

District Divided Between Rotan, Roby And Snyder

Hobbs School Bells Silent , Student Shortage Cited As Reason For Closing

The Hobbs School bells are silent. What was billed as the first rural consolidated school district in Texas, originally made up of four common rural districts, is now history and gathers dust. Ironically, the campus buildings and equipment, on the final day of classes appeared in remarkably good condition. It was not the physical plant's shape, lack of space, outdated condition that was the 'final nail in the coffin', no, in the end, it all boiled down to a woeful lack of students attending school.

In the final week, only thirteen students were on the roll, two of the thirteen were transfers from Rotan. Those thirteen students, at the time of the information presented at the special

board meeting on Wednesday night, October 4, were to be sent to Rotan (5); Roby (5) and Snyder (3). There were a total of seventeen students grades (K-6) who had already transferred out of Hobbs. That count included 6 to Snyder; 9 to Rotan and 2 to Roby.

Hobbs students, grades 7 - 12 amounted to twenty-six: Those from the Hobbs district attending Roby grades 7-12 amounted to 5; attending Rotan 13 and attending Snyder 8.

In the final count, all Hobbs district students, assuming all projections held for transfers, had a total impact of fifty-six students on area districts. Rotan has 27; Snyder 17 and Roby 12.

Last Wednesday night, Oc-

tober 4th, in a special session of the Hobbs School Board, the death knell decision sounded. Citing a declining enrollment, the board unanimously voted to transfer the 13 remaining students to Rotan, Roby and Snyder, contingent upon approval by the respective school involved. The transfer became effective Monday, October 9th, the first day of the beginning of the second six-week grading period.

In addition, board members agreed to divide the Hobbs School District, as of June 1, 1990 in the following manner. That portion of the district in Fisher County south of highway 180 to the Roby ISD; that portion of the district north of highway 180 to the Rotan ISD and that portion of

the Hobbs ISD in Scurry County to the Snyder ISD.

"Owners of land on either immediate side of U.S. Highway 180 and on either immediate side of the Fisher and Scurry County line will have the option to petition the Fisher County and Scurry County Commissioner's Courts to transfer their property into either Rotan, Roby or Snyder school Districts if they so desire", read the resolution by the Hobbs trustees.

Board members also reserved the option to use the school buildings for a community center.

For the immediate future, the transportation of children was handled in the following manner. "Hobbs school will maintain bus runs as necessary to bring

students that now attend Hobbs in grades K-6 and students in grades 7-12 who attended Hobbs through 6th grade before transferring to school districts other than Roby to the school or other points as decided to meet receiving school busses", read the resolution.

The Hobbs School District last year had a tax base of \$28,729,389.00 and at a rate of 79½ cents per \$100 valuation generated tax dollars of \$228,396.00. This year the tax base has slid to \$26,873,446.00 at a rate of 79½ cents per \$100 valuation will generate tax dollars of \$213,643.89.

The board has agreed to "see business go on as usual in the school administrative office. Taxes will be levied and regular monthly disbursements, including payroll, will be made each month", according to the resolution.

Enrollment at Hobbs had been declining steadily for the last decade. Enrollment reached a peak in the late 40's and early 50's of approximately 400; slid to a high last year of 26 and ended last year with 19 or 20 enrolled.

Board President Howard Gordon estimated approximately 240 square miles of land in the Hobbs school district. Approximately 40 square miles are in Scurry County and approximately 100 square miles will be in each the Rotan and Roby school districts, depending on the outcome of petitions to switch districts.

The school was established in 1925 and is currently under the control of board members Howard Gordon, President; and board members Charlie Johnson, Ricky Gordon, Wayne Jones and Dan Bavousett.

Gary Daniel a resident of the Hobbs Independent School District and Randy Etheredge, district resident, both appeared at the meeting last week. Daniel addressed the board requesting that consideration be given to redrawing the proposed borders so his home would not be in the Rotan School District, since it was north of U.S. Highway 180. He is a teacher at Roby and informed the board that he wanted to live and vote in Roby's School District.

Board listened to his request but declined to act favorably on his request; rather informing him to petition the Fisher County Commissioner's Court.

The subject of tax rates for the three districts was discussed. Snyder's rate, according to Superintendent Maxwell has been set at \$1.04; Rotan's rate is \$1.03 and Roby's is .89 cents.

Since 1985, or for the 1985-1986 school year, Snyder's tax rate jumped from 51½ cents per \$100 valuation to a current \$1.04 or a jump of 52.5 cents. Rotan's rate jumped from 71.8 cents to a current \$1.03 for an increase of 31.2 cents per \$100 valuation while Roby's rate jumped from 75.1 cents per \$100 valuation to a current .89 cents for an increase of 13.9 cents.

Transportation Costs At Four F.C. Schools Hit \$146,933.35 For Year

The four Fisher County schools spent a total of \$146,933.35 in the area of transportation in the 1988-89 school year, according to figures recently released in the latest issue of Bench Marks 1988-89 School District Budgets in Texas, an annual publication of the Texas Research League in Austin.

Across Fisher County the average cost per student for transportation in 1988-89 was \$157.99. The average for Region 14 Education Service Center Schools was \$74.46. The average for all students across Texas was \$92.89. In Fisher County, the transportation costs per student ranged from a high of \$1,654.62 for each of the 26 students at Hobbs to a low of \$63.09 for each of the 511 students at Rotan. McCaulley had a per student transportation cost of \$283.92 for their 59 students while Roby had a per student cost of \$164.44 for their 334 students. Total funds expended for transportation charges ran from a high of \$54,922.96 at Roby to a low of \$16,751.28 at McCaulley. Hobbs spent a total of \$43,020.12, while

Rotan spent \$32,238.99.

The lowest per student transportation cost in Region 14 was at the Abilene ISD where the figure bottomed out at \$38.26. Abilene ISD spent a total of \$714,199.42 in transportation funds on their 18,667 students. The highest cost in the Region-14 Education Service Center was at Hobbs where \$1,654.62 was spent per student transporting 26 students for a grand total of \$43,020.12.

Transportation figures quoted includes the cost of providing management and operational services for regular school bus routes as well as special equipment or service for disabled pupils. Interest on bus warrants are included, but not repayment of principal, which is classified as debt service. The purchase of buses is classified as capital outlay.

Across Texas in the 1988-89 school year a total of \$303,432,944.00 was spent on transportation for the 3,266,577 students for an average cost per Texas student for transportation of \$92.89.

Microfilming Of Records In County Clerks Office Was \$15,035 In 1988

A total of 67-percent of all funds spent in the office of the Fisher County Clerk was spent in the area of salaries and benefits, according to the recent audit report by Fisher County Outside Auditor Andy Hart of Merkel, Texas.

In late 1987, Fisher County Commissioners budgeted a total of \$80,233.00 for the Fisher County Clerk's office. During 1988 a total of \$81,779.00 was spent or \$1,546.00 more than budgeted. Election supplies and office supplies were two of the causes for the office going over budget. A

total of \$1,000 was budgeted for election supplies while supplies actually cost \$3,575. Office supplies were budgeted at \$1,954 while \$3,144 was actually spent.

After the area of benefits for employees and salaries, amounting to 67-percent of the total budget, the next most expensive area of the Fisher County Clerk's office is the microfilming of records. That area cost \$15,035 in 1988.

The full list of expenditures in the Fisher County Clerk's office is listed below for 1988.

FISHER COUNTY - TEXAS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
-- BUDGET AND ACTUAL -- GENERAL FUND
For The Year Ended December 31, 1988

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
County Clerks			
Salary-Elected Official	21,190	21,190	-0-
Salary-Deputy	23,738	23,738	-0-
Social Security	3,374	3,374	-0-
Health Insurance	4,118	4,500	382
Retirement	3,145	3,145	-0-
Office Supplies	3,144	1,954	(1,190)
Travel-Out of County	550	600	50
IBM Maintenance Agreement	-0-	402	402
Postage	1,528	1,600	72
County Information Guide	120	60	(60)
Microfilm Records	15,035	14,200	(835)
Election Supplies	3,575	1,000	(2,575)
Telephone	491	500	9
File cabinet	-0-	500	500
Bonds	-0-	250	250
Legal Ads	8	-0-	(8)
Equipment Repair	186	-0-	(186)
Post Office Box Rent	17	13	(4)
Copy Machine	387	2,000	1,613
Dues	20	20	-0-
Errors and Omissions Insurance	1,073	1,187	114
School Tuition and Expense	80	-0-	(80)
Total County Clerk	81,779	80,233	(1,546)

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Commissioners Approve Securing Of Bids For Law Enforcement Education Supplies

Fisher County Commissioners, in a meeting last Monday morning, authorized Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts to begin getting prices on continuing education supplies. Counts asked Fisher County Commissioners to purchase a VCR and recorder as well as a television to be used in training deputies and jailers. The training is mandated by the State of Texas in order for law enforcement officers to retain state certification. Commissioners informed Counts to get bids on the equipment needed. They are expected to look at the bids in November.

In other action commissioners listened to a report by Fisher County Senior Citizen's Coordinator Maggie Briggs concerning the activities at the center. Maggie Briggs discussed fixing the ceiling in the store room, but informed the commissioners that funds were not available.

Commissioners accepted a bid by Pat Neepor of \$10.00 for purchase of the used carpeting from the Fisher County tax office.

In final action the commissioners discussed a possible pen-

ding offer from the City of Rotan concerning Fisher County Sheriff's Department taking over all law enforcement functions. An offer on how much Rotan is willing to pay over and above the \$40,000.00 already being paid to the Fisher County Sheriff's

Department is expected. Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts indicated that he felt commissioners are looking for something in the area of \$65,000 a year, since an additional employee will need to be added, vehicle provided, in addition to upkeep and gasoline.

Shane Hardy Released From County Jail To Rehabilitation Program

Shane Hardy of Rotan, who had been in Fisher County jail under a \$50,000 bond for aggravated robbery, was released on a personal recognizance bond last Friday afternoon to enroll in a drug rehabilitation program.

Hardy had been arrested on August 19th and charged with aggravated robbery and had been indicted by the Fisher County grand jury on September 13. He was in the Fisher County Jail under \$50,000 bond.

Last Friday, Hardy was released from jail by District Judge Weldon Kirk, on recommendation of District Attorney Frank Conard after Conard and Hardy's attorney Temple

Dickson reached an agreement, according to Counts.

The agreement, according to Sheriff Counts, spelled out that Hardy was to attend a 90-day drug rehabilitation program in Midland, Texas. Following the rehabilitation, Hardy is to be returned to the Fisher County Jail for disposition.

The Sheriff said, "To my knowledge Hardy has been in three previous drug rehabilitation programs".

McCaulley School Holds On With 35 Students Consolidation Is Set

McCaulley Superintendent Henry Hunter, in a phone interview last Monday morning, indicated nothing was new when asked the status of the consolidation process. He indicated that he was just waiting on the consolidation election in January.

McCaulley had lost two students from the 35 reported several weeks ago, but picked up two students so the enrollment is still at 35 students.

Additional Musicians Needed For Rotan Alumni Band Show

Several members of the Rotan community have responded and have agreed to form a Rotan Alumni Band. This group will be under the direction of Betty Strayhorn and for their first public performance will play selections for a special upcoming event.

Additional information on the band, instruments, etc., can be secured by contacting Betty Strayhorn, Janece Pease or Jim Gruben.

You are needed, if you were at one time a member of any band. Several band members are willing to play but full instrumentation has not been reached, according to Betty Strayhorn.

Boy Scouts Being Organized In Rotan Meeting October 16

The boy scouts are organizing, the boy scouts are organizing. That's the word. Paul Carrillo, Jr. and Mark Anderle, who plan to be the Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster, have issued a call to boys in Fisher County, age 11-18 to join the Rotan Boy Scouts.

The organizational meeting will be at the Rotan Lions Club building at 7:00 p.m., October 16th. Further information is available by contacting Carrillo or Anderle.

Five Rotan School Board Members Make TASB Convention

A total of five members of the Rotan School Board recently returned from a weekend meeting in San Antonio where they attended the annual Texas Association of School Boards convention.

Those attending were Dr. Vick Burk, Larry Landes, Leo Long, Donna Kennedy and Luther Summers. In addition Superintendent Alton Field attended.

Kim's Korner

By Kim Pease

EVERYONE'S SHOOTING: Seems like everyone is taking a shot at education lately - President George Bush recently said "No modern nation can long afford to allow so many of its sons and daughters to emerge into adulthood ignorant and unskilled".

Governor Bill Clements said he felt the first step to a solution involving the recent Texas Supreme Court decision on school financing was to attack bloated school budgets and consolidate some of the 1,100 school districts.

Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos said "Children are not as well-educated as in the past".

Education across the nation and in Texas is at a critical point and we as parents, administrators, educators and concerned citizen need to focus on solutions.

We need to take a more active interest in the education process from the classroom to the board room, locally, at Austin and in Washington, D.C.

Everyone seems to be able to focus on the need to implement reform, but few are offering any concrete solutions.



State Capital Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN—Top lawmakers disagreed on whether a tax increase will be needed to equalize public school financing in the wake of last week's historic Texas Supreme Court decision.

The High Court sent the Capitol world spinning with its unanimous decision that struck down the present finance system as unconstitutional and sent the issue back to the Legislature for remedy.

The justices gave legislators no recipe, but set May 1, 1990 as the deadline for a solution.

New Taxes Predicted

Key Democrats immediately predicted a state tax hike as much as \$2 billion coupled with some local school district tax increases.

New taxes would most likely come in the form of an expanded sales tax base to include new service industries such as real estate and others.

The so-called "sin taxes" on alcohol and tobacco could also be increased and certain tax exemptions cancelled.

But Gov. Bill Clements cautioned that money itself was not the solution and promised to call a special session this spring following task force hearings across the state.

The High Court, composed of six Democrats and three Republicans, said the present system cheats students in poor school districts out of an equal education.

Bloated School Budgets

Clements said the first step to a solution was to attack bloated school budgets and consolidate some of the 1,100 school districts.

While some local school districts feared a loss of state revenues, Clements also warned other districts not to expect large amounts of new state funds to be infused into local spending.

Prisons, Drug Stance

Unused military bases and under-used state buildings should be temporary housing for prisoners and drug addicts, said former Secretary of State Jack Rains, now a candidate for governor.

"If these barracks, dorms and hospital beds were good enough for our nation's soldiers, they should be good enough for our state's prisoners," he said.

Rains also promised he and his staff would set examples for others in state government by voluntarily submitting to drug tests.

He also vowed to push for a new law requiring prison inmates to improve their literacy skills and be drug-free before parole.

Burial Plots for Sale

Texas General Land Commissioner Garry Mauro said the state would auction 17 burial plots in a cemetery where three former governors, two U.S. cabinet members, and the first woman elected to statewide office are buried.

