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By Don Nelson

When my Granddad Patzke emigrated to the US from Germany and hired out at a Central Texas farm, he paid part of his wages to the local schoolmarm to stop by one night a week and teach him English from McGuffey's Reader and the Bible.

He knew the ground rules of language. He didn't need English to grow his own tobacco, carve his own mesquite-briar pipes, plant by the moon and be a totally self-sufficient farmer. But he couldn't talk to his neighbor, read directions on a label, buy a harness or sell his crops unless he could speak the common language, which in this country is English.

Learning the language of his adopted country was one of his first priorities.

He went on to become a respected farm owner and the loving father of a large family. He trained all of his children in English. In fact, I don't think any of his children ever heard him speak German.

One of my college roommates was Joe Schott of Castroville. He was an excellent student, graduating *magna cum laude* from UT.

Castroville, near San Antonio, was settled by immigrants from Alsace-Lorraine. When you have an entire community of people with the same native language, there isn't as much incentive to learn a new language.

In deference to their elders, the younger generations in Castroville would speak Alsatian at home. Joe Schott spoke Alsatian until he started first grade.

But when he started school, his father explained to him: "There's a house language and a town language. It's time for you to learn the town language, because that's the language you'll use the most from now on."

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Reception set for new doctors

Castro County's two new doctors, Jobey Claborn and Leon Joplin, along with their families, will be honored at a reception Monday at the home of Sandy and James Baker.

The Bakers' home is six miles west of Dimmitt at the intersection of Highway 86 and FM 1055.

The reception is being sponsored by the Castro County Hospital District and the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

Everyone is invited to attend and welcome Dr. and Mrs. Claborn and Dr. and Mrs. Joplin and their daughter, Courtney, to our community.

Refreshments will be served.

Constitutional propositions in this issue

The first notice of the Nov. 7 constitutional amendment election is being published in this issue.

Texas voters will cast ballots on 14 proposed amendments in the off-year election. Also, political subdivisions may use the Nov. 7 voting date for any special elections that are needed, although no such local elections are known to be scheduled yet.

Brief explanations of the proposed amendments appear on Page 16 of this issue.

Weather

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Thursday	99	64	.10
Friday	79	57	.10
Saturday	75	56	.56
Sunday	75	54	.05
Monday	61	55	Tr.
Tuesday	85	59	
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September Moisture0.81
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Temperatures and moisture are recorded each day at 7 a.m. at KDHN Radio, official National Weather Service reporting station.



DELORES HELLER

... Ending 16-year career as CoC executive director

Heller resigns

Delores Heller is resigning as executive director of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, effective Oct. 28.

The woman who has personified Dimmitt's civic spirit for 16 years submitted her resignation to the board of directors last Thursday.

Although she has been battling multiple sclerosis for years, Heller said her health was not a factor.

"My health is fine, and I believe wholeheartedly in the purpose and goals of the chamber," she said. "I just feel it's time to pass it on. I think someone new can bring new insight and a new spark and enthusiasm to the job."

The chamber is seeking local applicants, President Layne Myatt said.

Heller was hired by then-President Gerald Hanners in September

1979 to succeed Shirley Hall as the chamber's manager, and started work on her birthday, Sept. 24. Since that time she has overseen marked progress by the organization while becoming perhaps the best-known woman in Dimmitt.

"I started in a 10-by-12 cinderblock office in the city hall, with a manual calculator, a manual typewriter and a storage closet," she recalled. "I mimeographed the newsletters in the courthouse basement, hand-addressed each of them, and hand-addressed the monthly statements."

"We didn't have any working committees. When a project came up we'd just call on volunteers to do it."

At the time she started, her resume included a Dimmitt High School diploma, a year at West

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Rate hiked to 43.1¢

County approves tax increase—again

County taxpayers' pocketbooks will be stretched a little more this year as property owners will shell out an additional 8.6% in county ad valorem taxes.

County commissioners agreed in a unanimous decision Monday to raise the county's tax rate by 8.6% to 43.1¢ per \$100 assessed valuation this year—the maximum increase allowable to avoid a rollback. This year's increase will mark the sixth straight year Castro County has raised its tax rate.

Commissioners were forced to raise the rate in order to meet budgeted expenditures for 1995-96. Of

the 43.1¢-rate, 34¢ will go into the General Fund and the remaining 9.1¢ will go into road and bridge accounts.

Castro County's effective tax rate in 1994 was 40.1¢. The effective rate dropped to 39.7¢ this year due to changes in the property value assigned to American Maize-Products Co., which increased the plant's total property value for this year.

Prior to setting the tax rate, commissioners approved the new budget with \$2,569,202.86 in budgeted expenditures and projected revenues of \$2,575,690. Included in the revenues is \$187,300, which is an excess

in the 1994-95 budget which will be carried over into the 1995-96 fiscal year.

"We're still budgeting more expenditures than our revenues, but we've got the carryover to take care of it this year," said County Auditor Maretta Smithson.

Smithson said last year's budgeted expenditures were \$26,711 lower than this year's.

Local landowner Roland Stevens addressed commissioners before the tax rate and budget were adopted Monday, and he questioned whether commissioners had cut everything

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Saturday 'Fiesta' to celebrate Mexican Independence Day

Music, dancing, fun, food and games are on tap this weekend during the fifth annual Mexican Independence Day *Fiesta* in Dimmitt.

The event will be held Saturday at the Castro County Expo Building and it is being sponsored by the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC).

One of the highlights of the celebration will be a performance by Grupo de Danza Folklorica "Rarumuri" from El Paso at 3 p.m. Music will continue until 7 p.m. with performances by singer Jesus Manuel Martinez and the band, Grito de Independencia, as well as other artists.

The celebration is slated to begin at 11 a.m. and will continue through the day, concluding with the street dance Saturday from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

A variety of food booths will be set up offering fajitas, tamales, Mexican sodas, Mexican candies, candied apples, corn on the cob, gorditas, aguas, tripas, turkey legs, sausage on a stick, tacos de barbacoa, Mexican combination plates and more.

A mini arts and crafts show will feature booths displaying t-shirts, knick-knacks, beads, buttons, pogs, games, crafts, clothing, cassettes and more.

A talent show featuring numerous skits and cow patty bingo also will entertain guests during the day.

The opening ceremony is planned for 12 noon and the local Boy Scout Troop 266 will present the colors as the *National Anthem* is being played.

A citizen through the years will be recognized in a special ceremony at 12:30 p.m.

Cheerleading troupes from Dimmitt High School, Hart High School and Dimmitt Middle School will perform dance routines at 1:30 p.m., followed by a performance by singer Josie Leivas of Dimmitt at 2:30.

A "car hop" is planned from 7 to 8 p.m. east of the courthouse.

The street dance at 8 p.m. will feature music by West Texas Jam, and it will also be held east of the courthouse.

Hart at Nazareth

Need we say more?

Wanna see an old-fashioned football fracas? Be at Swift Field in Nazareth Friday night at 8.

Hart's Longhorns will be there, too, to renew an in-county gridiron rivalry that dates back to Grandpa's time.

Coach Blair Brown's Longhorns are coming off of a 30-8 opening-game victory over Anton, and are spoiling to go 2-0.

Coach Rick Price's Swifts suffered not only a 24-0 loss to Lubbock Christian in their opener Friday, but also the loss of big Coby Schacher, 195-lb. blocking-and-running back, for at least two weeks to a knee injury. They'll be hoping to even their non-conference record in their first home game.

Look for both teams to put the ball in the air Friday night.

"Nazareth is known for throwing the ball," Hart Coach Blair Brown

commented. "They kinda scare us, because anytime you can throw the ball you can stay in the game."

The Longhorns have shown that they can throw the ball, too. Against Anton Friday night, they racked up most of their yards through the air (169 of 279).

"Of course, we always try to throw some," Nazareth Coach Rick Price said. "We're going to experiment and try to find something that will work."

Price's main concern is Hart's new offense under the new Longhorn head coach.

"It's a whole new philosophy for them," Price said. "It's a wide-open affair over there. They're going to have speed on the corners, speed in the backfield, big hosses up front. They just present problems all over the field offensively."

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City holds line on ad valorem taxes

The ad valorem tax rate for the coming fiscal year will remain the same as last year's for the City of Dimmitt.

City council members voted at their Monday night meeting to adopt the effective tax rate of 23.7 cents per \$100 valuation, the level needed to raise the same amount of tax revenue as last year.

The general fund portion of the budget was presented Monday night, but final approval will not be given until work is completed on the utility fund portion.

The general fund includes provision for estimated revenues of \$897,520, with \$274,035 coming from ad valorem taxes.

Planned expenditures are set at \$897,520. Of that amount, capital outlay items include \$30,000 designated for seal coating, \$11,000 for the city park, \$19,510 for the Police

Dept., including payments on the three new cars purchased last year, and \$10,683 for payment on the new fire truck and \$5,000 for miscellaneous equipment for the Fire Dept.

Another \$40,000 was designated as grant money for improvements at the city park and the playa lake park.

The governmental department has a total budget of \$96,323; the administrative department, \$80,932; city hall, \$23,035; fire department, \$96,969; police department, \$313,376; city judge, \$9,077; parks and recreation, \$99,855; airport, \$4,050; and street and alley, \$56,130.

In other business, the council voted to continue the city's group health insurance coverage with Blue Cross/Blue Shield, as presented by B.J. Gililland of Gililland and Asso-

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NEW DIMMITT SCENE — The pink-and-gold sunsets here are even more beautiful when viewed over the fishing pier at the new city park in South Dimmitt. In addition to the lake and pier, the park includes a paved access road, a jogging-biking track, a baseball field and several covered picnic tables—several of which are accessible to the

handicapped. Flooding earlier this summer pointed up the need for more contouring and banking work, which will get underway soon. Buffalo grass and sapling trees have been planted throughout the park, more picnic areas are being added, and soon the state will begin stocking the lake with catfish and crappie.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Op-Ed

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Tributes to 'a super lady'

During her 16 years as executive director of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, Delores Heller has worked with 11 chamber presidents. After she announced her resignation, the News contacted as many of these former presidents as possible and asked their reactions. Here are their responses:

Gerald Hanners, 1978 & 1979:

"I worked with her when she first began. She came in with very little experience or preparation for the job, but I saw her work diligently to learn that job. That was at a time when there was no book on the subject. She helped write the book on what a chamber of commerce ought to do—areas of involvement that were appropriate, projects that would benefit the community.

"Then I worked with her later as director of the economic development program for two years, and by that time she had a plan of action, a menu of projects. So I witnessed first-hand her real dedication and commitment, and her public relations style.

"She was able to get people to do things. The chamber's work is never a one-person show; it has to have the involvement of many people to get the work done. She was so good at getting people to do those things. She earned people's respect.

"She was tremendous; she gave it her heart and soul for years; and she will be missed. She has made a real contribution to the community."

Joe Josselet, 1981:

"I've served in probably every capacity in community work, and working with her was the simplest part of it. She made it simple for me to be president of the chamber because she did her job really well. Everything was always done by the time you needed to do it."

Jim Killingsworth, 1982 & 1983:

"She was wonderful. I enjoyed working with her, and always said that if she weren't there it would be hard to find presidents to serve, because she makes the job easy. Her professionalism was always very good. Even though we were a small Panhandle town, she was just as proficient, up-to-date and knowledgeable as those representing the larger cities.

"The chamber is losing a super, super lady."

George Sides, 1984:

"I'm happy and sad both—happy that she's come to a time that she can slow down and relax a little bit, and sad that we're losing her. She did a wonderful job and was real dedicated to her work.

"I really enjoyed my years on the chamber board with her as the executive director. People don't realize

sometimes what a beating you take in a job like that, trying to get new businesses and industries and watching most of your efforts fall through. I just think the world of her."

Gene King, 1985 & 1986:

"She is the Chamber of Commerce. I hate to hear that she's checking it in. She's the best I've ever been around. I had a close working relationship with that girl during my years as president; and it sure makes it easier to serve when you have her there because you sure don't have to worry about the work getting done. But I'd say she deserves a rest. She worked 18 hours a day for years and years."

Doug Pybus, 1987 & 1988:

"I hate to see her go. I don't think there was any more dedicated or community-oriented person than Delores. That job is a lot of pressure. I think the community is going to miss her."

Garland Coleman, 1989 & 1990:

"I said at the time that as long as Delores was manager I would serve as president. I think her resignation is a loss to our community. She'll be hard to replace."

Danny Rice, 1991 & 1992:

"I think it's hard to replace somebody who has put her heart and soul into the job, but I can see why she would want to retire from it. She's spent years and years pursuing and pursuing and pursuing economic development opportunities, only to see most of them fall through, and that can use a person up."

Reta Welch, 1993 & 1994:

"I'm really sorry to lose her. There's not any way that anyone can ever replace her. She brought a unique, caring style of leadership; she always placed the needs and concerns of Dimmitt first in any opportunity she had in meeting other people. She's a person who always has a positive outlook, and is just a joy to work with. I look forward to working with her at other times, other places, on other projects."

Layne Myatt, 1995:

"I think that in losing Delores we're losing somebody who has gone way above and beyond the call of duty in her service to Dimmitt. She's been not only an executive director of the chamber, but a real civic leader for Dimmitt. I feel that she has given more to Dimmitt than we could possibly ever give back to her. I've always thought she was doing a tremendous job, and after having become president it has become even more evident to me what a great job she has done for all of us over the years."



State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
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AUSTIN — Comptroller John Sharp and Land Commissioner Garry Mauro — both Democrats — said over the Labor Day weekend that their paths will be "up or out" in 1998, the *Houston Chronicle* reported.

Sharp was re-elected as comptroller in 1994. Though his name has surfaced as a possible candidate for governor or lieutenant governor, he shrugged off questions about a future campaign for statewide office. Thinking about running in 1998 is "like asking a lady who's just had triplets whether she wants to go on a second honeymoon," he said.

Mauro, who has served as land commissioner since 1982, said he would not seek re-election to the same office. He said he would stick with plans to run President Clinton's 1996 re-election campaign in Texas.

Both Sharp — a real estate broker and goat raiser by trade — and Mauro indicated an interest in returning to the private sector.

On the other hand, fellow Democrat, Attorney General Dan Morales said he assumes he will seek a third term.

Republican Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry also said he has plans for re-election and indicated an interest in filling the seat of U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm, if Gramm is elected president.

"Any high school football coach who doesn't aspire to be the

coach of the national championship football team, there's something wrong with them," Perry told the *Chronicle*.

Gov. George W. Bush, answering questions about his plans, said, "There's nothing right now that would convince me not to seek re-election," but stressed that he has no plans to seek national office.

Deadbeat Law Prompts Calls

Attorney General Morales says a new law allowing for the suspension of driver's, professional and recreational licenses of parents delinquent on child support already has made a difference.

Even before the law took effect on Sept. 1, Morales said parents concerned about the measure bombarded a special license suspension phone bank with calls. In one week after the phone bank became operational on Aug. 24, more than 5,000 calls were received, and parents committed to pay more than \$382,000, Morales said.

In late August, Morales announced his office was sending out notices about the new law to 50,000 deadbeat parents.

Morales said he believes the license suspension law will prompt an additional \$20 million in support payments annually, in addition to almost \$500 million already collected through wage-withholding. About \$1 billion in outstanding child support is owed in Texas.

Panel to Study Phone Law

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock has assigned an interim Senate committee to study the new law deregulating local telephone service.

Bullock asked the Senate Economic Development Committee to determine if consumers are getting more choices and lower rates in local phone service as a result of recent telecommunications reform legislation passed by the Legislature.

"We need to monitor the impact to make sure the law is fair to all potential telephone service providers and that consumers are benefiting from the increased competition," said Sen. David Sibley,

R-Waco, committee chairman.

Bullock also wants Sibley's committee to look into the possibility of medical savings accounts, and study tax abatements and other financial incentives for businesses.

Juvenile Drinking Targeted

Meanwhile, Bullock told Senators to get to work on proposals to keep underage drinkers from behind the wheel.

According to Bullock, Texas has a major problem with inexperienced drivers who become inexperienced drinkers.

"No other issue the Texas Senate will address in 1997 is more important than curbing juvenile drinking and driving," Bullock said in appointing a special committee to study the problem. "Too many young lives have been lost and too many others jeopardized to ignore the problem."

According to the Texas Department of Public Safety, 136 drunken drivers under the age of 21 were involved in fatal wrecks last year.

CMP Article Clarified

We erred in a late August column, in which we reported Land Commissioner Garry Mauro said a coastal management plan by Railroad Commissioner Barry Williamson "strips" Mauro's office of certain oversight duties.

Ron Calhoun, a spokesman for Mauro, said Williamson's plan doesn't strip the General Land Office of anything, but some proposals made by the Coastal Coordination Council, which is made up of representatives from several state agencies, would "severely interfere" with the goals of the state's Coastal Management Program (CMP).

Mauro contends that rules proposed by Williamson go beyond the express changes required when lawmakers amended the CMP during the last legislative session, and would weaken the CMP to such an extent that it would not qualify under the federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972.

The public comment period on the new rules closed Aug. 31, and on Oct. 5 the council will vote on the new rules, Calhoun said.

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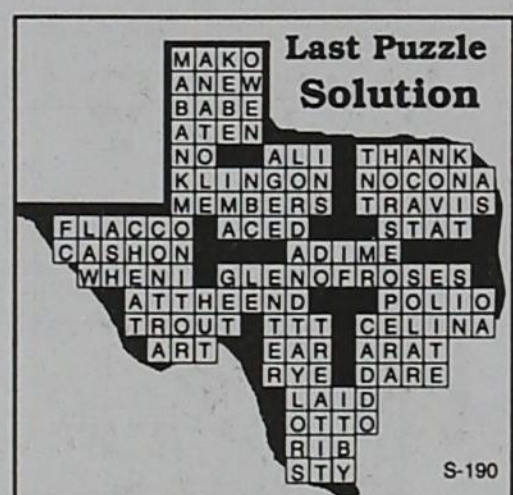


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Speak out!

Do you have an opinion about any of the articles on these pages, or about any of the things happening in our local, state or national government? Write and tell us about it. (*Castro County News*, P.O. Box 67, Dimmitt, 79027.)

