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Sheriff Indicates Audit Will Go Deeper If Gray Areas Found

Sweetwater Firm Hired For Hospital Audit Of 1989 Books

Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts in cooperation with District Attorney Frank Conard, have employed the firm of Springer & Associates of Sweetwater to perform the audit of the Fisher County Hospital District for the 1989 year. The audit is to determine if any Fisher County Hospital employee or associate may have improperly expended funds in the performance of duties..

The audit firm of Condley & Company of Abilene, conducted an audit at the request of Fisher County Hospital Board President Frank Mitchell in June. The results of that audit indicated that there were some areas that needed further explanation. The Fisher County Hospital Board, at their regular meeting on July 16th, unanimously approved a motion to turn all the information on audits over to the District Attorney for further investigation.

Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts indicated that Springer & Associates was one of four firms submitting proposals on doing a 1989 Fisher County Hospital District special audit. "Springer & Associates was chosen because of their price and experience. That firm has had extensive experience in doing that type audit, in fact Springer & Associates was the firm that found missing government funds in a recent Sweetwater audit', said Counts.

"Depending upon what Springer & Associates finds in the 1989 audit, will determine how far back they go. If the 1989 audit leaves substantial unanswered questions and points to potential misappropriation of funds questions, then Springer & Associates will continue doing audits until the District Attorney is satisfied", said Counts.

The firm is expected to begin the actual audit this week and projects being completed with the 1989 portion by mid September.

The cost of the 1989 audit, according to Counts, is "between $5,000.00 and $10,000.00 from all projections'.

In addition to the audit firm being employed, Counts indicated that Special Investigator Kenneth Crow, of the District Attorney's office, has been conducting interviews and investigations. Counts is also involved in interviews and investigations in connection with the special audit.

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Kim's Korner
By Kim Pease

SHORT SUMMER: It certainly has been a short summer. When coaches begin talking about issuing football workout equipment, two-a-days are just around the corner, school begins a few weeks after that and here we go with another 'school year' cycle. Rotan and Roby coaches are attending coaching school this week in Houston. Rotan Head Coach Doug Dallas indicated that football shoes will be issued to athletes on August 11th. Coach Thiessen at Roby should be releasing his physical and equipment issuing schedule this week.

-KK-

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Hester Clements will be celebrating her 90th birthday on Saturday, August 4th at the Fisher County Senior Citizen's Center. Everyone is invited to attend but she has requested no gifts.

-KK-

TRUE STORY: Noticed the following sign in an office and wondered if the owner had a rebellious teenager or young adult or both. "Attention - Young Adults and Teenagers.....If you are tired of being hassled by unreasonable parents, now is the time for action. Leave home and pay your own way while you still know everything."

-KK-

SEMINAR SET: The members of the Roby Church of Christ are attempting to get a van load of folks to attend a "Marriage Enrichment Seminar" on September 14 & 15 at Faith Village Church of Christ in Wichita Falls, Texas. Interested? Call Darrell (Speedy) Hart at 776-2496.

-KK-

FINALLY: Ol' Whistle Britches from his Shinnery Ridge Ranch at Rough Creek stopped by the office plenty irritated at this country editor. He informed me that he took the time to write down his thoughts and I didn't have the decency to run them in the paper. I informed him how the cow ate the cabbage. Advertising is what makes this newspaper go round and round. Without advertising revenue, we close the doors. Last week, I informed him, we didn't have enough advertising to get all the news in, I sacrificed my column, for hard news, and his "pearls of wisdom" got the ax, right along with my column. If we have enough advertising for a 4 page paper; enough news for a 20 page paper, we run a 4 page paper and hold the news. Whistle Britches understood and left the following.

*CIGARETTES: Many people who quit smoking cigarettes have the same problem as newcomers to nudist camps - they don't know what to do with their hands.

*FRIENDS: A real friend will strengthen you with his prayers, bless you with his love and encourage you with his hope.

*JOBS: The best way to appreciate your job is to take a few minutes and imagine yourself without it.

*AMERICANS: Americans are the only people on the face of this earth that can afford chairs that vibrate and automobiles that don't.

*CHURCH ATTENDANCE: If church members expect to answer - when the roll is called up yonder, they had better be present when the roll is called down here.

*MEMORY: Memory is a wonderful treasure chest for those who know how to pack it.

*FINALLY, FINALLY: Benjamin Franklin said it best when he said: "Our Constitution is in actual operation; everything appears to promise that it will last; but nothing in this world is certain but death and taxes."

Roby High Will Hold Orientation August 14 & 16

Roby High School will hold freshman orientation for the 1990-91 school year on Tuesday, August 14th from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the high school library. High school principal Guy Nelson and counselor Glenna Stuart will discuss the high school curriculum, graduation requirements and specific course offerings. All incoming ninth grade students and their parents are encouraged to attend.

Student registration for the 1990-91 school year will be Thursday, August 16th. Seniors will register from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., juniors from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and sophomores and freshmen from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Rotan High Registration Set August 13,14

Mickey Early, Rotan High School principal, announced this week that registration for fall classes will be held Monday, August 13 and Tuesday, August 14, at the Rotan High School library.

Seniors will register between 9 and 11 a.m. on Monday, August 13 and Juniors will register between 1 and 4 p.m. on Monday, August 13. Sophomores will register between 9 and 11 a.m. on Tuesday, August 14 and freshmen will register between 1 and 4 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14.

Changes in the schedule have been made, so each student is encouraged to be at the high school at the time requested. Those having questions, can call 735-3041.

Rotan Methodist Bible School To Begin Monday

The members of the First United Methodist Church of Rotan, under the leadership of Rev. Ron Dunaway, will hold the annual Vacation Bible School, August 6 - 10 from 6:30 p.m., until 8:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School Superintendent is Nina Tandy.

Classes will be for 4-year olds through children in the 6th grade.

Anyone needing additional information can contact Nina Tandy at 735-2300. All area children are invited to attend.

Roby School Board Special Meeting Is Set For August 7th

The members of the Roby CISD will hold a special called meeting on Tuesday night, August 7th, according to George Price, Superintendent.

The meeting is being called for the board members to discuss, in part, (a) the approval of the 1990-91 student handbook, (b) the board to act on resignations, (c) the board to review student insurance policies for 1990-91, (d) opening and possibly accepting bids on the construction of new bleachers at the football field (visitor's side) and (e) the appointment of a criminal history check person.

Price indicated that the meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Rotan City Could Move To New Site In August

Rotan Mayor Dr. Jerry Marshall indicated last Tuesday morning that the Rotan City offices could possibly move to their new location the first part of August.

The sale of the old savings and loan building, for $40,000.00, was approved and accepted, but no deed has been issued. Marshall was of the opinion that the deed would be forthcoming and that the possibility existed that the City of Rotan could move in early August.

"Some damage has occurred to the building, but officials have indicated that they will repair the roof and repair water damage that has taken place, as part of the $40,000.00 sale price", said Marshall.

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Minimum $15,000 Needed For Fight Through August

County Hazardous Waste Task Force Needing Influx Of Cash Donations To Fight Legal Battles

This is the first time that the Fisher County Hazardous Waste Task Force has openly solicited financial donations to assist in fighting the placement of a hazardous waste site in Fisher County.

The task force, although not in a financial pinch, recognizes the need to "beef" up their bank account in preparation for what could be a long legal battle with Sweetwater Resources, Inc., over placement of the hazardous waste site in south Fisher County.

Fisher County Hazardous Waste Task Force chairman Dr. Ernie Atkins, in an interview last Monday afternoon, indicated that substantial funds are needed to avoid a financial crisis. "Our motion to dismiss Sweetwater Resources, Inc., application has currently been halted by Texas Water Commission, therefore clearing the way for the September continuation of the Public Hearing in Fisher County", said Atkins.

In anticipation of all costs, officers in the Fisher County Hazardous Waste Task Force have estimated projected expenditures through August and feel that additional funds are needed to continue to adequately fight the waste disposal placement.

"To have any practical chance at defeating Sweetwater Resources, Inc.'s application, more funds must be raised. Expert testimony, lawyer's fees and transcription fees are going to require an additional minimum of $15,000.00 of funding," said Atkins.

The Fisher County Hazardous Waste Task Force, following their first open meeting in Roby, asked interested county residents attending to make a "free-will' contribution to the legal defense fund. That solicitation has been adequate to fund all expenses to date, but projections indicated that additional funds will be needed.

Fisher County residents interested in making a financial contribution can mail funds to "Fisher County Hazardous Waste Fund', C/O Citizen's State Bank, Roby, Texas 79543.

Yellowhammer Band Practice Begins Aug 6th

Band practice for the Yellowhammer Band will begin Monday, Aug. 6 for students in grades 9 through 12. The rehearsals will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will run until 12:00 noon each day Monday through Friday.

There will also be a meeting of all senior band members on Friday, Aug. 3 at 8:00 p.m. in the band hall.

Parents, if you have any questions, you may call Mr. Sims at 735-2653.

Henry Hunter New Superintendent At Sierra Blanca

Henry Hunter, former McCaulley School Superintendent, resigned as an employee of the Roby Consolidated Independent School District last Monday morning, according to George Price, Roby CISD Superintendent. His resignation was effective immediately.

Price indicated that Hunter resigned to accept a job as superintendent of schools at Sierra Blanca ISD.

Hospital Board Special Meeting Thursday Noon

The Fisher County Hospital Board of Directors will meet in called special session on Thursday, August 2nd at noon, according to Interim Administrator Rita Mason.

The meeting is for the purpose of (a) discussing an possibly acting on hospital insurance; (b) discussing and possibly acting on a contract with Dr. Susan Vorgot and (c) reviewing the condition of the Fisher County ambulance fleet.

Twenty Planning October Trip To Tennessee Area

A total of 16 Fisher County area individuals have signed up to take the October trip to Tennessee.

The trip will include 6-days in Nashville, Gatlinburg, Smoky Mountains, Memphis and Chattanooga. Total cost is $450.00 a person, based on double occupancy. A $50.00 deposit must be received by Friday, August 3rd to hold a place on the trip.

Additional information can be obtained from Janeece Pease, 735-3115.

Rotan Coach Is Searching For Unused Weights

Rotan head football coach, Doug Dallas, is needing help in organizing the weight room. If there is anyone interested in donating weights which are no longer used or needed, he would like to take them off your hands.

Interested persons are encouraged to call Coach Dallas at the field house and he will pick them up. The number to the field house is 735-2538.

Four Attend Lion District Meeting From Local Clubs

A total of four Fisher County individuals attended the Lion's Club District 2T2 meeting last Sunday at the Texas Boys Ranch, 6 miles east of Lubbock.

