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# Hospital Shows Net Gain Of \$92,234

**ABOUT TIME:** Nine of the biggest chemical polluters have agreed to sharply reduce cancer-causing toxic emissions from 40 plants that have high health risks, the Environmental Protection Agency announced recently. Twelve of the plants are in Texas. The Associated Press article in the Dallas Morning News did not identify the nine Texas plants but did identify Dow Chemical Co., Exxon Corp., BASF, General Electric, Goodyear Tire & Rubber, Occidental, Reichold, Texaco and Texaco Petrochemical as the corporations. Under the agreement, releases of cancer-causing chemicals will be cut by 80 percent at the affected plants.

**HERE WE GO AGAIN:** Louisiana State Representative David Duke, the Republican who is disavowed by Louisiana and national party leaders because of his past Nazi ties, past leadership of the Ku Klux Klan and sale of Nazi literature from his office even after his 1989 election, says he will run for Louisiana governor. He is expected to announce his decision in January. Duke received 44 percent of the vote in a recent unsuccessful United States Senate race this year.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** To recently appointed Fisher County Historical Commission Chairman Hooper Shelton. Named to the post for the year 1991-92. Other members are W.A. & Faye Cross, Clarence & June Anderson, Alice Ballenger, Link & Lucille Adair, Buddy Burnett, Mrs. Joe Clark, Jack & Jean Aaron, Rudy & Pat Hamric and Albert & Geneva Maberry, Frank & Margie Mitchell, Roy & Helen Noles, Willie Mc Turner, Connie Tutt, Glenn & Violet Upshaw, Bertha Warren, Pete & Hilda Etheredge, William & Sue Cleveland, Bud & Gene Harvey, Billie Joe & Vera McCombs, Violet Gilley, Thurman & Georgia Upshaw, Obie Gene & Pat Kelley, Nell Park, David Smith and Charles Hadderton.

**REMINDER:** Rotan Band Concert at the high school auditorium at 7:30 p.m., Thursday night, January 31st.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** To Anita Floyd of Roby and Andrea Smith of Hermleigh for being named winners in the Midwest Electric Cooperative Youth Tour Competition. They will be taking part in a Washington D.C., tour in June.

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**CONGRATULATIONS:** To Clifton Terry of Roby and Judy Crawford, soon to be married. Both work at General Dynamics in Abilene. They plan to be married on March 2nd.

**TAXES ARE DUE:** School, county, city, hospital and water authority taxes are due. They become delinquent as of January 31st.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** January 24th to 30th. Jan. 25th - Maurcene Parker; 26th - Lola Nash, Johnny Price; Jan 27 - Vena May Schubert, James Goodwin, Louie Hayes and Dayme Mullins; Jan 28th - Relna Long, Buddy White; Jan 29th - Rebecca Duke and Jan 30th - James Carter, Sharlene Deen, Shirley Hull and Kelley Burnett.

**AS A RULE OF THUMB:** Extra large fence posts do not increase the strength of fence corners much, but doubling the depth of a corner post makes it four times stronger. As a rule of thumb.

**FINALLY:** Ol' Whistle Britches said that if he kept every resolution he made in 1990 - he would be skinny, smart, healthy, rich - and bored.

**TRUTH:** Truth is so stubborn it doesn't apologize to anybody.

**RELIGION:** Quite often religion is like soap - those who need it most use it least.

**PEACE:** The key to lasting peace is to rely less on arms and more on heads.

**GENTLEMEN:** One of the marks of a gentleman is his refusal to make an issue out of every difference of opinion.

New Fisher County Hospital Administrator Arla Jeffcoat presided over her first meeting as administrator last Monday night and had a rather favorable piece of information concerning the financial condition of the local medical facility to report to board members.

According to Jeffcoat's report, the Fisher County Hospital, for the year 1990, managed to record a loss from operations of \$453,286.85 as compared with a loss from operations of \$504,924.10 for all of 1989. The bottom line, after taking into consideration tax revenues, is that the local hospital district had a \$92,234.22 net gain for 1990 compared with a \$32,108.12 net gain for the same period 1989. Hospital Board members authorized the borrowing of \$150,000 in 1989 that was paid back with funds in 1990 and an additional 100,000 was borrowed in 1990 that was paid back with tax monies in 1990.

"The net income at the end of 1990 is still approximately \$60,000 better off than it was in 1989", commented Jeffcoat.

In other action, the board, after coming out of a closed executive session lasting approximately an hour,

## Shana Feagan Is Honored As ARN Player Of Week

Roby Lady Lion Shana Feagan was honored by the Abilene Reporter News last week, being named the area girls' "player of the week".

Feagan, a 5-8 senior post, is the first Roby girl ever to receive this honor.

Her coach, Gail Gregg, felt the recognition was well deserved. "Any time you score 60 points in two games, I don't care who the competition is," he said.

Feagan has scored 90 points in the Lady Lions last three games, a loss the Eula and wins over Rule and Ira.

She is averaging just under 23 points per game while hauling down an average of seven rebounds per contest.

Feagan is the daughter of Scott and Diane Feagan of Roby.

Also considered for recognition by the Abilene paper were Roby Lion Jonathan Petty and Rotan's Sherri Conner.

## County 4-Hers Exhibit At Fort Worth Show

Fisher County 4-Hers exhibited 11 heifers at the Junior Heifer Show in Ft. Worth last weekend.

The show had the top heifers in the state with most classes having 20-30 head of cattle.