The lots are in historic Shady Oakwood Cemetery, which is owned by the Texas School for the Blind.

Governors Elisha Pease, Jim Hogg, and O.B. Colquitt are buried there. The sale will be held Oct. 25, with a minimum bid of \$16,000.

Brady Races Start

Texas' fledgling parimutuel racing industry was off and running, for the first time in 52 years, at G. Rollie White Downs in Brady.

Gambling proponents predicted the new industry would boost local economies in Brady and other racetrack towns around the state, while opponents warned of organized crime.

Brady officials said motel rooms were booked solid in a 60-mile radius, while a new fast food franchise rushed to open its doors before the weekend.

TDC Moves on Job Program

The Texas Department of Commerce sent a five-man team to take financial control of the Dallas job-training program after it failed for months to send the state proper budget reports.

Last year the \$12 million Dallas program was reported having one of the worst records for training welfare recipients and the poor.

Other Highlights

■ Former state Rep. Cliff Johnson, who until recently served as Gov. Bill Clements' legislative di-

rector, was appointed by Clements to the Texas Water Commission.

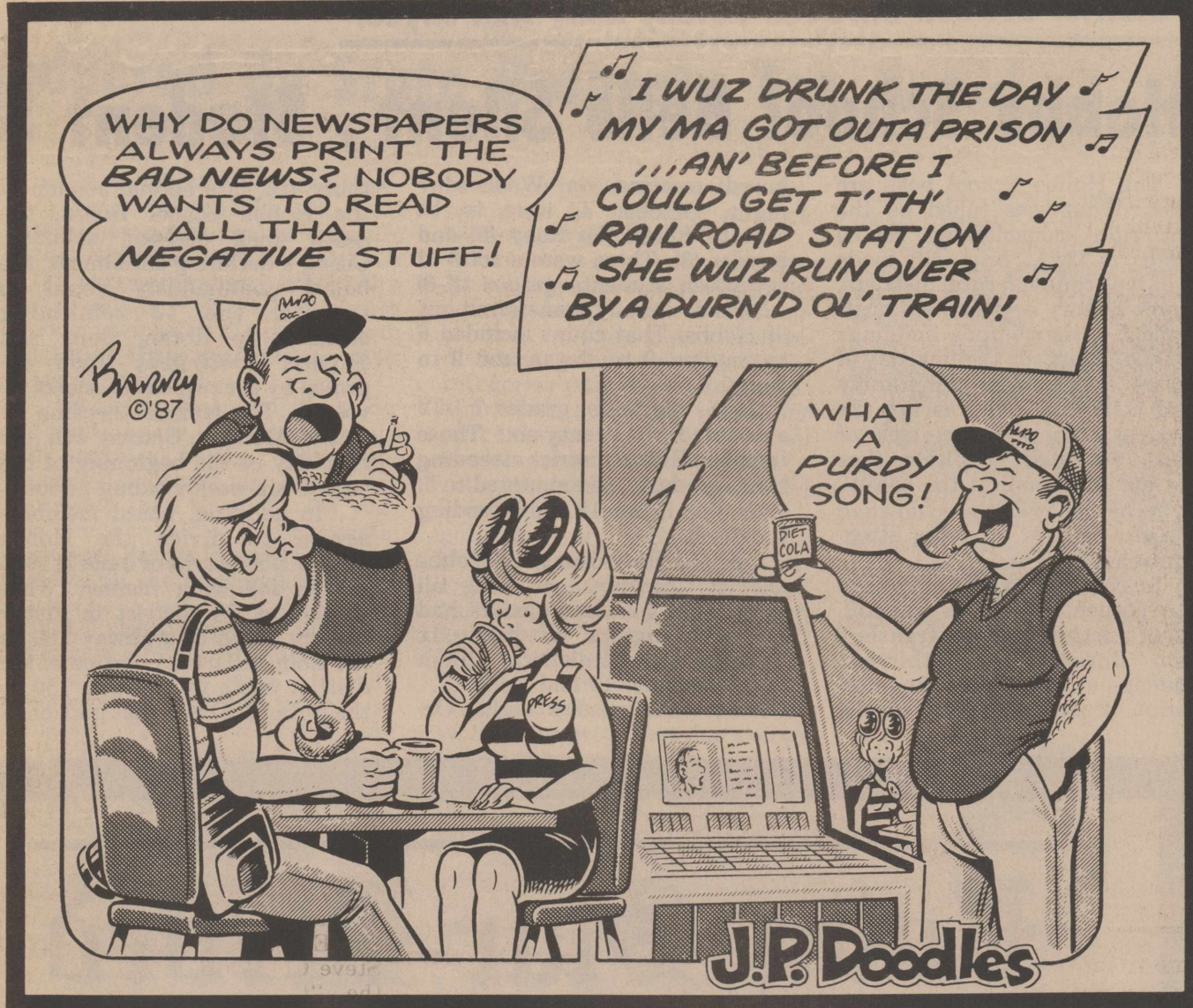
■ The State Preservation Board awarded emergency contracts of up to \$192,860 to remove cancer-causing asbestos particles released into the basement of the state Capitol during a recent fire.

■ Six people, including two Killeen attorneys, have announced their candidacy to fill the seat vacated by the resignation of long-time state Rep. Stan Schlueter.

■ Eleven Texas counties repeated their demand for the Texas Department of Corrections to take about 6,000 felons out of their jails, while their attorneys asked for permission to seek compensation for keeping them.

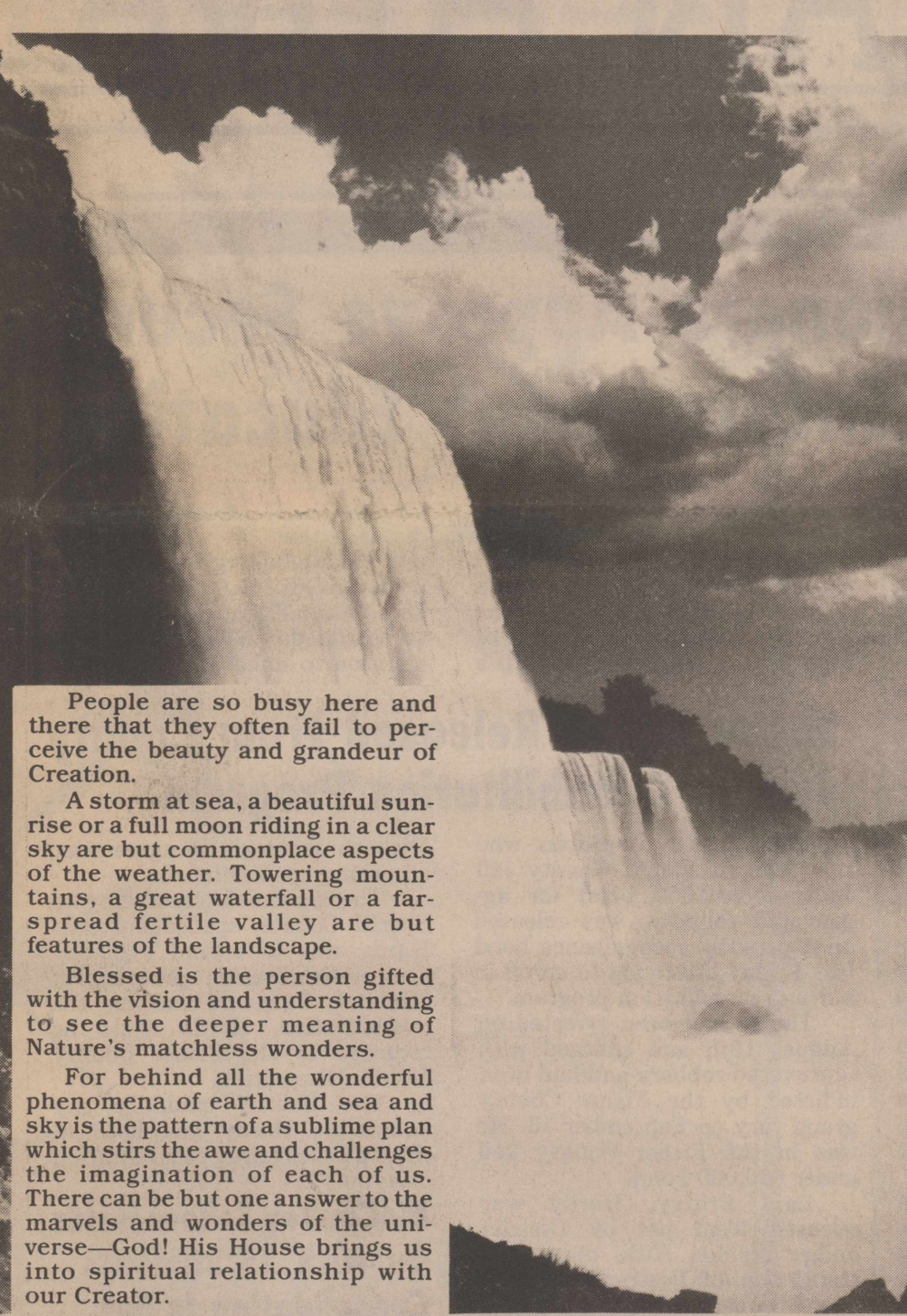
■ Chuck Nash, chairman of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission, was named to the National Park System Advisory Board by Secretary of the Interior Michael Lujan.

■ Oct. 10 is the deadline for registering to vote in the Nov. 7 election, reminds Secretary of State George Bayoud.



FISHER COUNTY CHURCH DIRECTORY

THE HEAVENS DECLARE



People are so busy here and there that they often fail to perceive the beauty and grandeur of Creation.

A storm at sea, a beautiful sunrise or a full moon riding in a clear sky are but commonplace aspects of the weather. Towering mountains, a great waterfall or a far-spread fertile valley are but features of the landscape.

Blessed is the person gifted with the vision and understanding to see the deeper meaning of Nature's matchless wonders.

For behind all the wonderful phenomena of earth and sea and sky is the pattern of a sublime plan which stirs the awe and challenges the imagination of each of us. There can be but one answer to the marvels and wonders of the universe—God! His House brings us into spiritual relationship with our Creator.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Romans 7:15-25	1 Corinthians 6	Galatians 5:13-26	Galatians 6	2 Timothy 1	Hebrews 12:1-13	Hebrews 13:9-25

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST-McCAULEY REV. LYLE REECE Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. 2nd Wednesday Fellowship 6:30 p.m.	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH-ROBY REV. ALVIN PETTY S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Choir Practice 5:00 p.m. Worship Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.	FOURSQUARE CHURCH ROTAN REV. ROBERT KENNEDY Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Service 7:00 p.m.	McCAULEY BAPTIST CHURCH McCAULEY REV. L.D. (DUTCH) PARKS Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
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SYLVESTER BAPTIST CHURCH-ROBY REV. DON KITCHENS S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Service 7:00 p.m.	FIRST UNITED METHODIST-SYLVESTER REV. LYLE REECE Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Community Dinner 6:00 p.m. On 3rd Wednesday Evenings	JOY	EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH-ROB REV. FELIX SILVA Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Worship 7:00 p.m.

From Fisher County's Past

From The Newspapers

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

The Fisher County 4-H Gold Star Boy for 1974 was Brad Stuart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Stuart of Roby. Cindy Posey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Posey of Roby was announced as the Fisher County Gold Star Girl.

The award is given to outstanding 4-H participants yearly.

First place winners in the Annual Ford sponsored Punt, Pass and Kick competition for 1974 included: 8 year old Joseph Cabrera, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Cabrera; 9 year old Greg Gruben, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Gruben; 10 year old Stanley Hickman, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Hickman; 11 year old Wesley Counts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Counts; 12 year old Noel Lopez, son of Mrs. Vera Lopez and 13 year old Jim Ratliff, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ratliff.

TEN YEARS AGO

Gary Don Harkey, a Fisher County 4-H'er was named a state winner in the 4-H Santa Fe Program. He received an expense paid trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago. Gary is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harkey of Roby.

Linda Hoodenperry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hoodenperry of Roby was named the winner in the 4-H Entomology Program. Linda received a \$50.00 U.S. Savings Bond sponsored by Mobay Chemical Corp. Linda's state-winning record book was entered in national competition for a trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago.

Donna Hataway of Roby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hataway became a San Angelo State Ram's Cheerleader. She was a biology major at San Angelo State.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Charla Wiley, daughter Mrs. Florence Wiley of Roby, Gary Teague, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Teague of Roby and Greg Gruben, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Gruben of Roby were named Fisher County Gold Star recipients. All three 4-H'ers were very active in 4-H and participated in numerous projects.

Jamie Grisham, age 7, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Grisham

of Roby won first place in the Primary Division of the Mid West Texas District of the Fire Marshall's Association. Her poster was sent to state for state competition.

LAST YEAR

Three members of the Rotan Public Library Board of Commissioners appeared before the Roby City Commission on October 4th to give an updated report and request any help the City of Roby could see fit in giving. Since the City of Roby operates on a fixed budget, and no finances were allocated for library funds, the City of Roby did not allocate any funds on the request, according to City Manager Jimmy Price.

The Rotan Chamber of Commerce was attempting to encourage the businesses to have uniform decoration of white lights for the Christmas season, according to Don Dawes, Rotan Chamber of Commerce President.



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Representatives Form "Partners In Parenting"

Representatives from three local organizations have joined together to form "Partners in Parenting" a coalition to begin parent education programs over the next year in Roby/Rotan.

Coalition members are David Hargrove, Rotan School District, Joe Dickson from the Juvenile Probation Office, Steve Davis, Richard Spencer and Beth Dannheim, County Extension agents.

"The goal of the coalition is to join our resources so we can offer parents some support in strengthening their parenting skills," said Dannheim.

Coalition members recently attended a training session in Vernon to equip them to start local programs. The training was co-sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service (TAEX), and the Children's Trust Fund (CTF) of Texas.

"The program on Partners in Parenting was very informative in how to implement parenting programs in communities such as Roby and Rotan," said Dickson. "The Extension Service has also established a state parenting resource library at Texas A&M University and we will be able to

borrow video tapes and other teaching materials from them to see in our program."

