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A HIGHLIGHT of the 30th anniversary of Red River Farm Co-op on March 16 was presentation of dividend checks in excess of \$51,000 to 17 Co-op members who qualified when reaching retirement age of 65. Of the 17, the above were present to accept checks in person, l to r, Earl Dozier, Weldon Holland, Bill Weatherly, Kenneth Rivoire and James Bell. At right is Manager Lloyd Lee.

Dave Fette Photo

Red River Farm Co-op holds annual meeting

One of the largest crowds ever to attend an annual stockholders meeting of Red River Farm Co-op, located at 1330 North Dixon Street in Gainesville, was present on March 16, 1995 in the Civic Center. Registration began at 6:30 p.m. A bountiful roast beef dinner catered by the Hermes Sisters at 7 p.m. and served to 490 preceded the business meeting.

Gene Deckard, president, called the meeting to order and introduced manager Lloyd Lee, who continued with presentation of special guests. Ed Schadt, secretary, read minutes of the 1994 meeting.

Several drawings, creating special interest and conducted by Gene Deckard, were held during the evening. Winners of \$100 savings bonds donated by North Texas Bank & Trust included Frances Bayer, William Baldwin, Dennis Lutkenhaus, Gene Schumacher and W.J. Newton. A \$50.00 savings bond donated by

Farmland Industries was won by Nell Ware.

Four additional prizes and winners were Ivomec to Charlene Shasteen; a cooler to Brent Swindle; sack of dog food to Brooks Swindle and a case of oil to Kenda Hutson.

Other gift prizes included clocks won by Kenneth Rivoire and Bobby Scoggin, and a thermometer won by M.R. Ahrend. The floral arrangement centerpiece was won by Don Sandusky in a drawing conducted by Leonard Bayer, just prior to adjournment.

Highlight of the meeting was the statement of condition and impressive financial report by manager Lloyd Lee. The financial status of the Red River Farm Co-op made possible the distribution of substantial dividends amounting to a total of \$51,370.31. Checks were paid to the following: Felderhoff Brothers, James Bayer, Pete Jones, Bill Weatherly, James Bonham, Kenneth Rivoire, Harold Gunter,

Weldon Holland, Paul Lane, H.R. Pruitt, Earl Dozier and James Bell.

Lloyd Lee also presented a detailed manager's report. The independent auditors report was prepared by Blubaugh & Campbell CPAs of Enid, OK.

Nomination of Directors was conducted by Mike Fuhrmann, vice president. Directors whose terms expired in 1995 included Frank Sandmann, Leonard Bayer and Jack House. In the election all three were returned to office. The present list of officers and directors includes Gene Deckard president; Mike Fuhrmann vice president; Ed Schadt secretary; and the following directors: Frank Sandmann, Kenneth Hutson, Kenneth Hoedebeck, Leonard Bayer, Jack House and Clyde Yeatts. Jack Martin is jr. director and Lloyd Lee is manager.

Invocation preceding dinner and adjournment ceremony were both led by Gene Deckard.

Reynolds remodel historic home into Fischerhaus Bed & Breakfast

by Janet Felderhoff

One of Muenster's historic old homes will soon be open for the enjoyment of the public as Fischerhaus Bed and Breakfast. In recent years it housed Rock Creek Farm and Fischerhaus Restaurant.

Sydney and Rick Reynolds did the remodeling and interior design. Most of the floors are still the original wood. The kitchen and

bathroom were covered with linoleum. The Reynolds replaced it with wood flooring that closely resembles that of the other rooms. Moldings were replaced. "We kept to the original as much as possible," noted Sydney. "We didn't try to make it into a different house, but just try to make it into the house that it was at that time. We found all of the original doors that were here.

A lot of the hardware is real old." Even the curtains on the windows mimic what might have been used during the home's early days. "We tried hard not to destroy anything in the house and to make it as functional as possible and get it in good keeping. I think we've achieved that."

The bathroom is the only room that has been modernized. It was

added later and Rick and Sydney enlarged it and installed a shower. Originally it was a back porch. The front porch was also enclosed at some time and made into a living room. This allowed another room to be used as a bedroom. There are now two bedrooms, a living room, kitchen/family area, and a bathroom. One bedroom will have a queen-size bed and the other twin beds.

In the kitchen an antique refrigerator and gas stove lend charm to the home. While remodeling, pieces of the original wallpaper were found. They will be on display with other pieces of the home's history.

Originally the house was located on Main Street. Gehrig Hardware, a shoe and harness shop, was in the front and the family lived in the back. That was in the early 1890's. When a new store was built in 1911, the house was moved to its present location, 221 North Oak.

Fischer's Market bought the house in 1982 and, after remodeling it, used it as a restaurant and gift shop. Louise Fisher decided to make it into a bed and breakfast to serve Muenster after hearing many people say that the community needed such a service. She hopes to have a grand opening for the bed and breakfast by mid-April. "I'm Please See REYNOLDS, Page 6



THE COZY KITCHEN/FAMILY ROOM area of the recently-remodeled Fischerhaus Bed and Breakfast has many features of the original home similar to this corner cabinet and antique lace-covered shelves. Rick and Sydney Reynolds are choosing a place to display a treasured sugar bowl.

Janie Hartman Photo

Three file for city elections

by Dave Fette

This year's Muenster City Council elections will be uncontested. By Wednesday's filing deadline, only one candidate each had signed up for the two alderman positions and the mayor's seat.

Ronnie Felderhoff, president and general manager of Muenster Milling Company and a former mayor, is unopposed for election to council position two. Marianne Grant will not seek re-election. Felderhoff said that many citizens asked him to consider the job. "I want to see the council work with unity and cohesiveness to accomplish the city's goals and I'm willing to commit time and energy to help do that job," he said.

Stan Endres, co-owner of The Center Restaurant, is the only

candidate for position four, formerly held by Mike Trubenbach, but now occupied by Valerie Henscheid who volunteered to fill Trubenbach's unexpired term. Henscheid declined to run.

Endres, who currently is serving a second term as Chamber of Commerce president, declined comment at this time.

Henry Weinzaepfel, Executive Vice-President of Muenster State Bank and a current city councilman, is the candidate for mayor. Mayor Bill Miller will not run.

In filing for the position, Weinzaepfel said he has served on the council for the past year and is familiar with the city staff, the city council, and the operation of the city government. Being fully aware of the problems and conflicts

within the city operations, he feels not only qualified but compelled to provide leadership and an environment of cooperation and team spirit between the mayor, the council and the staff.

Some of the more urgent issues facing the new council are the completion of the much-needed new water well and an extensive street improvement program that has been approved by the council for this spring and summer. There is a critical need for additional elevated water storage to be considered by the council. The library is rapidly outgrowing its present facility. These are but a few of the concerns and responsibilities of the city government in pursuit of protecting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Muenster.

COWBOYS AND LONGHORNS CREATE IMAGES OF WESTERN HISTORY

by Janet Felderhoff

They move down the grassy roadside at an easy pace, eager to be on the move after several rainy days spent resting outside of Bowie. A cowboy lets out a "Yeehaw!" sharing his excitement with eager spectators gathered along Hwy. 81. The Great American Cattle Drive was moving to its next destination.

A little over a century ago to see hundreds of head of Longhorn cattle being pushed across the Texas prairie by skillful cowboys was not unusual. Increasing populations and modern inventions put an end to that practice in the early 1890's.

Stirred by his interest in Western heritage and lore, Bud McCasland organized The Great American Cattle Drive so that people could experience some of the wonder of cattle drives from the past.

McCasland and his team of organizers and sponsors put together a herd of 267 Longhorns, a remuda of horses, at least 24 cowboys, a chuck wagon, and even a few cowboy poets.

This group started from the Fort Worth Stockyards on March 5 with 41 Longhorns. Their journey will conclude in Miles City, Montana around Sept. 1. They will have traversed six states, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming and Montana. Most days they cover 12 to 15 miles.

When the cattle left Fort Worth they were fresh and were moving about four miles an hour. They've since slowed to about two miles an hour. "The way they were handling coming out there's no way we could have handled all 260," said cowboy Gordon Jones. "It would've been a

disaster with cattle everywhere. People said they were relaxed. I was nervous, bad nervous. Anything could have gone wrong."

