern shown for me while I was in the hospital and since I've been home. The cards and flowers so touched my heart. The entire hospital staff and Dr. Maurice made me come home feeling like someone special and knowing there are plenty of folks out there who really care, to my dear sister, Pat Kelley, and all the other people who have brought my meals to me since I've been home.

I will always be in debt to all of you. I am "holding in there" and that is my plans for the future.

Love you, Nell Park

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Question Of The Week.....

QUESTION: "What are the services offered to the public by the Farmers Home Administration in Rotan?"

ANSWER: "The Farmers Home Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture channels credit to farmers, rural residents, and communities. It helps borrowers gain maximum benefit from loans through counseling and technical assistance. Farmers and rural people have several credit programs they can call upon through FmHA to help purchase or operate farms, provide new employment and business opportunities, enhance environment, acquire homes and upgrade the standard of living for all who wish to live in small towns or open country. The agency's loan authorities provide a supplemental source of credit, augmenting the efforts of the private lenders rather than competing with them. Most FmHA programs require that a borrower "graduate" to commercial credit when able to do so." - *Larry Cure, Assistant County Supervisor, Rotan Office, Farmers Home Administration.*

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 and we will, if possible, attempt to get a timely answer. Please sign your News Question request, and include your phone number, we will not print your name with the question.

WTC Success Seminars

Students entering Western Texas College as full-time freshmen for the first time in the fall semester are re-

quired to attend one of the two summer Success Seminars.

Seminars at WTC are slated for Aug. 10 and Aug. 12. The seminars allow new students the opportunity to pre-register for the fall semester, as well as receive information concerning financial aid, housing and career planning.

A seminar fee of \$15 will be charged which includes lunch for the student and parents. Registration will begin at 9 a.m.

Placement tests will be given for students who have not taken the ACT or SAT. There is a \$10 test fee.

Students who attend the seminar must be prepared to pay for registration and housing fees at that time.

Students need to make advance reservations for the seminar they wish to attend. Information about the Success Seminars can be obtained by the student services offices at 573-8511, ext. 394.

Hospital News

Patients admitted and dismissed to the Fisher County Hospital during the week of July 27 - August 2, 1993 were as follows:

ADMITTED:

Dora May- Haskell; Theresa Stahl-Rotan; Bessie Bryant-Rotan; J.D. Parker- Aspermont; Debbie Gruben-Rotan.

DISMISSED:

Doris Gilliland- Rotan; Opal Williamson- Roby; Ruby Nell Park-Rotan; Dora May- Haskell; Charles McCall Sr.- Rotan; Theresa Stahl- Rotan; Frank Almanza- McCaulley; Blake Stephens- Roby; Peggy Jones- Sweetwater; J.D. Parker- Aspermont; Bessie Bryant- Rotan.



YELLOWHAMMER STANDOUT: Eric Smith represented Rotan High School at the state all-star bowl game held this summer. This is the third year in a row that Rotan has qualified a player for the special bowl game.

Roby School Registration Begins Monday, August 9

Registration for Roby CISD is as follows:

High School-
Seniors- Monday, August 9- 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., H.S. Library
Juniors- Monday, August 9- 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., H.S. Library

Sophomores- Tuesday, August 10- 6:00-7:00 p.m., H.S. Library
Freshmen- Tuesday, August 10- 7:00- 8:00 p.m., H.S. Library
Elementary/Jr. High- Monday, August 16- 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.- Elem. Bldg.

Region 14 School Budget & Tax Comparisons

		AMOUNT PER PUPIL ENROLLED 1992-93 BUDGETS																			
District	Coop.	Fall 1992 Enrollment (1)	Admin- istration (2)	INSTRUCTIONAL Service (3)	Related (4)	Pupil Service (5)	Curricular Activities (6)	Trans- portation (7)	Plant Maint. & Operation (8)	Community Service (9)	Total Cur. Op. Expense (10)	Debt Service (11)	Capital Outlay (12)	Op.Fund Bal. 9-1-92 (13)	Payroll (14)	Debt per pupil 8/31/92 (15)	AVERAGE SALARY Teachers (16)	Admin. (17)	Support (18)	Oct 92	
REGION 14																					
ROBY ISD	C	332	\$921.19	\$3257.71	\$ 85.02	\$330.78	\$266.53	\$201.64	\$499.93	\$.00	\$5562.79	\$ 70.24	\$ 378.06	\$2448.19	\$4109.08	\$	0	\$25714	\$40284	\$27380	
ROTAN ISD		479	811.95	2708.54	120.55	388.18	281.07	168.32	580.04	\$.00	5058.65	117.85	531.62	2094.77	3616.49		115	26836	40818	32240	
FISHER COUNTY																					
HASKELL COUNTY																					
PAINT CREEK ISD	C	125	140.72	3468.63	72.43	500.58	298.87	368.21	916.73	\$.00	7046.17	\$.00	177.89	3207.45	4767.63		0	23739	40785	28194	
HASKELL ISD	C	774	593.31	2761.65	63.29	372.44	250.50	74.39	492.67	\$.00	4628.25	24.55	810.65	2355.44	3362.12		0	26344	40774	25673	
ROCHESTER ISD	C	177	891.82	3308.29	32.49	409.55	88.42	145.86	98.66	\$.00	5375.10	\$.00	115.07	897.54	4073.23		0	23243	37020	27479	
RULE ISD	C	185	1209.90	3850.94	91.38	402.00	139.48	107.73	431.56	\$.00	6232.99	82.97	108.11	2035.92	4983.99		622	26117	40377	34259	
JONES COUNTY																					
ANSON ISD		788	523.18	2869.25	86.52	350.56	228.93	132.64	505.29	\$.00	4696.37	160.11	639.36	1577.46	3422.93		89	24415	36735	17502	
HAMLIN ISD	C	678	694.10	2889.72	104.64	383.54	368.81	114.59	581.04	\$.00	5136.43	346.04	87.50	1127.95	3714.25		693	25651	44040	27198	
HAWLEY ISD	C	659	577.33	2808.29	114.99	345.92	199.32	122.32	545.52	\$.00	4711.69	43.93	347.50	1781.34	3587.35		114	24299	41806	26195	
LUEDERS - AVOCA	C	196	1077.07	3258.68	96.25	477.08	181.89	161.73	633.99	\$.00	5886.69	\$.00	424.61	2824.49	4271.40		0	25678	35925	20796	
STAMFORD ISD	F	840	810.18	3011.42	90.83	800.70	288.78	107.84	596.19	\$.00	5705.95	220.74	450.40	1461.10	4088.78		768	25046	39113	27956	
MITCHELL COUNTY																					
WESTBROOK ISD	C	142	2018.85	5994.23	213.41	578.18	587.61	406.23	1113.35	\$.00	10911.84	7.28	478.85	4250.91	7329.11		0	28578	48043	40163	
COLORADO ISD	C	1251	760.73	2741.58	125.33	462.13	291.83	139.53	623.65	76.70	5221.48	267.96	1523.11	2329.02	3853.97		739	25321	42293	27484	
LORAIN ISD	C	214	1068.30	3601.88	36.50	358.00	135.05	196.23	613.96	\$.00	6009.92	323.13	81.19	936.00	4198.61		864	25894	40750	27484	
NOLAN COUNTY																					
BLACKWELL ISD	C	159	1566.10	4057.13	148.08	570.84	578.73	328.67	676.18	\$.00	8025.72	534.59	421.38	2254.74	5741.64		0	24175	41667	25658	
ROSCOE ISD	C	455	685.40	2734.61	66.32	351.40	312.04	117.54	448.03	\$.00	4715.36	227.84	114.74	567.91	3661.36		967	25199	40703	28712	
SWEETWATER ISD		2840	499.50	2549.18	55.20	559.06	215.06	87.85	673.47	\$.00	4439.33	99.83	148.84	774.84	3601.71		238	26289	48663	30965	
HIGHLAND ISD	C	165	1061.45	3488.06	29.39	410.42	235.33	145.85	664.85	\$.00	6035.36	771.15	247.58	1867.75	4349.00		4886	24112	46400	10655	
SCURRY COUNTY																					
HERMLEIGH ISD		200	861.25	3275.62	32.76	314.55	206.00	163.76	615.58	\$.00	5469.52	39.43	319.50	1527.56	3771.14		0	23464	44500	10655	
SNYDER ISD	C	3553	464.35	2541.14	143.62	238.43	125.87	117.68	430.15	9.99	4071.23	2.58	99.73	826.84	3196.24		0	28602	45886	30462	
IRA ISD	C	216	1086.02	3582.88	97.27	491.97	279.17	105.32	727.08	\$.00	6369.71	\$.00	92.59	2139.34	4297.54		0	27046	40428	37210	
SHACKELFORD COUNTY																					
ALBANY ISD	C	576	605.02	2545.39	8.71	439.03	291.46	138.54	401.72	\$.00	4509.87	\$.00	362.25	1179.40	3355.43		0	27205	43217	38301	
Moran (monitor)	C	123	1652.07	3443.67	153.83	612.49	483.91	78.46	829.26	\$.00	7253.69	\$.00	169.11	3786.55	4812.03		0	23711	42373	38301	
STEPHENS COUNTY																					
BRECKENRIDGE ISD		1811	553.65	2239.96	88.23	362.59	162.07	123.73	564.15	54.54	4094.91	320.82	260.58	905.83	3069.15		541	27047	44628	30220	
STONEWALL COUNTY																					
ASPERMONT ISD	C	378	972.43	3309.99	79.96	418.88	207.02	116.12	697.29	\$.00	5801.69	12.17	381.87	1698.10	4248.97		0	26412	39802	28653	
TAYLOR COUNTY																					
WYLLIE ISD	C	2166	304.27	1925.42	74.68	314.17	129.45	76.93	326.13	\$.00	3151.05	796.66	4964.48	660.11	2483.90		8326	25734	45698	29911	
ABILENE ISD	C	19614	538.73	2900.43	112.93	436.88	74.56	55.62	238.57	18.43	4357.91	275.62	311.76	791.48	3780.24		1942	26519	47869	31958	
MERKEL ISD	C	1373	455.73	2520.00	91.59	332.33	181.48	121.52	325.80	\$.00	4028.44	86.30	272.28	859.39	3206.70		503	25363	42396	32238	
TRENT ISD	C	163	1118.58	3794.29	129.72	447.97	246.78	172.93	698.92	\$.00	6609.20	220.25	153.53	822.04	4722.42		0	26511	41250	32338	
JIM NED ISD	C	799	529.34	2889.75	171.31	382.66	210.39	221.03	498.12	\$.00	4902.59	387.25	1811.64	597.87	3283.39		1314	26032	43462	30756	
Region 14 Average																					
Statewide Average																					
		49956	\$572.88	\$2735.74	\$ 8.89	\$415.27	\$149.74	\$ 77.60	\$381.00	\$ 2.77	\$4453.88	\$228.15	\$583.79	\$1113.38	\$3552.53	\$	1448	\$26130	\$44283	\$30510	
		3536489	\$26.92	\$2464.79	\$103.06	\$433.99	\$101.60	\$118.81	\$493.83	\$12.11	\$4255.11	\$337.05	\$43.13	\$688.95	\$3439.18	\$	2247	\$28394	\$47852	\$35258	

