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Commissioners Amend Budget

The members of the Fisher County Commissioners Court, reviewed insurance proposals, appointed a grievance committee, set the 1992 holiday schedule and amended the 1991 budget in action last Monday at their regular meeting.

The board listened to a report by Fisher County Judge Marshal Bennett indicating that Rotan Fire Marshall Jerry

Dycus is preparing to make three recommendations concerning work that needs to be done to the Fisher County Senior Citizen Center.

Bennett also indicated that he had received an inquiry from Lone Star Gas Company concerning the use of gas at the senior citizen's center. There have apparently been some that have inquired about running a gas line to the

Fisher County Hospital and Bennett was asked if the center would be interested in gas.

The commissioners approved a grievance committee consisting of Peggy Williams, Irene Nowlin and Vonnell Boyd with Morris Guelker approved as the alternate.

The 1991 budget was amended as follows: The budget was overspent in

the following General Fund areas (1.) Fisher County Judge \$3,474.09; Veteran Service Officer \$36.43; Constable \$945.29; Community Building \$368.37; Commissioners Court \$85.43; J.P. #3 \$190.95; Senior Citizen's \$11,884.03; County Attorney \$1,025.49; Indigent Welfare \$78,199.50; Extension Agents \$2,840.46; Sheriff \$45,407.25; District

Clerk \$1,372.52 - Total General Fund over Budget \$75,305.97.

Precinct #4 - over budget \$36,259.32; Airport Fund over budget \$4,618.07.

Under Budget - Non Departmental \$23,224.56; Jury \$17,103.47; 32nd Judicial District \$13,778.28; Auditor \$721.30; Treasurer \$2,561.15; Health Officer \$13,000.00 and Child Care \$4,917.21.

The following holidays were approved: New Year's Day January 1; Good Friday April 17; Memorial Day; Independence Day July 3rd; Labor Day September 7th; Veteran's Day November 11th; Thanksgiving Day November 26 & 27 and Christmas Day December 24th and 25th.

Boyd Tellar of the John Alden Life Insurance Company make a proposal on health insurance; the Texas Association of Counties made a proposal along with Joe Burk of Rotan Insurance Agency on property and vehicle insurance coverage.

County Cancer Unit In Need Of Interested Citizens

The Fisher County Unit of the American Cancer Society is in need of citizens interested in the continuation of a local unit. Having a local unit is vital in securing patient services for the county. Much is being done on a national level toward cancer research and education, but providing local patient services and information about cancer is done through the Fisher County Unit. This dread disease has touched many families in Fisher County, and those persons are important in forming a close-knit local group.

The first meeting of this year will be held at the Rotan Lions Club building on Tuesday, January 21, at 5:30 p.m. All interested persons are encouraged to be present.



CONGRATULATIONS: To

Ryan Posey, Tracy Hull, Guy Kelley, Robert Vahlenkamp, Holly Hunsaker and Bryce Moore. They were all winners in the showmanship division of the Fisher County Livestock Show last weekend in Roby. Proud of our youth.

AN EVENT: Like all first timers, I was amazed to see the gathering of people waiting in line to get into H.L. Davis & Co., back in 1970 when I first came to this part of the country. Not much has changed in 22 years. Folks still come from miles around looking for the twice a year bargains. Last week, there were cars parked in front of Davis' at 8:00 a.m., when I went to the post office and there were people standing in line at 8:30 a.m. We had two gals drive over from Stamford for the sale that stopped for a visit at the house after they 'claimed their bargains'. Lots of people drive lots of miles for the sale. One lady, so the story goes, was in Amarillo just before the Summer Sale in 1991 and drove back. Would be interesting to see where all the folks are from that come to Rotan for the H.L. Davis Sale.

SATURDAY SALE: Another event that is causing quite a stir in the Big Country every year and drawing a lot of folks to Rotan is Farm Tractor & Service, Inc., January Used Farm Equipment Auction. Hammer Hull said that from 500 to 700 people come from all over. "Some years you can't even stir the ground" said Hull. They are expecting another big crowd this year on Saturday, January 25th.

CONGRATULATIONS: To the Rotan girls varsity basketball team. In a year where wins are few and far between and bright spots are even fewer. The girls need to take a bow in the spotlight. They were "down and out" for all practical purposes against Ira the other night. So far behind that it was ceasing to be a contest. You guessed it. They came back. Tied the game in the final seconds, sent it into overtime and won. Congratulations.

FIRST EXERCISE: Ladies of the First Baptist Church in Rotan have set up an exercise program in the Fellowship Hall each Monday and Thursday at 5:00 p.m. The gals are using low-impact Christian videos.

REMEMBER: Texas first implemented the sales tax in 1961. A lot has changed since 1961 when astronaut Alan Shepard made the first U.S. manned, East Germany erected the Berlin Wall, the Yankees won the World Series and Texas enacted the sales tax as its newest source of revenue. Today, nearly \$8.3 billion was generated in 1991.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: January 16-22. Jan 16-Debbie Gruben, Ernest Roberts, Nathaniel Wynn, Marguerite Nettleton; 17 - Lawrence Markham, Fran Burk; 18 - Vera Weems, Naomi Mayfield, Kody King, Estelle Polk, Kasey Greene, Rudy Hamric, Cecilia Martinez; 19 - Reece Schooley, Teryn Terry, Hunter Helms; 20 - Teresa Cave, LaMerle Denton, James Terry, Bertha Sawyer; 21 - Mary L. Stuart; 22 - Barbara Brzezinski and Tammy Nowlin.

CONGRATULATIONS: To Norvelle Kennedy, Jr. on the remodeling he is doing to the old Rotan Police Station Building by the red light.

DOCTOR LEAVES: For the second time in 6-weeks, we have been semi-shocked with news that a physician has shut

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CAN'T TOUCH THIS: A Yellowhammer player is heavily guarded by two Roby Lions as he attempts to make a shot as the Hammers met the Lions for the first of two basketball games. The two teams will meet one more time in Lions territory before District play is over.

Theatre on the Brazos Will Hold "Odd Couple" Tryouts

Tryouts for the Theatre on the Brazos spring production of "The Odd Couple" will be January 27th and 28th. The tryouts will be at 7 p.m. at the Lance Theatre.

The play is the male version of the Odd Couple and will be directed by Jaye Neice Clements. The cast in-

cludes 6 men and 2 women. Four of the male parts and the two women's parts are small with 2 leading male parts.

There are also jobs for people widening to work with props, advertising, programs, tickets and many other jobs.

The projected date of the performance is early April.

Everyone's help is needed to keep the theatre alive in Rotan.

Food Pantry Will Distribute Food

January 22 will be the sign up for the Senior Citizen monthly food distribution for the Fisher County Food Pantry. If you are unable to leave home or need a ride call (776-2171) and arrangements will be made to visit you. Guidelines are: 60 years of age or older. Single person income \$350.00 per month and 2 person household income \$547.00 per month. Sign up will be Wednesday, January 22 1-3 p.m. Community Center - Rotan and Courthouse Annex - Roby from 1-3 p.m.

Theatre On Brazos Work Nights Set

The members and friends of Theatre on the Brazos will have work nights every Tuesday night. The goal is to produce the Spring play in the new home. The main project underway now is repair of 200 seats.

Anyone willing to help is encouraged to be at the old Lance Theatre on Tuesday nights from 7-9 p.m.

To Direct Home Health Program

Brenda McCall Resigns As F.C. Hospital Board Member

Brenda McCall, Fisher County Hospital Board Member and chairman of the Fisher County Hospital Long Range Planning Committee, resigned her board post last Monday night during an emergency session of the board.

The meeting, called for the purpose of (1.) Discussing physician situation in Fisher County and (2.) Approving a new Home Health Contract.

The physician situation was discussed by the board. Administrator Ronnie Ammons asked for and received direction from the board concerning what was expected in the search for a (a.) temporary physician to assist with emergency room coverage in the absence of Dr. C.M. Callan and (b.) a financial plan to recruit a permanent full-time physician to locate at the Fisher County Hospital Doctor's Clinic.

In the area of the Home Health situation, Brenda McCall, after serving in the capacity of president of the Fisher County Hospital Long Range planning committee, resigned as a board member to accept the position of Home Health Director for the Fisher County Hospital.

Those present for the emergency meeting were: Brenda McCall, Frank

Mitchell, Horace Curlee, William Cleveland, Jr. and Steve Nowlin.

Brenda McCall's term on the board expires this year. It is expected that the board will address filling the board vacancy at the regular monthly meeting of the board next Monday night.

Dave Daniel Gets Player Of Year Football Honor

Rotan running back Dave Daniel, who rushed for 2,300 yards and 35 touchdowns, was tapped as the Texas Football Magazine Class A player of the year and Texas Sports Writer's Association player of the year it was announced last week.

Other Rotan and Roby players recognized by the Texas Sports Writers Association as members of the All-State Team were:

Rotan - Tyrone Daniel - first team punter; Eric Smith - second team quarterback; Tyrone Daniel - second team kicker; Jesse Garcia, second team defensive lineman; Trey Carrillo, second team defensive back.

Roby - Joe Don Helm - second team offensive tackle.

County Down To One Doctor

Dr. Atkins Announces That He Is Terminating Practice

Dr. Ernie L. Atkins, a Fisher County medical doctor for the past three and a half years, announced this week that he is terminating his local practice effective on February 11, 1992.

He would not say where he would be locating his new practice because negotiations are not yet finished, but did say that the address of his new practice would be printed in the newspaper whenever plans are firm.

Dr. Atkins came to Fisher County from Warren General Hospital in Warren, Ohio where he completed his internship and residency. He is a graduate of the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine of Fort Worth.

"I am doing what I feel like is in my family's best interest. The time has come for me to leave," said Atkins.

Dr. Atkins' announcement of his moving leaves Fisher County with only one practicing medical doctor. Dr. Bennie LeBleu announced in mid December that his was closing his practice. Only Dr. C. Maurice Callan will be practicing medicine after Atkins leaves.



UP AND AWAY: Melissa Burk goes up for a shot when the Lady Hammers took on the Lady Lions, opening District play for both teams. The Lady Lions took home the win. District play is in full swing now for both teams.

Highlights And Sidelights By Lyndell Williams Texas Press Association

"The people, in delegating authority, do not give their public servants the right to decide what is good for the people to know and what is not good for them to know. The people insist on remaining informed so that they may retain control over the instruments they have created." - Texas Open Records Act, Article 6252-17a.

AUSTIN - The million dollar special session adjourned last week, and nobody could say for sure whether anything had been accomplished.

What is certain is that until a federal court speaks, the Texas primary election is now in chaos on several fronts:

■ Candidates meeting the Jan. 10 filing deadline did so amid the uncertainty of unfinished boundary lines;

■ Texas voters may not be balloting with the rest of the South in the March 12 Super Tuesday presidential primary; and

■ The primary, whenever we finally get around to having it, may cost taxpayers an extra \$1.4 million.

In the House, the end of an era came into sight when Speaker Gib Lewis announced he will not seek re-election, but told members he intends to remain presiding officer for another year.