Eldon Winn confirmed Jones' theory. "There was too good a chance for bystanders to get hurt. They (Longhorns) have horns and they get excited. When they get excited they'll go through anything."

Most of the cattle on the drive are gentle, but some proved challenging. "Six of them in there were really nasty when we unloaded them, but they've calmed down quite a bit since we've milled with them," said Winn. "When we went to brand them, there was one in there that got a couple of guys down. Several others have put them over the fence."

Jones added, "There was one we'd already branded. We'd just

roped it and I was getting ready to throw it down and it came out and it was looking to eat somebody. One guy, Jess from Kansas was a patin' her on the head and running away from her."

It was at their second camp that they picked up the rest of the herd. This was at Newark. The first morning they drove the whole herd was also the morning that icy weather hit Texas. "It was icy and cold," said Jack Boles of Abilene. "We were going right into 30 mile an hour wind." Boles is responsible for scouting out locations before the herd arrives.

Eldon Winn of Rosalia, Kansas is one of several horseshoers hired for the drive. He does the shoeing after the herd is settled in camp and helps drive the cattle during the day. Eldon learned about the drive from

a newspaper ad, submitted his application and was contacted for more information.

Winn joined the group on the 15th of February. The Longhorns had to be branded, any sick animals doctored, and everything prepared for the trip. "We were pushing the cattle around a lot gettin' them used to the drivin' and stuff," said Winn.

"We plan on movin' five days a week and then on Mondays and Tuesdays we'll give everything a break and let it stand around and rest." The cowboys average six hours a day in the saddle which is less than they had anticipated.

When the cattle reach their Montana destination they will be auctioned. The cowboys can auction their horses and tack, or whatever they want to sell at that time, Winn said.

"Ever since I was a little kid, and most of these guys are gonna say the same thing, it's always been a dream to do like the old cowboys did and push a herd from Texas to wherever," reflected Winn. "I wouldn't care if we went to Kansas. Going to Miles City, Montana is just an added bonus. Just to actually say you did it. This is going to be one of the high points of my life. Just to actually ride a horse for that far. I've always wanted to feel like I could spend all day out somewhere.

To kinda slow 'em down and enjoy life more."

Gordon Jones, a cowboy from Oxford, Nebraska, joined the drive because he thought it sounded like the opportunity of a lifetime. "This will probably be the only time it happens," commented Jones. "I was kinda lookin' for a different job when this came up. Gives me the chance to see some country and look things over and decide what I want to do when this is over with." He was working in a feedlot in north central Nebraska.

"I was sittin' in a real good situation to do this," said Gordon Jones who gave up the house he was renting, put his belongings in storage and gave up his job to make the drive. "A lot of the guys I worked with and people I knew were really envious because -- one, I am young enough to do it and two, I was single and could do it. There's a lot of guys I knew that would be in Eldon's situation whose wives said, 'There's no way in heck you're gonna leave for six months.'"

The Kansas cowboy is a professional horseshoer and supplements that income by doing day work for several ranches in the Rosalia area. "Like my wife says I don't even care if I make any money at it," said Winn. "As long as I'm Please See TRAIL DRIVE, Pg. 9



THE GREAT CATTLE DRIVE 95 moves up Highway 81 last Thursday morning before their last Texas stop at Stoneburg. Hundreds

watched the Longhorns cross into Oklahoma Friday.

Janie Hartman Photo

Good News!

At dawn let me hear of your kindness, for in you I trust. Show me the way in which I should walk, for to you I lift up my soul. Rescue me from my enemies, O Lord, for in you I hope.

PSALM 143: 8-9

Austin Notebook...

by Senator Tom Haywood
 Another week has gone by, and the Texas Legislature is almost at the halfway point of the 74th Regular Session. As you may know, the Legislature meets for 140 days every other year, and Tuesday, March 21, was the halfway mark of this session. Last Friday, March 10, was the 60th day of the session, which was the constitutional deadline for senators and representatives to file bills to be considered during this session. Literally thousands of bills were filed last week in anticipation of that deadline. The final count was 4,939 bills and resolutions filed since the session began on Jan. 10th! When you consider that purely local bills may be introduced until the end of the session in May, that means that more than 5,000 pieces of legislation must be dealt with before the session ends on May 28.

In spite of all of the craziness of the filing deadline, I did manage to file my entire legislative package, of which I am very proud. I filed 37 bills before the deadline, and anticipate filing a few more local bills in the next few weeks. Although I am a freshman senator and have only been in office a short time, I intend to aggressively pursue the passage of this legislation. Of course, I realize that some bills will pass and others will not, but I believe that each of these should have the opportunity to be heard and considered. I hope that many of them will become law.

Among the bills I have filed are several ethics measures. One bans taxpayer-funded travel for state officials immediately before an election, another requires that

candidates file their income tax reports, and the third limits campaign contributions to \$5,000 in races for state office. I ran on a platform of changing state government, and that means strong ethics laws, openness in government, and reasonable campaign limits.

I filed a major bill which consolidates pesticide and herbicide regulation, which was suggested to me by Haskell native Rick Perry, the Commissioner of Agriculture. I also filed several bills relating to the quail and mule deer hunting seasons, and a few bills relating to oil and gas production are also included in my legislative package. Other bills I filed include measures which make technical changes in the Employee Retirement System of Texas, the Teacher Retirement System, and the Muenster Hospital District.

I believe strongly in eliminating governmental waste and abuse, and one measure I filed would eliminate abuse of a loophole in current state law. Police and fire employees are currently allowed to take paid leave to attend legislative hearings. That is fine with me, but some of those folks are taking paid leave and camping out in Austin for months at a time while getting paid by other organizations for lobbying! I have filed legislation to end such abuse.

I continued my close relationship with Midwestern State University by filing two measures on their behalf. One deals with the issuance of a bond to build a new health sciences laboratory building on campus. The other allows Air Force personnel to receive in-state tuition while attending certain classes at

MSU. As a state senator, I will continue to support Midwestern State, the University of North Texas, Texas Woman's University and the other high education universities in District 30 whenever possible. I also will work to keep and enhance the Tuition Equalization Grant for our private learning institutions, and will support fair funding for our community colleges.

The Attorney General asked me to file two bills which crack down on telemarketing fraud, and I was happy to do so. I hope we can end some of the dishonest practices which go on over our phone systems. I have received very positive input from other elected officials about this legislation.

Finally, I filed legislation which should help economic development in some of the counties in Senate District 30. The bill would change a complicated state law relating to tax rebates and abatements to allow counties more flexibility in putting together economic incentive packages which help bring in new businesses.

In addition to these bills, I have co-sponsored a number of measures ranging from tort reform to term limits to tough criminal justice measures. I also intend to sponsor several House Bills as they are passed by that body.

That is a brief description of some of the legislation I filed this session. As the session rolls on, I am sure that I will talk about some of these bills in more detail. Until then, I encourage you to contact me on any of these issues about which you are concerned. I can be reached in Austin at (512) 463-0130 or in my District Office at (800) 866-7330. If you prefer, you can write me at P.O. Box 12068, Austin, Texas 78711.

RRC News... February permits to drill

The Commission issued a total of 914 original drilling permits in February 1995 compared to 970 in February 1994. The 914 total included 651 permits to drill new oil and gas tests, 44 to re-enter existing well bores, and 219 re-completions.

Total drilling permits issued in 1995 year-to-date is 1,770, an eight percent increase from the 1,621 issued during the same period of 1994.

Permits issued in February included 386 oil, 196 gas, 289 oil and gas, 39 injection, two service, and six other permits.

Also in February operators reported 313 gas, 340 oil, and 30 injection and other completions.

The total of well completions recorded for 1995 year-to-date is 1,317. Operators reported 893 holes plugged and 154 dry holes in February.



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by Mayor Bill Miller
 Due to time needed to develop a new product line in my own business, I have decided not to run for mayor for a second term. I am in the process of developing a line of pumps and have two salesmen ready to sell to dealers.

Even though I am not in office to watch over the city's spending, I plan to have the city's bank statements and books checked regularly so that all future elected officials will use our city treasury only for city business.

I believe that the City of Muenster and all governments should have the most reliable people in office. We can help keep them from being careless with our money by becoming more watchful and involved with the city operation.