Those making the trip were Dr. Jerry Marshall of Rotan and Zana Beth Branham and Mr. and Mrs. Horace Curlee of Roby.

Dr. Marshall, a member of the Lions Club Governor's cabinet, as well as activity chairman for the district also represented the local Rotan Lions Club as the secretary at the meeting. Horace Curlee represented the Roby club as president while Zana Beth Branham represented the Roby club as secretary.

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Highway Patrol, Sheriff Deputies In Rotan High Speed Chase After Four

Fisher County law enforcement officers were involved in a high speed chase last Saturday night that began when a Rotan youth fled Department of Public Safety Patrolman Albert Hataway.

The chase began south of Rotan, where Jorge Cervante Delgado, age 19 of Rotan, was clocked travelling 81 miles a hour by DPS radar. Delgado ignored all indications by DPS Patrolman Hataway to stop and pull over, opting instead to attempt to flee a law enforcement confrontation.

Delgado was finally stopped approximately 2 miles north of Rotan, along with three juveniles who were travelling with him, after the chase wound through the Rotan residential section and involved the Delgado vehicle, DPS vehicle and two Fisher County Sheriff's deputies in separate vehicles.

Delgado was arrested for "fleeing from a police officer, no driver's license and minor in possession of alcohol".

Delgado was arrested and he is presently out of jail on bond. The three juveniles were released to Juvenile Officer Connie Moore.

Rotan Athletes Will Take Annual Physicals For Sports, August 8th

Although most Rotan students may feel that summer has just started, it will not be long before they have to start thinking seriously about the new school year again.

Physical examinations for all Rotan students interested in participating in any or all sports for the 1990-91 school year have been scheduled by Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Doug Dallas.

Physicals will be given on Wednesday, August 8th beginning at 1:30 P.M.., at the Callan Clinic. Students will need to pickup physical forms at the Rotan Field House before August 8th. "All students need to complete as much of the information as possible on the physical form before going to the Callan Clinic", said Dallas.

The physical is also offered to students who have been injured or who are just in need of having a physical examination, commented Dallas.

Football players will be permitted to pickup football shoes on August 8th in preparation for the beginning of two-a-day workouts.

The Rotan coaching staff left for the annual summer coaching school last Sunday in Houston. Those attending were Doug Dallas, Ted Posey, Monty Jones and Darren Jansen.

FISHER COUNTY EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Fisher County Sheriff
776-2273
Fisher County Hospital
735-2256
To Report A Fire
776-2273
To Call An Ambulance
735-2256

State Capital Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
Texas Press Association

AUSTIN - The public school finance reform plan got a temporary nod of approval from a presiding judge last week, but voters may witness a bloodier political battle just before Election Day.

Meanwhile, as Clayton Williams and Ann Richards campaigned in East Texas, down-ballot candidates swapped potshots:

■ In the lieutenant governor race, Democrat Bob Bullock drew a little blood with his official complaint that Robert Mosbacher's campaign improperly reported political expenses.

■ Rangers pitcher and modern day hero Nolan Ryan endorsed state Rep. Rick Perry for agriculture commissioner in radio ads; incumbent Democrat Jim Hightower fired back at Perry's backers.

■ State Sen. Buster Brown and state Rep. Dan Morales agreed to a roundtable series, with Morales claiming he was ahead in the polls and fundraising.

Judges, Tax Hikes

Austin State District Judge Scott McCown said the school finance reform bill is a "significant step forward," but said he has not decided whether it is constitutional.

McCown spoke at the conclusion of the 12-day trial in which 68 property-poor school districts challenged the law. Although McCown initially indicated he would rule on the case by Sept. 1, he now says the decision will be issued in September or October.

The timing means that Judge McCown could rule whether it is constitutional just a couple of weeks before Election Day, holding promise that the issue could ignite voters one way or the other in the campaign's last days.

If his ruling, as perceived by lawmakers and voters, directs the Legislature to raise school property taxes next session, then the Texas Supreme Court justice races could heat up, because that is where his ruling will be appealed.

Mattox Raids Theater

Attorney General Jim Mattox sent his staff to help Pharr city officials battle sexually oriented businesses by closing an adult movie house.

The city asked for help because its police force does not have enough officers for a vice squad.

That same day, a Pharr municipal court ruled that previously seized sexually oriented materials worth $75,000 were forfeited to the state.

Bullock's Complaint

In a letter to the Texas Secretary of State, Bullock charged Mosbacher with violating the election code by not filing details on $260,000 his campaign paid his company, Mosbacher Energy Corp. in Houston.

Mosbacher explained his campaign operated in the company building and that payments were expenses for office rent, salaries, phone bills and contract labor.

Bullock said the expenses were filed as a lump sum and not broken down as they should be.

Ryan Pitches Politics

While trying for 300 wins, Nolan Ryan also pitched radio ads for Perry's candidacy, but Hightower threw strikes at a political action committee for illegal contributions to Perry.

Ryan has farmed several years near Alvin, Texas.

In a response uncharacteristic for the feisty Hightower, he wished Ryan well in getting his 300th win, but said voters will decide themselves to elect him to a third term.

A citizens group charged that South Texans for Rick Perry violated election laws by not filing a campaign treasurer before giving $35,000 to Perry.

Perry's campaign later placed the $35,000 in a separate bank account until the South Texas group files the proper information.

AG Roundtables

Brown and Morales, AG opponents, agreed to a series of roundtable talks with reporters, and swapped complaints.

Morales said Brown's "name calling and screaming for debates" is a sign that he (Morales) is ahead in the polls and raising funds.

Brown retorted "Morales can speak for 20 minutes and still not say anything."

At last report, Brown was significantly ahead in fundraising and led in some polls.

Other Highlights

■ The Battleship Texas returned home to the San Jacinto State Park, painted Navy blue instead of gray, after spending over a year in repair dock.

■ Gov. Bill Clements named Douglas Jeu, 43, a Houston lawyer, to the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles. Jeu replaces Esther Yao of Houston, who resigned.

■ Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby and House Speaker Gib Lewis are creating a bipartisan task force to oppose a U.S. Defense Department recommendation to end federal funding for the V-22 Osprey aircraft being developed by Bell Helicopter-Textron in Fort Worth.

■ Agriculture officials from 32 states met in Weslaco last week to coordinate defending the honey industry against "Killer Bees."

The hybrid bees are the offspring of a swarm of African bees which escaped a Brazilian research project in 1957, migrated north to Mexico and are due in the U.S. next year.



Thirty-One From County To Make 4-H Maine Trip

A total of 24 Fisher County 4-H members and 7 sponsors will depart next Monday from Roby for a whirlwind 10 day trip to Maine as part of the annual summer 4-H exchange program.

Those involved will leave Roby on Monday, August 6th, at 9:00 a.m., for Fort Worth. On Tuesday, August 7th the crew will board an Amtrack train for Chicago, arriving on Tuesday, August 7th. Once in Chicago, the local 4-Hers will have a walking tour of the Windy City.

On August 8th, the crew will spend the day in Washington, D.C.; in New York City on August 9th and in Boston on August 10th.

The afternoon of August 10th the 4-Hers will leave Boston for four days in Maine, returning back to Fisher County on August 16th.

The 4-H members planning to make the trip are: Jennifer Kincaid, Tina McClure, Teresa McClure, Michelle Beauchamp, Audra Lewis, Rodney Matthies, Jennifer Pullig, Eric Smith, Kevin Smith, Chuck Dannheim, Karen Barrera, Linneah Funk, Tracy Hull, David Scott, Chris Estes, Eddie Gonzales, Jennifer Elkins, Jake Carriker, Shannon Boone, Jerry Carreon, Brian Mauldin, Eddie Onofre, Nikki Fulfer and Angela Buckner.

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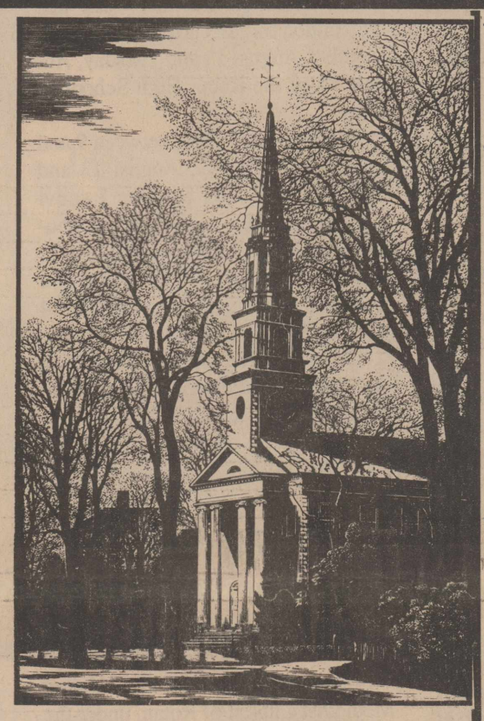
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Scriptures Selected by The American Bible Society

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
John 13:1-20	• Psalm 40:1-17	• Psalm 71:1-24	• Ephesians 1:3-14	• 2 Kings 2:1-18	• Psalm 46:1-11	• Acts 4:23-31

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St. Joseph's Catholic Church
Rotan, Texas
Father Austin Kitteredge
Sunday Morning 9:00 a.m. Mass
Sunday Night 7:30 p.m. Mass

Little Zion Baptist Church
Rotan, Texas
Rev. John L. Martin
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Foursquare Church
Rotan, Texas
Rev. Robert Kennedy
Sunday Schol 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 p.m.

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

Church Of The Nazarene
Rotan, Texas
Rev. Claude Ledbetter
S.S. 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Afternoon Worship 3:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Roby, Texas
Rev. Alvin Petty
S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Choir Practice 5:00 - Worship 6:00
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30

Hobbs Baptist Church
Hobbs Community
Rev. P.A. Mitchum
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

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

McCaulley Baptist Church
McCaulley, Texas
Rev. Dutch Parks
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

First United Methodist
Rotan, Texas
Rev. Ron W. Dunaway
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship Service 6:00 p.m.

Church Of Christ
Roby, Texas
Darrell Hart
S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 10:45
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night 8:00 p.m.

First United Methodist
Roby, Texas
Rev. Larry Crumpton
S.S. 9:45 a.m. - Worship 10:50 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.

