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Rotan Hammers Win Regional, Will Face Lindsay In Quarter Final Game Friday

The game pitting the Rotan Yellowhammers against the Lindsay Knights at Miller Stadium in Mineral Wells on Friday night, December 2nd should be one of the best games local fans have witnessed all season.

Lindsay was defeated in regular season play by Muenster but then came back in playoff action and defeated Munday and Baird in back-to-back games.

Lindsay is coached by Grady Roller, a 6-year assistant coach at Georgetown prior to taking over at Lindsay in 1981 says "we must play flawless football to beat Rotan - they have an excellent team, well balanced and our defense has to play another good game in order for us to win."

Lindsay has six starters on offense and defense returning from an 8-3 record last year. A seventh starter was killed in a tragic automobile accident after the second scrimmage of the season. Lindsay runs the basic t-formation, sometimes operating out of the wing-t and on defense they run the 5-3 or 4-3.

Injuries have hit Lindsay in the past few games. The starting quarterback Bobby Fleitman, was on crutches Monday morning, after suffering a bruised foot in the Baird contest. No doubt that foot will be healed and he'll be ready for the Yellowhammers on Friday night. Coach Roller also said that their "all-everything" back Mike Deiter, 5 ft. 11 inches, 170 pounds, who runs the 40 yard dash in 4.6 seconds (fastest on the squad) and was the MVP of the district last year - is questionable with an injury.

Lindsay will be the home team on Friday night. They will be wearing solid black while Rotan wears white tops and orange pants.

The top defensive player for Lindsay is lineman John Fangman. He is the leading tackler on the team and is coming into the Rotan game healthy.

Rotan Head Football Coach Nelms said "the key to winning the Lindsay football game is our ability to move the football. We can't make errors, mental errors hurt us last week."

The key to the entire contest last Friday could very well have been the goal line stand by Rotan in the closing seconds of the first period. Rotan held back 3 attempts by Lindsay from the one-yard line to score. After getting the ball back, Willard "Scoobie" Roddy, on the second play from scrimmage dashed 94 yards for the first score of the night and the first of three scores for Roddy.

The Rotan speedster had three touchdowns, carried the ball 10 times for 168 yards and 3-td's.

Rotan will face the winner of the White Deer - Rankin game if successful against Lindsay on Friday night.

The Bartlett - Flatonia winner will play the Bremond - Fannindel winner.



STAYING OPEN LATE: Jean Stanford, owner of Video Village in Rotan, is one of fifteen business owners staying open until 7:00 p.m., for the town-lighting ceremony and the shopping convenience of Rotan area residents. Santa will be coming to town on Thursday night at 5:30 p.m., in the old Western Auto building. Town lights are turned on at 6:00 p.m.

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Chamber Commerce Merchants To Give Away $800 In Gifts On Numbered Tickets

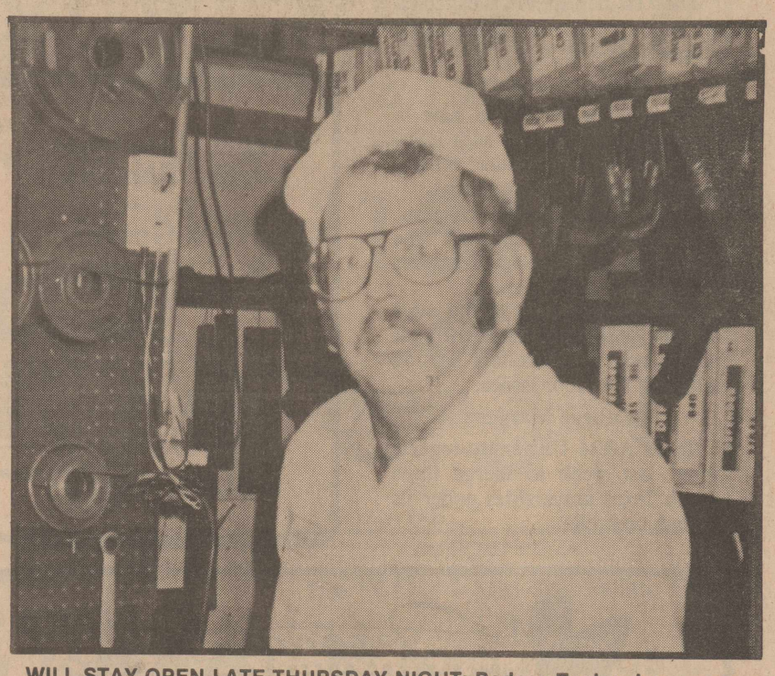
Thursday, December 1st starts the Rotan Chamber of Commerce Drawing. Twenty-five local merchants will be participating in the drawing and will be giving away approximately $800 in gifts on December 23rd. Starting Thursday December 1, participating merchants will be giving out numbered tickets to shoppers. Shoppers should save these numbered tickets for the drawing to be held on the 23rd of December. Participating merchants will post the winning numbers on the 23rd, shoppers can then match their tickets with the winning numbers and collect their prize. The more tickets shoppers collect, the better their chance of winning.

Rotan shoppers can collect numbered tickets at any of the participating stores and will be a potential winner of prizes at all participating merchant locations. Local participating merchants will be posting winning numbers in their stores on Friday, December 23rd. Holders of numbered tickets will be visiting all participating merchants, matching numbers and claiming prizes.

The Chamber of Commerce has designed this promotion to encourage local shoppers to shop in Rotan. Participating businesses and gifts to be given away are as follows: 1st National Bank - $50 Savings Bond; West Texas Utilities - Heat log; Dairy Queen - $15 gift certificate; Nowlin Farm Supply - $50 gift certificate; H.L. Davis - $50 gift certificate; Landes Furniture - Decorative touch control lamp; Higginbotham - Bartlett Lumber Co. - Sanding disk kit; The Newspaper Office - (5) $10 gift certificate; S & L Shamrock - case of motor oil; Better Than Life Bookstore - children's video and a metal framed poster; Rotan Flower Shop - Poinsettia; F & M Chevrolet -Buick Co. - Grease, oil change and filter; Video Village - "E.T." Tape; City Auto Supply - $25 gift certificate; Martin Feed & Garden - $25 gift certificate; Nutone Cleaners - $25 dry cleaning; Casa Morales - $25 gift certificate; Gray Fuel - case of motor oil; Clinic Pharmacy - $50 gift certificate; Winn's & Thriftway will announce prizes later.



GIVING AWAY NUMBERED TICKETS: Eula Mae Hull, manager of NuTone Cleaners in Rotan, is one of the 27 participating Rotan Chamber of Commerce merchants taking part in the Christmas Drawing. She and other business owners are trying to encourage area shoppers to "Shop in Rotan" by offering close to $800 in prizes to be given away.



WILL STAY OPEN LATE THURSDAY NIGHT: Rodney Tankersley, owner of City Auto Supply in Rotan, is one of the merchants participating in the Rotan Chamber of Commerce "Christmas Give-Away". He and other merchants will be passing out numbered tickest to shoppers until December 23rd when over $800 in prizes will be given away at 27 participating Rotan merchants.



PARTICIPATING ROTAN MERCHANT: Melody Dawes, owner of Better Than Life Bookstore in Rotan, will be open late Thursday night and will take part in the town wide lighting ceremony. Business owners will all turn on white outside business lights at 6:00 to open the Christmas Season. Santa arrives at 5:30 p.m.



DECORATED FOR CHRISTMAS: Workers for the City of Rotan put up the holiday lights in Rotan last week in preparation for the lighting on Thursday night, December 1st. Lights will be lit in conjunction with downtown merchants using white lights to outline businesses. City of Rotan workers are Rodney Denton, Jr.; Andrew Almanza and Dearl Messick.

ROTAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
CHRISTMAS DRAWING
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Fisher County Seniors Below Region Average In 5 Of 6 TEAMS Test Areas

If you are a Rotan high school senior student, you are a little better skilled and prepared to face the work force or college than your counter-part at Roby High School. These findings were brought out based on the 11th graders taking the 1987-88 TEAMS (Texas Assessment Of Minimum Skills) tests last year as reported by the Texas Research League at Austin, Texas and averaging scores of those tests.

Rotan seniors (1988-89) scored 74 in math; 41 in reading and 63 in writing. The scores reflect how Rotan students would rank in the national percentile. The cumulative score of Rotan students amounted to 178.

Roby seniors scored 66 in math; 47 in reading and 57 in writing for a national percentile projected cumulative ranking of 170.

Rotan high school seniors scored 74 in math to Roby's score of 66. The highest scores in Region 14 of the Education Service Center were at Hermleigh with 95 and Hamlin with 90. Lowest scores were at Moran with 48; Aspermont with 51 and Anson with 58. The average math score in Region 14 was 71.80. Rotan was above the region average and Roby was below.

Rotan seniors had one of the lowest scores in Region 14 in reading with a 41. Roby seniors didn't fare a lot better still hitting below the region average of 48.5 with their 47 score. The highest scores in Region 14 in reading were at Ira with a 64 and Hermleigh with a score of 62. The lowest score was at Moran with a 38 while there was a three-way tie for the second lowest score between Rotan, Anson and Roscoe. The average reading score in Region 14 was 48.5, Rotan and Roby both fell below that average.

In the writing portion of the TEAMS tests, Rotan's seniors this year (11th graders last year) scored 63; Roby's seniors scored 57 and the average for Region 14 65.7. The highest scores in the region in writing were recorded by students in Rule with 86 and Hamlin with 84. Lowest region scores were recorded by Moran with 43; Cross Plains with 50 and Blackwell with 52. Rotan and Roby students were both below the region average in reading.

The Region 14 Education Service Center covers 12 counties and a total of 42 independent school districts.

Roby students ranked below the average for the district in all three categories tested while Rotan students ranked below the average in two of the three categories. The only above average ranking was in math for Rotan students.

State Capital Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN–Texas' man in Vienna, Railroad Commissioner Kent Hance, last week warned that Texas, Alaska and other oil states could convince the rest of the nation to support a tariff on imported oil if OPEC let prices drop as low as $10 a barrel.

Hance made his statements while monitoring the closed-door talks between Iran and Iraq which threaten to flood the market with more oil, a move that would stall the recovering Texas economy.

Hance said West Texas intermediate oil, the nation's benchmark, might fall to $10 unless OPEC moved to bolster prices.

He was in Vienna, Austria with Louisiana state Sen. Samuel Nunez, who commented that stability at $10 is better than instability at $20.

Texas currently produces about 2 million barrels a day, approximately 25 percent of U.S. production.

Consumers Nervous

A Texas Poll showed consumers lost confidence in the Texas economy during the price fall, indicating how sensitive Texans are to the oil market.

According to the survey, 39 percent of respondents expected good times for Texas businesses in 1989, compared to 47 percent in a similar summer poll.

Thirty-nine percent said they will be worse off, compared to 43 percent during the summer survey.

Coming Issues

Sleeping with one eye open during the oil price fall were members of the next legislative session, who will go into session in the black for the first time in years.

Among the top issues lawmakers will tackle are school finance and workers' compensation insurance costs.

The cost of workers' comp insurance rose 74 percent in the last three years, and will go up another 19 percent in 1989.

Economic development efforts have been adversely affected by the high rates. One lawmaker said workers' comp costs in Missouri are $175 per employee compared to $750 per worker in Texas.

The 71st Legislature is expected to look at the worker safety program, as well.

Hubbard Retiring

Texas labor will also have a new look this session, with longtime AFL-CIO president Harry Hubbard's plan to step down.

Hubbard won't seek re-election, but instead will support the promotion of Secretary-Treasurer Joe Gunn to the top spot.

Gunn is a veteran to the ways of the Legislature and will get his chance to shine this session lobbying for labor issues.

College Merger

Texas A&M University regents voted last week to merge three South Texas universities under its system umbrella.

If lawmakers approve, the University System of South Texas, which includes Texas A&I University, Corpus Christi State University and Laredo State University, will be strengthened by A&M dollars and enhance the level of higher education there.

Also under way is a proposal to merge Pan American University in Edinburg and Brownsville into the University of Texas System.

Legislators hope the merger will settle a lawsuit filed last year by the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Educational Fund which alleges the Hispanic region hasn't received equitable higher education funding.

Dead on Arrival

Thirteen Texas senators, pledged last week to block any legislation making English the state's official language.

"It's dead on arrival," said Sen. Chet Edwards, D-Duncanville, at a Capitol news conference.

Edwards was joined at the press conference by Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi, and Sen. Hugh Parmer, D-Fort Worth.

"To designate Texas as 'English only' is simply unnecessary at best, and divisive at worst," Edwards said. "It's time for Texas to pull together, not be pulled apart."

Under Senate rules, 11 senators can block legislation from passing in the 31- member chamber.

Other Highlights

- State Comptroller Bob Bullock said he will block 10 organizations in the Houston-Beaumont area from sponsoring bingo games due to numerous violations of state law.

Meanwhile, Bullock sponsored a Thanksgiving meal for the poor and homeless on the Capitol grounds with food donated by 23 Austin businesses and served by the comptroller's staff.

- Texas' chief appraiser, Sam McAnally of Brady, was named one of four regional vice presidents of the nation's largest farm and ranch appraisal organization.

In 1963, McAnally, a retired Air Force colonel, became the youngest accredited appraiser in Texas, and has been the state's chief appraiser since 1978.

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Pastor's Column

By Rev. Jim Hawthorne, Pastor
Roby United Methodist Church

Have you ever noticed what usually happens to the many old pictures which are offered for sale at auctions? It is the frames which are sold, not the pictures. Nobody wants the pictures - the forbidding portrait of great-great grandfather, the ridiculous likeness of Aunt Ella, the awkward grouping of the father and mother and three or four children. But many people want the frames- the fine walnut ovals, the elaborately gilded rectangles, and the stately mahogany moldings. So the auctioneer sells what the people will buy. "How much am I offered for this lovely frame?" he asks. But God sees man through other eyes. The frames of life are important all right - the earth on which man lives, the mountains and the valleys, the sun and the stars, the fields and the rivers, but far more important is what the frame contains - the human beings, the people, the men and women and children. These are God's kinfolk. They are his sons and daughters. And they are not common. They are holy.

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McCAULLEY BAPTIST CHURCH
McCaulley, Texas
REV. JAMES BRIGHAM
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Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening Bible Study-6:00 P.M.
Worship Service-7:00 P.M.
Wednesday Night Service-7:00 P.M.

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Worship Service-10:45 A.M.
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Worship Service-6:00 P.M.
Wed. Evening Bible Study-7:30 P.M.

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REV. LYLE REECE
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Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
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Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening-6:00 P.M.

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Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
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Sunday Evening-6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Night Service-7:00 P.M.

From Fisher County's Past

From The Newspapers - 1977, 1982 & 1987

1977

Jimmy Wright, age 42, a life time resident of Fisher County, announced that he will seek the position of Precinct 4 Commissioner, presently held by Thurman Terry.

Tom Collins, Rotan businessman for the past 28 years, has authorized the Advance-Star Record to announce his intention to seek the office of Fisher County Treasurer in 1978.

A meeting on Beef Cattle Management will be held Thursday, December 1, at 7:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Roby, according to Richard Spencer, county agent.

The annual Rotan Fireman's Christmas Party will be held at the Rotan School Cafeteria on December 5th at 7:00 p.m. according to Archie Neeley, Fire Chief.