When I became mayor, the city had no capital improvement funds. We now have over \$200,000, which is more than enough to pay for our new water well.

I feel satisfied that I am leaving my position as mayor with funds for future progress. In the future, our tax rate and utility charges can remain just where they are now. With the income we have, we can

make the needed improvements in our city utility and street systems without further raising taxes.

During my tenure as mayor, some of the city council members really disrupted meetings and raised a commotion to distract the public from the city agenda. When someone is acting like that, you can be sure there is an ulterior motive. It is a time to look carefully to see just what they are up to.

My mistake as mayor was not throwing the disruptive members out of the meetings. If I should run for mayor again in the future, I will know what to do about members like that.

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SH Play "Meet Me at St. Louis" 4:30 p.m. LHS Dinner Theater 6:00	SH Play 9:30 a.m. SH Preschool Parents Meeting 7 p.m. SH Home-School Society Meeting 8 p.m.	Exercise Class 10:30 a.m. S.N.A.P. Center	Religious Ed. Classes 7:00 Exercise Class 10:30 a.m. S.N.A.P. Center	NTIC Jr. High/Elem. Academic Meet, SH Exercise Class 10:30 a.m. S.N.A.P. Center	MISD Jr. High Track at Era	SH Track at Lindsay Invitational Meet
Sunday, April 2	Monday, April 3	Tuesday, April 4	Wednesday, April 5	Thursday, April 6	Friday, April 7	Saturday, April 8
St. Anne's Society Meeting, 3 p.m. SH Library	City Council Meeting 7:30	Exercise Class 10:30 a.m. S.N.A.P. Center	SH Alumni Meeting 7:30 Religious Ed Classes 7-8 p.m. Exercise Class 10:30 a.m. S.N.A.P. Center	C of C Board Meeting 5 p.m. SH Jr. High Track at St. Mary's Exercise Class 10:30 a.m. S.N.A.P. Center	Muenster Jr. High District Track Meet at Lindsay	Saint Jo Arts & Crafts Show MHS Track at Gunter SH Track at Henrietta

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Elizabeth Moster dies

Mass of Christian Burial was offered for Elizabeth Catherine Tempel Moster in Sacred Heart Church on Monday, March 20, 1995 at 10 a.m., with her son, Father James Moster O.F.M. Cap of Lawrence, Kansas officiating. Concelebrating the Mass and assisting at the altar were Father David Bellinghausen OSB, Father Frowin Schoech OSB, Father Joe Weinzapfel and Capuchin Priests and Brothers: Rev. Charles Polifka, O.F.M. Cap, Minister Provincial of Province of Mid-America of Denver, CO; Rev. Michael Scully, O.F.M. Cap of Lawrence, Kansas; Bro. Augustine Rohde, O.F.M. Cap of Victoria, Kansas; Bro. Benignus Scarry, O.F.M. Cap of Lawrence, Kansas; Rev. Didacus Dunn, O.F.M. Cap of Victoria, Kansas; and Rev. Blaine Burke, O.F.M. Cap of Hays, Kansas in the sanctuary.

Altar servers were a grandson, Charlie Moster, and friends, Keith Felderhoff and Nicholas Taylor.

A daughter-in-law, Lou Moster gave a Reading from the Old Testament; a granddaughter, Kristen Dickerson gave a New Testament Reading.

Sacred music was presented by Ruth Felderhoff, Pam Fette, Emily Klement and Eric Gray, including "I Am the Resurrection," "Psalm of the Good Shepherd," "How Great Thou Art," "Wherever You Go," "You Are Our Comfort and Our Strength," "Song of the Angels," and "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name."

Preceding the funeral, on Sunday, a Rosary service was held in McCoy Chapel of Muenster at 4 p.m. and a Vigil at 6:30 p.m.

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was under direction of McCoy Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Lyndal Crow, Johnny Moster, David Moster, Eric Dankesreiter, Jimmy Crow and Danny Crow.

Elizabeth Catherine Tempel Moster was born on July 24, 1914 to John A. Tempel and Elizabeth

Service held for Rose Fallon, 82, on March 20

Rose L. Fallon, 82, the former Rose Gieb, native of Lindsay, died in Sherman, Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, March 20, at 10 a.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church, with Father Jeremy Myers officiating. Burial was in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery under direction of Dannel Funeral Home.

Rose (Gieb) Fallon was born Aug. 30, 1912 in Lindsay to Henry and Katherine Reidel Gieb. She married C.B. Fallon in Sherman on July 5, 1949. A member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, she was also a nurse at St. Vincent's Hospital (Sherman Community, now Medical Plaza Hospital) for 30 years.

Survivors include her husband; one son, James G. Fallon of Sherman; brothers Gene Gieb of Muenster, Julius Gieb of Victoria and Bernard Gieb of Lindsay; sisters Lonia Tubb of Oklahoma City and Cecilia Schilling of Muenster. She was preceded in death by brothers Robert and Harry Gieb and sisters Theresa Heitzman, Ella Nortman and Louise Seals.

Pallbearers were John McCullough, W.W. Wald, Eric Little, Paul Wortham, Lee Hudgins and Keith Nelson.



ELIZABETH MOSTER

Markowitz Tempel. She was raised in Muenster, living here most of her life. She married John J. Moster on Oct. 8, 1940 in Sacred Heart Church. Together they raised six children.

A loving and devoted mother, she is survived by three sons, Father Jim Moster O.F.M. Cap. of Lawrence, Kansas; Damien Moster and his spouse Lou of Muenster, Richard (Dicky) Moster and his spouse Karen of Muenster and by three daughters Roselee Ann Crow and her spouse Lynn of Nocona; Grace Eldred and her spouse A.W. of Denver City, TX and Roberta Dickerson and her spouse Rocky of Muenster. There are 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are two sisters, Sr. Florentine Tempel OSB of Jonesboro, AR and Anastasia Herb of Dallas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, by her husband on Jan. 31, 1971; by a twin son David Moster who was lost to her in his infancy; by a great-granddaughter, Lisa Marie Crow whom she helped care for, and who died in July 1971 as a small child. Also preceding her in death were two brothers, Paul and Norbert Tempel.

Elizabeth Moster was a member of Sacred Heart Parish and St. Anne's Society and a homemaker. She loved flowers and her gardens. She was an expert seamstress and sewed for her children and grandchildren. For several years she worked at SNAP before retiring.

In April 1988 she became a resident of St. Richard's Villa where she resided until her death on March 17, 1995 at 12:20 p.m. She was lovingly known to friends everywhere as "Betsy." At 80 years of age, death claimed her on St. Patrick's Day. The Rosary and Vigil were held on the feast of St. Joseph, one of Elizabeth's favorite saints, to whom she prayed for guidance throughout her life.

Independent banking wins dramatic victory in Texas House to "opt-out"

Independent, state-controlled banking won a startling legislative victory in the Texas House of Representative last week when lawmakers voted unanimously for Texas to "opt-out" of federally sponsored interstate branch banking.

But supporters of the legislation warn that big out-of-state banks will make an all-out effort to reverse the action in the Senate.

House members approved the measure, sponsored by Representative Ken Marchant, (R-Coppell), by an unprecedented vote of 142-0 without debate, something that Capitol observers say they never have seen on a contested bill. The measure now moves to the Senate, where debate is expected within the next two weeks.

The legislation is supported by the Independent Bankers Association of Texas, along with a coalition of prominent small business and agricultural groups, Texans for the Preservation of Hometown Banking.

"Opt-out" proponents argued that the new federal law allows interstate banks to do away with state charters and local boards of directors, thus making them less accountable to the communities they serve. They also claimed that big banks have failed to meet loan needs of small business and agriculture, and would siphon local deposits out-of-state.

"Muenster State Bank and many other community banks throughout Texas have strongly supported this opt-out legislation," said MSB vice president Henry Weinzapfel. "In addition, Cooke County Electric

Cooperative and other businesses in Texas have joined their forces to support locally owned and operated financial institutions and the opt-out legislation."

Commenting on the House vote, Representative Marchant said, "I think that the House is very close to the general population, and I think that their vote reflected the population's general mistrust of big interstate banking."