Lewis, a conservative Fort Worth Democrat, faces trial on two misdemeanor ethics charges, but some insiders say he is tired of being hounded by liberals in his party.

The Gib Lewis Legacy

Since 1982, flush with new seats, liberal Democrats have sought to organize the Texas House along party lines, like the U.S. Congress, in order to control it.

But Lewis swept into the first of five terms in 1983, heir to the system of predecessor Billy Clayton which handed out a fair share of plums to Republican lawmakers.

Since then, the Legislature has increased expenditures and taxes despite Lewis' attempts at restraint.

In 1993, a new era begins in the Texas House, perhaps with Democrats sitting on one side of the aisle and Republicans on the other.

Senate Democrats Prevail

In the Texas Senate, Democrats ran over their Republican colleagues and won approval of a re-districting plan that would preserve a Democratic majority in the Senate.

Kim's Corner

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down his local practice. In December it was Dr. Bennie LeBeau who retired. This week it was Dr. Ernie Atkins who announced he was leaving. Lots of patients are looking for a new place to park their medical records. Don't be too quick to re-locate your medical records out of town. I think Fisher County will land a doctor who will come here to stay. We've seen a lot come and go over the past 15 years, but I'm confident Fisher County can support two good full time doctors. Be a little patient, we'll get a good one.

FINALLY: Ol' Whistle Britches from his Shinnery Ridge Ranch at Rough Creek is complaining about the local motel closing. He said neither he or his immediate family ever used it, but he wanted it available if they ever did want to use it. He said he was going to begin using more local businesses for fear if he didn't they would also close. Britches is so perceptive sometimes he amazes the girls at the office.

DEBTS: Debts are about the only thing you can acquire without money.

PLEASURE: The greatest pleasure in life is doing what other people say can't be done.

WORDS: A dictionary is a guide to the spelling of words - providing you know how to spell them.

CHURCH: A church that is not reaching out (beyond it's four walls) is passing out.

DRUNKEN DRIVING: It is better to sit tight, rather than trying to drive tight.

GOD: Man's maximum achievement often falls short of God's minimum demands.

FINALLY, FINALLY: Remember - what you give lives.

Last week, Attorney General Dan Morales was in Washington to plead with U.S. Justice Department officials to quickly accept the Senate plan.

"I remain hopeful and optimistic we're going to be able to keep the elections on time, March 10. A delay would have a negative impact," Morales said after meeting with officials.

The Senate plan must be "pre-cleared" by the federal agency even though it is identical to a plan approved by the Justice Department last year.

More Speaker Hopes

One thing is certain, there will be no shortage of candidates to succeed Speaker Lewis.

As two more candidates jumped into the race, Capitol lobbyists moved to distance themselves from involvement in the campaign.

Reps. Sam Russell, D-Mount Pleasant, and Tom Uher, D-Bay

City, said that they are officially candidates for the speakership.

The two lawmakers joined five other House members who have announced they will seek the post. The other candidates are Reps. Billy Clemons, D-Pollock; David Cain, D-Dallas; James Hury, D-Galveston; Pete Laney, D-Hale Center; and Jim Rudd, D-Brownfield.

Lawmakers and lobbyists predicted that the race for speaker will be a long battle that might not be settled until November's general election or the start of the next regular session in January 1993.

House Reforms Eyed

One day after Lewis announced his retirement as speaker, a government watchdog group started campaigning to reform the chamber's rules and power structure.

Common Cause of Texas wants to make the House function more openly and democratically after the five-term speaker leaves office next year, said Mary Nell

Mathis, state chair of the self-styled citizens lobby.

Electing the speaker by secret ballot is one of the reforms Common Cause is pushing. "This is the only secret vote Common Cause would ever support," Mathis said.

The group plans to mail letters to its 7,000 members to ask House candidates whether they will support reform of the House's operating rules.

After the filing deadline passes, the organization will send a questionnaire to candidates for the 150 House seats. They will be asked whether they back the reforms.

Other Highlights

■ Gov. Ann Richards became the first governor in 20 years to grant an executive reprieve. Johnny Frank Garrett was sentenced to die for raping and killing a 76-year-old nun in an Amarillo convent on Halloween 1981.

Legal Notice

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals for: Mowing Highway Right-of-Way
Highway (s): Various
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Will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation located at:

4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas
Until The Respective Bid Opening Time (s):
Wednesday, January 29, 1992
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The contract for this work will not be awarded to any contractor or firm which is currently debarred from bidding on Texas Department of Transportation projects. No currently debarred contractors will be permitted to perform subcontract work on this project.

ALL PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE PRE-BIDDERS' CONFERENCE WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S DISTRICT OFFICE AT:
4250 N. CLACK
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TIME AND DATE: 10:30 A.M.;
FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 1992

Bidding proposals, plans and specifications will be available at the District Maintenance Office at: 4250 N. CLACK

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City Grocery & Deli.
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776-2225
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Bart Strayhorn
735-2231
Rotan, Texas

City Auto
Supply
735-2242 - Rotan, Texas

Abilene
Reporter - News
Byrle & June Martin
735-2464
Rotan, Texas

United Artists
Cable Television
735-2526
Rotan, Texas

Rotan
Insurance Agency
735-2571

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735-2574
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"The Friendly Store"
Bill & Elaine Day

Theatre
On The
Brazos



SANCTUARY

This young lady views the winter world with a smile, for she knows she is protected from the bitter cold by the windowpane, reflecting the warmth of the sun... providing refuge... sanctuary.

P. K. Thomajan has referred to the church as a "soularium". Truly, God's house is a sanctuary for the soul... a refuge for the spirit... a protective shelter from the storms of life. "Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary." (Ps. 96: 06)

Ps. 150: 01 urges us to "Praise God in His sanctuary." As you worship God each Sabbath, may your blessed experience echo the sentiments of Cyrus Albertson, as he wrote...



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"A room of quiet... a temple of peace.
The home of faith... where doubtings cease.
A house of comfort... where hope is given;
A source of strength... to make earth heaven.
A shrine of worship... a place to pray...
I found all this... in my church today."

Clinic Pharmacy
735-2500
Cleburne Murdoch-RpH
Rotan, Texas

Rotan Nursing Center
735-2233
Rotan, Texas

Landes Furniture
Larry & Beverly Landes
735-3171
Rotan, Texas

Summers Flying Service
Neal, Kathy & Seth
735-3477

Weathersbee
Funeral
Home
735-2255
Rotan, Texas

Fisher County Nursing
Home
Carl Hitt-Administrator
735-3291
Rotan, Texas

Citizens State Bank
776-2261
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The Newspaper Office
*Gifts
*Office Supplies
*Printing
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Kim & Jamece Pease
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Rotan, Texas

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Rotan, Texas

Rotan
Masonic Lodge #956
Meets 3rd Thursday

St. Joseph's Catholic Church
Rotan, Texas
Father Austin Kittredge

Sunday Morning 9:00 a.m. Mass
Saturday Night 7:00 p.m. Mass

Church Of The Nazarene
Rotan, Texas
Rev. Jack Jones

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
Sunday evening & Wed. Evening 8:00 p.m.

McCaulley Baptist Church
McCaulley, Texas
Rev. Dutch Parks
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.

Church Of Christ
Rotan, Texas
Douglas Reeves
S.S. 9:45 a.m. - Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Ladies Bible Class 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Night Worship 8:00 - Wed. - 7:30

Calvary Baptist Church
Rotan, Texas
Rev. Gene Prevo
S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 p.m.

Little Zion Baptist Church
Rotan, Texas
Rev. John L. Martin

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church
Roby, Texas
Rev. Tobey Clements
S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Church Training 8:00 - Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Night Choir Practice 8:00 p.m.

First United Methodist
Rotan, Texas
Rev. Ron W. Dunaway
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship Service 8:00 p.m.

Baha'i World Faith
Roby, Texas
Dr. and Mrs. David Morris
Information Meeting Every Thursday night at 7:30.
Blue Haven Motel, Roby

Mission Baptista Calvario
Roby, Texas
Rev. Eli Sepeda
S.S. 9:45 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Eve 8:30 p.m. - Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7:30 p.m.

Foursquare Church
Rotan, Texas
Rev. Robert Kennedy
Sunday School 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 p.m.

Hobbs Baptist Church
Hobbs Community
Rev. Dee Threalt
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.

Church Of Christ
Roby, Texas
Darrell Hart
S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 8:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Rotan, Texas
Rev. Joe Vernon
S.S. 9:45 a.m. - Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

First United Methodist
McCaulley, Texas
Sue Rowlett, Minister
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
2nd Wednesday Fellowship 8:30 p.m.

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

First United Methodist
Sylvester, Texas
Sue Rowlett, Minister
Sunday School 10:00 a.m. - Worship 9:30 a.m.
Community Dinner 6:00 p.m.
Each Third Wednesday Night

First United Methodist
Roby, Texas
Rev. Larry Crumpton
S.S. 9:45 a.m. - Worship 10:50 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship Service 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Worship Practice 7:00 p.m.

Emmanuel Baptist Church
Rotan, Texas
Sunday School 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday Night Worship 7:00 p.m.

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

OBITUARIES

Ashley Kristan Dycus

Ashley Kristan Dycus died Wednesday, January 8 at a Fort Worth hospital. She was 20 months old.

Funeral services were at 10:30 a.m., January 10 at First Baptist Church in Lakeside. Burial was in Azleland Memorial Park in Azle. Biggers Funeral Home in Lake Worth is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include: Parents: Robert and Lisa Dycus of White Settlement; grandparents: Roy and Cathy Hill of Lakeside, and Billy and Diane Dycus of Azle; and great-grandmothers: Teresa Dycus of Rotan and Rissie Hill of Baltimore.

Dr. A. W. Yeats

Funeral services for Dr. A. W. Yeats were conducted at 2 p.m., Tuesday in Beaumont with graveside services at 3 p.m., Wednesday at the Roby Cemetery. Dr. Yeats died at his home in Beaumont Sunday, January 12th.

He was born at Snyder, September 13, 1910, the son of the late Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Yeats. He received his Bachelor's degree from McMurry University and his Master's and Doctorate degree from the University of Texas. He was a member of the Methodist church and a retired college professor, having taught many years at Lamar University in Beaumont.

Dr. Yeats is survived by: two sisters: Helen Yeats of Roby and Athelda Watts of Fort Worth, and by two nieces and a nephew.

Program Provisions For 1990-91 Crop Disaster

Congressman Charles Stenholm (D-TX) announced today that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has released program provisions for the 1990-91 crop disaster program and that his office is available to answer questions for farmers who have experienced losses.

"A limited amount of money was recently made available for payments to farmers who can document crop losses due to natural disasters in either 1990 or 1991," Stenholm said.

Although the application period will not begin until February 3, those planning to file a loss claim are encouraged to begin assembling their records now so that the actual application process can run as smoothly as possible.

While traveling through the 17th District this week, Stenholm told farmers that they can receive a complete set of guidelines and a disaster program worksheet from their county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) office. Farmers can also contact Stenholm's office with any questions regarding the program's implementation.

"Although ASCS will be administering this program in accordance with the 1990 farm bill, there is only a limited amount of money so it will have to be spread pretty thin. Consequently, we are all going to have to work together to make this thing happen," he said.