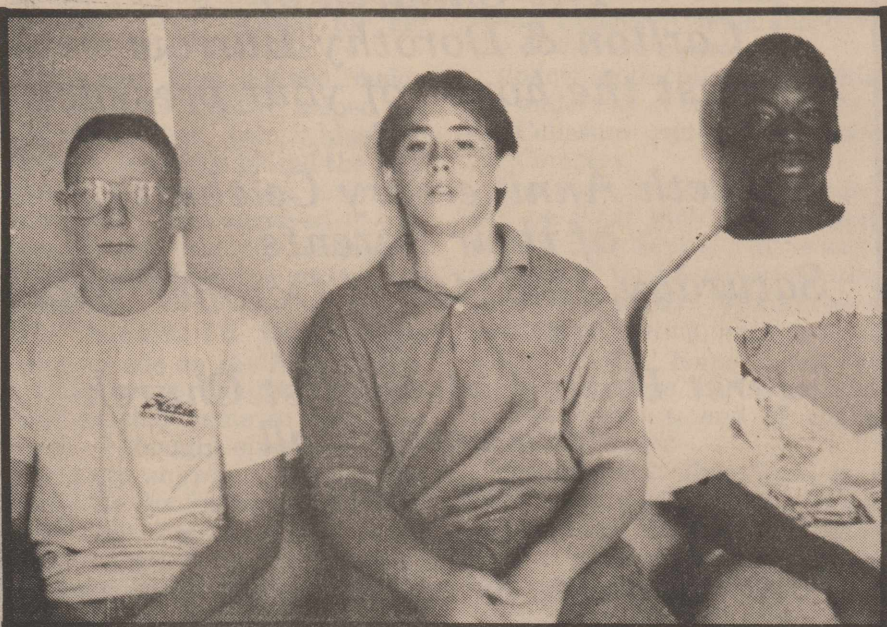
The coalition is now in the planning stages of its local effort, according to Dannheim. She said they would welcome assistance and input from other organizations and from parents.

"We're hoping to make this a real community-wide effort eventually, but can only do that with the help of the room parents association, churches, schools and lots of other groups where parents are involved," Hargrove said.

The county agent said that anyone interested in learning more about the work of the coalition can contact her at the County Extension Office.

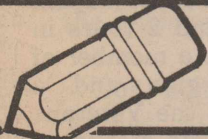


COMING HOME KING AND QUEEN: Rotan's Coming Home King and Queen were announced at half-time of last Friday night's game. Pictured above is Queen Frances Baugh White, escort Roger Graham and Mark Nowlin, president of the Rotan Ex-Student Association.



CLASS OFFICERS: The Rotan Freshman Class chose their class officers for the 1989-90 school year. Pictured above are from left to right: Scott Nowlin, Vice-President; Jason Moffett, President; and Tyrone Daniel, Secretary-Treasurer.

Letter To The Editor



Dear Editor,

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for giving credit to Dr. Earnie Atkins and Senator Steve Carriker for their work on the "toxic dump" problem. Senator Carriker's influence in Austin is a fact we in Fisher County can all be proud of. Dr. Atkins spent a lot of hours and many phone calls working on the problem and has showed his leadership ability, by producing results. Undoubtedly there are others who contributed to the success of the protest, and they too should be noticed for their efforts as well.

I would like to mention one other person that in my mind was most influential in bringing the protest to a successful conclusion.

Kent Hance went to bat for Fisher County when presented with the facts of the problem. I was in communication with his office on several occasions about the problem and it is my understanding that he brought the problem before the Railroad Commission for reconsideration, something that has been done very few times in the past. We owe Mr. Hance a great vote of thanks for his intervention in our behalf. It would be nice to

remember this when election time comes around.

Dr. C.M. Callan

Joe Huitt Surpasses 1000 Yard Plateau

By Jim Gruben

Joe Huitt surpassed the 1000 yard plateau in all-purpose yardage.

Rotan offense is averaging 349 yards per game and the defense is allowing only 8 points per game.

H. Govan Field will be the site Friday night as the Yellowhammers begin district play against the Throckmorton Greyhounds. Gametime is slated for 7:30 p.m.

Throckmorton returns seven offensive and six defensive starters.

Returning Quarterback Reece Walker (6-1, 180) plus an experienced line, gives the Greyhounds a chance to better last year's district finish of 2-3.

Team strengths are listed as desire and work habits. Speed is considered the team weakness.

Rotan's overall speed is considered their strength and should be the difference in the outcome of the game.



LITTLE HELPERS: These two Rotan second graders were chosen to assist in the crowning of the Rotan Homecoming Queen last Friday night. Pictured above is Dayme Mullins daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donny Mullins and Jacob Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Price. Dayme carried the bouquet of flowers to be given to the queen and Jacob carried her crown.



YELLOWHAMMER BAND MEMBERS: Pictured above are a few of the Rotan Band Members as they marched off of the field after the half-time show at a recent game.

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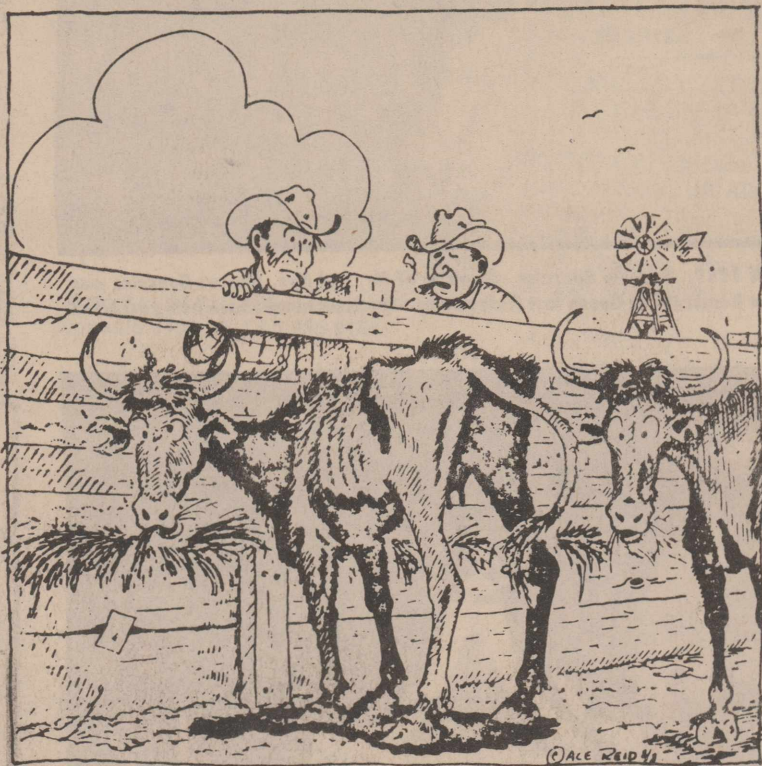
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Happenings ...

By: Melinda Weldler



PEP RALLY: Everyone is invited to the pep rally in the high school gym, Friday at 3:20 p.m. Come show your support!

FOOTBALL: Our team will play the Throckmorton Greyhounds at 7:30 p.m., Friday, here in Rotan. This will be our first district game. Let's have another win guys!

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Our 1989 Homecoming Queen, Priscilla Gonzalez; all honor roll students, keep it up!; and our football teams, your doing great, guys!

CONTEST: Each class in the high school had a hall decorating contest for homecoming. This year's first place winners were the sophomores. They received \$10.00, which went into their class fund. The seniors received 2nd place and a bag of candy.

ANNUALS: Hey folks! Annuals are still being sold! Don't forget to buy one!

TESTING: ACT tests will be taken on October 28th, in the

Rotan LRC. October 25th and 26th, the Exit Level TEAMS will be taken.

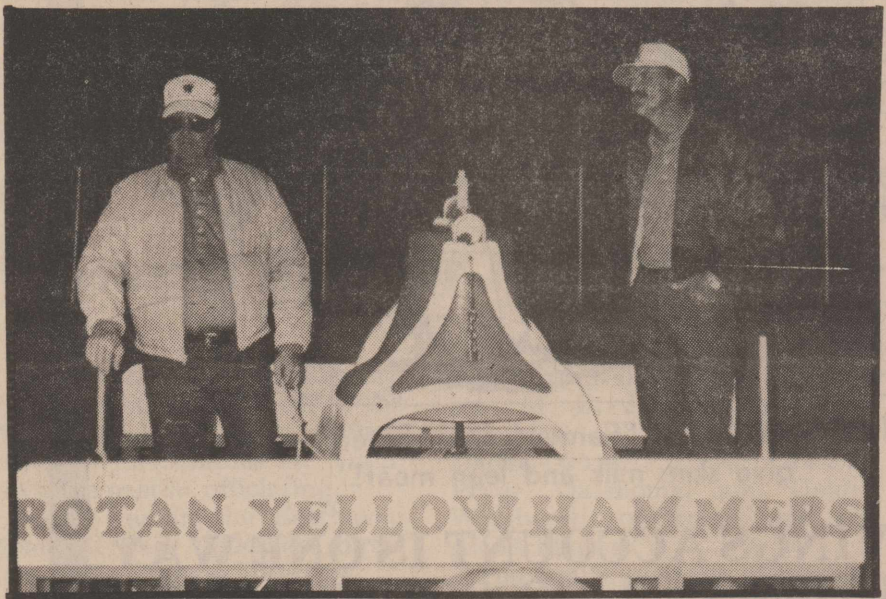
PICTURES: Senior pictures should be turned in on Wednesday, October 11, in the high school auditorium, from 7:30 a.m. until everyone is finished.

"Love Company" To Be Featured At First Baptist Church, Rotan

The First Baptist Church of Rotan will be hosting an after-game fellowship for youth, grades 7-12, Friday night in the church fellowship hall. "Love Company," a group of Hardin-Simmons University students will be featured. They do music, comedy and some light drama. All Rotan youth in grades 7-12 are encouraged to attend this youth fellowship. Refreshments will be provided.



HOMECOMING QUEEN 1989: Priscilla Gonzalez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Gonzalez was crowned as the Rotan Homecoming Queen last Friday night. She is pictured above being escorted by her father.



BELL RINGERS: Pictured above are (left) Jerry Moffett and (right) Larry Markham. They were in charge of ringing the victory bell when the Yellowhammers scored during the homecoming game last Friday night.

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Obituaries

Valentino M. Garza

Valentino M. Garza, 41, of Stamford, died in Hendricks Medical Center Wednesday, October 4 at 3:45 p.m. after a lengthy illness. Rosary was held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Weathersbee Chapel. Services **Funeral Held For MSgt. (Ret) Bobby George Roberts, Sr.**

MSgt. (Ret) Bobby George Roberts, Sr., 58, of San Antonio, died at 5:30 a.m. Saturday, October 7 in a San Antonio Nursing Home after a lengthy illness. Military graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, October 10 in the Clairemont Cemetery in Kent County.

He was born October 11, 1930 in Clairemont. He served for 20 years in the U.S. Army before retiring in 1971. He had served during the occupation of Japan, the Korean War, and 2 tours in Viet Nam. He was a member of the American Legion and a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He moved to San Antonio in 1986 from Abilene.

Survivors include 2 sons: Jackie Ray Rodgers of San Antonio and Bobby George Rodgers, Jr. of Abilene; his father: Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Rodgers of Rotan; his mother: Lenna Bell of Rising Star; 1 brother: Tom Rodgers of Abilene and 4 grandchildren.

Millard D. Reynolds Service

Millard D. Reynolds, 59, Evans Elementary School Principal in Corpus Christi died last Wednesday. Reynolds had been principal at Evans since 1984 and had been with the CCISD for 31 years.

Reynolds served as principal at Blanche Moore from 1958 until 1969 and at Fraser Elementary from 1969 until 1984, when the school closed. He then became principal at Evans.

Reynolds' wife, Juna, teaches at Blanche Moore.

Other survivors include three sons, Douglass Lee Reynolds of Corpus Christi, Michael Dean Reynolds of West Palm Beach, Fla., and Scott Dee Reynolds of Austin; three brothers, Robert Reynolds of Kelso, Wash., Arthur Reynolds of Vader, Wash., and Wayne Reynolds of Portland, Ore.; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Trinity Church of the Nazarene in Corpus Christi. A graveside service was held at 3:30 p.m. Sunday at Cottonwood Cemetery in Rotan.

Tony DeLeon Named Player Of The Week

Tony DeLeon, a quick offensive guard of the Canyon Eagles, was named top 3A player of the week.

DeLeon, is the son of Tony DeLeon of Sweetwater, and Tina DeLeon of Canyon, and is also the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Saragosa DeLeon of Rotan.

were at 3:00 p.m. Friday in St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Rev. Austin Kittredge officiating. Burial was in the Rotan Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

He was born February 14, 1948 in Karnes City. He married Mary Helen Yanez, November 10, 1966 in Rotan. He was employed by the Burlington Northern Railroad and was a member of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way. He was a member of the St. Ann's Catholic Church in Stamford.

Survivors included his wife of Stamford; 2 daughters; Missy and Kristy, both of Stamford; parents Mr. and Mrs. Gregoria Garza of Poth, Texas; 3 brothers: Larry Garza, Poth; Gregoria Garza, Jr., Poth and Joe Garza, Elmendorf, Tx. and 9 sisters: Yolinda Huizar, New Braunfels, Tx.; Grace Molina, Liz Johnson, Sandy Garcia, Otelia Gonzales and of Poth, Tx.; Rosy Garcia of Karnes City; Juanita DeLaGarza and Nativad Saucedo both of Coy City; and Alice Lopez of Pleasanton.

Pallbearers included: Johnny Miller, Gary Barnett, Doug Bennett, Danny Dillard, Bobby Howard and Johnny Norwood.

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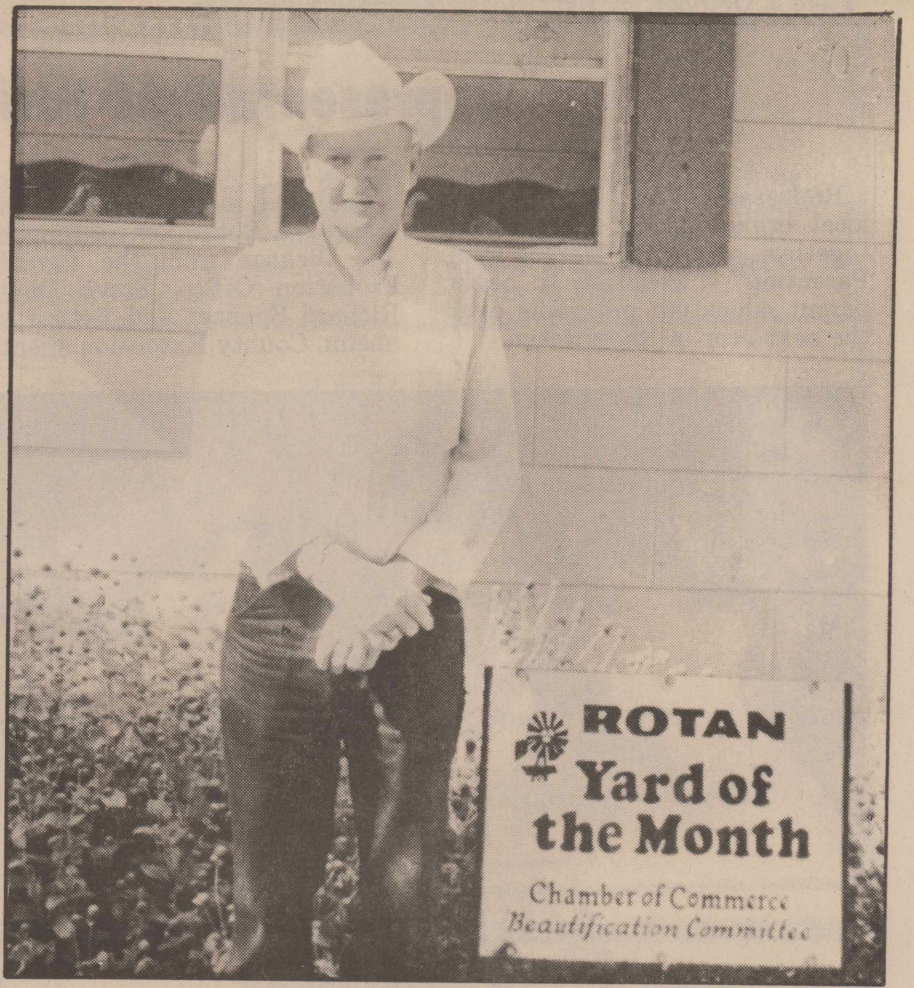
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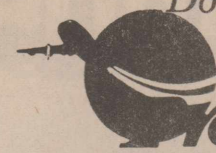


YARD OF THE MONTH: The Rotan Chamber of Commerce Yard of the Month committee awarded Billy and Doris Tidwell the Yard of the Month Award for the month of September. Pictured above is Billy Tidwell in his award winning yard located at 205 East Lee St.