"This issue is something small business owners can really relate to," added Robert Howden of the National Federation of Independent Business, a member of the coalition.

Chris Williston, president of the Independent Bankers Association of Texas, said that he was "deeply gratified" by the vote.

"It is obvious from the unanimous vote that Texans want to maintain control over their own banking system," he said.

While savoring the House win, Williston urged community leaders and banking consumers to contact their state senators and ask for passage of S.B. 252, sponsored by Senator Jim Turner (D-Crockett).

"The big banks are going to bring out their big guns in a desperate attempt to increase their profits in Texas at the expense of Texas jobs and the Texas economy," he said. "In addition to their million dollar team of lobbyists, we expect them to undertake a massive advertising program to try to buy a blank check in Texas."

He noted that NationsBank has said that branch banking could save it \$50 million a year in Texas.

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Trash pickup appreciated!

The roadsides north of Muenster are more pleasing to the eyes thanks to the Muenster ISD 7th and 8th grade Girls' PE class. Helen Tompkins, Muenster Police Chief, reported that she was grateful to see the girls out picking up trash Wednesday morning. Their teacher is Mrs. JoAnn Pagel.

If any other class or organization

wants to take advantage of the pretty weather and pick up trash, they should call the city and someone will pick up the sacks of trash they collect, said Tompkins.

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MICHELLE MONDAY of Muenster and Rick Sandmann, also of Muenster, have chosen April 22, 1995 for their wedding day. They will be married in Sacred Heart Church at 5 P.M. by Father Frowin Schoech, OSB. The bride-elect is the daughter of Roy and Jane Monday. She is a 1988 graduate of Muenster High School and a 1992 graduate of Texas Woman's University and is a marketing manager employed by Muenster Milling Co., Inc. The future-groom is the son of Larry and Sharon Sandmann of Gainesville. He is a 1988 graduate of Lindsay High School and is employed by Martindale Feed Mill division of Alan Ritchey, Inc. in construction. Attendants in the wedding will be Danna Hess, Darla Anderle, Dawn McFarland, Rhonda Fangman, Frank Fangman, Lance Sandmann, Craig Monday and Jeff Parsons. The couple will reside in Muenster.

Local volunteers seek loving families

Nearly 1,000 volunteers nationwide are seeking host families for foreign exchange students in a program sponsored by the American Intercultural Student Exchange (AISE). Families are being sought for high school aged students from Europe, Asia, South America, Australia, and the former Soviet Union for the 1995-96 school year.

These exceptional students, ages 15 to 18, will arrive in the United States at the end of August, attend a local high school, and return to their home countries in June of 1996. The students, all fluent in

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Chronic illnesses support group meets

The Chronic Illnesses Support Group has scheduled a meeting for 7 P.M. Monday, March 27, in the cardiac rehabilitation center's educational room at Gainesville Memorial Hospital.

The newly-organized support group is an informal one, and is for persons diagnosed with chronic illnesses, such as any form of arthritis, systemic, neuromuscular, FMS and CFS and other related diseases.

This group is not intended to overlap or extend any other existing support group. It is intended for

persons with chronic, rather than terminal, illnesses.

The purpose of the group is to share experiences, treatments, common factors, coping mechanisms and emotional resilience, fears and questions. It is hoped that being involved and helping others can help shift the focus from personal crisis.

New members are always welcome. The group will meet at 7 P.M. the fourth Monday of each month at the hospital.

For more information, call Betty Long, 817-665-7872, or Bee Harris, 817-665-8855.

Meeting of interest to artists tonight (Thur.) in Gainesville

For persons interested in visual arts, whether in photography; pottery; batik; oil, pastels or watercolor paintings or other mediums, a meeting and demonstration at Stanford House in Gainesville this Thursday, March 23, at 6:30 p.m. will be a special treat.

Sponsored by the Gainesville Area Visual Arts Group, the meeting will present a program by

Helen Owens of Sherman. She is a member of the Oriental Art Association. She will demonstrate Oriental Brush Painting.

All interested persons are welcome to attend the program, and share their interest in the visual arts. The group meets on the fourth Thursdays, September through May. Retha Bond has announced a portrait class at NCTC in April and a workshop in New Mexico in July.

Lunch Menus

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Mon. - Sloppy Joes, tator tots, fruit, milk.

Tues. - Mexican Casserole, ranch style beans, salad, fruit, bread, milk.

Wed. - Turkey Roast, potato salad, baked beans, fruit, bread, milk.

Thur. - Spaghetti and Meat, corn, applesauce, hot rolls, butter, milk.

Fri. - Macaroni and Cheese, combination salad, green beans, garlic toast, fruit, milk.

MUENSTER ISD

Mon. - BREAKFAST: Donuts, juice, milk. LUNCH: Sausage on a Bun, French fries, sauerkraut, baked beans, fruit cobbler, milk.

Tues. - BREAKFAST: Grilled Ham and Cheese on Toast, juice, milk. LUNCH: Fried Chicken, potatoes and gravy, corn, rolls, milk.

Wed. - BREAKFAST: Two Pancakes w/syrup, juice, milk. LUNCH: Vegetable Beef Soup, choice of sandwich, fruit, crackers/cornbread, cake, milk.

Thur. - BREAKFAST: Cinnamon Toast, juice, milk. LUNCH: Barbecue Sandwich, pickles and onions, potato chips, fruit, cookies, milk.

Fri. - BREAKFAST: Scrambled Eggs, biscuits, juice, milk. LUNCH: Fish Sticks, potatoes and gravy, English peas, rolls, milk.

ERA ISD

Breakfast Menu: Oatmeal, cereal, toast, fruit, juice, milk. Wednesday Special: Cinnamon Rolls.

Mon. - Chicken Fried Steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, peaches, hot rolls, butter, milk. SNACK BAR: Pizza and corn.

Tues. - Soft Tacos, grated cheese, pear half, trimmings, cornbread, butter, milk. SNACK BAR: Hamburger and French fries.

Wed. - Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, broccoli and carrots, applesauce, Texas toast, Sunshine Bar, milk. SNACK BAR: Taco Pizza and green beans.

Thur. - Baked Chicken, green beans, macaroni and cheese, pineapple delight, milk. SNACK BAR: Baked Potato.

Fri. - Frito Chili Pie, grated cheese, fruit cocktail, pinto beans, ice cream, milk.

LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Chalupa w/Trimmings, pinto beans, Mexican rice, assorted fruit, bread, milk.

Tues. - Chicken Fried Steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, English peas, fruit, bread, milk.

Wed. - Oven Fried Chicken, creamed potatoes, green beans, gravy, fruit, bread, milk.

Thur. - Hamburgers w/Trimmings, tator tots, ice cream, milk.

Fri. - Tuna Casserole, green beans, cole slaw, fruit cobbler, cornbread, syrup, milk.

Lori Graham named to Dean's Honor Roll

Lori Diane Graham was named to the Dean's Honor Roll of Scholars at the University of North Texas. Only students who have earned a 3.5 grade point average on a course load of 12 or more semester hours during the Fall 1994 semester earned the distinction of the Dean's Honor Roll.

Lori is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Graham, and is a 1993 graduate of Muenster High School.

Harold Knabe honored on birthday

Harold Knabe celebrated his birthday Sunday evening, March 12 with a family gathering. A hamburger and hot dog supper was served to children, spouses and grandchildren.

Attending were Greg and Reneta Knabe and Jessica, Clay and Kyle; Duane and Mary Lin Knabe and Diana and Amanda; Rusty and Sara Knabe and Ciera Chante of Denton; Scot and Cindy Cox and Kaelin; and Brad Knabe of the home.

New Arrivals

Zimmerer

Gary and Diann Zimmerer of Fort Worth are happy to announce the birth of a daughter, Lydia Ann Zimmerer at Harris Methodist Hospital on March 16, 1995 at 2:35 p.m., weighing 7 lb. 9 oz. and measuring 20 inches long. Lydia Ann joins Stephen, Natalie Ann and David at home. Their grandparents are Albert and Imogene Zimmerer and J.D. and Miriam Caplinger all of Muenster. The great-grandparents are Bill and Elvira Flusche of Lindsay.