Rotan's newest business opened its doors to the public last Sunday, according to Tony Soliz, manager of the Hammer Hut convenience store.

Lunette Goforth has authorized the Advance-Star Record to announce her intention to seek the office of Fisher County Clerk.

Geneva Perkins has authorized the Advance-Star Record to announce her intention to seek the elected office of Fisher County Clerk in 1978.

1982

The directors of the Fisher County Appraisal District met in a special meeting on Monday night, November 22nd for the purpose of voting on the contract for 1983 Chief Appraiser, Billie Lou Holcomb.

The Fisher County Young Farmer Chapter will be participating in the observance of the 29th year of the organization in Texas at a convention January 20-22 in Abilene. Chapter representatives attending the annual meeting will include Jeff McClure, Richard Gaona, Steve Terry, and Advisor Gary Daniel.

The Rotan Chapter of Future Farmers of America placed 4th in the Junior Chapter Conducting Contest at the Area Leadership Contest hosted by Howard College in Big Spring November 20. Team members include; Ward Hayes - Pres., Rocky Roberts - V.P., Joe Mike Sparks - Sentinel, John Pease - Reporter, David Stevens - Treasurer, Michael Grady - Sec., David Zambrano - Student Advisor, and Mr. Olen Fryar - Advisor.

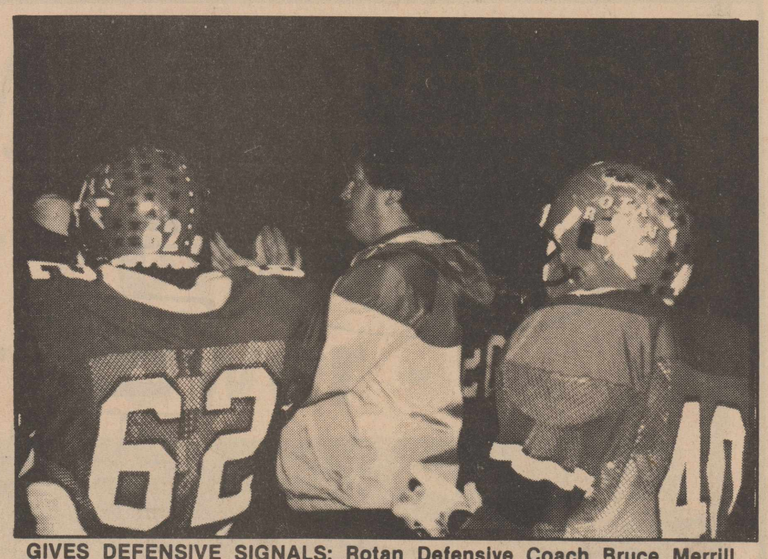
1987

Ten Fisher County School Board members will be up for re-election on April 2, 1988; Dan Bavousett and Gary Hyer (Hobbs); Pete Fowler and Leo Long (Rotan); Ronald Henry, Jeff McClure and Calvin Elkins (Roby); and Ricky Jeffrey, Gene Tabb, and David Estes (McCaulley).

The Chamber of Commerce is busy building the Rotan Fitness Trail. The base has been laid and on Monday the caliche was hauled in and work had begun on laying it down as well.

The filing period for candidates desiring to be placed on the ballot in the March primary officially begins December 3rd, according to Fisher County Clerk, Bettie Rivers. The filing period will end on January 4th, 1988.

Fisher County cotton ginning is into its fifth week, and even with the recent Thanksgiving holiday, has already surpassed last year's total crop by five thousand bales. The total number of bales of cotton ginned in Fisher County by last Tuesday morning was 19,099.



GIVES DEFENSIVE SIGNALS: Rotan Defensive Coach Bruce Merrill gives defensive signals to players last Friday. His defensive players bent a little but they didn't break last Friday against Muenster. The highlight of the game was the three play defensive stand by the Yellowhammers on the one yard line.



MOMS DO THE COOKING: Rotan Booster Club 'mothers' fed the Hammer players before the game last week. Left to right - Beverly Landes and Charlotte Ragan.

Donna Graham Appointed New Postmaster At Loraine

Donna K. Graham has been appointed the Postmaster at Loraine effective Saturday, December 3, 1988, Sectional Center Manager/Postmaster Norman R. Adamson, Sr., of Waco announced today.

Graham, a native of Rotan, has served as Postmaster of Westbrook for the past two years.

She graduated from Rotan High School and attended Western Texas College. She is active in 4-H and FFA and is a member of the Baptist Church.

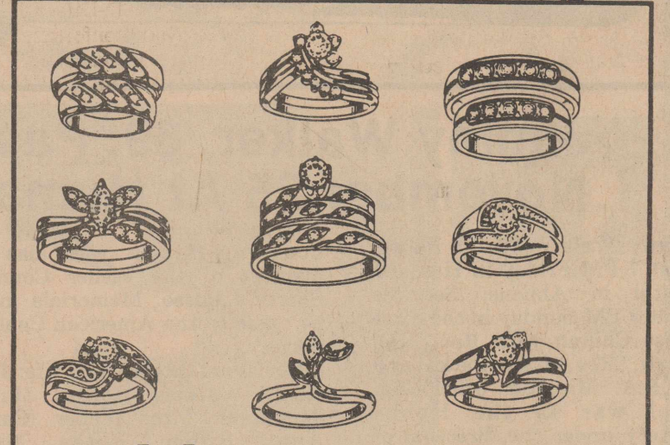
She and her husband, Jerry, have three children: Deana, age 13; Dee, age 8, and Jeri Lynn, age 11. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Soliz of Rotan.

The Oath of Office will be administered on Tuesday, December 6, at 11:00 a.m., at the Loraine Post Office.

Fisher County Hospital Admissions

Patients admitted to the Fisher County Hospital are: Mitchell L. Pope: Roby; Callie Shipp: Rotan; Gregoria Lopez: Rotan; Ruth Ann Miller: Roby; G.B. Sutton: Roby; Brandy Lynn Miller: Roby; Dee Ann Montez: Rotan; Ella Eaton: Rotan; Forrest Perkins: Roby; Florence Peters: Roby; William H. Govan: Rotan; Billie Stearnes: Rotan; Jewel Edwards: Rotan.

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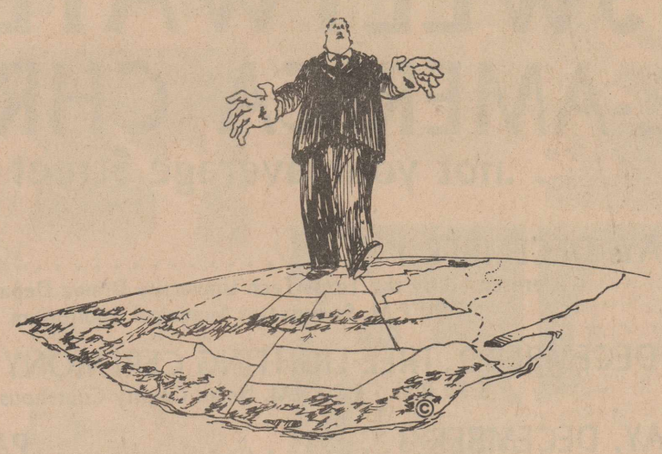
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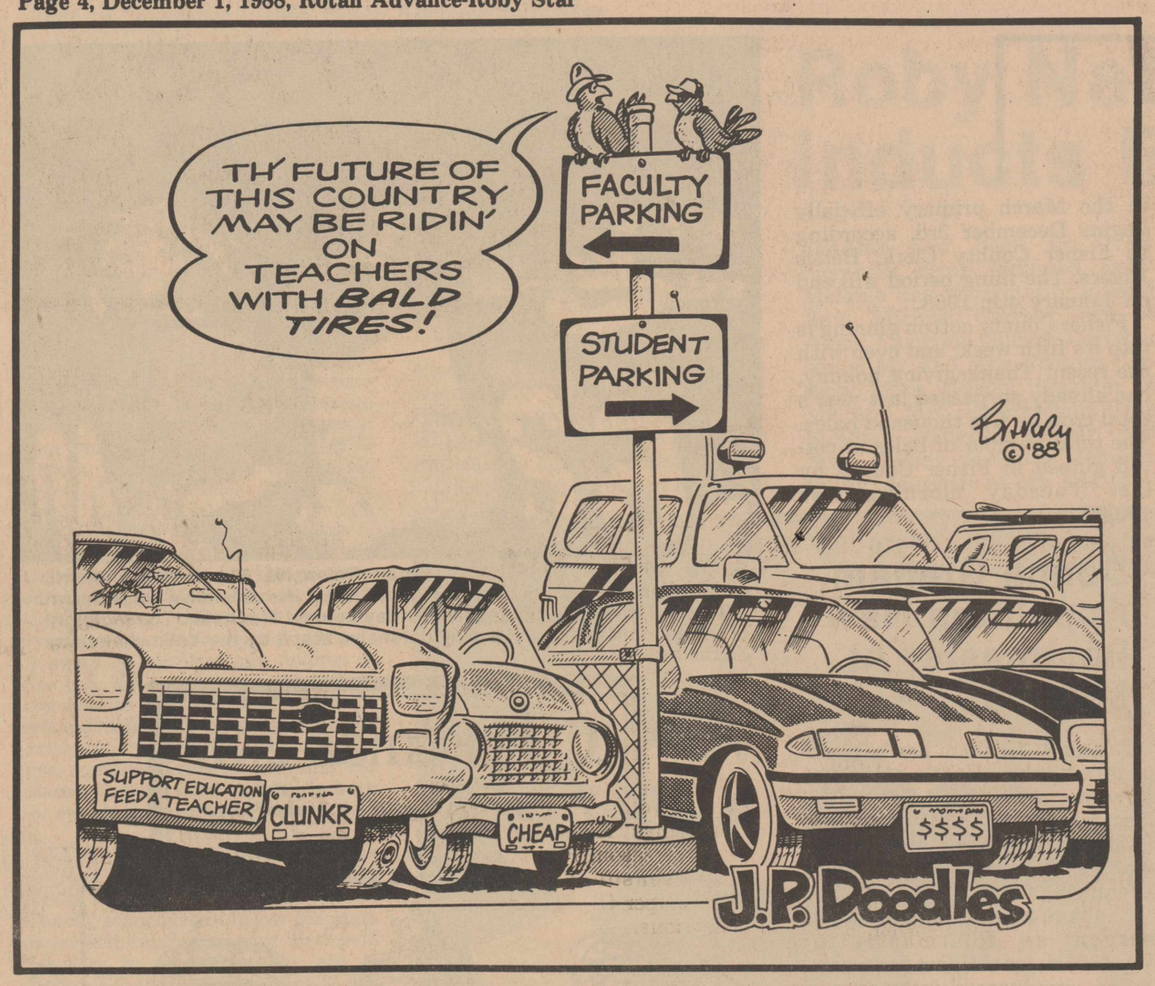
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Jimmy Walker, 69, Passed Away November 25 At Humana Hospital

Jimmy Walker, 69, of Rotan, died at 7 PM Friday in Humana Hospital in Abilene. Services were at 2 PM Sunday in the First Baptist Church with Rev. T.O. Upshaw, Rev. L.D. Parks and Rev. P.A. Mitchum officiating. Burial was in the Hobbs Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

He was born Dec. 4, 1918 in Decatur and was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Walker. He married Joy Rook Sept. 30, 1944 in Wimbledon, England. He had served in the U.S. Air Force during WW II. He was a farmer, a contract pumper and also raised Quarter Horses. He had lived in Scurry and Fisher Counties most of his life. In the past, he had served 21 years on the Hobbs School Board and was an adult leader for the Fisher County 4-H. He was also a member of the Fisher County Sheriff's Posse. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Survivors include: his wife: Joy Rook Walker, Rotan; three daughters: Mrs. Wilber (Carol Ann) Gruben, Rotan, Mrs. Donald (Sheila) Gruben, Rotan, Mrs. Mark (Melody) Parrish, Lytton Springs, Texas; one brother: Blake Walker, Ennis Creek, Texas; three sisters: Mrs. Sigmon (Maggie) Lloyd, San Angelo, Mrs. Harold (Loretta) Caraway, Mrs. Iva Hillis, Sweetwater; four grandchildren: Evette Gruben, Rotan, Carye Gruben, Rotan, Greg Gruben, Stephenville, Donnie Carl Gruben, Edinburg; several nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death by two brothers and six sisters.

Pallbearers were: Andrew Williams, Clarence Anderson, George Maule, James Nettleton, Billie Joe McCombs, J.W. Kincaid.

Hobbs Lunch Menu

December 5 - 9, 1988

Monday: Tuna Salad, Chips, Pineapple & Cheese, Sliced Bread, Cookies, Milk.

Tuesday: Steakettes, Potatoes, Peas, Hot Rolls, Apple Crisp, Milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti, Salad, Corn, Garlic Bread, Cake, Milk.

Thursday: Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Custard Pie, Milk.

Friday: Hamburgers, Fries, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cake, Milk.

Sweetwater All-American Christmas Festivities Are This Weekend

"Sweetwater's All-American Christmas" will be a four day celebration to usher in the Christmas season with special events and entertainment for the whole family.

Beginning on Thursday, December 1, an adaptation of Charles Dickens' "Scrooge" will be presented by the Texas Tech University Drama Department. The production will be staged at 7 p.m. in the Sweetwater Municipal Auditorium. The cast is comprised of university to elementary aged students. This production is being sponsored by the Upward Sweetwater Association.

On Friday, December 2, beginning at approximately 5:30 p.m. until 8 p.m., Santa Claus is scheduled to arrive at the Nolan County Court house. Following Santa's arrival, the official Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place at the same location.

Saturday, December 3, the local SNAP program will sponsor a pancake breakfast from 7 a.m. until 9 a.m. The annual Christmas Parade will begin at 10 a.m. Honorary parade marshall will be Mr. Randy Dorman, a 1976 graduate of Roscoe High School. Mr. Dorman is a recent winner of a gold medal in the Para-Olympics just completed in Seoul, South Korea. He is currently a vice-president in a San Angelo bank.

Immediately following the parade, a special showing of the movie, "A Christmas Story" will be held at the Texas Theater. The show will be free for children. Also on Saturday, the 14th Annual Arts & Crafts Show will be held in the Nolan County Coliseum; and additional Flea Market, Arts, Crafts, and Food Booths will be open in the old Coke and Alston Lumber buildings. The Pioneer City-County Museum will have an Open House from 1 until 5 p.m. There are no charges for Saturday's activities.

This special weekend will continue on Sunday with the 14th Annual Arts and Crafts Show, The Flea Market, Arts, Crafts and Food Booths on Sunday. A very special finale to the weekend's events will be production of Mrs. Richard (Nancy) Gore of Abilene. This performance of "The Nutcracker" is a first road show for the outstanding group. "The Nutcracker" will be performed at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Sweetwater Municipal Auditorium.

Sweetwater's All-America Christmas is being coordinated by the Sweetwater Chamber of Commerce along with various non-profit organizations and civic groups. The purpose of this special weekend is to usher in the Christmas season, to promote the civic pride in our All-America City and to share the joys of the season with all of the Big Country.