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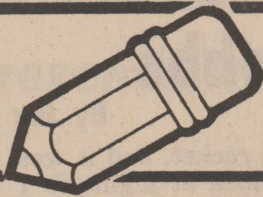
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Letter To The Editor



Dear Editor:

Through the years you have published articles and pictures of the "stump person" near the caution light on highway 70. The history of it as far as I can remember goes back to the years when it was the old home place of the Hatahoe king, Douglas Browning. It is probably because of his crazy antics is why it is a dead stump instead of a live tree today.

Then Freddie Stuart bought the farm and I'm sure he has been tempted many times when he's cleaned off his fence rows to just burn that stump too. As a farmer though, plowing those long, lonely old cotton rows, I'll bet he was glad to have even a friendly "stump person" for company.

People had hung cans, lunch buckets, hats, etc., on it at different times, but about sixteen years ago my daughter Sheree and her friend Sharon Justiss, dressed it like a bag lady. Later my daughter Sharla, my son Shelby and I made an angel out of it one Christmas. Another time we dressed it as a preacher in a black suit, with a tie and hat. As the years passed we did some more costumes and others added to the decorating of the "stump person." Penny Coker Mahaffey dressed it real special for her dad's birthday one time.

This past June, my son Shalon and his wife Denise, helped me transform "her" into a blushing bride. Just as we placed the bouquet in her right hand, a terrible storm hit. She survived it well though, and proudly announced several weddings the rest of the summer.

In August, I'd just finished painting ads on the rodeo trailer (thanks to my daughter Shelly's help) as they came to pull it to Roby. I thought since I had the paints out anyway I'd just make a sign for the Fisher County Fair and Rodeo. I got it done and went over to hang it on the "bride's" wooden arm. While I was getting it placed, I glanced down and there was a weathered tablet back with writing on it. I picked it up just thinking it was a piece of trash lying there, but as I began reading it I felt so touched. It made me realize how much we as human beings are all tied together even in little insignificant things. I've shown the note to a few people and just couldn't throw it away. So, I just decided to share it with anyone who cares. This is what it says:

"For many years you have been our friend and guide on our trip from Midland to Electra. Sometimes, when it is dark, you loom out and frighten us until we realize it's only you, our friend Scarecrow. But now we are confused! We always assumed you

were Mr. Scarecrow, but now you are Mrs. Scarecrow? Apparently you've recently married and you look so lovely, we had to stop and take our pictures with you. Here's to a long, long life! See you next trip.
Jim, Joyce, Ashley and Vance

So how could we ever destroy the "stump person," it would be like murder!
Dot Thompson



SHOWING SCHOOL SPIRIT: Pictured above is a section of Rotan Junior High Students at a recent junior high game as they cheer on the Yellowhammers.

Annual White Buffalo Days At Snyder

The place to be on Saturday, October 14th, is Snyder, Texas for the annual White Buffalo Day Celebration sponsored by the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

The White Buffalo Fly-In will start the day's activities at 7:30 a.m. at Winston Field, bringing area pilots flying in and folks out to watch them and join the pilots for breakfast. It will be served 7:30 to 10:00 a.m. by the Jaycees. Cost of the breakfast will be \$3.00. The local pilots association will offer airplane rides during the day for a \$5.00 fee.

At 9:00 a.m. a parade will leave from the IGA parking lot on South College Avenue and circle the downtown square.

Following the parade, activities get underway at the Scurry County Coliseum and the adjoining Ag-Complex.

The main floor of the coliseum will be filled with Arts & Craft booths, Pete Snyder's Store and a number of food booths featuring such items as; hamburgers, sausage on a stick, nachos, home baked goods, home made ice cream, hot dogs, barbecue sandwiches, tamales, and of course - buffalo burgers!

The Mayor's Cup Race is a team competition with various events such as a water bucket race, a backward race, a balloon race and others. It will be at 12:00 noon in the ag-complex where bleachers will be set up for

spectators.

The same location is used for the Buffalo Chip Throwing Contest at 1:30 p.m. This event features competition in four divisions; men, women, senior citizens and politicians.

Other events include a b.b. shoot, turtle races, stick horse rodeo, face painting, Buffalo Bill-Calico Cutie Contest, putting con-

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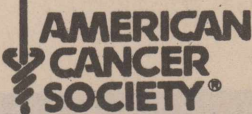
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October 16 - 20, 1989

MONDAY: Steak Fingers, Gravy, Cream Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Fruit. TUESDAY: Frito Pie, Ranch Style Beans, Salad, Chocolate Chip Cookie. WEDNESDAY: Barbecue on Bun, French Fries, Salad, Oatmeal Cookie. THURSDAY: Pizza, Corn, Salad, Jello W/Fruit. FRIDAY: Hamburgers, French Fries, Brownie. *****

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October 16 - 20, 1989

MONDAY: Chicken on a Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, French Fries, Jello. TUESDAY: Pigs in the Blanket, Chili, Cheese, Ranch Style Beans, Chocolate Pudding. WEDNESDAY: Bar-B-Que Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Spinach, Cornbread, 1/2 Orange. THURSDAY: Pizza, Salad, Corn, Vanilla Pudding. FRIDAY: Chili Dogs, Cheese, Salad, Ranch Style Beans, Cup Cakes. *****

Roby Homecoming

Cliff Vlasin took Homecoming pictures at Roby, but the film was accidentally exposed and no pictures are available at this time. We are making every effort to obtain other photos and the photos should appear in next week's paper.

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Mrs. Raford Stanley Hargrove

Leslie Ann Warren And Raford Stanley Hargrove Are United

Leslie Ann Warren became the bride of Raford Stanley Hargrove, Jr. in a double-ring ceremony, Aug. 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church of Snyder. Rev. Rusty Dickerson, pastor of the church, officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wade A. Warren of Snyder. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raford S. Hargrove of Rotan.

Kelly Frank McClatchy of Midland, cousin of the bride, and Marcus Cave of Spur, cousin of the groom, lit candles as Jason Warren, brother of the bride, played "Poeme" on the piano.

Vocalist for the occasion was Amy Miller. Lynn Bethel was the organist and Jason served as pianist. Miller performed "Love Lift Us Up Where We Belong" and "We've Only Just Begun," accompanied by Jason. Bethel accompanied Miller on the organ as she sang "The Lord's Prayer." The bride entered to "The Bridal Chorus," and the couple exited to "Psalms 19," performed by Bethel.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride selected a Mike Benet original gown. The bodice was fashioned with a sweetheart neckline, accented with layers of illusion tulle ruffles which created an off-the-shoulder effect.

Iridescent sequins and pearls adorned the fitted bodice, which complemented the flowing satin skirt overlaid with white illusion tulle. Layers of ruffles, identical to the neckline, adorned the hemline.

The bride's floor-length veil of illusion tulle was poufed at the back and attached to an elegant headpiece of dainty pearls and tiny iridescent leaves.

She carried a Camelot style bouquet of cascading English ivy, white parrot tulips, lilies, sweetheart roses, orchids and stephanotis nestled in soft, white tulle with accents of hand-pieced pearls. Ribbons of white satin opal, iridescent lace and pearl streamers finished the bouquet. Shannon Warren served her

sister as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Tiffany Simpson of Littlefield and Kristen Walton. Caryn Cave of Spur, cousin of the groom, was the junior bridesmaid.

Serving as flower girl was Elizabeth Cave of Spur, cousin of the groom.

Tyler Warren, brother of the bride, was the ring bearer.

Scott Van Poppel of Arlington served as best man. Groomsmen were Mark Hargrove of Rotan, brother of the groom, and Bryan Norris of Snyder. Jason Warren, brother of the bride was the junior groomsman.

Ushers for the occasion were Mike Porter, David Stevens and John Pease, all of Rotan, along with Daniel Chasteen.

The groom was attired in a white Roget tuxedo with a white cummerbund and tie. His boutonniere consisted of a white rose with white iridescent leaves.

Guests were registered by Shannon Fletcher. Michelle and Merideth Banta handed out wedding programs. The Banta sisters also handed out rice bags and scrolls at the reception.

The reception was held in the atrium at the Willow Park Inn.

The three-tiered floating wedding cake was highlighted with white rosebuds and peach blossoms between the tiers. A bouquet of identical flowers adorned the top layer of the cake.

The bride is a 1987 graduate of Snyder High School and a 1989 graduate of Western Texas College. She is employed at the placement office of Texas A&M.

The groom is a 1987 graduate of Snyder High School and a senior business major at Texas A&M.

After a honeymoon trip to Disneyland and Hawaii, the couple is at home in College Station.

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Hobbs ISD Closes, Building Not For Sale

Contrary to what has appeared in print, the Hobbs School buildings are not for sale. In fact, whenever the Hobbs School Board met last week, one of the resolutions that they passed called for the "Hobbs trustees to have the option to reserve school buildings for community center". Hobbs Superintendent M.B. Maxwell said last Monday morning that he was in hopes that the board would keep the gymnasium and school annex building for a Hobbs Community Center. He

didn't think the board was interested in the bus barn, cafeteria, other school buildings and the two old rock structures on campus.

"We need someone to be responsible for the community center and right now I understand Fisher County maintains the one at Capitola, possibly they will maintain this also", said Maxwell.

Last Monday morning M.B. Maxwell and Board President Howard Gordon visited with school officials at Rotan, Roby and Snyder, delivering the official signed documents calling for the division of the district. They also planned on visiting Judge Marshall Bennett at Fisher County and his counterpart at Scurry

County.

The Hobbs School District boarders Snyder, Hermleigh, Rotan, Roby, Roscoe and Sweetwater.

Maxwell and Gordon estimated last Monday morning

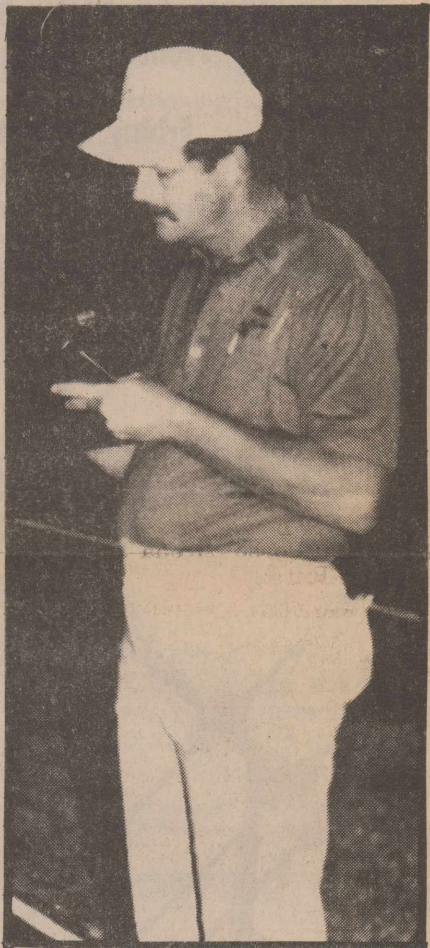
that the Hobbs District's \$27 million tax base will be divided with approximately \$3.5 million going to Scurry County - Snyder School; 11.75 million in value going to each Rotan and Roby school districts.

West Texas Barrel Racing Association Holds Roundup

The West Texas Barrel Racing Association Roundup was held last weekend at the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene.

Open Championship for the year was Sherry Johnson of Snyder, Texas with winnings of \$12,178.08.

Reserve Champion for the year was Tammy Mulanax, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stuart of Roby with winnings of \$10,330.06. Tammy's horse, "Miss Kawael Diamond" was also named the "Horse with the most heart." The pair won the Open to the World Championship, the TAN Sweepstakes Championship, the average at the Roundup, plus numerous rodeo winnings this year. Tammy was awarded a saddle and other nice prizes.



RECORDING STATS: Pictured above is Roby's Coach Jon Curry as he records statistics at a recent Roby Lions game.