Conaway

Curtis and Carol Conaway of Olathe, Kansas announce the birth of their son, Kevin Edward. He was born on March 11 at 10:50 p.m., weighing 7 lbs. 14 1/2 oz. and was 19 inches long.

He has three siblings; Allison age 7, Michael age 6, and Emily 22 months. Grandparents are Edward and Aileen Sandmann of Lindsay and Maxey and Gayle Conaway of Callisburg. Great-grandmother is Lenora Conaway of Callisburg.



THERE'S AN INTRIGUING QUESTION going around town: "What father loses job opportunity because of hoodlum children?" Find out when the Sacred Heart Drama Department presents *Meet Me In St. Louis* on Sunday, March 26, at 4:30 P.M. and Monday, March 28, at 9:30 A.M. in the Sacred Heart Community Center. Shown are four cast members, l to r, Corey Hess, Ian Desmuke, Glenn Dangelmayr and Theresa McCarty.

Courtesy Photo of Debbie Endres

KAUZ-TV honored for "Project Jobs"

KAUZ-TV in Wichita Falls is proud to announce the television station has won the ARC of Texas Community Media Award for 1995. The award is to honor the one-hour program, "Project Jobs," produced by KAUZ to educate area businesses on the employability of the handicapped. The ARC (Association for Retarded Citizens) benefited from the program as it helped establish a computer network matching employers to employees.

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President Gerald W. Bettenhausen wrote in his nomination letter, "The success of Project Jobs was due in large measure to the generous support of KAUZ-TV, Channel Six. KAUZ's involvement in the Wichita Falls Project Jobs could well serve as a model for community action and support by the media."

The program was selected over entries from Midland/Odessa and San Antonio. The ARC will accept the award on behalf of Channel Six Thursday, April 16, in Corpus Christi.

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THE 1995-96 SACRED HEART VARSITY CHEERLEADERS were elected on Friday, March 10. Students voted for one girl in each class and four at large. They were chosen by their ability, enthusiasm and overall spirit. The newly-elected cheerleaders are, 1 to r, back row - Leah Rigler, freshman; Leslie Grewing, junior; Nicole Endres, senior; Jennifer Campbell, junior; front - Crystal Klement, sophomore; Dobe Fleitman, junior; Head Cheerleader Karri Klement, senior; and Tammie Hennigan, sophomore.

Janie Hartman Photo



NEWLY-ELECTED LEADERS to the Sacred Heart High School's Dance Team are, 1 to r, Amanda Russell, Jill Hess and Tonya Knauf.

Janie Hartman Photo

Beta Kappa hears investment program, plans for Germanfest

Beta Kappa held their regular meeting on March 13 with Connie Grewing as hostess.

Robert Weinzaepfel gave an interesting program on different types of investments a person can make for their future. He pointed out the relationship between the potential risks and rewards of every investment. Robert answered questions from the members.

The profit from the two 42 tournaments held in February with equal amounts from the club will be sent to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Preparations for Germanfest were discussed and a work schedule was given to members. Also a rough sketch was shown for a new booth to be built.



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Muenster, Lindsay One-Act Plays advance, prepare for District

The Muenster and Lindsay High Schools UIL One-Act Plays advance into district competition after taking the district's North Zone Tuesday.

Muenster and Lindsay, along with Era, Saint Jo, Alvord and Ponder, competed at Midwestern University in Wichita Falls.

Lindsay's "Find Me," by Olwen Wymark, earned Tanner Neidhardt the Best Actor award. Christine Fuhrmann, Allison Walterscheid and Erin Eberhart were named to the All-Star Cast with Angie Bengfort earning an honorable mention.

Both productions competed at District on Thursday with the winners of the South Zone, which included Windthorst, Perrin-Whitt, Graford, Brock, Pooleville and Santo. The four plays were performed at Midwestern University with results unavailable at press time.

Irene Hartman and the Muenster ISD Theater Department would like to thank the parents, administrators and teachers for their support.

Write your congressman and win a savings bond!

Doris Haby, American Sheep Industry Women's Lamb Promotion chairman, has initiated a Letter Writing Contest to encourage young people in Texas to take interest in writing members of Congress. The contest is open to Texas high school students grades 9-12. Letters must go to a U.S. senator or representative from Texas.

The subject is "Why private property rights are important to Texas." Entries must be postmarked by May 31, 1995 and mailed to: Doris Haby, P.O. Box 1496, Bracketville, TX 78832. Her telephone number is 210-563-9316. The prizes are as follows: 1st prize, \$1,000 savings bond; 2nd prize, \$750 savings bond; 3rd prize, \$500 savings bond; 4th to 10th prize, \$50 savings bond.

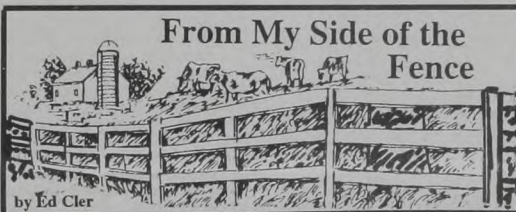
Letters must be typewritten and not over two pages in length. The first paragraph must state the student's age, classification in

school and involvement in agriculture. Address the member of Congress properly, be polite, be specific, be concise and use examples to support your position on why private property rights are important to Texas.

Letters will be judged in June by qualified industry leaders. The original letters will be mailed to the particular members of Congress early in June. For more information, contact Tammie Lively, County Extension Agent-Family & Consumer Sciences, at the County Extension Office at 668-5412.

JAM to meet

There will be a meeting of JAM on Saturday, March 24 from 8 to 10 p.m. in the Community Center meeting room. The topic is "Life! What's Goin' Down!?!". Guys are asked to bring a two liter soft drink to share and gals are asked to bring a snack to share.



As our lawmakers attempt to change our welfare system to make it more manageable, and bring the costs down, their opponents continue to offer warnings of dire consequences. And no doubt, changes will cause hardship to some, as adjustments are made, and this should be considered.

As shown in the news on T.V., aliens are already aware of changes to come, and are scrambling to become U.S. citizens so that they will continue to be eligible for any available benefits.

Welfare originally was intended only to be a stop-gap means of helping unfortunates find their way from a bad situation to a better one. However, as we can all see, it has become a way of life to many, and more are dreaming up new schemes to get themselves and/or their children on the dole.

It all reminds me of a true story I read years ago. The dates and places escape my memory, but sometime in the early part of this century a fish cannery was doing a thriving business somewhere on the Texas coast, and for years the offal and garbage from the cannery was simply shoved into the water.

Thousands of sea birds soon found this food bonanza, and living for them became an easy matter. As time passed, more and more birds came to feed there, and as the years went by most gave up the hunting skills they had learned, and sat on shore waiting for their next meal.

After the cannery eventually became unprofitable, the owners shut it down, and the easy living came to a sudden end.

Many thousands of the birds had long forgotten how to fend for themselves and had also failed to teach their young how to make a living. Not knowing how to cope with this situation, a great number simply starved to death while waiting for another free meal, which was no longer forthcoming.

Some of the birds, the go-getters and doers, soon learned to feed themselves and resume their natural way of life.

It is to be hoped that many of our welfare recipients, with some help and training, when and if changes are made, will again become self-sustaining and productive citizens.

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Beware of poison ivy

Poison ivy has returned in its annual itchy rise of spring, summer, fall and winter.

"The poison ivy plant family is the most common cause of allergic contact dermatitis (allergic skin rash) in the United States," said Delma P. Posey, M.D., director of the Division of Dermatology at Scott & White Memorial Hospital and Clinic in Temple, Texas, and associate professor in the Texas A&M University Health Science Center College of Medicine. Scott & White is one of the largest multi-specialty group medical practices in the United States.

Poison ivy and its close cousins, poison sumac and poison oak, thrive in Texas, particularly along streams and moist, shady spots. They contain a toxic agent called urushiol, that can cause skin inflammation at even the slightest contact.

"The poison will produce a reaction in the skin of virtually everyone of us. Depending on one's sensitivity and the degree of exposure, the reaction may vary from moderate itching and redness to severe swelling and blistering," Dr. Posey said.

Perennial plant

Poison ivy, a perennial native plant, belongs to the sumac genus of the cashew family. The most widespread variety is common poison ivy, which has glossy green leaves with smooth edges. Other varieties have lobed or toothed leaf margins resembling oak leaves, thus the nickname poison oak. Poison ivy grows as a vine, shrub or small tree. The leaves are always divided into three leaflets.