Stenholm indicated that many county ASCS offices may be extremely overburdened during the sign-up period, which runs through March 13, and

producer benefits will not be paid until all the applications are processed.

According to USDA, after all applications are filed they will go to ASCS' central computer facility and producer benefits will be summarized and the "national allocation factor" for limiting total payments to the available \$995 million will be computed.

"I anticipate more loss claims than there is money to go around, so all the payments will have to be prorated to fit within the limited amount of available funds," Stenholm said. "Although I wish things could move faster, I don't expect counties to begin mailing payments to producers until mid-April."

"In the meantime, if my office can help answer questions or be of assistance, please feel free to contact my District staff at 915/773-3623 or my Washington office at 202/225-6605," Stenholm said. "It's important that the sign-up run as smoothly and efficiently as possible. Through careful preparation and cooperation we can hopefully avoid potential confusion and difficulties down the road," he added.

According to USDA, eligible producers may file claims for losses on participating and nonparticipating crops. Producers with crop insurance must have had losses greater than 35 percent and those without crop insurance must have had losses greater than 40 percent. A producer may not file on one crop on a farm for one year and a different crop on the same farm for the other year. However, the producer may request benefits for 1990 on one farm and for 1991 on another farm.

Public Notice

On October 4, 1991, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) that proposes a new optional service called DigiLineSM Service. The application was assigned Docket No. 10655.

DigiLine Service uses a 144 Kbps facility, typically divided into two 64 Kbps B Channels and one 16 Kbps D Channel to provide access to and from the public switched telephone network for circuit-switched voice communications. DigiLine Service also provides transmission of circuit-switched data and packet-switched data within the customer's service office area only. This service allows the simultaneous transmission of voice and data over a single residence or business telephone line from a serving office equipped for DigiLine Service.

The monthly recurring charges for DigiLine Service consist of three major rate elements: Basic Interface Facility (\$19.00); Basic Interface Equipment (\$12.00); and, an Integrated Services Network Component for each B Channel (rate varies from \$1.90 to \$7.25 per B Channel depending on the customer's class of service and location.) Other charges may also be applicable depending on the options requested by the customer.

DigiLine Service operates only with compatibly-equipped FCC Part 68 registered equipment. The service will be offered initially in the following exchanges and within the following serving offices:

Exchange	Serving Offices
Dallas	Fleetwood, Richardson, Riverside
Austin	Fireside
San Antonio	Capitol, Medical Center
Houston	Clay, Medical Center

DigiLine Service may be furnished in other serving offices in any of the above exchanges in combination with foreign serving office charges. In addition, DigiLine Service may be available in other exchanges upon a customer's bona fide request. A bona fide request is a written request for service. Upon receipt of the bona fide request, Southwestern Bell will conduct an economic analysis to determine the financial viability of offering the requested service.

Southwestern Bell expects DigiLine Service to generate first-year revenues of approximately \$236,000.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in this docketed proceeding should notify the Commission as soon as possible, but not later than by February 10, 1992. A request to intervene, participate, or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information also may be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Public Information Office at 512-458-0256. The telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) number is 512-458-0221.



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THIS IS FOOT WORK: An unidentified Rotan player guards a Roby player in a unique way during recent basketball as the two teams met and opened District play.

Daughter Born To Arnolds

Wesley Arnold wishes to welcome his long awaited sister who arrived December 23, 1991. Her name is Jordan Paige Arnold, 7 lbs. 8 ozs. and was 20 1/4 inches long.

The proud parents are Debbie and Andy. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brzezinski and paternal grandparents are Pauline Arnold and the late Andrew Arnold of Sweetwater.

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HUDDLE FOR INSTRUCTIONS: Coach Barry Sartain coaches his Yellowhammers on the facts of the game as the Yellowhammers took on the Roby Lions. The Lions defeated the Hammers with Coach Sartain commenting, "We had several missed opportunities early that could have been the difference." The Hammers and Lions both opened District play against each other last Friday night.

Lions Outscore Hammers

Rotan's boys varsity basketball team managed to pretty well stay with the Roby Lions through the first quarter. Score at the end of the first period was 14-10 in favor of Roby. After the first period it was pretty much a 'done deal'.

Roby jumped to a 46-23 halftime lead; increased that to 60-34 at the end of the third period and took home a 78-42 win.

The Osuna brothers (Kevin with 24 and Brian with 19) managed to outscore

Rotan's team with a combined total of 43 points.

Trey Carrillo and Joey Powell each scored 12 in the loss. Brian Baker scored 10, Jason Carrillo had 4; J.P. Martinez scored 3 and Mark Marshall registered 1 point.

In the Ira contest of January 8th, Rotan lost 53-44.

Poose Ails scored 12; Trey Carrillo 10; Brian Baker 10; Jason Carrillo 8; Matt Mercer and Mark Marshall 2 points each.

"I was pleased with the defensive effort of the team. We are improving every game. Offensively we were a little off. We had several missed opportunities early that could have been the difference", said Coach Barry Sartain.

Hospital News

Patients admitted to the Fisher County Hospital January 7 - 13, 1992 were:

William Cleveland, Sr.- Rotan; Charlie Smith- Roby; Valla Swafford-Rotan; Leonora Cleveland- Rotan; Michael S. Hardy- Rotan; Louise Cyphers- Rotan; Joanna Chavaria-Roby; Ophelia Bennett- Roby; Zed C. Randolph- Rotan; Abram Jones, Jr.- Rotan.

ROTAN LUNCH MENU

January 20 - 24, 1992

MONDAY: Teachers Planning and Preparation Day

TUESDAY: Turkey Roast & Gravy, Shipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Chocolate Pudding, Milk.

WEDNESDAY: Frito Pie, Pinto Beans, Vegetable Salad, Cornbread, Fruit, Milk.

THURSDAY: BBQ on a Bun, Tater Tots & Catsup, Pickle Spears, Fresh Fruit, Cookies, Milk.

FRIDAY: Hot Dogs & Chili & Cheese, French Fries & Catsup, Ranch Style Beans, Spice Cake, Milk.

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"Qualified Medicare Beneficiary" Program

Do you know someone like Margaret Jones? (I'm not using her real name to protect her privacy.) She's in her late 70's now and lives alone; her husband died some time ago. Although she owns her home, she has little savings left. Fortunately, Mrs. Jones gets a Social Security check of about \$450 a month and has Medicare.

Of course, on \$450 a month, paying the \$29.90 monthly premium for Medicare medical insurance is not easy. Mrs. Jones also worries that if she has to go to the hospital, the \$628 Medicare hospital insurance deductible will wipe out her remaining savings.

Perhaps you know someone in the same circumstances as Mrs. Jones. It might even be you. Well, the good news is that there is a program to help people like Mrs. Jones with out-of-pocket Medicare expenses. It's called the "Qualified Medicare Beneficiary" program, or "QMB".

The QMB program helps low-income Medicare beneficiaries by pay-

ing their Medicare premiums, deductibles, and coinsurance. The program is run by the States, in Texas it's the Department of Human Services, and the federal Health Care Financing Administration. It is up to the State to decide if you are eligible for help from the program.

Like Mrs. Jones, you might qualify for help from the QMB program if you have Medicare coverage and your income and your "resources" -- things you own -- are limited. Here in Texas your resources can't be more than \$4000 for one person, or \$6000 for a family of two. But some things -- such as the home you live in -- don't count. Your car may not count either.

To qualify for the program, your

income also must be limited. In general, if you don't work, your income -- from things like Social Security and other unearned income -- must be less than \$552 a month for one person, or \$740 or less for a family of two. If you work, you can qualify even if your income is somewhat higher.

Remember, only the people at Texas Department of Human Services can decide if you're eligible for QMB help. If you think you might be eligible, or you want to find out more about the program, contact them at your county Department of Human Services office.

The QMB program is for those who don't qualify for Supplemental Security Income (SSI). Those who meet the income and resource limits for SSI,

will need to apply with the Social Security Administration. For more information about SSI, call the toll-free number 1-800-772-1213 or call the Abilene office at 915-698-1360.

Tammi Sparks Engaged To J. Daubenspeck

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Sparks announce the engagement of their daughter, Tammi Dea, to John Gregory Daubenspeck, son of Mr. John R. Daubenspeck of Bishop, and Ms. Jeanette Daubenspeck of Austin.

The bride-elect graduated from Rotan High School and is employed by American Eagle Airlines as administrative secretary for the maintenance department.

The prospective groom graduated from Bishop High School and Spartan School of Aeronautics. He is employed by American Eagle Airlines as an aircraft maintenance supervisor.

The couple plan a March 7 wedding in Abilene.

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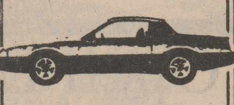
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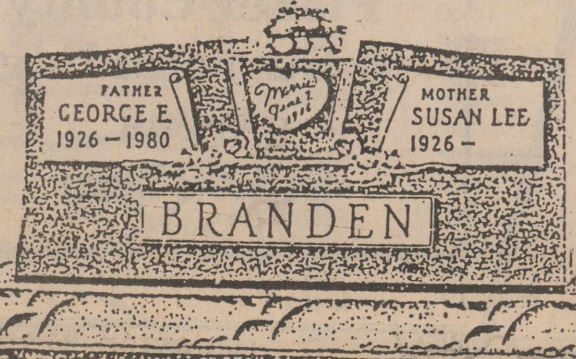
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90 Geo Storm  \$7995 Auto Trans., Only 12,000 miles	90 Chev. Beretta  \$8795 V6, Auto Trans., 18,000 miles	89 Pont. Bonneville  \$9995 3.8 V6, Loaded
86 Ford S-Cab  \$5895 XL, 302, AT, Loaded	90 Chev. Ext. Cab  \$9995 AM/FM, Tilt, Cruise, AC	88 Chev. Ext. Cab  \$8495 Silverado, AT, 350
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Rotan, Texas 79546
(915) 735-2255

Fisher County Business Directory

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ROTAN ADVANCE - ROBY STAR RECORD

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

CALL 735-2278 OR 735-2562 - DEADLINE IS NOON ON TUESDAY

REAL ESTATE

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE: Free colored fact sheets on each home, farm and/or ranch, consider properties at your leisure, Black Investments, 107 North Garfield, 79546. 32:tf

80 Acres West of Rotan, Cropland, 519 LB/AC yield, minerals, call Black Investments (915) 735-3091. 49:tf

GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICE on Dr. Ernie Atkins' two homes on 3 acres South of Roby, Black Investments (915) 735-3091. 50:tf

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE free colored fact sheets on each residential home, farm, ranch, or commercial. Consider properties at your leisure. Black Investments, 107 North Garfield, 79546. (915) 735-3091. 50:tf

FARM FOR SALE: To settle estate 320 acres West of Rotan. 145.5 CRP. Balanced pasture. 2 BR, brick, basement, city water, out building. (806) 495-2985. 50:4p

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HOUSE FOR SALE: 1 acre, 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Contact Wilton Hayes (915) 235-9547. 45:tf

FOR RENT

FOR RENT: Storage spaces from \$17.00 per month. Lock it and leave it. Rotan self Storage 735-3171. 10:tf

SERVICES

EXPERT TELEVISION SERVICE: Call Frank's TV in Hamlin. We are in Rotan/Roby area at least 3 times weekly to service your TV, VCR or satellite system. We also service and install antennas and are the oldest and biggest satellite dealer in the area. For any of these needs come in to Frank's TV across from the bank in Hamlin, or call 576-2122. 27:tf

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HELP WANTED

WANTED: LVN 3-11 shift and relief. Comparable salary with benefits for full time employment. Contact Gayle Long, RN, DON, or Sandy Hudson, Administrator, Kent County Nursing Home, Jayton Texas. (806) 237-3036. 49:tf

HELP WANTED: Relief LVN - 11 to 7 shift, competitive salary. Also evening cook needed. Contact Alta Hinson, Director of Nurses at Rotan Nursing Center at 735-2233 or come by 711 E. 5th. EOE. 46:tf

HELP WANTED: The Fisher County ASCS Office located at 501 W. Hwy. 180 in Roby, Texas is currently seeking qualified applications to fill one Permanent and one Temporary vacancy. Applicants must possess basic computer and office skills as well as being a U.S. Citizen with a high school diploma or equivalent to. Applications will be accepted from January 9, 1992 through January 24, 1992 in consideration for these two positions. ASCS is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.