And if it's an issue that needs the attention of our legislators, contact us for a list of where you can write or call them as well.



News Quiz

This newspaper quiz for prizes is open to all students in the county. All the answers are in this issue. After completing the test, deliver it or mail it to the *Castro County News*, 108 W. Bedford St., P.O. Box 67, Dimmitt 79027. Tests will be graded at 4 p.m. Monday. All test sheets with perfect scores will go into a drawing Tuesday for a free 2-liter soft drink, and the winner will be notified. Each week's winning test will go into a drawing for a \$200 Grand Prize to be held in November.

LAST WINNER: MAGGIE LOPEZ

- Who will be the Dimmitt seventh and eighth graders' football opponent on Nov. 27?
- If you purchase four gallons of Jones-Blair paint from Higginbotham-Bartlett Co., what will you receive, free of charge?
- How many propositions will be on the ballot in the Nov. 7 special election?
- When do Leigh Hyman and Curtis Durbin plan to marry?
- Who is the new Hereford District manager for Energas?
- Who captured first place in the girls' race Saturday at the Plainview Invitational cross country meet?
- Who celebrated her 85th birthday on Aug. 21?
- Dinty Moore Beef Stew is on sale for \$1.99 this week at which local store?
- What is the name of Ashley and Jaime Heard's new baby girl?
- What tax rate did the Castro County Commissioners adopt during their meeting Monday?

- Name _____
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ACROSS

- TX Hank Thompson hit: "Six-___ to Go"
- ___ old cowhand
- Univ. of Houston is a "suit-___ school"
- Tyler FM radio
- TXism: "if ___ couldn't stand it"
- Dallas Stars League
- TXism: "kick up your heels"
- TXism: "Sunday ___ to meetin' clothes"
- Big Bend National
- Abilene Cooper's class
- ___ bomb
- TXism: "wood ___ diplomacy" (punish)
- groove-billed ___ can be found at Bent-sen Rio Grande Park
- TX ZZ Top album: "___ Grange"
- TXism: "___ a preacher on payday"
- was Oswald part of a ___ to kill JFK?
- TX Sessions headed this federal agency
- TXism: "fast as ___ gossip"
- SE Asian country
- Baylor alumnus
- animal docs
- how Oilers & Cow-boys pick rookies
- TXism: "got 'em in my cross ___"
- TXism: "we're gonna say our ___ (get married)"

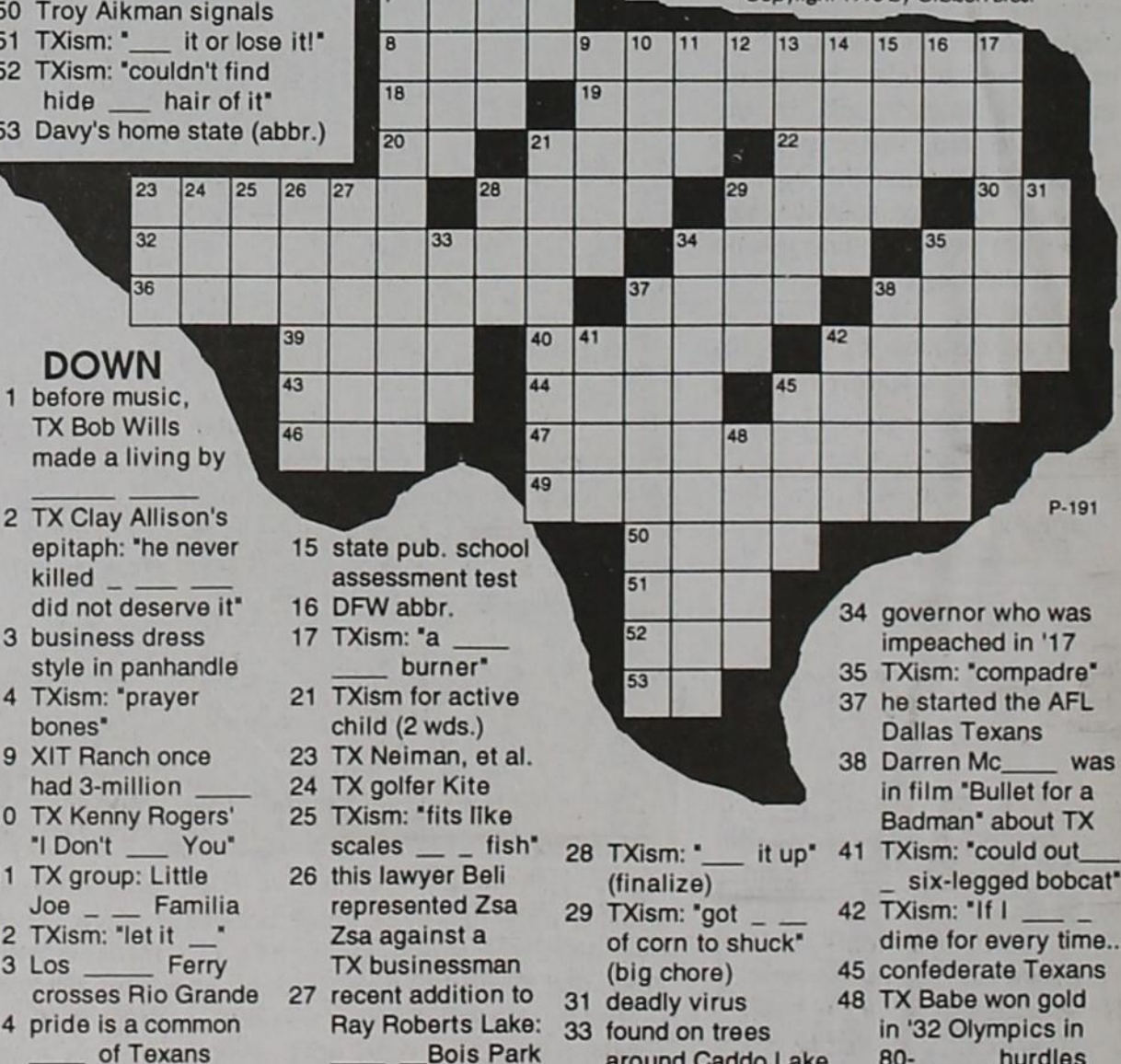
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- before music, TX Bob Wills made a living by
- TX Clay Allison's epitaph: "he never killed ___ did not deserve it"
- business dress style in panhandle
- TXism: "prayer bones"
- XIT Ranch once had 3-million ___
- TX Kenny Rogers' "I Don't ___ You"
- TX group: Little Joe ___ Familia
- TXism: "let it ___"
- Los ___ Ferry crosses Rio Grande
- pride is a common ___ of Texans
- state pub. school assessment test
- DFW abbr.
- TXism: "a ___ burner"
- TXism for active child (2 wds.)
- TX Neiman, et al.
- TX golfer Kite
- TXism: "fits like scales ___ fish"
- this lawyer Beli represented Zsa Zsa against a TX businessman
- recent addition to Ray Roberts Lake: ___ Bois Park
- governor who was impeached in '17
- TXism: "compadre"
- he started the AFL Dallas Texans
- Darren Mc ___ was in film "Bullet for a Badman" about TX
- TXism: "could out ___ six-legged bobcat"
- TXism: "if I ___ dime for every time..."
- confederate Texans
- TX Babe won gold in '32 Olympics in ___ hurdles

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On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Bryce and Darlene Dowell recently attended a very special party in Granbury.

It was a "Still No Hair Party" and it was being held in celebration of their son, Kris's good health. Kris has completed all of the treatments for leukemia. The disease is in remission and he is back at work and feels great.

Kris and Teri hosted the party at the home of her parents, Joe and Lynn Sharp. About 45 friends and relatives spent the day eating, visiting, swimming, boating and water skiing. It was a fun day.

Kris feels that everyone's prayers and concern got him through this difficult time and he is appreciative.

Deanne Clark attended the annual county chairman's training in Austin this weekend. The Republican County Chairman's Association held special business and activities following the seminar.

The weekend of Sept. 2 and 3 was a time of celebration for Trellis and Dorothy Summers. The occasion was their 50th wedding anniversary. Relatives and friends from far and near came to wish them richest blessings.

On Saturday evening 22 people drove to Hereford for a gathering at K-Bob's Restaurant. On Sunday afternoon they were honored by their children, Dr. Lee Summers of Abilene and Mrs. Laurel Haire and her husband, Randy, of Lubbock, with a reception held in the Fellowship Hall at Bedford Street Church of Christ.

The beautiful wedding cake centered the serving table and was made by a niece, Lynda Campbell of Uvalde. She was assisted in the serving line by her sisters, cousins and nieces.

Her sister, Leta Dennis, was the designated photographer.

Lynda is a caterer and she and her husband, Jimmie, catered a meal for about 50 people at noon Sunday in addition to the reception.

The cake was topped with the cake topper which was on the couple's original wedding cake. It had figures of a sailor and his bride.

Trellis had just returned from 18 months of duty in North Africa during World War II where he served with the Navy Air Corps. They honeymooned in New Hampshire then moved to Jacksonville, Fla., where he was stationed for a period of time prior to his discharge. When he was

discharged, Trellis told Dorothy that if she would move with him to what she considered "wild West Texas" he would see to it that she could go back to Rhode Island once a year for a visit.

Out-of-town visitors at the reception were Trellis' brother and wife, Elbert and Mary Lois of Elgin; his sister, Ola Gladman of Amarillo and her daughters, Trellis Moore and Lezlie Teter of Colorado Springs and her son, Dr. J. Craig Gladman of Amarillo and sons Jordan and Collin; his cousin, Alma Karlin and her husband, Bob of Farmington, N.M.

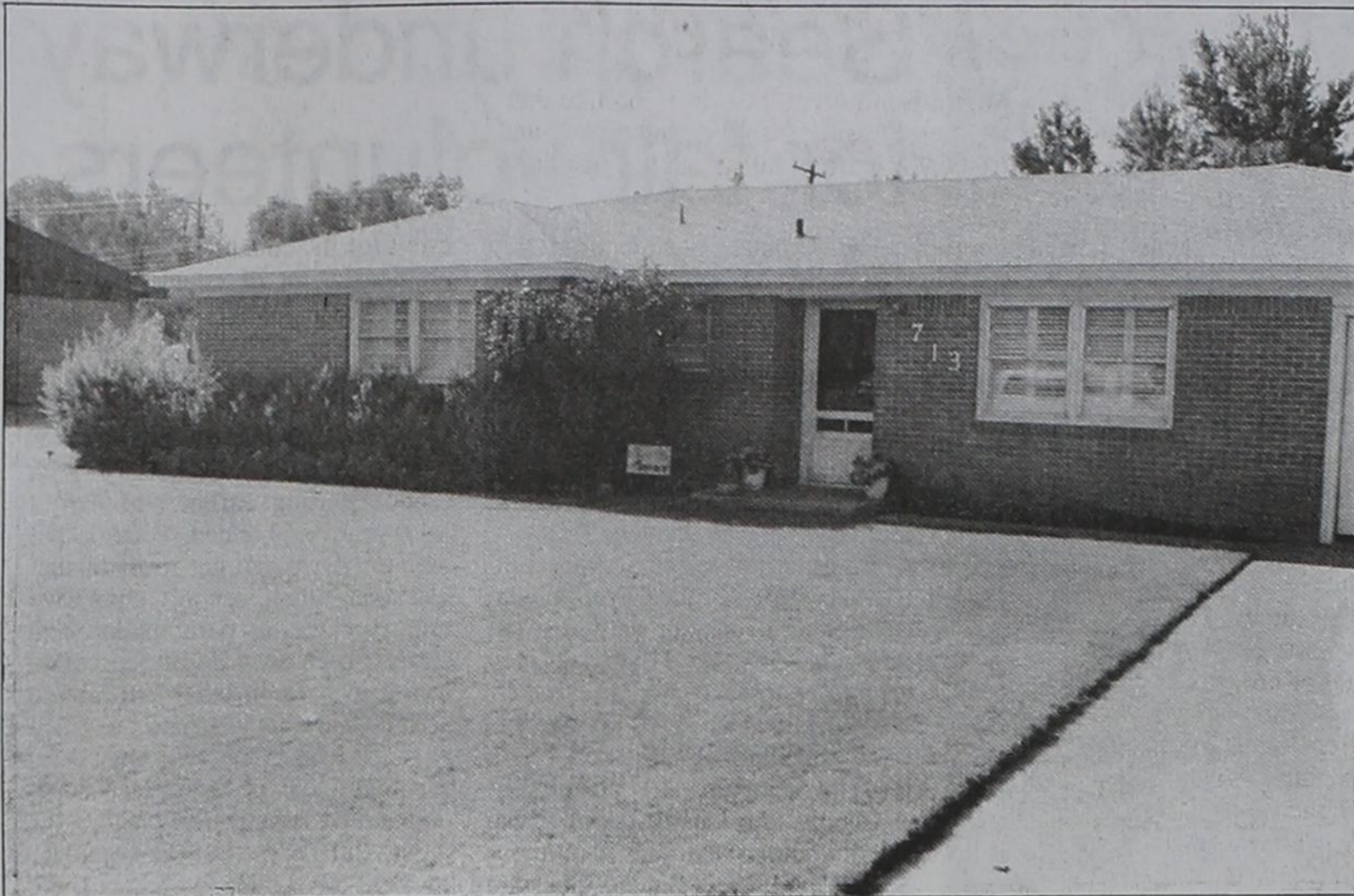
Also present were cousins Russell and Maxine Wylie; Trellis' niece and her husband, Derryl and Jim Palmer of Boise City, Okla.; Derryl's two daughters, Toni and Eldon Thornton of Boise City, Okla.; Dorothy's cousin, John Steele of Boxborough, Mass.; Christine Messenger and her son, Wade, of Albuquerque, N.M.; Dorothy's aunt, Mildred Robbins and her son and daughter-in-law, Clarence and Pam Robbins of Fort Worth; Dorothy's lifetime friends, Mildred Martin and Eleanor Atwood, both of Pawtucket, R.I.; and Don and Ellen Gregory and Woodrow and Alyce Killingsworth, all of Amarillo.

Relatives from Dimmitt participating in the festivities were Trellis' sister and her husband, Elouise and Harley Dodd; their daughter, Leta Dennis and her husband, Edgar, and sons Stacy and Drew Musick; Trellis' cousin, Melvin Summers and sons, Gerald and Charles with their wives, Patty and Sue and children. Numerous friends came between 2:30 and 4:30 p.m. to offer the couple their best wishes. It was noted that all four children of Jack and Ethel Summers have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversaries.

Trellis and Dorothy were so overwhelmed by the outpouring of love and are thankful to the many who participated. Most of all they are grateful to their children for planning the tribute.

Over Labor Day weekend Edna Reinart had as her guests her daughter and son-in-law, Mary Jean and Jimmy Sims, and their sons, Cameron and Justin of San Angelo.

On Saturday evening her son, Doug and Penny Reinart of Plainview and their children, Brittany, Dana and Chad came to supper. The group played ball and



ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL SPOT IN DIMMITT-- This beauty spot honored by the Dimmitt

Beautification Committee is the home of Laverne Bernethy at 713 W. Stinson. Photo by Linda Maxwell

rode the lawn tractor. Grandmother Edna was content to watch the action from her glider.

The Sims family spent Sunday with his mother, Billie Sims, who lives in Hereford. A few days earlier, Louise Morsiah, an aunt from Gainesville, visited in Edna's home. They ate lunch in the Senior Citizens Center and toured the facility. They also visited the Deaf Smith County Museum and the Italian Chapel.

Scott and Tricia Campbell and children, Conner and Cliff; and Kyle and Flo Touchstone and children, Tanner, Ty and Trey, all of Lubbock, hosted a cookout in the Campbell's home. This was a combination family-reunion, celebration of Tanner's 15th birthday and Tobin's and Angela's wedding anniversary party.

Others enjoying the special occasion were Todd Touchstone (his family was unable to attend), Tobin and Angela's children, Ret, Sam and Sara; Weldon and Ann Rodgers of Paducah; and Olea Gollehon of Dimmitt.

Cleo Forson entertained company over the Labor Day weekend. Her stepdaughter, Natalie Sanders of Hereford, step-granddaughter, Connie Berry of Prescott, Ariz., and

step-granddaughter and husband, Elizabeth and Lane Soreson of Hereford. They enjoyed much visiting.

Jimmy and Nancy Ross entertained their daughter, Amy and her husband, Patrick Haas of San Antonio over the Labor Day weekend. I visited with them on Sunday at a restaurant in Canyon.

Wes and Camille O'Brian and baby, Colton Joel of Garden City, Kan., visited with the Summers family recently, including Melvin and Juanita, Gerald and Patty and family and Charles and Sue and family. Melvin's cousin, Bob and Alma Karlin of Kirtland, N.M. were guests in the Summers' home as well.

Wes O'Brian works for IBP.

Alma Kenmore was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center. Once a month they enjoy a covered dish dinner and Alma served a delicious cherry delight pie. Dude McLauren won high score and Dugan Butler finished second. Others playing were

present answered roll call with the phrase "My Thoughts On Teamwork."

Rosetta Bellinghausen read the minutes and treasurer's report. Marilyn Neal presented a program on teamwork—teams work better when all members understand each other's values on team concept.

Oneida Hutto served a delicious pound cake to other members, Margaret Womack and Claudine Langford.

Oneida Hutto was honored at First Baptist Church Sunday in the "Spotlight on Teachers." She taught Sunday School for about 25 years, still helping out occasionally.

Sunday was "round-up day" at First Baptist Church and many were dressed in western clothes. Fellowship was enjoyed in all departments and refreshments were served including cookies, doughnuts and coffee.

In the worship services, Paula Proffitt gave her testimony, "The joy of working with preschoolers." Bro. Paul Kenley baptized Zjhon Smothermon and Rev. Cecil Golden baptized his granddaughter, Laura Rasor.

On Sunday evening, a picnic was planned on the south lawn, but due to much-needed rain it was served in the church's fellowship hall.

Bro. Paul gave a short talk, Bill Newland led the singing of several songs and Walter Maynard accompanied him on the piano. Sue Atchley sang a special and Dr. Leon Joplin sang a medley of songs and played the guitar.