Oakleaf poison ivy usually grows lower than the smooth-leaved variety. Clusters of inconspicuous white flowers rise from the leaves. The plants also develop white, waxy berries with distinct lines marking their outer surfaces into segments which resemble those of peeled oranges.

Medical researchers have not figured out how to prevent poison ivy rashes. "Strict avoidance of direct and indirect contact with the plants is the only certain way to avoid the rash," Dr. Posey said.

Unfortunately, urushiol can linger throughout the year. People have also been known to get rashes indirectly by handling pets that have brushed up against the pesky plants. "Indirect contact can also include getting the poison from clothing, garden tools or even from the smoke of burning plants," he said.

The best remedy

The best remedy, Dr. Posey added, is strict avoidance. "If you are exposed, a soap-and-water bath within an hour of exposure should prevent an outbreak," he said. Washing may not completely avoid the rash, but it may lessen the severity.

Rashes develop within two days after exposure, but in some sensitive people, the rashes erupt within a few hours. The affected area reddens and swells, and small itchy blisters and bumps form. The

blisters first fill with clear fluid and then burst, revealing raw skin susceptible to bacteria and infection. The itching can range from minor to severe. The rash usually reaches its peak after about five days and is usually gone within one to two weeks.

Applying alcohol to the irritated area will make the itching worse. For mild rashes, Dr. Posey recommends Calamine lotion and over-the-counter hydrocortisone cream. However, people with severe reactions should see their physicians for a more vigorous treatment plan. "This may include potent topical and internal cortisone-like medications," Dr. Posey said. Persons with rashes in sensitive areas such as the eyes, face, and genital region should be treated by a physician.

Stay away from the plant

The best solution is learning to identify the plants and staying away from them. Dr. Posey also provides these other pointers:

- Keep pets away from poison ivy plants. The toxins can remain on pets' feet and fur for several days and be transferred to humans.

- Do not burn poison ivy plants. The urushiol will travel with the smoke in the air, which can cause internal and external reactions.

- If you are gardening or walking in a poison ivy area, wear long sleeved shirts, long pants and gloves.

- Wash contaminated clothing thoroughly and separately.

- Wash any contaminated part of the body thoroughly with soap and water within 5 to 10 minutes after contact with poison ivy.

- See your doctor if you have a severe inflammation.

The old saying "Leaves of three, let them be" is true, especially when dealing with this scratchy trio of plants.

Your county extension agent has free information about how to safely get rid of these poisonous plants in your yard and garden.



ACCURATE LETTERFORMS, forward slant, good spacing and smooth line quality were the criteria used to select winners in Muenster Public School's penmanship or cursive handwriting contest sponsored by the school's chapter of the National Honor Society. Classroom winners this year are, 1 to 5 seated - Shane Barnhill, Jared Britian, Ubaldo Maldonado, Russell Nicholson, Chris Rains; back - Brandy Gilbreath, Ashley Klement, Mendy Gieb, Kristin Grewing, Dolle Patel and Karen Cler. MISD's National Honor Society provided calligraphy pens as prizes for these students in hopes of encouraging their talent. Over a hundred MISD students from grades 3-8 entered the annual spring contest which encourages legible handwriting, a skill that continues to be an advantage in today's job market.

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It Was News Then

50 YEARS AGO

March 30, 1945

Muenster Mayor Weinzapfel issues proclamation designating Good Friday as a day of special reverence and called on all residents of Muenster to observe it fittingly by suspending business between noon and 3 p.m. and attending church service. Relax Theatre has officer election and declares dividend. Officers and stockholders are L.A. Bernauer, Pat Fisher, Jake Horn, Joe Horn, F.A. Kathman, Ben Seyler, Olivia Stock, J.C. Trachta, B.R. Tilton, John Wieler and L.M. Wolf. Election for Muenster School Board will be held to fill two positions. Holdover members are Frank Yosten, Meinrad Hesse, E.S. Lawson, and Herman Pierce. Incumbents are J.B. Klement and Joe Wimmer. New Arrivals: a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schmitt; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bayer; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pels; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Albert (Little Buck) Knabe.

30 YEARS AGO

March 26, 1965

All students of both schools will

be offered tuberculin tests. The only condition is consent of the parents. Muenster Chapter, Future Farmers of America will have 71 animals at annual project show. Eleven Muenster Boy Scouts receive Ad Altare Dei medals at Cathedral. The calendar says "Spring Is Here", but so is winter. Freezing drizzle, sleet, miserable driving - ice on roads one inch thick, followed by a half inch of snow. New Arrival: a son for Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Trubenbach.

10 YEARS AGO

March 22, 1985

Misty Vogel shows Grand Champion steer in Cooke County Junior Livestock Show. Jared Bayer takes top honors in the county-bred category; Toby Fuhrmann wins reserve honors in that category. More than 400 High School athletes will compete in annual Muenster Relays at Hornet Track Meet. Candidates for the MISD school board are Harold Bindel, Joe Hellman and Richard Pagel - all unopposed. In city race Richard Grewing and Willie Wimmer are unopposed. Only contest in City Council is between Ted Henschel and Wylie Lewis. The first day of Spring brought the area's best rainfall of the year, a soaker that satisfied field crops and sprouting gardens, and set the streams to singing. Weddings: Monika Blanton marries Holt Price; Sharon Deann Roach marries Wendell Ray Black; Kathryn Gertrude Klement and Larry Joseph Hermes in Gainesville.

REYNOLDS

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looking forward to getting it off the ground," said Louise.

"We have really enjoyed working with them on this house," remarked Sydney. "I think it is such a great thing for our community to have this available for people when they come to Muenster. I can't tell you how many times people come into my shop and want to know if there's a place to stay."

Rick and Sydney have been in the furniture design and construction business for about 25 years, primarily fine homes in the North Dallas, Highland Park and Plano area. They had a furniture and design store on Preston Road for many years. It was the largest such store in Dallas.

As an interior designer Sydney wrote a design column for The Dallas Morning News for about 20 years. Sydney now operates Brookes-Reynolds Furniture

Interiors in the Hoedebecke Marketplace in Muenster and Somewhere in Time in the Old Theatre Mall across the street. She still does interior design work in the Dallas area.

Orcas Construction Company is the name of Rick's company. He does work in the Lake Kiowa area, as far west as Wichita Falls, and as far south as Denton. He specializes in staircases, but does all types of construction.

"In construction it is really helpful when you have an interior designer to help coordinate," remarked Rick. "She's made all of the decisions for the homeowner so there is no hesitation. She definitely knows where the furniture is going to go, placements go, how she wants the room to look. They know what the window treatments are going to be like and which way the doors are going to swing. We make a good combination." They work together often, but also do work individually.

"We both love the restoration because we find it really gratifying to restore something back to the original property," Sydney said. "It gives you a lot of pleasure to be part of the project."

The couple bought a ranch northwest of Muenster, the old Solomon Ranch. They came to Muenster three years ago in April.

"When we first came here we were just going to come up for the weekend," recalled Rick. "After we were up here for one weekend we said this was where we were going to live." "Forever," added Sydney.

"We decided never to go back to Dallas," Rick continued. "I've never met so many gracious people. People here are extremely nice."

An interesting thing was discovered by the couple after they had been in Muenster. "We just really gravitated to Muenster," Sydney said. "We felt like we had lived here before. It was so nice and we just really loved it. Before Rick's mother died we did not know this. His great-grandfather, George Immon settled here in 1887." Mr. Immon came to Muenster first and then relocated to Myra where he owned the general store. His family is buried in the Reed Cemetery.

Both Sydney and Rick love the outdoors and animals. They have Longhorns, deer and dogs. Rick enjoys fishing and Sydney loves to work in her yard. Their ranch has beautiful wildflowers which she makes special effort to preserve. Rick says the bluebonnets are particularly pretty.