Church Of Christ
Rotan, Texas
Douglas Reeves
S.S. 9:45 - Worship Service 10:45
Sunday Ladies Bible Class 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Night Worship 6:00 - Wed. - 7:30

Attend SUNDAY SCHOOL

First Baptist Church
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Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

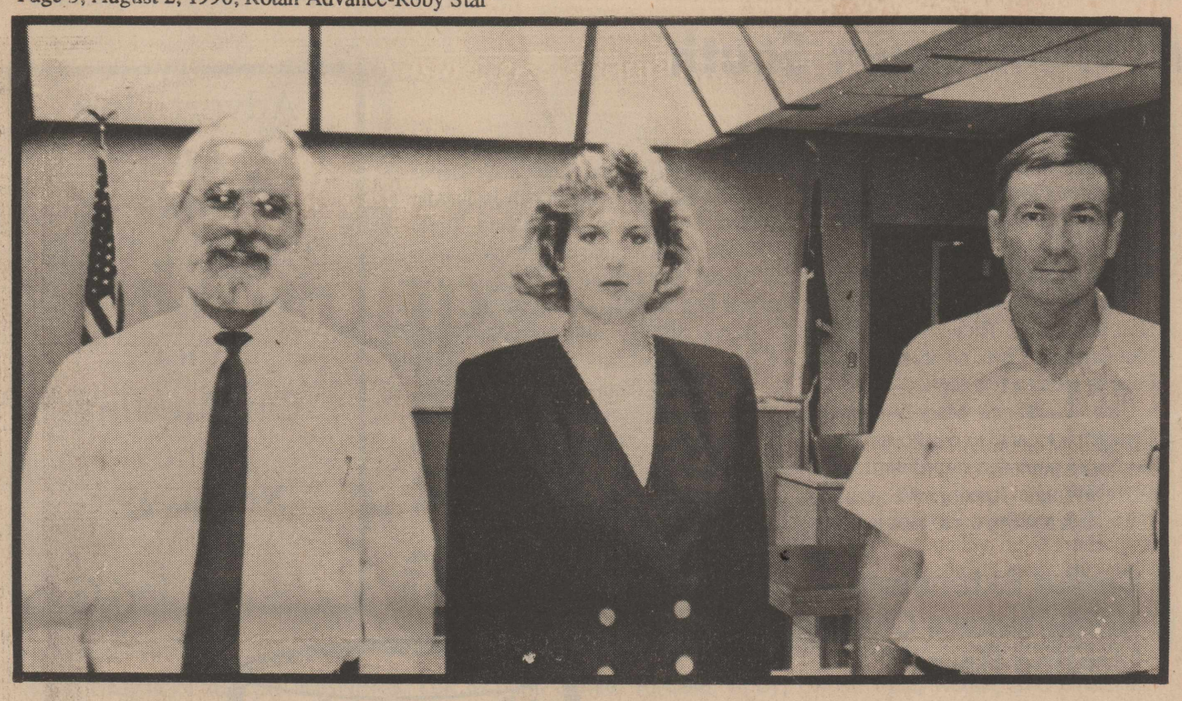
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Rotan, Texas
Rev. Felix Silva
Sunday School 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday Night Worship 7:00 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church
Rotan, Texas
Rev. Gene Prevo
S.S.10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wendesday Night Service 7:00 p.m.

Mission Bautista Celvario
Roby, Texas
Rev. Eli Sepeda
S.S. 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Eve 5:30 p.m. Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7:30 p.m.

First United Methodist
McCaulley, Texas
Rev. Lyle Reece
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
2nd Wednesday Fellowship 6:30 p.m.

United Pentecostal Church
Roby, Texas
Rev. Jerry Crumpton
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 p.m.



PARTICIPANTS: The above three individuals took part in the report to Fisher County conering a feasibility study of a textile factory to produce a cotton wool blend yarn. Left to right: Randy Goldsmith, Amy Flanagan and Richard Spencer.

Comptroller of the Currency
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ASSETS		
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:		
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin		2,067
Interest-bearing balances		0
Securities		25,147
Federal funds sold		1,050
Securities purchased under agreements to resell		0
Loans and lease financing receivables:		
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	24,831	
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	456	
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	0	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve		24,375
Assets held in trading accounts		0
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)		609
Other real estate owned		771
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies		0
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding		0
Intangible assets		0
Other assets		1,470
Total assets		55,489
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		N/A
Total assets and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		55,489

		Dollar Amounts in Thousands
LIABILITIES		
Deposits:		
In domestic offices		50,828
Noninterest-bearing	5,187	
Interest-bearing	45,641	
Federal funds purchased		0
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		0
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury		0
Other borrowed money		0
Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases		0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding		0
Subordinated notes and debentures		0
Other liabilities		343
Total liabilities		51,171
Limited-life preferred stock and related surplus		0
EQUITY CAPITAL		
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus		0
Common stock		600
Surplus		400
Undivided profits and capital reserves		3,357
LESS: Net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities		39
Total equity capital		4,318
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		N/A
Total equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		4,318
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, equity capital, and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		55,489

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions and is true and correct.

James L. Springer

Wayne Harris

Phillip Springer

I, Linda J. Deen

Vice President, Auditor
of the above named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Linda J. Deen
Signature

July 20, 1990
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Obituaries

Rev. James Burt Carrington, 70, died Friday, July 27, in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

Services were at 2 p.m., Friday at Mount Rose Baptist Church with Rev. F.K. Williams officiating. Burial was at Sweetwater Cemetery under the direction of Cate-Spencer & Gallagher Funeral Home.

Rev. Carrington was born Apr. 12, 1920, in Travis County. He married Retta Robinson on Dec. 24, 1940, in Austin. They moved to Sweetwater from Austin in 1944.

He was an engineer with National Western Compress of Sweetwater for 32 years, and was a pastor for 18 years at Little Zion Baptist Church in Rotan and St. John Baptist Church in Roby. He retired from the ministry in July 1989.

He was president of the board of deacons at Mount Rose Baptist for several years and a member of their Ministerial Alliance in Rotan.

Survivors include his wife, Retta; four daughters, LaVerne Williams of Roscoe, Isabel Williams of Abilene; Mae Ivory Banks of Stockton, Calif., and Marie Owens of Austin; two sons, Bennie Carrington of Sweetwater and Alvin Carrington of Dallas; two brothers, Willie Carrington and Sonny Carrington, both of Austin; two sisters, Pearlie Davis of Austin and Mary Jane Reed of Austin; 24 grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a son, James Edward Carrington.

Marine Hector Velez Finishes Hawaii Exercise

Marine Gunnery Sgt. Hector Velez, son of Elida Montez of Rotan, Texas, recently completed a "Rim of the Pacific" exercise while serving with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-262, based at Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

During the 3rd Fleet exercise, more than 55 ships, 200 aircraft, 50,000 sailors, airmen, Marines, and soldiers from Canada, Australia, Republic of Korea, Japan, and the U.S. participated in training operations designed to improve the tactical capabilities of all participating units.

A 1971 graduate of Rotan High School, he joined the Marine Corps in June 1972.

Cross Roads To Conduct Revival Beginning Aug. 8

Cross Roads Baptist Church has planned revival services for August 8 - 12. The theme for the services is 'The Master's Touch' which is intended to emphasize the renewing power of God in the individual and the church.

The new pastor, Keith Berryman will be preaching and the music will be led by Dennis Julian of Sherman, Texas. Special emphases are planned for each evening's activities prior to worship services. Wednesday will be children, Thursday, Senior Adults, Friday youth and Saturday the family.

The Sunday School is facing a challenge of reaching a goal of 95 in attendance Sunday morning.

The services will begin each night at 7:30 p.m., The choir will practice at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m.

Emily Anne Born To Randy Bibb Family

Randy and Julie Bibb of Abilene are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Anne born on Saturday, July 28th. She weighs 7 lbs. 13 oz.. and has two proud brothers, Derrick 4, and Logan 2.

Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bibb of Rising Star and Carol Posey of Rotan. Her great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dave Posey of Rotan, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wheeler of Temple.

Fisher County Agent's Column

By Richard Spencer

Beef cattle herd expansion is continuing due to higher prices at 5 percent a year. At this rate cattle prices are expected to decline sharply during the last quarter of 1991.

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EPD's or Expected Progency Differences are becoming more important to all cattlemen. An EPD is a prediction of how future progency of one sire are expected to perform for a particular trait as compared to a fixed breed average. Important traits being looked at by cattlemen are milk production, birth weights and weaning and yearling weights.

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Prussic Acid in sorghum fields could still be a problem since the recent rain. It is recommended that regrowth be 18 inches tall before turning cattle in the fields.

News From Down South

by Bertha Warren

We have some green leaves reappearing on our trees after the grasshoppers stripped them of their foliage. Right now they look as if an eery frost hit them.

Sunni Shipp celebrated her 5th birthday Saturday, the 28th at the home of her great grandmother, Kate Fincher in Rotan. Her birthday was the 24th of July. She was surprised with gifts, cake and homemade ice cream. Those attending were her parents, Damon and Shelby, little sister Sydney, another great grandmother, Callie Shipp of Rotan, grandparents Gene and Buline Shipp of Roby, Sue Dulin of Maryneal, Sonny and Loraine Edgar of Albany. Also Jennie Edgar, Melissa Dulin, Charles and Biddie Shipp. Happy birthday Sunni.

Mary Etta O'Donald and Kristi spent Tuesday night with John and Julie Kaczyk and children of Electra, Tx. The E.M. O'Donalds, Kristi, Karri, Ronnie, Vicki, Cody and Matt all met at Don and Nancy's home for a get together Friday and Saturday. Kristi returned home with her parents. Ernest and Estella O'Donald visited the E.M. O'Donald's Thursday.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of 82 year old Elva Griffin of McCaulley. Mrs. Griffin died Saturday and was buried on Monday.

It seems as though the last two weeks there have been so many deaths of local folks or relatives in this area. Charlie Smith and Ilene Hale's cousin, Arthur Blankinship, passed away in Marritta, OK. He was buried Saturday in Courtney, OK. Lorene Henderson's sister-in-law Loraine Rucker of Grandbury died Sunday. She is survived by her husband Edward, one son and one daugher. Malvin Thompson, 77, of Sylvester, died Thursday in an Abilene hospital. His services were held Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Roby with the Rev.'s Alvin Petty, Ralph Thompson and Charlie McLaughin, officiating. Survivors include his wife, Jewel, a daughter, Danna Maberry of Sweetwater, and two brothers John and Vick Thompson of Sweetwater. Our sympathy goes out to all of these families.

Wayne's sister-in-law Bernice Warren of Peoria, AZ, has been in the hospital but is now out and feeling better.

Jewel Ratliff, Dot McCain, Sue and C.W. Dulin spent Sunday in Hamlin with Bob and Helen Ratliff. Jewel and Dot visited with us on Saturday. Harvie and Cleo Davis along with Jene Banks of Ca., visited in Fredericksburg with the Calvin Davis family, then went to Camp Wood to visit Russel and Kathy Gee and Chris. They returned home Monday and Chris came home with them to spend a few days.