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Mrs. Sam Lane celebrates 85th birthday

Mrs. Sam Lane, better known as "Lane" to many children she babysat with through the years, celebrated her 85th birthday on Aug. 21. The day came and went with a few people calling to wish her a Happy Birthday.

She began to wonder if her whole family had let this special day slide by without any recognition.

Not a chance. Little did she know that a scheme was afoot to surprise her on Sunday, Aug. 27, with a big party.

Her daughter, Rosa Nell Raines of Monahans showed up on Aug. 26 to take her to lunch and they met another of Mrs. Lane's daughters, Sammy Lance, in Hereford.

When they returned from their lunch Mrs. Lane found her daughter and son-in-law, Frances and Don Gatz of Meker, Okla., at her home. That evening her grandson, Olan Young and his wife, Melissa, of Boulder, Colo., showed up at her home. She still didn't suspect anything.

Finally on Sunday her granddaughter, Diane Valle, showed up with Mrs. Lane's great-granddaughters from Monahans and a sparkle of suspicion surfaced.

Then Mrs. Lane arrived at her son, Charlie Lane's home for lunch and found another son, Billy, and his family from Lubbock were there. Then it all started to come together.

Twenty-five members of her family surprised her with a birthday party.



FIVE GENERATIONS OF MRS. SAM LANE'S gathered recently for her 85th birthday. Pictured include Mrs. Lane (front row, center) and (back row, from left) her daughter, Rosa Nell Raines; her granddaughter, Diane Valle; her great-granddaughter, Donna Tarbet (front left) and great-granddaughter, Hillary Tarbet (front right). Courtesy Photo

Ray honored at DMS

Kyle Ray, son of Kelly Ray and Aaron Ray, has been named as Student of the Week at Dimmitt Middle School.

Ray is in Mrs. Damron's and Mrs. Spring's rooms.

He was born on May 11, 1986, in Grand Junction, Colo., and he enjoys building with legos and K'nex. He says he is good at playing baseball

and he wants to travel around the universe.

Ray's favorite book is *Robinson Crusoe* and he enjoys pizza and koala bears. He wants to be an astronaut when he grows up.

Ray says the thing he likes most about school are the teachers, who are very nice. He says he would like to do better in English.



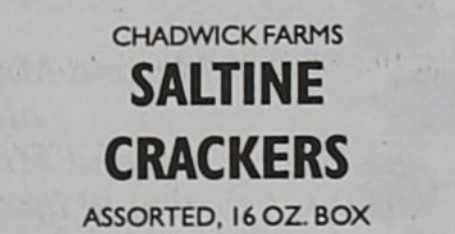
Ashley and Jaime Heard are the parents of a baby girl, Abby Saige, who was born Aug. 28 at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Abby weighed 8 lbs., 9 ozs. And was 20 inches long at birth. She has a big brother, Terrell, who is 1-1/2. Maternal grandmother is Doris Hadia of Nazareth. Paternal grandparents are Kenneth and Nona Heard of Dimmitt.



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MRS. RAYMOND TODD MILLER
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Herriage, Miller wed at Lee Street Baptist

Jana Michelle Herriage became the bride of Raymond Todd Miller when the two exchanged vows in a formal, double-ring ceremony on Aug. 26 at Lee Street Baptist Church in Dimmitt.

Rev. Ronnie Travis of Petersburg officiated at the nuptial service.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Herriage of Earth. Parents of the groom are Rodney and Diane Miller of Dimmitt.

Music for the ceremony was provided by organist Deanne Clark and soloist Krista Lucas of Atlanta, Ga., the groom's aunt. Selections included *Wind Beneath My Wings*, *Your Love Amazes Me*, *I Love You Unconditionally* and *The Lord's Prayer*, which was sung as the couple lit the unity candle.

White satin bows and English ivy accented the pews.

A gold spiral candelabra holding white candles and entwined with miniature English ivy decorated the church along with large fresh schefflera plants in brass pots accented with red and white bows.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a full-length white gown of satin and lace fashioned with a fitted bodice and attached cathedral-length train lavishly decorated with tiny seed pearls and clear sequins. It featured a Queen Ann neckline, puffed, tapered long sleeves which were fitted to the wrist with lace flowers, and a white satin bow which marked the back waistline.

She wore a waist-length veil adorned with tiny pearls and clear sequins.

She carried a bouquet of red and white silk roses with greenery and pearl hearts tied with red and white ribbons.

Maid of honor was Renee Redwine of Amarillo, friend of the bride. She wore a tea-length gown of red satin and carried a single red rose accented with babies' breath.

Best man was Chris Miller of Mobile, Ala., brother of the groom.

Jenna Steinle was flower girl and Kalan Steinle was a ring bearer. Both are cousins of the groom.

Ushers were Dennis Petty and Bobby Campbell.

A reception was held in the church's fellowship hall after the wedding.

Servers at the bride's table were Mrs. Judy Garcia of Earth and Mrs. Kelli Hill of Gilbert, Ariz., sisters of the bride. Presiding over the groom's table were Mrs. Kim Rodriguez of Amarillo, sister of the bride, and Mrs. Barbara Conaway of Amarillo.

The couple is home in Dimmitt after enjoying a wedding trip to Pagosa Springs, Colo.

The bride graduated from Springlake-Earth High School in 1989 and she holds a degree in radiology from Amarillo College.

The groom graduated in 1991 from Dimmitt High School and he is pursuing a degree in instrumentation. He is employed with Goodpasture.

Search underway for fair volunteers

The County Fair Commission will decide at a meeting Sept. 26 whether to continue the annual Castro County Fair.

A nominating committee is conducting a search for prospective leaders, and the County Extension Office is looking for volunteer workers willing to give "just one to four hours during the year."

President Becky Stovall and Vice-President Brenda Bruton, who have chaired the fair activities the last four years, have both said they want to be replaced.

A recent meeting to review this year's fair and discuss next year's was attended by 13 persons — "basically the same people who usually attend the fair meetings," Stovall reported. "But no one who was there indicated they would be able to head it up next year."

The commission appointed a nominating committee of Jan Duke, Emma Jean King, Polly Simpson and Connie Wilhelm to come up with a slate of officers for the coming year.

"The fair had good public support this year, and we felt the one-day exhibition was better than the two-day fair we've had in the past," Stovall said. "There are people willing to work; we just need someone who has the time and energy to head it up."

County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal, an advisor to the fair commission, said the Extension Office "definitely" would like to see the fair continue.

"We feel that it's an important

event for the county," Neal said. "It provides a lot of county unity. It crosses community boundaries. It gives us all a chance to get together that we don't have during much of the year."

Neal agreed that the one-day fair was preferable, "especially with school starting earlier and earlier each year," and added, "I think that perhaps if we can get it off of that weekend when school starts, we might get better participation and entries, because a lot of people are trying to pack in other last-minute activities on that weekend."

Neal feels that the key to a successful fair is widespread participation by volunteers.

"If 100 people would volunteer to give one hour a year to the county fair, then we could get it done and nobody would get burned out," she said. "I've got 100 jobs that I could give out that wouldn't take but an hour apiece. There are so many useful jobs to do that don't take much time, that anyone can do, that can usually be done at home, but they just have to be done."

"The more people who volunteer, the easier and more pleasant it would be for everybody," Neal said.

The county fair "helps define who we are," Neal believes.

"Anytime you can do anything to bring positive recognition to people for their efforts, I think it should be continued. There's a lot of tradition and good values involved in a county fair, and I think we ought to continue that."

Scouts seeking new members

The Dimmitt Boy Scouts will hold a sign-up rally Friday from 5 to 6 p.m. at the Scout Hut, located on the corner of Third and Lee Streets, and any interested boys between the ages of 7 and 18 are invited to attend.

Tiger Cubs are for boys in the first grade through age 7. Cub Scouts are for boys in the second and third grades, ages 8 and 9. Webelos Scouts are for boys in the fourth and fifth grades, age 10. For boys 11 and older, Boy Scouts is the troop of choice.

Each group of Scouts will have a great time with other Scouts their age, according to Gary Hunter, local Scout leader.

When you become a Scout, you enter a world full of exciting adventures. You belong to a group of friends who want to go places and do things.

As a Cub Scout you'll take field trips, go on hikes, discover ways to take care of the land, and learn about the land, birds and animals. And you'll learn it all with friends and adult leaders.

Boy Scouts will hike and camp, learn to live in the outdoors and discover ways to care for the land. You can cook your meals over a camp fire or stove and learn to identify plants and animals and what part they play in our environment. You'll

develop strength, confidence and good judgement and you can find out how it feels to be a leader.

Adult leaders also are needed and Scout leadership is a service to the community and builds strong communication skills.

For more information about Scouts, contact Hunter at 647-3695.

Square dance lessons slated

If you are interested in learning country dancing or square dancing, the Dimmitt Promenaders will be offering lessons beginning Friday.

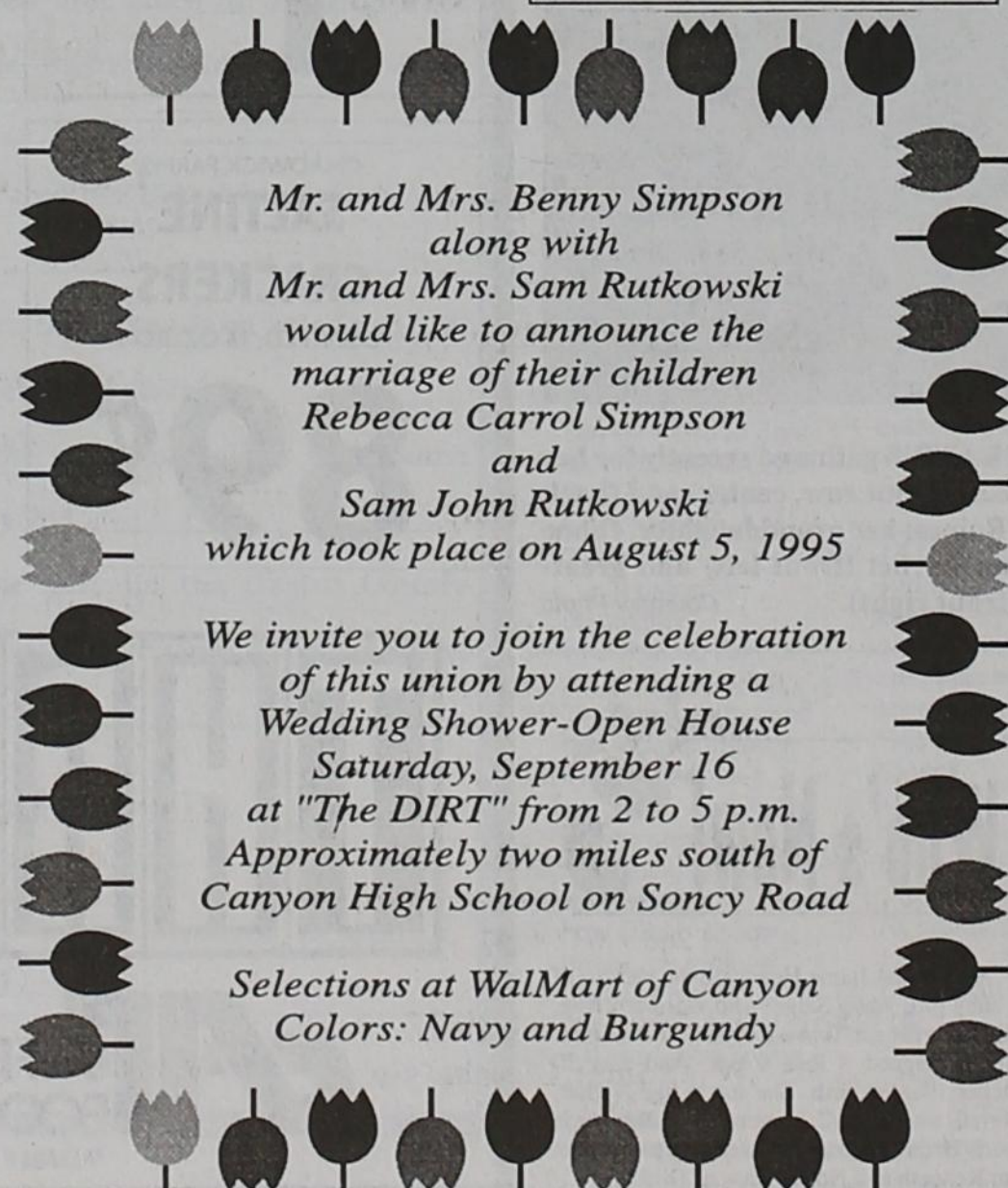
Lessons will be offered for the entire family, young and old.

"Many of you watch others doing line dances or square dances and say, 'that sure looks like fun. I'd sure like to try that some day,'" said a Promenaders spokesman.

A few lessons is all it will take before you can join in on the dancing.

For more information call Bill or Ann Henderson at 647-2354, home; or 647-4342, office; or James and Kathy Davis at 647-3638.

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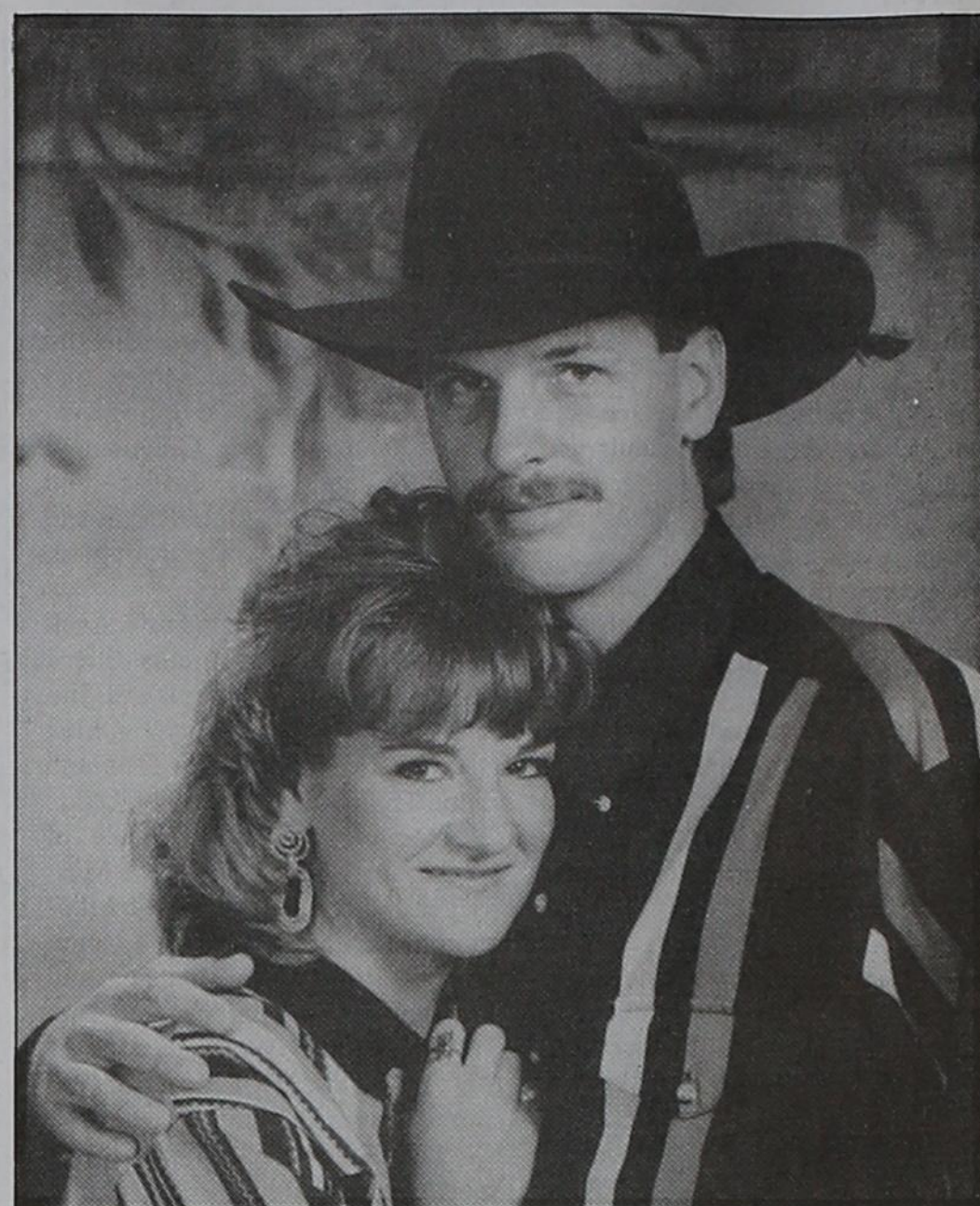


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Leigh Hyman and Curtis Durbin

Hyman to wed Durbin Nov. 11

Martha Jo Hyman and Harold Hyman, both of Dimmitt, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Leigh Hyman, to Curtis Durbin, son of Paul and Joan Durbin of Nazareth.

The couple plans to exchange vows on Nov. 11 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth.

The bride-elect is a 1991 graduate of Dimmitt High School. She presently attends West Texas A&M where she is majoring in elementary education. She will graduate in December.

The prospective groom graduated from Nazareth High School in 1989 and he is presently engaged in farming at Nazareth.

After the wedding the couple plans to live in Dimmitt.

Lively is honored with bridal shower

Jeana Lively, bride-elect of David Edwards, was the honoree at a bridal shower Sept. 9 in the home of Glenda Sims.

Refreshments served included quiche, muffins, cantaloupe, grapes, cake, punch and champagne.

The hostesses presented the bride-to-be with a set of pots and pans and a comforter and sheet set with all

accessories.

Those attending from out-of-town were Mendi Houchin and Whitney, Heather Greene, Jennifer Curry cousins; aunts, Jill Baker, Carolyn Curry, Phyllis Gruhlkey and Joan Isbell; grandmother Jo Curry; the honoree's mother, Carolyn Lively; Cindy Burns, Jennifer Greer and bridesmaid Amy Walker.

We want to express our deep appreciation for the beautiful flowers, delicious food, comforting phone calls, cards and visits we received after the death of our loved one, Jo Gregory.