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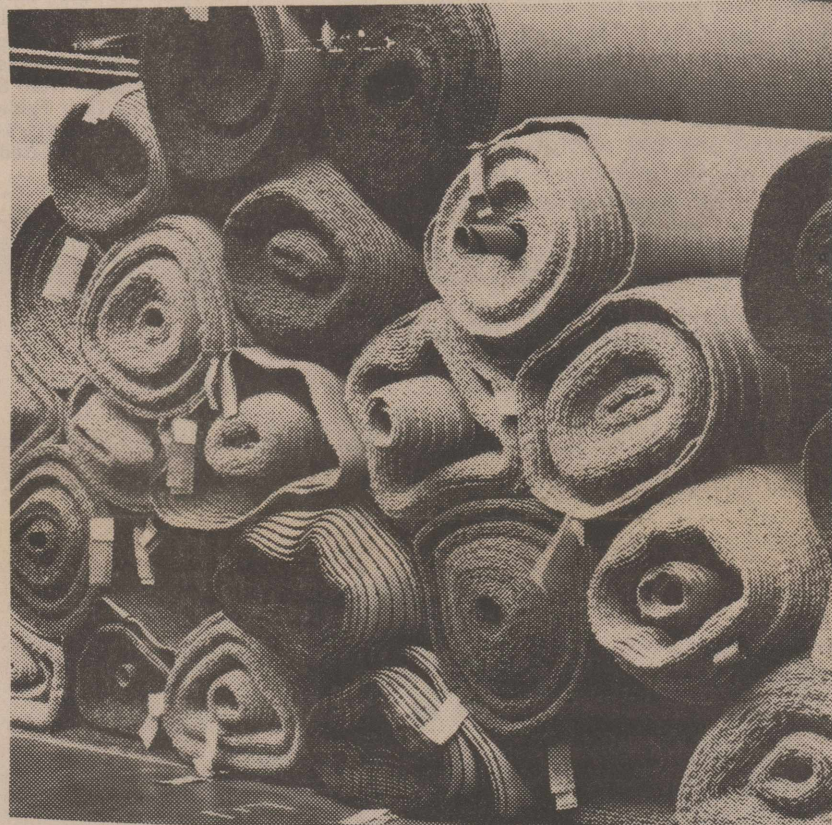
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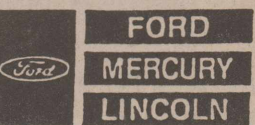
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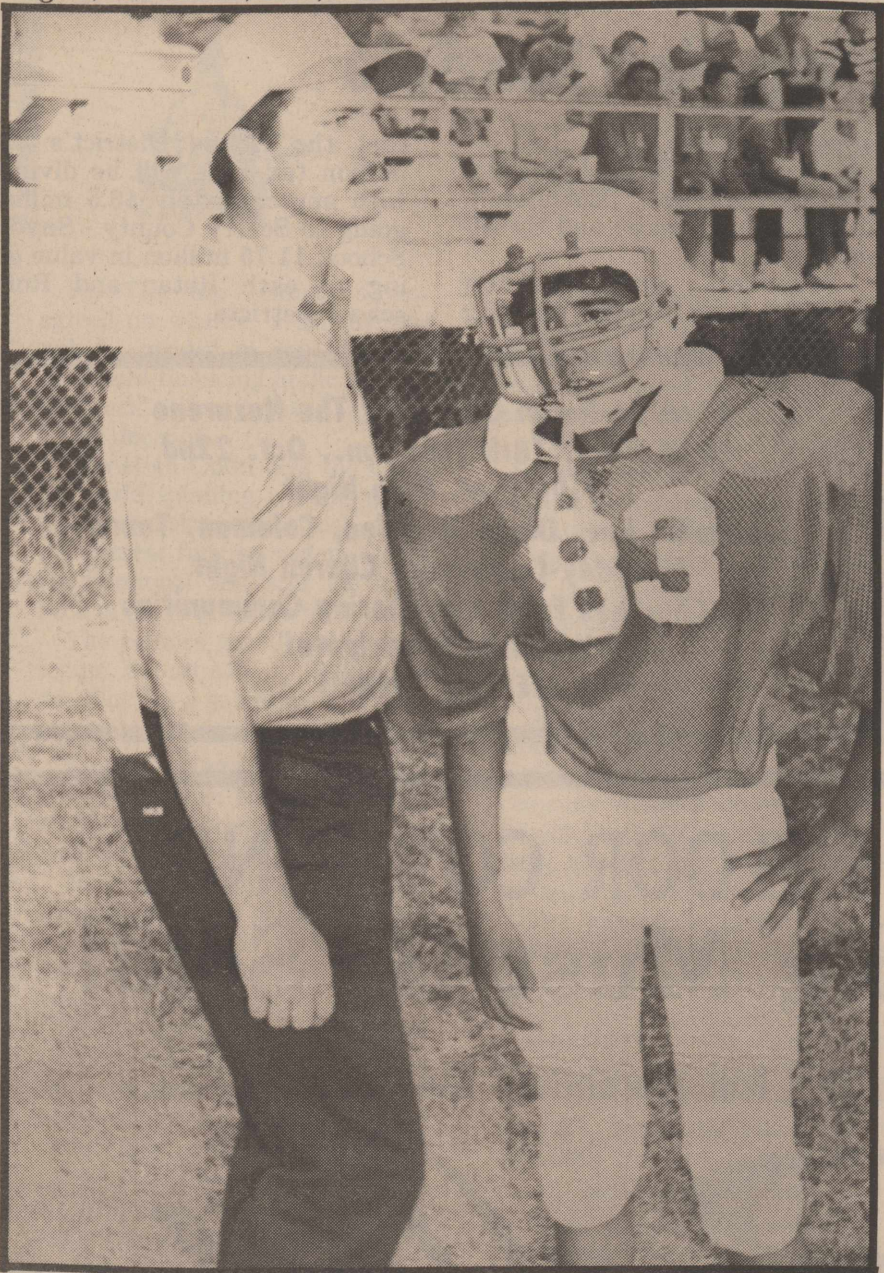
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GOT IT COACH: Rotan Yellowhammer Junior High Football Coach John Cox gives instructions to Mitchell Montez on several plays to be executed in a recent game.

Correction

The Newspaper made an error in last week's paper. The outline on the picture of the class of '39 should have read; "Rotan Class of '39," instead of "Roby Class of '39." And also the picture was only part of the class, not all of the class of 1939 of Rotan. We regret any inconvenience this error might have caused for anyone.

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

All interested persons are hereby notified the Fisher County 1990 Budget Summary and documentation necessary to support the summary are available at the Fisher County Courthouse from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday. They are on file in the County Judge's Office and the Auditor's Office located in the Fisher County Courthouse. 35:2tc

Study Conducted By State Property Tax Board

Appraisal districts came closer to market value in their 1988 tax appraisals than in previous years, according to a study by the State Property Tax Board (SPTB). The agency's 1988 Property Value Study showed that, statewide, the typical property on the 1988 appraisal rolls were appraised at 96 percent of its market value.

"Our studies have shown steady improvement in appraisal levels since 1985," said Ron Patterson, the SPTB's executive director. He noted that the 1987 study showed property was appraised at 95 percent of its market value.

"However," he added, "our study also indicates that appraisals of individual properties were less uniform in 1988 than the year before."

State law requires tax appraisals to be equal, uniform, and at market value. "In other words," said Patterson, "property should be taxed on what it's

really worth, and different types of properties should get equal treatment. The goal is to ensure that all property owners pay their fair share of property taxes. Our annual study shows how closely county appraisal districts come to meeting these standards in their tax appraisals."

Patterson sees two likely explanations for the improvements in appraisal levels. "Some appraisal districts did better appraisals than they did the year before," he said. "In other cases, market values simply dropped closer to the appraisal district's values."

The study reported that appraisals in 213 of the state's appraisal districts were typically between 90 and 100 percent of market value. However, the typical appraisals in 8 districts exceeded market value. Appraisal levels in another 32 districts were below 90 percent.

The statewide appraisal levels for individual property categories in 1988 were as good or better than in 1987. However, appraisal levels in two categories—mineral properties and residential inventory—were higher than market value. Residential inventory is a new category that includes vacant lots and new homes that a developer has not yet sold.

State law now requires these properties to be appraised on their value as inventory.

These two categories, together with utility properties, also showed the least uniform tax appraisals. "This means that individual properties in these categories were more likely to be appraised at widely different percentages of their actual market value," said Patterson.

He explained that residential inventory, minerals and utility properties are difficult to appraise accurately. "The market value of these properties is based on the income they are expected to generate in the future, and these predictions often vary widely. In addition, minerals and utilities include many different kinds of property that don't often sell on the open market."

"Appraisal uniformity is important for taxpayers," said Patterson. "If one homeowner's property is appraised at 90 percent of its market value while his neighbor's home is appraised at 50 percent, the homeowner with the 90 percent appraisal level will shoulder a heavier burden of property taxes than his neighbor. However, if both homes are appraised at 70 percent of market value, the homeowners will at least get equal treatment even if

their taxes aren't based on full market value."

The SPTB conducts its annual study of tax appraisals together with a study of school district taxable values. The agency analyzed sales and appraisal information for 185,000 properties from across the state in its 1988 study.

For more detailed information on the study results, contact the SPTB for a copy of the booklet, *Report of the Findings of the 1988 Property Value Study of School and Appraisal Districts*. The price of the booklet is \$2.16, tax included.



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Annual Audit Report Presented At Rotan School Board Meeting

The audit firm of James E. Rodgers & Company, Certified Public Accountants, presented the annual audit report to the members of the Rotan School Board last Monday night. According to Gerald Rodgers, "the report was clean, opinion letter was good and there were no financial problems".

In the presentation to the board, Rodgers spent approximately 30 minutes reviewing the audit page by page. He reported revenues for the year ending August 31, 1989 of 1,927,366.00 with expenditures of \$2,212,064.00 for a loss of \$284,698.00 in expenditures over revenue for the reporting period. The revenues came from five basic categories (1) \$626,082.00 from local taxes collected, (2) \$141,072.00 from other local revenue, (3) \$1,032,445.00 from state program revenue (4) \$103,746.00 from state distributed federal funds and \$24,021.00 from non-revenue receipts.

Expenditures were broken down into approximately 14 categories. The largest being \$1,107,203.00 for instruction followed by \$442,282 for plant maintenance and operations, \$158,488 for general administration; \$128,228.00 for school administration and \$117,503 for co-curricular activities. Other expenditures were \$77,212 for food service items; \$56,869.00 for debt service; \$30,547.00 for instructional and medial resources. All expenditures amounted to \$2,212,064.00. Some \$284,698.00 had to be spent (expenses over revenue) for construction of the learning resource center and repair to the roof at the junior high and primary buildings.

Fund balances on August 31, 1989 were \$641,425.00 in the general fund and \$38,137.00 in the debt service fund for a total balance in the funds of \$679,562.00.

Kim Pease addressed the board expressing his appreciation for five members attending the annual convention in San Antonio. "I appreciate the dedication and time the board members devote to volunteering for public service", said Pease.

Board members discussed the \$3.00 per student charge to Region 14 Education Service Center for films. Most school professionals in attendance felt the Service Center was making an attempt to get films to the local building in a timely manner.

Those present for the meeting were Jim Cain, M.T. Hill and David Hargrove, Building Principals; Alton Fields, Superintendent and visiting teachers Debbi Mercer, Aurora Nowlin, DeeAnn Mullins and Verna Mae Pittman. Board members present were Luther Summers, Donna Kennedy, Roger Blackwelder, Vick Burk, Leo Long, Larry Landes and Pete Fowler.

Fields briefly discussed the Hobbs School closing situation and informed the board that he had received the resolution last Monday from Superintendent Maxwell and Board President Howard Gordon. Fields indicated that the board would take official formal action on the resolution at the November meeting.

The board, after hearing a request through Fields from a district resident asking for permission to purchase a sign from the school, decided to dispose of the sign.

The board agreed to sell an old wrecked school bus.

Superintendent Fields informed the board that on October 31st visiting officials would begin a compliance visit leading to the full school accreditation in the 1990-91 school year.

The board was informed of two board member training sessions in Abilene in October by

Tumbleweed Club Meets

The Tumbleweed Club met October 9 in the Courthouse Annex at 3:30. Makela Herron presided. Lisa Carey gave a program on Foods and Nutrition. A program on Fire Safety and making decorations is planned for the next meeting.

Members present were: Justin Smith, Shea Feagan, Kyle McWilliams, Monroe Moore, Shelt Walston, Sonya Gaona, Makala Herron, Richard Gaona, Kelli Field, Cassie Terry, Chance McClure, Jaycee Carey, Meggan Herron, Erika Rae Ramirez, Sarah Boyd.

Refreshments were served by Sara Boyd and Billy Floyd.

Fields and later adopted the 1989 tax rate at \$1.03 with .9575 cents going to maintenance and operation and .0725 going to interest and sinking.

In final action the board went into executive session under VATS Article 6252-17 Section 2(g) to consider the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an employee. The board, as announced by Board President Pete Fowler, went into executive session at 9:10 p.m., and re-opened the meeting to the public at 9:26 p.m., announcing that no action had been taken in executive session.

Next to working and sleeping, watching television takes up more of Americans' time than any other single activity, accounting for nearly four hours of the typical adult's day. Unfortunately, as the absorption in major network television, cable TV, and VCRs grows, so do many of our waistlines. That's the conclusion reached by researchers at Alabama's Auburn University, who recently looked at the lifestyles as well as the body fat and physical fitness levels of more than 6,000 men. Specifically, they determined that the men who watched television for more than three hours each day were twice as likely to be obese as those who spent less than an hour a day in front of the "tube".

It is the same for youngsters. The more television teenagers and children watch, the more they tend to be out of shape and/or overweight. An examination of almost 400 high-school boys, for example, showed that those who viewed more than 4 hours of television a day scored significantly lower on overall tests of physical fitness as well as on pushups, pullups, etc., than adolescents who sat in front of TV less than 2 hours a day. In a separate study, researchers looked at statistics on more than 13,000 children and teens and found that generally speaking, the more time spent in front of TV, the greater the chance that they will be obese.

The possible reasons for the

strong link between TV watching and obesity are many. It may be that individuals who are already overweight are more attracted to TV for entertainment than their leaner counterparts because they feel more sluggish and self-conscious about their body shapes and therefore prefer not to engage in activities that involve physical exertion.

TV watching may also contribute to obesity since it severely

limits the number of calories burned. It may also contribute to the number of calorie-dense foods consumed due to the advertisements for snacks.

Many factors go into obesity such as one's metabolism, genetic make-up, etc. Nevertheless researchers at least suggest that to keep fit and trim, more time might be spent pursuing a more strenuous activity than sitting in front of the tube.

County Home Economics Agent Report

by Beth Dannheim

Connie Wright Winner At Haskell

Connie Hyer Wright of Leuders, and a 1979 graduate of Rotan High School, entered her home canning in the Canned Goods Adult Division of the Haskell County Fair held the weekend of September 23rd and walked away with quite a handful of ribbons.

Wright won Best of Show, Canned Goods Adult Division; Best of Class, Adult Division for her Picante Sauce; 1st Place Ribbons for her Plum Jelly, Stewed Tomatoes, Potatoes, Pickled Beets, Apple Jelly; and 2nd Place Ribbons for her Peach Jelly and Squash Relish, a recipe given to her by her grandmother-Ruth Martin of Post.

This is Wright's second year to can and to enter her canning in

the fair. All of the vegetables and fruits that she cans were from her own garden with the exception of the apples.

Wright is employed with the Leuders School system at Avoca High School cafeteria. She and her husband Toby are the parents of three children, Jeremy age 10 and twins, T.J. and Brandy age 8. They are members of the First Baptist Church of Leuders and are both active in community events.

She is the daughter of Connie and Gay Martin of Sweetwater and Tom Hyer of Hereford. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Seaton and the late Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Hyer all of Rotan and Ruth Martin and the late Barney Martin of Post.

Emergency Feed Assistance Program Expanded

To help farmers in disaster areas replenish their livestock feed supplies, the U.S. Department of Agriculture recently expanded the Emergency Feed Assistance Program (EFAP).