Rev. Jack and Mary Walton of Georgetown came to our house Saturday about noon and stayed until Monday morning. Sunday, we went to Hermleigh and Snyder to look up some of their cousins and visited with friends in the area. We had lunch in Snyder then dropped by Steve and Tachi Warren's then came home and made ice cream. We invited Ollie Ogden over and Gill and Dianne and kids Brian, Kenny and Jay came by on their way home from a trip to Six Flags. They visited with Trina while in Fort Worth. The Walton's went to Sweetwater Monday to see his sister Ellen Polk and was going on to Abilene to visit a sick brother, Dolf Walton before returning to Georgetown.

Call and let us know what's going on in your world.

Center Extension Homemakers Club Meeting Held

The Center Extension Homemakers Club met July 24 in the Courthouse Annex.

Luella Waddell, president, conducted a short business meeting with more plans for the county fair to be held on August 15 to 17. Their educational exhibit will be entitled "Our Flag", showing points of flag etiquette and other good citizenship reminders.

The remainder of the meeting was a party demonstrating Stanley Products and their many uses in the home by Earline Payne of Snyder. She also conducted games. Refreshments were served by Louise Mahaffey to members: Fay Anderson, Eilene Cave, Voncille Driver, Audie Burk, Bernice Randolph, and Luella Wadella and guests, Forrest Price, Nancy Hart, Melba Martin and Earline Payne.

An ice cream supper for family night will be August 7, at the James Cave home.

Hospital News

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients admitted to the Fisher County July 24 thru July 30, 1990 were:

Michael W. Weidler_ Rotan; Roy L. Masters_ Rotan; Byrdie S. Houghton_ Roby; Jack Aaron_ Rotan; Ramona Almanza_ Rotan; LaRhea Smith_ Rotan; Fred Martinez_ Rotan; Golda Springer_ Rotan.

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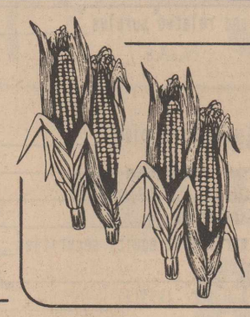
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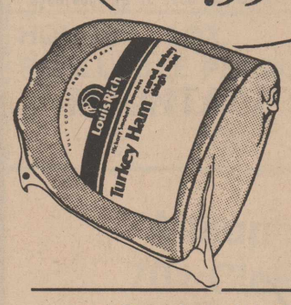
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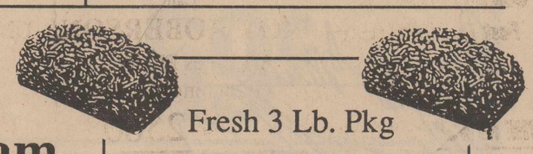
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YARD SALE: Friday, August 3rd, 901 E. 5th, Rotan.
26:1tp

INSIDE SALE: Saturday, August 4th, from 9:00 a.m. till ? Also have house for rent or sale. 715 Burnside, Rotan.
26:1tc

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, Aug. 4th, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. 906 N. Cleveland, Rotan.
26:1tp

CARPORT SALE: 311 N. Garfield, Rotan. August 4th, weather permitting. Tenor sax, excellent condition, king size bedspreads and headboard, boys jeans, books, much more.
26:1tp

GARAGE SALE: 902 E. Beauregard, Rotan. Saturday, August 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
26:1tc

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, August 4th, from 8:00 a.m. till ? 311 5th St. in Rotan.
26:1tc

THREE FAMILY GARAGE SALE: 2 miles N. Roby, Saturday, August 4th from 8:00 a.m. till ? Quilts, curtains, lots of good clothes, records, toys and other household items.
26:1tc

MOVING SALE: Clothes, chair, antennae, lots of odds and ends. Saturday, August 4th, 7:30 a.m. till ? 202 E. McArthur, Rotan.
26:1tp

GARAGE SALE: 1108 N. Cleveland, Rotan. Friday & Saturday, Aug. 3rd and 4th, from 8:00 a.m. till ? Clothes, furniture, dishes and miscellaneous.
26:1tp

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, August 4th, 302 S. Cleveland, Kid's College, DeeAnn Mullins. Childrens and adult clothes, lots of toys, dishes and kitchen gadgets, bathtub railing, mini blinds and verticals, lots, lots more!
26:1tc

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Mrs. Morris Eugene White III

Meg Lynn Field, Morris Eugene White III, Exchange Wedding Vows

Meg Lynne Field and Morris Eugene White III were united in marriage on Saturday, the seventh of July, in Georgetown, Texas. The double ring ceremony took place at the Lois Perkins Chapel of Southwestern University with Dr. John N.R. Score II, Professor of Religion and Philosophy at Southwestern, officiating.

The bride is the great niece of Pauline Fleming of Rotan and the granddaughter of Anna Mae Fleming of Rotan, and the late Willie (Yoke) Fleming. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris E. White, Jr. of San Antonio and the grandson of Mrs. Morris E. White, Sr. of Corpus Christi.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by David Stevens of Austin. She wore a traditional gown of white organza by the designer of Private Lable by G. The gown featured a Queen Anne neck line and short pouff ball gown sleeves with pearl and sequin encrusted overlays. The fitted bodice and basque waistline were adorned with lace and allowed the full ball gown skirt to sweep into a full length cathedral train. To compliment her gown, the bride wore a demi lace caplet with fingertip length veiling. Her bouqet of white roses and gardenias featured, as "something old", a lace handkerchief worn as a cap when she was christened. For "something new", she wore Christian Dior earrings. She also borrowed a lucky six pence from her maid of honor and wore a blue topaz from Burma, given to her by Dr. and Mrs. Tom Hargrove, Jr. of the Phillipines.

The bridesmaids wore floor length gowns of Rose Moire Tafetta. The maid of honor was Desirre Gray of Chicago, Illinois. The bridesmaids were Camilla White, sister of the groom, from San Antonio, Silke Sahl, Elizabeth Stanley, and Amy Tankersley, all of Austin.

The groom and groomsmen wore black tuxedos with tails and white pique bow ties and vests. The best man was Lawrence White, brother of the groom of San Antonio. The groomsmen were: Neil Grant of San Angelo, Joseph Fisher II of Austin, and John Pfeiffer and Frederick Schlather, both of San Antonio. Ushers were Todd Gantt of Austin, Chris Haff of San Antonio, and Thomas Patterson of Houston.

The bridesmaids entered to "Trumpet Voluntary" by Henry Purcell. The bride entered to the "Bridal Chorus" by Richard Wagner. Receding the processional "Be Thou With Them" by J.S. Bach was sung by Ann Meadows of Georgetown and "O Promise Me" by Joseph Barney was sung during the lighting of the unity candle.

The bride is a graduate of Rotan High School and Southwestern University. She currently attends Texas Tech University School of Law.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Texas Military Institute in San Antonio and Southwestern University. He is employed as an Account Executive with San Antonio Retail Merchants Association, Lubbock Branch.

Following a trip to St. John in the U.S. Virgin Islands, Meg and Trey have made their home in Lubbock.



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Steven Pyburn, Christy Hull And Jason Hull Attend Heifer Meet

Steven Pyburn, Christy Hull and Jason Hull of Merkel attended the 6th Annual Convention and National Junior Beefmaster Heifer show in Sulphur Springs, Texas July 18-22, along with 4 other members of Merkel's FFA chapter.

There were approximately 250 youngsters and parents from six states that attended.

Awards were given through place ten. These three youngsters placed as follows:

Spring Yearling Heifers, March 1, - April 30, 1989; Christy Hull, 6th place; Steven Pyburn, 8th place.

Junior Yearling Heifers, January 1- Feb. 29, 1989: Steven Pyburn, 1st place.

Junior Showmanship, age 14 and under: Jason Hull, 7th place.

Individual Livestock Judging: Steven Pyburn, 4th place.

Public Speaking: Steven Pyburn, 10th place.

Herdsman Quiz: Christy Hull, 4th place; Steven Pyburn, 5th place.

Steven Pyburn also received a $500.00 scholarship from the Junior Beefmaster Breeders Association.

Steven is the son of Doug and Becky Pyburn of Blue Trace Farms of Merkel, Texas and the grandson of Mrs. Jane Pyburn of Roby, Texas.

Christy and Jason Hull are the children of Don and Donna Russom of Russom Ranch, Merkel, Texas and Joe E. Hull of Roby, Texas. They are also the grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. E.B. Hull of Rotan, Texas.

These kids competed against the best heifers in the nation with each class having anywhere from 15 to 36 entries. They are to be congratulated for their efforts.

American Cancer Society Has Videos On Hand

The Area VI Office of the American Cancer Society has announced that video tapes on cancer are available to local clubs, churches, organizations and employee groups interested in educational programs on cancer prevention or early detection and treatment.

Some of the programs demonstrate "Breast Self-Examination," the simple technique of checking for unusual lumps or thickening in the breast. "The Cancer No One Talks About," is a program about cancer of the colon. "Let's Call It Quits," an adult film, shows the humorous, yet serious side of a man as he tries to quit smoking. "Eat Smart" is a program on developing good nutrition sense.

We would also be glad to show adults the educational materials that the American Cancer Society has produced for students about health education, prevention, and detection of the disease. Parents need to know what their children are being taught.

Any group wishing to schedule a Cancer Society program needs to contact your local American Cancer Society Office.

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County Fair Will Include Division To Highlight Local Artistic Talents

Again visitors coming to the Fisher County Fair will have the opportunity to view art work done by Fisher County residents. This exhibit has been a popular division and addition to the Fisher County Fair for several years.

All entries must be in Wednesday, August 15th, between one p.m. and six. Judging will be Thursday, August 16th.

There will be no entry fee and no limit to amount of paintings. Ribbons will be given with best of show in each division. Paintings should be wired and ready for hanging. Work should be done the last two years, and not having been entered before.

Classes are as follows:

Landscape, seascape, still life, wild life, portraits, tole, decorative art, and a new division this year, Southwest art.

Medium- Oil, acrylics, pen ink, pencil, chalk.

Divisions- Professional, advanced,- amateur, novis.

All paintings must stay in place until pick up time, which is 4 p.m., Saturday.

For information on art division, call Luella Waddell, Supt. 776-2747, Roby, Texas.

Darrell Decker To Receive WTC Correctional Officer Certificate

Darrell Wayne Decker of McCaulley will be among 16 new correctional officers receiving certification in ceremonies set for 7 p.m. Monday (July 30) in the Western Texas College Fine Arts Theatre.

Les Woods, warden of the Price Daniel Unit at Snyder, will be speaker for the program. Certificates will be presented by J.D. Barham, Correctional Officer Training instructor at WTC. Dr. Harry Krenek, college president, will extend a welcome to the families and others attending the ceremony.