Individual county winners are listed below:

Shorthorn:  
Spring heifers: 5th & 13 - Katrina Rains

Senior Heifers: 4th Katrina Rains  
Angus:

Junior Heifer Calves: 5th - Carissa Kiser

Late Senior Heifer Calves: 8th - Makala Herron

Late Summer Yearling Heifers: 5th Carissa Kiser, 6th Makala Herron

March Junior Yearling Heifers: 5th Kyle McWilliams

Early Junior Yearling Heifers: 10 Meggan Herron

Late Summer Yearling Heifers: 2nd Carissa Kiser, 4th Kelly Dee McWilliams.

Fisher County 4-Hers will be returning to Ft. Worth on January 29 with 17 steers for the Junior Steer Show.

## Patricia Gonzalez Named To West Texas Dean's List

Two hundred and two West Texas State University undergraduates were named to the President's List and 751 earned mention on the Deans' List for the 1990 fall semester.

Students earning President's List recognition achieved a semester grade point average (GPA) of 3.850 (of a possible 4.000) or better with a minimum class load of 12 hours.

Student's on the Dean's List achieved GPAs of at least 3.250.

Among those listed was Patricia M. Gonzalez, Roby, Texas- sophomore, Computer Info System. Patricia is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gonzalez of Roby, Texas.

voted to unanimously grant Kyle Nazworth a \$2,000 a year salary increase for some added responsibilities that he had assumed outside the operation of the EMT service.

The board, in open session, voted to continue membership in the West Texas Council of Government and voted to continue sponsorship of Creative Concepts, a program initiated to aid and give comfort to families who have lost loved ones through a inspirational book program.

The board, at length, discussed alternatives to the current group insurance policy. The board agreed to review additional firms and give employees

Marilyn Turnbow gave a quality assurance report to the board and in that report outlined some problems in getting local patients readily admitted to Hendrick Hospital in Abilene. She was concerned that the patient was being placed "at risk" as was the entire EMT response team when an ambulance was tied up at Hendrick Hospital. The situation has been corrected.

The option of acceptance. It is believed that the board may be interested in a trust relationship with an oil and gas underwriting firm. More is expected to be discussed concerning group insurance coverage at the February meeting.

The board discussed the May 1991 elections and corrected an earlier error concerning releasing the wrong name

for a board spot. The terms expiring in 1991 are those currently occupied by Billy Wayne Jeffrey and William Cleveland, Jr.


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In final action, after discussing the matter in closed session, the board agreed by vote to a payment plan upon completion of physical therapy in Lubbock for hospital employee Ben Mendoza. Mendoza, after suffering a back injury several months ago at the local hospital, is to under go therapy for approximately 7-weeks in Lubbock before returning to work.

The next meeting of the board will be February 18th.

# Roby Star-Record



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# Texas Water Commission Given Two Opinions On Proposed Waste Site

On January 16, 1991 the Texas Water Commission's Assistant Public Interest Counsel, Leela R. Fireside, issued an opinion on the matter of Sweetwater Resources, Inc., application for a commercial hazardous waste storage and processing facility and hazardous waste injection well in Fisher County, Texas. That opinion read, "Wherefore premises considered, this office respectfully prays that the Examiner recommend the Commission deny this permit request because Sweetwater Resources, Inc., has not shown it has met the requirements of the rules and regulations regarding injection wells. Specifically, we recommend denial because the applicant has not shown; the facility is needed, that it will be properly run, that waste minimization

will be implemented, that the site is above the 100 year floodplain, that it holds an appropriate interest in the property, that it is appropriate and in the public interest to rework a brine recovery well for use as a hazardous waste injection well, and that reasonable efforts have been made to minimize the burden on local government and emergency response personnel."

The Texas Water Commission Executive Director, Allen Beinke, through attorney Robert Renbarger issued a closing argument pointing out two important reasons that the application by SRI should be ultimately disapproved. He cited (1.) That application HW-50249 fails to meet applicable regulations relating to property ownership and/or necessary parties to a solid waste permit application and (2.) SRI's financial ability to provide for the proper operation of its proposed facilities is not sufficiently demonstrated in the evidentiary record.

Dr. Ernie Atkins, Chairman of the Fisher County Task Force Against The Establishment of A Hazardous Waste Injection Well, said "Obviously, I am very happy with the opinion; however, this opinion is just an opinion, the final go - no go opinion comes in March from the three members of the Texas Water Commission after the public hearing."

He went on to say, "The public hearing has tentatively been set for March in Austin and it is still very

important to have Fisher County residents present to show their objection to the placement of a well in Fisher County," said Atkins.

At the public hearing, the opinions will be presented by those concerned and the decision made to approve or disapprove the application.

## Rotan's Joe Dickson Named As The New Rotan City Manager

The members of the Rotan City Council, after a 2 month long search, officially named 14-year resident Joe Dickson as the new Rotan City Secretary effective February 18th, according to Mayor Jerry Marshall.

"We feel confident we have selected the right man for the position and we are very comfortable and confident that Joe Dickson can and will do a good job for the residents of Rotan as City Secretary. We appreciate the work Kenneth Vann has done, wish him well in his retirement and look forward to a new era of city government working with Joe Dickson", commented Marshall.

Joe Dickson was born in Amarillo. He is the son of the late Homer Dickson of Amarillo and Lenora Dickson of Rotan. He is a graduate of Amarillo Tascosa High School 1967 and West Texas State University, 1983.