District	Pupil/Teacher Ratio (19)	October 1992					1992					1992					1992 TAX RATE					Ratio					True Rate					TAX \$80,000 HOUSE					TAX LEVEL 1993					1992-93 PER PUPIL					State & Local Taxes (40)																												
		STAFF PER 1,000 PUPILS					Test Scores					MARKET VALUE																																																															
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ROBY ISD	11.2	10.3	3.0	15.1	41.8	18.4	913	\$ 196839	112	\$.926	\$1,261	\$1,261	94.4%	\$1,190	\$ 814	\$ 631	-1.9%	\$ 3789	\$ 4718	\$ 642	\$ 608	\$ 5709																																																					
ROTAN ISD	12.7	9.2	2.1	12.5	36.7	18.5	0	135444	77	\$.926	\$1,377	\$1,420	90.6%	\$1,287	\$ 818	\$ 642	-5.2%	2934	\$ 4470	\$ 634	\$ 979	\$ 5894																																																					
PAINT CREEK ISD	8.1	12.1	2.4	16.0	51.1	.0	0	134870	179	\$.926	\$1,195	\$1,195	101.8%	\$1,217	831	641	13.0%	3444	\$ 5471	\$ 870	\$ 418	\$ 6322																																																					
HASKELL ISD	14.1	5.7	3.9	12.9	35.3	19.3	0	113994	65	\$.924	\$1,227	\$1,227	100.5%	\$1,234	983	774	11.3%	1287	\$ 4239	\$ 345	\$ 791	\$ 5225																																																					
ROCHESTER ISD	9.6	9.5	4.7	39.5	49.6	18.9	0	164994	94	\$.924	\$1,350	\$1,350	99.1%	\$1,338	1013	743	-26.3%	2323	\$ 4523	\$ 678	\$ 897	\$ 5838																																																					
RULE ISD	9.5	14.2	4.7	29.0	47.6	19.6	0	181445	103	\$.924	\$1,202	\$1,254	100.1%	\$1,256	900	657	12.0%	1877	\$ 4345	\$ 563	\$ 775	\$ 5474																																																					
ANSON ISD	12.5	7.6	4.5	19.6	27.1	22.5	913	79557	45	\$1,018	\$1,282	\$1,348	103.9%	\$1,400	1215	964	14.5%	1017	\$ 3988	\$ 263	\$ 1077	\$ 5195																																																					
HAMLIN ISD	12.3	5.9	3.8	25.0	33.9	18.8	955	120424	69	\$1,018	\$1,103	\$1,310	104.6%	\$1,478	1115	826	1.1%	1666	\$ 4118	\$ 358	\$ 677	\$ 4972																																																					
HAWLEY ISD	11.9	6.1	6.1	7.6	35.1	20.1	1034	61254	35	\$1,018	\$1,225	\$1,300	99.1%	\$1,288	933	721	2.5%	754	\$ 3613	\$ 173	\$ 1131	\$ 4838																																																					
LUEDERS - AVOCA	10.0	13.5	6.7	15.3	58.7	19.6	0	131206	75	\$1,018	\$1,498	\$1,498	108.4%	\$1,624	1240	966	-3.5%	2101	\$ 4242	\$ 687	\$ 951	\$ 5688																																																					
STAMFORD ISD	13.2	10.1	16.7	11.9	33.7	21.3	0	76616	44	\$1,018	\$1,108	\$1,409	103.8%	\$1,461	1137	902	13.9%	1035	\$ 3754	\$ 299	\$ 993	\$ 4945																																																					
WESTBROOK ISD	6.9	13.2	2.6	7.0	95.4	17.3	0	1055032	601	\$.942	\$1,615	\$1,615	99.9%	\$1,613	1016	817	13.5%	11304	\$ 4630	\$ 7039	0	\$ 11669																																																					
COLORADO ISD	12.5	6.6	7.9	13.1	46.4	17.7	0	224436	128	\$.942	\$1,338	\$1,457	98.9%	\$1,441	1240	1007	10.7%	3771	\$ 3771	\$ 1156	\$ 389	\$ 5009																																																					
LORAINE ISD	10.7	9.3	.0	23.4	43.1	17.7	0	113467	65	\$.942	\$1,308	\$1,612	89.0%	\$1,434	1484	1230	10.1%	1941	\$ 4044	\$ 722	\$ 1252	\$ 6236																																																					
BLACKWELL ISD	8.4	18.9	4.1	12.6	72.0	.0	0	576108	328	\$.920	\$1,420	\$1,420	7.8%	\$1,388	1139	920	11.7%	7359	\$ 5511	\$ 2814	0	\$ 7732																																																					
OSCOBE ISD	12.6	9.3	3.2	19.8	33.0	19.3	835	90537	52	\$.920	\$1,240	\$1,370	104.6%	\$1,434	1273	1033	5.8%	1224	\$ 3863	\$ 427	\$ 1028	\$ 5190																																																					
SWEETWATER ISD	14.2	4.8	9.0	12.2	35.2	19.2	954	96804	55	\$.920	\$1,180	\$1,260	101.7%	\$1,281	1095	872	7.8%	1223	\$ 3035	\$ 333	\$ 527	\$ 3649																																																					
HIGHLAND ISD	10.0	6.1	9.5	24.2	42.4	20.7	757	307990	175	\$.920	\$1,560	\$1,720	99.9%	\$1,718	1376	1143	-1.9%	4685	\$ 4072	\$ 2464	\$ 599	\$ 7410																																																					
HERMLEIGH ISD	11.8	10.0	.0	25.0	32.8	17.6	0	142529	81	\$.926	\$1,367	\$1,367	110.2%	\$1,507	1265	1025	.6%	2880	\$ 4344	\$ 738	\$ 1071	\$ 5977																																																					
SNYDER ISD	15.5	4.8	5.7	11.5	20.8	21.0	1053	178791	102	\$.926	\$1,359	\$1,359	102.5%	\$1,393	1095	878	4.2%	3440	\$ 2957	\$ 806	\$ 181	\$ 3763																																																					
IRA ISD	10.8	9.3	2.3	18.4	47.9	21.0	0	524951	299	\$.926	\$1,365	\$1,365	106.8%	\$1,459	1092	876	12.4%	6219	\$ 4060	\$ 2470	0	\$ 6529																																																					
ALBANY ISD	14.4	5.8	5.1	12.2	30.9	19.3	762	172113	98	\$.971	\$1,151	\$1,151	99.6%	\$1,135	862	659	10.1%	1878	\$ 4233	\$ 308	\$ 310	\$ 4598																																																					
Moran [monitor]	9.4	15.2	.0	24.4	54.1	.0	766	189097	108	\$.971	\$1,501	\$1,501	99.0%	\$1,424	1360	1109	-1.1%	2713	\$ 5418	\$ 1001	\$ 1203	\$ 7346																																																					
BRECKENRIDGE ISD	16.6	5.4	3.9	6.4	41.1	19.7	836	235062	134	\$.940	\$1,344	\$1,431	100.3%	\$1,435	1148	926	11.4%	3243	\$ 3060	\$ 1154	50	\$ 3932																																																					
ASPERMONT ISD	10.1	8.6	4.6	21.2	42.2	19.9	0	450190	256	\$1,018	\$1,468	\$1,468	101.7%	\$1,493	1218	976	10.5%	4384	\$ 4627	\$ 2084	0	\$ 6711																																																					
WYLIE ISD	16.9	4.0	4.6	7.1	20.3	21.0	876	142943	81	\$.916	\$1,251	\$1,503	97.1%	\$1,460	1141	926	26.6%	1947	\$ 2751	\$ 816	\$ 452	\$ 3839																																																					
ASILENE ISD	13.9	4.7	10.2	12.5	36.8	20.9	883	100257	57	\$.916	\$1,202	\$1,449	98.6%	\$1,479	1149	904	3.6%	1384	\$ 3203	\$ 552	\$ 804	\$ 4442																																																					
MERCEL ISD	13.9	5.4	4.0	15.6	30.1	19.9	946	77070	44	\$.916	\$1,234	\$1,354	96.3%	\$1,303	1021	815	9.4%	347	\$ 3586	\$ 324	\$ 912	\$ 4726																																																					
TRENT ISD	9.8	12.3	.0	18.4	48.4	18.6	0	206479	118	\$.916	\$1,596	\$1,596	99.9%	\$1,594	1258	1033	8.1%	3118	\$ 4575	\$ 1405	\$ 804	\$ 6513																																																					
JIM NED ISD	13.1	6.3	5.2	10.0	38.8	19.2	901	114738	65	\$.916	\$1,126	\$1,398	96.3%	\$1,346	1072	787	13.5%	1407	\$ 3807	\$ 485	\$ 961	\$ 5114																																																					
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Mar	1.20	0.95	0.10	2.55
Apr	0.75	0.60	0.15	5.85
May	1.65	3.20	3.35	0.95
June	2.45	4.60	9.20	1.70
July	1.30	1.80	2.65	3.40
	10.10	17.40	17.45	18.15