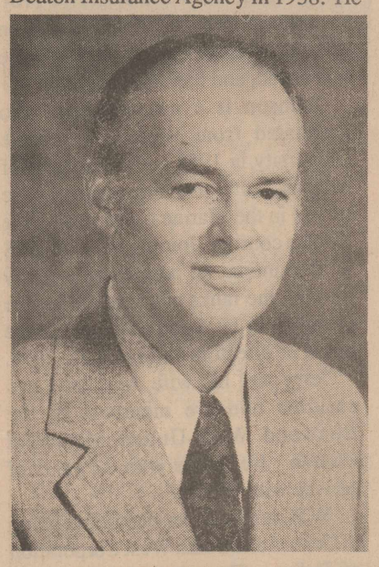
A new Correctional Officer Training class is to start Sept. 10 at WTC. Applications will be accepted from July 30-Aug. 10. The 120-hour course is certified by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for correctional officers for all state prison units. Tuition for the class is $225.

Services Held For Edward "Ed" Deaton, Owner Of Deaton Insurance Agency

Funeral services for Robert Edward "Ed" Deaton, Jr. were held at 4 P.M., Friday, July 27, 1990, at First Baptist Church in Roby. Officiating was the pastor, Rev. Alvin Petty, with burial in the Roby Cemetery. Arrangements were by Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Mr. Deaton was born February 26, 1926, at Whitewright. He was the son of the late Robert Edward and Grace (Vestal) Deaton. He graduated from Trenton High School in 1943 and served with the 11th Airborne during World War II. He graduated from East Texas State University in 1947 and received a Masters Degree from Sam Houston State University the following year.

He moved to Roby in 1952 from San Saba and was manager of the Farmers Home Administration office. He served two years as Vice-President of the Citizens State Bank before he founded Deaton Insurance Agency in 1958. He has operated that business since.



EDWARD DEATON, JR.

Mr. Deaton was a member of First Baptist Church and the Masonic Lodge. He had been a member of the Roby Lions Club for 35 years and was a former member of the Roby Volunteer Fire Department. He served as Fisher County Veteran's Service Officer for 10 years.

He is survived by his wife, the former Ellen Isham, whom he married July 19, 1952 at Greenville. He is also survived by two daughters, Susan Deaton of San Antonio and Kathy McBeath of Burkburnett; two sisters, Elaine Terrell of Denton and Betty Lee of Dallas; a brother, George Deaton of Paducah; and a grandson, Layne Deaton McBeath of Burkburnett.

Active casket bearers were Roy Noles, Nick Nicholson, Jerry Hoodenpyle, Hub Bennett, Tommy Springer and Jack Pritchard. Honorary casket bearers were Drue Wallace, Lynn Randolph, Larry Vaught, James Lay, Horace Curlee, Ben Neeper and Rudy Martinez.

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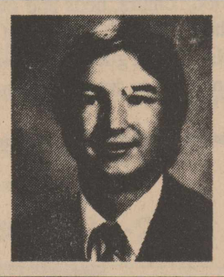
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CARD OF THANKS

The family of Ed Deaton extend our heartfelt thanks to those who showed their concern in so many beautiful and practical ways during our recent loss. We are deeply grateful to friends and neighbors for their many kind acts. Your comforting expressions of sympathy and thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

TAX PLANNING

Written by
Gerald Rodgers, CPA



SHOULD YOU BUY OR RENT YOUR HOME

A few years ago, advisers could safely say that home ownership was more attractive than renting for the vast majority of people. But the recent changes in some local housing markets, coupled with lower tax rates and higher standard deductions, have made some advisers recommend renting over buying.

To see which is better for you, first calculate your after-tax cost of home ownership and compare it to the cost of renting. To calculate your after-tax cost, multiply your mortgage interest and real estate taxes (deductible items) by your tax rate (15%, 28% or 33%). Subtract the result from your total expenditures for home ownership (including maintenance), and compare that net cost to the price of renting a comparable property.

If your calculations show it's cheaper to rent, you then have to factor in some other considerations. First, rents will increase over time to reflect inflation, whereas most mortgage payments remain fixed.

Second, home ownership allows you to build equity over time. You'll eventually own an asset that can help lower your living costs when you retire. In markets where real estate prices have increased substantially, homeowners have found a source of wealth that renters can't match. However, where real estate prices are deflated, renters have had the flexibility to move from the area, while homeowners often can't sell their properties and recoup their investments.

There are other factors to consider in deciding whether to rent or buy, including how long you plan to remain in the home, whether you're able to do the necessary maintenance, and whether you have the cash for a down payment on a home.

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Pursuant to the requirements of Section 1152.12 of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company publishes herewith revision of its System Diagram Map and addition of a detail map of the line from Cherokee, Oklahoma to Sweetwater, Texas indicating that this segment has been placed in abandonment Category 2.

Category 2 – *Definition:*

All lines or portions of lines potentially subject to abandonment are those which the carrier has under study and believes may be the subject of a future abandonment application because of either anticipated operating losses or excessive rehabilitation costs, as compared to potential revenues.

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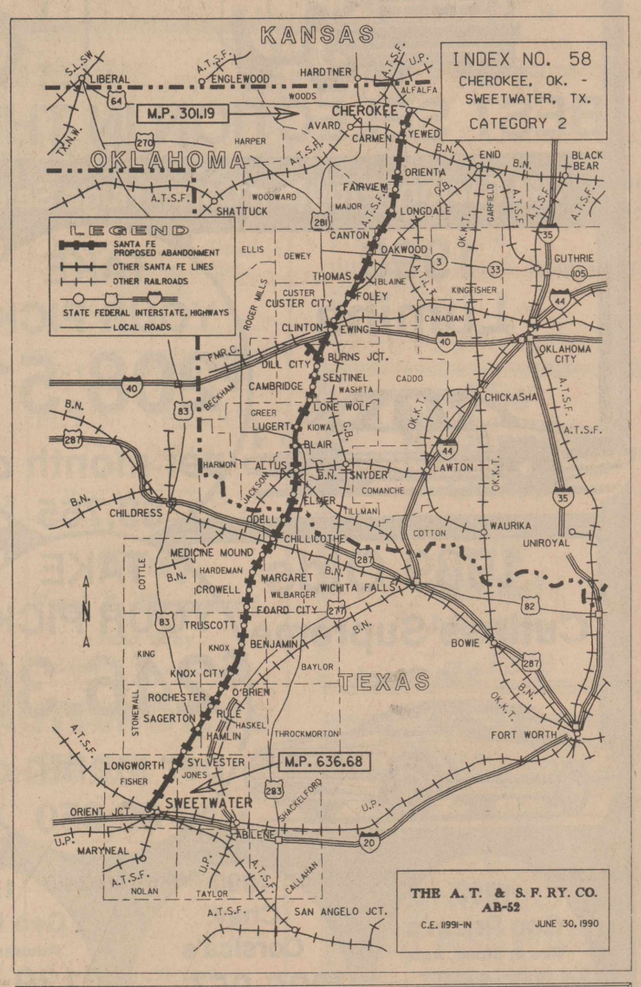
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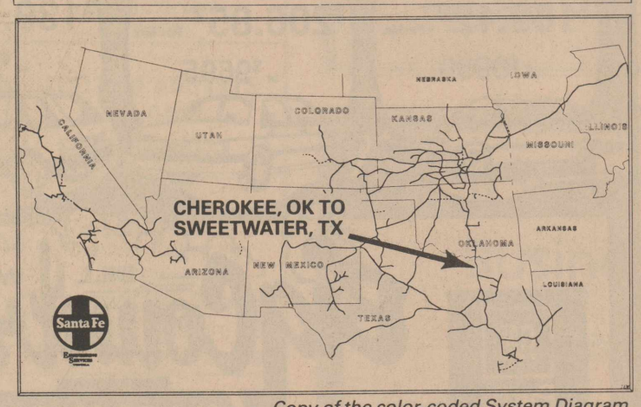
(b) Located in the States of Oklahoma and Texas.

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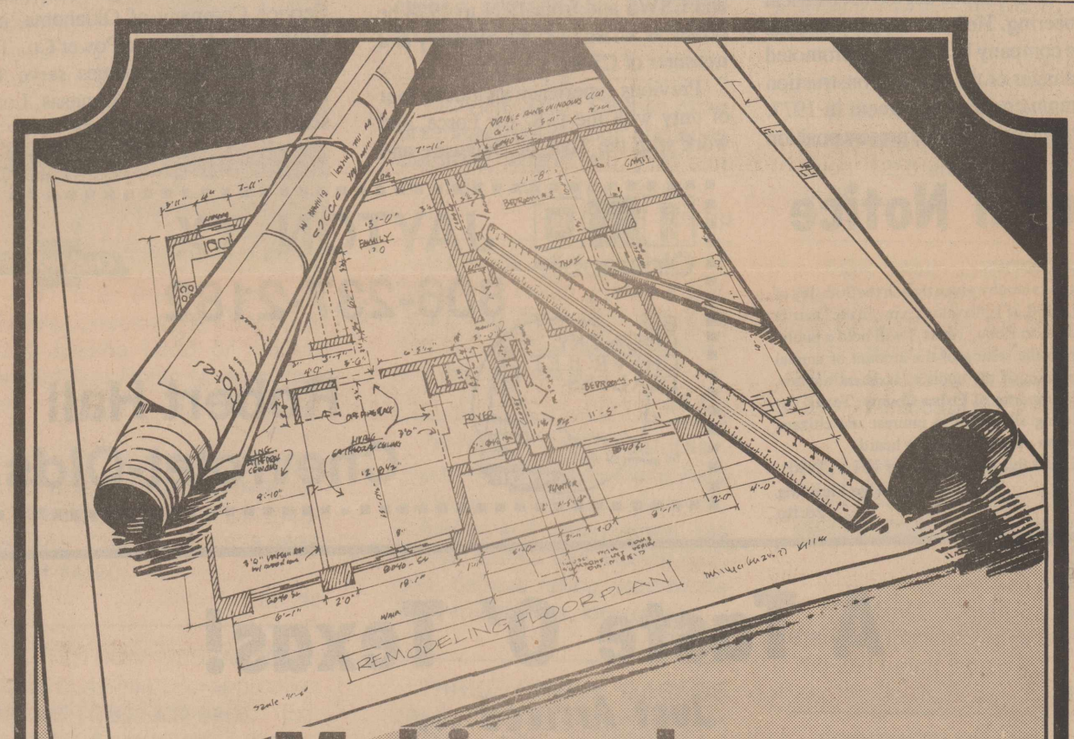
(d) Milepost 301.19 at Cherokee, Oklahoma to Milepost 636.68 at Sweetwater, Texas.