"I think couples and ladies who want to do something different for a weekend and people here who have families come for the weekend and just don't have enough room will rent Fischerhaus Bed and Breakfast," Sydney said. "Louise will rent the whole house to one family. Whoever rents it will be

Our Readers at Work



RYAN HESS puts the final touches in the new paint booth at Glenn's Paint & Body Shop. Because of the EPA's new rules and regulations, owner Glenn Hess installed a top-of-the-line booth which includes a controlled atmosphere and infrared baking cycle. Ryan, a DuPont certified painter, has worked for his brother Glenn for over eight years. Glenn's Paint & Body began in 1977 and has been in its present location since 1982, specializing in late model collision repair.

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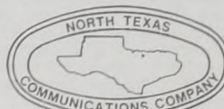
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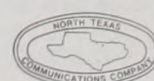
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Sports

SH Relays set for Saturday in Lindsay

The running of the 9th Annual Sacred Heart Invitational Relays will take place this Saturday. This year's meet will be held at the new Lindsay facility. "The Muenster facility is in the process of renovation so we needed to find a place to hold our meet," said Jon LeBrasseur. "The fine folks at Lindsay offered their excellent facility and we are excited about the opportunity to use it this week."

Once again some of the top track programs will be in Saturday's field. "With most schools returning from Spring Break, we look for a great pool of athletes," said LeBrasseur. "We feel honored that many schools use our meet as a springboard in preparation for their upcoming district meets." The competition will include 20 schools, with several local 1A teams running short-legged due to District UIL Literary competition Saturday.

A majority of schools come from the Class A ranks with a handful of larger schools to increase the level of performance. Some of the top schools in the boys division include Celina, Pilot Point, Lindsay, Sacred Heart, Bishop Dunne and Saint Mark's. In the girls division expect the squads from Bishop Dunne, Bishop Lynch, Cedar Hill, Lindsay and Sacred Heart to compete for the title.

Some outstanding races are expected in the boys hurdles and boys distance events. Scott Frost of Sacred Heart should battle with two hurdlers from Celina who have both clocked 39 this season. Lindsay's George Lutkenhaus will lead a strong field of distance runners including John Bartush of Sacred Heart and solid runners from Bishop Lynch, St. Mark's and Dallas Christian.

The Celina girls relay squads

will lead a list of top sprint teams including squads from Pilot Point and Bishop Dunne. Sacred Heart's Kelly Rigger will be a strong contender for the gold in the sprint races.

With over 100 volunteers, the meet is scheduled to gun off at 8:30 with the girls 3200m run followed by the girls running prelims. The boys will begin the day with field events at 8:30. The boys running prelims and the girls field events are scheduled to begin at 11:30 with all running finals beginning at 2:30.

Come out to Lindsay Saturday to see some of North Texas finest athletes. The Sacred Heart Alumni Association will provide concessions with a complete meal menu so you can make it a day at the track.

Fishing Report

RAY ROBERTS: Water muddy; normal level; 49 degrees; black bass are good on spinner baits; white bass are fair to good on minnows; crappie are slow on minnows and jigs; no report for catfish.

TEXOMA: Water murky; 1 foot low; 46 degrees; black bass to 7 pounds are good on stick baits, jig and pig combos and Rat-L-Traps fished in 3 to 10 feet of water in the back of the coves; smallmouth are good by bouncing crank baits off of the rocks in 3 to 10 feet of water; striped bass are spotty on Sassy Shad and deep diving Redfins; white bass are good on Sassy Shad and spoons; crappie up to 3 pounds are fair on minnows and chautreuse jigs fished in 15 feet of water; catfish up to 40 pounds are fair to good on stink bait, worms and prepared baits.

Young hunters discuss first harvest

We know what the Texas Big Game Awards means to landowners, wildlife and veteran hunters. The program recognizes landowners for habitat management efforts, which leads to better conditions for all wildlife, which leads to a healthy deer herd and opportunity for veteran hunters.

But what about hunters harvesting their first deer? How do they feel? The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department received essays and comments from many of those who entered the program via the First Big Game Harvested Award. Here are a selection of those comments (which have been selectively edited).

"The hunt means being out in the wilderness, being with my dad. Getting my first big kill with my dad and my little sister (Tiffany, 11) was special to me. I felt like I was the BIG SHOT. The hunt made me, me, the center of interest. It made me feel happy and proud. I thought I was the one. I loved it! I was great and wonderful. I will always hunt until I am too old to hunt. I will start a deer lease for little girls who love to hunt as I do. My dad and family will always be able to come anytime. The men and boys can't treat me like a whiny little girl because I am one of them now."

Stephanie Alexander, 12, of Waco, hunting in Coryell County
"When I killed my doe I was scared. When I shot the doe I thought I missed it but when I looked through the binoculars the doe was laying on the ground. That made me feel good."

Joshua J. Hale, 11, of Austin, hunting in Coke County
"Shooting my very first deer (a 10-point buck) was a great experience for me. I got to spend a lot of time with my father and he's extremely proud of me. That means a lot to me."

Stephanie Rierson, 16, of Wichita Falls, hunting in Archer County
"When I shot my buck I felt very good. When he fell I couldn't stop smiling but my dad thought it was a six point but it was an eight point. When we walked up on him I hit him in the right spot but I could have missed because I jerked the trigger. It felt really good hunting with my dad but it will be good getting an award for my deer. I like hunting a lot because when a deer walks out you just want to pull the trigger but I need to make sure it is a good buck."

Ray Wood, 8, of Katy, hunting in Kinney County
"Well my first kill was a nice-sized doe. When I shot it I was as happy as a elephant in a peanut factory. I loved it when I saw it. My father said it was a big doe. It felt fine when I shot. It was very, very exciting. I can't wait until I shoot another deer. I'm so happy."

Ryan McBrearty, 8, of San Antonio, hunting in Blanco County
"Killing this deer was one of the most meaningful things that has ever happened to me. When I first killed it, I couldn't believe that I had actually gotten a buck this big and with a bow. Matthew McWilliams, my boyfriend and best friend who taught me everything I know about bowhunting, was so excited and proud of me that I became even

more ecstatic. This kill not only meant a lot to me but it also meant a lot to many of Matthew's friends. These men have been begging their wives to go hunting with them for years. Hopefully, now these wives can see that hunting (especially with a bow) is not just for big, strong guys, but it is also for us gentle, yet adventurous gals."

Karen Gordon, 19, of Brady, hunting in McCulloch County
"I'm not real sure what it means to kill my first deer. It does not mean that I'm a real hunter because I have not learned all there is to know about the deer and the land. I think anybody who can shoot can kill a deer but they are not all hunters. Hunters respect the land and the animals they hunt. I think that they respect the people that let them hunt on their land, too. This is what my dad is trying to teach me. Killing my first deer was very exciting. I enjoyed being out hunting and seeing the animals. I enjoyed shooting the deer. But I think what it means to me most is that I can learn about nature and respect as my dad and I hunt together."

Ryan Allen, 12, of Victoria, hunting in Refugio County
"This will always be a special time for me: hunting with my dad and grandpa."

Derek Dodd, 8, of Deer Park, hunting in Mills County
"When I shot my buck I thought he ran off. I didn't see him after I shot. My dad said, 'He fell like a ton of bricks.' That made me very excited. My dad and I went down to get my buck. When we got there, we couldn't find a hole. My dad said I probably scared him to death. We dug him up the hill and took my picture. I was very excited I almost tripped."

Julie Mulkey, 9, of Higgins, hunting in Hemphill County
"I was really proud to kill my first buck. But what made it even sweeter was I killed it on my own property, bought in September. The other thing that made it special were the good neighbors who were so happy for me and they encouraged me to have the deer scored. The funniest thing was their great surprise that a man my age was just now killing my first buck."

James Rogers, 43, of Dallas, hunting in Anderson County
"I got in the stand at 3:00. We waited. All of a sudden there were two deer at the feeder. I got my gun. I shot. It rained. I shot again. It feels great to finally get my first deer."

Elyse Russell, 7, of Houston, hunting in Webb County

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Sports Events

GOLF

Muenster High School will host two golf tournaments next week at Turtle Hill Golf Course. On Monday, March 27, the boys take to the greens, while the girls will compete on Wednesday, March 29.

MHS TRACK

The Hornets and Lady Hornets track teams, after a long spring break, will race at the Callisburg Meet this Friday, March 24. The

meet will be held on the Lindsay Track with action beginning at 4 p.m.