He moved to Rotan with his wife Linda, originally from Amarillo, in August 1977. Linda is an education

diagnostician with the Tri-County Education Cooperative. Joe Dickson worked for Glen's Thriftway as co-manager from 1977 until 1983. In late 1983 he secured the position of juvenile officer for a three county area. He and Linda have three children. The oldest, Steve, age 21 is a member of the U.S. Army stationed at Fort Wainwright, Fairbanks, Alaska as an infantry mortar specialist; Jennifer, age 19, is a junior at Angelo State University, majoring in child development and the youngest, Karen, age 15, is a freshman at Rotan High School.

"I appreciate the confidence the council has placed in me, look forward to the challenge of the job and hope to be a part of making Rotan a better place to live in the years to come", commented Dickson.

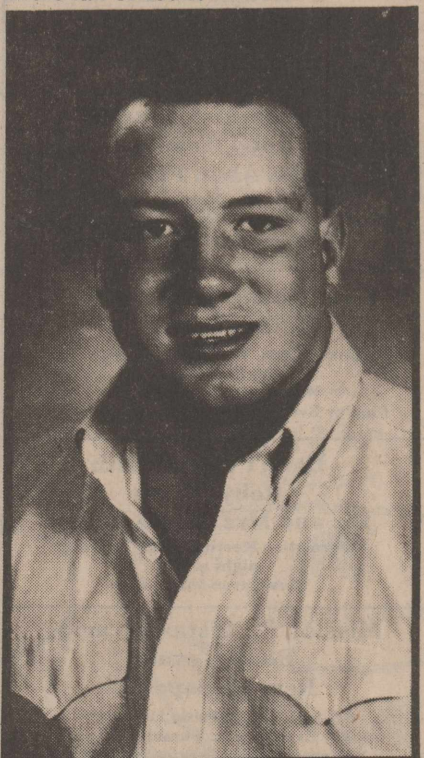
Van officially retires on March 31st. Dickson was hired by the council at a salary of \$20,640.00 plus benefits.

## Roby's J. D. Helm Named 2nd Team All - State Player

Roby High School junior Joe Don Helm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Helm of Roby, was named to the 2nd team All State offensive team at the position of offensive center.

Helm was tapped as first team all district defensive end; first team all district offensive center; first team All South Plains offensive center and second team All Area offensive center for his performance during 1990.

His recent naming to second team all state honors places him in line for Texas football "blue chip" recognition in the fall of 1991.



Joe Don Helm

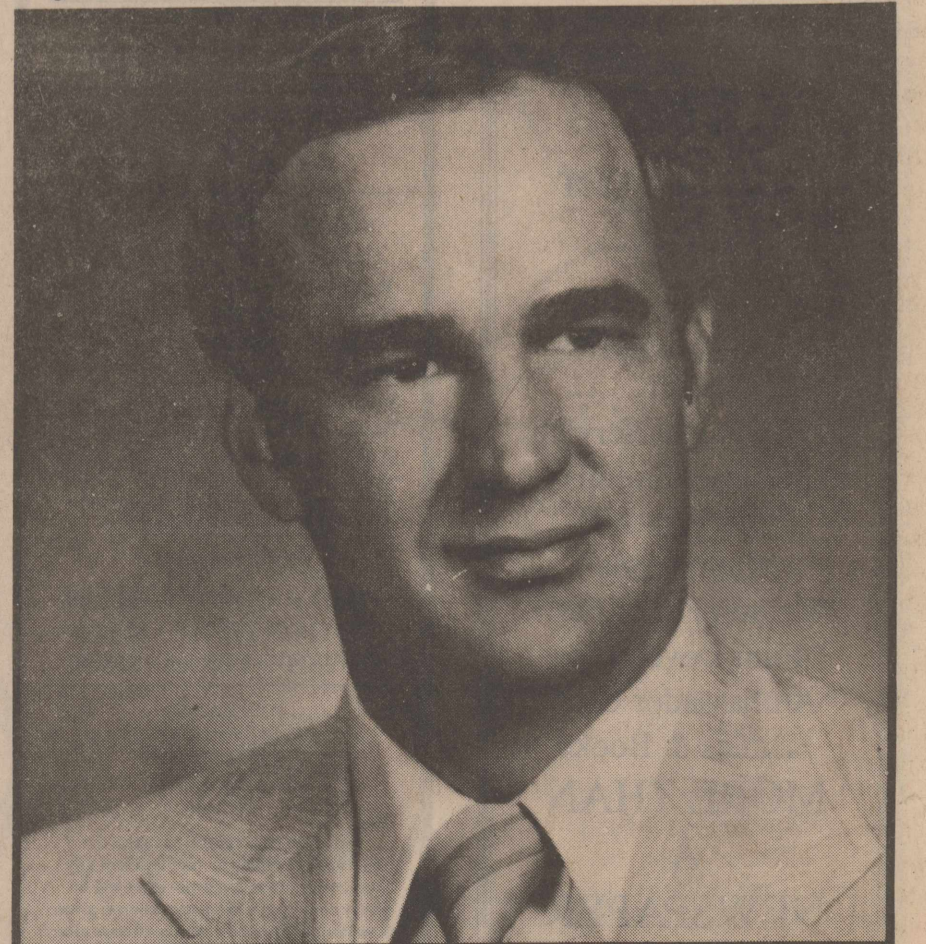
## Jan Posey Is LCU Scholar Athlete Again

Two Lubbock Christian University athletes were named NAIA District - 8 Scholar Athletes for the 1990 fall season.