Immunization Clinic Set For December 7

The Texas Department of Health will be providing their Comprehensive Clinic/Immunizations on Wednesday, December 7, 1988 at the Rotan Fisher County Hospital Clinic from 9:30 a.m. -12:00 and 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. Parents or legal guardian must accompany infants or children. A small fee will be charged for this service.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at 235-8368 or 735-2124.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3 . . . . . PANCAKE BREAKFAST
7:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. Main Street Cafe

CHRISTMAS PARADE
10:00 A.M. - Downtown, East on Broadway
"A Christmas Story" free movie at Texas Theatre (After Parade)

14th ANNUAL ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW
10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Nolan County Coliseum

FLEA MARKET, ARTS, CRAFTS & FOOD
9:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. Old Coke & Alston Lumber Buildings
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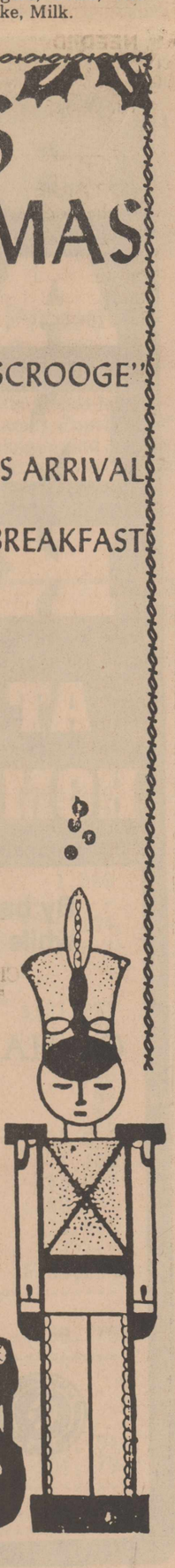
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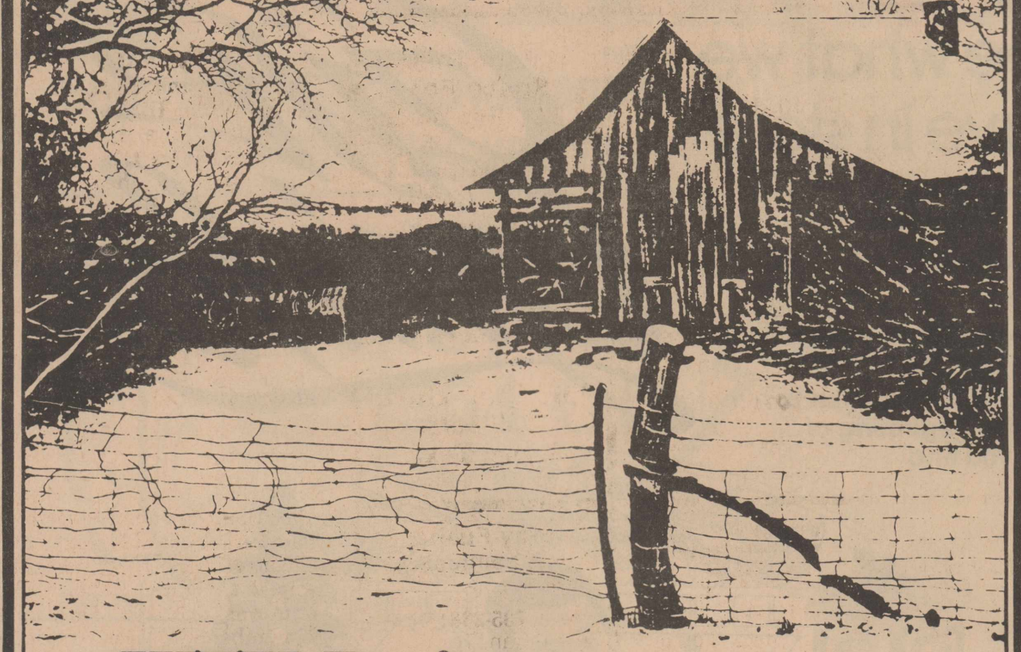
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SIDELINE CHAT: Rotan Head Coach Weldon Nelms h!s a chat with Chris Kennedy during the Muenster regional win last Friday. Kennedy and the other members of the team will be traveling to Mineral Wells for the quarter final game against Lindsay.

Christmastime Hints

by Beth Dannheim
Fisher County Extension
Home Economist

Tis the season to shop. Hurry. Scurry. Mail early. Sing carols. Hunt rabbits. Admire the stars. Polish silverware. Hurry some more. Water houseplants. Sing "Silent Night." Make popcorn balls. Re-read Luke 2:1-40. Mulch the strawberries. Enlist in the book club. Write letters to Santa. Clean the basement windows. Admire mom's new winter coat. Read Dicken's "Christmas Carol." Speak first to that grouchy neighbor. Ask grandma if she could use a basket of juicy red Jonathans.

Have fun, but drive carefully; don't become a holiday statistic.

During the next four weeks, I will be sharing with you timely tips for the Christmas season.

Make holiday cookie baking fit your busy schedule this year. Follow the mix-ahead, bake-later plan to prepare a variety of cookies with a minimum of time and effort.

Cookie dough made with margarine will stay fresh several days in the refrigerator or freezer... ready to bake at your convenience.

To be sure that all of your cookies say to family and guests "this season is special and so are you," here are some helpful cookie basics.

INGREDIENTS

* Don't substitute other shortening for margarine...the flavor and texture will be modified.
* Use large eggs for baking.
* Don't substitute granulated sugar when a recipe calls for powdered sugar.
* Only use synthetic sweeteners in recipes specifically developed for them.
* If unsure about a substitution, the rule is don't do it.
* It's important to beat margarine and sugar until well creamed to help sugar start to dissolve and to incorporate air into the dough for a light cookie. Be sure stick margarine is softened before beating or for convenience use soft margarine.

BAKING

* Preheat the oven so cookies are assured of uniform baking temperature.
* Use flat cookie sheets with low or no sides. High-sided pans prevent proper browning.
* Shiny baking sheets yield the most evenly baked and browned cookies. If using dark pans, reduce the oven temperature 25 degrees to reduce the risk of burning.
* Use baking pans that fit your oven properly -- allow two inches from their edge to each side of the oven. Substitute the back of any large pan for a cookie sheet.

STORAGE

* Cool cookies thoroughly on a rack in single layers before storing.
* To keep cookies soft or chewy, store in an airtight container. To keep crunchy cookies from becoming limp, keep in a loosely covered container in a cool, dry place. To crisp softened cookies, heat them in a 300 degrees oven for five minutes.
* Baked cookies can be stored in the refrigerator for up to two weeks or in the freezer for 9-12 months if wrapped in moisture and vaporproof plastic bags or containers.
* Many cookie doughs freeze nicely -- refrigerator doughs as well as rolled and drop cookie doughs. Store in freezer containers up to two months. Thaw 3-6 hours in refrigerator. Bake within 24 hours.

County Agent's Report

by Richard Spencer

Winter feeding time is here.

Farmers and ranchers who haven't already culled open, late calving and poor performing cows should do so soon.

There's no need to put expensive winter feed into cows that are unproductive and inefficient. Culling the cow herd now will also help you more effectively plan on feed supplies for the winter months.

The culling process should also "weed out" unsound cows with bad eyes, udders or feet and legs.

Also, pregnancy testing cows may be a more profitable management tool ever before.

Since it's difficult for a cow to produce a calf large enough to pay her annual maintenance bill and leave some profit for the producer, an open cow is surely losing money. In addition, cows calving late and during the summer months wean calves lighter than their herd mates which calve at earlier times. For this reason it's advisable to cull cows which will calve late next year and purchase pregnant replacements which will calve early.

Whoever does the pregnancy diagnosis (usually your veterinarian) will be able to estimate the calving date on each animal and make it easy to identify next year's late-calving cows. Work toward a 60-day calving season or one that's certainly no longer than 90 days.

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The County Show dates have been set for December 30-31. Judges confirmed for the show are James Bevil-Swine, Marvin Ensor-Sheep, Albert Maberry-Broilers and Fryar Rabbits, and Korky Wise-Cattle. Showmanship judging will be handled by numbers of the Fisher County Young Farmers. Both junior and senior awards in each division will be given this year.

Theatre On The Brazos To Elect New Officers

Theatre on the Brazos invites all members, spouses, dates and guests to a covered dish Christmas party and the election of officers, Tuesday, Dec. 6, 1988 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rotan Community Center. Anyone wishing to join is welcome.

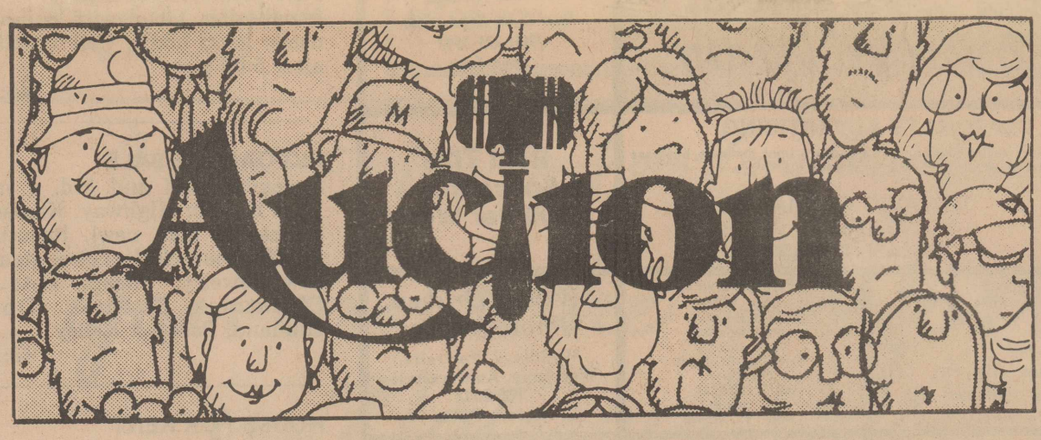
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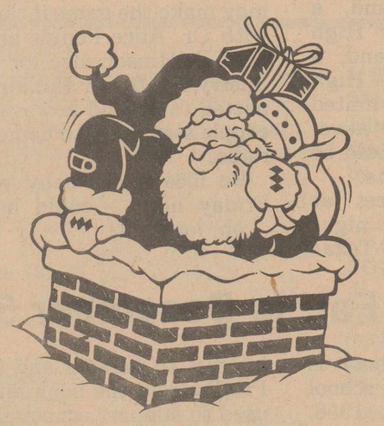
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YELLING FOR THE YELLOWHAMMERS: The crowd was on their fett last Friday night in Mineral Wells as the Yellowhammers defeated the Muenster Hornets and won the right to face the Lindsay Knights in the quarter final round of the playoffs.

The Kevin Copeland Household Has A Rotan-Lindsay Rivalry All Its Own

A local Rotan resident, graduate of Lindsay High School, will probably not get to make the quarter-final game this Friday in Mineral Wells, and that may be the best thing. Her husband is a Rotan High School graduate.

Sherry Anderle Copeland, a 1985 graduate of Lindsay High School and Kevin Copeland, a 1983 graduate of Rotan High School, tied the knot and united in marriage last year and never gave thought that they would be cheering for opposing teams.

Their schools will meet at Miller Stadium on Friday night as representatives of only 8-Texas Class A teams still in the race for the state championship.

Reason the Copelands' may listen to the game on radio is that Sherry is expecting their first child on December 8th.

Kevin has indicated that they may make the game if they travel with Dr. Alice Pangle and invite Alta B. Hinson also for the ride. Sherry's rational thinking is expected to prevail however; as the couple stay close to home and the radio.

Be nice if the baby was born Friday night - could be named ....oh, forget it!

Hobbs Book Fair Is December 5-8

Hobbs Elementary School is holding a book fair at the school library on December 5-8, 1988. The hours the fair will be open are 12:30-4:00 p.m. A wide selection of paperback books with appeal to children of all ages will be for sale. There are also items in the fair of interest to parents and teachers. Profits from the book fair will be used to support school activities. This is also a good opportunity for some of you to take care of items on your Christmas list. Everyone is welcome whether your child attends Hobbs or not.

Danny Wayne Neves Born Nov. 22

Baby boy born to Stephen and Angela Neves of Sweetwater. Danny Wayne was born on November 22, 1988 in Abilene at Hendrick Hospital. Danny Wayne weighed 5 lbs., 6 ozs. and was 18 inches long.

Grandparents are Calvin and Nita Neves of Roby. Ruthiet and Gerald Hope of Sweetwater. Great grandparents are Fay Neves and Elsie Daniel of Rotan and Ruth Obleckener of Littlefield.

Shanna Bennett And Teresa McClure Receive DAR Citizenship Awards

The Anne Pettus Shelburne chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution honored Shanna Bennett of Rotan High School and Teresa McClure of Roby High School at a DAR Good Citizen's Luncheon Saturday in the home of Mrs. Whit Clark.

Shanna is the daughter of Judge and Mrs. Marshal Bennett and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dono Darden and Mr. and Mrs. James Rector.

Teresa is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley McClure and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gatewood and Betty McClure and the late Dude McClure.

Each year the Anne Pettus Shelburne chapter of DAR ask the faculty at Roby and Rotan to select three seniors who best exemplify outstanding qualities of Leadership, Dependability, Service, and Patriotism in their school, home and community. From this list, the seniors from each school choose the one to represent their high school. These honorees were required to submit a list of their activities and awards, a transcript, a description of how she portrays the four qualities of a DAR Good Citizen, answer an indepth quiz about our constitution and government and write an essay on "Our American Heritage and My Responsibility to Preserve It."

Regent Josie Baird called the meeting to order. Mrs. Vera Morrow led the group in a devotional, the pledge to the American Flag, the American Creed and salute to the Texas Flag. Mrs. Rudy V. Hamric, DAR Good Citizen's chairman presented Shanna and Teresa to the group. She explained the qualifications of each young lady to merit this award. A certificate, a pin, and a wallet certificate was given to each. An explanation of the symbolism of each section of the pin was given. Miss Baird then explained the purpose of the DAR and the numerous activities in which DAR is engaged.

The stars on the rim of the DAR Good Citizens pin represents the 13 colonies. Band of blue enamel identified it with our Society. Qualities of good character which DAR emphasizes - Dependability, Service, Leadership, Patriotism - are titles of the four books in the center suggesting school days. Circling these is the laurel wreath of Honor; behind the books, the torch of understanding.

At Roby High School, Teresa has been active in UIL all four years; in basketball and track in 9th and 10th grades; has been a cheerleader for 10, 11, 12 grades; Future Homemakers of America three years; Fellowship of Christian Athletes two years; National Honor Society 11th and 12th grade; UIL District One-Act Play All-Star Cast 1988; UIL Journalism, News writing, feature writing, editorial writing. She received the Balfour journalism award in news writing in 1986 & 1988 and the Balfour poetry award in 1987. She was freshman class favorite, band sweetheart in 1987, FFA sweetheart in 1986-87 and won 5th in 1986 and 4th in 1987 in the 4-H Share the Fun at the State 4-H Round-Up. She has been social chairman and treasurer of FHA; NHS secretary; secretary of freshmen, sophomore, and junior class, and is reporter of senior class. In 4-H, she has been Fisher County secretary, public relations chairman and 1988 president. She is Fisher County 4-H delegate and District 4-H Council member.