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Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of Sept. 14-22.

DIMMITT

MONDAY: Choices of taco salad, soft beef taco or *fajitas with sauted onions; fideo Mexicano, *Arroz Mexicano or refried beans; *tossed salad with dressing, *haystack finger salad or fruited gelatin; hot wheat rolls, *flour tortillas or commel yeast rolls; apple, banana or orange; and *milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choices of *hot dog on a bun with cheese, chili Fritos with picante or chicken a'la king; *potato salad, seasoned black-eyed peas or mixed vegetables; tossed salad with dressing, *coleslaw or fruit fantasy; hot wheat rolls, *combread yeast rolls or white bread; *apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY: Choices of *meat loaf with creole sauce, roast turkey with gravy or chicken fried steak, *mashed potatoes, candied sweet potatoes or peas and carrots; tossed salad with dressing, *cucumber and tomato salad or pasta salad; hot wheat rolls, *cornmeal yeast rolls or white bread; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

THURSDAY: Choices of *Italian spaghetti, grilled cheese sandwich with chili or chicken and dumplings; potato rounds, *broccoli with cheese sauce or baked potato wedges; tossed salad with dressing, *carrot raisin salad or *apple slices with cinnamon; *hot rolls, crackers or flour tortillas; apple, orange or grapes; and *milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choices of *crispy fish portion, pigs in a blanket or salad plate; * French fries, baked potatoes or pasta salad; tossed salad

with dressing, *haystack finger salad or cantaloupe; hot wheat rolls, hot cheese rolls or saltine crackers; apple, orange or grapes; and *milk, punch or tea.

(Items designated with an asterisk will be served to students in pre-kindergarten through the second grade.)

HART

MONDAY: Chicken nuggets (elementary) or chicken strips, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, variety of cobbler and milk.

TUESDAY: Pizza (elementary) or lasagna, tomato and lettuce sandwich, corn, sliced bread, peaches and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Sloppy Joe's (elementary) or chicken sandwich, French fries, pickles, variety of fresh fruit and milk.

THURSDAY: Burrito (elementary) or corn dogs, macaroni and cheese, Ranch Style Beans, fried okra or squash, fresh fruit and milk.

FRIDAY: Chicken fajitas (elementary), beef fajitas or burritos, salad, peaches, cookies and milk.

NAZARETH

MONDAY: Chalupas, lettuce, cheese, peas, apricot cobbler and milk.

TUESDAY: Fish, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw, combread, pears and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Pizza, tossed salad, pineapple and milk.

THURSDAY: Burritos and chili, carrot sticks, pinto beans, apple crisp and milk.

FRIDAY: Lasagna, green beans, rolls, peaches and milk.



SIGNING UP ANOTHER NEW MEMBER--Members of the Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary (standing, from left) Mattie Seale and Barbara Sava sign up new member Lequetta West at

the annual membership brunch Tuesday. Anyone interested in joining the Auxiliary may call 647-4149 or 647-2684 for more information.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Bridal shower honors Ford

Karen Ivey Ford, bride of Chuck Ford, was honored with a bridal shower on Aug. 26 in the home of Mrs. Jean Morris.

Guests were served quiche, poppyseed muffins, fruit compote, coffee and mock champagne from crystal and silver appointments.

Hostesses assisting Mrs. Morris with the shower presented the honoree with a home entertainment center.

The serving table was graced with a lace cloth and crystal and brass

appointments. The centerpiece was a brass candlestick holding votive candles and decorated with magnolias and English ivy.

Out-of-town guests included Mrs. Jack Ford of Plainview, mother of the groom; Mrs. Georgia Ford of Lockney and Mrs. Billye Cook of Lockney, the groom's grandmothers; Mrs. Andy Ford and Mrs. Glenda Ford, both of Lockney, aunts of the groom; and Mrs. Shirley Streety of Levelland, friend of the couple.

DISD board is briefed on 'alternative school'

Dimmitt's Alternative School downtown now has 23 students working toward their high-school diploma or GED certificates, director Pat Bagley told the DISD board Monday night.

Reporting on the new Alternative School's progress, Bagley emphasized that only one student was placed there because of disciplinary problems, and that most of them don't have academic problems either.

"They are very capable," she said. "It's just that they have separate and individual problems, some of which are heart-rending," that makes it better for them to get their schooling this way instead of being main-streamed in the high school.

Operation of the special school is contracted to Student Alternative Education, Inc. Students receive their instruction in "modules," working at their own pace.

"They're supposed to be able to work twice as fast if they really work at it," Bagley said. "I have some who want to make up credits and be main-streamed back into their class so they can graduate with their class."

She said that study materials are still being received, and a science lab is being installed this week.

"There's good interaction among the schools and campuses," Bagley said. "The facilities are wonderful, and I think the high school has been wonderful in identifying the students who need to be (in the Alternative School)."

She added, "The kids think it's real important that they be considered on an equal basis with the other students. They're interested in working and accomplishing."

Attendance has been a problem, Bagley said. Two students have dropped out and daily attendance is usually 75-80%, with 16 to 18 present on any given day.

Supt. Les Miller commended Bagley and the Alternative School concept.

"These students have been told that this is their last shot to make up credits," he said. "We've designed this program for the kids, and if they don't want to take advantage of it, there are others who would like to."

In a light meeting that lasted only an hour, the school board:

—Approved the appointment of two parent members of the Language Proficiency Assessment Committee—Linora Herrera for the high school and middle school and Dolores Diaz for the elementary school. This committee determines which students may be admitted to the bilingual program.

— Approved changes to the policy manual brought about because of action by the 74th Legislature, "which rendered the contents of the policy reference manual obsolete," according to Miller.

— Formally accepted the resignation of David Keith, who has retired.

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City holds line . . .

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ciates in Hereford. The premiums paid by the city will increase 3%.

Other plans Gililland showed the council included PPO's and HMO's, both of which would not have included Dimmitt doctors in the current coverage plans. Gililland told the council that if a PPO or HMO is formed that would include the

Dimmitt doctors, the city's coverage could be converted later.

Council members voted to give final approval to the franchise agreement between the city and GTE as soon as the promised payments are received from GTE. The requirement for three readings of the ordinance was waived.

The council approved adjustments in an earlier ordinance that granted an easement to American Maize-Products for installation of a gas line. City Attorney Jack Edwards said the adjustment actually involved less land than the original easement.

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I believe you can identify seven steps that successful people take to develop their power-packed lives. I submit these to you for your consideration.

Seven powerful steps

*** Step One:** Successful people know exactly where they want to go. Once they have identified what they want to accomplish and the results they want to achieve, they write them down. These written objectives become the life-altering targets for which they aim.

*** Step Two:** Successful people make certain they pinpoint their targets in ways that are specific, achievable and measurable. For example, a success-oriented college student might identify her target as achieving a bachelor's degree. She would pinpoint that target by writing her goal like this: "I want to earn a bachelor's degree in secondary education by the end of the semester in the spring of 1999."

She could zero in even closer on her target by breaking it down into measurable segments. For example, 15 hours in semester one, 16 in semester two, six hours in the summer, etc. She could add a grade point average target to her goals as well.

*** Step Three:** Successful people focus on targets in many areas of their lives. They are careful not to become obsessed with a single area of accomplishment. Happiness is best achieved by living a balanced, but focused life.

A few years ago a business friend of mine got so focused on growing his business that he nearly destroyed his marriage and wrecked his family relationship. Fortunately, he recovered in time, but it took years to mend the broken fences. Now he maintains a more balanced lifestyle and sets goals in several areas of his life.

*** Step Four:** Successful people celebrate their progress. They reward themselves for every step they take that brings them closer to their goals. They even celebrate small victories.

The college student we mentioned earlier might plan a pizza party for a few close friends after getting high marks on her first semester tests. A businessman might give bonus time off for employees after a highly profitable quarter. Celebrate small accomplishments, but never lose sight of your larger goals.

*** Step Five:** Successful people keep on, keeping on. Even when the going is tough, they persevere. They understand that quitters never win and winners never quit.

Successful people know that success is not the hand of cards you are dealt in life, but rather how you play those cards. You can overcome most adversity with perseverance.

*** Step Six:** Successful people are seldom content with "good enough." They focus on continued improvement. They know that someone will raise the standard tomorrow, so they work hard to be the one who improves the mark.

The Japanese call it Kaizen, which means continuing improvement, involving everyone. While they celebrate their progress, successful people never rest on their laurels.

*** Step Seven:** Successful people are enthusiastic about life and living. Ralph Waldo Emerson said nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm.

Enthusiasm is nothing more than becoming inspired to take action. Some folks talk enthusiastically about successful people acting enthusiastically. They are doers, not talkers.

Try these power-packed steps for a few months in your life. I promise you'll see a difference and you'll be on your way toward success.

Don Taylor is the co-author of *Up Against the Wal-Marts*. You may write to him in care of Minding Your Own Business P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

CRP signup continues through next Friday

Farmers interested in signing up in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) may submit a bid on the 651,000 available acres through Sept. 22.

Bids are being taken for new 10- to 15-year CRP contracts to replace CRP acreage which was released early. With this Period 13 signup, Commodity Credit Corp. will enroll new CRP acreage with high environmental benefits per dollar.

The acreage which can be accepted into CRP is limited to 651,000 because that acreage was the amount withdrawn from the program under the early-out opportunity.

Because of the relatively small acreage allowed for the program, Consolidated Farm Service Agency (CFSA) has modified its bidding and enrollment process to ensure that only environmentally sensitive lands be accepted.

During the sign-up period, each producer will be informed of the bid cap for the acreage that is being offered.

There are several changes in the CRP bid ranking and determining the amount of annual rental payments. There will be an open bid selection process by which applicants will have access to information that will be used to rank bids and to establish bid caps. These bid caps will be unique to each parcel of land and will be provided to the applicants before they submit a bid. Any bid submitted that is more than the bid cap will be rejected.

In order to be eligible, cropland must have been planted or considered planted to an agricultural commodity during any two of the crop years 1986 through 1990 and

also be physically and legally capable of being cropped at the time of enrollment. The cropland must also have an erodibility index equal to or greater than eight, or be a small farmed wetland that is contained in and is part of a field that is otherwise eligible.

DeKalb taps Kuntz for honors

Ricky Kuntz, manager of Flag Fertilizer, has been recognized as the district's "Outstanding Dealer of the Year" by DeKalb Genetics Corp.

The sales district runs from Pomeroy, Castro and Swisher Counties south to Big Spring, and also includes part of New Mexico.

The dealer award is presented annually at DeKalb's district sales kickoff meeting, according to District Sales Manager Matt Weinheimer.

Flag Fertilizer also was named "Product Champion" for DeKalb corn sales in the district, Weinheimer said.

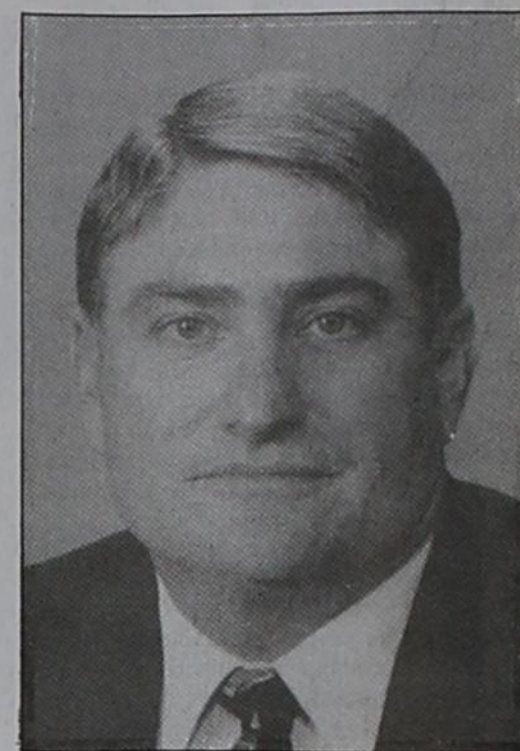
"The Product Champion award is presented annually to the dealer with outstanding sales in each product line for his district," Weinheimer explained. "It recognizes a superior effort to provide farmers with service and a mix of hybrids tailored to each customer's individual needs and farming practices."

Kuntz and Flag Fertilizer also

were recognized for five years of service as a DeKalb dealer.

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Acie Boyd

Boyd named district head for Energas

Acie Boyd has been named district manager for Energas Co. in Hereford.

Boyd has been managing the Dimmitt office of Energas and he joined the company in 1978 as general plant operator in Dimmitt. He took over as manager in 1985.

Boyd attended Clarendon College. He has been active in civic and community activities throughout his career with Energas. Currently he serves on the board of directors of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce and is in the Kiwanis Club.

Lewis Binswanger, vice president of Energas's operations in the northern area, said that Boyd will be responsible for the total operations of the Hereford District, which includes Hereford, Friona, Dimmitt, Bovina, Vega and the surrounding areas.

Boyd and his wife, Margo, have two children and they plan to relocate to Hereford.

Lost time is never found again. —Benjamin Franklin

PCS incentive program earns top state award, block grants

Panhandle Community Services has received the state's top award — plus block grants totaling \$20,468—for outstanding service through its "Families in Training" program.

The FIT assists low-income persons toward the goal of self-sufficiency. Castro County presently has five participants in the FIT program, all in Dimmitt, with three others working to qualify for the program.

The recent award event was held in Austin at the Executive Director's Conference of the Texas Dept. of Housing and Community Affairs.

Johnny Raymond, executive director of Panhandle Community Services, and Phyllis Cook, FIT coordinator, accepted an incentive fund award for 1993 of \$5,328, and the top award in the state for 1994 in the amount of \$15,140.

Presenting the awards was Sam Guzman, director of administration for the TDHCA.

The "Families in Training" program is an educationally driven housing program offered in 26 Texas Panhandle counties. Benefits consist of rental assistance, case management and other services to low-income parents who are pursuing post-secondary education.

Recognizing that education is the key to successful employment and wage-earning, FIT eases the burden for participants of managing the roles of parent, caretaker, wage earner and student.

The program provides financial assistance, emotional support and information to families who are healing the scars of broken homes, poverty, and in many cases, abuse. PCS can document education, housing assistance and resource coordination, and provide the necessary support to help people escape welfare and become financially independent.

Applicants for the FIT program must be eligible for rental assistance, be a parent with one or more dependent children, and be attending or preparing to attend college or a post-secondary vocational program.

Demographically, 90% of the participants are female heads of households, and 70% are AFDC recipients.

When determined to be eligible,

each applicant must go through an extensive assessment process to be accepted into the program. The process includes completing an application before being interviewed by a "community task force" comprised of community leaders and representatives of resource agencies.

Participants receive individual career counseling, personal development seminars and support from other PCS services such as energy and transportation, emergency food, information and referral, as well as important rental assistance while in their career training.

Ideally, participants complete their educational goals within two years.

Graduates of the program have entered such occupations as occupational and physical therapy, dental hygiene, court reporting, criminal justice, education and computer/information systems.

Currently, Panhandle Community Services is working with two universities, four community colleges and one vocational school that are being attended by program participants.

Operating since 1990, the program has served more than 300 participating families, who have

compiled a completion rate of more than 85%. Currently, 142 Texas Panhandle families are active in the program, including the five in Castro County.

"This program is successful when adults are motivated and determined to complete their education and make a better life for themselves," said Phyllis Cook, coordinator. "This is not a giveaway program. It is hard work and sacrifice."

Raymond said the incentive money generated will be utilized for loans for the FIT participants to keep them in training. These loans are to be repaid after training is completed and the participant obtains employment, so that money will still be available for other participants with emergency needs.

DMS open house set for Sept. 19

Dimmitt Middle School will hold an open house on Sept. 19 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the school.

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WELCOME BACK, TRISH!—Patricia Elliott (seated) has been named the new county executive director for Consolidated Farm Service Agency. Elliott worked as a program assistant here for several years before taking a job as CED in Zavala County, then as district director. She was welcomed home by CFSA staff members (from left) Edna Rae Schilling, Ruthie Hackleman, Albert Hartman, Jill Ehly, Toby Gerber, Regina Hoelting, Carol Kern, Dianne Hochstein and Rosie Kleman.

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USDA requiring growers to have crop insurance for all programs

By TRISH ELLIOTT
County Executive Director

Crop insurance for 1996 will be required for participation in all US Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) programs.

Sept. 30 is the final sales closing date for small grains insurance. It also is the final date to cancel small grain insurance at any of the private agencies or through this office.

For a cancellation to be effective, a written notification must be received by close of business on Sept. 30, 1995. If you do not cancel your insurance coverage, it will automatically be renewed at the same level as you purchased in 1995.

If you have catastrophic insurance for any crop through the Consolidated Farm Service Agency (CFSA) office, office personnel will need proof of your production for all crops insured so that your 1996 "actual production history" can be established.

We have sent out demand letters for the 1994 cotton overpayments and producers have until Saturday to repay any overpayment. After that a late payment interest will be charged. Also, if you wait until after Saturday to repay, late payment interest will revert back to Aug. 15.

Producers participating in the 1995 farm program who reported ACR, CU for Pay and/or failed payment acres are reminded that these acres must be maintained against weeds, insects and erosion. Failure to properly maintain these acres in a timely manner could cause a loss of farm program benefits and could result in penalties being assessed.

Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres may be hayed or grazed through Sept. 30 for producers who have applied for the program.

CRP participants must report the acreage hayed or grazed by Oct. 14, and must include the total number of bales and tons hayed or the number of head of livestock grazed.

There have been a number of procedural changes in electing county committee members. All three mem-

bers will be elected this year with staggered terms.

Nomination forms will not be mailed, but may be picked up at the CFSA office between Oct. 5 and 30.

Reception planned for CFSA head

Patricia "Trish" Elliott has been named as county executive director of the Consolidated Farm Service Agency, and the local office is planning an open house on Friday to "re-acquaint" her with county farmers.

The open house Friday will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and everyone is invited to attend.

Elliott has worked for the CFSA, formerly the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS), for 30 years, and most of those years she worked in the Castro County office.

"I am thrilled to be back in Castro County after an absence of nearly eight years," Elliott said.