HELP WANTED

The Fisher County Nursing Home is now accepting applications for the following positions: RN for Director of Nursing, RN for weekends, LVN for 3 to 11 evening shift, full time. Competitive wages offered. Call Tracie at 735-3291.

GARAGE SALES

GARAGE SALE: Saturday only, several pairs of drapes. Everything priced to go. 1 mile West of Rotan, Pat Kelly. 50:1tc

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ANTIQUES: We have fine furniture, over 400 clocks and numerous old lamps for you to purchase, plus many gift items. We also repair and refinish clocks, lamps and furniture. Call us or bring in. All work guaranteed. House of Anticks, 4008 College Ave., Snyder, Texas 79549, (915) 573-4422. 27:tf

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FOR SALE: Locker Plant in Rotan. Possible Owner financing. Priced to sell for immediate possession. Call 915-735-2512. 49:3tc

FOR SALE: Cleaned antique bricks, total 34,000 in pallets of 605 - \$150.00 per 1,000 bricks, loader available at \$5.00 per pallet. Call from 6:00-10:30 p.m. (915) 735-3206. 37:tf

NOTICE: NOW IN STOCK: Sharp VX-1652A calculators \$139.95, TI503II calculators \$79.95. Victor 1430, \$129.95 and Adler Royal 1122PD \$179.95. The Newspaper Office, 735-2562, Rotan, Texas.

NOTICE: This ad is small but the savings are big at the January furniture clearance at Kinney's in Stamford. Every piece of furniture is marked down to sell quickly. At Kinney's you always get personal service, free delivery, and easy terms. Kinney's Inc., Box 590, Stamford, Tx. 49:3tc

FOR SALE: Nora Oats for sale \$4.00 bushel in bulk. 735-2308. 50:6tc

ATTENTION!!! 1962 Yellowhammers Champions. Anyone interested in a 30 year Reunion. Contact: Pete Garcia, 3036 Kenwood St. Hammond, IN. 46323. Phone 219-845-5931. 50:1tp

FOR SALE: Fertilized hay, small square bales \$3.00, large round bales \$35.00, call 735-2308 or 735-2066. 47:tf



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Legal Notice

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Rudolph Martinez, Deceased, were issued on December 17, 1991, in Docket No. 2954, pending in the County Court of Fisher County, Texas, to: Louise Martinez.

The residence of the executrix is in Fisher County, Texas, the post office address is:

Rt. 2, Box H1
Rotan, Texas 79546

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

DATED the 7th day of January, 1992.

ESTATE OF RUDOLPH MARTINEZ

By:
O. HENRY YOUNG

P.O. Box 3736

Abilene, Texas 79604

State Bar No. 22211000

(915) 677-3386

50:1tc

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals for: Pavement Marking (ReflectORIZED Water Base Traffic Paint)

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County (ies): Various

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FOR SALE: 3 cute puppies, 1/2 dachshund and 1/2 terrier. Reasonable, call 776-2540. 50:1tp

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Friday, January 24, 1992
Then publicly read.

The contract for this work will not be awarded to any contractor or firm which is currently debarred from bidding on Texas Department of Transportation projects. No currently debarred contractors will be permitted to perform subcontract work on this project.

ALL PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE ADVISED THAT THERE WILL NOT BE A PRE-BIDDERS' CONFERENCE FOR THESE CONTRACTS

Bidding proposals, plans and specifications will be available at the District Maintenance Office at: 4250 N. CLACK

Abilene, Texas

Telephone (915) 676-6851

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Estimated Beginning Work Order Date: Upon Issuance of Work

Order Term of Contract: 12 Months

50:2tc

RANDALL W. BIBB

Certified Public Accountant

3125 South 27th

Abilene, Texas 79605

(915) 695-7870

Fisher County Political Calendar

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

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

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

The Rotan Advance-Roby Star Record has been authorized to announce the following candidates for public office:

FISHER COUNTY COMMISSIONER

PRECINCT #1

Charles Meek

FISHER COUNTY COMMISSIONER

PRECINCT #3

Jay Hendon

FISHER COUNTY SHERIFF

Mickey A. Counts

Gene Pack

Bobby Gallagher

FISHER COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

Betty Mize

U.S. CONGRESSMAN

Charles Stenholm

"Out Of Pocket" Costs In Medicare Increases

The "out of pocket" costs that Medicare beneficiaries pay for Medicare coverage increased as of January 1, 1992, according to Glyn Hammons, Social Security manager in Abilene.

The basic medical insurance premium -- sometimes called "Part B" -- increased by \$1.90 -- from \$29.90 to \$31.80. However, the \$100.00 Medicare medical insurance deductible will remain unchanged, Hammons said.

The amount the patient pays for the Medicare hospital insurance -- sometimes called "Part A" -- deductible and coinsurance amounts increased as follows:

- from \$628.00 to \$652.00 for the first 60 days of inpatient care in a benefit period,
- from \$157.00 to \$163.00 a day for the 61st through the 90th day of inpatient care,
- from \$314.00 to \$326.00 a day for

the 60 hospital reserve days, -- from \$78.50 to \$81.50 for the 21st through the 100th day of care in a skilled nursing facility.

The monthly Medicare hospital insurance premium for people who are not insured under the Social Security or the Railroad Retirement Act increases from \$177.00 to \$192.00.

The beneficiary share of the cost of Medicare is figured each year based on the increases in the cost of the program during the year before. People with limited income may qualify for help with payment of these costs under the "Qualified Medicare Beneficiary" program available from their State welfare or public assistance agencies.

For more information about Medicare, people can call the Social Security toll-free telephone number, 1-800-772-1213. If you prefer, you can call the local office at 698-1360.

Lady Lions Defeat Lady Hammers

by Scott Feagan
Roby vs Rotan Girls

The Lady Lions jumped out to an early lead and stretched it to a 22 point lead at halftime and then coasted to a 54-28 win to put them at 1-0 in district play.

The Lady Lions started out shooting well early and ended the first quarter 15 points up, mostly on the inside play and rebounding of Lorissa Edmondson.

The second quarter both teams started having a little trouble finding the basket. Roby did manage to build on their lead, going in at the half with the score 31-9.

In the third stanza both teams were

getting into foul trouble, but neither team could make good on many of their freethrows. The Lions upped their lead to 42-15.

The fourth quarter both teams unloaded their bench and before it was over, Rotan had outscored Roby in the quarter by 1, leaving the final score at 54-28.

Scoring: Lorissa Edmondson- 31, Heidi Mims- 8, Tanya McClure- 8, Karen Barrera- 4, Monica Pullig- 2, Shae Thompson- 1.

Roby	19	12	11	12	-	54
Rotan	4	5	6	13	-	28

Legal Notice

LEGAL NOTICE

The Rotan Independent School District will accept sealed bids until 12:00 p.m., February 7, 1992 at the Superintendent's office, 102 North McKinley Avenue, Rotan, Texas 79546 for band uniforms. Anticipated purchase: 75 uniforms.

To receive specifications and additional information, contact the Superintendent's office. Sealed bids will be opened at the Superintendent's office at 1:00 p.m., February 7, 1992. The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.
50:2tc

Customers To Notice Change On WTU Bill

Customers of West Texas Utilities may notice two new items on their electric bill beginning in January. Both result from changes required by state officials and affect every investor-owned utility in Texas. "One item will not cost customers any more money but the second item will slightly increase bills" according to Garvis Hinson, WTU's area manager.

The first item involves the customer charge which has been part of the electric bill for several years. By order of the Public Utility Commission (PUC) of Texas it now must be listed as a separate item. The charge includes basic costs such as reading meters and processing the bills. It does not change each month and is currently set at \$6.50 for residential customers. The customer charge has not increased and this change does not affect the amount of a customer's bill.

The second new item involves the tax increase bill passed by the Texas Legislature in 1991. The PUC recently decided how utilities should collect the new state tax. The tax will be collected

for each kilowatt hour a customer uses. The total tax for a month will be listed as a separate item on the bill.

A typical WTU residential customer who uses 600 kilowatt hours will see about a 30 cent increase on their monthly electric bill as a result of the new tax. The factors used to collect the tax will vary according to the type of customer. For example the amount of tax a commercial and a residential customer pays will be different.

These recent actions cap off a year of activity involving the PUC and WTU. Most of the activity was initiated by WTU and centered around reducing customer's bills or stimulating the West Texas economy.

In June and October customers received good news from the company in the form of reduced fuel factors and a fuel credit. These reductions were a direct result of the company's efforts to reduce fuel costs.