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Copy of the color-coded System Diagram Map and applicable Detail Map will be made available to any interested person at a price of $10 (ten dollars) by writing and making check payable to The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, P.O. Box 1738, Topeka, KS 66628. Attention: Engineering Services.

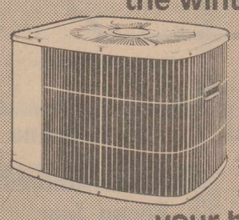


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WTU Board Approves Personnel And Organizational Changes Effective Sept. 1

The board of directors of West Texas Utilities Co. today approved several personnel and organizational changes. Similar realignments at the three other utilities which are part of Central and South West Corp. will produce consistent organization structure for the corporation and will lead to more standardized business practices.

"The personnel changes will provide a broader range of experience for senior managers in the four utilities," according to Glen Churchill, WTU president and chief executive officer.

In the moves which become effective September 1 Mike Moran, WTU director of system production, was elected to vice president of engineering and production and a member of the board of directors. He succeeds Terry Dennis who will move to Central and South West Services in Dallas as vice president of engineering.

Dennis M. Sharkey, vice president of finance and corporate secretary, will assume the position of vice president of finance for Southwestern Electric Power Co. in Shreveport, La. Paul Douty with CSWS was elected vice president of finance to replace Sharkey. Douty also was elected to the board of directors. Sharon King, assistant treasurer, was elected corporate secretary and assistant treasurer.

Mike Madison from Public Service Company of Oklahoma was elected vice president of corporate services and a member of WTU's board of directors.

Jerry Johnson retires September 1 as vice president of administrative services.

Moran joined WTU in 1971 as a field engineer in the substation department following graduation from Georgia Institute of Technology with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. He held various positions in the company before being promoted to manager of the system construction and maintenance department in 1977. He was promoted to his present position on January 1, 1989.

A registered professional engineer, he is president of the Abilene Chapter of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers and has served as president of the Key City Kiwanis club from 1986-87. He and his wife Barbara have two sons and attend Southern Hills Church of Christ.

A native of Abilene, Terry Dennis graduated from Abilene High School in 1965 and the University of Texas in Austin in 1970 with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering.

His first employment with WTU was as a student engineer during summers while in college. He progressed through various engineering positions before becoming vice president and a member of the board of directors on June 1, 1989.

He is a registered professional engineer and has been active in professional and civic organizations in Abilene. Terry and his wife Shirley attend Pioneer Drive Baptist Church and have two children in college.

Sharkey, a native of Oklahoma, graduated from Northeastern Oklahoma State University with a bachelor of science degree in accounting and business administration. He is a certified public accountant.

Since transferring to WTU last year from PSO where he was controller for 11 years, he has been active with the Salvation Army. He is married to Janelle Latshaw and has three children, two of whom are in college. Dennis and his wife are members of the First Central Presbyterian Church.

Douty is assistant treasurer of CSW and assistant treasurer and director of finance of CSWS. From 1978 to 1989 he served as assistant treasurer of CSW and CSWS and from 1971 to 1978 he served as assistant to the secretary and treasurer of CSW.

Previous experience includes a tour of duty with the U.S. Air Force, and work with the State of Delaware and Hercules, Inc. He has a bachelor of arts degree in management from Wilmington College. Paul and his wife Noreen have two children and are Catholics.

King holds a bachelor of science degree in accounting from Arizona State University at Tempe and is a certified public accountant. She joined WTU in the accounting section in 1979 and has worked in budget and forecasting and as wage and salary administrator before moving to the treasury department in 1988 as assistant treasurer. Sharon and her husband John have three children.

Mike Madison is a division manager for PSO in McAlester Oklahoma. He graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1971 with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. He progressed through several engineering positions in the company before being named manager of production services in 1983. Madison became division manager in 1988. He is married, and has two daughters.

Johnson is a native Texan who graduated from West Texas State University in 1958 with a bachelor of business administration degree. He served in the Marine Corps during the Korean conflict. Joining WTU in 1958 in accounting, he progressed steadily through the ranks and was made vice president in 1975 and a member of the board of directors on March 28, 1978.

Jerry and his wife Ann have two children and are members of the Elmwood West United Methodist Church. He retires with 32 years of service with WTU.

WTU is one of four electric operating of Central and South West Corporation of Dallas. The other companies are Central Power and Light Co., Public Service Company of Oklahoma, and Southwestern Electric Power Co. The four operating companies serve 1.5 million customers in Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas.

Letter To The Editor

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Editor and to the Citizens of Fisher County:

It is my duty and obligation as Chairman of Fisher County Hazardous Waste Task Force to inform you of a current crisis that is occurring.

Our motion to dismiss Sweetwater Resources, Inc. application has currently been halted by Texas Water Commission, therefore clearing the way for the September continuation of the Public Hearing in Fisher County. To have any practical chance at defeating Sweetwater Resources, Inc.'s application, more funds must be raised. Expert testimony, lawyer fee's and transcription fees are going to require an additional minimum of $15,000.00 of funding. The more money raised, the better our chances of defeating this Hazardous waste injection well. The Task Force has been extremely tight with these funds, spending the money only on expert testimony and legal fees. Not a penny has been spent on anything else.

Therefore, contributions now are an absolute necessity for the continued fight against Sweetwater Resources, Inc.'s Hazardous Waste Injection Well Applicaton.

Your support this far has been extremely gracious and it is absolutely critical that this continues. Please send all contributions to:

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Sincerely,
Ernie L. Atkins
Chairman

Dear Editor:

We need your help, or should I say, we need Fisher County residents' help. The Fisher County Unit of the American Cancer Society was reorganized in January of 1987, and had a great turnout of interested people. But as time has passed, fewer and fewer people are showing up.

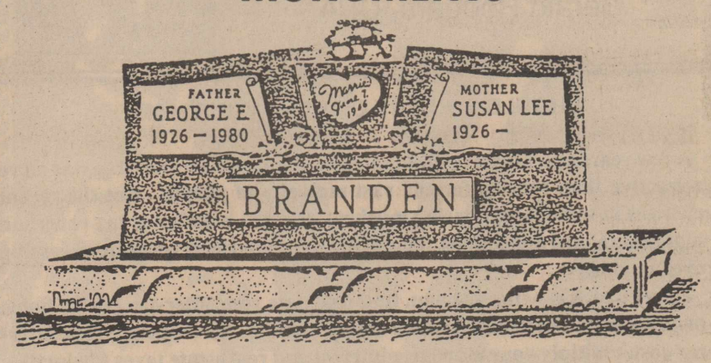
For the people who don't know what the Cancer Society provides, we can provide wheelchairs, walkers, commode chairs, beds and other items for the cancer patient free of charge. We also have a guest room plan, where we are able to house patients who must travel to Abilene for cancer treatments.

All I'm asking for is one hour every other month. And three to four hours twice a year for fund raisers. Is that a lot to ask? It might be someone in your family or friend that needs our help. Please help us keep our Fisher County Unit together. Join us.

Thank you,
Cindy Robertson

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of August, 1990, at 1:30 o'clock p.m., in the District Courtroom, in Roby, Texas, I will hold a public hearing on the setting of the amount of annual compensation of the auditor, assistant auditor, and court reporter of Fisher County, Texas. At this meeting all parties in interest and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard.

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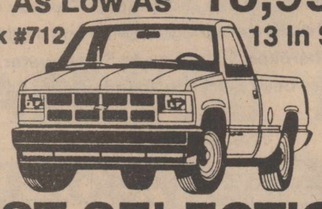
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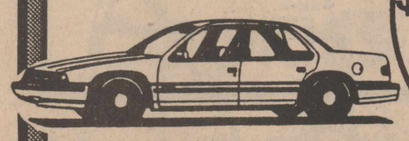
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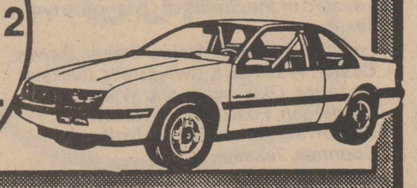
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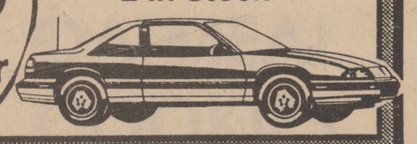


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4-H FASHION REVUE WINNERS: Left to right: Jeffifer Kincaid, Roby; Christi Parr, Rotan; and Christie Anderson, Roby each won their respective divisions at the District 4-H Fashion Revue and the right to represent the District in state competition in El Paso, Texas

Annual District 4-H Fashion Show Held With Thirteen Fisher County Models

Thirteen 4-H champions from Fisher County modeled apparel they had created in the annual District Fashion Show, Tuesday, July 24 in Jayton.

Members from 4-H Clubs in 21 counties competed for honors and the right to represent their District in State competition in August in El Paso, Beth Dannheim, County Extension Agent, said.

Senior winners Jessica Moore, non-tailored day wear, 5th place; Julie Parr, evening wear, 3rd place; Christie Anderson, non-tailored day wear, buying division, first place; Christi Parr, Active Sportswear, Buying Division, first place; and Jennifer Kincaid, evening wear Buying division, first place. Other senior participants were Sheila Green.

Intermediate winners were Rhonda Henry, fifth place, active sportswear and Anita Floyd, third place, buying division.

Junior winners were Katrina Rains, 4th place, pop over skirt; Carissa Kiser, 2nd place, non tailored day wear; and Kelly Dee McWilliams, 5th place, speciality wear, other junior participants were Kasey Green, and Amanda Moore.

Already these entrants won in County competition. Contestants were judged on their sewing and construction skills, as well as overall appearance, quality of workmanship, wardrobe, coordination, appropriateness of care requirements, and use of comparison shopping techniques. They modeled their creations in a public fashion show in the Jayton School Auditorium. West Texas Utilities Company and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service were the sponsors and West Texas Utilities will host a luncheon for the 4-H participants.

Each Senior contestant competed in one of four categories in the Construction Division and four categories in the Buying Division: Tailored Daywear, Nontailored Daywear, Active Sports & Specialty Wear, Evening Wear, and the Buying Division. Special awards were presented to the Senior, Intermediate and Beginner exhibiting the best cotton garment or ensemble and the one modeling the best wool or mohair outfit.

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LFEI and the Public Service/Law-Related Education Department of the State Bar of Texas will administer the project. The 40-hour institutes will be offered to 5th grade social studies, 8th grade U.S. history and high school government teachers statewide during a four year period. "The grant will allow for a tremendous expansion of the State Bar's current law related education program and offers the Bar an opportunity to make a real difference in civic education in Texas," says Larry K. Montgomery, former State Bar Executive Director who helped develop the program.