Elliott started her career with CFSA in Swisher County, working there nine years. In 1973 she transferred to Castro County and worked as a program assistant here until 1987 when she left to go into management training in the Deaf Smith County office.

Elliott became the county executive director in Dimmitt on Sept. 5. Elliott and her husband, Don, own Don's Body Shop in Dimmitt, which is currently being operated by Don and the couple's sons, Tim and Wade. She is a member of the Church of Christ and enjoys walking and restoring old trunks in her spare time.

Producers are encouraged to submit a nominating petition.

The election will be held Nov. 24 through Dec. 4.

Here are some important dates producers should remember:

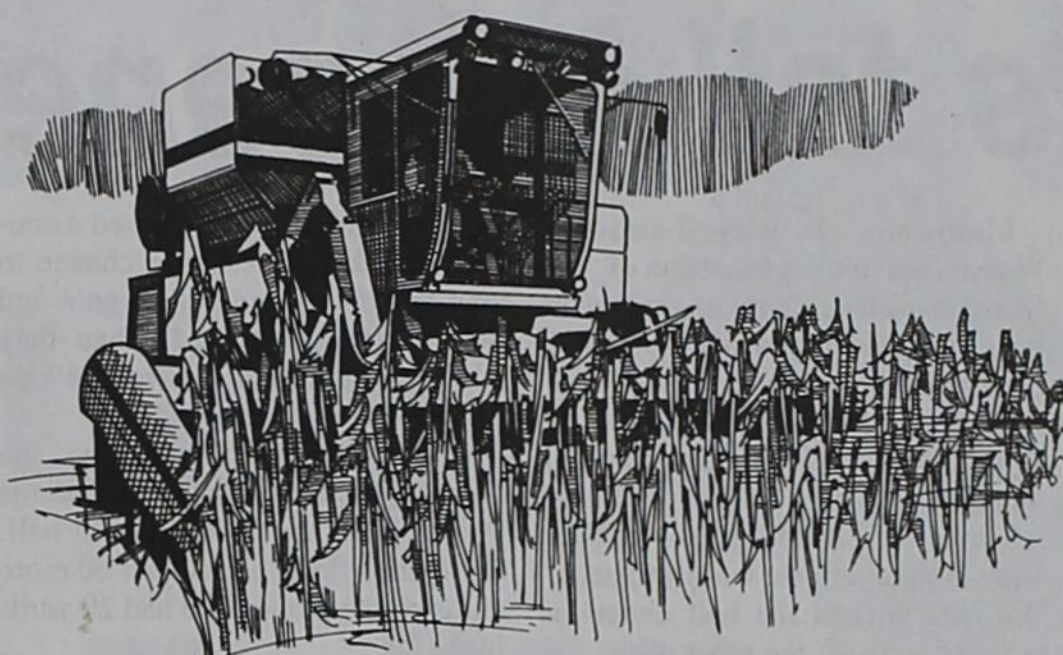
Sept. 11-22: CRP signup dates.

Sept. 15: Open house and reception for new CFSA executive director, Trish Elliott.

Sept. 30: Final day to purchase or cancel 1996 small grain crop insurance.

Oct. 5-30: Dates to submit County Committee nominations for upcoming elections.

Oct. 9: CFSA office will be closed for Columbus Day observance.



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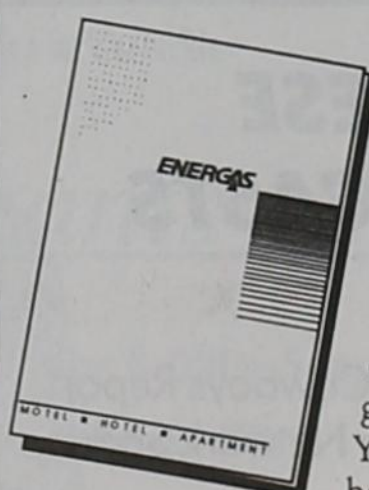
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A closet isn't always a closet.

Your water heater or furnace is probably in a closet all by itself. And that's the way it should stay. As tempting as it may be, don't use the space around a water heater or furnace for storage. Even

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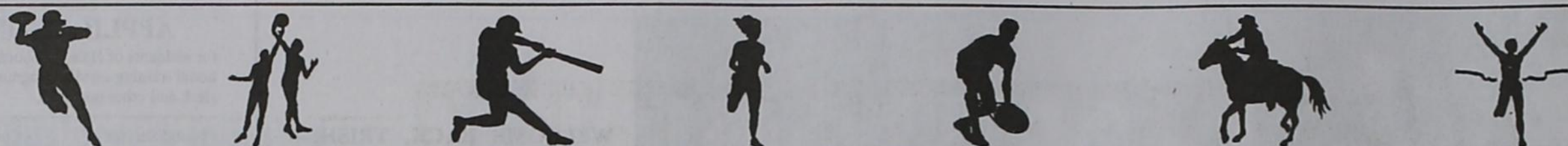
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Sports



RAMBLING—Dimmitt wide receiver Joey Flores picks up seven yards on a second-down reverse play in the first quarter of the Bobcat-Wolverine game Friday night at Springlake-Earth High School. Flores gained 12 yards on two carries. Five turnovers—three

fumbles and two interceptions—proved disastrous for the Bobcats as they gave their complex new Wishbone offense its first-game test. The state-ranked Wolverines posted a 19-0 victory. Photo by Joel Townsend

Bobcats fall in opener, 19-0

By JOHN BROOKS

That smell in the Dimmitt stands Friday night at Wolverine Stadium at Springlake-Earth High School really was a skunk.

Honest. The Dimmitt offense wasn't that bad in a 19-0 loss to the 14th-ranked Wolverines. Still trying to get the kinks out of the new Wishbone offense, the Bobcats had just 123 yards of offense and suffered five turnovers. Two of four pass attempts were intercepted by an alert S-E defense.

"I thought we had a really great effort," said Dimmitt Coach Danny Chisum. "It was our best effort since the win over Friona in the cold two years ago. We had a great effort on both sides of the ball. Over half their yardage in the first half came on one play, and about half their yardage in the second half came on the last drive of the game. I was very pleased with our effort."

The Bobcats were unable to take advantage of their only real opportunity to score in the game, in the second quarter.

Quarterback Joey Martinez, who came off the bench for Jason Wooten, picked up 29 yards on two keepers to move the Bobcats deep into Wolverine territory. Martinez gained 21 yards on second-and-11 from the S-E 36. The senior quarterback faked a handoff to Dagon Newton, then seemed to want to pitch the ball as he went around the right flank. With two defenders between him and the pitch man, Martinez turned inside then darted outside to rumble to the 12 before being stopped.

On first-and-10 from the S-E 12, the Bobcats got four yards from Kalem Thomas on first down. A holding penalty cost Dimmitt 10 yards. Martinez hit Newton for a 12-yard pass play on third down to the 5, but got just a yard on fourth-and-three to end the drive at the 4.

After that, the Bobcats had very few snaps the rest of the night on the good side of the 50-yard line.

"We should have scored when we got it down there," Chisum said. "If we score there we are probably ahead by a point at halftime. After that, we never got into any rhythm on offense. We never ran more than three plays so we could see what they were doing on defense."

Meanwhile, the playoff-seasoned Wolverines took advantage of two Dimmitt mistakes to set up short scoring drives, and used a mistake of their own for their first touchdown.

After a scoreless first quarter, the Wolverines were at their own 31 when quarterback James Williams attempted to hand off to fullback Jerry Fritze. Fritze wasn't there, so Williams tucked the ball under his arm and took off the other way.

The Bobcat defense had read its keys for the play and were ready to stop the fullback's plunge. Instead, Williams took off around end and ran 69 yards for a 6-0 lead with 4:19 left in the first half. The Bobcats blocked the extra-point kick.

"That was a deal where our defensive guy got boxed in," Chisum explained. "The quarterback had a big

lane to run in, then we missed a couple of tackles. We had a chance to stop him for an eight-yard gain and didn't get him tackled. Then they tried to clip us but we wouldn't go down."

Other than the 69-yard run, the Bobcat defense was stiff against the Wolverines' attack in the first half. Springlake-Earth gained just 60 more yards on the ground and had 20 yards in the air.

Dimmitt suffered the first of four crucial turnovers early in the game but the new 4-4 defense turned away the Wolverines.

After taking the opening kickoff, the Bobcats were stopped and Chad Ellis punted the ball away. Bottled up deep in its own end, the Wolverines went three downs and out, but Isaac Sandoval's punt caromed off of the leg of a Bobcat and was recovered by the Wolverines at their 34. The Bobcats allowed two first downs before Ellis recovered a fumble at the S-E 47.

Dimmitt was a yard short after a seven-yard gain by Wooten on third down and had to punt the ball over to the Wolverines.

The teams traded punts until the Wolverines scored late in the half.

The third quarter was an unmitigated disaster for the Bobcats, with three turnovers leading to two touchdowns for Springlake-Earth.

The Wolverines recovered a Dimmitt fumble early in the period, and Williams went nine yards for a touchdown to make it 12-0. A try for two was stopped by the Bobcat defense.

The Bobcats got the ball back in good shape, but a Martinez pass on third down was picked off at the 37 by Tony Longoria, who broke a tackle and jumped over a Bobcat defender on his way to the end zone. Todd Jordan added the PAT to give the Wolverines a 19-0 lead.

Neither team mounted a decent threat until late in the game, when S-E rolled up a third of its offensive yardage on the last drive of the game. The Wolverines drove to the Dimmitt 6 before being stopped by the clock.

Quarterbacks Martinez and Wooten completed only one pass on the night and had two interceptions. The Bobcats had three fumbles, losing two of them, and were able to muster just 121 yards on the ground. The only completed pass was the 12-yarder to Newton in the first half.



BIG GAINER—Dimmitt quarterback Joey Martinez races 21 yards to the Springlake-Earth 12-yard line in the second quarter of the season opener between the Bobcats and Wolverines Friday night. It was the game's first scoring threat, but the drive stalled at S-E's 4-yard line. The Wolverines won the game, 19-0. Photo by Joel Townsend

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'Cats looking for first win this week

The Bobcats will try to ring up their first win of the 1995 season as they open a three-game homestand Friday against the Eagles.

Both teams lost their openers last week. Dimmitt fell to Springlake-Earth, 19-0, while Canadian broke a scoreless tie after three quarters with a 22-0 win over Sanford-Fritch.

Last year, the scene was almost the same for the two teams going into the contest at Sanford-Fritch. The Bobcats rolled to an easy 20-0 win last year.

"They're going to be bigger than us, again, but I think everybody we play will be bigger than us," said Dimmitt coach Danny Chisum. "I think they will probably line up and try to run right at us, but they are still searching on offense."

"They're running the option out of a couple of I formations and using two kids at quarterback. They run the option well, but they made a few mistakes that hurt them late in the game."

The quarterbacks will be senior Jason McClellan and junior Jason Steinle. They will be working with a backfield that will include senior fullback Jimmy Price and sophomore

tailback Travis Holland. Holland started seven games last year for the Eagles.

Chisum said Sanford-Fritch will use a combination of dive plays, options and screen passes, then try to throw the ball deep down the middle.

"We have to be cognizant of the dive back, and we can't let them get loose on the screen pass," Chisum said.

Tackle Brian Fennell (6-0, 220), end Garrett Brown (6-1, 205) and guard Josh McGee (6-1, 220) will lead the line on both sides of the ball.

"I expect they will come at us with an eight-man front on defense," Chisum said. "They will try to get in our face and put pressure on us."

"The thing we have to work on is not what Sanford-Fritch is going to do so much as continuing to work on improving our offense and defense. There were so many things that we did the other night that were in our control that gave Springlake-Earth good field position and points. We need to work on things we are in control of. We need to work on being quicker on the option because the pursuit was catching up with us last week when we were going too slow."

JV shuts out Wolverines, 14-0

Dimmitt's JV football team opened its 1995 season with a 14-0 win over Springlake-Earth last Thursday at Bobcat Stadium.

The Bobcats got on the board in the first quarter when Casey Smith broke two tackles and sprinted 75 yards for a touchdown with 2:23 to go in the first quarter. Quarterback Zac Matthews then hooked up with Amado Caldera for the two-point conversion to give the Bobcats an eight-point edge.

The Wolverines threatened to score in the third quarter with a drive deep

into Dimmitt territory, but the Bobcats forced a bad pitch on an option play and recovered the loose ball to stop the drive.

A 90-yard touchdown run by Terrence Sherman in the third quarter was wiped out by a clipping call, but Sherman found pay dirt with 1:10 to go in the game on a 10-yard run. The PAT kick failed, leaving the score final at 14-0.

The Bobcat JV is on the road today (Thursday) at Sanford-Fritch, with the kickoff about 7 p.m.

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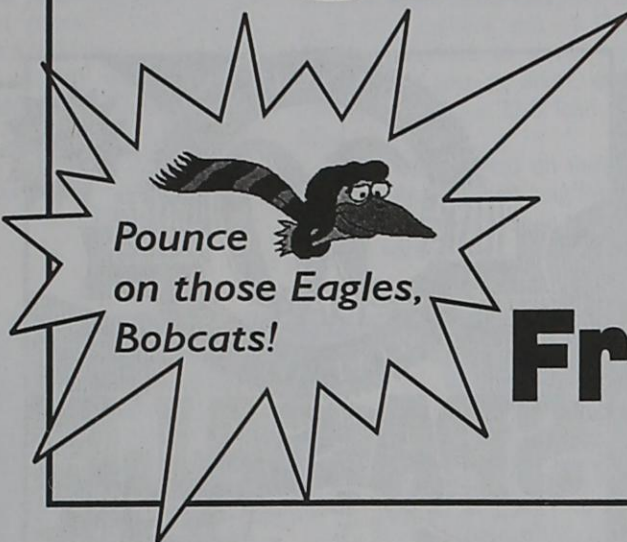
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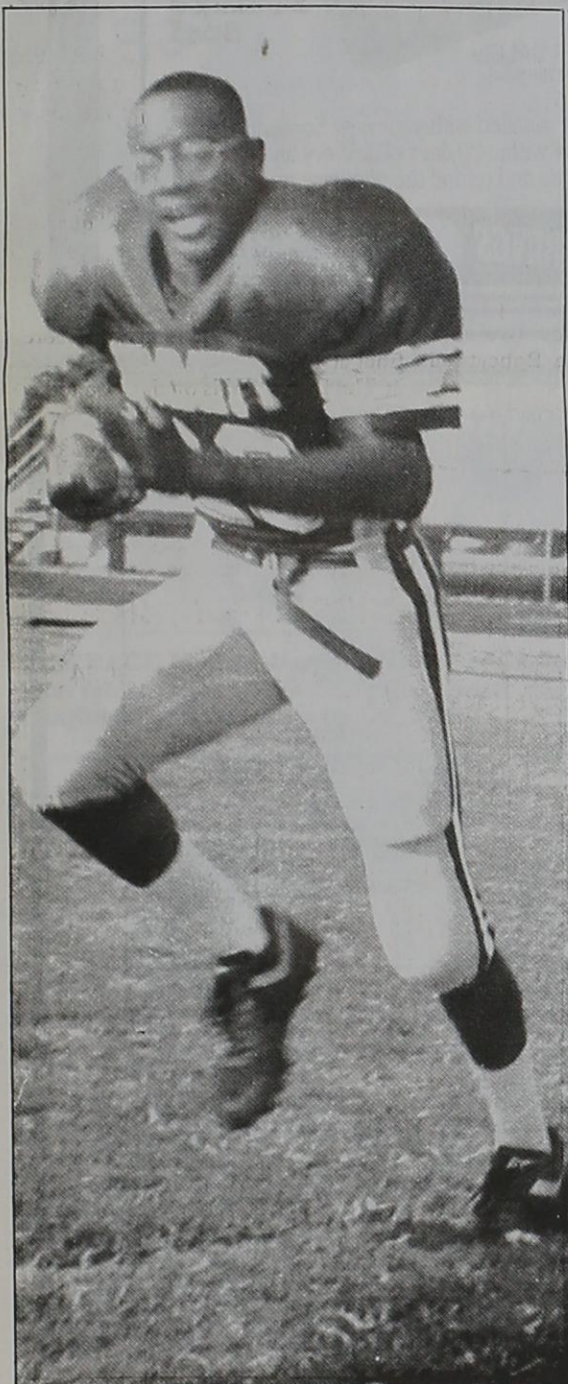
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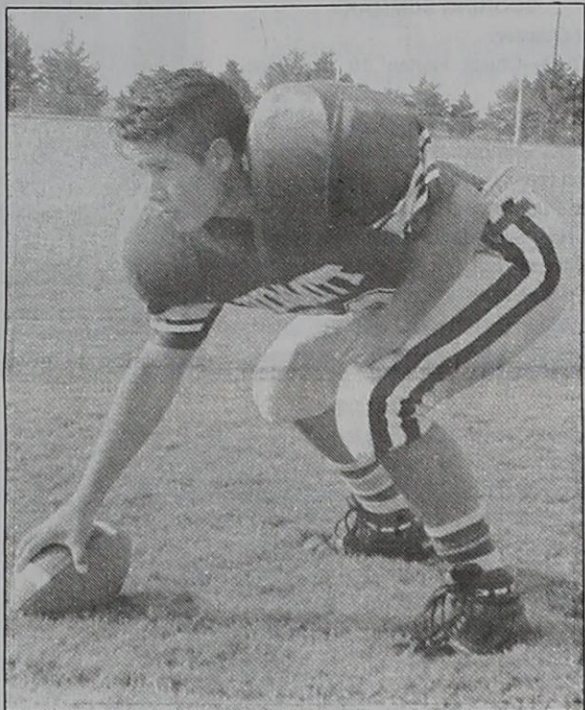
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Bobcats 0, Springlake-Earth 19		
Sept. 15 Sanford-Fritch (Parent's Night)	Here	8:00
Sept. 22 Tulia	Here	8:00
Sept. 29 River Road	Here	8:00
Oct. 6 Slaton	There	8:00
Oct. 13 Floydada*	There	7:30
Oct. 20 Shallowater* (Homecoming)	Here	7:30
Oct. 27 Friona*	There	7:30
Nov. 3 Muleshoe*	There	7:30
Nov. 10 Littlefield*	Here	7:30

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Swifts hampered by errors in 24-0 loss to LCHS

By JUSTIN BINGHAM
Poor field position, early mistakes and a costly injury were key factors as the Nazareth Swifts dropped their 1995 season opener, 24-0, to

Lubbock Christian Friday night. The Swifts fumbled on their first possession, giving Lubbock Christian good field position to start the game.