In December the company filed a request to offer three new services designed to attract new business and help existing businesses. The three new

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Dr. E.L. Atkins

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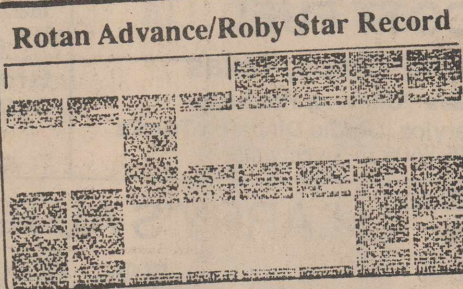
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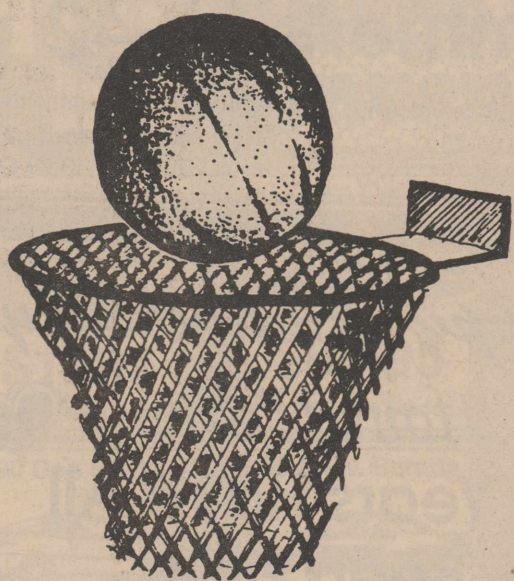
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DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIME
1/2-4/92	Ira Tourn.	There	TBA
1/7/92	Open		
1/10/92	*Roby	Here	4:00
1/14/92	Open		
1/17/92	*Roscoe	Here	4:00
1/21/92	*Ira	There	4:00
1/24/92	*Aspermont	Here	4:00
1/28/92	*Roby	There	4:00
1/31/92	Open		
2/4/92	*Roscoe	There	4:00
2/7/92	*Ira	Here	4:00
2/11/92	*Aspermont	There	4:00

* District

ROBY HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIME
12/27-30/91	Eula Tourn.	There	
1/3/92	Colorado City	Here	5:00
1/10/92	*Rotan	There	5:00
1/14/92	*Roscoe	Here	5:00
1/17/92	*Ira	There	6:30
1/21/92	*Aspermont	There	5:00
1/24/92	*Munday	There	5:00
1/28/92	*Rotan	Here	5:00
1/31/92	*Roscoe	There	5:00
2/4/92	*Ira	Here	6:30
2/7/92	*Aspermont	Here	5:00
2/11/92	Munday (Non District Game)	Here	5:00

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Gary & Tela Dawson; IRS (2 liens) vs
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Schooley High Pointer As
Rotan JV Defeats Hobbs

The Rotan junior varsity girls de-
feated Hobbs by the score of 17-11 with
Shana Schooley scoring 6 for high point
honors.

"Hobbs beat us earlier in the year. I
was proud to see that we were able to
step up, accept the challenge and win",
said Coach Steve Merrill.

Others scoring were Linda Lee
Hernandez 5; Karen Dickson 4 and
Amy Bennett 2.

Against Ira, Rotan lost 21-22.

"It was a heart breaking loss. In the
last two ball games, we have outscored
the opponents for three quarters but
allowed one bad quarter to take the
victory away from us," said Steve
Merrill.

Scoring for Rotan - Taronna Dun-
away 8, Linda Lee Hernandez 8, Karen
Dickson 2, Jamie Grisham 2 and Shana
Schooley 1.

Rotan Lunch Menu

ROBY LUNCH MENU
January 20 - 24, 1992
MONDAY: Beef & Bean Casse-
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Salad, Apple Cobbler, Crackers,
Milk.
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Cream Potatoes, Black-Eyed Peas,
Peanut Butter Cookie, Bread, Milk.
THURSDAY: Chili Beans, French
Fries, Buttered Carrots, Rice Krispie
Square, Cornbread, Milk.
FRIDAY: Hamburger W/Cheese,
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Roby Lions Defeat Yellowhammers 78-42

by Scott Feagan
Roby vs Rotan Boys

The Lions went on a 11-0 run to
open the game, but then saw Rotan go
on a 10-0 run of their own. From there
Roby blew the game open with a 32
point second quarter, and ended up
winning 78-42.

Roby and Rotan both played good in
the first quarter, it was just at different
times during the quarter. It took Roby
only 2:30 to go up 11-0, but then Rotan
held Roby scoreless for the next 4:00
while scoring 10 points themselves.
Roby then scored 3 more points ending
the quarter up 14-10.

The second quarter, Roby looked
better and started building on their lead,
but Rotan was still in the game just 10
down with 2:40 left in the quarter. Roby
opened things up and got the fans be-
hind them by ripping 14 points in the
last 2:40 of the quarter and going in at
the half up 46-23.

After a 32 point second quarter the
Lions cooled off in the third and had to
scrap their way to a 3 point advantage
for the quarter 14-11, and after 3 quar-
ters of play were up by the score of 60-
33.

The fourth quarter Roby started
spreading the floor and was able to pass
the ball inside and played good half court
defense allowing them to outscore Ro-
tan 18-8 for the quarter. Roby's 78-42

win leaves them at 1-0 in district and
11-7 on the year.

Scoring: Kevin Osuna- 24, Brian
Osuna- 19, Ralph Amador- 11, Randy
Gregg- 9, Albert Barrera- 6, Joe Joplin-
5, Brandon Justiss- 2, Lecile Johnson-
2.

Roby: 14 32 14 18 - 78
Rotan: 10 13 11 8 - 42

by Scott Feagan

Roby JV ran their record to 11-1 last
Friday night at the expense of the Yel-
lowhammers JV squad. With a big 21

point fourth quarter the Lions ended up
winning by the score of 64-23.

Scoring: Mario Barrera- 13, Coby

Moore- 12, Chad Dannheim- 12, Bryce
Moore- 9, Jason Osuna- 8, Chris Cortez-

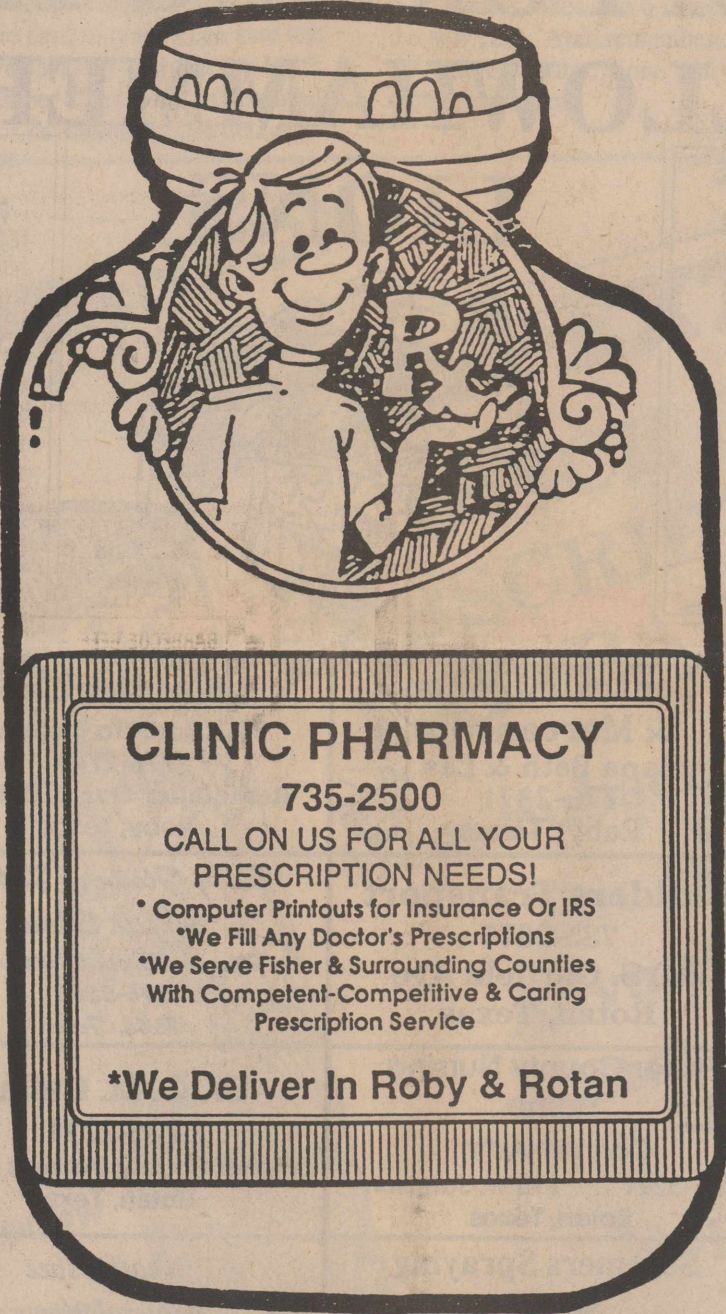
7, Jason Gruben- 2, Mike Counts- 1.

Fisher County
Nursing
Home News

by Kim Martin
Activity Director

The Fisher County Nursing Home
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tist Church, First Baptist Church, Ro-
tan Church of Christ, Ladies Auxiliary
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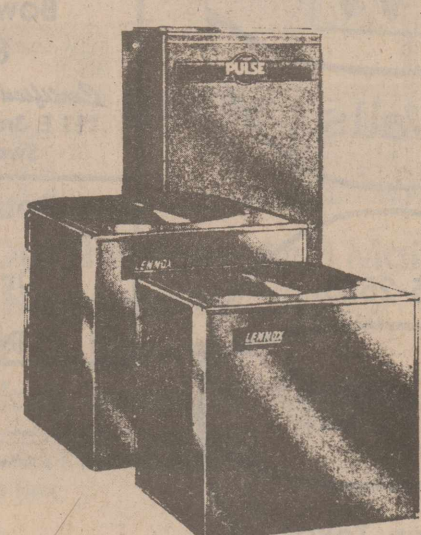
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R&B #4	47 643 22	212 045 56	32 687 96	71 545 60	205 040 04	46 545 60	15 791 10	
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For Calendar Year 1991 Tax Vehicles registered 3 679								
Received for reg, repl, transfers paid Treasurer				169 840 82				
10 00 County Fees				35 560 20				
Pd. State Treasurer				2 221 75				
Tax Collector Commission				11 117 59				
Motor Sales & Use Tax Collected Calendar Year 1991								
Pd. State Treasurer				30 406 94				
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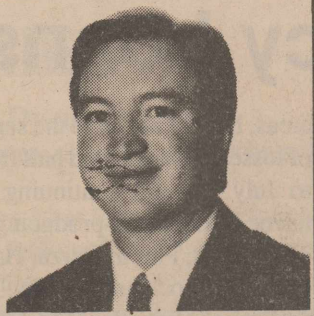
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Written by
Gerald Rodgers, CPA



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by Joy Walker.....

Well it finally got colder, and I do mean colder. Monday we awoke to rain mixed with snow, mostly snow, and the roads were sure soft and slick. I measured about 3/4" of rain and snow. I rode the school bus as didn't want to risk getting stuck. After lunch on Monday though, the sun did come out but it was so cold and the wind was really blowing. I read in one of the newspapers last week, that if we didn't soon get some colder weather, flowers would soon be blooming, in fact, some already are, and rose bushes are almost budding. We sure don't want the fruit trees to start budding this early, as they will surely get killed. We haven't really had much bad weather so far.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ratliff went to Snyder on Sunday and visited with Kim and Tracy Knipe and family.

Rosemary Gay and Sara Warren

Rotan Girls Take Victory Over Ira In Overtime

The Rotan Varsity girls basketball team took a 41-38 overtime win against Ira last week. "It always feels good to win. We were very sluggish in the first half and allowed Ira to stay in the ball game. Our kids handled the pressures of the overtime very well", commented Coach Steve Merrill.

Rotan and Ira were tied 5-5 at the end of the first period. Ira had a 13-11 lead at halftime. At the end of the third period it was 26-18 but Rotan scored 19 points to 11 for Ira in the final period to throw the game into overtime.

Amy Blackwelder was the high point

Hustling Around Hobbs

from Fort Worth spent the weekend with their mother, Louise Martinez.

Frank Boydston is still in the hospital in Abilene, and he seems to be doing fairly well. He has started on a program of exercise which he is doing every day. We hope that Frank will soon be able to return home.