LCU cross country runners Jan Posey and Mbarek Hussein were among the 10 athletes named to the squad of fall athletes.

To be chosen to the squad, an athlete must be at least a sophomore and carry at least a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.00 scale.

Hussein, a junior from Kapsabet, Kenya, has a 3.48 GPA in business administration. Posey, a junior from Rotan has a 3.87 G.P.A. in physical therapy. This is the second year Posey has received the honor and the 3rd year she has been on the Dean's List each semester.



Joe Dickson



# State Capital Highlights

By Lyndell Williams  
Texas Press Association

Promptly following inaugural ceremonies touted as "A New Day for Texas," the governor and lieutenant governor took steps to reward Democratic partisanship in her office and the Senate.

In the House, embattled Speaker Gib Lewis handed out choice assignments to seven Republicans, setting the tone for this Legislature.

It will be a struggle between liberals who want to organize the Legislature along political party lines against the remnant leadership of the good 'ol boy system.

Perhaps that is the fundamental movement that makes Lewis the political target he has become.

Facing the opportunity to dilute Texas Republicans by re-drawing district lines, liberal Democrats simply cannot afford to let Lewis survive politically.

### Political Head Count

For four years, Texas Democrats have been blaming all the state's ills on Bill Clements, the lone Republican in upper echelons, but now state Republicans say if the Democrats falter, they'll have no one but themselves to blame.

\* Eight of the 10 top statewide office, including all major ones;

\* A majority of 93 to 57 in the House, and Speaker Gib Lewis;

\* A majority of 23 to 8 in the Senate, led by Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock;

\* All five seats on the Legislature Redistricting Board; and

\* Fourteen of 18 statewide judicial offices with majorities on all courts, most notably the Texas Supreme Court.

It's poetic justice, some say, because now the Democrats must overcome a multi-billion dollar deficit caused in no small part by a decade of court-ordered spending by judges who are Democrats.

The worst news for Republicans is that, with their backs to the wall in the redistricting process, they are resolved to seek legal relief in federal courts like Hispanics, blacks and other minority groups have had to do.

### Senate Realignment

Certainly Republicans felt the loss in the Senate where they were stripped of two committee chairmanships by Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who gave all assignments to fellow Democrats.

Sen. Ted Lyon, D-Rockwall, said "It's done that way in 49 other states and the U.S. Congress."

New chairmen are Lyon, criminal jurisprudence; Bill Sims, natural resources; Temple Dickson, economic development; John Montford, finance; Bob Glasgow, state affairs, Carl Parker, education;

Also, Chet Brooks, health and human services; John Whitmire, intergovernmental relations; Gene Green, jurisprudence; Bill Haley, administration; and Gonzalo Barrientos, nominations.

Sen. Parker also will chair a special subcommittee on insurance and Eddie Bernice Johnson, a subcommittee drawing new congressional district lines.

Among its first official duties last week, the Senate, as a body, endorsed an ethics reform package and confirmed John Hanna as secretary of state and Lena Guerrero as railroad commissioner.

### Seven GOP Chairmen

Republicans named by Lewis to chair committees are: Robert Eckels, county affairs; Jim Tallas, financial institutions; Edmund Kuempel, house administration; Tom Craddick, public health; Nolan Robnett, retirement and aging; Ashley Smith, science and technology; and George Pierce, urban affairs.

### Texas DLC Chapter

Sen. Montford has launched a Texas chapter of the Democratic Leadership Council, a national group which aims to keep conservatives in the Democratic Party.

"This liberal bent won't fly anymore...we need to acquire the support of the 'moral majority,'" he said.

Some liberal Democrats say they did quite well this election, and Montford is simply establishing a base for his governor's race in 1994.

Texas Republican chairman Fred Meyer called Montford's effort a "last gasp" of conservative Texas Democrats, and predicted they will remain a minority within their own party.

### Other Highlights

\* Gov. Richards popped into a State Board of Insurance meeting to chide

commissioners for an "outrageous" staff proposal to increase auto insurance rates 29 percent.