Shanna is a Rotan varsity basketball player for 4 years, winning All District in '86-87 and 87-88. She was elected Basketball Sweetheart in 87-88. She has been a member of band for 5 years and was a state qualifier in solo for 1986. She is band president and band sweetheart this year. She received the Hammer Band Spirit Award in '88-89. She has served as Drum Major for the last two years. She was Homecoming Queen Nominee and Miss R.H.S. Nominee. She has served as VP for freshman class, secretary for Sophomore class, and class favorite of Sophomore class, Junior and Senior class secretary, Senior class favorite, Mascot in 86-87. She was Student Congress secretary in 87-88 and VP in 88-89. She was FHA VP in '87-88 and is president this year. She is Spanish Club President this year, won the Spanish I Award and the English III Award. She serves as National Honor Society VP this year.



Shanna Bennett



Teresa McClure

A traditional Thanksgiving dinner was enjoyed by Shanna Bennett, Mrs. Marshal Bennett, Teresa McClure, Mrs. Dudley McClure, Betty Miers Mauldin, Addie Maberry, Connie Tutt, Josie Baird, Laverne Kennedy, Vera Morrow, Joe Clark, Valeska Morrow, Bertha Warren, Lynelda Swofford, Bessie Cleveland, and Patsy Hamric.

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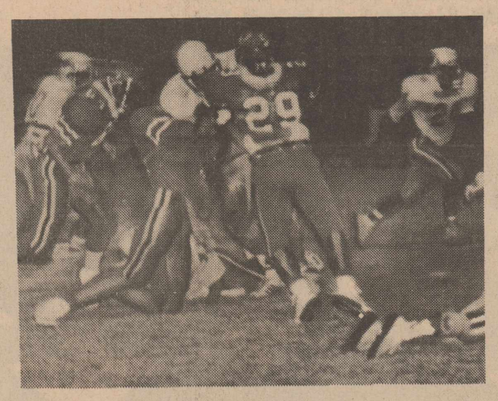
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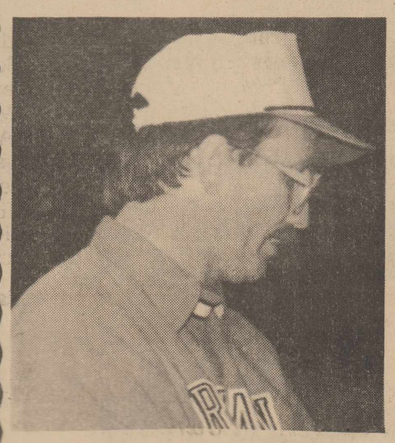
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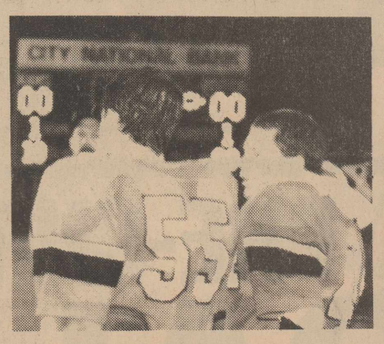












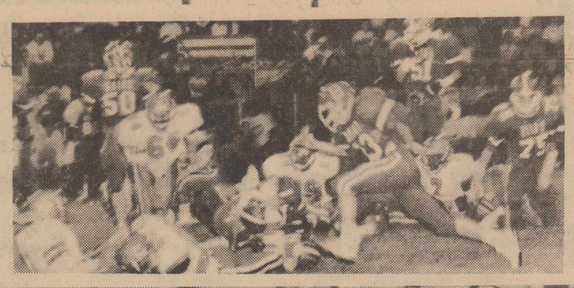




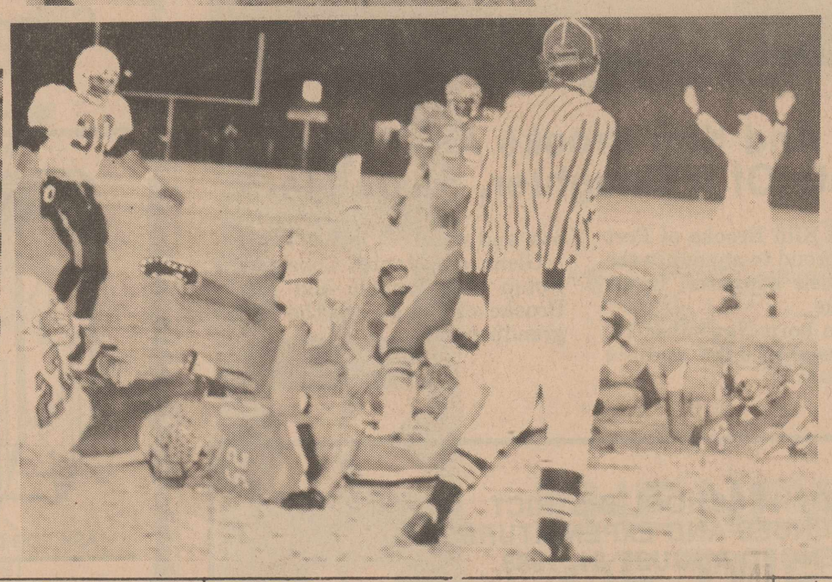


















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Kim's Korner
By Kim Pease

FILE IT AWAY: Dr. Alice Pangle at the Doctor's Clinic at the Fisher County Hospital, passed on a few facts she thought would interest and amuse readers. Here goes...The numbers game. 77% of nurses surveyed say they wouldn't encourage their children to become nurses. Americans eat on the average of 12 pounds of potato chips each year and 3 pounds of broccoli. 45% of women who wear uncomfortable shoes do so because "they look good". Last, you burn 9 calories in a single kiss and will lose 2.8 pounds in a year by kissing three times a day. On the serious side, Dr. Pangle passed this along. Most children believe that the way they see is the way everyone sees. However, roughly one in every 20 preschool-age children in the U.S. have a vision problem that can lead to needless loss of sight if left untreated. Warning signs include excessive eye rubbing, shutting one eye, squinting, crossed eyes and dizziness. Parents need to learn to keep an eye on their children's vision.

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AVERAGE SALARIES: The average salary for teachers across Texas is $24,883.00. All four Fisher County schools rank below the state average in teacher salaries. Best paid teachers in Fisher County are at Roby - $23,169; then Rotan - $22,749; Hobbs - $21,325 and last, McCaulley -$20,933. Figures based on reports to the Texas Education Agency by various schools. Last week we carried a story about Roby students achieving the highest scores on TEAMS tests - wonder if that has any significance. The highest paid teachers in Fisher County are turning out students making the highest grades on the TEAMS tests. Looks to me like we need to pay the teachers more.

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DOING A BETTER JOB: Teachers in Texas, on the whole, are doing a better job educating students. Almost one million students in grades 3, 5, 7 and 9 were tested in February on the state-mandated Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills tests. A total of 69% of third graders mastered all tests taken in 1988, compared with 63 percent in 1987 and 52 percent in 1986. The results are the same in all other areas, students keep making better scores. Either we are teaching to pass tests or doing a better job of teaching - in either case we're doing it better every year.

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HOW DO YOU MEASURE UP: The 1989 Old Farmer's Almanac has a ton of helpful information on its 224 pages - the least of which is this on page 99. A Spanish poet insisted that a woman should have 27 beauties: -three white: skin, teeth and hands; -three black: eyes, lashes and brows; -three red: lips, cheeks and nails; -three long: body, hair and hands; -three short: teeth, ears and legs; -three large: breasts, forehead and the space between her brows; -three slender: waist, hands and feet; -three plump: arms, hips and thighs and three thin: fingers, hair and lips.

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS ARE NEAR: It is a hectic time of the year, but doesn't need to be with some controlled pre-planning. Remember to give the local Fisher County merchants a chance at selling some holiday gifts - they are the ones who support all the activities throughout the year, Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scouts, Soccer teams, Little League and all the school programs.

Roby National Honor Society Inducts Eight New Members

On November 18, the Roby Chapter of the National Honor Society held their annual induction ceremonies.

The ceremony began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a welcoming speech by David Shipp, President. This was followed by speeches from the members and candle lighting ceremonies.

The tapping in began after the candles had been lit. New members being inducted were: Melanie Ray, daughter of Roland Ray; Michael Carrion, son of Alicia Carreon; Gilbert Carreon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frutoso Carreon; Myra Hohon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hohon; Tina McClure, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley McClure; Jennifer Pullig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Pullig; Jerry Wayne Stuart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Stuart; and Belinda Ramirez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ramirez.

After the new members had been sworn in, a speech was given by Jeff McClure. This was followed by a reception for all the members and their parents.

The old members include: David Shipp, Pres., Carter Edmondson, Vice Pres., Teresa McClure, Sec., Rick Onofre, Tres., Rachel Petty, Reporter, Kathi Mize, Hist., Lorena Cave, Patricia Gonzales, Carol Kirby, Craig Maxwell, Autumn Shelly, Donna Kay Terry, and Larry Van Liew.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY: The newly inducted members of the Roby chapter of the National Honor Society (back row l to r) Michael Carrion, Gilbert Carreon, Myra Hohon and Jerry Wayne Stuart, (back row l to r) Tina McClure, Melanie Ray, Belinda Ramirez and Jennifer Pullig.

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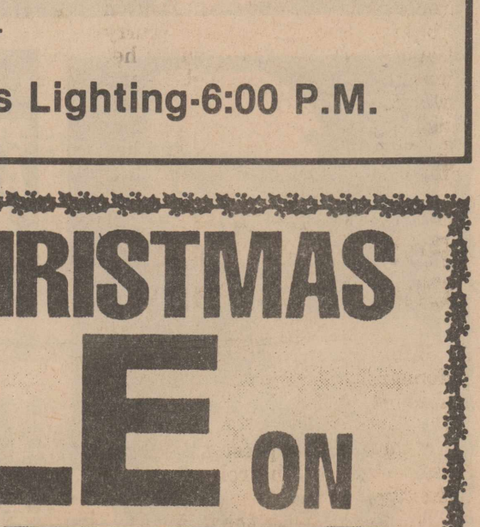
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Brent And Kim Brooks Are Proud Parents Of A Daughter, Kayla Marie

Brent and Kim Brooke of Port Neches are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Kayla Marie Brooke.

Kayla was born November 15, 1988. She weighed 6 lbs. and 8½ ozs. and was 18¾ inches long.

Glenn and Janice Copeland of Rotan and Johnnie and Lebby Brooke of Bangs are the happy grandparents.

HOBBS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1988

Revenues:	
Local Taxes Collected	$239,249
Other Local Revenue	15,403
State Program Revenue	9,627
State Distributed Federal Funds	9,556
Non-Revenue Receipts	1,269
Total Revenue	$275,104
Expenditures	
Instruction	$121,291
Instructional Administration	125
Instructional Resources and Media Resources	6,071
School Administration	316
Guidance and Counseling Services	94
Health Services	37
Pupil Transportation	36,656
Co-Curricular Activities	1,149
Food Services	15,507
General Administration	88,107
Plant Maintenance and Operations	73,926
Total Expenditures	$343,279
Excess Of Revenue Over Expenditures	($68,175)
Fund Balances - August 31, 1988	
General Fund	$156,494
General Fixed Assets	904,779
Total Fund Balances - August 31, 1988	$1,061,273

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RETIRED FISHER COUNTY AGENT HONORED -- Alice Ballenger who recently retired as Fisher County Agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, was one of 16 Extension Service retirees honored at a special luncheon at the College Station Hilton Nov. 9. Ballenger was presented with a special plaque by the president of the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas, Coryell County Judge Douglas Smith, left, and Dr. Zerle L. Carpenter, Extension Service director. Ballenger served in Fisher County her entire career of 33 years.

Nettie Etheredge Passes Away At Fisher Co. Hospital

Nettie Etheredge, 81, of Roby died Monday morning, November 21st, at Fisher County Hospital. Funeral services were at 2 PM, Wednesday, November 23rd, at First Baptist Church in Roby. Officiating was Rev. Alvin Petty, the pastor, with burial in the Roby Cemetery. Weathersbee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Etheredge was born September 13, 1907 in Denton County. She moved to Scurry County as a child with her parents, the late Samuel T. and Mattie Lee (Lott) Minor. She married Bryan B. Etheredge, October 5, 1924 in Fisher County and has lived here most of her adult life.

Mr. Etheredge died October 18, 1987.

Mrs. Etheredge was a postal employee until retiring in 1977. She was a member of First Baptist Church and graduated from Camp Springs High School in 1924.

She is survived by: two daughters: Billie Holcomb and Jane Branson, both of Roby; one son: Ted "Sonny" Etheredge of Healdsburg, California; one sister: Maye Reep of Plainview; two brothers: S.T. Minor of Turpin, Oklahoma and Fred Minor of Park Hill, Oklahoma; nine grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Nephews served as casket bearers.

Rotan Homemakers Discuss Plans For Christmas Party And Projects

The Rotan Extension Homemakers Club met in the home of Ardell Floyd November 17.

Wanda Floyd presided. Hazel Hudnall called the roll and read the minutes.

The business for the day was a discussion of the Christmas project and the Christmas party. Oma Long will have the party in her home December 1.

Gaynell Henry brought the program "Have you looked at your grocery receipts lately"? After the program, Ardell served refreshments to Christine Rackly, Belle Sanders, Effie Murphry, Hazel Hudnall, Eda Bickerstaff, Oma Long, Wanda Floyd, Gaynell Henry, Mary Posey, Beatrice Hargrove, Hilda Rollins and guests, Betty Kiker and Beth Dannheim. Refreshments and fellowship were enjoyed by all.

Hustling Around Hobbs

by Joy Walker

Well the wind is still blowing and I keep thinking there will be no more pecans left on my trees, but such is not the case, and every day there are more to fall. I sure had a good crop this year, better than I have ever had I think. We really need some rain, although I know that the cotton farmers are so busy trying to get their cotton to the gins. But the pastures and the little grain sure could use some moisture.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boydstun spent Thanksgiving Day in Rotan with Mary's mother, Mrs. Bertie Thomson.

Linda Anderson from Colorado Springs, Colorado, spent a week visiting with the Clarence Andersons and they really enjoyed her visit. She came last Saturday and left this Saturday. Wayne, Becky, David and Steven Anderson from Clovis, New Mexico, spent the Thanksgiving holiday here. They came Wednesday and went home Saturday. Clarence and June attended Jana Smith and Robert Morales' wedding on Saturday. They said it was really beautiful.

The James Ratliffs' had their Thanksgiving on Sunday. John and Teressa Swofford from Lubbock came Friday night, Jim and Tracy Ratliff from Abilene came Saturday and Kim and Tracy Knipe and Taren from Snyder came Sunday. Trese Ratliff came Wednesday and spent a few days with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Ratliff. They all really enjoyed their weekend with all the family together.

Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Cave went to Brownwood on Wednesday and spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Carter and all three of their boys. They came home Thursday evening, and they really enjoyed their visit.

Rosemary Gay and Sara Martinez from Fort Worth came to visit the Rudolph Martinezs Thursday morning and they stayed until Saturday. Veronica Martinez from Houston also came in on Thursday with Rosemary and Sara. Trina Warren from Andrews and Brian Warren from Lubbock were also there for Thanksgiving dinner. Also Rudy and Von and the girls were there. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Warren and family from Snyder all visited during Thanksgiving. Mr. and Mrs. Pete Ozuna were also at the Rudolph Martinezs for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Opal Phillips has been in Post for a week visiting with Mr.and Mrs. Glenn Phillips. They all went to Odessa on Sunday and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ron Burtis and family there. They all went to Lubbock Monday and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Phillips and family. Opal is feeling good and really enjoyed her trip and getting to spend Thanksgiving with her son and his wife.