Mrs. Vi Cockrell went into Humana Hospital Monday and will be staying for at least 5 days. We hope that she will get along okay. Our thoughts and prayers are with her and Frank at this time. Randy Etheredge had knee surgery on Wednesday in Lubbock. He is now home and progressing well. We hope that he will continue to improve.

Mrs. Lealon Wilburn visited with the J.W. Etheredges on Sunday, also Randy and the kids.

Saw Brad Maule on the Telethon Saturday night and sure enjoyed his

singing. I was sure glad that he got to come. There were several write-ups in the Abilene Reporter News and a good picture of him on Monday.

My pickup is back from the body shop and looks great. Now if I can just get over all the bruises and my ribs being so sore, everything should be okay. Rest assured I will not be going over 15 miles per hour ever again on that dirt road, so if you are behind me, just take it easy, and we will soon be to the pavement.

Not too much news this week, as some of you were gone and Sunday, being such a beautiful day, I know lots of folks were taking advantage of the lovely warm weather.

See you next week.

Thank You

We have been so blessed by your many expressions of love toward us during the illness and loss of our dear loved one.

We are grateful for the many prayers, cards, calls, flowers, memorials and visits.

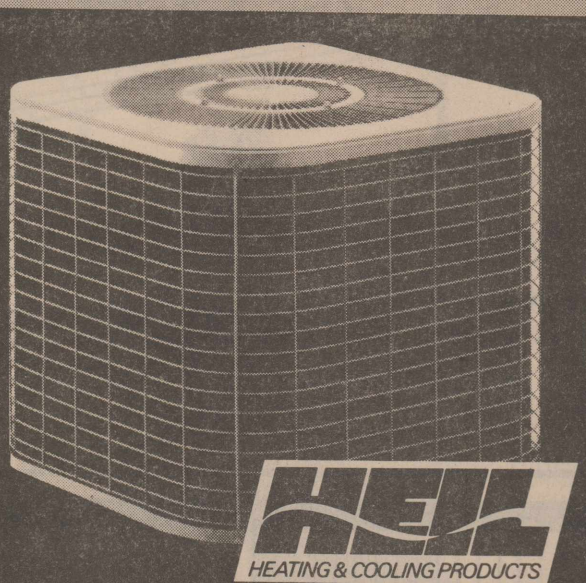
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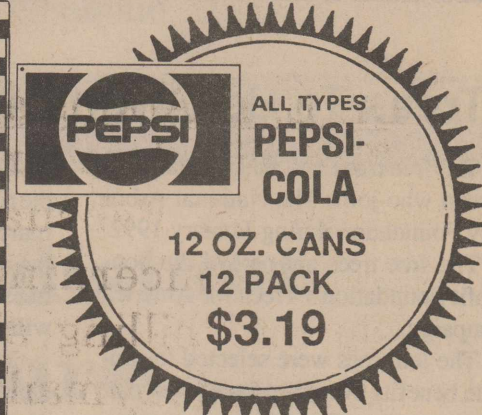
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NEWS BRIEFS

Aspermont Pancake Supper

The Aspermont Lions Club will be sponsoring a Pancake Supper on Tuesday, January 21, from 5:30-7:30 p.m., just before the Aspermont vs Roby basketball game. Tickets are: adult- \$3.50; and children under 12 and senior citizens- \$2.50.

4-H Club Meeting

The high school 4-H club will meet Thursday, January 16 at 7:00 at the Gary Floyd home. The program will be conducted by Wynell Terry and Lisa Nowlin. All high school youth interested in 4-H are encouraged to attend.

"How To Be Debt Free"

"How To Be Debt Free" will be the topic of a seminar Monday, January 20 at 7:30 at the Senior Citizen Building. Dr. Jerry Mason, Extension Family Economics Specialist, with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will be the guest speaker. The seminar sponsored by the Extension Home Economics Committee is free and open to the public.

County Agents News

COUNTY AGENTS COLUMN by Richard Spencer

The Texas Water Well Drillers Board after hearing testimony November 21 in Austin has agreed to rework its controversial draft rules on licensing installers of water wells and pumps. A new hearing will be in early January.

In October, the board's first draft of rules to supposedly protect groundwater by assuring that well repairmen and pump installers are properly trained, tested and licensed was released. It ignited a firestorm of outrage when it appeared to prohibit ranchhands or even leaseholding ranchers themselves from re-leathering windmills without a license; of course, the board said this was never their intent.

The USDA cotton estimate has been lowered to 17,759 bales for the U.S. It had been as high as 18.2 million bales. The forecast for Texas is 5.2 million down from 5.8 million.

Cotton growers will have more tools to work with during the decade. For years, we've heard talk about an over-the-top broadleaf herbicide. It is expected to be released in 1993. Another chemical company is testing an insecticide seed treatment that offers thrips control similar to that offered by cur-

rent in-furrow systemic insecticide applications. Another company is developing a new insecticide class for boll weevils and thrips. Registration is expected in '95. Another new insecticide class for worms is being tested. Another company is testing an IGR (insect growth regulator.)

Biological pest controls also will complement cotton producers' arsenal of chemical pesticides. Biological control uses living organisms (predators, parasites and pathogens) to kill pests. The use of biological control also helps prolong the life of chemical pesticides by slowing the development of insect resistance. For example, more potent *Bacillus thuringiensis* (Bt) products are being developed to combat Heliothis.

Bts, which up until now offer no residual control, have been taken a step further. One company has inserted the gene that produces insecticidal proteins into another naturally occurring bacterium. After mass fermentation, the recombinant bacteria are killed with a process that stabilizes the microbial cell wall, forming a protective capsule around the insecticidal protein. The new Bt encapsulated material offers 5-7 day residual control because it's protected from the environment.

Trees To Be Given On Arbor Day

Ten free trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during January 1992.

The free trees are part of the non-profit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The ten trees were selected to provide benefits every season of the year: lovely spring flowers, cool summer shade, spectacular autumn colors, and winter berries and nesting sites for songbirds," John Rosenow, the Foundation's executive director, said.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between February 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to TEN TREES, National Arbor Day, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by January 31, 1992.

Rotan JV Boys Defeat Ira And Hermleigh In Tourney

The Rotan junior varsity boys beat Hermleigh and Ira in the Ira Tournament before losing to Loraine.

In the Hermleigh win, Rotan scored 58 to 41 for Hermleigh. Mark Marshall scored 11 for high point honors. Others scoring were Matt Mercer 10; Brian Carreon 21, Eliot Mize 7; Temple Daniel 4, David Nowlin 5 and Jay Carreon 2.

Mark Marshall was again high point

scorer in the Ira game. He popped in 14 points. Mercer had 10; Carreon 4; Lance Hudnall 2; Nowlin 4; Dominic Yanez 3; Mike Hull 4 and Island Carreon 2.

In the Loraine Loss only 4 players scored points. Marshall was again high with 10, Carreon scored 7, Mize 4 and Temple Daniel 8.

Other team players were: Lance Hudnall, Brandon Weaver, Fred Carreon and Dee Dycus.

Low-Interest Emergency Loans Available

Low-interest emergency loans are available to eligible farmers and ranchers in 53 Texas counties declared disaster areas, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry today said.

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Edward Madigan issued the disaster declaration for counties that suffered adverse weather conditions in 1991, making affected producers eligible for emergency assistance from the Farmers Home Administration.

Roby Author Of The Week

Author of the week for January 6-10 was Sonya Gaona. Artist of the week was Candice Brown. They are students in Mrs. Pullig's 6th grade class. Congratulations to these students.

Science Fair

Students at Roby CISD will be participating in the local Science Fair on January 20 and 21. Winners will be selected from each grade level. Jr. High and High School winning entries will be eligible for entry in the Regional Science Fair in Abilene to be held in February.

Parents and other interested persons are encouraged to view the entries on Tuesday, January 21. Exhibits will be on display in the school cafeteria.

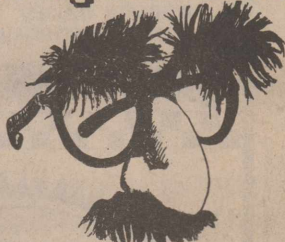
Jump Rope For Heart

Students at Roby Elementary school will be involved in the Jump Rope for Heart Program offered by the American Heart Association. Information will be distributed to students in February before the program begins.

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The following nine counties were designated as primary disaster areas, which means a certain percentage of the county's economic base was lost.

Crosby County suffered from agricultural losses from drought and hail between Jan. 1 to July 19, 1991, and continuing. Drought during the same time period damaged crops in Andrews, Dawson, Dickens and Duval counties.

Heavy rains between Jan. 1 and July 19 damaged crops in Bowie and Liberty counties. Heavy rains, high temperatures and humidity from July 1 to Aug. 23 also resulted in El Paso and Leon counties being designated as primary disaster areas.

All other counties were declared

contiguous disaster areas because they were adjacent to the primary disaster areas, but did not have the same extent of losses. Drought and hail from Jan. 1 to July 19, and continuing wrecked havoc in the cotton-producing counties of Dickens, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Kent, Lynn, Lubbock and Motley.

Drought from Jan. 1 to July 19, and continuing caused agricultural damage in Borden, Brooks, Cottle, Crosby, Ector, Floyd, Gaines, Garza, Howard, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Kent, King, La Salle, Live Oak, Lynn, Martin, McMullen, Midland, Motley, Stone-

wall, Terry, Webb, Wheeler and Winkler.

Heavy rain in the same time frame damaged crops in Cass, Chambers, Hardin, Harris, Jefferson, Montgomery, Morris, Polk, Red River and San Jacinto.

Excessive rain, heat and humidity from July 1 to Aug. 23 damaged crops in Anderson, Brazos, Freestone, Houston, Hudspeth, Limestone, Madison and Robertson.

For more information about the loans contact your local FmHA county office.