Billy Don Atkinson, County Executive Director of the Fisher County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, said producers will now be allowed to purchase farm-stored feed grain which they have pledged as collateral for Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) price support

loans. "Feed grains in CCC inventory are available to eligible livestock producers for 50 percent of the average market price in the county," said Atkinson.

Under the expanded EFAP, Atkinson explained that producers may request an early maturity date on feed grains pledged as collateral for farm-stored CCC loans. Upon approval, they could purchase the applicable feed grain from CCC at reduced prices.

To be eligible for the EFAP,

farmers must show evidence that their feed production was reduced by natural disaster, and feed on hand is inadequate to maintain their foundation livestock and poultry. Fisher County was approved for the EFAP because of severe drought conditions during the year.

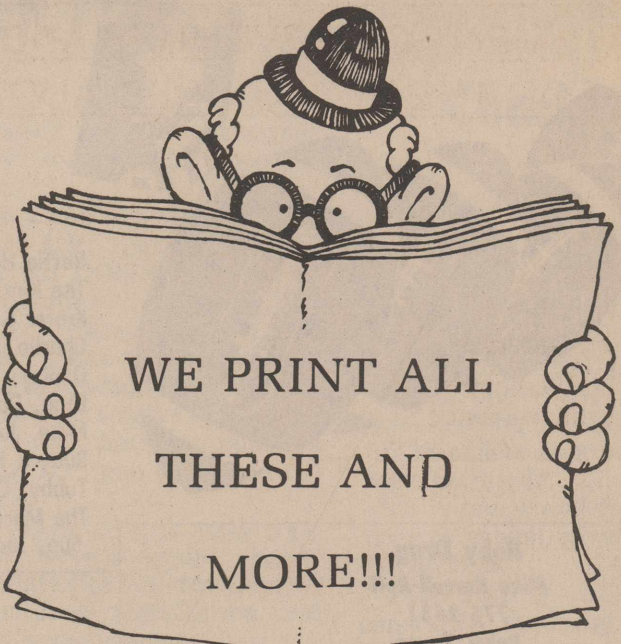
Fisher County farmers are also eligible for the Emergency Feed Program, where the CCC shares the cost of livestock feed with eligible producers.

In addition to these measures, the Disaster Assistance Act of 1989 authorized emergency grazing of land in the acreage conservation reserve and conserving use acres, 0/92 deficiency payments and crop disaster payments. "Our objective is to help those farmers who have suffered crop losses because of drought, excessive moisture and other perils," said ASCS official Atkinson, "and at the same time, preserve stands of grass and wildlife that nest there."

Farmers in need of disaster assistance should contact the local ASCS office for further program details.

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Revenues:	
Local Taxes Collected	\$626,082
Other Local Revenue	141,072
State Program Revenue	1,032,445
State Distributed Federal Funds	103,746
Non-Revenue Receipts	24,021
Total Revenues	\$1,927,366
Expenditures	
Instruction	\$1,107,203
Instructional Computing	19,285
Instructional Resources and Media Resources	30,547
School Administration	128,228
Curriculum and Personnel Development	6,180
Guidance and Counseling Services	17,942
Health Services	102
Pupil Transportation	26,202
Co-Curricular Activities	117,503
Food Services	77,212
General Administration	158,488
Debt Services	56,869
Plant Maintenance and Operations	442,282
Other Uses	24,021
Total Expenditures	\$2,212,064
Excess Of Revenue Over Expenditures	(\$284,698)
Fund Balances - August 31, 1989	
General Fund	\$641,425
Debt Service Fund	38,137
General Fixed Assets	2,251,225
Total Fund Balances - August 31, 1989	\$2,930,787

1990 Wheat Program Modified

To maintain humanitarian food aid commitments following two years of drought, and restore wheat stocks to safer levels, the U.S. Department of Agriculture will offer producers the option to modify their 1990 wheat program contracts and increase their wheat plantings if they choose to do so.

The previously-announced program includes a 5 percent acreage reduction requirement and limited cross compliance.

"Farmers will continue to have the option of signing up for and complying with the original pro-

gram provisions," Billy Don Atkinson, CED of the Fisher County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, said.

He said the change gives farmers the opportunity to modify their original contracts and plant up to the maximum 105 percent of their farm's wheat base. For each acre planted over 95 percent of the wheat base, there will be a decrease of one acre when determining the farmer's deficiency payment. "Producers may not plant more than 105 percent of their wheat base to remain eligible for these payments."

The 1990 wheat program benefits include a \$4.00 per bushel target price, a \$1.95 per bushel price support loan and purchase rate, and advance deficiency payments at 40 percent of the estimated deficiency payment rate. "These provisions will remain applicable to all farmers who enroll in the program," ASCS official Atkinson said.

The modified wheat program option does not contain acreage conservation reserve requirements, 0/92 provisions, soybean and sunflower options, nor the transfer of wheat bases to oat bases. Producers may not credit other nonprogram crop acreage as acreage considered planted wheat, and may not build future

wheat base acreage on the farm. However, the increased wheat plantings may be considered as planted to other program crops for base intention purposes.

Future details on these and other wheat program requirements are available at the Fisher County ASCS office.

Octoberfest To Be Held Downtown Anson October 14th

There will be an Octoberfest, Saturday, October 14, 1989, downtown Anson, Texas.

There will be: Food booths, games, exhibits, sidewalk sale, arts and crafts, live entertainment, band, opera house tours, sack races, children's activities, three legged race, red wagon races, balloon toss, bed races, tug of war, buggy rides.

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For further information contact Chamber of Commerce, Box 419, Anson, Texas; Phone: 915-823-3259; or Brenda Anglin at 672-8415.

Roby School Board Takes No Action After Closed Session

The members of the Roby School Board discussed teacher pay scale at length last Monday night. Dr. David Morris wanted assurance that the Roby School District was 'doing the best we could by teachers with respect to pay'. He indicated that a year ago the board developed a pay plan for teacher aides and he wanted teacher salaries, benefits and sick leave policies researched. He proposed a board committee attending a Dallas Texas Association of School Board workshop to study pay scales.

High School Principal George Price presented board members with a print-out detailing teacher pay. Andy Moore indicated that he researched 320 schools pay scale and found that 37 schools have a higher minimum salary and 77 have a higher maximum salary than Roby. Moore indicated that he felt Roby was doing a good job in the area of teacher pay.

Jeff McClure made a motion seconded by Dr. David Morris to appoint a committee to study the salary of the entire Roby staff.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Mize appeared before the Roby School board last Monday night to discuss an incident that took place in class involving one of their children. The item was discussed in closed executive session of the board and no official action was taken on the matter.

Prior to the decision to meet with Mr. and Mrs. Mize in closed session, which took two motions by Dr. David Morris before receiving a second by Andy Moore, the situation was going to be discussed openly. Some school personnel and board members wanted the incident aired in open session. The child's parents wanted a discussion in closed session. Following the executive ses-

sion, the board and several of the teachers present exchanged comments. The teachers seemed to be searching for assurance that they had the continued support of the board. The board members expressed their continued support for the teachers.

Roby School Board members also met with several members of the McCaulley School Board in closed executive session last Monday night. No action was taken by the board involving that meeting either.

The board discussed elementary curriculum skill base. Dr. Morris wanted to attempt to plug the hole that allows children to fall-through-the-cracks in education. He wants to make sure no child advances to another skill level until he has thoroughly learned and mastered his present level. The matter will be further discussed at the November meeting.

Principal Mickey Early indicated that the school was using a writing curriculum to increase TEAMS scores, they are using an I.Q. test to determine slow learners so that can be given special attention.

The board discussed a computer technology plan. Dr. Morris reviewed a newspaper article featuring Highland Park, Texas. The Highland Park school used computers extensively and Morris wanted thought given to Roby increasing use of computers.

The board decided to join a computer technology plan.

The board approved the Hobbs resolution calling for Roby to get that portion of the Hobbs ISD south of Highway 180.

The board discussed information items next. The board discussed non-school personnel eating at the cafeteria.

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ROBY BAND MEMBERS: These two cymbal players are part of the Roby Lion band and are shown at a recent Roby Lion's football game. Pictured above are left, Louis Juarez and right Robert Valenkamp.



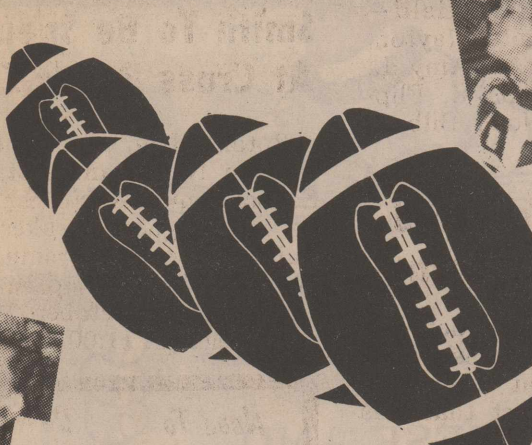
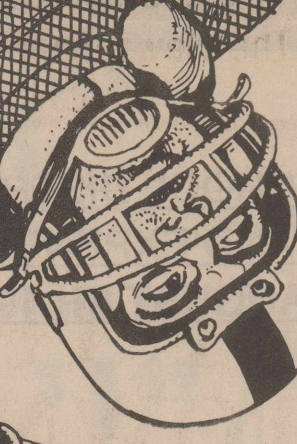
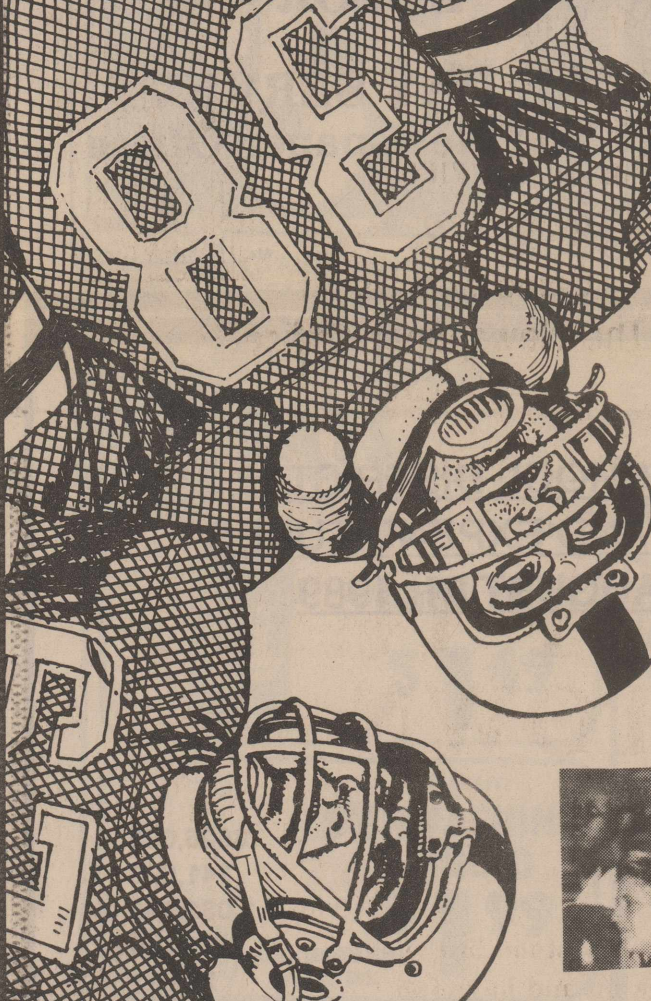
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Roby City Commission Holds Regular Monthly Meeting

The Roby City Commission met on Tuesday, October 3 and listened to a Mission Cable representative who reported on the changes that would be taking place in the cable services available to the residents of Roby. Harry Steen, Mission Cable representative informed the city commissioners that the cable offered in Roby was going to be upgraded within the next month. The changes are to go into effect as of November 1. The changes will include an additional 8 channels, including two pay channels, Disney and Showtime and six channels on the regular line. The price will increase by 33 percent for those wishing to continue their cable service. City commissioners Archie Rivers and Cecil King decided to go ahead and give approval to the changes, even though they would take place without approval.

City insurance rates were also discussed. Last years figures totaled \$5,346.00 from Texas Municipal League. A motion was made by Cecil King and seconded by Archie Rivers to get Roby Insurance Agency to make a bid and go with it for convenience and to support a local business.

Mayor Murray Simmons

pointed out to the commission that the City of Roby was the only taxing entity in Fisher County that did not increase tax rates for the new year. The financial report was reviewed and the motion carried to pay all bills.

A letter to West Texas Utilities thanking them for their efforts to clean up the lot of the old Hilburn Drug Building and make it an added scenic spot to the City of Roby was read by Bobbie Beauchamp. The letter was signed by Mayor Simmons, city commissioners Rivers and King and also by City Manager Jimmy Price.

In final action, the city managers report, Price told commissioners that the roof in the storage shed behind city hall had fallen in. He suggested that a new one be purchased to replace the old one due to the age and size of the old shed. City commissioners, after brief discussion told city manager, Price to get a firm bid on a new storage shed of the desired size and present it to the commission at the November meeting for further discussion and possible approval. With no further discussion the meeting adjourned.

Roby 4-H Tumbleweeds Celebrate 4-H Week

The Roby 4-H Tumbleweeds celebrated National 4-H week Oct. 1-7 with several events. Mon., Oct. 2 they delivered cookies to the Senior Citizens. Others worked on posters, window displays with the theme: Great Balls of Fire - Join 4-H Tumbleweeds Club. Jars of fire balls and posters were taken to county agents Beth Dannheim and Richard Spencer and Sec. Terry Gruben. Manager Temple West went to the 3rd, 4th and 5th grades at Roby school to tell a little bit about 4-H and gave the teachers a jar of fire balls for the kids. All 3rd, 4th and 5th grades were invited to join 4-H Tumbleweeds Club.

Hospital News

Patients admitted to the Fisher County Hospital October 3 thru October 9 were:

Ina Goodwin— Roby; Hester Clements— Rotan; Martin Soliz— Rotan; Walter Hartsfield— Rotan; Clara A. Hall— Jayton; Florean Price— Rotan; Amy L. Brown— Rotan; Jacob C. Flippo— Sweetwater; Nona Bilbo— Rotan.

Roby Lions Defeated By Bronte Longhorns

The Roby Lions were defeated by the Bronte Longhorns 8-0 on Friday. The defeat was made worse due to the fact that this was Roby's Homecoming.

The game featured Roby's defense playing very well all night while numerous fumbles and poor field position plagued the offense throughout the second half. The only scoring came with 5 minutes left in the game when Bronte pushed across its only score and two point conversion.