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Softball Tournament

The Stonewall County Jaycees will have an open softball tournament August 10 & 11.

The tournament is open to men and women at $100 a team. For more information or to sign up, call Stephanie at 817-989-3128.

F.C. 4-H Car Wash

The Fisher County 4-H will have a car wash Aug. 4, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Nubbin's. Proceeds go to the trip to Maine. Cars will be $5.00 and pickups $[illegible]00.

F.C. Playday Cancelled

The Fisher County Playday has been rescheduled for Friday, Aug. 3rd at 7:00 p.m. The previously scheduled playday was cancelled due to the weather. Tack will be given for first place awards.

The playday will be held at the F.C. Sheriff Posse Arena.

V.B.S. in Sylvester

Sylvester Baptist Church will be holding Vacation Bible School August 6-10, 1990 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Ages are nursery up to high school. Everyone is welcome.

Theatre On The Brazos

Theatre on the Brazos has scheduled a meeting for Thursday, August 2, at 7 p.m. at the Rotoan Community Center.

Plans will be finalized for the next play production. All interested persons are urged to attend.

Rotan Golf Club

The Rotan Golf Club is sponsoring a Tournament and Play Day at the local course on Saturday, August 4th. Registration is from 8:00 to 8:30 and tee-off time for the 3-man scramble is 9:00. Charge for this event is $10.00 per person and teams will be determined by luck of the draw. Other events planned are chipping and putting contest, hole in one and long drive and straight drive. Concessions will be available.

Attention Golfers

If you are playing golf, hitting balls or practicing putting on the greens and have not paid your dues to the Rotan Golf Club, you are required to register and pay the green fee each day that you play. Annual dues are $50.00 per immediate family (meaning husband, wife and children living at home). Monthly dues are $10.00 per person and green fees are $1.00 per person per day.

County Fair Update

The Youth division of the County Fair has been reorganized and is under the guidance of Belynda Rains. Entries will be accepted only on Wednesday, Aug. 15 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Entries must be left on display from entry until Saturday at 3:00 p.m. All perishable foods (cakes, cookies, pies, breads) should be brought in the day of the judging Thursday, Aug. 16 at 10:00 or before. Items that can be entered include clothing, canned foods, baked goods, hobbies and crafts. A complete list of rules and entries can be picked up at the Extension Office.

Pet Show Planned For County Fair

A pet show for youth of all ages will be held Friday, Aug. 17 at the County Fair. The event will take place at approximately 11:00 a.m. after the sheep show.

There will be class for each species of pets (dogs, cats, goats, etc.) and a costumed pet class. You can sign up with Beth Dannheim, County Extension Agent the morning of the show.

Fair & Rodeo Time Almost Here

The 45th Annual Fisher County Fair & Rodeo will be held Aug. 16-18 at the Fairgrounds in Roby.

The Fisher County Trailer Roping will be held Thursday, Aug. 9, at 6:30 p.m. at the Arena.

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Hustling Around Hobbs

by Joy Walker

Well, we are sure having showers and don't know whether it's good for the little cotton or not. We had some pretty stormy weather both Saturday and Sunday, and I got about three-tenths of an inch of rain here at the house on Sunday, after it blew and thundered and we sure had lots of lightning. It looked like around Sardis they got a lot more rain than I did, as water was standing in the fields when I went to work Monday morning. But it was just a small area and didn't stretch very far. It was sure stormy Saturday evening and so cool. I worked out in the yard nearly all that evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce (Sherry Nettleton) Hess and family from Marshall, Missouri, have been here visiting with the James Nettleton's and the Forest Hess family in Hermleigh. They spent almost a week here. We were sorry to hear that Buddy Burnett's sister, Gwendolyn, is in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene. We hope to hear that she is doing much better and will soon be able to return home.

Bro. C.J. Smith from Snyder ate lunch on Sunday with Clarence and June Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Martinez attended the funeral of Ed Deaton on Friday in Roby. Our sincere sympathy goes out to his family. Sunday they attended the 50th wedding anniversary for Mr. and Mrs. Ottie Polk. It was held at the Senior Citizens building. Congratulations to them. Fred Martinez is feeling very much better and is now home from the hospital. He also attended the wedding anniversary on Sunday.

Bro. C.J. Smith, Carl Guinn and Clarence Anderson visited Mrs. Opal Phillips on Sunday evening. They took the Lord's Supper to her. We had the Lord's Supper on Sunday morning at church. We always have it on the 5th Sunday.

The J.W. Etheredge's have had lots of company this past week. Todd and Suzanne Etheredge and their family from Durango, Colo., came Wednesday and they stayed until Monday. Mr. and Mrs. David Etheredge and their two boys from Levelland came Saturday and stayed until late Sunday. Randy and Vicky and their family also visited over the weekend, so they had lots of little kids. The Etheredge's had their family reunion on Sunday at the Community Center in Rotan. There was a large crowd attending. Sunday night the J.W. Etheredges had a cook-out and those present were: Todd and Suzanne and their family, David and Debra and family, Randy, Vicky and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Etheredge, Mrs. Lealon Wilburn, Mr. and Mrs. Corby Barrett, Tania Barrett from Lubbock and Charlotte Barrett from Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wilburn, Travis and Kyle from Anson were also present, so they sure had a good time eating and visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ratliff went by Snyder on Sunday and picked up Tracy and Kim Knipe and family and then they all went to Lubbock and visited John and Teressa Swofford. They spent the day there.

I ate supper with the Wilber Gruben's on Friday. Greg Gruben from Midland was there visiting. Then I ate dinner with them on Saturday as Greg was still there. We thought that Becky Baer might get to come but she is going to wait another couple of weeks and come for the Gruben reunion. She lives in Amarillo with her mother and is going to school there. Greg has to go quite a way to see her, but these young folks don't mind the traveling. Greg was here for the lamb and calf show which was held Saturday and Sunday in Snyder. Some of the MIdland folks were there and the kids were showing. Was sure good to see Greg again, even though he was just here for a few days.

Monday morning it was so humid and it showered in Roby, and it was very stormy looking. The weatherman says we should expect more showers this week, and I think the cotton needs some sunshine now to help it grow. The insects are sure getting to be a nuisance, and lots of folks have been spraying.

Not very much news this week, as everyone has been staying close to home.

See you next Thursday.

Roby Elem. School Supply List Released

ROBY ELEMENTARY 1990-91 SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

KINDERGARTEN: One pkg. of 9x12 construction paper, pkg. of manilla paper, large box kleenex, towel for rest time (no mat), sturdy pocket folder(must have pockets), spiral notebook (40 sheets), pkg. colored markers, 2 small bottles of Elmer's Glue.

Teacher will furnish pencils and scissors.

*Please put your child's name on all school supplies.

1ST GRADE: One ruler with centimeters and inches, large pkg. manilla drawing paper, 3 #2 standard size pencils, 1 eraser, box crayons, pair small sharp craft scissors, 2 boxes of Kleenex (large), 1 bottle glue.

*Please put your child's name on all school supplies.

2ND GRADE: 1 big Chief tablet, spiral notebook, 4 regular pencil, 2 red lead pencils, 2 erasers, 1 ruler (showing both inches and centimeters), box crayons, pair scissors, bottle Elmer's Glue, pkg. 9x12 assorted colored construction paper; school box, box Kleenex.

*Please put your child's name on all school supplies.

3RD GRADE: 1 ruler (1 side inches, other metric), #2 pencils, eraser, red grading pens, pointed scissors, notebook paper, glue, large box Kleenex, crayons, spiral notebook - wide ruled (120 pages) or more.

*Please put your child's name on all school supplies.

4TH GRADE: #2 pencils, 1 pair scissors (pointed), ruler (one side inches, one side metric), box crayons, large glue, red pens, 2 pocket folders, 1 box map colors, big bog Kleenex, school box, notebook paper, spiral notebook - wide ruled (120 pages or more).

*Please put your child's name on all school supplies.

5TH GRADE: 3 ring notebook with pocket folders (dividers), 2 large pkgs. 3 ring looseleaf paper, 2 spiral notebooks with 3 rings, 6 pocket folders with 3 rings, 2 red pens, 2 fine-tip black pens, 1 pkg. map colors, protractor, large bottle Elmer's school glue, 2 lge. boxes Kleenex, 6 #2 pencils (sharpened), 1 pair scissors, box markers or crayons.

6TH GRADE: 1 notebook for paper, loose leaf paper - NO SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS, #2 pencils, ball point pens (blue or black), 1 ruler, map colors, protractor, 2 folders, markers or crayons, scissors, glue.

Rotan Nursing Center News

We would like to thank LeMerle Denton and her daughter for coming to our home and singing for us. They come to our home every third Wednesday and sing for us. This is really a nice treat.

We are trying to find a group that would come to the nursing center and square dance for us. If anyone knows a group that we might could get, give me a call at 735-2233. We would really appreciate this.

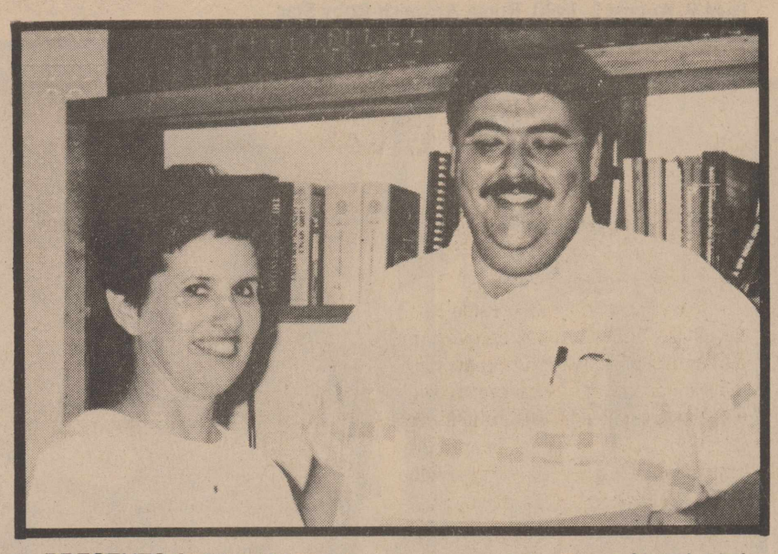
Thanks to the First Baptist Church for coming every Sunday morning to worship with us.

Our birthdays for the month of August are Mary Lou Hughes, Willie Garrett and Elsie Daniels.

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Nine Area Schools Establish Clear Fork Co-op To Provide Alternate Program

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Academic classes will be taught on an individual, self paced basis. Students will also gain hands-on experience in one of the following vocational areas:

-FOOD PRODUCTION, MANAGEMENT AND SERVICE- covering all aspects of purchasing, menu planning, food preparation and serving on a commercial basis.