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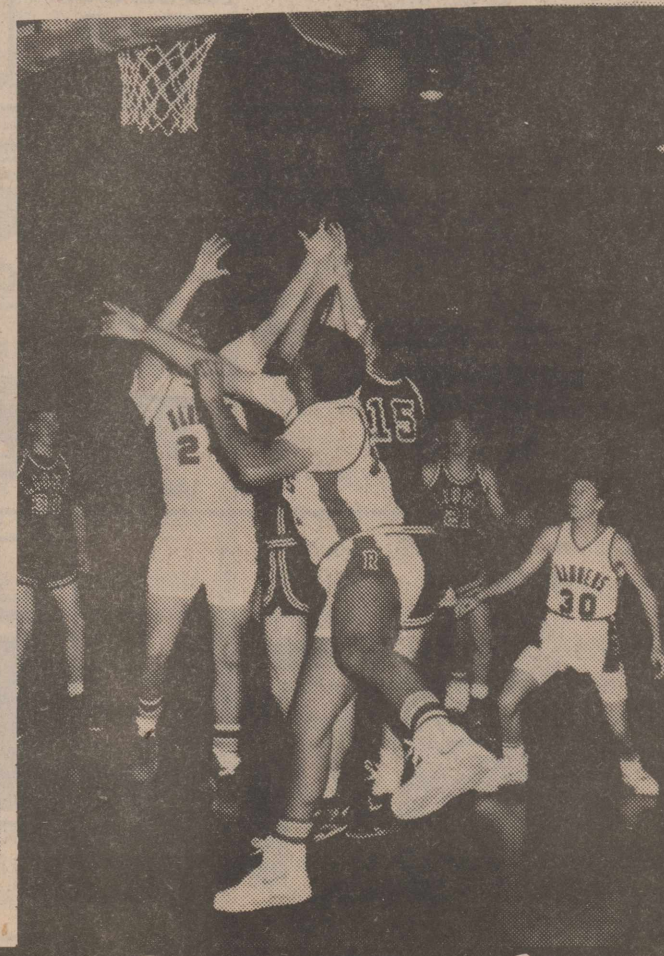
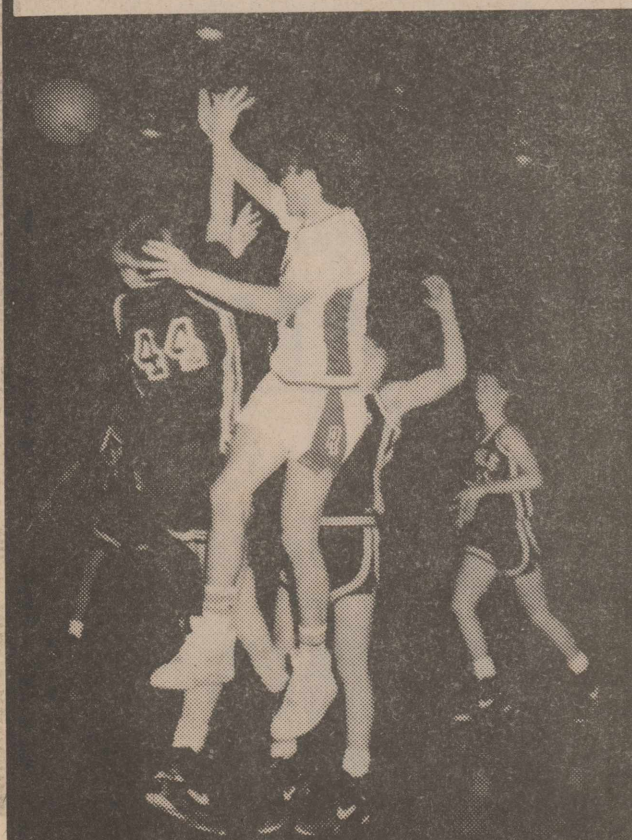
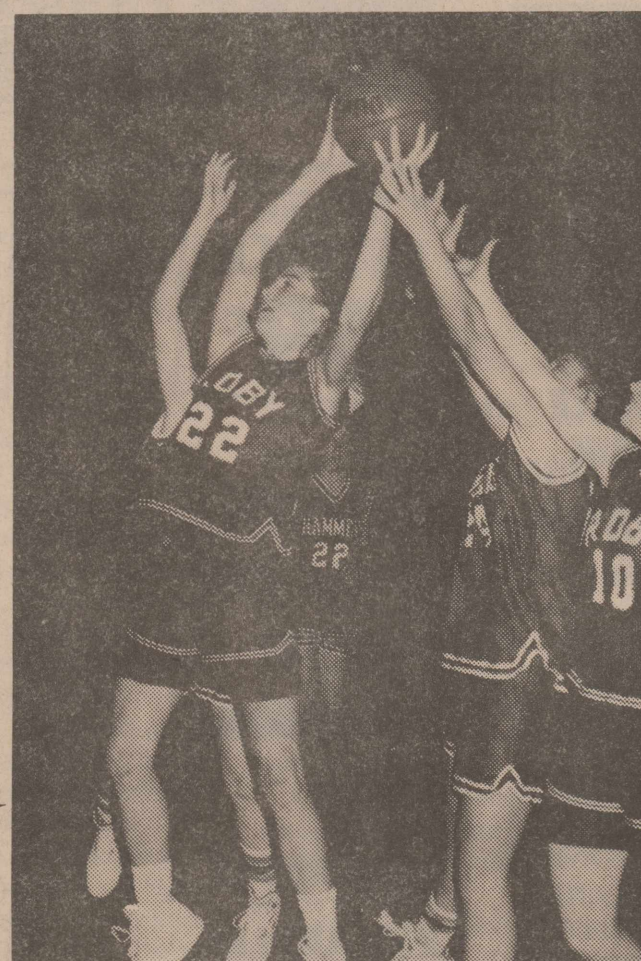
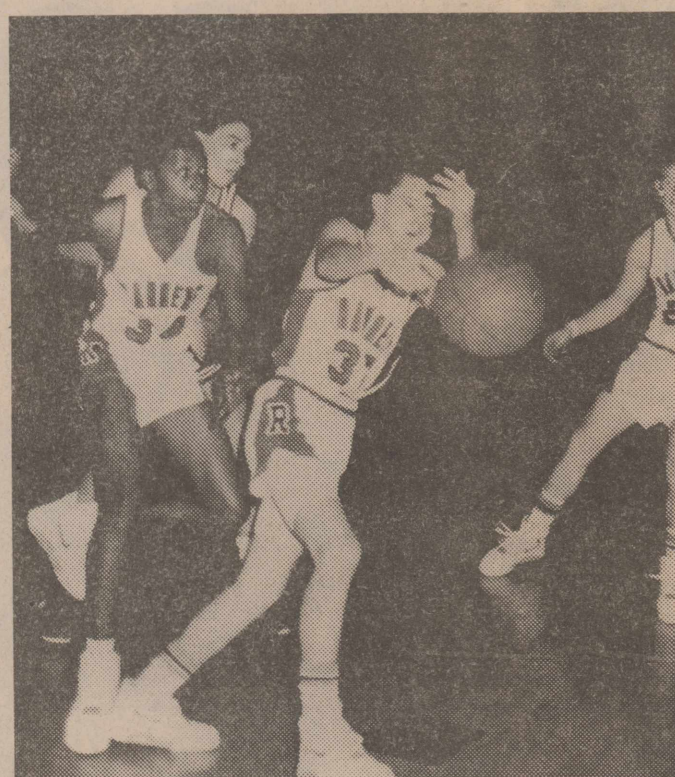
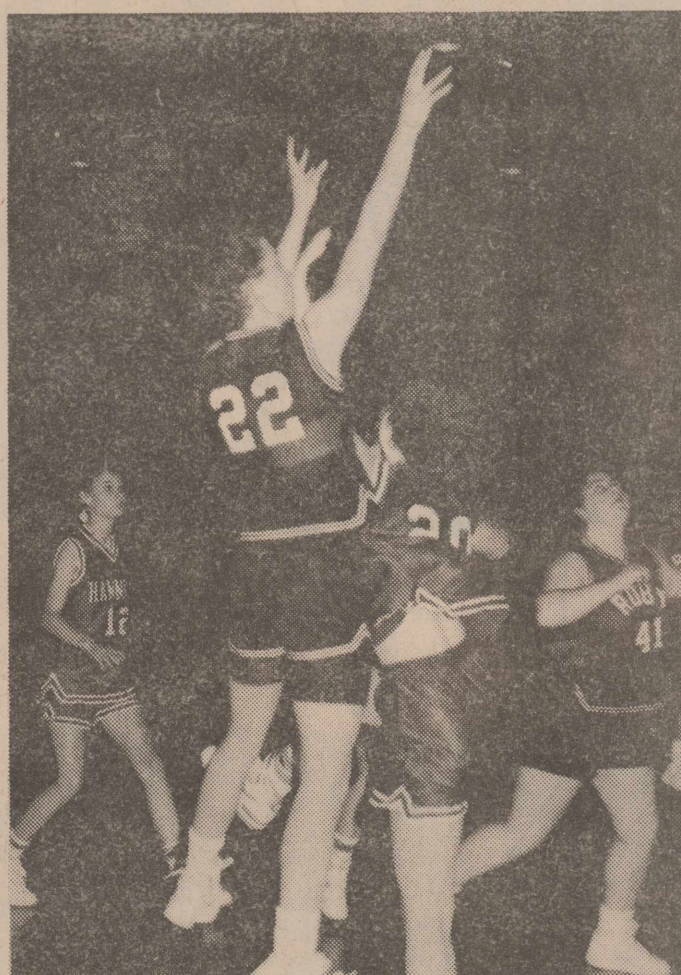
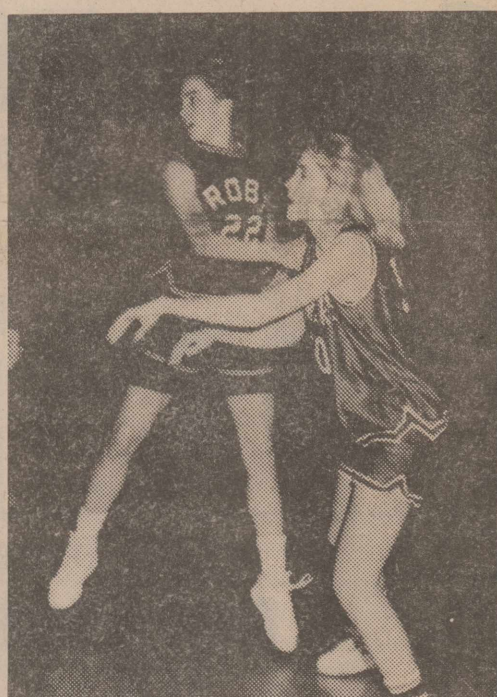
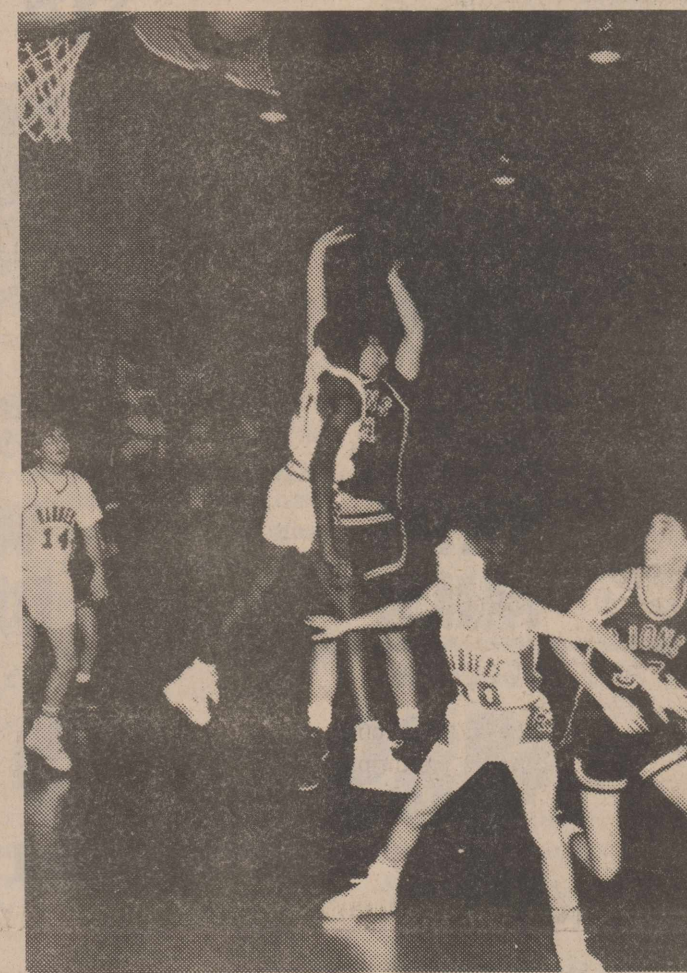
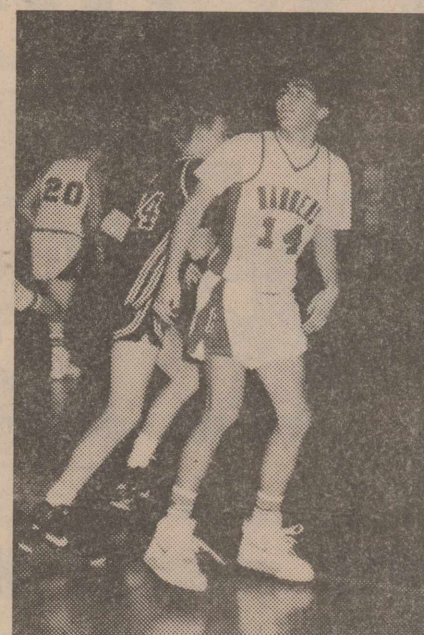
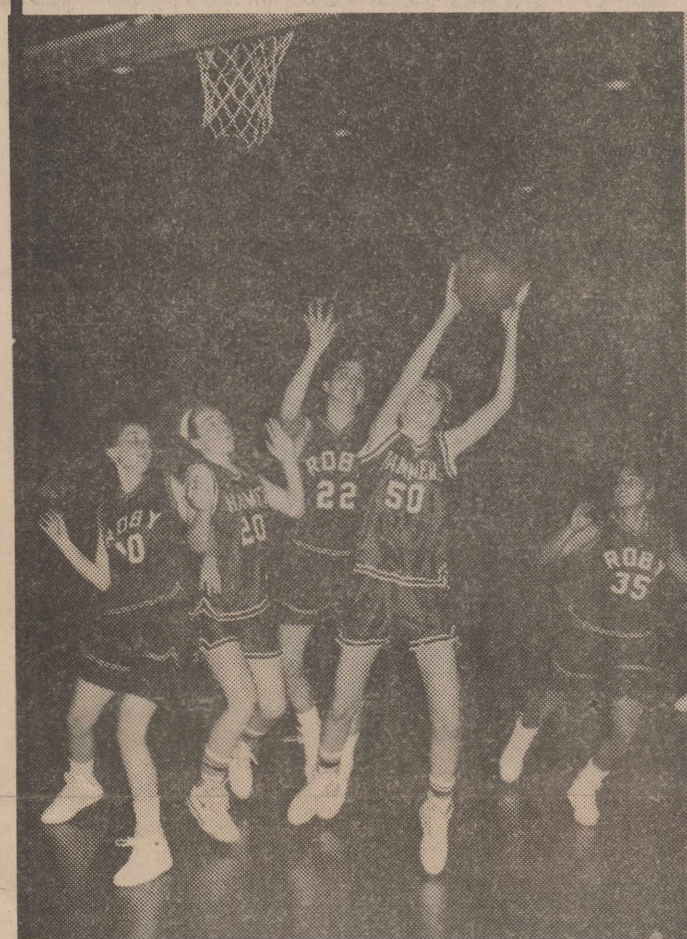
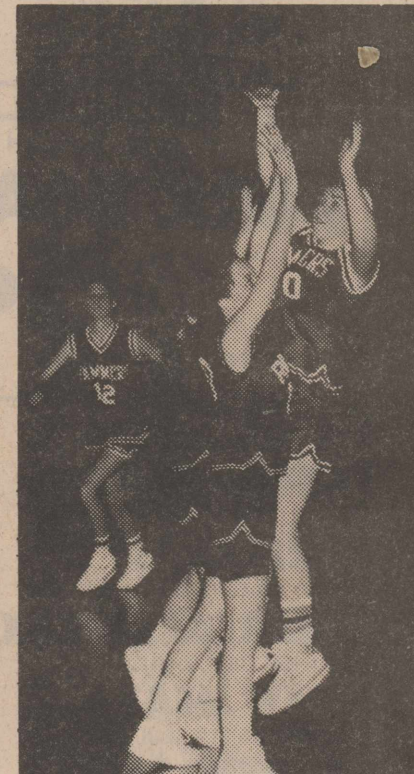
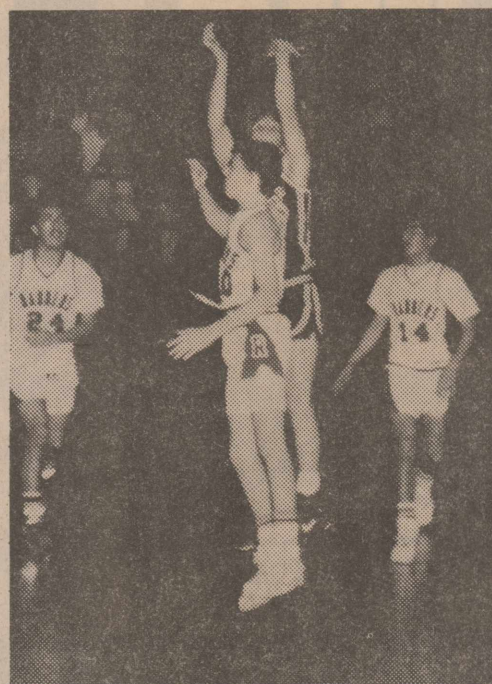
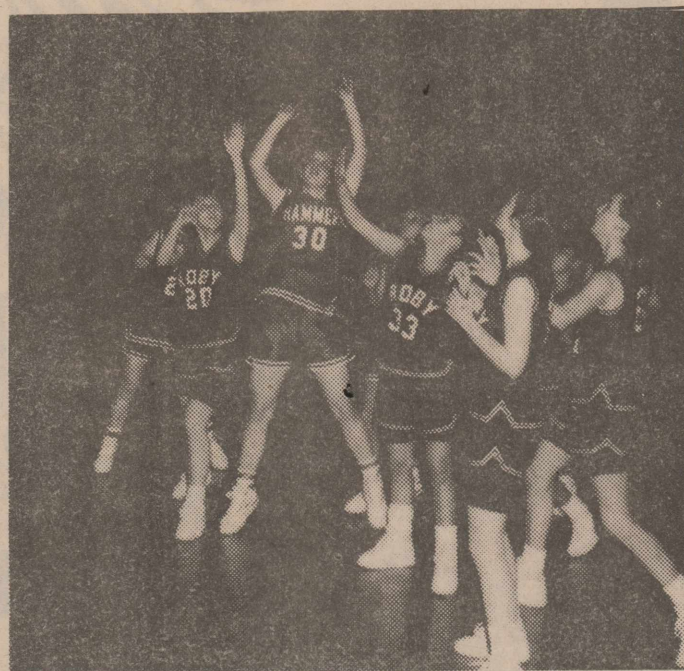