Bea Hardin had a whole houseful of company for Thanksgiving and she always enjoys having them. Mr. and Mrs. John Hardin and three boys from Bellville were there, also Mrs. Larry McBeth and two daughters from Abilene, also James Robert Hardin, Mrs. Julie Hardin and two boys and a girl friend, Kevin Leatherman all from Abilene were also there. Mr. and Mrs. Bubba Hardin and daughter from Moran also came for the holiday. They all spent Thursday night and Friday with Bea and left Friday evening. Thanksgiving Day, Bea ate dinner with the Kennith Hardins' in Rotan, and then she returned home to wait for all her company to arrive. She had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Melody stayed here with me until Wednesday when she returned home. Mark went back on Sunday with his parents who were here for Jim's funeral. We all went to Sheila and Donnies' for Thanksgiving supper Thursday and we sure had a big crowd. Those present were the Wilber Grubens, Greg from Stephenville, Becky Baer and Evette Gruben from Sweetwater, John Carl and Aladean Gruben, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Helms, John Wayne Helms from Freeport, and his girl friend, Julie, from San Antonio, Mark Helms from San Marcos, also Sheila and Donnie, Carye and Donnie Carl from McAllen. He flew home last Saturday and spent the week in Rotan, flying back to school Sunday. Also at Donnies' for supper was Nahan De La Cruz. Friday we all went to Mineral Wells to the ballgame, and I went with Sheila and Donnie and Jerry Carreon from Roby also went with us. It was a good ballgame and an almost perfect night, weather wise. Now Rotan plays Lindsay at Mineral Wells and I hope that the weather stays as good as it was last week. Hope that they can win. I spent the night, or what was left of it, with the Wilber Grubens' and then we went to Lubbock early Saturday morning. Carol and I, Evette and Becky Baer all went, and we met Becky's mother, Nita Baer, in Lubbock. She is from Amarillo. The weather in Lubbock was bad, so cold and windy, but they said it was much worse in Amarillo.

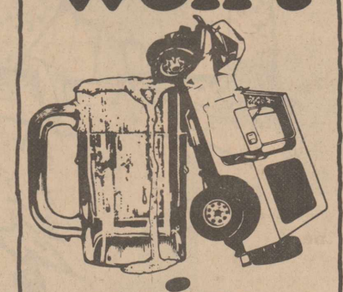
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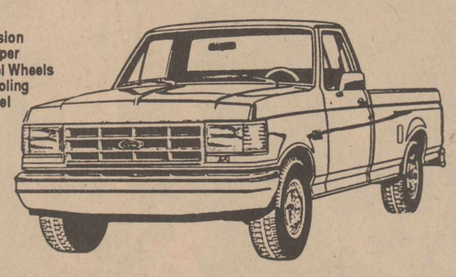
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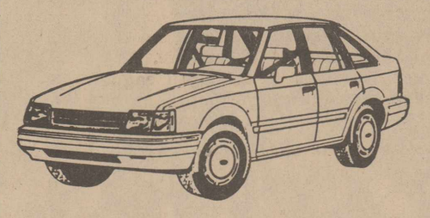
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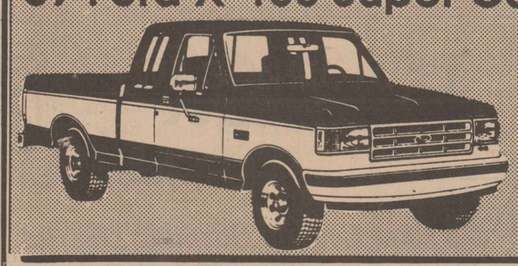


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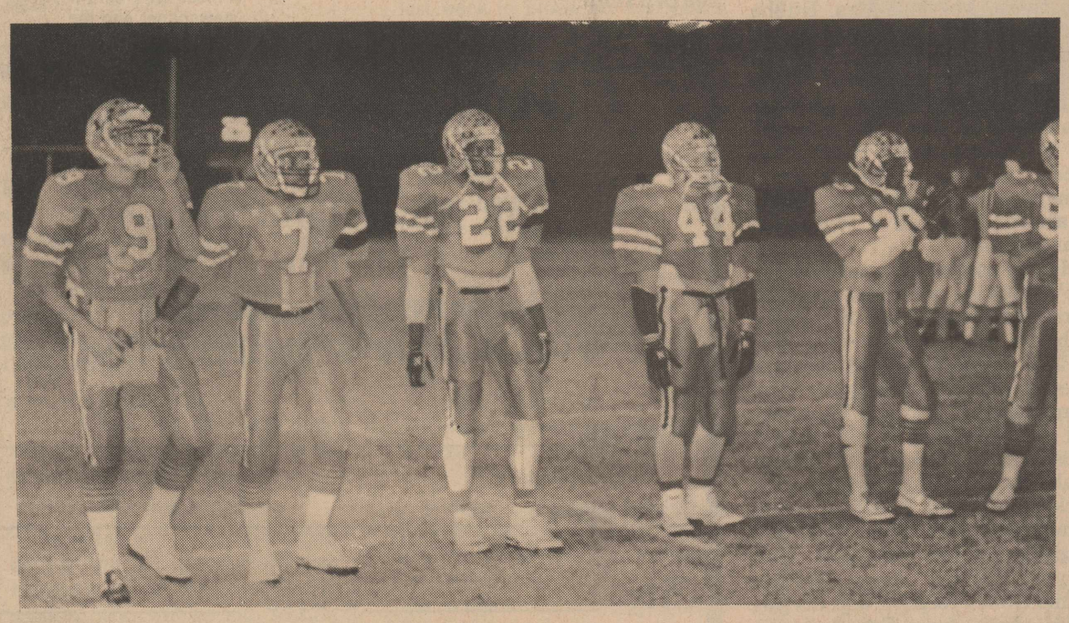
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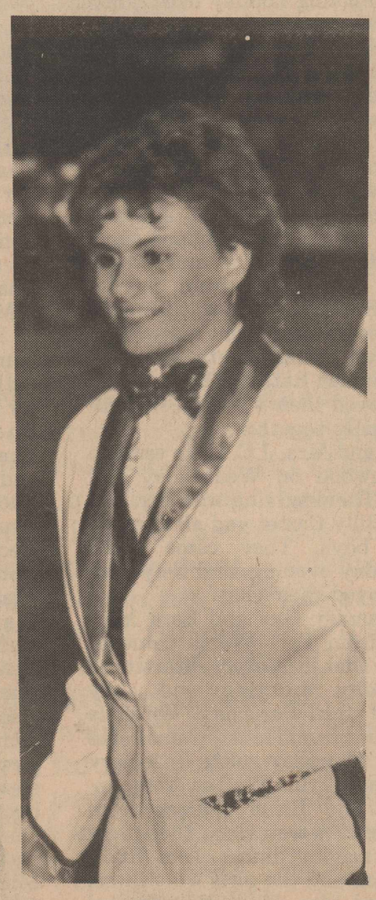
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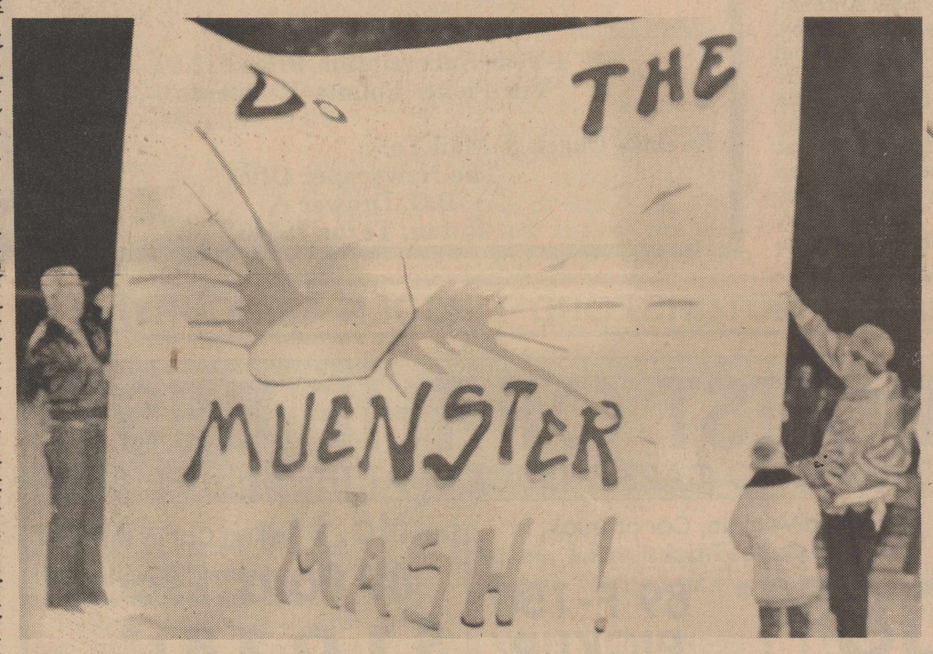
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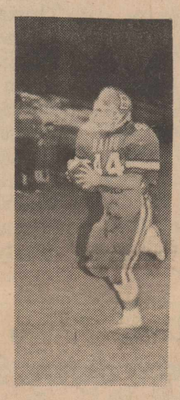






















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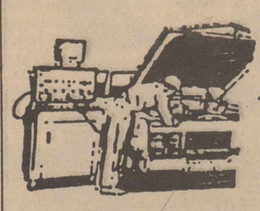
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Hammer Happenings



By Donna Turnbow

Hi, I'm back and I have a lot to tell all of you. YEA HAMMERS!!!! The Rotan Yellowhammers put the Monster Mash on the Muenster Hornets last Friday night. The Hammers scored early in the second quarter and kept scoring until the end of the game, the score ending Rotan 41, Muenster 14. Rotan had that thirst for victory that took the sting out of the Hornets. When the Hornets started scoring it looked as though they might give Rotan a battle for the points.

Rotan came back with the Hammer Pride that they are famous for. With less than a minute to go in the fourth quarter the Hammers scored another touchdown to give them an outstanding lead. The Yellowhammers added yet another gold football to their growing collection. The most recent trophy is for "Area Champs".

Rotan will travel back to Mineral Wells this week to play the Lindsay Knights.

Good Luck Team!!!!!!

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BASKETBALL!!!! The Rotan Yellowhammer girls varsity and junior varsity played Trent here Tuesday night. They continue to show their Hammer Pride. Yea, good for you!!

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THE FFA SWEETHEART AND FHA BEAU: The FFA (Future Farmers of America) Sweetheart was chosen. The sweetheart is Jeanie Wyrick. Also chosen was the FHA Beau (Future Homemakers of America). The beau is Lane Landes.

WOW!! How time flies when you're busy. It's already the end of the second six weeks. This week report cards go out. I hope everyone has good grades. If you get some bad grades this six weeks you can bring them up to an all time high this next six weeks.

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See you next week with more Hammer Happenings.

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Legal Notice

Fisher County Commissioners Court will accept proposals for Hospitalization Insurance to be considered in special session of Commissioners Court, December 27 at 9 a.m. For specifications contact the office of County Auditor. Insurance effective date is December 30, 1988.

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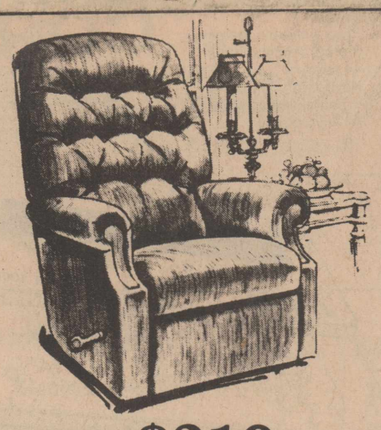
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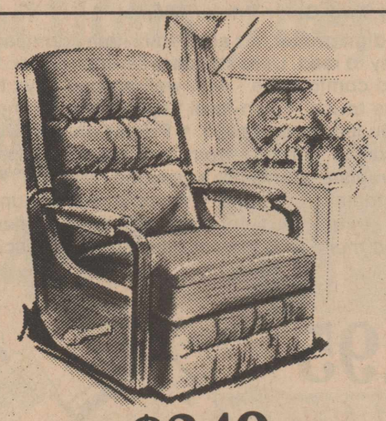


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Defendants, Greeting:

YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the District Court of Fisher County at the Courthouse thereof, in Roby, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 2nd day of January A.D. 1989, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 14th day of November A.D. 1988, in this cause, numbered 4902 on the docket of said court and styled RAY RICHEY & COMPANY, INC.

Plaintiff, vs. WILLIAM MATES, ET AL.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Suit for the appointment of a Receiver for the purpose of execution oil, gas and mineral leases covering the undivided mineral interest owned by said Defendants in and under the following described property in Fisher County, Texas:

Tract One: 38.5 acres of land, more or less, being a part of Section 5, Block "E", Sallie English Survey and being the same land described in Contract of Sale date April 12, 1979, from the Veteran's Land Board of the State of Texas to Jimmy Dwalyn Parker, recorded in Vol. 429. Page 216, Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Tract Two: 38.5 acres of land, more or less, being a part of Section 5, Block "E", Sallie English survey, and being the same land described in Contract of Sale dated April 12, 1979, from Veterans Land Board of the State of Texas to John Edd Reed, recorded in Volume 429, Page 220, Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Tract Three: 79 acres of land, more or less, being all of that certain 156 acres tract out of Section 5, Block "E", Sallie English Survey, Fisher County, Texas, and being the same land described in Deed dated August 14, 1917 from John H. Veatch and wife, H.A. Veatch to Mrs. N.J. Jackson, recorded in Volume 47, Page 303, Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas, SAVE AND EXCEPT HOWEVER, Tracts One and Two described above.

Said three tracts contain 156 acres of land, more or less.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

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Witness, BETTIE HARGROVE, Clerk of the 32nd District Judicial Court of Fisher County, Texas.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Roby, Texas, this the 15th day of November A.D. 1988.

Bettie Hargrove Clerk,
32nd District Judicial Court
Fisher County, Texas.

Mary Helen Coats Is In College Who's Who

Mary Helen Coats of Roby, Texas, is among 37 McMurry College students chosen this year for Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges.

The Student Affairs Committee of the McMurry faculty selected the students for Who's Who in the basis of scholarship, moral character, citizenship, service to the school, leadership in academic and extra-curricular activities, and potential for future achievement.

Mary Helen is an Education major at McMurry. Her activities at McMurry include: English Honor Society, Education Honor Society, and Dean's List.

She is the spouse of Larry Dean Coats of Roby, Texas. Her parents are James H. and Barbara Ann Robertson of Aspermont, Texas.