The Lions opened the game with a 60 yard drive to the Bronte 4 yard line. However, on fourth down and goal, the Bronte defense held Roby out of the end zone. The Lions drove to Bronte's 13 yard line in the second quarter but a penalty and a sack of Roby quarterback kept the out of the end zone. Defensively the Lions were led by Joe Don Helm and Mike Williams. Offensively the Lions received good effort by Michael Carrion, Rudy Gonzales and Kenny Heflin.

The Lions next game is against the Roscoe Plowboys. The game will mark Roby's district opening at Roscoe's Stadium.

The closing of the Hobbs School was like losing a dead friend. I've had a lot of phone calls from some that didn't know it was closing until after the fact. For those that live here we had seen the decline of the amount of children and weren't so surprised.

We are not just losing a school but a land mark and gathering place for children's parents and teachers and Hobbs has seen some of the best.

The Whites held their reunion Saturday afternoon and Sunday at the Kiva Inn in Abilene. Those attending were: Jewell and Adolph Hanslik, Lillian and Carroll Cummings, Lois and Bill Nichols, Chris and Neil White, Debbie and Rodney Odom, Robyn White, Glen and Allene McWhirter, Alvarado, Texas.

Marvin and Kay (White) Taylor, Kathryn (White) Fraley, Sharon White, Estle White, LaDonna and Joe Hanslik, Florene and Millard Smith, Ft. Worth, Jimmie, Ruami and David Stephenson, Gene and Betty Snodgrass, Ben and Edna Beeson, Wayne and Bertha Warren, Maggie Wiley, Frank White, Joe and Fern (White) Taylor, Frank and Sherla White and children Wesley and Stacy. Jewell and Adolph Hanslik were the president this year and Wayne and I will be for 1990. A good time was had by all.

Richard and son Ryan Ratliff attended the Monahans and Big Spring football game Friday night then drove on to Sweetwater to spend the night with his mom Jewel Ratliff.

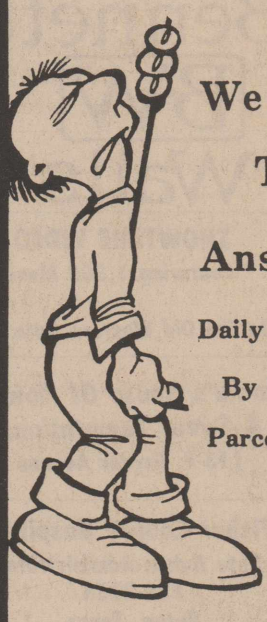
Lee Kent was named Queen for the day Thursday by a friend Faye Boyde and was presented a beautiful corsage and taken out to eat. She certainly did enjoy her day.

Erna Lee Jones guests over the weekend were Carlos Jones, Dwana Stevens, and Shelly Jones. The girls went to the Roby Homecoming with Carlos. Oleta and Dale King came Saturday afternoon as Sunday was Georgia Ratliff's birthday. Erna Lee, Carlos, Shelly, Oleta, Jewell, Dwana and I had cake at the nursing home with her. The Kings came on to our house Saturday night and left for home Sunday morning. Georgia was 87 years old. Happy birthday to her and Gill Warren on Monday. The Kings new granddaughter that weighed 3 lbs. and 14 ozs. is home

Weldon Nelms Kevin Smith To Be Speakers At Cross Roads Church

Rotan Head Football Coach Weldon Nelms and Rotan High School senior Kevin Smith, will be special guest speakers in the Sunday morning worship services at Cross Roads Baptist Church this Sunday, October 15. Services begin at 11:00 a.m.

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News From Down South

By Bertha Warren

now doing nine. She is now up to 5 lbs. and 2 ozs.

Betty and Jerry Fry along with Andrew and Beulah Polack and Edward and Joyce Schwartz all of Sweetwater went to Sanger, Texas last week to visit an old childhood friend of Ed's and a cousin of Betty's and Andrew's. He is James Polack and family. Ed and James had not seen each other in 56 years. They had a wonderful time.

Harvie and Cleo Davis guests for the weekend were his brother Calvin and Ruth Davis of Fredricksburg. They attended the Roby Homecoming.

Ollie Ogden had 3 cousins to visit her the last of the week. Vida Patterson came from Arizona and Philip and Mary Andrews came from Sanderville, GA. She had met Vida before but had never met Mary and Philip. They were coming down for the anniversary and were on the road and could not be reached so didn't know Ed had passed away until they arrived. Darlene Warren is still spending a few days with her mother.

Grutrud (McCain) Duncon of California came home last week and about 50 relatives all met at the Claytonville Community Center for a supper and get together. Most of them were cousins and they came from just about everywhere. Some of those attending were Mary Etta McCain, Dan McCain of Lubbock, Dave and Joe McCain, Ida May McCain, Bernice and Mooney McCain, Frankie and Barney Toland, Betty Steele, Jack and Reba Mc-

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The board discussed SAT and ACT scores. Superintendent Laurie reported that the scores were low and the board discussed methods to be implemented to improve scores.

Board members discussed the Big Country School Administrators Meeting in Stamford on October 26th. Those planning to attend are Dr. David Morris, Andy Moore, Jeff McClure, Richard Gaona, David Boyd and either Jimmie Laurie or George Price.

Board members discussed the accreditation report. Jimmie Laurie reported that all corrective measures had been taken on the report and that the school was in compliance.

Cain, Skeet and Edith McCain, Ben and Edith Ashlock, Jane Bryant of Rising Star, Bruce and Marie McCain, John and Susie Bewley, Kenneth and Wanda Bewley, B.C. and Dorthey Kidd, Margret and Larry Smith and family and aunt Carrie McCain. Carrie was the only one there from her generation. I know I left some of them out and I'm sorry. They all had a great time and took a lot of pictures and ate a lot of food.

I have a newspaper dated Friday, March 13, 1925. It was published monthly by the pupils of Center School, Fisher County.

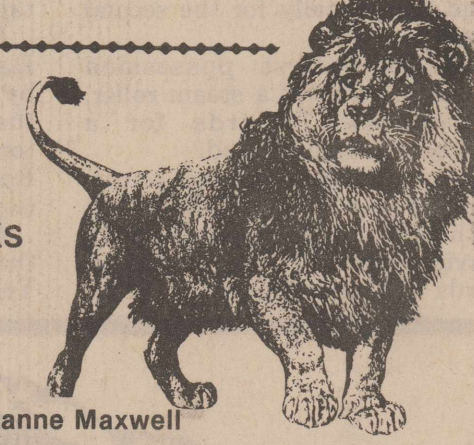
This is a sample of its contents. On Friday night, Center played Longworth on their court and won by a score of 12 to 16.

On Feb. 5th, Thursday night, we (Center) played Roby and lost by a score of 15 to 18.

On Feb. 6th, we played Busby and Busby won 18 to 8. On Friday we played Sardis at Center and won 18 to 20. One of the jocks, Sid Snodgrass, "Does your wife miss you if you stay out late"? Mr. Roark, "Not always, her aims' pretty good." More about this next week. Bet you can't wait. Call and let us know what's going on in your world.

LION

TRACKS



by Suzanne Maxwell

Homecoming Friday started off with a parade up to the Courthouse followed by a pep rally. This was something you should not have missed. It was a lot of fun.

Everyone showed a lot of enthusiasm throughout the week. The students painted streets, had a honk-a-thon, and then wrapped it up with a bonfire.

The band shows spirit at every

football game, but this week was the best! Great job! They are perfecting their marching routine for contest. Show'em your spirit and support by going to the UIL Band Contest held at Shotwell Stadium on October 28.

Well Lions, keep up the hard work and it will pay off eventually. Good luck Friday. The game this week is at Roscoe beginning at 7:30.

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DECLINE OF THE SMALL TOWN

By Marg Calder

The men were quite cocky as they stood in the sun

"Let's go to Abilene, stock up and have fun

We'll buy by the case all under one roof

And save lots too, of that we have proof."

So they did just that for many a year

And from the results never took any fear

Until one day they met once again

standing uptown just out of the rain.

"What's happened here!" cried one in dismay

Their faces were ashen, they had much to say.

Then one scratched his head the other said loud

"There's no coke and no coffee, not even a crowd;

My wife is real sick and right off her feet

I came for some drugs, some milk, and some meat

The hospital is closed, the grocery stores too.

What in the world are we going to do?"

"My furnace is shot and the plumbing is all broken."

The other one gasped, I thought he was chokin'

"My car's a near wreck and my tires are low

I need nails and lumber, and there's no place to go."

His friend had his head right down to his chest

We're to blame," he muttered,

"On our heads it does rest.

We passed this town for the glimmer of lights

Bought stuff by the car load and took in the sights.

The city is bustling and bursting with pride,

While all our own merchants just up and died.

The houses are empty, the bank's repossessed.

I'll tell you old boy we're in for a test.

"We should have been smarter and wiser," they said.

Then the town would be bustling, not half so dead."

"It's never too late, we've learned," someone did say.

But for the foolishness of many they'd all have to pay.

They parted at last as the wind turned cold.

And muttered, "Buy locally, as this story is told."

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Rotan Nursing Center

We started off the week nicely by having Becki Cummings play and sing for us. We all joined in with her and her mother Corilla Turnbow. Thank you both for coming by and bringing us such joy and happiness. The Fisher County Singers entertained us with their fine singing. After the singing, we served punch and mixed nuts. Everyone enjoyed the entertainment and social afterwards. We had our movie of the week on Monday. The Three Stooges kept us all in stitches. A very special thank you this week goes to Marge Fowler. Marge has been an inspiration to all of us and we all enjoy all the work she does for us.

Visitors to the home this week were: Florice Hudgens visiting Lou Stovall; Lou Ann and Donnie Fry visited Lou also. Lorene Hull visited with Lou too. Elaine Shipp from Lamar, Colorado came to see Forrest Acker. Kate Fancher visited with Forrest and John Schick. Calvin and Ida Daniel visited Mary Cooper. Gary Stuart visited T.W. Rector. Hallie Poer from Lubbock visited Geraldine Hartsfield. One last note; we are having a Halloween haunting on October 31. Everyone is encouraged to come on out.

Dotti Read
Activity Director

The Hedge

Standing in the gap for Jesus

By: Becki Cummins

This article is to inform the public about the Hedge. The Hedge is an independent work. It is non-denominational.

We believe in lifting up Jesus. There is no other way in which to begin a new work. The true word of God is preached. Jesus said, "I am the truth, the light, the way, no one cometh to the Father, but by me." To know Jesus, to know Him in the power of His resurrection. This is the Jesus that we sing and preach about. He is King of Kings. He is Lord of Lords. He is Jehovah God. We serve a risen Savior who has redeemed us and set straight the path before us.

Let us rise up and be the people of God, chosen of Him, for white is the Harvest ready to yield. God is calling for a people who are not afraid and not ashamed to stand up for Him. We have been bought with a price, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

We are truly here today and gone tomorrow, and all that will matter is what we do for Christ.

This is our vision. To reach out to a lost and dying world. To love our neighbors as ourselves. To have compassion and serve the Lord with a whole heart.

Stand in the gap for Jesus.
The Hedge
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Rotan Yellowhammers Win Heartstopper

by Jim Gruben

Rotan Yellowhammers (4-0-1) traded the lead with the Haskell Indians until 3:18 remaining in the game, before Brandon Alls scored from the 7-yard line, set up by a 79-yard kickoff return by Joe Huitt. The touchdown put the Yellowhammers ahead to stay at 21-18.

The overall statistics of both teams, from first downs to total offense, were as close as the game itself.

Rotan came up with 3 interceptions and scored 13 points the second half to rally for the second week in a row.

Haskell's first possession resembled that of a steam roller, by driving 75-yards for a touchdown and 6-0 lead.

After an exchange of punts, Rotan drove 90 yards, concluding with a 4-yard touchdown run by David Daniel (2 carries for 10 yards - 1 touchdown). Danny

Warren's extra-point kick was good to reclaim a 7-6 lead with 7:54 remaining in the 2nd quarter.

Haskell countered with a touchdown of their own to retake a 12-7 lead, though failing to convert their second extra-point attempt.

Momentum swung to Haskell just seconds before halftime, as the Indians stalled a Rotan drive just 5 yards from the endzone. A score that would have reclaimed a Yellowhammer lead, but it was not to be.

Haskell, ran out the clock to hold on to a 12-7 halftime advantage.

Renee Silva stopped the first Haskell drive of the second half by intercepting his fifth pass of the season. Silva's string of 5 interceptions in 5 games, increased Rotan's total number of interceptions to 10.

Both teams were held scoreless the third quarter, before the Yellowhammers made a fourth

quarter surge.

A 66-yard drive was capped by a Kevin Smith touchdown run, from inside the 1-yard line. The extra-point attempt was unsuccessful but edged the Hammers ahead 13-12 with 9:50 remaining in the game.

Quarterback Kevin Smith had 6 carries for 23 yards and 1 touchdown and completed 1 of 8 passes for 24 yards and 1 interception. Kevin Smith not only directed the Hammer offense but had a strong defensive game at cornerback.

In the rushing department, Trey Carrillo had 3 carries for 34 yards and Sammy Daniel added 5 carries for 19 yards to contribute to the total offense.

Haskell counter-punched with a 65-yard touchdown drive to reclaim an 18-13 lead after yet another failed point-after-try.

The large Homecoming crowd began to be concerned as the Yellowhammers 6 point deficit

loomed large with 3:30 remaining on the game clock. The offensive and defensive linemen continued to hold their own in the trenches.

Jessie "The Body" Garcia, Danny Warren, Chris Kennedy, Sean Lee, Pat Moffett, Steven McQueen, Luis Garcia, Fabian Flores, J.J. Gauna, and Augie Alaniz all played well and showed increased intensity.

Emotions were high as Haskell prepared to kickoff, after regaining an 18-13 advantage. The importance of special teams play is often overlooked but the Hammer return team made the difference in the closing minutes. Joe Huitt stood deep to receive the kick and was due to break one of his familiar long gainers. Huitt who had rushed for 116 yards on 21 carries, broke the game open with a 79-yard return to the Haskell 10. The Hammers would not be denied as Brandon Alls (12 carries for 52 yards - 1 touchdown) blasted in from the 7-yardline to

take a 19-18 advantage. The try-for-two attempt saw Joe Huitt dart into the end zone, as the scoreboard flashed 21-18.

Haskell's attempt to regain the lead was stopped by a Kevin Smith pass interception. Rotan returned the favor, with a rushed pass that ended up in the hands of a Haskell defender.

Haskell could not stand prosperity, as the Indians served up

their third interception in the area covered by cornerback Brandon Alls. Hammers ran out the clock for a 21-18 win.

The large Homecoming crowd definitely got their price of admission in the final heart-stopping minutes of play.

Yellowhammers concluded their non-district schedule Friday night with an impressive 4-0-1 record.