Coach Warren Expects Big Turnout For Football Squad

Rotan Coach Steve Warren has almost had a full turnover of personnel on his coaching staff. He will open the 1993-94 season with eight coaches on staff, five of the eight are new this year to Rotan.

Coach Ted Posey retired, Coach Todd Burleson is teaching by Alpine and going back to school at Sul Ross, Coach Jimmy Randolph took a coaching job at Robert Lee, Coach Ronda Havens transferred to Vernon with her husband and Coach Annette Ellis went to San Angelo with a CPA firm.

Coach Warren is extremely excited about the caliber of coaches he has been able to lure to Rotan to fill the five vacancies.

Although not officially hired by the board, Joe Holloway, is on-board and will be the first assistant coach and defensive coordinator. "I was real fortunate to get someone of his caliber and experience," said Warren. Holloway was an assistant coach at J. J. Pierce High School in Richardson for 6 years. He has 11 years coaching experience. He has been in a tough district with Plano, Lake Highlands, etc., according to Warren.

The other coach, not yet officially hired by the board, is Gary Cates. Cates will be an assistant football coach and head golf and boys basketball coach. "He coached at Wellman, by Hereford, last year. His team won district, was in the playoffs and had a record of 22-7," according to Warren. He has coached at Farwell and has seven years coaching experience. Cates will have the responsibility of being the defensive line coach for the football season.

The two holdover coaches, besides Warren, are Coach Bobby Richardson who is in charge of defensive backs and wide receivers and head baseball coach and Coach Del Van Cox, who will work with wide receivers.

Mario Heredia, first year coach, will have charge of the offensive line. The two other coaches rounding out the staff are Brent Kirkland and James Driskill. Neither have any football responsibilities. Coach Kirkland is the head girls basketball and track coach and Coach Driskill is the

head girls volleyball coach and head tennis coach.

Coach Warren expects the number of players taking part in the football program to be up for the 1993-94 season. "I will be disappointed if we do not have 50 show up for the two-a-day drills this season," according to Warren.

It appears as if Temple (Stomper) Daniel, a junior, has the inside track on nailing down the quarterback spot. "I have a lot of confidence in Stomper's ability. He filled in for the first three games when Eric Smith was injured last season and did extremely well," said Warren. Others that will challenge Daniel are Junior David Nowlin who according to Warren has a good spring and Freshman Rusty Goodwin.