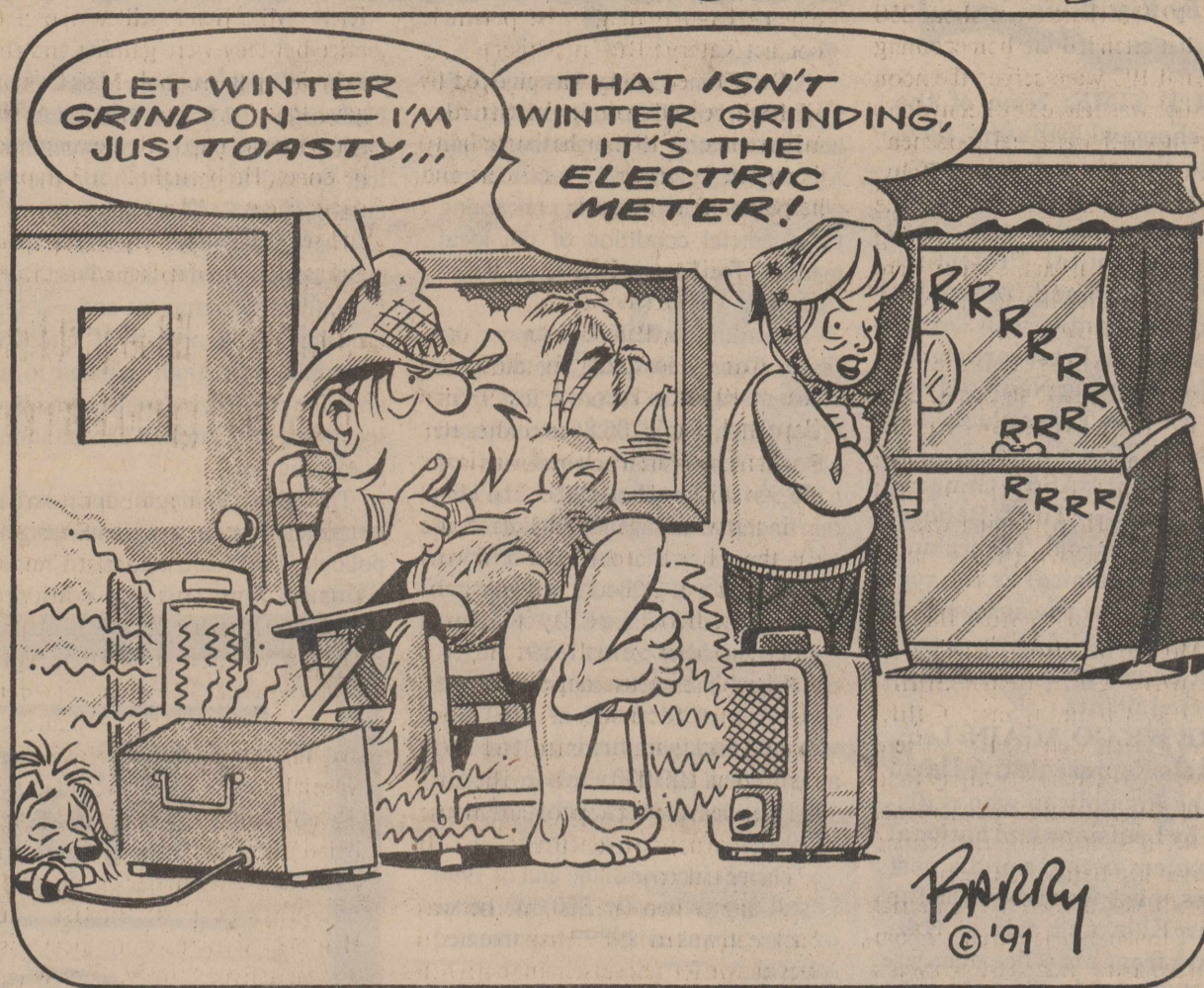
\* U.S. Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez, D-San Antonio, asked for security against death threats he said he received because he is drafting a resolution to impeach President George Bush.

\* Speaker Gib Lewis named Rep. Wilhelmina Delco speaker pro tempore of the Texas House. Delco, D-Austin, is the first woman appointed to that position.

\* Bankrupt oil man Clinton Manges' 99,000-acre South Texas ranch has been sold at auction to Seattle-First National Bank, which held liens against the land and its minerals. Bank representatives offered \$21.59 million, the only bid received.

\* Carolyn Crawford, director of guidance and psychological services for the Beaumont schools, was named chairwoman of the State Board of Education by Gov. Richards.

J.P. Doodles



# Fisher County Church Directory

## Who Holds The Key?



An old rusted one from long ago might reveal antique treasures packed into a worn trunk in the attic. A tiny intricate one can hold the written secrets of a young girl's heart. A shiny new one will bring that new car to life for the first time.

Keys may be related to wealth, security, and peace of mind. We carry them close to us, on our person or in another place of safekeeping. We are careful concerning those who hold the keys to the things most precious to us.

Have you considered who should hold the key to your soul... to your spiritual immortality... to the most important aspect of our existence? Trust in God. Let Him hold the key to your heart. It is safe with Him.

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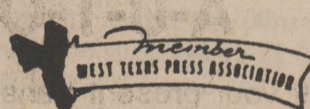
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Rev. Jack Jones  
S.S. 9:45 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Mission 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 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Night Service 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

First United Methodist  
McCaulley, Texas  
Sue Rowlett, Minister  
2nd Wednesday Fellowship 8:30 p.m.

Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Rotan, Texas  
Rev. Keith Berryman  
S.S. 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 p.m.

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

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

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

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Sylvester, Texas  
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## Sylvester Community Holds Homecoming

The Sylvester Homecoming was held at the Sylvester Community Center in Nov. 1990. There were about 250 people that attended the homecoming and around 190 were served the noon meal, which was catered by Penny Joe's of Rotan in which was a real good meal. The President Florine Stuart of Roby, reserved the Annex Building for the Friday night before the homecoming for class reunion group. There were around 75 or 80 that attended. Everyone enjoyed this event.

The Homecoming activities for Saturday started at 9:30 and lasted until 3:30 p.m. The class of 1944 had the most present again. Mrs. Stuart's class had 9 present and the class of 1943 had 4 present. The Homecoming was attended by the following out of town persons:

Buddy Montgomery from Illinois; Jo Ann Montgomery from Biecess, CA; Billy Howard, Colo.; Bonita Griffin, Okla.; J.R. Cunningham, Calif.; Racheal (Kiser), Comas, Ky. There may have been others. All officers and helpers were re-elected for another time.

The business and memorial service was started just before 1:00 p.m.

Kenneth McCain led the memorial service. The names of loved ones whom have passed away in the last two years were read and led them in prayer.

The president called the meeting to order, and the minutes of the last Homecoming were read by the vice president Jean Alto.