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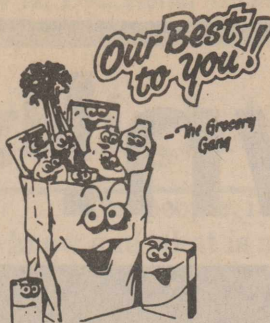
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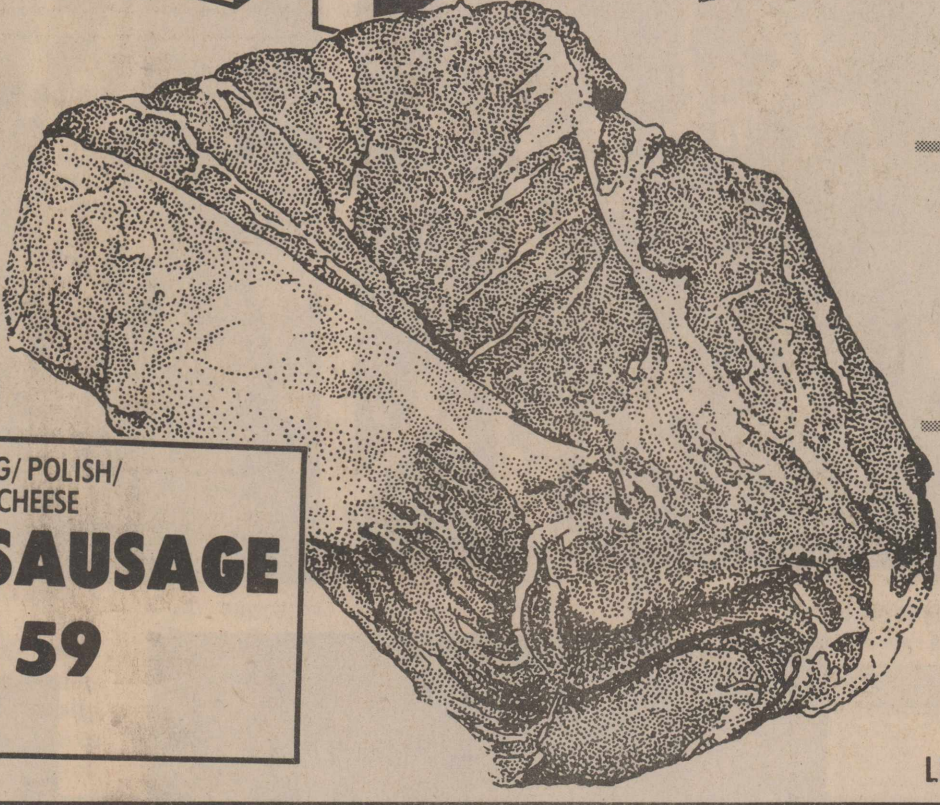
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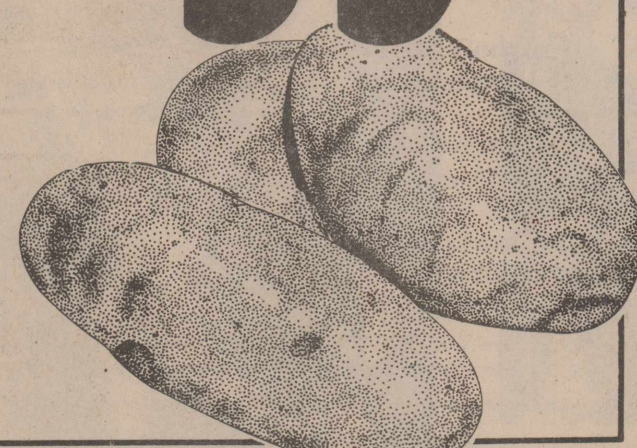
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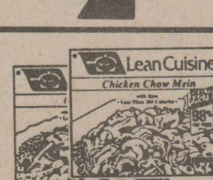
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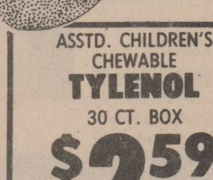
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