"We have two or three spots that are absolutely wide open," said Warren. The wide receiver spot, an offensive line spot and the tail back spot are up for grabs," said Warren.

There are about four or five senior players that we are looking to for leadership as we enter the pre-season. Steve Warren, four year letterman; Mitchell Montez, Brandon Rains, Lee Yanez and Michael Montez are being counted upon early to provide leadership.

"We have another four players, coming out for the first time as varsity players, that have the potential to have a big impact on the year that we will have. Brian Baker, Cristo Simmons, Joey Powell, Joe Gonzalez and Matt Mercer will be fighting for spots on the varsity roster," said Warren.

Two a day drills began Wednesday morning, August 4th. "I plan on operating a bit differently this year with respect to the time schedule of two-a-days. We'll work out from 8 to 10 in the morning, break for an hour and a half then work out again from 11:30 to 1:30," said Warren. He plans on bringing back the varsity players at 5:00 p.m. for chalk talk and meetings and film. "This schedule will allow the players a little more flexibility during the day and won't tie them up so much," concluded Warren.

Fisher County

Agricultural News

County Agents Column

By Richard Spencer

A new cordless electric lawnmower may soon revolutionize Saturday morning mowing across the country.

Experts say the 12-volt, battery-powered lawnmower represents the best of electric technology -- it gives off no emissions, it's quieter, and it's easy to use.

Electric lawnmowers have been around for years, but consumers weren't crazy about grappling with the long, cumbersome cords that hooked the mowers up to an outlet. The new mower, made by Black & Decker, can shear about a quarter-acre of lawn before it needs an overnight recharge, and uses about as much electricity per year as a

toaster.

With widespread use of the mowers, the U.S. could see a drop in energy consumption of more than 2 million barrels of oil a year, says John Neal, energy research and development administrator for the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

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The Texas Animal Health Commission tallies 184,437 cattle entering Texas from other states during June and 237,291 Texas cattle shipped out of state. Texas shipped out 19,759 sheep and received 9727 sheep from out of state. The figures are based on permits and certificates of veterinary inspection.

Approximately 12.2 percent of cattle operations across the nation brand unweaned calves, according to an October 1992 survey conducted by the National Animal Health Monitoring System of USDA's APHIS. Larger operations, which produce 37.8 percent of the nation's calf crop, are more likely to brand unweaned calves.

US pork production in 1993 is projected to rise to a record 17.31 billion pounds, from 17.19 billion in 1992, says USDA. Beef, broiler and turkey output are expected to increase during the same period.

County Home Extension Agent News

By Beth Dannheim

How Dehydration Leads To Illness

Did you know forgetting to drink fluids can make you tired? Or, by the time you feel thirsty, you may have already lost important fluids?

Physical activity can cause dehydration-- especially in warmer weather. When dehydrated, the body is low on carbohydrates and fluids, causing fatigue-even heat illness. Yet, simply drinking enough of the right beverages can help beat dehydration.

In a few weeks Roby and Rotan

High School athletes begin gearing up for the fall sports season with intense practice sessions for several sports. Be sure your kids drink plenty of the right kinds of fluids during practice to avoid dehydration and heat illness, which may be fatal.

When you're physically active in the heat there's always a danger of dehydration and heat illness, no matter what shape you are in. High outside temperature and physical exertion may cause excess body heat buildup that must be lowered in order for the body to

function normally. The most effective way to lower body heat, especially in warm weather, is through the evaporation of sweat. Remember, sweating causes loss of fluids which may lead to dehydration, even heat illness, if lost fluids are not replaced.

If we don't replace the fluids we lose, the body will slow down its sweat rate in order to save the fluids it has left. When this occurs, our risk of heat illness is greatly increased. Humidity can also affect our ability to cool off. When sweat evaporates, the body is cooled,

but it's harder for sweat to evaporate in hot, humid weather.

Under normal weather conditions, we can rehydrate our bodies in 24 hours after exercising by drinking fluids and eating meals. However, when it's hot outside, our bodies often need more than water and food to rehydrate properly. Drinking a properly formulated carbohydrate-electrolyte beverage helps ensure rapid and complete hydration, and helps keep you going.

County Extension Entomologist News

By Red Chedester

Situation at this Hour

Isolated showers around Jayton, Rotan and Hobbs dumped from 1 to 3 inches of nourishing rain Sunday, while not nearly a drop fell around Roby, Anson or Aspermont. We need a general soaking rain to jump start the crop. Cotton ranges from wilting through quarter sized bolls.

Boll Weevils

The first generation of long nosed varmints have started to emerge. Adult counts range from 0 to 18 per 100

plants, while punctured squares, both feeding and egg laying, range up to 46%. When direct sunlight for at least 5 hours, and hot (95 degrees +), dry conditions cause shed squares to dry out rapidly, large numbers of these weevil larvae or grubs do not survive.

Weevil pressure is still somewhat reduced because of the continuing hot and dry conditions.

Budworms/Rollworms

Trap catches near Stamford and Roby indicate less than 5 moths being

caught this week. Field counts range from 0 to 12 worms per 100 plants. They vary in size from 1/2 to over 1" in length. When economic thresholds of 15 to 20% of squares are worm damaged and small (1/4" or less) worms are found, treatment should be initiated within 24 hours. At this stage of the game, treatments recommended are Orthene, Lannate, methyl parathion, Curacron or Larvin.

Beneficials

Lady beetles, big eyed bugs, lacew-

ings, click beetles and spiders are still very active in the fields across the area. Their "to go" meals include any type of eggs or soft bodied insects. Wheel bugs and assassin bugs have also been found on plants waiting to pounce on a tasty meal.

Hint from the Wife

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"This Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree affecting the parent-child relationship between yourself and the minor children, subject of this suit, thereby appointing Petitioner, Nora C. Reeves, managing conservator of the minor children."

"Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Roby, Fisher County, Texas, this 18th day of July, 1993."

Bettie Hargrove
Clerk of the District Court
Fisher County, Texas
P.O. Box 88
Roby, Texas 79543
25:4tc

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The City of Rotan City Council will accept sealed bids for the sale of a Collier Safe, dimensions 24" x 32" x 22". Bids will be accepted at the Rotan City Hall, 302 W. Snyder till 12:00 noon August 10, 1993. The bids will be opened at the regular City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m., August 10, 1993. The Council reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids.

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BUDGET HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of August, 1993 at 7:30

Jason Sanders Attends Special Diabetes Camp

A unique camp eight miles east of Gainesville, Texas now has a special connection to Rotan. Jason Sanders of Rotan has joined some 435 campers ages 6 to 18 at Camp Sweeney, a safe, active, and educational environment for kids with diabetes.

Camp Sweeney's 80 member staff offers medical attention around the clock, as well as training in such vital needs as blood-sugar monitoring and insulin injections. In this monitored setting on 340 wooded acres, children feel free to enjoy the camp's activities: horseback riding, soccer, arts and crafts, swimming and canoeing on Lake Dealey. In a 3-week session -- one of 3 held each summer -- campers also learn about exercise and nutrition. And, perhaps most important, they meet other children learning to cope with diabetes.

"Before I came to Camp Sweeney," a veteran teenage camper says, "I was scared to be away from home. I thought I might have a reaction, and I didn't want anyone to know I had diabetes. I was afraid that my friends wouldn't like me anymore. But now, Camp Sweeney has taught me how to take care of myself, and I feel more independent."