STRUGGLING TO ESCAPE the clutches of a Lubbock Christian High School defender is Nazareth quarterback Gaylon Schilling (15), who is dragged down after gaining five yards to the Eagle 35-yard line Friday night. Schilling's scramble with 1:16 left in the first quarter, gave the Swifts a first down. Nazareth penetrated the Eagle's 20-yard line three times but never scored and lost the season opener, 24-0.

Photo by Anne Acker

Naz girls place second Minjarez wins Plainview cross country tournament

Hart's Isela Minjarez topped the field in the Plainview Invitational Cross Country meet by 10 seconds Saturday to claim the gold medal in her first meet of the season. Minjarez led a large contingent of county runners who ran good races Saturday, and her time of 12:50 paced the Lady Horns to a sixth-place finish overall. "Isela is really something. A girl from Lorenzo kept at her most of the way, but Isela just kept up a steady pace," said Hart Coach Rachelle Wilcox. "At the end of the race there was nobody close to her. We had to wait for the second place runner to come across." The Nazareth Swiftettes had the best team finish among county competitors, finishing second, just seven points from the gold. The Dimmitt Bobbies came in fourth overall with 94 points and the Lady Horns were

sixth with 138. The Hart Longhorns entered a full team in the meet and finished sixth with a combined 168 points. Mario Guzman led the Hart pack with a ninth-place finish in 17:36. One lone runner from Nazareth competed in the boys' three-mile race, Casey Hoelting, and he finished fourth with a time of 16:48. Pacing the Swiftettes was Carie Wethington, who finished fifth in 13:08. Hot on her heels was teammate Misti Ball, who finished sixth with a time of 13:16. Other Nazareth runners placing were Kira Ball, 11th, 13:33; Tanya Wethington, 15th, 13:38; Tiffany Schmucker, 21st, 14:04; Trina Johnson, 34th, 14:20; and Amy Pohlmeier, 42nd, 14:29. Shawna Kenworthy was the Bobbies' top runner with a time of 13:24 for eighth place. Amy Ethridge finished 14th in 13:37; and Stephanie Hinojosa was 20th in 13:50. In addition to Minjarez, the Lady Horns ran Lisa Rincon, who was 25th in 14:08; Teresa Menchaca, 59th, 14:46; Cynthia Menchaca, 78th, 15:09; Valerie Key, 81st, 15:15; Veronica Gonzales, 87th, 15:20; and Raquel Garcia, 102nd, 15:29.

Other Hart boys competing Saturday included Eric Montemayor, 35th, 18:51; Miguel Gonzales, 46th, 19:28; Harvey Guzman, 66th, 20:28; Adrian Gonzales, 79th, 21:14; Roberto Yebra, 86th, 22:00; and Tony Ayala, 98th, 24:46.

In the junior varsity division, Nazareth's girls were third with 69 points behind Canyon and Amarillo High, and Dimmitt finished fourth with 80. JV Swiftettes competing, with their finishes and times, include: 8. Sara Birkenfeld, 14:08; 15. Jayme Schmucker, 14:25; 16. Lynsey Hoelting, 14:30; 18. Celina Braddock, 14:36; 24. Stephanie Gerber, 15:10; 34. Lori Maurer, 15:31; and 74. Margie Durbin, 16:19.

Dimmitt 9th bests Idalou

Dimmitt's freshman football team hung the first loss ever on the Idalou freshman team with a 12-6 win last Thursday at Bobcat Stadium. The loss was the first ever for this class which is now in its first year at Idalou High School, according to Idalou coaches. The Bobcats struck first, with 4:41 to play in the first quarter when Eric Soldevilla took a reverse and went 12 yards for the score. The PAT failed, leaving Dimmitt with a 6-0 lead. Idalou came back to tie the score in the third quarter when the Wildcats overcame two penalties and completed a fourth-and-long pass at the end of the period for the score. The PAT failed, leaving the score knotted at six. Dimmitt scored the winning touchdown on a 35-yard run by Jaime Lafuente with 2:21 to play. Lafuente broke three tackles on his jaunt to the end zone. The play ended a seven play, 70-yard drive. Idalou tried to come back, and converted on fourth-and-six to the Dimmitt 28 with 31 seconds to play. Two passes were incomplete, then Jacob Larra intercepted a pass to end the threat. Coaches praised Larra for his play on defense; Aaron Wilcox for outstanding work on the offensive line; and Russell Rickert, who subbed for starting quarterback Derek Buckley after Buckley was injured midway through the game. The Dimmitt freshman play again today (Thursday) at 5:30 p.m. at Sanford-Fritch.

Then Nazareth starting tailback Coby Schacher was sidelined early in the second quarter after he suffered pulled knee ligaments. Defensive breakdowns also hampered the Swifts early, and they had a tough time overcoming the early errors and couldn't get back into the game. "I think Friday night's loss was a combination of things," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "Lubbock Christian was pretty good—they were better than I thought, and considerably better than last year. It hurt our offensive game plan when Coby got hurt. Plan B is never as good as Plan A. "Something else that hurt us was we gave up three easy touchdowns, then we got inside their 20 three times and didn't score. I think if we played them again, with or without Coby, we'd make a good game of it. The closeness didn't reflect the difference between the teams." The Eagles took the opening kickoff to their own 40-yard line and began a drive that was led by the running of junior tailback Steven Stone and senior fullback Mitch Jones.

The Swifts managed to hold the Eagle attack and got the ball at their own 15. Two plays later, disaster number one struck Nazareth. Quentin Dobmeier fumbled on Nazareth's 22 and the Eagles recovered in excellent field position. Quarterback Chuck Horton completed a short pass to Tatum Stallings, then found the end zone on a 12-yard run to the outside with 6:31 left in the opening stanza. The point-after failed, leaving LCHS on top 6-0. Nazareth started its next possession at its own 25, but penalties killed the drive and forced the Swifts to punt. Swift sophomore Shane Ethridge took the ball right back when he recovered an Eagle fumble a short time later. Nazareth's offense finally started rolling after that. Gaylon Schilling and Coby Schacher each picked up a first down before the first period was over and Nazareth threatened inside

the Eagles' 20-yard line. Schilling completed an 8-yard pass to Dobmeier, but two more passes fell incomplete. Nazareth elected to try for a field goal, but Cody Annen's kick was wide left and the Eagles took over. On the second play of the Eagles' next drive, Stone broke outside and disaster number two struck the Swifts. Schilling and Schacher both went after Stone and collided on the play. Schacher pulled ligaments in his knee and wouldn't return to the game. Lubbock Christian continued marching downfield and capped off the drive with a 36-yard pass from Horton to Nathan Sneed, giving LCHS a 12-0 lead after the two-point conversion failed. The two teams traded punts before the Swifts mounted another decent offensive drive. Starting from its own 30, Nazareth moved downfield with the help of three complete passes from Schilling

Game at a Glance

	NAZ	LCHS
First Downs	12	13
Rushing Yards	69	187
Passing Yards	112	68
Total Offense	181	255
Passes Comp./Att.	9/26	N/A
Passes Int. By	1	0
Fumbles Lost	1	2
Nazareth	0	0
LCHS	6	6

SCORING SUMMARY
First Quarter:
LCHS—Chuck Horton 10 run (kick failed).
Second Quarter:
LCHS—Nathan Sneed 36 pass from Horton (pass failed).
Third Quarter:
LCHS—Mitch Jones 7 run (kick failed).
Fourth Quarter:
LCHS—Sneed 20 pass from Horton (kick failed).

to Nathan Hoelting, Justin Bingham and Dobmeier. The first completion, a 30-yarder to Hoelting, gave the Swifts confidence and they marched toward the goal line, but this time it was the clock that halted the drive as time expired in the first half. The Swifts' first possession in the second half ended with a punt while the Eagles capitalized on theirs. A long drive by the Eagles was capped with an 8-yard touchdown scamper by Stone. A failed conversion left it 18-0 with 7:23 left in the third. Penalties forced Nazareth to punt again, but the Swifts got the ball right back when Bingham intercepted an Eagle pass at the 15-yard line. The drive stalled on the Nazareth 40 and Hoelting had to punt again. Jayson Burnam recovered an Eagle fumble near the end of the third period, then Schilling completed a 15-yard pass to

Bingham to move the chains into Eagle territory as the quarter ended. Dobmeier rushed for a pair of first downs and the Swifts threatened from inside the 20-yard line again. Lubbock Christian's defense held on the goal line stand and Nazareth was denied again. After the teams traded possession one more time, Lubbock Christian started its final scoring drive at midfield. With 2:39 left in the game, Horton found Sneed for a 21-yard touchdown play to make the final score 24-0. Schilling completed four more passes and finished 9-of-26 for 112 yards. "Because of our youth we just made a lot of mistakes," said Price. "There's just one way to get over the kind of mistakes we made—playing time. We had probably five or six sophomores on the field on defense and for them, varsity is a different speed and a different level."

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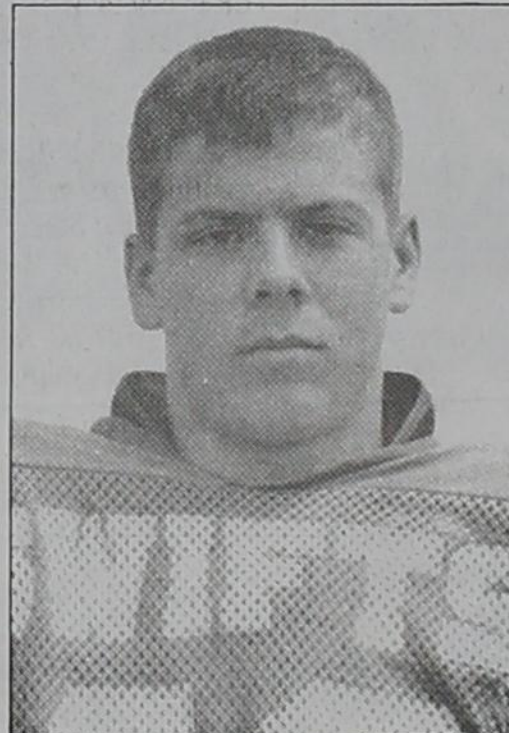
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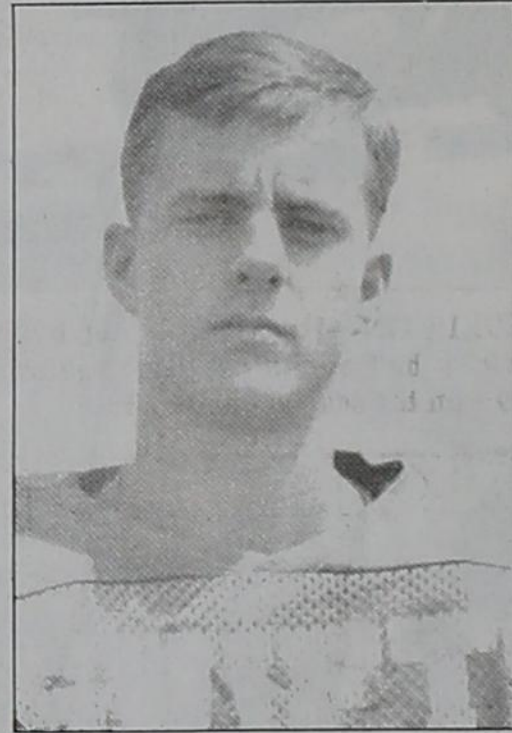
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Longhorns bite Bulldogs, 30-8

The Longhorns started the season with a bang Friday night as they defeated the Anton Bulldogs, 30-8.

Keeping with their tradition of playing tough, physical, aggressive defense, the 'Horns got things going their way by preventing the Bulldogs from getting anything going on offense in the first half. The Bulldogs were unable to get even one first down in the first 24 minutes.

While the defense was dominating the Bulldogs, the offense pulled out the stops on the first play—a halfback pass to J. R. Lee that covered 37 yards to inside the Anton 20. However, as Lee cut to try for the end zone, the ball was stripped and Anton recovered.

After holding Anton to three plays and a punt, the 'Horns started over inside Bulldog territory. When their drive stalled, Raynea Garcia booted a 32-yard field goal for the team's first points of the season, giving Hart a 3-0 lead.

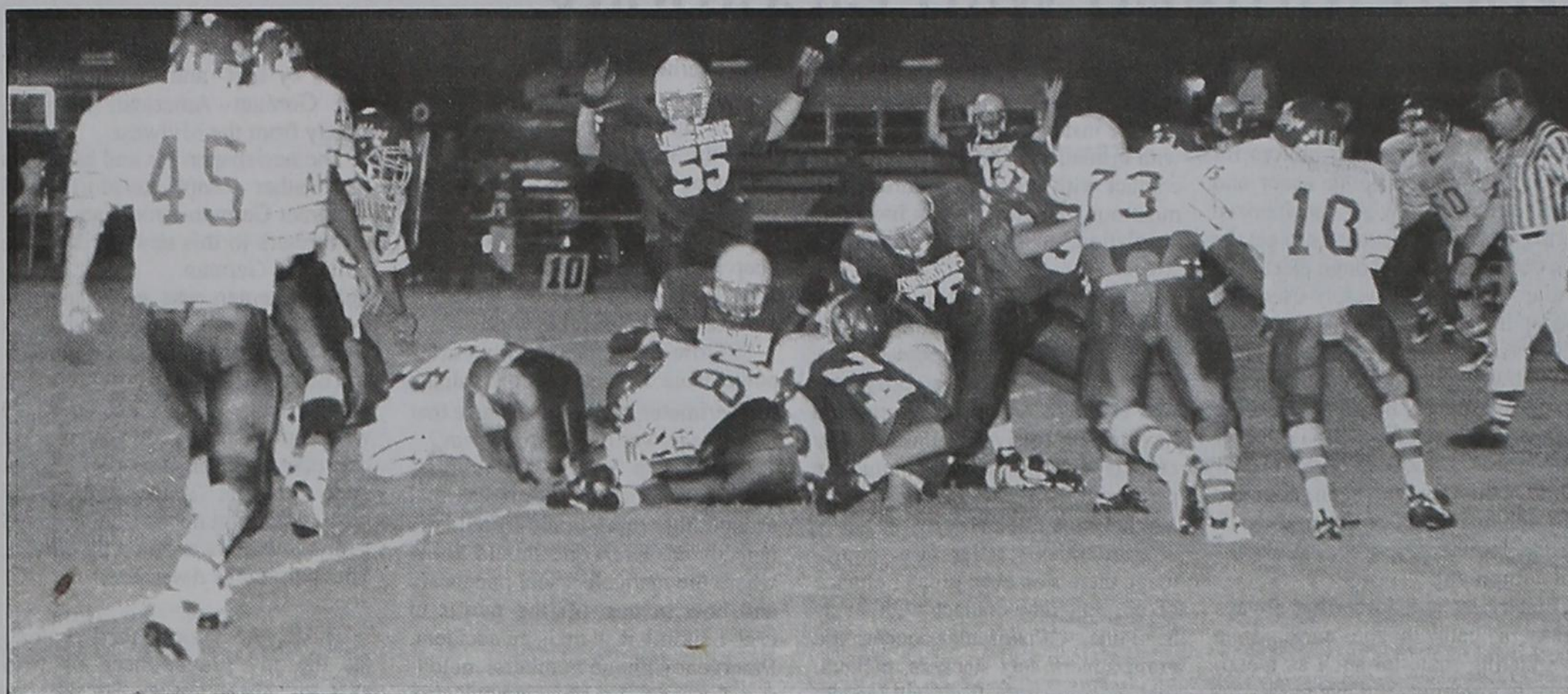
In the second quarter, Matt Huerta made a leaping catch in the end zone to score on an 18-yard touchdown pass from John Welps. After Garcia booted the extra point, the 'Horns carried a 10-0 lead into halftime.

After taking the second-half kickoff, the 'Horns drove straight to the end zone, with Welps scoring on a three-yard plunge. The spiffiest play in the drive was a 31-yard halfback pass from Jeremy Card to J. R. Lee that put the ball inside the Anton 20. A little razzle-dazzle on a two-point conversion attempt failed, leaving the 'Horns ahead, 16-0.

Garcia's kickoff went out of the end zone, giving the Bulldogs the ball on their own 20. On the first play, Anthony Jones went 80 yards for Anton's only touchdown of the night. A pass on a fake extra-point play quickly cut Hart's lead to 16-8 and put the Bulldogs back into the game.

But the Longhorns kept the momentum from turning as they marched the ball back downfield with a strong ground attack. The final 31 yards to the end zone came on a nifty cutback run by Garcia. Another attempt at a two-point conversion came up short, and the Longhorns held a 22-8 lead in the third.

Both teams stalled on their next possessions, but the Longhorns put the Bulldogs in a hole in the fourth quarter with a punt inside the An-



TOUCHDOWN! — Hart's Longhorns start the celebration as quarterback John Welps crosses the goal line on a three-yard sneak in the season opener against the Anton Bulldogs Friday night. This

third-quarter TD gave the 'Horns a 16-0 lead and they went on to post a 30-8 victory.

Photo by Shawn Thomas



THE RACE IS ON—Hart's J. R. Lee heads for open country on a punt return in the Longhorns' game against Anton Friday night. The Longhorns won the season opener, 30-8.

Photo by Shawn Thomas

ton 20, followed by a penalty. The Anton quarterback dropped back into his end zone to pass, but Welps knocked him loose from the ball and Juan Romero fell on it for the Longhorns' final TD of the night.

After a bad snap on the extra-point try, Welps scrambled and found Lee in the end zone for a two-point conversion pass, leaving the final tally at 30-8.

Raynea Garcia was Hart's leading rusher with 61 yards on 19 carries as the Longhorns' ground attack netted 107 yards for the night. J. R. Lee led the receiving corps with seven catches for 139 yards as Hart amassed 179 yards through the air. Welps finished with seven completions on 10 passes for 111 yards.