There were several gifts given out to the oldest, Mrs. Betty Dozier, Finish Septon of Slaton, also 2 cheerleaders were honored, they were Penny Francis (Ferguson) Mayes - and Opal Jean (Josey) Kiser - they were given gifts also in which they then lead them in the school song.

The King and Queen of this year's Homecoming were Eugene (Williams) Wilson, Queen and Clayton Eoff, King. They were crowned and given a gift by Jean (Kelly) Alton.

There was a poem written by Paul Turner and read by Florine Stuart.

The building was decorated with school colors, had pictures of school kids and some of the school's trophies, football, basketball, etc., and there were

several teachers present. There is a book being written about Sylvester if anyone has anything to be put in it, contact Kathryn Duff in Abilene.

The Homecoming was enjoyed by all. It will be held again the first Saturday in November of 1992 at the Community Center in Sylvester. All officers and helpers were re-elected.

### The Mouse Episode in the Sylvester School by Paul Turner

It was in the 1920's, it could have been in 1923 or 1924. Miss Winifie Copeland, she later became Mrs. Bus Rowland, was the teacher. It was in the old two story red brick school building.

In the winter the school kids would eat their lunch around the old coal burning stove. Of course a few crumbs fell on the floor. One day it was real quiet, the kids were really studying. Lo and behold a mouse appeared on the floor eating the crumbs. All hell broke loose. The girls screamed and some climbed on top of the desks. The boys laughed with glee. The poor little mouse was scared nearly to death and took off to places unknown.

A day or two later the mouse was back eating crumbs. Miss Copeland was known for strict discipline but when the mouse appeared there was no discipline what so ever. The late Milo Grey got an eraser and told the teacher he could kill the mouse. She gave permission. He threw the eraser at the mouse but with no luck.

The mouse became bold and brought some more of the mouse family for a feast. Milo finally killed one or two mice but they were gaining and about to break up the school. Miss Copeland gave Paul Turner permission to bring some mouse traps. Something had to be done. He brought 2 or 3 traps and some cheese. The traps were baited and set. They had very strong springs and made a lot of racket when the traps

sprung the kids had fun and let it be known.

Paul had a ball removing the dead mice, rebaiting and keeping the traps set. His grades declined sharply but it did not matter, the mouse family had to go. Finally about a week later when about a dozen mice were added to the mouse cemetery things got back to normal in the Sylvester School.

## Area Baptist To Hold Evangelism Conference

Double Mountain Baptist Area announces an area-wide Evangelism Conference. First Baptist Church of Hamlin will host the conference, Monday, January 28, 1991. A prayer meeting will start at 3:00 p.m. with the first session at 4:00 p.m. The church will provide a meal at 6:00 p.m. and the evening session will start at 7:00 p.m. Special music will be provided by the Welch family of Anson, Ford Cole and Brian Burgess of Haskell, and the area combined choir under the direction of S.L. Tate of First Baptist Church Hamlin. Sermons from local pastors will be delivered by Mickey Wagoner of First Baptist Church Weinert. Special guests will be Jon Randles of Indiana Avenue Baptist Church of Lub-

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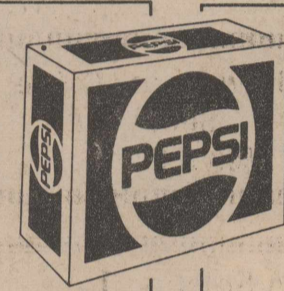
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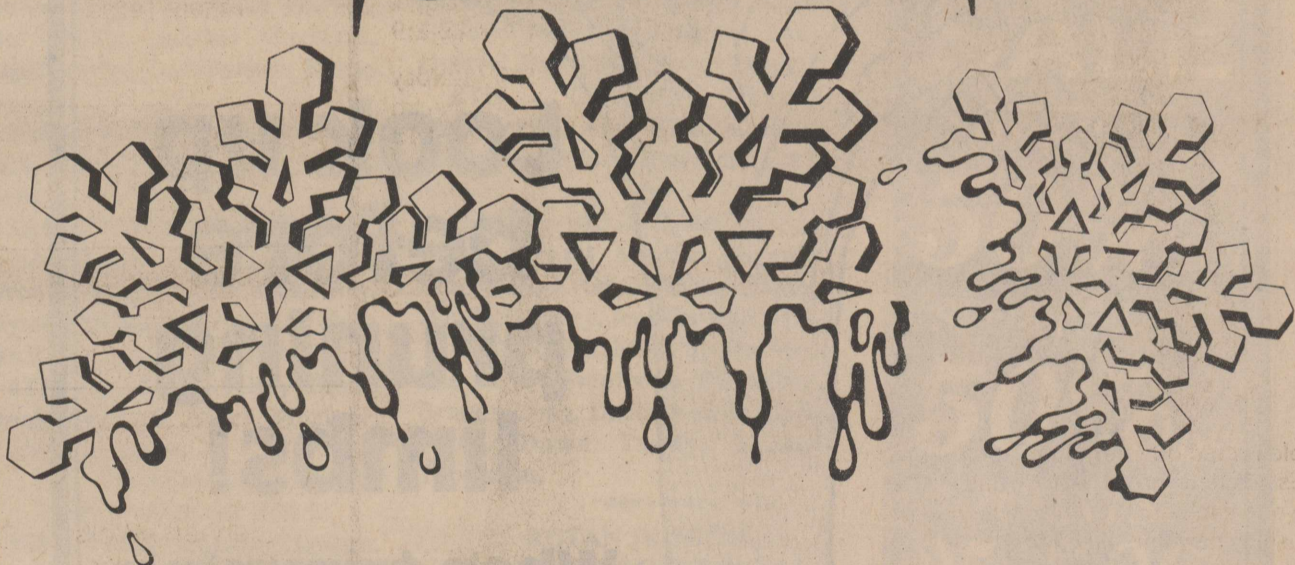
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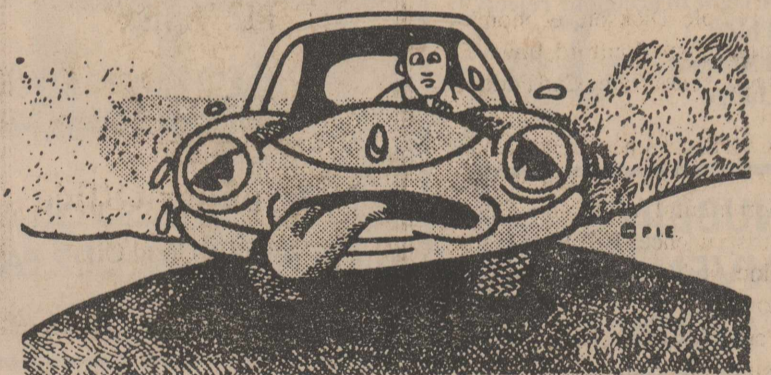
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## Funeral Services Held For Laura Smith Of Rotan