Summer camps often turn away children with diabetes because of their medical and dietary needs. But to attend Camp Sweeney, the only requirement is that the child have diabetes. Founded in 1950 by endocrinologist Dr. J. Shirley Sweeney, the summer camp proves to youngsters that diabetes is manageable, and that by taking responsibility for their health they can enjoy a full and active life.

Camp Sweeney is funded by donations from individuals, foundations, and The United Way. About 95 percent of campers receive scholarship aid to defray summer-camp costs. Camp Sweeney is operated by the Southwestern Diabetic Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 918, Gainesville, TX 76241, or call (817) 665-9502.

o'clock p.m., the ROBY C.I.S.D. has scheduled a budget hearing to approve the 1993-94 school budget and amend the 1992-93 budget. Meeting will be held in the Roby C.I.S.D. Homemaking Room.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of JACK DANIEL, Deceased, were issued on July 27, 1993, in Docket No. 3026, pending in the County Court of Fisher County, Texas, to: BILLY WADDELL.

The residence address of the Independent Executor is in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, the post office address is:

c/o NORMAN ARNETT
Attorney At Law
P.O. Box 367
Aspermont, Texas 79502

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 27th day of July, 1993.
NORMAN ARNETT
Attorney for the Estate
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by Joy Walker....

We have sure been having some hot weather and still no rain; maybe it will rain this week. This morning (Monday) it is a little cooler and it's cloudy, so maybe we will be lucky and get some moisture. The cotton looks good except in the heat of the day and then it's sure burning.

Happy birthday to Clarence Anderson whose birthday was Sunday, August 1st, and to Mary Boydston whose birthday was the 2nd.

Our community was saddened by the death of Odell Rains who passed away Thursday at the Fisher County Hospital. Services were held Saturday at the First Baptist Church with burial in the Rotan Cemetery. Odell was a lifelong resident of Fisher County; he served for many years on the Hobbs School Board and was a member of the Hobbs Gin Board. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to his wife, Janie, his son, Mac, and daughter, Debbie, and to the remainder of his family. Odell will be greatly missed by us all.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ratliff went to Lubbock Saturday morning where they attended the wedding of their daughter, Teresa, and Jarod Standlee Saturday evening. It was held in the home of Jarod's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David L. Standlee. Mr. and Mrs. Jim

Ratliff and boys from Abilene were there, also Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Knipe and family from Snyder. Congratulations to Jarod and Teresa; they went to Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming on their honeymoon. Dianne said the wedding was really beautiful; the Ratliffs came home Sunday.

Louise Martinez attended the funeral for Odell Rains on Saturday.

I have sure had a busy week as Tuesday, Sheila and I went to Abilene as I had a doctor's appointment, and then we went on to Brownwood where we met Mark, Melody and Kassie. Melody and Kassie came home with us and we really did some heavy duty shopping, in Rotan, in Hamlin, in Sweetwater and Abilene. Carol went after the little girls, Tess and Tatum Williams in Big Spring Wednesday so all the little girls got to swim every day at Sheila and Donnie's, and did they have a big time. Wednesday evening we went fishing, and Kassie was so excited as she caught two fish, and we had to bring them home with us. We all ate supper at the tank, Carol, Wilber, Tatum and Tess, Donnie and Sheila, and Melody, Kassie and I. We took Melody and Kassie back to Brownwood on Friday and Mark met us there, and then they went back to Austin and we came on home. Sure

enjoyed having Melody and Kassie for those few days. Melody has to go back to work today while Mark is gone to Fort Worth to the Convention.

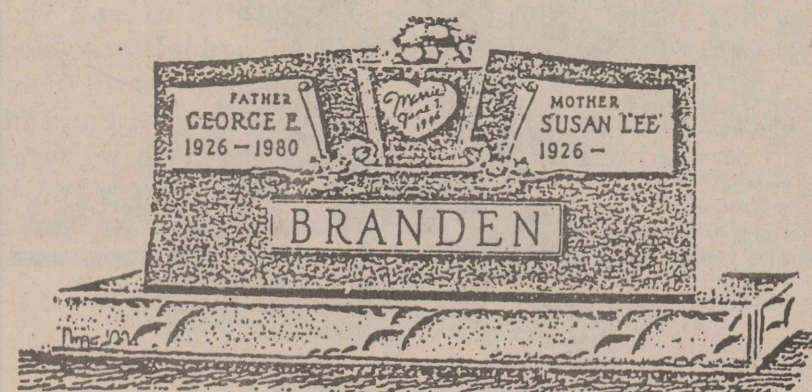
Not only did that lightning strike my phone and ruin it last Sunday but it also ruined my air conditioning unit, so had to have a new one installed and as of last Friday, it's cool in here again. We had to spend the nights with Sheila and

Donnie as it was just too hot to try and sleep here.

Saturday I kept Tess and Tatum while Carol and Wilber went to Odell's funeral, and then on Sunday when I came out of church, my pickup wouldn't start. Ricky Williams took me to his house for dinner, and I ate with Peggy and Ricky, and the boys, and Bro. Dee and Diana and the baby.

Hustling Around Hobbs

MONUMENTS



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OBITUARIES

Odell W. Rains

Odell W. Rains, 66, of Rotan, died Thursday night in the Fisher County Hospital. Services were at 4 p.m., Saturday in the First Baptist Church with Rev. Keith Berryman and Rev. T.O. Upshaw officiating. Burial was in the Rotan Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Mr. Rains was born Feb. 14, 1927 in Trent, Texas and was the son of Mrs. Ruby Rains and the late Arthur C. Rains. He had lived all his life in Fisher County. He was a member of the Cross Roads Baptist Church where he had served as a deacon since 1947. He was a past member of the Hobbs School Board, serving for 9 years. He also had served for several years as a director of the Farm Bureau and as a director on the Hobbs Gin Board. He was a member of the Texas and American Polled Hereford Assn. and the Texas & American Limousine Assn. He married Lois Jane McSpadden October 12, 1946 in Abilene. He was a farmer and rancher.

Survivors include: Wife- Janie McSpadden Rains, Rotan; 1 daughter- Debbie Bird, Carrollton; 1 son- Mac Rains, Rotan; mother- Ruby Rains, Rotan; 1 sister- Margaret Arp, Sweetwater; 1 brother- Joel Rains, Anson; 5 grandchildren.

Wesley Prevo

Wesley Prevo, 44, of Rotan, died Saturday from injuries received in a car accident near Aspermont. Funeral services were at 3 p.m., Tuesday, August 3, 1993 at First Baptist Church of Rotan with Rev. Joe Vernon, Rev. Tobey Clements and Dr. Mike Smith officiating. Graveside services were at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday at the O'Brien Cemetery.

Mr. Prevo was born October 27, 1948 at Knox City. He graduated from Springtown High School in 1967 and Tarleton State University in 1971. He lived at Dahlgren, Virginia, for six years where he was an aerospace engineer for Sperry-Univac. Inc. and in Orlando, Florida, for three years where he was employed by Martin-Marietta, Inc. He had made his home in Rotan since 1990. He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church. He served with the U.S. Navy from 1972 to 1978. He was a member of the Mensa Society.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Marjorie Janelle Prevo, December 9, 1988.

He is survived by his father- Rev. Gene Prevo of Rotan and by 3 aunts- Mrs. David Mims of Roby, Grace James of Byars, Oklahoma, and Mary Prevo of Big Spring; 4 uncles- William Prevo of White Bluff, TN, Burnie Prevo of Byars, Ok., Joe Davis of Sherman, Texas, and Edwin Prevo of Germany.

Bennie Carriker

Bennie Carriker, 76, of Jayton, died in St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. Services were in Weathersbee Chapel in Rotan with burial in the Jayton Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home in Rotan. Officiating was Rev. Bill Crafton.