-BUSINESS OFFICE PRACTICES - learning word processing using a computer, office duplicating practices and filing.

-BUILDING MAINTENANCE- skills in basic carpentry, electrical trades, painting, plumbing and custodial services.

-HEALTH RELATED OCCUPATIONS- including work stations in a doctor's office, veterinary clinic, nursing home and dentist's office.

To be eligible for the program, students must be between the ages of 14 and 21 and reside in a participating district: Anson, Aspermont, Hamlin, Haskell, Hawley, Merkel, Roby, Stamford or Trent. Admission to the program is by recommendation of the local school principal or counselor.

Transportation to the Clear Fork Co-op site in McCaulley will be provided by the local districts. On campus child care services will be provided for single parents and homemakers.

For further information, contact George Price, Superintendent, Roby ISD, (915) 776-2222.

Texas Farmers Enroll In Reduction Program

Mr. Jerry Harris, Chairman of the Texas State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, said Texas farmers enrolled 16,570,957.4 acres in the 1990 acreage reduction programs for wheat, feed grains, cotton and rice.

Based on a USDA report, crop base acres enrolled in the 1990 farm programs include 5,021,494.0 wheat acres, 4,857,812.5 feed grain acres, 571,256.9 rice acres, 36, 384.6 barley acres, 6,060,322.9 upland cotton acres and 5,946.0 extra long staple (ELS) cotton acres.

The 1990 farm program participants contracted to reduce their corn, sorghum and barley crop acreage bases by 10 percent; wheat, oats and ELS cotton bases by 5 percent, upland cotton by 12.5 percent, and rice base acres by 20 percent. "This means that as much as 1,518,025.7 acres of Texas cropland could be idled this year, depending on actual amounts of program crops planted by participants," Harris said.

He said farmers had the option to modify their original 1990 wheat program contract. Of the 5,021,494.0 wheat acres enrolled, 853,550.8 were on modified contracts. Producers who enrolled in the modified contract indicated intentions to plant 462,427.2 acres, more than 1.04 percent of their bases. "Each acre planted in excess of 95 percent of the base will be reduced by one acre when determining deficiency payments," Harris said. Minimum acreage for payment will be 85 percent of the farm's base if the producer plants the maximum acreage of 105 percent of the base.

Participating producers will be eligible for prices support loans and deficiency payments. When they enrolled in the programs, wheat, feed grain, upland cotton and rice producers were allowed to request 40 percent of their projected 1990 deficiency payments. These payments were issued in cash.

Four Fisher County 4-H'ers Finish Project

Four Fisher County 4-H'ers have just completed the Home Designer project and Home Designer Achievement Event. Jaycee Carey, Anita Floyd, Rhonda Henry, and Kendra Kiser learned how to draw a room to scale, select furniture, carpet, fabric, wall coverings, etc. They used interior design principles in a poster layout, used energy saving ideas, and chose appropriate color schemes. These interior designer skills along with a coordinating room accessory were judged by an interior designer from Ethan Allens in Abilene. All 4 girls received blue ribbons for their outstanding accomplishments.

Jaycee Carey, junior division, and Anita Floyd, intermediate division will compete in District 4-H competition in Anson on August 24.



BLUE RIBBON WINNERS: The winners in the 4-H Home Designer Project were left to right: Rhonda Henry, Anita Floyd, Kendra Kiser and Jaycee Carey.

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Rotan's Dr. Tom Hargrove Finds Rice Seeds Were 'Peace Weapon'

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. Tom Hargrove, Head of the Information Center at the International Rice Research Institute at Manila, Phillipines, is a 1962 graduate of Rotan High School and the son of Mr and Mrs Tom Hargrove of Rotan. In the below story, he shares experiences with Bill McGeen, editor of the *Expat*, a paper serving the foreign community in the Phillipines. He was accompanied on the trip by his wife, the former Susan Sheldon, granddaughter of pioneer Rotan teacher Empress Day. Hargrove is writing a nonfiction book, to be published in 1991 by Random House/Ivy, on the war in Vietnam from the perspective of a United States advisor in the lower Mekong Delta. The below story is reprinted from the June 16th, 1990 edition of *Expat*.

Dr. Thomas Hargrove of the International Rice Research Institute at Los Banos found out recently why the Viet Cong didn't kill him 20 years ago when he was a U.S. Army lieutenant in Chuong Thien Province.

He knows because he went back and asked.

Why didn't you kill me, Tu Rang?" he blurted out when he could not come up with a more diplomatic way to put the question to the former Viet Cong provincial political officer. The former enemy said he remembered the blond American and had followed him during the war.

"Because you brought the new rice seeds and our farms needed them."

"But didn't you know I was an Army officer?"

"Of course. Your civilian clothes didn't fool anyone."

In 1969 Hargrove was picked to distribute IRRI's first improved rice variety IR8 because he grew up on a farm and had a master's in agricultural science.

"It was part of the pacification program— winning the hearts and minds," he said recently after a second reunion with one of the very first farmers to whom he gave the new seeds.

Chuong Thien Province is at the very tip of the Mekong Delta, 150 miles south of what Hargrove still thinks of as Saigon. It was a Viet Cong stronghold without regular American troops and 70 per cent of the population there were rice farmers. It was listed as the 43rd "least secured" province out of South Vietnam's 44.

"It was an awful place, especially for a dryland cotton farmer from West Texas. During the six-month monsoon, 97 per cent of its land was covered by water— rice fields or swamp," he said.

He's just returned from his second trip since 1988, because National Geographic asked him to go back, this time with photographer Lynn Johnson to document "genetic conservation," the protection of seeds of wild or traditional plants that may be in danger of extinction due to widespread use of improved commercial varieties.

He also took another improved IRRI rice to Ba Lien, one of the first Chuong Thien farmers who planted IR8 in 1969. The new rice is in a sense going home, because its resistance to always mutating rice blast disease, is bred from Tetep, a native Vietnamese variety. Farmers no longer grow it but its seeds are carefully preserved along with those of 84,000 of the world's 120,000 rices, in the International Rice Germplasm Center at IRRI.

The three-hour meeting with the old farmer was National Geographic's main interest, but ten days were spent photographing every aspect of genetic erosion and conservation in rice, and illustrating how intimately linked rice seeds and life are in the Mekong Delta. The article will come out late this year or early next.

Hargrove witnessed the Green Revolution in Vietnam:

"The first IR8 seeds went to Vietnam in 1967. I got there in 1969 and it was spreading like wildfire. Yields went from one ton hectare to four to six tons per hectare overnight. Officially it was called Lua Than Nong or "Rice of the Farming God," but the farmers called it Lua Honda because one crop meant a new motorbike," he reminisces.

In the history of the world no other agricultural technology has ever spread as fast as IRRI's new rices. It enabled Vietnam for the first time last year to achieve rice self-sufficienty and even export part of its crop.

Hargrove was discharged and joined IRRI in 1973 after seeing how the new rice could transform a country's agricultur. Neither his master's nor his Ph.D. diplomas hang in his computerized IRRI office today, but there's one he can barely read, signed by Filipino agronomists Bonifacio "Bong" Bolo and Jose Ona who conducted an IRRI rice-production training course in Vietnam in 1969. It's in Vietnamese.

A dozen U.S. advisors were killed in Chuong Thien that year. There were only 160 Americans stationed there and Hargrove was one of only 30 or 40 advisors allowed outside the military compound at Vi Thanh.

When he returned in 1988, he just had to ask about friends who were killed along Xa No Canal:

"Do you remember when two American advisors and their interpreter were ambushed in a sampan near Thanh Binh in 1969? It may have been north of here."

"No, they died across the canal by the cemetery," was the reply.

Then he learned that the wife of farmer Ba Lien, in whose house he had always felt welcome and safe, was the aunt of the Viet Cong political officer and had been reporting on his activities.

"I knew back in 1969 that farmers either supported, or at night had to answer to the VC," he says quietly.

Within a year after Ba Lien planted "Honda rice," it had spread throughout the provincial rice lands— lands scarred by bomb and artillery craters.

"That's what makes it tough to come to a personal peace with Vietnam. In my other role as an infantry officer, I called a lot of explosives that left those scars," he said.

Hargrove is the first and only American to return to Chuong Thien since the war. During the 1988 reunion there, a shrill voice greeted him and a young woman rushed toward him through the crowd.

"The tall American!" her shouts were translated. "I remember you so well. Do you remember me? I'm Ba Lien's granddaughter, the little girl you used to carry around the farm on your shoulders."

During the 1990 trip he carried her daughter, Ba Lien's great-granddaughter, the same way for a National Geographic photo.

"Presentation of the new rice was largely symbolic. IRRI scientists don't just go around handing out rice seeds to farmers. These are new experimental lines and will not necessarily be the next widely-grown variety. Normally we release new seeds in the Mekong Delta through the University of Cantho or the University of Agriculture and Forestry. They release the best to farmers as new varieties, but only after very thorough field trials and testing," he explained.



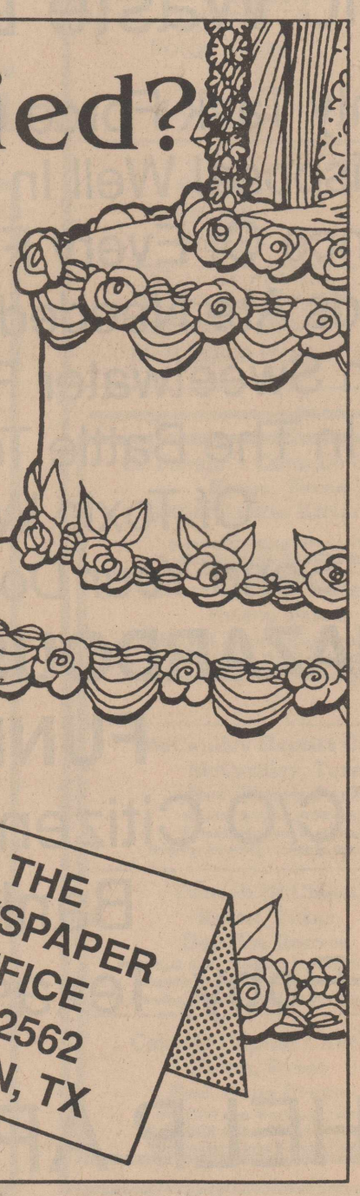
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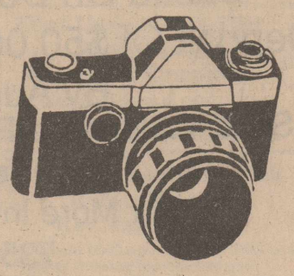
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