Laura Smith, 86, of Rotan, died at 3 p.m., Friday in the Rotan Nursing Center. Services were at 3 p.m., Sunday in Weathersbee Chapel with Rev. Joe Vernon officiating. Burial was in the Rotan Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

She was born Sept. 7, 1904 in Elgin, Texas and was raised in the Masonic Home in Fort Worth. She married Worth Smith January 16, 1921 in Anson. Mr. Smith died December 24,

## Funeral Services Held For Toney Mitchell

Toney Mitchell, 17, of Price, Texas died at 2:50 a.m., Sunday as a result of an auto accident near Henderson. Services were at 2 p.m., Tuesday in the Roby Church of Christ with Joe Bullock officiating. Burial was in the Roby Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home. Toney was born June 12, 1973 in Stanton and was the son of Leonard and Debbie Mitchell. He moved to Price 3 years ago from Crane. Toney was a senior at Carlisle High School and was employed by Kroger Grocery. He was a member

of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include: Parents of Price; 1 sister: Joanna Mitchell, Price; Paternal Grandfather: Horace Mitchell, Roby; Maternal Grandparents: Amaleta and Jim McCright, Rotan. He was preceded in death by a grandfather, William McCright and a grandmother, Vera Lee Mitchell.

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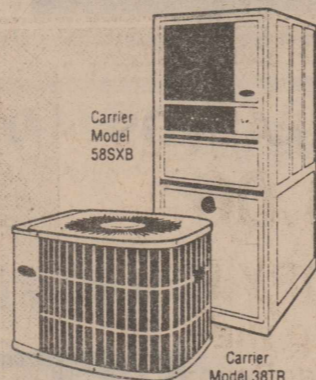
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The basic medical insurance premium will increase by \$1.30 - from \$28.60 to \$29.90. The Medicare medical insurance deductible will also increase -- from \$75.00 to \$100, Hammons said.

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# Lady Hammers Open District With Win Over Hermleigh

by Cliff Vlasin

The Rotan Lady Hammers showed how much they enjoyed the feeling of victory last week, as they opened District 25A play with their second win in

## Herron And Carriker Attend Inaugural

Fisher County Texas State Teacher Association members, Roxi Herron and Kathy Carriker, were selected last week to receive \$50.00 each toward their expenses to attend the inauguration of Governor Ann Richards and Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock. Roxi and Kathy joined several hundred other TSTA members on the Capitol steps to view the swearing in of the state's top two officials.

Governor Richards has stated throughout her campaign that education will be one of the top priorities during this session of the legislature. Teachers will now have access to the Governor's office in order to have a voice in the problems confronting them. Higher salaries and a health insurance program for all school employees tops the list. After the swearing in, Governor Richards addressed the school children of Texas on public television and HSE. Karen and Stephanie Carriker, daughters of Steve and Kathy Carriker, were privileged to be two of the fourteen children with the Governor for the address.

Mike, Makala, and Meggan Herron joined Roxi for the inaugural activities. Fisher County was also well represented by a group of 4-H students from Roby and Rotan. Dr. Jerry Marshall, Kathy Spencer, and Sheila Gruben accompanied the 4-H'ers.

row, a 48-36 triumph over Hermleigh at the Rotan gym.

Sherri Conner and Jenni Burnes hit for 14 points each to lead the Lady Hammers last Tuesday.

Coach Darren Janssen continued to express satisfaction over the improve-

ment of his young team. "We're getting there," he said. "We're doing a lot of things better. We're not turning the ball over near like we were."

Defense has also been a key to the Lady Hammers' improvement. "We are playing pretty good defense,"

Janssen said. "We're not giving up too many easy shots."

The Lady Hammers defense was in force in the early going last Tuesday, as it held Hermleigh to a single bucket while the home team was streaking to an early 17-2 lead.

Nothing seems to come easy for the Lady Hammers this year, however, and this would be the case again on this night. Foul trouble plagued the Lady Hammers starter, two of whom sat out the waning minutes having fouled out.