Mr. Carriker was born April 16, 1917 in Royston in Fisher County. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Carriker and moved with his parents to Kent County when he was 7 years old from Royston. He married Katherine Underwood Sept. 17, 1936 in Clairmont. Mr. Carriker was a long time Kent County rancher and a member of the Clairmont Baptist Church.

Survivors include: Wife- Katherine Underwood Carriker, Jayton; 2 sons- Weldon of Jayton, Donnie of Austin; 1 brother- Coy Carriker of Rotan; 3 grandchildren- Conrad Ray Carriker, Los Angeles, LaRhonda Kidd, Midland, Christopher Kent Carriker, Houston; 1 great grandchild- Jacey Shea Kidd, Midland.

Mrs. Esther Stephens

Mrs. Esther Stephens, 92, of McCamey, Tx., formerly of Roby, died Sunday, August 1, 1993 at Upton County Convalescent Center of McCamey. Services were at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 4, at East Side Baptist Church in McCamey. Graveside services were at 4:00 p.m. at Roby Cemetery with Rev. Batson officiating under the direction of Richard W. Box Funeral Home.

Mrs. Stephens was born on January 31, 1901 in Pflugerville, Texas. She married Joseph William Stephens on July 22, 1918 in Roby, Tx. He preceded her in death Feb. 18, 1980. She was a member of the East Side Baptist Church and active in Veterans of Foreign War Auxiliary.

She is survived by 3 sons- Ross Stephens, Mickie Stephens, Tommy Stephens all of McCamey; Birdie Madden of Hamlin, Gertrude Tucker of Abilene; 1 brother- Cliff Crowley of Hamlin, 10 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren; 2 great great grandchildren.

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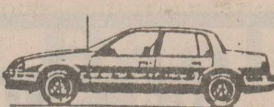
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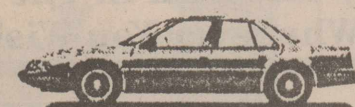


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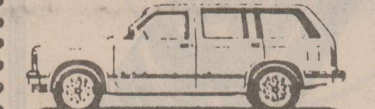
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McBeths Hold Annual Reunion At Cisco, July 17

McBeths met in Cisco, Texas Saturday, July 17 for their annual reunion, a tradition which began July 18, 1947.

Rotan residents that attended were Lorene and E. Burn Hull and their daughter, Wynelle Terry who lives in Roby. They are descendants from William James McBeth and Laura Francis Parker McBeth who settled in the Dowell Community in the early 1900s.

Uncle Billy and Aunt Laura, as they were called, planned on staying in Dowell only for the winter, but because of the people, Highland Home Baptist Church and the Dowell school, they remained and raised their nine sons.

Descendents of William James, his four brothers and one sister, always meet this time of the year to visit and renew kin-ships. Those present this year beside the Rotan residents were: LaVerne White Huffman, Vena McBeth Hart, Carolyn Huffman Reed, Mary and Francis McBeth and their daughter Laura, Brenda McBeth Butler, Jeep Butler, Dennis and Audine McBeth and son Roy, Chester McBeth, Anita McBeth Gipson, Finas Gipson, Larry McBeth, Louise McBeth, Mabel McBeth White, Sybil McBeth Tounget, James Harold and Karen McBeth, Laura McBeth Thaxton, Jerry and Joan McBeth, Vella Edwards Hill, Jerry and Pat Edwards, Kirk and Kristi Thaxton and their children Matthew, Kyle and Kaitlin, Sandra and Richard Burkett and daughter Monica, Joe and Lois McBeth and daughter Carol and grandson Michael McBeth, Jani Edwards and daughter Caety, Polly Hewitt, David

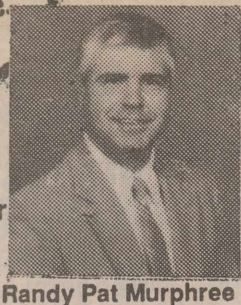
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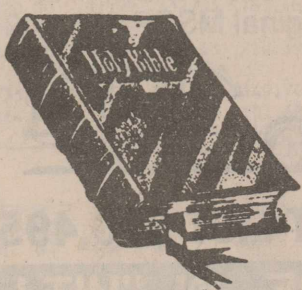
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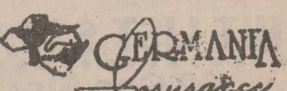
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In a rental car, a company car or one with a lien, you'll need a permission letter from the owner or lienholder; this is given routinely in the area. You also should have an international credit card, against which a \$10 fee will be charged for a 180-day permit.

U.S. Insurance should be up to date, though you'll need Mexican insurance to cover property damage and public liability.

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From The Public Records In The Fisher County Court House

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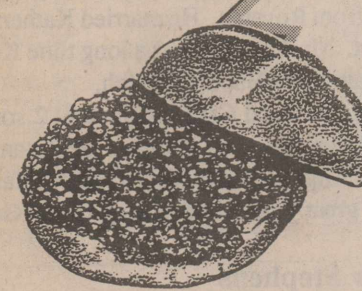
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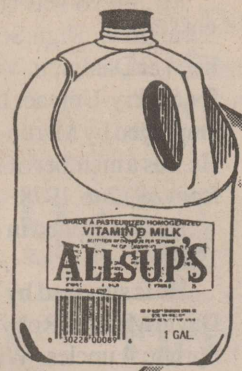
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1 box of #2 pencils; 2 large bottles Elmer's School Glue (per semester) 2 for Sept. and 2 for Jan.; 2 boxes 200 count Kleenex tissue; 1 pair Fiskar metal scissors; 1 box crayons (8 basic colors only); 1 package Manilla paper; 1 package (assorted colors) construction paper (12x18 in. long); 1 kindergarten or 1st grade writing tablet; 1 plastic school box; 1 pink eraser; 1 towel (no mat, please) Please put child's name on all supplies!

1st Grade

4 #2 pencils; 1 large eraser; 1 large bottle Elmer's School Glue; 1 24 count box of crayons (please do not send any size larger!); 2 boxes Kleenex; 1 wooden ruler; 1 pair sharp pointed scissors (good craft quality); school box will be furnished. Please put child's name on all supplies.

2nd Grade

1 package wide rule notebook paper; 1 spiral notebook; 4 regular pencils; 2 red lead pencils; 2 erasers; 1 ruler (showing both inches and centimeters); 1 box crayons; 1 pair scissors; 1 bottle Elmer's glue; 1 school box; 2 boxes Kleenex; 1 package 12x18 in. Manilla paper; 6 pocket folders. Please put your child's name on all school supplies!

3rd Grade

1 ruler (1 side inches, other metric); 4 #2 pencils; 1 eraser; 2 red grading pens; 1 pointed scissors; 2 package wide rule notebook paper; 1 spiral notebook; 1 glue; 1 large box Kleenex; 1 package crayons; 6 pocket folders. Please put your child's name on all school supplies!

4th Grade

#2 pencils; 1 pair scissors; 1 ruler (one side inches, one side metric); 1 box crayons; 1 large glue; red pens; highlighters; 4 pocket folders; 1 box map colors; 1 big box Kleenex; school box; notebook paper; 1 spiral notebook - wide ruled (120 pages or more). Please put your child's name on all school supplies!