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Jaymes Gregory Hargrove Is Born In Austin, Nov. 24

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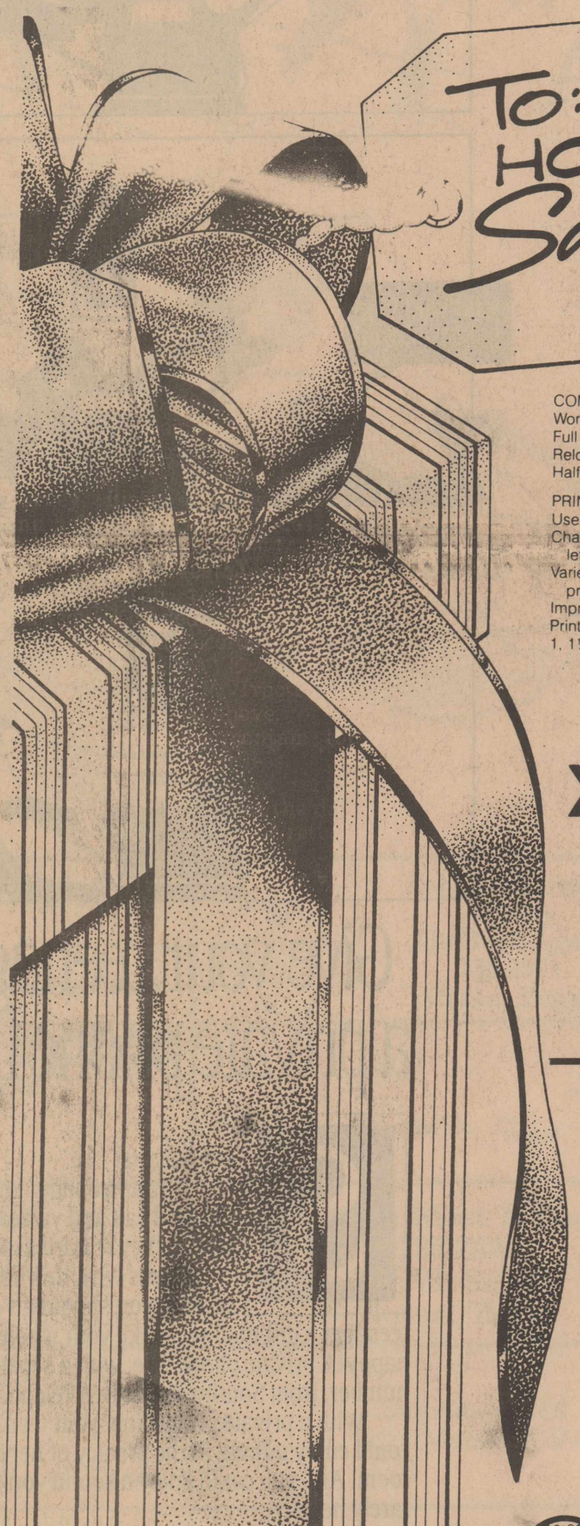


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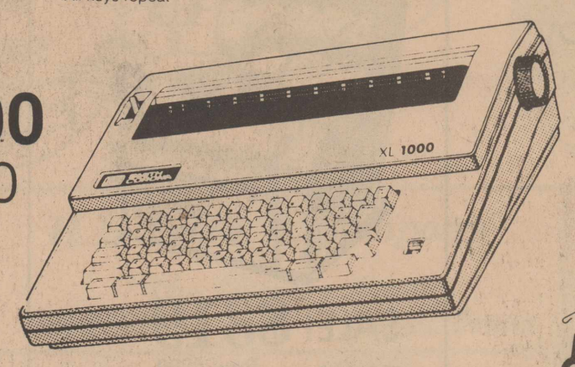
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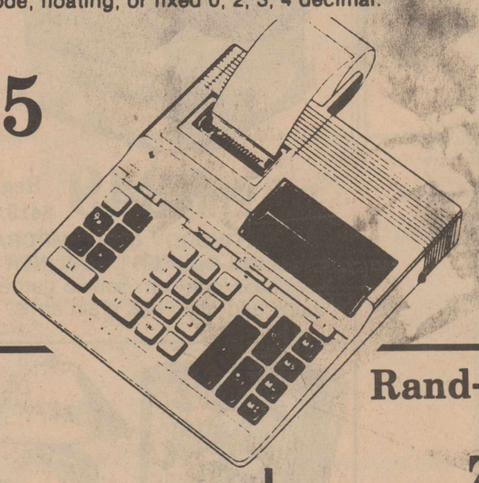
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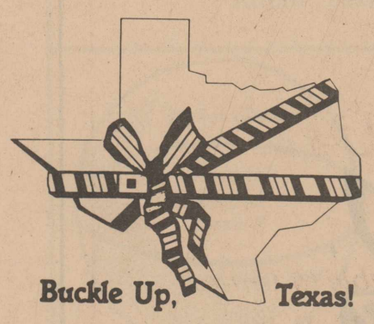
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Ex-students were present representing almost every year from 1988 back to the early 1920's. The class of 1941 was the largest group present.

Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Taylor of Abilene, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. A.O. Dennington of Panhandle, Texas were also present; Mr. Taylor was superintendent of Hobbs from the late 1940's through 1953 and Mr. Dennington held that position from 1956 through 1966.

Many former school personnel attended the reunion. There were in attendance 18 bus drivers, 10 lunchroom employees, nine teachers, two superintendents, one janitor, three "coalmen", nine school board members, one secretary, three coaches and many room parents.

The classes of 1950, 1953, 1958, and 1968 each had a reunion during homecoming activities. The class of 1950 had a surprise birthday party for Don Cave.

Many letters and pictures from exes who could not attend were on display in the gym. There was also a "table of remembrance" with names and pictures of exes deceased since 1986.

Following the invocation by J.W. Kincaid of Rotan, class of 1947, Howard Gordon, President of the Hobbs School Board welcomed the exes back home.

Ricky Williams of the Hobbs Community, class of 1970, gave the response. Bertha Ratliff Warren of the Hobbs Community, class of 1950, then gave a reading of her own composition, entitled "It's Not That Easy Going Home".

Janiece Cave Stephenson, class of 1961, and her daughter, Debbie, both of Abilene, Texas presented the musical portion of the program, with two selections, "Friends" and "Pour on the Power".

Esther Medrano Lopez of Big Spring, class of 1966, spoke of "Bits of Nostalgia" giving selected portions from old class wills and junior class prophecies.

Louie Hayes of Rotan, class of 1954, introduced the main speaker of the evening, Glen Cavitt of Seminole, class of 1954, who gave a very entertaining talk and kept everyone laughing.

Special recognitions were made by Peggy Trice Vernon of Snyder, class of 1957, and Lanelle Ware Hammond, class of 1951, also of Snyder.

The Aaron family was recognized as being the largest family in attendance.

Mr. Harold Anderson was recognized as coming the greatest distance. He traveled to Hobbs from Scottsdale, Arizona, a distance of 860 miles.

The Coming Home queen candidates were Mamydell Simmons German of Clyde, class of 1938, escorted by Herman Lipham; Lavern Shipp Young of Ft. Worth, class of 1947, escorted by J.W. Kincaid; Mary Frances Alford Pitner of Lubbock, class of 1948, escorted by Charles Chism; Darlene Ogden Warren of Granbury, class of 1957, escorted by Howard Gordon; Neva Thompson Harbin of Snyder, class of 1958, escorted by Hoppy Pearce; Melva Pearce of Ft. Worth, class of 1967, escorted by her husband; Tachi Martinez Warren of Snyder, class of 1968, escorted by her husband, Steve Warren; Regina Gruben Branch of Graham, class of 1977, escorted by Terry Porter; Sandra Clawson Gordon of Snyder, class of 1978, escorted by Randy Etheredge; Georgie Wright Trejo of Rotan, class of 1987, escorted by Wayne Jones; and Donna Gordon of the Hobbs Community, class of 1988, escorted by Matt Cave.

Darlene Ogden Warren was selected as Coming Home Queen for 1988 and was presented with a single long stem red rose.

Bertha Warren presided over the business meeting. Officers for the 1990 Homecoming are Peggy Trice Vernon, President; Louie Hayes, Vice-President; Sandra Clawson Gordon, 2nd Vice-President; Patricia Phillips Porter, Secretary-Treasurer, and Tonya Porter Jones, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.

The benediction was given by Louie Hayes, and the school song was led by Janiece Cave Stephenson.

The next Homecoming is to be held on November 10, 1990, the 2nd Saturday in November of that year. Exes of both Hobbs Community and Hobbs School are urged to put this date on their calendar and to contact one of the officers if interested in helping with Homecoming preparations.

Many people have brought pictures and memorabilia by the Hobbs School office. Many thanks are extended to them for helping to build our "archives" of "days gone by". A good number of interesting items have been acquired for display during future Homecomings.

The 1988 officers would like to express their thanks to all those who helped put this one together.

Again, all exes are reminded to help keep the mailing list current and to turn in to Pat Porter at Hobbs School any names that were missed during this year's mailing.

Cassette recordings of both the 1986 and the 1988 Homecoming programs are available for a small charge to defray copying costs. Also available are addresses of classmates and friends. Contact Pat Porter at 915/735-2850 or 735-3337 for more details.

THANK YOU

To all of my many friends who have been so thoughtful during my illness. The nice cards, letters, phone calls and prayers. It's so wonderful to know all of you were thinking about me. God Bless each and everyone of you.

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Rotan City Manager Kenneth Vann Doing Well After A Recent Stroke

According to Sandra Underhill, Rotan City office employee, Kenneth Vann is recovering very well after his recent stroke. "We hope that he will get out of the hospital within the next week, he is feeling much better and is in very good spirits," said Underhill. "He has recovered very well and will have some recuperating to do when he gets home." Vann is still in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Roby Lunch Menu

December 5 - 9, 1988

Monday: Steak Fingers, Gravy, Buttered Peas, Carrot Sticks, Hot Rolls, Fruit.

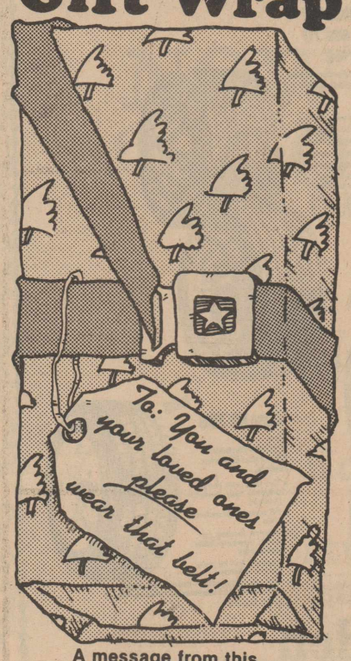
Tuesday: Stew, Cheese Curls, Apple Cobbler.

Wednesday: Corn Dogs, Seasoned Beans, Cole Slaw, Chocolate Chip Cookie.

Thursday: Pizza, Corn, Salad, Rice Krispie Square.

Friday: Hamburgers, French Fries.

Holiday Gift Wrap



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Yellowhammers Sting Muenster Hornets For Regional Title

The Rotan Yellowhammers defeated the Muenster Hornets 41 to 14. After a long bus trip to Mineral Wells the Hammers took the field with a high level of excitement. One could sense from the sidelines that the coaching staff and community had done its job of getting behind the team and pumping up their spirits.

The first quarter of play showed a lot of emotion and no points for either team. The Hornets won the receiving rights and started their first drive on their 37 yard line. Pat Moffett and Lance Ragan made two consecutive hard hitting tackles and almost forced the Hornets to punt but the measurement went in favor to the Muenster team. Their effort was followed by a nice tackle by Chris Kennedy. Then Joe Huitt gave the ball to the Hammers with a fumble recovery. There would be several fumbles during the night. Rotan was unable to move the ball on her first possession and had to punt the ball away. Muenster in turn fumbled the ball and Lonnie Foster recovered. The Hammers then moved the ball to the 12 yard line with a nice run from Kenny Warren. On a 4th and 7 down coach Nelms called on Jorge Montoya for the field goal attempt. It looked good from the home (Rotan) side but was ruled wide. Robert Daniel got into the back field and forced the opposing team to punt.

The Hammers then had problems handling the ball on the return and the Hornets recovered the fumble. Moments later Joe Huitt who had fumbled the ball redeemed himself with an interception, but the Hammers feared it was going to be a long night when they had to give up possession of the ball after the interception due to a penalty for having too many men on the field. The first quarter ended with the Hornets driving to the 7 yard line on a second down and one foot to go.

But they lost the ball on yet another fumble. With the ball going over to the Hammers on downs Willard Roddy who was the hero for the night broke loose on 3rd and five to run a 92 yard touchdown run.

Montoya's kick was good as were all but one for the night. There was a fumble on the return after the kick off and Rotan recovered on the 33 yard line for great field position, yet just as the Hammers began to move the ball there was another fumble. Then Blake Morrow started the process of getting the ball back with a great tackle. Then Brandon Alls followed suit with a back breaking tackle forcing the Hornets to take a loss on the play.

Then Robert Daniel and Brian Sheehan teamed up to cause the Hornets to punt the ball. Willard Roddy broke loose again on the 40 yard line and Kevin Smith then kept the ball on two downs to bring them to the 24 yard line. Joe Huitt darted up the middle to the 18 yard line. Lance Ragan blocked for Kenny Warren who made it to the 9 yard line. A flag moved the team back 5 yards and with 1:49 in the first half Kevin Smith found Willard Roddy in the end zone and Roddy scored for a half time score of 14 to 0 Rotan.

During the second half Rotan would score after a good run by Joe Huitt and with Roddy made another great run for the T.D. Kenny Warren set up a score with a super run cutting back twice against the grain to the 25 yard line. Kevin Smith found Gray Fowler on a nice 10 yard pass and Fowler carried the ball in for six points.

In the fourth quarter, Feliz Yanez got an interception but the ball was fumbled on the next down. Lonnie Foster made a nice block allowing Joe Huitt to score. Phillip Matthies set up a punting situation for the Hornets with a sack on the quarterback.

Kenny Warren really got into the game with several back to back carries and with key blocking from Lance Ragan and Billy Speck, he was able to move the ball to the 11 yard line. Kevin Smith found Blake Morrow up over the middle and he carried it in for 6 points. Muenster's only scores came in the second half.

The final score was 41 to 14 Rotan.

Roby Girls Show Improvement In Overtime Loss To Stamford

The Roby Lady Lions showed that they have improved a great deal last Tuesday night, despite suffering their second loss of the season in a roof-raising overtime game with Stamford.

Two weeks earlier, the Lady Lions had suffered a 17 point defeat at the hands of the Lady Bulldogs in a game that was not even close.

This time, however, the Roby girls showed the vocal hometown crowd a glimpse of what they can be, continually fighting back before finally falling just short in overtime, 56-51.

Roby coach Jon Curry was pleased with the effort.

"They're just another step closer to where they need to be," he said of his young team. "They played some good ball tonight. A few baskets here and there or a free throw or two here and there and we'd never have had to go into overtime."

The Lady Lions' combination of youth and experience is starting to gel, and the Stamford game was a good illustration of it. Seniors Carol Kirby, who led Roby with 17 points, and Myra Hohon, who chipped in 15, provided the leadership Roby needed in critical situations.

"Carol and Myra did a real good job of keeping us in the ball game," Curry said. "Giving us that lead at halftime made a big difference. That really helped, to have them come through and show a lot of leadership."

Once again, however, there was also a considerable contribution from underclassmen. Sophomore Shana Feagan pumped in 10 points and freshmen Lorissa Edmondson and Stephanie Frierson made their presence felt.

Curry called Frierson "a sparkling kind of kid," and she provided needed spark at critical times in this game.

"Our freshmen are doing a lot better than I expected," Curry said. "We're trying to use Stephanie just to kind of pump everybody up; she's a good cheerleader on the floor and she keeps everybody fired up. She's helped us quite a bit that way."