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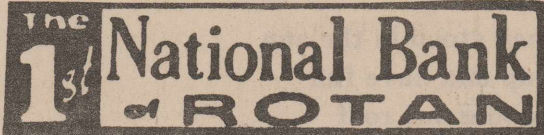
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735-3171
Rotan, Texas

Rotan Nursing Center
Sandra Givens-Administrator
735-2233
Rotan, Texas



NuTone Cleaners
115 W. Snyder
735-2552
Rotan, Texas

Fisher County Nursing Home
Doy Wheeler-Administrator
735-3291
Rotan, Texas

Dr. Bennie LeBleu
101 S. Florence
735-2211
Rotan, Texas

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Jean Stanford-Owner
212 W. Snyder Avenue

735-2155

Rotan, Texas



United Cable Television
102 S. Florence
735-2526
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Nichols Insulation

Amazingly, there are SOME reasons why it ISN'T a good idea to insulate your home!

If you don't mind paying huge heating bills in the winter, then DON'T insulate.

If you don't mind shelling out your hard earned cash each summer for equally high air conditioning bills, then DON'T insulate!

If you WOULDN'T want to increase the value of your home,

then DON'T insulate.

However, if you're sick and tired of continually skyrocketing utility bills, then you had better give the area's insulation specialists at NICHOLS INSULATION a call at 573-0571.

Located at 1704 17th in Snyder, this professional insulation firm has a wide variety of ideas which in the long run will result in keeping more of your paycheck in your bank account and less paid to the

gas or electric companies.

Properly installed insulation will help lower your heating and air conditioning bills. With this in mind, it won't take long for your insulation to completely pay for itself, and meanwhile it's springtime year round.

NICHOLS INSULATION specializes in both small and large jobs so give these experts a call and let them show you how to keep your cash in your pocket! Remember! Insulation doesn't cost, it pays!

Merle Norman Cosmetic Studio & Boutique

Myra Martin-Owner
Polly Ballard-Manager

With such services as trained beauty and make-up lessons, and, 'trial before purchase,' Merle Norman Cosmetics have become very popular with discriminating

ladies throughout the area.

The area distributor for these famous beauty aids is the MERLE NORMAN COSMETIC STUDIO AND BOUTIQUE at 2507 College Ave. in Snyder,

phone 573-6512, and they're waiting to serve you in every way they can!

Looking for something unusual? Their boutique is one place where style takes over. The prices are lower, the selection is greater and the styles ... well, you'll just have to see them to believe them!

Whether you're shopping for sportswear or dresses - blouses or designer sweaters - or a full line of accessories - you'll find it here. Their personalized courteous service will help you attain "your look"!

Hair Styling to suit the individual person is what's offered as well as MERLE NORMAN COSMETIC STUDIO AND BOUTIQUE. This well known salon features professional stylists to shape, cut, curl and color YOUR hair into a beautiful style for both the gentlemen and ladies.

Famous Merle Norman Cosmetics and unique fashions in the boutique or just hair styling, makes this one shop where women come for style and beauty.

The editors of this 1989 Fall Business Review are pleased to recommend this fine business to all our readers.

Charles Fulks Bookkeeping & Tax Service

Locally Owned & Operated By
Charles Fulks

Do yourself and your business a favor this year and contract the services of CHARLES FULKS BOOKKEEPING & TAX SERVICE: one of the area's leading bookkeeping and tax consultants.

With offices located at 2419 College in Snyder, phone 573-5786, this is one bookkeeping and tax service which gives just that: SERVICE!

Their staff of skilled experts is constantly studying the new tax laws and scrutinizing all of the

Does your home or office have tired carpeting? JOLLEY'S CARPET, located at 1107 East Broadway in Sweetwater, has a wonderful selection of Dupont Stainmaster carpeting with designs and colors that are calculated to lure you to an exciting new level in living.

Trained personnel at JOLLEY'S CARPET can help

Jolley's Carpet

Craig Jolley-Owner

you roll out a room full of beauty. This is one of those places where quality reigns and style is paramount. They feature distinctive quality products for the fashionable at reasonable prices with budget terms available.

Since they have opened it has become known as the ONE STOP carpeting center. Let them make estimates for you without obligation. When you have made your

selection, you may be assured of expert installation. The workmen will complete your job in a way that will make you want to recommend them to your friends. For all your carpeting needs go to JOLLEY'S CARPET or phone 235-4886 for complete information.

In this 1989 Business Review we, the editors, suggest you call this commendable firm first.

Best Western Willow Park Inn

Dennis & Blanche Chisum-Owners

For a rest or vacation of a lifetime, it's the BEST WESTERN WILLOW PARK INN in Snyder, phone 573-1961. Easily accessible at Intersection of Highway 84 & 180, this top-rated motel is just the ticket for the vacationer or road-weary traveler who wants fun, needs rest, relaxation and, above all, the most peaceful, luxurious surroundings possible.

You'll find the accommodations to be among the very finest with plenty of parking, spacious, well-ventilated rooms, spotless baths, beautiful indoor pool, atrium, hot tub and restaurant and Lounge. A stay at this haven of rest will leave you ready to continue your journey in great shape. The rates are very reasonable and the rooms are among the nicest anywhere...what more could you want?

Plan now to stay at the BEST WESTERN WILLOW PARK INN whenever you're in Snyder. You're sure to enjoy your trip a lot more when you stay at one of the nicest places in town!

The writers of this 1989 Fall Business Review suggest that you'll find the rooms, the Lounge, the service AND the rates at this fine motel to be among the very best!

Central Tire & Automotive Service

Where can you get the finest tires and save LOTS of money doing it? In Snyder, people go to CENTRAL TIRE & AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE at 1510 25 St. phone 573-3567. Here the selection is larger, the service better and, because they buy in volume, the prices are much, much lower!

As your dealers for famous Michelin tires, this reliable firm is in the tire business to serve! And they serve you with the best tires at the area's best prices. There are tires for cars, trucks, tractors,

recreational vehicles and more. Their selection is larger so that you can be assured of finding just what you want every time!

CENTRAL TIRE & AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE also offers complete tire and automotive service for their customers. Mounting, balancing, wheel alignment, repairs, and a host of other conveniences are featured to make this the area's complete automotive tire center.

The editors of this 1989 Fall Business Review suggest that you check with this fine firm first when it comes to tires!

Eddins-Walcher Company

Gerry Smith-Manager

Rural residents will be pleased to know that EDDINS-WALCHER COMPANY is the authorized distributor for L.P. gas for both homes and farms. This friendly concern specializes in personalized service and regular deliveries to all outlying areas. You won't be without the clean warmth of gas with this reliable company on the job.

Located on old Lubbock Highway in Snyder, phone 573-5722, this is one fuel com-

pany which realizes the importance of keeping the customer satisfied.

Whether you're a small or large user of L.P. gas, EDDINS-WALCHER COMPANY will do their utmost to keep you satisfied. They value their customers above all else and their record of dependability shows it! Please feel free to give them a call anytime you have a question regarding L.P. gas service in the local area.

The writers of this 1989 Fall Business Review would like to congratulate this well run firm for their customer satisfaction and constant improvements.

Emily's Draperies

Exciting, unusual custom made draperies, bedspreads and upholstery awaits you at EMILY'S DRAPERIES, in their all new location at 1201 Burch St. in Sweetwater. Phone 235-3104 for estimates. This firm will be happy to discuss your color and texture needs in their shop. They also service and repair Kirby vacuum cleaners.

You'll enjoy doing business with EMILY'S DRAPERIES where your business is well appreciated. Their custom drapery and upholstery and Kirby vacuum cleaner repair work is well known in this area and prices are reasonable.

This 1989 Business Review and its editors, suggest that you do business with EMILY'S DRAPERIES today.

Sweetwater Ready-Mix

Family-Owned & Operated

Need concrete? Why go through the hassle of mixing it yourself when SWEETWATER READY-MIX will deliver the finest concrete obtainable.

Located at 105 West 12th St. in Sweetwater, this quality-conscious firm is ready to dispatch a truck to your site on a moment's notice. Since the concrete is transit mixed, there is no waiting involved. Just prepare your forms and phone 236-6200. They'll pour when you're ready!

Contractors throughout the area have found that the correctly proportioned materials that SWEETWATER READY-MIX uses guarantee a perfect job every time, and the finished product is always one of lasting beauty.

From foundations to gutters to patio decks to walks, you can do no better than to call this outstanding company for all of your concrete needs! We, the editors of this 1989 Fall Business Review recommend their products and their service.

try Music T.V. and TNT to their Basic service!

Since the cable comes directly into your set...there's hardly ever any reception problem.

Contact UNITED CABLE OF ROTAN today to find out how easily YOUR family can enjoy the many advantages of cable television. The editors of this 1989 Fall Business Review know you'll be glad you did!

United Cable Of Rotan

Featuring over 24 channels of brilliant reception, cable T.V. has become one of the favorite entertainments in the homes of the Rotan area. We're indeed fortunate in having a quality minded company like UNITED CABLE OF ROTAN in charge of cable T.V. in the area!

Located at 102 N. Florence in Rotan, phone 735-2526, offers

cable service throughout the region. For a small installation fee and low, monthly service charge...YOUR FAMILY can enjoy the unparalleled quality that cable television can provide. For your viewing pleasure they offer 3 pay services; HBO, Cinemax, and the Disney Channel and have just added Arts and Entertainment, American Movie Channel, Coun-

The CHARLES L. BURNETT DIRT & PAVING CONTRACTOR, located at 1100 W. Broadway in Sweetwater, phone 235-5321, are contractors for all types of asphalt paving, including driveways, streets, etc.

When you have paving laid, you want it to be durable and last for years. There is a great deal of skill required to lay paving properly and when you contract with this well thought of contractor to do any work you can be assured of an expert job and only the best in materials.

If you have a dirt driveway or parking lot that is always muddy when it rains, and hard to get in and out of, call them for an estimate to have it laid with pav-

ing that will last. They will complete their contract in the shortest time possible and you need not be inconvenienced in having to wait a long time in getting your work done.

In this 1989 Fall Business Review, we, the editors, take

great pleasure in highly recommending CHARLES L. BURNETT DIRT & PAVING CONTRACTOR to all our readers. When you need a first class paving contractor, be sure to call this reputable contractor!

Sonic Drive-In

America's Favorite Drive-In

Good food and fast service is the byword of the SONIC DRIVE-IN located at 1225 East Broadway in Sweetwater, phone 235-9042.

As many people in this area have found, there is no better drive-in than this one.

On their menu you will find taste-tempting hamburgers, foot-longs and other sandwiches, french fries, all types of cold drinks, and some of the best desserts you've ever tasted, and all prepared in the most sanitary conditions with modern equip-

ment. The management of this drive-in, Tim Miller, has made it a point to hire employees who are courteous and who will give you fast service.

The editors of this 1989 Fall Business Review suggest to our readers that the next time they are in town, they stop in at the SONIC DRIVE-IN for a tasty filling meal at little cost. We compliment them for their reputation of quality food and friendly service.

The Cat's Meow

Latria Sims-Owner

Bring your beautiful child or baby to THE CAT'S MEOW and discover a whole world of fashion for the very young! Located at 215 Oak in Sweetwater, phone 235-9271, this outstanding children's and infant's apparel shop features ONLY the finest garments for your child.

From warm comforters to beautiful little suits and dresses, this is one shop which offers more for your child. They have an ex-

cellent selection of comfortable clothing to suit any occasion or need. You have to see the outstanding assortment of beautiful young fashions at THE CAT'S MEOW, before you can believe your child could look so good!

As the editors of this 1989 Fall Business Review, we're sure you'll discover what you've been missing when it comes to the BEST infant's and children's wear!

Pro Parts Inc.

David Merritt-Owner/Manager

Whether you need a special order replacement item, or custom accessories for your car, this is one parts house that is never, "fresh out"! Got a foreign car? Why pay exorbitant prices at the "specialty parts" store when PRO PARTS INC. has replacement parts and accessories for nearly all foreign

cars? The same courteous, efficient service is featured, of course.

In compiling this 1989 Fall Business Review, we, the writers, feel no profile of trade leaders of this community would be complete without prominent mention of this outstanding parts house. PRO PARTS INC.

Colortyme T.V. Rental Of Snyder

With all of the new shows this season, it may just be the best time for you to look into renting a new television from COLORTYME, located at 1900 Snyder Shopping Center, phone 573-1924.

By renting a quality audio or video system from this well established firm you will never

again have to worry about those costly repair bills that can pop up from time to time.

The friendly people at COLORTYME, look after both their customers and their equipment, to insure the kind of troublefree viewing that people are really looking for and offer convenient rental purchase plan on T.V.'s

VCR's, appliances, as well as furniture.

In compiling this 1989 Fall Business Review of leading businesses and stores in the area, we, the editors, feel that this is one service which deserves your patronage due to their dedicated service to the community and their steadfast belief that the customer comes first!

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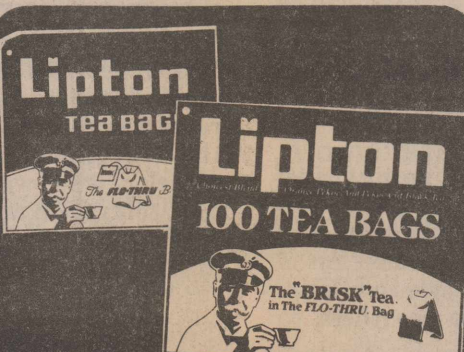
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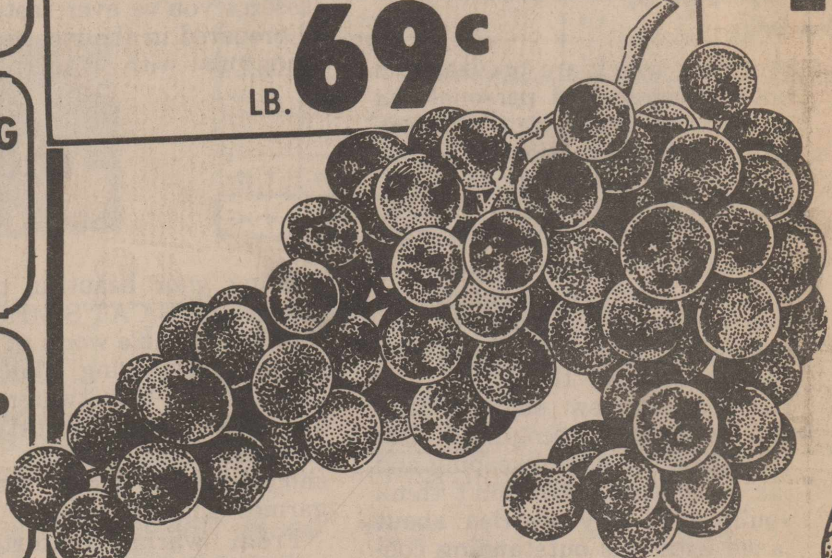
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