5th and 6th

1 three ring notebook with dividers; 2 packages three ring looseleaf paper; spiral notebook with three rings; 6 pocket folders with three brads (ones with brads to hold three ring paper); green ballpoint pens; blue ballpoint pens; black ballpoint pens; 1 ruler with inches and centimeters; 1 box map col-

ors; 1 box markers or crayons; 2 large boxes Kleenex; #2 pencils (the regular yellow pencils, please)

7th and 8th Grades

History classes: 3-ring binder and dividers; map colors and glue stick Science and English: 3-ring binder Other things needed:

3 ring binder; notebook paper; #2 pencils; blue or black ink pens; red ink pens; highlighters; assignment notebook. * additional supplies may be needed after school starts.

* Please put your name on all supplies!

Signs Of Heat Illness In Summer Athletes

"Goose pimples" can be an early indicator of heat illness in summer athletes.

Other signs include headaches, dizziness, nausea, muscle spasms, cramps, fatigue and excessive sweating, said Dr. Albert C. Hergenroeder of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Athletes experiencing any of these symptoms should stop, rest and drink water.

The effects of heat illness are cumulative. Athletes are more likely to develop it on the second or third day of activity, if precautions are not taken.

Preventative measures include:

* Staying in the shade as much as possible.

* Drinking at least a cup and a half of fluids each half hour. Water is preferred.

* Abstaining from salt tablets.

* Exercising in the mornings or evenings when temperatures are cooler.

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Rotan Nursing Center News

By Elya Mae Decker

They say from White Flat that we were to go 1 mile south to a cross in the road and turn right, one half mile from there and turn a little piece and that was where our honoree was born. In a little two room house, the house was first built on her uncle's land by mistake and they had to move the house down a ways plank by plank.

She was born September 27, 1895, the third child from a family of twelve. Her mother went to school at White Flat and she married her daddy in Colorado City. Nearly every Christmas her daddy would buy all of them a French Harp a piece. The girls always got dolls, dishes, and other things. Mother was always glad when we could go outside.

Her sister Dellie was married to Arnold Allen and she always said she did not want to marry his brother. Voices told her that he was just a half brother. It took him five years to convince me otherwise.

Again we stop for directions on where to go. This time we stop at Rotan. There were 2 envelopes, one for her and the other for her husband. In hers there was a \$10.00 dollar bill for her to buy chickens and in his was \$1.00 for him to buy chicken feed. Some pan and casserole dishes to make cobbler, and biscuits for them; a little sugar bowl from a Mrs. Ella Singley. They did go to Pie Pan, New Mexico, but it was dry and no matter so they stayed 6 months and then moved back to Fisher County to farm. They had their children, one son and two daughters. She has four grandchildren and one great grandchild.

She does enjoy remembering back in history, her past, wonderful family and friends. She really enjoys family get-togethers.

Guess you did know and recognize Linnie Nolen as our Honoree last week. Always ready to help.

Our thanks to Lois and Hubert Moore for the watermelon. Yummy good! Thanks to Lucy's Video for our movie of the week.

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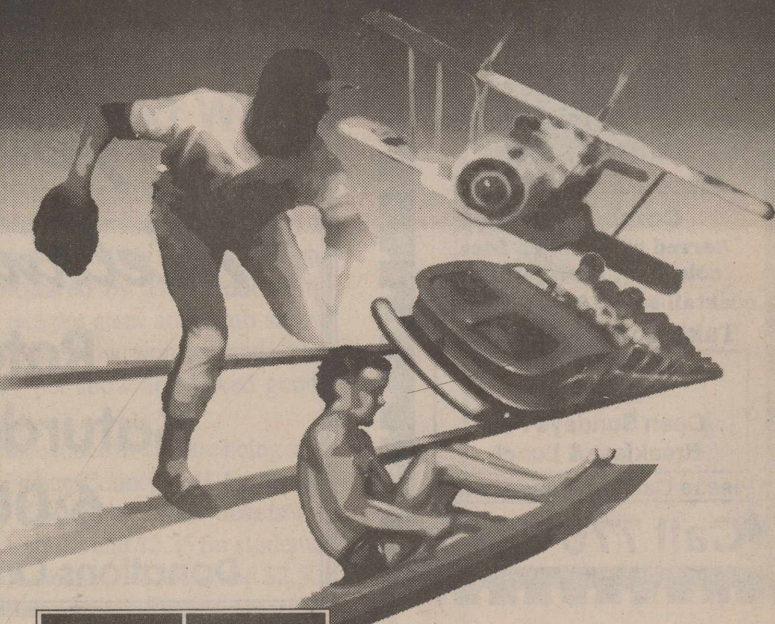
William Deven Hale Born To M/M Danny Hale

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Hale and "big sister" Danylle, are proud to announce the birth of their son, William Deven, May 29, 1993 - 6 lbs., 12 ozs.

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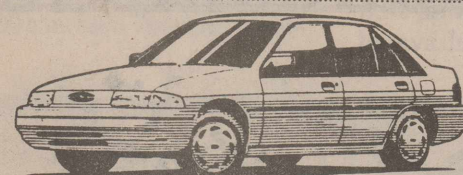
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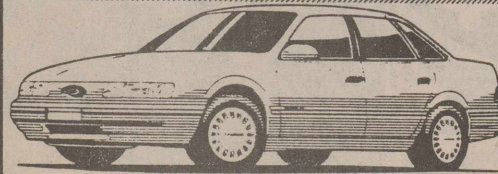
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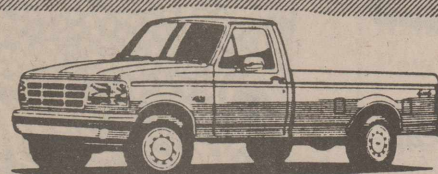
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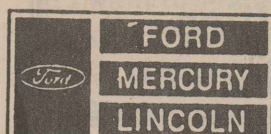
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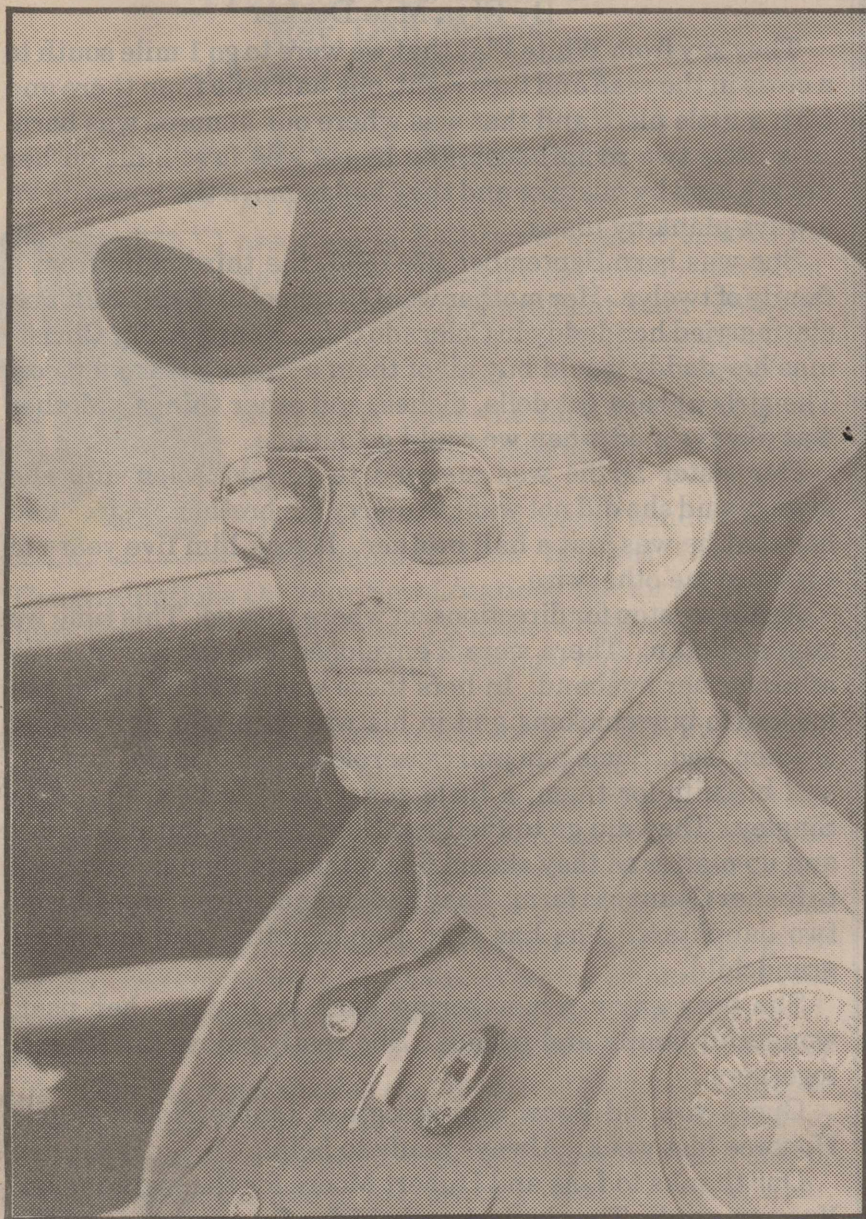
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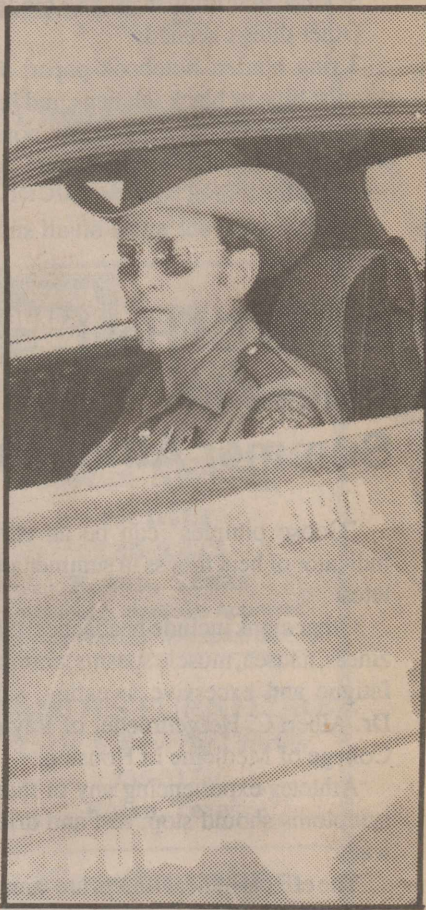