In the early going of this game, it appeared that the result might be even worse than when the two teams first met as the Lady Bulldogs quickly jumped to a 10-2 lead. With just under two minutes left in the first quarter, however, the Lady Lions, led by Kirby, came roaring back, scoring 14 unanswered points to take a 16-11 lead.

The Lady Bulldogs cut the lead to one halfway through the second quarter, but could never overtake the Lady Lions who clung to a 27-24 lead at halftime.

Stamford came out fired up in the third quarter, scoring eight straight points to take a 32-27 lead, but once again the scrappy Lady Lions came fighting back with a pair of Feagan free throws cutting the margin to three at 39-36 as the two teams went into the fourth quarter.

Once again, the unbeaten Lady Bulldogs appeared ready to establish dominance, pulling to a 45-38 lead through the first few minutes of the final quarter, but Kirby and Hohon combined for 10 points in the final four minutes with Hohon's long jumper tying the score at 48 as time ran out.

The overtime period was as exciting as the game, but when a three-point shot by Hohon rolled in-and-out of the basket with only a minute left, the Lady Lions' chances started to fade.

When Roby tried to stop the Stamford stall by fouling in the final seconds, the foul was ruled intentional, giving the Lady Bulldogs two free throws and the ball. Cerrie Haterius, who led all scorers with 24 points, cooly sunk the two charity tosses to give her team a 56-51 lead and its third win against no losses.

Roby's record dropped to 1-2 of the year.

Although Curry and his team were disappointed in the loss, the Roby coach was quick to point to the positives. "They know we played a lot better than we did the first time we played them," he said.

"Some of them are taking it a little bit too hard, but that's just because they're so competitive that it bothers them when they lose, and I like that. I don't want them getting into the habit of losing. One thing that will really hurt us is if we get used to it; I want them to be a little upset every time they lose."

Roby Lions Stay Undefeated With A 75-57 Runaway Contest Against Stamford

By Cliff Vlasin

The Roby Lions improved to 3-0 with a 75-57 triumph over Stamford last Tuesday in what Roby coach Mickey McCarty called a sloppy game.

Although he expected more of a challenge from the Bulldogs at first, McCarty was disappointed, as the game progressed, that his charges did not win by more.

"That's our problem right now," he said. "We get too complacent when we get a lead instead of putting the nail in the coffin.

"I was disappointed in the way we handled the ball against the press. We should have handled it better than that."

Part of the reason for Roby's sloppy play might have been a flu bug that has bitten several Lions, including McCarty.

"Everything we did tonight were mental mistakes, I felt like," McCarty said. "We didn't handle the press well, we didn't fill the lanes well like we normally do, and I think that affected our free throws."

"When you get sloppy like that, it's just hard to ever get it back.

You lose that mental edge. Stamford's got some good athletes and when we got sloppy, it helped them. You get sloppy and they're going to win the race to the ball and win the boards and everything else when you quit blocking out," he added.

The Lions, who were never really challenged, were led by Carter Edmondson and Jerry Carreon who each pumped in 25 points while Rick Onofre chipped in 11.

Roby came out fast, building a 19-8 lead in the first quarter that was capped by an Onofre three-pointer.

The second quarter saw the Lions continue to build on that lead as Carreon scored the final eight points of the half, including a three-point shot of his own just before the end of the half.

The two teams went to the dressing room with Roby in command leading 38-21.

The early stages of the third quarter displayed some of the sloppiness McCarty alluded to as Stamford cut the Lion's lead to nine at the 3:47 mark.

The Lions then reeled off 11 straight points, however, and were never really tested again, coasting to the easy win.

While not impressed with the varsity win, McCarty was very happy with the play of his junior varsity which pulled out a 52-43 win.

"They were so much physically better looking than our team, but our team played smart, and that's what you have to do against those teams," he said.

The Roby Lions boys basketball squad suffered a 78-81 loss last Monday night at the hands of the Hawley Bearcats. High point individual for the Lions was Carter Edmondson with 29 points. Jerry Carreon had 22 points while Michael Carrion had 15. Others scoring were Rick Onofre 8, Eddie Onofre 4.

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News From Down South

by Bertha Warren

Every where we go now we see the Christmas decorations in town, in the homes and a feeling of excitement in the air. Christmas is just around the corner. G.W. and Vera Glass and their son Will of Limon Colorado visited relatives in East Texas then came on to Sweetwater to visit G.W.'s mother Minnie Glass and sister Sue and Jim Brown. They left for home Saturday morning.

The children, grandchildren of J.M. and Florene Smith are hosting a 50th wedding anniversary party for them Sunday, the 4th of December at the Forrest Hills Baptist Church in Ft. Worth. Florene is Wayne's sister.

FISHER COUNTY NURSING HOME NEWS

We had a nice Thanksgiving meal last Thursday. Many of our residents went home or with friends to eat that day.

Mrs. Louise Ashley had a very nice visit with Mr. and Mrs. Darden and Lori and family. She said they had so many good things to eat she doesn't even remember how much she ate.

Mr. Jesse Salazar went home with his family and had a very nice day. Sunday his visitors were Roland Sepeda, Esther Sepeda, Susan Dominguez, Chelsea and Ronnie, Jr. Sepeda all from Lubbock. Amy and James Yanez from Abernathy, Mary Ann Zarate from Sweetwater and Lori Garcia from Levelland.

Tennie Bostick went to Roscoe with her son and his family and they had a very good time.

Ruby Rain's daughter came and had Thanksgiving dinner with her mother and all the residents and she said it was sure good.

John Jackson brought some candy for the residents.

Carola Seaton and Anita Yates brought our birthday party last week. We had cake and punch and we all honored our only resident and one employee with a November birthday.

They are Juanita Young and Tina Trejo. Happy Birthday!

Other visitors were Rita Martinez, Raul and Ester Martinez, Vicky and Rick, Cruz and Grabiela Martinez, Alicia Garcia, Lisa Gauna, Yolanda Martinez, Leo Torres, Michelle Martinez, Lydia Torres and Joseph, Delores Gauna all visited Juanita Trejo.

Mrs. Yanez also went with her family for Thanksgiving dinner. Her visitors during the week were Frances Alvarado and kids, Thomas and Anita, Mary Bosquez and Jennifer Yanez.

Susie Soliz's visitors were Monique Lopez from Lubbock and Monica Gaspar from Rotan.

Mrs. Peel and Mrs. Whitten's visitors were May Hurst and Ruth Brown from Sylvester.

Jim and Iva Lauhane from Hamlin visited Nellie McGuire.

Dove Blevins has been keeping up with the Yellowhammers. He reads the paper and listens to the news. The game on T.V. is always on for about five residents who like to listen to it. We all wish the boys lots of luck on their next game.

Reyna Garcia.

Burt and Ilene Hale spent Thanksgiving day with their daughter Linda Rembert and boys Blandon and David in San Angelo.

Ruby (Potts) Foremer's children, grandchildren and great grandchildren are having an 80th birthday party for her at the Lions Club building in Lockhart Sunday, Dec. 4th from 2-5. Those not able to go to the party may send greetings to Nita Morrow, 810 Cribilo, Lockhart, Texas 78644. Happy Birthday Ruby.

Ed and Ollie Ogden left Wednesday for Brownwood to visit George, Carolyn and Allen Ogden. Then they went on to Grandbury to visit Darlene and Tommy Warren. Ollie got to go fishing and they caught some pretty big stripers. They returned home Friday night.

Our guests for the holidays were Steve and Tachi Warren and girls Stephanie of Lubbock, Nicole, Sabrina and Tonya of Snyder, Gill Warren, Dianna, Kenny and Jay Cross of Andrews, Brian Warren of Lubbock and Trina Warren. Also Jewel Ratliff of Sweetwater came out for the day. Several folks dropped by for a visit. Paul and Shelia and children called. They were having company from Mississippi for a few days. They live in Logansport, LA.

Damon, Shelby and Sunni Shipp of N.M. spent Thursday night with Sue and Dub Dulin in Maryneal. Also Melissa Dulin was home for the holidays. They all visited Jewel Ratliff on Friday. Damon visited his uncle Hershel Shipp in the hospital at Abilene.

Ed Price wasn't feeling very good last week, but was better this week and able to attend church Sunday. Ed is our song leader and we miss him when he is not there.

E.M. and Mary O'Donald had her sister Edith and Ben Ashlock of Abilene for Thanksgiving day.

Our sympathy goes out to the remainder family of Nettie Etheredge of Roby. Mrs. Etheredge passed away Monday and burial was on Wednesday, the 23rd.

Erna Lee Jones and Boomer Heartgraves spent the holidays in the Garland area. They visited Troy and Andrea Heartgraves and new baby Nathan. Boomer stayed with them and Erna Lee went on to granddaughter Misty and Norman Weinstein then on to Kaulfman to visit Oleta and Dale King, the King's sons and familes Doyle and Jane and children and Jack and Kathy King and children. They returned home Saturday night. I know I have missed some of you. Hope I'll get you next time. Call and let us know what's going on in your world.

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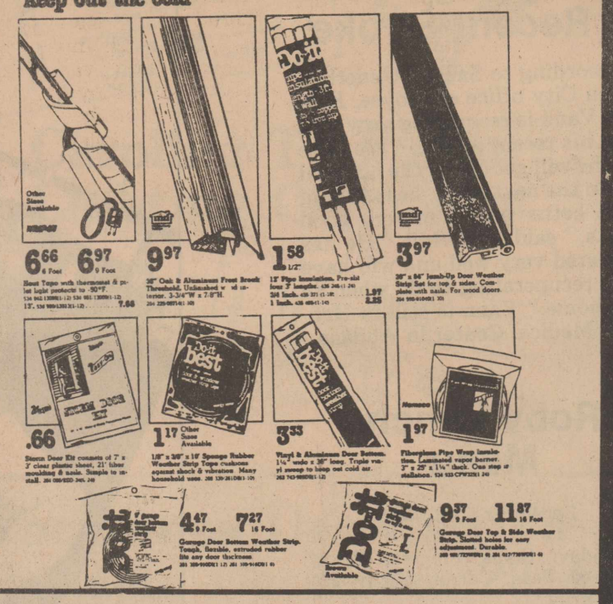
Thank you to our wonderful friends and family who so graciously expressed their sympathy to us through flowers, food, memorials, cards, visits and prayers during our sorrow.

We appreciate the attention and care shown by Dr. Maurice Callan and his staff and the hospital staff in attending our mother.

Also thanks to Weathersbee Funeral Home for their concern and service at this time.

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MARCHING FOR A VICTORY: The Yellowhammer band, under the guidance of drum major Shanna Bennett, will travel to Mineral Wells to support the Rotan football team in its contest with Lindsay for quarter-final competition this Friday.

Twelve Rotan Merchants Will Extend Evening Hours During City-Wide Lighting Festivities This Evening

The town wide Christmas Lighting sponsored by the Rotan Chamber of Commerce will take place Thursday, December 1 at 6:00 p.m. The lighting up of the downtown area will be followed by travelling Christmas carolers beginning at the vacant lot south of West Texas Utilities who will proceed to Casa Morales. "This is free for all, anyone is welcome to join. We are meeting at 5:45 at the vacant lot to get ready, and we invite everyone that would like to join in to do so," stated Donny Harbers, Music and Youth Director of the First Baptist Church.

The Chamber of Commerce is encouraging businesses to turn on exterior lights at exactly 6:00 p.m. Thursday. West Texas Utilities is one of the businesses that has chosen to stay open late. "We will hold open house and our Home Economist will be here all day with a display of homemade Christmas decorations and snacks," said Garvis Hinson, Manager of West Texas Utilities.

Other businesses that will be open until 7:00 p.m. are Landes Furniture, Southern Styling, Rumors, Whites True Value, Better Than Life Bookstore, Rotan Flower Shop, Video Village, City Auto, Martin's Feed and Garden, Winn's, Dairy Queen, The Newspaper Office, Casa Morales and Thriftway.

Rotan Girls Win Two Games Against Loraine, Hamlin

The Rotan Yellowhammer varsity girls basketball squad recorded two victories last week by defeating Loraine on November 22nd 54-43 and by winning over Hamlin 52-37. The 1988 Yellowhammers are under the direction of Head Coach Danny Diggs.

In the Loraine win, Terri Johnson was the high point individual scorer for the contest. She had 14 points. Others scoring were: Shanna Bennett 10; Shannon Boone 2; Sherri Conner 8; Lynette McQueen 4; Denise Powell 6 and Lucy Stinson 10 points. Other team members are: Jerri Lynn Boone, Cherry McGuire, Shawna Speck, Terrye Warren and Elizabeth Jones.

In the Hamlin defeat, Denise Powell was the high pointer with 13 points. Others scoring were: Shanna Bennett 10; Jerri Lynn Boone 6; Shanna Boone 4; Sherri Conner 7; Terri Johnson 1; Cherry McGuire 2; Shawna Speck 4; Lucy Stinson 3 and Lynette McQueen 2.

The Rotan junior varsity girls basketball team had one victory and one loss. Winning against Loraine 30-26 on November 22nd and a loss to Hamlin on November 15th with a score of 21-36. In the win over Loraine, those scoring points were as follows: Tiny Carrion 2; Elizabeth Jones 4; Debra Martinez 3; Leticia Martinez 2; Sharilyn Murdoch 2; Jody McClain 4; Julie Parr 2; Vanessa Peek 4; Shawna Speck 3 and Terrye Warren 4. Other players are: Misty Gruben, Priscilla Gonzalez, Stephanie Long, Jennifer Martinez, Czrena West, and Tracy Williams.

Roby Downs Rotan In Jr. High Game

The Roby junior high basketball team defeated Rotan's junior high by the score of 23-9 last Monday night at Roby.

The leading scorer for Roby was Buster Frierson with 17 points. Others scoring were Ben Singletary 2; Chad Lindsey 2 and Joel Collier 2. Other team players are Tim Hohon, Jason Gruben, Blake Stevens, Jeremy St. Clair, Alfred Rivas and Zachary Clark.

Scoring for Rotan was Mark Marshall with 4 points; Jason Carrillo and Nathan McGuire 2 points each and Jason Moffett 1 point. Other team members at Rotan are Mike Martinez, Clay Cozart, Matt Mercer, Trampas Deen, Fabian Castillo and Tyrone Daniel.

Roby's boys "B" team defeated the Rotan "B" squad 19-14. Robert Valenkemp had 6; Jason Gruben 2; Alfred Rivas 10 and Jeremy St. Clair 1. Other team players were Zachary Clark, Blake Stevens.

For Rotan, Daniel Montez had 2 points, Joe Gonzalez 4; Yanez 6; Simmons 2. Other players not scoring were Tyrone Daniel, Trampus Deen, Rains, Montez, Clay Hargrove, Chris Boone, Fabian Castillo and Stanley Castillo.

Weekly Cotton Gin Report

This weeks Fisher County Gin Report reflects Monday, November 21 totals. Taking honors of first place with a weekly total of 1,845 bales ginned is Terry Gin. The Terry Gin reported a season total of 4,421 bales ginned.

In second place is the Rotan Gin with a weekly total of 1,720 bales ginned and a season total of 5,448 bales. With a weekly total of 1,238 and a season total of 2,900, Farmers Union Coop Gin takes third place this week.