Defensively, Hart held Anton to 106 yards rushing and 12 yards passing on two-of-nine.

Armondo Minjares paced the Longhorn defense with nine tackles, followed by Juan Romero with 7-1/2. Dusty Ortiz also had a big night as he joined in to cause five tackles behind the line of scrimmage.

The 'Horns looked like their old selves on defense as they swarmed to the ball, with several players in on every tackle.

With a strong defensive showing and the offense lighting up the scoreboard, the Longhorns' optimism about a district championship continues to grow as they head into this week's battle with the Swifts at Nazareth. The 'Horns will be looking for support from the fans Friday, since the Swifts always play the 'Horns tough.

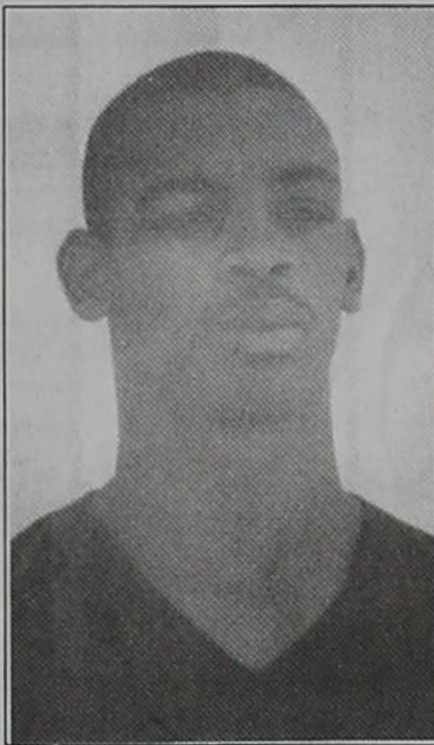
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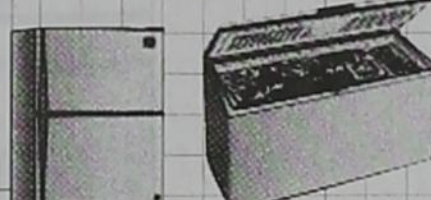
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Each year serious accidents occur on farms due to human error or a lack of understanding about electrical hazards. Almost all of these accidents could have been avoided through the practice of safe work habits and the proper use of electrical equipment.

Electricity is a force that always seeks a path to the earth. If a conducting material such as metal, water, a tree branch or even a person provides that path to the ground, current will flow and a fatal shock can occur. Even materials like rope straw or dry wood can conduct electricity from high voltage sources. When a person accidentally touches an energized wire or piece of equipment, the human body becomes part of the path for electric current. Depending upon the level of current and its path through the body, the effects can range from an unpleasant shock to a severe burn or even sudden death.

Many people mistakenly believe that a common 15-amp 120-volt circuit does not carry enough current to pose a threat of death. The truth is that well under one amp of current can be lethal, particularly when the

path of current is through the heart or head.

Wire inside buildings is protected with insulation to prevent accidental contact with people or animals, but most outside wires do not have this insulation, so the wires should be avoided.

Make sure irrigation systems (center pivot, traveling gun, etc.) do not direct water onto power lines. Overhead power lines carry extremely high levels of current and have no protective insulation. Any objects that provide a conductive path from the line to earth can carry a lethal flow of electricity.

With today's taller farm equipment, there's an even greater chance of coming into contact with overhead lines. Of particular concern are grain augers, hay stackers, pickers, fold-up cultivators, front-end loaders and CF antennas on tractors and combines. Operators should know the clearance height of all farm equipment they will be using. All equipment should be lowered before passing near or beneath power lines. Operators should have a person spotting for them when they are moving equipment. They should never attempt to raise or move a power line and guy wires should be avoided. Running into these weakens the support for power lines.

Potential danger areas should be pointed out to workers and family members. Among these include electrical panels to cut off power, guy wires and overhead lines.

Irrigation pipe, especially aluminum pipe, poses a special problem

near overhead power lines because the pipe is an excellent conductor and is difficult to control. When working with irrigation pipe, the following precautions should be followed:

- When moving pipe sections, keep pipe clear of power lines. Always look overhead before handling pipe and get help if it is windy.

- Store pipe well away from power lines. Do not store pipe along the perimeter of a field because that is where power lines usually run.

In addition to the agricultural-related precautions, hazards in and around the rural home should be considered. Everyone should know where the main electrical panels are and how to turn off the power in each building if there is an accident. Emergency phone numbers, including the number for your electric power supplier, should be kept handy.



	HART	ANTON
First Downs	17	3
Rushing	110	135
Passing Yards	169	-17
Total Offense	279	118
Passes Comp./Att.	7/10	2/9
Passes Int. By	0	0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-1
Punts-Avg.	6-36	2-38
Penalties-Yards	5-25	7-45

Hart	3	7	12	8	--	30
Anton	0	0	8	0	--	8

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter:
HART--Raynea Garcia 32 field goal.

Second Quarter:
HART--Matt Huerta 18 pass from John Welps (Garcia kick).

Third Quarter:
HART--Welps 3 run (run failed).
ANTON--Anthony Jones 80 run (pass good).
HART--Juan Romero fumble recovery in end zone (run failed).

Fourth Quarter:
HART--Garcia 31 run (J.R. Lee pass from Welps).

ing, the number of people served and the geographic location—close proximity to other counties.

She explained that the eastern half of Castro County will now be served by Swisher County while the western half will be taken care of by Parmer County.

"We'll keep an answering machine in the Dimmitt office and someone will check it daily," Davis said. "An 800 number will be made available and if an emergency arises, a counselor will be made available immediately."

"So we'll be spending \$6,250 a year for an empty office with only an answering machine," County Judge Irene Miller questioned the MH/MR representatives.

The \$6,250 Miller referred to includes \$600 in janitor services, \$750 in telephone expenses, \$1,400 for utilities and \$3,500 for rent, all of which the county pays to keep the office which has been the home for the Dimmitt Counseling Center.

Davis and Sheetz assured commissioners they would work with the county in any way to assure services continue here, and if other arrangements could be made, they would be agreeable. They just asked that an office or meeting room of some kind be made available once a month when the staff psychiatrist and nurse visit Castro County patients.

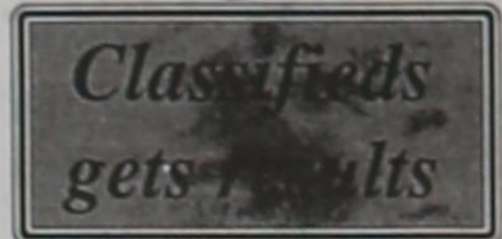
Davis said the center would review its financial situation monthly, and if it looks like it would be feasible, the Castro County position would be re-instated immediately.

Commissioners approved judges for the Nov. 7 special election, as follows:

Republican: Lula Mae Hanes, Darla Stewart, Bob Walters, Delores Triana, Sharon Sadler, Willis Hawkins Jr., and Irene Wilhelm. Early voting clerk will be Veronica Wilhelm. County chairman is Deanne Clark.

Democratic: Glyn Reed, Kevin Riley, Darene Collins, Greg Odom, Carleta Hawkins, Oscar Wylie and Patsy Hudman. (Judge for voting box 208 has not been named, yet). Max Newman will serve as early voting clerk and Don Newman is county chairman.

In other action, commissioners adopted a vehicle pursuit policy for county law enforcement officers, discussed remodeling the Expo Building to meet ADA standards; and approved easements for American Maize Products Co., which plans to install underground pipelines which will cross county roads.



More about 1:1

Nazareth was settled in the early 1900s by first- and second-generation German-American families, mostly from the Midwest.

The newspaper ads and handbills that Father Joseph Reisdorff used to attract German-American Catholic farmers to this new parish were written in German.

But German was never used in the Nazareth schools. The children were taught in English.

Today, I doubt if you could find many Nazareth residents under 70 who can speak much German. But that doesn't mean they've forsaken their heritage. Their heritage by birth is the same as the heritage their forefathers adopted by choice. That heritage is *American*.

Those who came to the US alone (as did my grandfather), or who came in communities (as did the people of Castroville), or who formed communities out of a common cultural-religious background (as did the founders of Nazareth), all had two things in common: (1) They chose to be Americans, and (2) They recognized the need, as Americans, to learn English.

The situations of my grandfather, of Castroville and of Nazareth weren't unique. Their experiences were repeated on hundreds of farms and in scores of communities throughout Texas.

So here I am, two generations removed from my Granddad Patzke. I'm part German, part Polish, part Celtic, part Scandinavian and maybe a little Cherokee. Like most of my countrymen, I'm 100% American and conversant in only one language.

In college, I made a pitiful stab at learning the language of my grandfather. Later, I realized that Spanish would be a more useful language to know, and I made a couple of pitiful stabs at learning that language, too. But I was lukewarm about learning any other language because I didn't really need it.

I'm an American and my language is English. If I were ever to move to another country, I would expect to learn that country's common language. But for the here and now, if you want to do business with me, do it in English. And

don't speak any other language in front of me when there are only three of us in the room.

The brouhaha over Judge Sam Kiser's recent remarks in the Laureano custody hearing in Amarillo is puzzling to me.

Ms. Laureano's ex-husband said he wanted their 5-year-old daughter to learn English, but that the bilingual Ms. Laureano would speak only Spanish to the child at home. Judge Kiser sided with the father.

With Ms. Laureano vocally challenging Judge Kiser's every phrase, the judge may have said more than he intended to in responding to her objections.

The mother said that her daughter could learn English when she started school, but at home she was going to learn Spanish. Judge Kiser said that was a form of neglect bordering on abuse because it could put the child at a serious academic and social disadvantage when she started school.

As one of the terms of her custody, Ms. Loreano was ordered to teach her daughter English first and Spanish second, as the girl's father had requested.

That, as I understand it, was the crux of his court order. All the other remarks that have added fuel to the fire were incidental and not part of the official record.

I can sympathize with Mrs. Loreano's situation. She is not a resident of an "immigrant community," such as Castroville used to be. Still, she and her daughter are part of a community within a community—a significant population of Mexican-American Texans.

I'm sure many Mexican-Americans feel in their hearts that their heritage is tied to their language. I'm sure many feel, with good reason, that their children need to learn Spanish if they are to communicate with their relatives in Mexico. I can appreciate both arguments. But still...

Being bilingual is an enviable trait. A child can be taught either at home or in school to be bilingual.

But I don't see why an American child should *not* be taught English if it's within her mother's capability to teach it, or why the schools should be asked to teach a child English if one or both parents can do it. Too many parents already have forfeited too many family responsibilities to the schools.

I side with my grandfather, and

with Joe Schott's father, and with the Nazareth settlers, and with Judge Kiser. The common language of the US is English. If you're going to live in the US, learn to speak it—as millions of others have.

Obituary

Emmett E. Foster

Services for former Hart mayor, Emmett E. Foster, 100, were held Monday at First United Methodist Church in Hart with Rev. Greg Kennedy, pastor, and Steve Ulrey, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Wellington, officiating.

Burial followed in Hart Cemetery under the direction of Foskey Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Foster died at 6:50 p.m. last Thursday in Amarillo after a lengthy illness.

He was born June 27, 1895, in Talbot County. He lived in Petersburg for 35 years before he moved to Hart in 1955. He married Maggie Lena Falls on Aug. 6, 1919, in Amarillo. She died on Oct. 5, 1982.

He married Bessie Mae Cox on Aug. 12, 1983, in Hart. She died Jan. 15, 1995.

Mr. Foster served with the Calvary in World War I. He was a charter member of the American Legion and had been a member of the organization for 77 years.

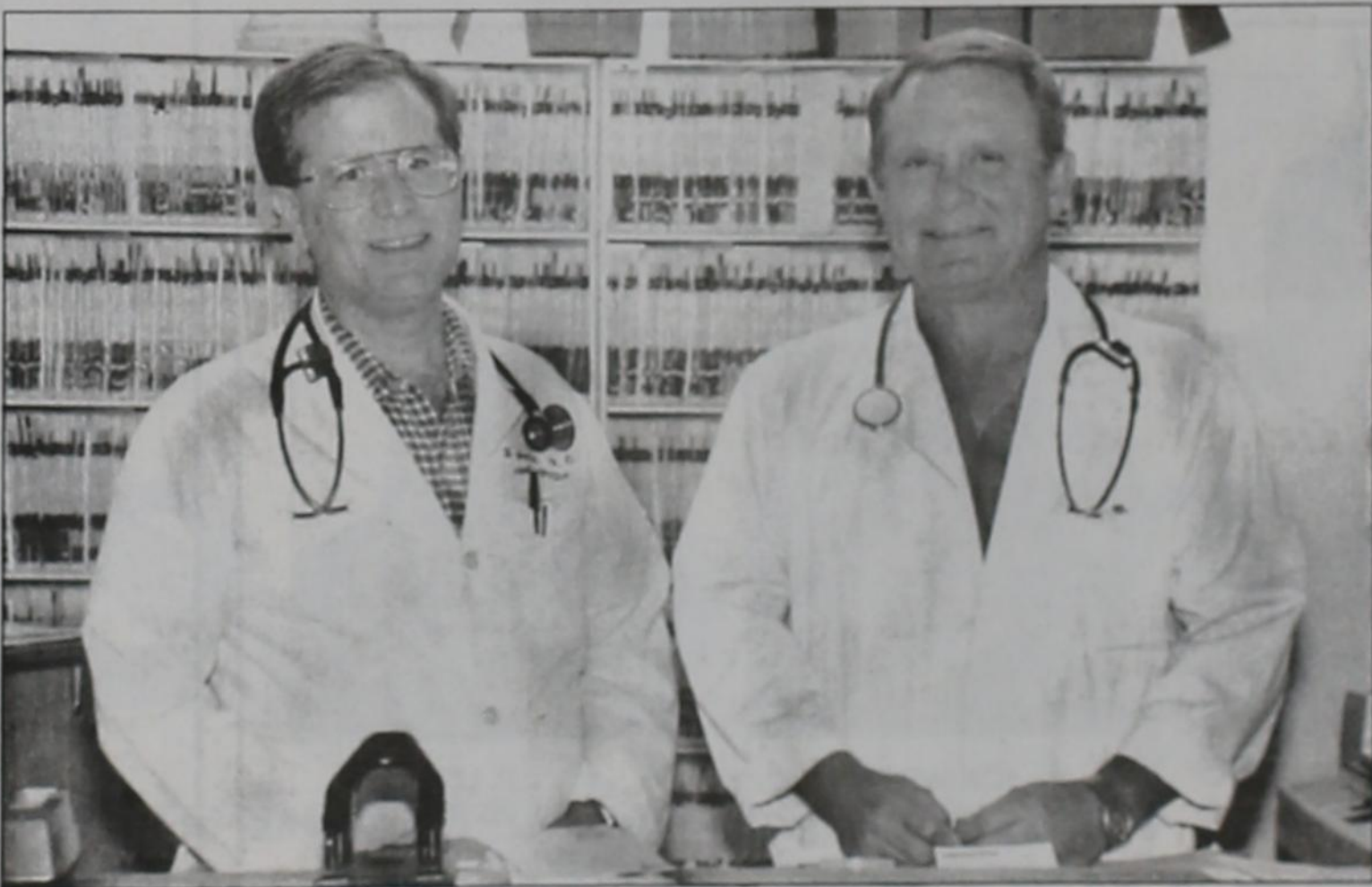
He was a charter member of the Hart Lions Club and was a member of Olton Masonic Lodge #1257. He served as Hart's mayor and had been a former manager of Hart Producers Co-op Gin. He was named Honored Pioneer in Hart in 1986. He was a member of the Hart First United Methodist Church.

Mr. Foster also was preceded in death by a sister, four brothers and a grandson.

Survivors include a son, Wamon Foster of Hart; two daughters, Marie Lawrence of Phoenix, Ariz., and Aileene Tucker of Amarillo; four brothers, Roy Foster and Robert Foster, both of Lubbock, Woodrow Foster of Center and Lon Foster of California; nine grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be the the Hart Volunteer Fire Dept., P.O. Box 329, Hart, Texas, 79043.

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Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District



1995 ANNUAL REPORT

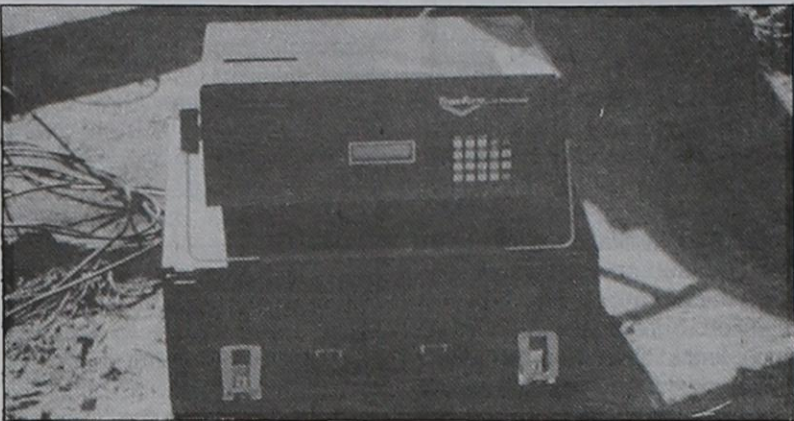


In 1995, the District received over \$36,000 for cost share assistance for Castro County producers with Water Quality Plans. The District assisted the NRCS office in writing and approving 14 Water Quality plans on producers and covered such practices as pasture planting, installation of center pivots on B slope ground, irrigation pipeline, renozzling packages, chemigation setup, and a diversion share assistance that a producer can receive. At present, this is the one time assistance program. The funds that are available are to encourage producers to develop and follow a water quality plan. If any producer is interested in developing a water quality plan they should contact the local NRCS office in Dimmitt.