Albert Hataway To Hang Up His Trooper's Hat In Hopes Of Taking On A New Challenge As J.P.



Fisher County's Albert Hataway celebrates 26 years as a Trooper with the Texas Department of Public Safety this month, but he'll not see 27 years with the department.

Albert Hataway is retiring effective September 30th in order to campaign for the Fisher County elected office of Justice of the Peace, Precinct #1.



"Although I will not announce officially until December 1st, I am retiring in order to run for the office. With 26-years service, I feel very capable, have been educated on the job and feel I know what the job entails," commented Hataway concerning his reason for retiring.

Albert Hataway was born in Snyder and graduated from Fluvanna High School in 1958. He worked in the oil field, was associated with a welding supply shop in Brownwood before going to the Department of Public Safety Academy.

Upon completing the DPS Academy, Hataway began duties the following day, August 5, 1967 as one of two patrolmen in Fisher County. Hataway has worked with Walter Wood, 2 years; Don Underwood, 3 years; Joe White, 9 months; Randy Wilkerson, 6 weeks and Alan Arnwine, 20 years, since coming to Fisher County.

"Once I retire, unless someone is ready to move to Fisher County who is already a patrolman, there may be a gap of up to 9 months that only one patrolman will serve Fisher County," said Hataway. The next DPS Academy is scheduled to graduate new troopers in May of 1994.

Questioned about the changes over his 26-years in law enforcement, Hataway said, "It is much harder to enforce the law now than it used to be. In years past we could stop a vehicle, check drivers license, etc. Now we have to have probable cause. There is nothing wrong with probable cause, but I feel like it has let some of the bad guys go free," said Hataway.

Hataway indicated that when he first began with the department, "We didn't worry about overtime. If it took 12 hours a day to get the job done that's what we worked. Now with the way things are we have to keep up with hours, receive comp time and take off at a later date for overtime worked," he said.

Hataway said that the MaCaulley school bus accident was the absolute worst accident that he worked. He has been called upon to investigate two head on accidents where the people have been burned beyond recognition. Although Hataway has never been

called upon to draw his weapon in the line of duty, he has stared down the barrel of a shotgun before.

"Alan Arnwine and I were called to an accident Southeast of Royston. All we knew was that a vehicle was overturned in the center of the road. When we arrived, there was a man sitting on top of the vehicle with a shotgun pointed at us. We talked him out of the weapon, no shots were fired, that was the closest I ever came to gunfire in the line of duty," said Hataway.

Albert Hataway and his wife Ellen, originally from Cleburne, are the parents of three girls. Ellen was living with her sister in Snyder when they married on December 24th, 1958.

The children are Donna Hollowell, age 33 of Abilene. She is married to James who is employed with the railroad. They will soon be moving to Burleson.

Tina Gordon, age 31 of Snyder. She

is employed at West Texas State bank and is married to Randy an oil company employee

Dee Dee (Melody) Gordon, age 28 of Roby. She is a deputy clerk in the Fisher County Clerk's Office. She is married to Ricky a farmer.

The Hataway's have 10 grandchildren. They are members of the First Baptist Church.

"I have enjoyed being a patrolman the past 26 years. My only regret is that I didn't begin my career earlier. I have no regrets, appreciate the Fisher County folks who have supported me over the years," concluded Hataway.

Life will be a lot different for Albert Hataway in a few months. The everyday stress of the job, fear of stopping some drug smuggler for speeding and having a gun pointed at him when he walks along side the vehicle, is bound to take its toll after 26 years. Hataway is retiring to run for elected office.

PLANS RETIREMENT: Albert Hataway will retire after 26 years of service in the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Customers Give Postal Service "Thumbs Up"

Customers gave the U.S. Postal Service Fort Worth District a resounding "thumbs up" approval rating in the third postal quarter for 1993 (March 6 - May 28, 1993) today announced Postmaster, Jerry Boone.

Independent measurement by Opinion Research Corp. indicated 90 percent of the households in the Fort Worth District rate their service "excellent," "very good", or "good", -- up three points over last year's figures, Boone said. "This is above the national score of 89 percent, which for the second consecutive Postal Quarter is the highest satisfaction rating since measurement began nearly two years ago."

"Our Customer Satisfaction Index scores tell us the tremendous importance of getting closer to our customers and staying closer to them. We are proud that our customers approve of our overall service," said Boone. "We are pleased that they find value in our postal products and services. But just because 90 percent of them are satisfied doesn't mean we are. We will continue to listen to their suggestions and ideas and remain focused on improving the level of quality service they receive in each of our offices."

"We are taking active measures to have our numbers continue in a positive direction." "We are committed to strengthening and improving service," added Boone. "For example, we are continuing to study the delivery and collection process, working on transportation methods, using teams of managers, postmasters, and craft employees to study possible problem areas, and interacting with other districts to solve mutual problems."

"These two nationwide measurement systems provide us with the feed-

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