Longworth Gin had a weekly total of 800 bales and a season total of 1,850 for fourth place. Hobbs Gin moved up to fifth place for the week with 657 bales ginned for the week and 1,098 for the season. Farmers Gin came in sixth with a weekly total of 605 and a season total of 1,385.

Rotan Lunch Menu

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Monday: Spaghetti & Meatsauce, Vegetable Salad, Fruit, Garlic Toast, Milk.

Tuesday: Burritos W/Chili, Buttered Corn, Cherry Cake Surprise, Milk.

Wednesday: Pig in Blanket, Baked Beans, Green Salad, Jello, Milk.

Thursday: Salisbury Steak & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Cake, Milk.

Friday: Hamburgers, Hamburger Salad, Potato Chips, Fruit, Cookies, Milk.

Roby Junior High Girls Defeat Rotan In Basketball

The Roby girls junior high squad defeated Rotan 32-10 last Monday night with Linda Castor of Roby taking high point individual scoring honors with 10 points.

Others scoring for Roby were Allisia Royer 8, Jenny Gibson 7, Tanya McClure 2; Monica Pullig 3 and Kathleen Cortez 2.

Rotan's top scorer was Angela Peace with 8 points. Jessica Yanez had 2 points. Other team members are: Linda Lee Hernandez, Heather Randolph, Kelli Weaver, Rachel Dawes, Missy McKinney, Traci Hull, Amber Martin, Patricia Castillo and Crystal Garcia.

In the girls "B" game Roby won 34-23. Carolyn Atkinson scored 10 for Roby while teammate Shaye Thompson scored 16. Others scoring were Becky Terry 4; and Anita Floyd 4. Other team members are Sybil Garcia and Martha Billingsley.

Rotan's Jenni Burnes scored 10, Melissa Martinez had 2; Janet Martin 2, Elaine Soliz 2 and Jackie Golden 2.

In an earlier game Roby lost to Hermleigh 20-30 with Monica Pullig scoring 6; Linda Castor 4; Alisa Royer 4; Jenny Gibson 2 and Tanya McClure 4.

Ricky And Vikki Smith Parents Of A Baby Boy

Tiffany Lynn is proud to announce the arrival of her brother Cody Alan, born November 4, 1988.

He weighed 6 lbs. and 8 ozs. Proud parents are Ricky and Vikki Smith of Snyder, Texas.

Maternal grandparents are Buster and Glenda Wright of Rotan. Paternal grandparents are Bob and Carla Smith of Snyder, Texas.

Two Residents Are Indicted In Burglary

Two Roby individuals were indicted by the Fisher County grand jury last week and charged with burglary of a building, according to Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts.

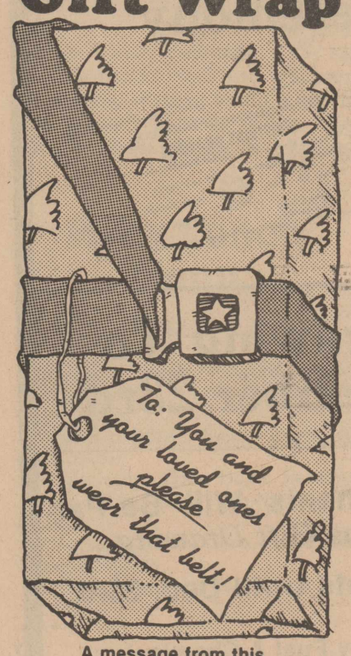
The two individuals were Gerald Wayne Lipke, Jr., age 17 of Roby and Lionell Jerry Castillo, Jr., age 17 of Roby.

Both were indicted for the alleged theft of money and knives from the Farmers Union Coop Gin on November 1st.

The total value of the theft, according to Sheriff Mickey Counts, was $747.00.

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A Big Thank You to everyone who has had a part in helping me get well. God has been very present all time.

We thank everyone who has prayed, cared, sent cards, flowers, making phone calls, sending all the delicious food, visits and such good Thanksgiving Dinner brought to our house. I just say God is still working and a Great Thanks to all of the people of all the churches, who care so much about me, J.A., our children and grandchildren. Continue to pray that things will continue to go well with us.

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Needed For A Social Security Number

Everyone who applies for a Social Security number must provide evidence of age, identity, and U.S. Citizenship or lawful alien status, including young children, Glyn Hammons Social Security manager in Abilene, said recently.

Parents sometimes have difficulty finding the required evidence of identity.

Proof of age is relatively easy, an official U.S. public birth certificate recorded before age 5 is preferred. This document will also establish citizenship.

Documents which will establish a young child's identity, and which are usually available to most families, include a report card, school identification card, newspaper birth announcement, court order for name change, church membership or confirmation record, doctor or hospital record, vaccination certificate, day care or nursery school record, or child's membership in youth organization, such as scouts.

This is not an exclusive list, Hammons said. Any document providing enough identifying data can be used.

Foreign born applicants will also need the appropriate Immigration and Naturalization Service documents.

Only original documents or copies certified by the issuing agency can be used.

For more information, contact the Abilene Social Security office, located at 142 S. Pioneer. The telephone number is 698-1360. Those living outside Abilene can call toll free 1-800-234-5772.

Michael Clay O'Briant Is Named "Young Man Of 1988"

Michael Clay O'Briant, age 25, was named "Outstanding Young Man of America 1988". This honor was given in recognition of outstanding professional achievements, superior leadership, ability and exceptional service to the community.

Michael is a 4th grade teacher in San Angelo 2nd School District. He is married to the former Elizabeth Latham. They reside at 1445 Hatcher St., San Angelo.

He is the son of the late Marvin O'Briant and Glynetta Britton O'Briant Bourg of Arlington. Also the grandson of the late Clarence O'Briant and Mrs. Clarence O'Briant of Roby and Mrs. A.C. Moore of Granbury.

McCaulley 4-H Club Will Talk About Holiday Ornaments At Nest Meeting

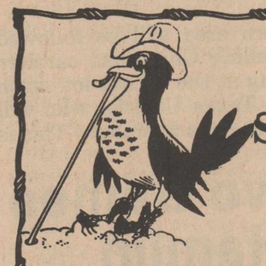
The McCaulley 4-H Club met on November 16, 1988 in the Homemaking Building at 3:30 p.m. Tim Bob presided and talked about gun safety and the gun show.

Plans for the next meeting will be about making Christmas ornaments.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. T.E. Green, Lonnie Green's grandmother.

Twenty members were present at the meeting which include: Tim Bob Smith, Jason Kiser, Chris Estes, David Scott, Kelly Sherman, Joey Smart, Brian Hunter, Steven Estes, Lonnie Green, David Bond, Ronnie Andrews, Brenda Flannigen, Bevin Hunter, Amber Kelly, Shelly Dominey, Amy Riggs, Johnny Smith, Doug Decker, T.J. Flannigen, Scott Andrews.

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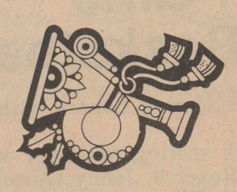
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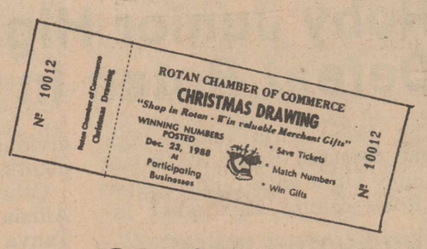
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Raymond "Doc" Cochran, Lifelong Fisher County Resident, Passes Away At Age 73

Raymond "Doc" Cochran, 73, of Hobbs, died at 1 PM, Thursday, November 17th, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. Funeral services were at 2 PM, Saturday, November 19th, at Hobbs Baptist Church. Officiating was Rev. Eddie Bumpass, Rev. L.D. Parks and Rev. Jack Hill. Burial was in the Hobbs Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home. Military graveside services were conducted by the Nolan County Honor Guard.

He was born September 23, 1915 at the family ranch near Hobbs. He is a lifelong resident of Fisher County and the son of the late George and Annie Parks Cochran. He was a veteran of World War II and received the good conduct medal, the purple heart, Pacific Campaign Medal, Phillippine Liberation Ribbon with two bronze stars, and the American Defense Service Metal. He is a member of the late V.F.W. and the American Legion as well as the Elks Lodge.

He is survived by: his wife: Juanita Lee Presley Cochran of Hobbs; a step son: Eddie Lyn Presley and his wife, Kaye, of Sweetwater; 13 nephews including Jerry Wayne Cochran of Arlington and Russell Wayne Presley of Odessa; 10 nieces including Patty Arledge of Clyde and Lori Pippin of Roby; four brothers-in-law; three sisters-in-law; 13 great nephews; 7 great nieces; 2 grandchildren.

Casket bearers were Chester Arledge, Howard Gordon, Rickey Gordon, Mark Gordon, Jerry Etheredge and James Nettleton.

Rex Kemp Dies In Accident

Rex Kemp, 77, of Roby, died at 10 PM Monday in Snyder as a result of injuries sustained when hit by a car while crossing the street.

Services were at 4 PM Wednesday in the First United Methodist Church in Roby with Rev. Jim Hawthorne, Pastor, officiating, assisted by Rev. R.H. Meixner of Hawley. Burial was in the Neinda Cemetery in Jones County under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home of Rotan.

Mr. Kemp was born Sept. 24, 1911 in McCaulley and was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Kemp. He attended McCaulley High School. He married Mamie Lee Fields Dec. 15, 1935 in McCaulley. Mr. Kemp was a retired farmer and a member of the First United Methodist Church where he had taught a Sunday School class for many years.

Survivors include: His wife: Mamie Lee Fields Kemp; two daughters: Jamie Kay Taylor, Abernathy, Arminta Lee Jacobson, Denton; two sisters: Nita Lee of Ponder, Tex., Ruth Crance of Conway, Ark.; four brothers: Ralph Kemp, Ardmore, Okla., R.P. Kemp, Roby, J.W. Kemp, Hamlin, Guy Kemp, Roby; six grandchildren; one great grandchild.

He was preceded in death by one sister and four brothers.

Three Roby Students Win Scholarships

Three Roby students are among those receiving scholarships to Western Texas College this fall, Dennis Carlton, Financial Aid Officer, said.

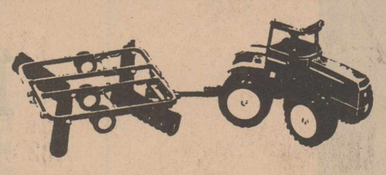
The students are LaTricia Allen, Mary Lee Hicks and Jody Mauldin. Miss Allen and Mauldin received scholarships from the Dora E. Cunningham Foundation while Miss Hicks received a scholarship awarded by the Fine Arts Department.

"Scholarships made possible through the gifts of individuals and businesses enable many students to attend Western Texas College each year," Carlton said. "Gifts to the WTC Scholarship Foundation are welcome in any amount and these can be made to honor a special occasion or in memory of a loved one."

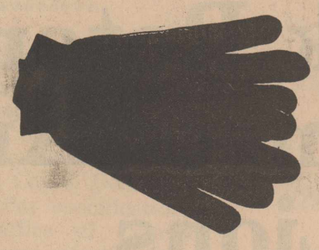
Students interested in financial aid through scholarships and/or grants are invited to contact Carlton's office in the WTC Administration Building for information.

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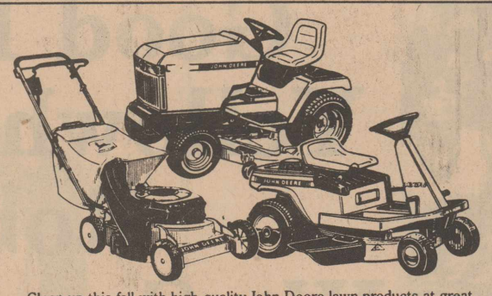
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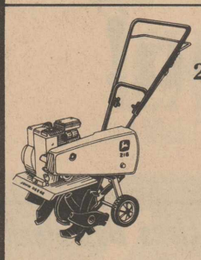
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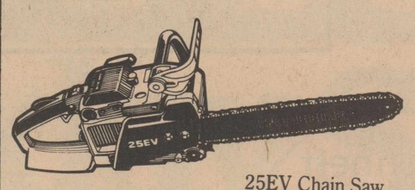
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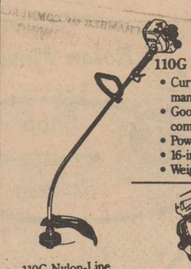
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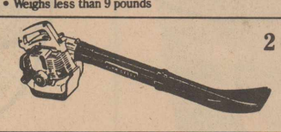
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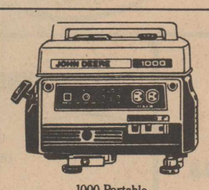
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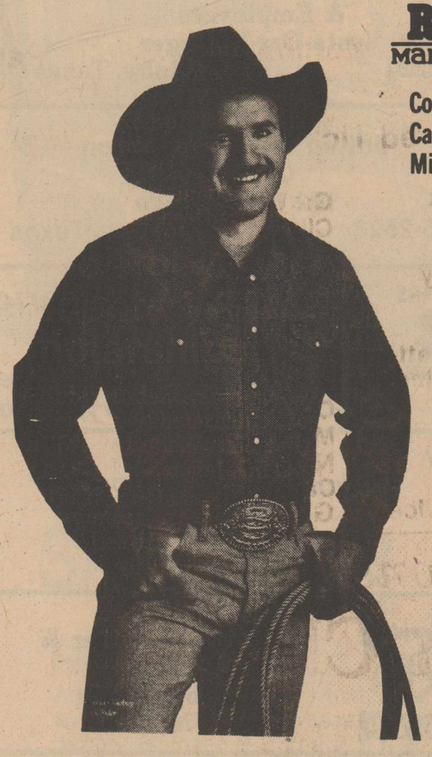


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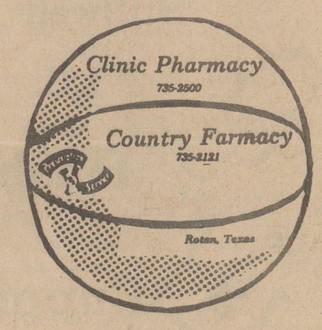
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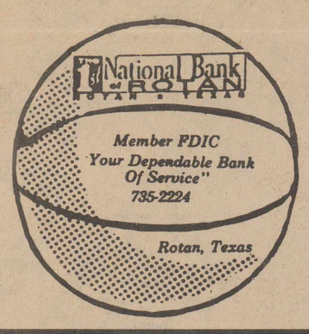
Rotan Yellowhammer Basketball Schedule

December 1, 2, 3-Rotan Tournament
December 6-Trent-There-6:30-V-G&B

Roby Lions Basketball Schedule

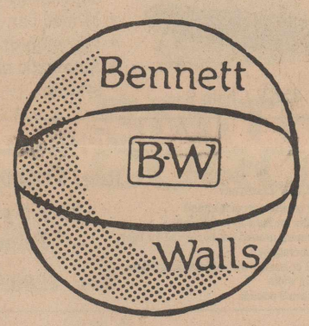
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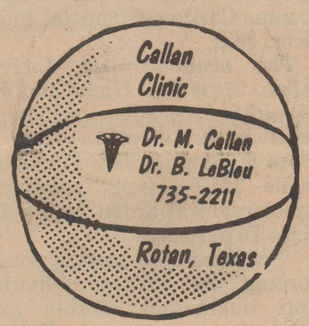












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