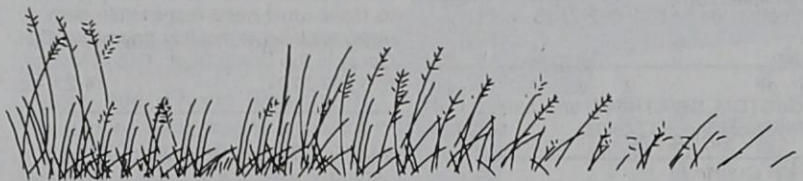
The Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District and the Natural Resources Conservation Service had an outstanding year in carrying out a sound conservation program. This past year they accomplished the following:

Landowners assisted.....	335
Operators applying conservation practices.....	168
Cropland with practices being applied.....	54,771
Rangeland with practices being applied.....	6,198
Pastureland with practices being applied.....	888
ACP referrals serviced.....	20
Irrigation pipeline installed.....	29,255
Current GPCP contracts.....	7/10603
1995 Water Quality Plans.....	14
Fencing.....	22,117 LF
Pipelines (livestock).....	4590 LF
Livestock Watering Facilities.....	5



This past year, Earl Behrends with the Natural Resources Conservation Service office in Dimmitt, using the District Polysonic flowmeter checked 364 irrigation wells. The District purchased the polysonic flowmeter on May 24, 1990. Since that time 2163 irrigation wells in Castro County have been checked. Although this was an expensive piece of equipment for the District to buy, it has proved to be a valuable tool.

Also during the 1995 fiscal year, the Texas Water Development Board, with the assistance of the local NRCS personnel completed 26 center pivot evaluation for local producers. These evaluations provide producers with information on their pattern, application, and system efficiency. In 1995, two out of 26 had a good over all efficiency. On the overall picture in 1995 the 26 pivots averaged the following 69% an pattern efficiency, 92% application efficiency, and 63% system efficiency. This shows that while the application efficiency on most of the pivots checked fell in the good range, the pattern efficiency is low, it should be between the 80-90%. Also the system efficiency is low. The Texas Water Development Board scheduled two to three weeks each year in Castro County to preform these pivot evaluations. If anyone is interested in having a pivot evaluation completed they should contact the local NRCS office and get their name on the list.



Balance Sheet

August 31, 1995

Assets

Current Assets

Cash in Bank	
Trust.....	271.66
State.....	1,719.05
CD.....	10,086.61
Total Current Assets.....	12,077.32

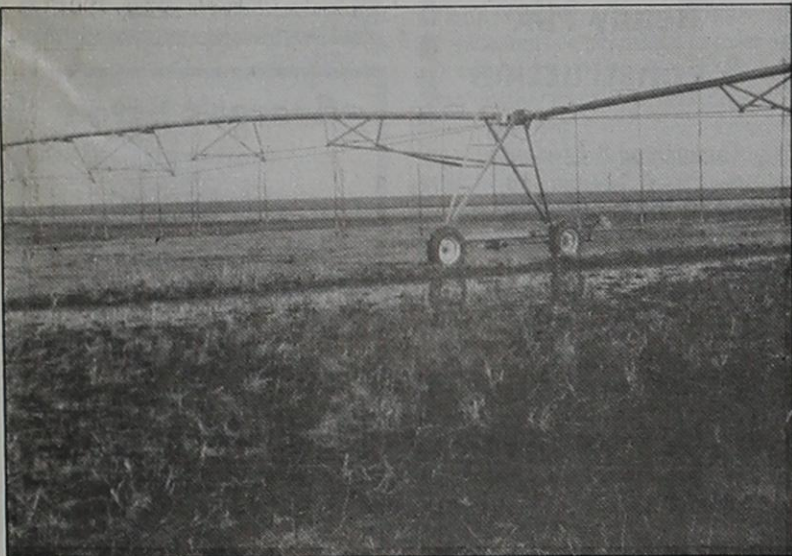
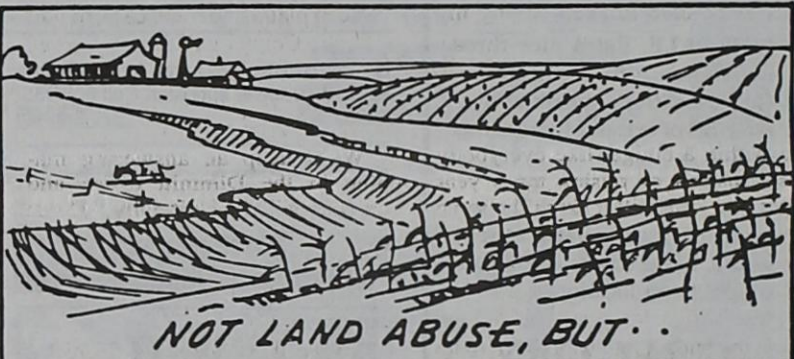
Property and Equipment

Flow Meter.....	7,540.00
Laser Level.....	3,345.00
Total Property and Equipment.....	10,885.00

Total Assets.....	22,932.22
Liabilities.....	0

Net Worth.....	22,932.22
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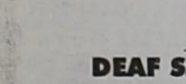
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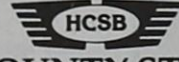
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The incident led to a foot chase and then a car chase west of Dimmitt after the fleeing suspects stashed the victim's purse in a parked pickup near where the crime occurred. The purse and all its contents were recovered later.

The victim was Mary Edna Hendrix, curator of the Castro County Historical Museum.

Mrs. Hendrix, 80, said she was walking to the museum from North Broadway after leaving her car at George's Service, and was in the 300 block of West Halsell Street when a Hispanic teenager dressed in black grabbed her purse from behind.

The purse-snatcher and a companion apparently had been stalking Mrs. Hendrix for three blocks, police said.

Mrs. Hendrix chased the suspects on foot until she lost them near the office of Dr. B. D. Murphy.

Mrs. Hendrix didn't know that help was on the way.

Hector Rodriguez, 43, was driving by when he saw the purse-snatching, and immediately notified police with his cellular phone. According to Police Chief Ray Aleman, Rodriguez also confronted both youths, then attempted to follow them after checking on Mrs. Hendrix's condition, and stayed in contact with the 9-1-1 operator until police and sheriff's officers took up the chase.

Another witness who saw the purse-snatching from the hospital also reported the incident immediately, Aleman said.

A mixup on the identification of the suspects' car led police and sheriff's officers on a "wild goose chase" out Highway 86 west and along FM 1055, but Animal Control Officer Hector Ledesma located the youths' vehicle in the same neighborhood where the purse-snatching occurred, and police arrested a 17-year-old probationer within 30 minutes after the incident, Aleman reported.

The youth's companion was arrested the next day. Both were placed in juvenile detention, and face an enhanced charge of aggravated robbery under a new Texas law because the victim was over 65, Aleman said.

Two burglaries and a criminal trespass incident were reported during the week.

Someone broke a window at Farmers Supply, 201 W. Jones St., and took two rally sport wheels and four low-profile whitewall tires. The burglary was discovered early Sunday morning. Value of the stolen goods was estimated at \$300 and damage to the window at \$500.

A .357 caliber Ruger Blackhawk revolver and brown carrying case were reported stolen from a home on Northwest Second Street Sunday. Value was estimated at \$191.

Ascencion Vargas, 400 SW Sixth St., complained to police Saturday evening that someone had entered his residence without permission.

Police are investigating two cases of criminal mischief. Windows reportedly were damaged Sunday at the Hays Company, 805 W. Bedford St., and a 1987 Chevrolet owned by Max Martinez received an estimated \$200 worth of vandalism damage in a recent incident.

A fight Saturday afternoon at a home on Northwest Ninth Street led to a charge of aggravated assault and a charge of simple assault. A 30-year-old man complained that he had been stabbed with a pair of scissors, and a 63-year-old woman reported that she had been hit.

Police jailed a 40-year-old Dimmitt man Monday on a bodily injury warrant (Class A assault). He posted \$1,500 bail and was released Tuesday after being arraigned before County Judge Irene Miller.

Others jailed during the week included:

—A 38-year-old Tulia man for felony violation of parole (DWI).

—A 35-year-old Hereford man for failure to appear on a criminal non-support warrant.

—A 40-year-old Hereford woman on a Class B theft warrant from Potter County.



THURSDAY ACCIDENT SCENE—Emergency medical technicians transport Mrs. Elizabeth Golding, 718 Maple St., from her car to the ambulance following a broadside accident last Thursday afternoon at the intersection of South Broadway and Belsher Street. Her 1989 Ford sedan was hit on the left back quarter-panel by a 1989 Chevrolet pickup (left background) driven by Luis Dozal, 605 E.

Dulin St. Police said Mrs. Golding started across Broadway in front of Dozal's northbound pickup; she was cited for failure to yield right-of-way. She escaped with abrasions and contusions, but because of a recent hip-socket replacement, she is still in Plains Memorial's swing-bed program for physical therapy. Her condition is reported as good. Dozal was treated and released.

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"And defensively, it's the same old deal—vintage Hart defense," Price said. "They're known to be tough on defense, and have been for a long time."

For Coach Brown, it's a season of "firsts." Hart is his first head coaching job; the opening win over Anton was his first victory as a head coach; and Friday night he'll be involved in his first Hart-Nazareth game—at Nazareth.

"I've never played at Nazareth," he said. "They tell me it's quite an experience. I know they have quite a tradition, and they play everybody tough. The home field always has some advantage."

Hart has the experience advantage, though. The Longhorns have five offensive and five defensive starters back from last year, including five seniors with three years' experience each. Nazareth counters

with four offensive and three defensive returnees, but only two seniors and a squad heavy with juniors and sophomores.

In past years, the annual set-to between Hart and Nazareth—two of the most respected football programs in the area—has determined Class A playoff rights. But Friday night's game will be only for bragging rights, since the Longhorns are in District 2-AA and the Swifts in

District 2-A.

"We have all the respect in the world for them," Nazareth's coach said. "Our young guys are going to have to step up and play at an extremely intense level this week for us to have a chance. But this is just what we need—some good, solid non-district games to get our young kids over the hump."

"It'll be a game, I'll betcha," Hart's coach predicted.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to allow open-space land used for wildlife management to qualify for tax appraisal in the same manner as open-space agricultural land, subject to eligibility limitations provided by the legislature."

PROPOSITION NO. 12 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 31 proposes a constitutional amendment providing that the legislature may exempt from ad valorem taxation income-producing personal property and mineral interests that have a taxable value which is insufficient to recover the costs of administering the tax.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation personal property and mineral interests having a value insufficient to recover the administrative costs of collecting the taxes."

PROPOSITION NO. 13 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution No. 35 proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing the governing body of a political subdivision to exempt from ad valorem taxation boats and other equipment used primarily in the commercial taking or production of fish, shrimp, shellfish, and other marine life.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the governing body of a political subdivision to exempt from ad valorem taxation boats and other equipment used primarily in the commercial taking or production of fish, shrimp, shellfish, and other marine life."

PROPOSITION NO. 14 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 68 proposes a constitutional amendment that allows the legislature to raise the current ad valorem tax exemption for disabled veterans and their surviving spouses and minor children. The tax exemptions would be raised based on a veteran's disability rating as follows:

Disability	Maximum Tax Exemption
10%-30%	\$ 5,000
30%-50%	\$ 7,500
50%-70%	\$10,000
More than 70%	\$12,000
Age 65 and 10% or higher	\$12,000
Loss or loss of use of limb	\$12,000
Blindness or paraplegia	\$12,000

The spouse and children of any veteran who dies while on active duty may be granted an exemption of up to \$5,000. The amounts of the exemptions provided for in this proposed amendment may be repealed by the legislature by general law.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment relating to raising the limits of the exemption from ad valorem taxation of property owned by disabled veterans or by the surviving spouses or surviving minor children of disabled veterans."

Este es el informe explicatorio sobre la enmienda propuesta a la constitución que aparecerá en la boleta el día 7 de noviembre de 1995. Si usted no ha recibido una copia del informe en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/252/8683 a por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711

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Texas State and two years with the Amstar Corp. She received four days' training before Hall moved to Oklahoma.

Heller established a structure of standing committees and built up a big menu of annual projects and events.

"She helped write the book on what a chamber of commerce ought to do," Hanners said.

What was once the annual "Roundup" on the county's birthday in August became "Harvest Days," an annual celebration for all ages, built around the county fair in September.

Working with the City Council, she developed the annual Clean-up, Fix-up, Pride-up (CUFUPU) campaign in the spring of 1980 to improve and monitor the city's appearance.

"Dorothy Hopson got the bandwagon going on that," she said. The CUFUPU campaign won the Governor's Community Achievement Award in 1983.

Through the years she developed the Dimmitt Dollars program, the Merchants' Christmas Open House with Santa's annual visit, the Gallery of Gifts arts and crafts show, welcome packets for newcomers, the Dimmitt Dynamos booster corps, new "Welcome to Dimmitt" signs, an array of souvenirs that includes postcards, pins, Dimmitt cookbooks and caps, the annual City-Wide Garage Sale, and most recently, a Dimmitt Buyers' Guide and Membership Directory. She also helped revive the annual *Follies* variety show, which has now been in limbo several years.

Some of her longest days, though, were devoted to economic and industrial development. Working with the City Council and County Commissioners Court, she helped form the Economic Development Committee and establish the city's Enterprise and Reinvestment Zones. She developed many economic, demographic and site reports through the years for potential new industries and businesses, and in 1993 helped shepherd a successful \$4.5 million bond election to enable the city to provide

facilities and sites for new industries.

In 1983, the Chamber of Commerce purchased its own building on West Bedford Street, with modern offices and a large meeting room.

"That was a big step for the chamber," Heller said. "It made us twice as visible and much more used by the public."

With a note of pride, she added, "We'll have the building paid off ahead of time—in November of '98."

Two other big projects in which she was instrumental were the hosting of the Texas Sesquicentennial Wagon Train in 1986 ("We really worried about that project, but it worked out fine"), and the Castro County Centennial celebration in 1991.

"I will always be grateful I was in this position so I could be a part of the Centennial," she said. "I'll always be proud of our Centennial Plaza. I think the Centennial had the most widespread participation of any project we've ever had."

A former player on a championship Bobbies basketball team, Heller faced a crisis in her career when she was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1985. But a sympathetic chamber board helped with new office technology to reduce the physical demands of her job, and through medication, diet and determination, she has continued to work full-time.

In 1990, she was named Dimmitt's "Citizen of the Decade."

"I know I will miss my job with the chamber because of the people you get to meet and work with," she said. "It's as though I have grown up and into the chamber role. Many friendships have been made. In a way it is like any other job because you have tasks you don't particularly enjoy doing, but it is never boring, and when a project that you've worked hard on is successful, the adrenalin flows and you get such a great feeling."

She added, "I believe in the chamber, and although the chamber is losing a director, it will have a new member."

PUBLIC NOTICE BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 7, 1995

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 50 proposes a constitutional amendment providing that the legislature by general law may authorize the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue general obligation bonds of the state in an amount not exceeding \$300 million to finance educational loans to students. The maximum interest rate to be borne by the bonds must be set by law. The legislature may provide for the investment of bond proceeds and may establish an interest and sinking fund to pay the bonds.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$300 million in general obligation bonds to finance education loans to students."

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 36 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation the property of an organization chartered by the Congress of the Republic of Texas if the property is used primarily for the charitable, benevolent, or public service activities of the organization as defined by general law. The Comptroller's Property Tax Division has identified the Grand Lodge of Texas, also known as the Masonic Lodges, as the primary organization which would qualify for this tax exemption.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation property of an organization chartered by the Congress of the Republic of Texas that is used primarily for the charitable, benevolent, or public service activities of the organization."

PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 51 proposes a constitutional amendment that provides that the farm and ranch finance program fund shall be administered by the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority and not by the Veterans' Land Board, as provided by current law. In addition, the proposed amendment provides that the proceeds of \$200 million of the \$500 million in bonds authorized by the Texas Constitution for the farm and ranch finance program fund may be diverted to the agricultural fund and the rural micro-enterprise development fund, also authorized by the Texas Constitution, to be used for agricultural and rural economic development programs.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment allowing the use of existing bond authority of the farm and ranch finance program to include financial assistance for the expansion, development, and diversification of production, processing, marketing, and export of Texas agricultural products."

PROPOSITION NO. 4 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 64 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow an encumbrance to be fixed on homestead property for an owelty of partition. In divorce and probate situations, a piece of property may be owned jointly by two

or more people, and each person owns an undivided interest in the property, as opposed to a specific portion of the property. If one owner wishes to purchase the other person's interest in the property and wishes to obtain a loan to finance the purchase, the lending institution requires all interests in the property to be used as security for the loan; this is called an owelty of partition. Senate Joint Resolution 46 would allow the lending institution to foreclose on the homestead property for an owelty of partition if the purchaser defaulted on the loan. In addition, the proposed amendment would allow the refinancing of a lien against a homestead. Finally, the proposed amendment would allow a purchaser or lender to rely on an affidavit that states that the property to be conveyed or encumbered is not the homestead of the affiant.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment permitting an encumbrance to be fixed on homestead property for an owelty of partition, including a debt of a spouse resulting from a division or award of a homestead in a divorce proceeding, and for the refinancing of a lien against a homestead, including a federal tax lien resulting from the tax debt of the owner."

PROPOSITION NO. 5 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 34 proposes a constitutional amendment which would increase by \$500 million the constitutional authorization of the Veterans' Land Board to issue and sell general obligation bonds of the state to provide housing financing to Texas veterans. The proceeds from the bonds authorized by this amendment shall be used to augment the Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II to be administered and invested as provided by law. The bonds authorized by this amendment shall be incontestable after execution by the Veterans' Land Board, approval by the attorney general, and delivery to the purchaser.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to increase by \$500 million the amount of general obligation bonds that may be issued to augment the veterans' housing assistance fund II."

PROPOSITION NO. 6 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 64 proposes a constitutional amendment which would extend the tax exemption under article VIII, section 1-b(b) of the Texas Constitution for the residence homestead of a person age 65 or older to the surviving spouse of a person who received the exemption. The surviving spouse must be age 55 or older when the deceased spouse died, and the property must be the residence homestead of the surviving spouse when the deceased spouse died and remain the surviving spouse's residence homestead. A surviving spouse who already receives an exemption under this section of the Texas Constitution is not entitled to an additional exemption under the amendment.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment exempting from ad valorem taxation the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of an elderly person."