SH TRACK

The Sacred Heart annual Invitational Track Meet will run Saturday, March 25, at the Lindsay Track and Field. The all-day event begins at 8:30 a.m. with the girls running prelims and boys' field events. Running finals begin at 2:30 p.m.

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Sheddell Martzke

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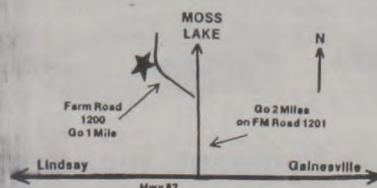
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EPA approves herbicide use to control weeds in sorghum

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has approved a specific exemption request by the Texas Department of Agriculture which allows farmers to use propazine to control weeds in fields planted with grain sorghum. Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said recently.

Propazine is found in Milo-Pro 4L Herbicide. The specific exemption became effective Friday, March 3, and expires Aug. 1.

The treatment is approved for use statewide; however, additional application restrictions apply in Mitchell and Runnels counties. Before applying the herbicide, farmers should contact their local county extension agents or dealers for information on proper application methods and restrictions.

Without the use of propazine, the state's sorghum crop could face a loss of \$50 million, according to TDA estimates.

Machinery sales climb again

Sales of tractors, combines and other farm machinery continued to increase in 1994, the second year in a row. Purchases of farm tractors totaled 63,200 units in 1994, compared with 57,800 in 1993. Combine purchases were up eight percent from 1993.

In 1994, 39,100 two-wheel drive

40-99 HP tractors were sold; 100 HP and over amounted to 20,400 units; four-wheel drive tractors, 3,700 units; and self-propelled combines, 8,500 units.

Farm machinery manufacturing plants were operating at 84 percent of capacity in 1994, compared with 76 percent in 1993.

County Agent's Report

by Craig Rosenbaum

WHEAT TOUR AND WHEAT DECISION MAKING

The first Wheat Tour for 1995 will be held on Thurs., March 30, beginning at 8 a.m. at the State Breeding Trial and Small Grain Nursery located on the Selby Farm southeast of Era. The plot is located approximately two miles south of FM 922 on County Road 321.

The second location and stop will be at 9:30 a.m. at the Wheat Plots located on the J.H. Bayer and Sons Farm on Hickory Street east of Muenster.

The third stop will be at 10:30 a.m. at the Aloys Fuhrmann Wheat Plots located approximately three miles north of Highway 82 on FM 1199 north of Lindsay.

On this tour we will look at some 20 varieties of wheat and evaluate their susceptibility to various diseases including Leaf Rust, Septoria, and Powdery Mildew.

The wheat has been making a great deal of growth recently and producers should be able to see the amount of forage produced by some of these hard and soft wheat varieties.

Jim Blalock, Extension Agronomist, Connie Upton, Ciba Representative, and John Cagle, Miles Chemical Representative, will be on hand at the tour and discuss various control methods and wheat diseases.

A final stop of the day will be at

the Herbicide locations to look at herbicide control for ryegrass and broadleaf weeds.

Two Continuing Education Units will be offered those attending the tour. These CEUs will apply toward recertification of Private Applicator Licenses.

TWO-STEP FIRE ANT CONTROL

It's time, once again, for the yearly ritual of controlling the spring-time emergence of the pesky fire ant. Extension Entomologist Dr. Bart Drees says if you're tired of dancing around fire ant mounds on your property, use a two-step process for maximum control and suppression. The fire ant "two-step" is a combination of twice-yearly broadcast bait applications and individual mound treatments. But remember that most broadcast bait applications are insect growth regulators and take a few weeks to become fully effective. He says the reason a two-step process is needed is because the broadcast bait application is only 75 to 90 percent effective. That leaves nuisance mounds left to rebuild populations—thus the need for individual mound treatments. Drees adds that while it may look like mounds are appearing from nowhere this spring, it's simply because the temperature is warming and the ground is loose enough from the spring rains for the ants to work the soil.



COWBOYS settle part of the Great Cattle Drive 95 Longhorns before continuing the drive across the Red River. Some of the cowboys in the

drive include, l to r, Jim Hook, Eldon Winn, Gordon Jones, Jess Herbers and Bill Petry.

Janie Hartman Photos

TRAIL DRIVE

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happy, I'm a rich man."

His wife, Bobbie, has been to Texas to visit him a number of times already. She will spend some weekends and her two weeks of vacation with him later in the summer.

Tents in various sizes provide shelter for the cowboys and outriders at night and other times when they are in camp. Winn told of a surprise one night for those who were sleeping in a big, green Army-type tent. "Last Tuesday when they had the rain and it froze a bunch of us were sleeping in that green tent and it blew away so we were out in the rain. When it blew away I got my clothes and stuff and pulled them down in the bedroll with me. But I forgot my boots. The next morning they had ice in them. One guy had a hat that was all frozen and bent out of shape. He rode all day with a frozen hat."

Canvas bedrolls are provided for the cowboys to sleep in and when the canvas is pulled up over their heads the cowboys said they could stay warm and dry. Although they sleep on the ground, a three inch foam mattress fitted to the bedroll makes it more comfortable.

The Great American Cattle Drive cowboys are becoming celebrities. People approach them for pictures

and autographs and there are media interviews. "I've got relatives who still live in the hills and they don't have running water or indoor facilities," Winn said. "They're just kind of hermits. My family has always been that way. I was hiring on to be a cowboy in this deal and then I found out we were going to have autograph signing and photographers all over the place. My wife said I should've been smart enough to know that. I told her I'm just going to hide out, but she said, 'You don't want to do that.' Now I'm posing for people along the road. I made a liar of myself!"

A group of youths from Vision Quest will make the entire trip. Their group includes eight youths and seven leaders. "Vision Quest was started in Arizona way back," Boles explained. "They take kids who've gotten into a jam here or there and they have a wagon train—80 wagons. They're going somewhere all the time. Instead of going to jail they take these teenagers and put them on a wagon train. The first two weeks they have to walk. If they behave themselves, get straightened out, and help with the chores they get to ride." On The Great American Cattle Drive 95 the Vision Quest youths are responsible for picking up the camp and help with the cattle. "We've had these kids along six weeks now and the difference in their attitudes is amazing," remarked Boles.

"They've learned to work together, to give and take, get along with each other."

Bill Petry of Oroville, Washington signed on as a cook's helper. At 70 he is the oldest cowboy making the drive. He has worked with cattle all his life and participated in many cattle drives in the mountains. "In those days they rode four hours and rested two hours, rode four and rested two, around the clock," Petry recalled. "Now they ride straight through until they reach the night's destination. They used to drive the herd stretched out for three or four miles, but these guys keep them bunched up."

He said that a lot of the men who work on cattle ranches now earn about a thousand dollars a month and get their houses furnished. Bill

said that the cowboys on this drive are probably earning an average of \$1500 a month with meals furnished.

On Friday, March 17 the Longhorn drive left Texas, but not before they had another adventure. Some of the cattle were spooked under an overpass outside Stoneburg and stampeded nearly two miles to the bottom land near the Red River. One cowboy said, "These cows don't want to leave Texas." Another replied, "They can't wait to get to Oklahoma!"

Evenings in camp involve meal preparations and the cowboys sit around and sing. "There are three or four cowboy poets and most of us play guitars," said Bill. "Annie Golightly is a singer. She is planning to write a book on us. She's making the whole trip."

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"DANCER" DAVIS and his horse take a break after arriving at the Terral, Oklahoma campsite. Davis, editor of *The Cowboy Gazette*, is riding the full 6-month drive, writing "Letters from the Trail."

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HERKEY BIFFLE, representing the Stock Show Syndicate, purchased the premium on the 1995 Cooke County Junior Livestock Show Grand Champion Steer. Derek Stobaugh of Callisburg FFA earned \$3,076.36 for his steer. Fischer's Meat Market of Muenster bought the floor.

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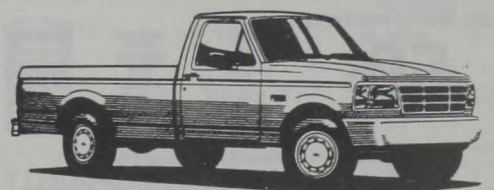
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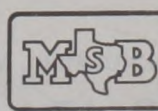
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