Actually, Terrye Warren, one of the Lady Hammers strongest inside threats, played just a little over a quarter. "She got three fouls in the first quarter, so I sat her down," Janssen remembered.

With Warren on the bench, the going was not quite as easy for Rotan, but the Lady Hammers still managed to pull to a 27-9 halftime advantage.

Warren fouled out soon after returning in the third quarter and was followed by Rotan sparkplug Conner in the fourth as a result of injury.

Fortunately, Burnes was there to pick up the slack, pouring in 10 of her 14 points in the fourth quarter.

"I don't know what got into her," Janssen said of Burnes, "but, of course, we needed (the 10 points)."

The Lady Hammers were able to hold on with three starters on the bench in the fourth quarter, bringing home the win.

The Rotan girls are now 2-12 on the season, but 1-0 in district play as they had into the second week of district action.

After Tuesday's home game with Ira, the Lady Hammers prepare to make the short trip across Fisher County to meet the Roby Lady Lions, the pre-season favorite to prevail in District 25A.

Janssen said his team was looking forward to meeting Roby. "They live so close, they know all the girls," he said. "It'll be the highlight of their season."



INSIDE BUCKET: Rotan's Jenni Burnes (4) moves inside for an easy score, while Terrye Warren (24) waits to rebound.

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Written by  
Gerald Rodgers, CPA



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The payor who sends the Form 1099 to you will also be submitting the same report to the IRS by February 28th.

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Registration will be held from 1 to 2:30 p.m., Sunday, February 3, in the United Methodist Campus Center. An opening session and welcome begins at 2:30, followed by activities with Indian Insight, a student support group for the admissions office. Dinner will be served at 5 p.m. in the Mabee Dining Hall. Auditions for band, choir, or theater

will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. and a dance will take place from 9 to midnight in the Campus Center.

Activities on Monday, February 4, begin with breakfast at 8 a.m. in the dining hall. A session for parents will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Presidential Dining Room of the Campus Center. From 9 a.m. to noon, students may attend three different McMurry classes. A brown bag luncheon with faculty members begins at noon in the Mabee Room of the Campus Center.

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- Feb. 22-23- Colorado City Tournament, Colorado City, at 8:00 a.m.
- March 1-2 - Sweetwater Tournament, Sweetwater, at 8:00 a.m.
- March 4 - Cooper J.V. Matches, Abilene, at 5:00 p.m.
- March 15-16- Roby Invitational Tourn.- Roby, at 8:00 a.m.
- March 18-Hamlin Matches, Hamlin, at 4:30 p.m.
- March 29-30- Colorado City Tourn., Colorado City, at 8:00 a.m.
- April 1- Hamlin Matches, Roby, at 4:30 p.m.
- April 6 & 8- District Tennis, San Angelo (ASU), TBA
- April 22-27- Regional Tournament, Abilene, TBA (Exact Dates TBA)
- May 9-11- State Tournament, Austin, TBA

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# Hustling Around Hobbs

By Joy Walker

We got another good rain Thursday night and most of Friday and I measured 1 1/2 inches here at the house. The roads were so bad, as they had just been graded and the ground was sure soft. The rain fell so slowly and it was a miserable day on Friday, but the rain was so good although some of the farmers who haven't finished stripping their cotton wish it would dry up and the sun come out for a day or two. Sunday it was really cold with a strong north wind blowing.

We had a big crowd at church on Sunday, including four of Bro. Dee's students from Rotan. Also we were pleased to have Ricky Williams and son, Colter.

Buddy Burnett received good news from his sister, Gwendolyn Jay in Abilene, who had a check-up with her doctor and he gave her such a good report and we are pleased to hear how well she is doing after her heart surgery.

Little Levi Park is progressing as well as can be expected. They took him off the EMCO machine, and he seemed to do okay, which is very encouraging. He is attached to so many tubes, it's amazing they can tell which one goes where. Keep Levi in your thoughts and prayers along with Julie and Pache and the remainder of the family.

Jim Ratliff of Abilene and son of James and Dianne Ratliff was in Nashville, Tennessee, playing in a Tournament with the Dallas Maverick Wheelchair Basketball team. Jim was interviewed on television when he flew out of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Martinez went to Snyder on Sunday and had lunch with Steve and Tachi Warren, Stephanie who was home from Lubbock, and the other three girls. Rudolph helped at the John Deere Farm Auction on Saturday and there was such a big crowd there. The Theatre on the Brazos catered the meal.

I heard from Ada Jo Brashaers in Roby who was nearly all of her kin folk, including her mother and sister, living in and around Lockhart. Melody knew or had learned of some of them, and

knew the two girls who are in school at Lockhart. What a small world it is.

Melody did get to see Sheila when she and her kids were marching in the parade at Austin, and after the parade they got to visit for a short while. Melody was very impressed with how well everything went at the Inaugural and enjoyed every minute of it. She had been to see her doctor on Monday and he was real pleased with the way she is doing, not gaining too much weight.

The war in the Persian Gulf seems to be going as expected, but every day the news media reports more and more air raids. I know what that is like as in London in World War II we spent almost 6 months of nights in an air raid shelter, along with about 30 of our neighbors. We went to work during the day during

air raids some of the time, and I carried my gas mask like I took my umbrella - all the time every day. I can feel for the citizens in those areas where the bombs are falling, it's not a pleasant experience. Our thoughts and prayers are with them, and with all the men and women who are in the Persian Gulf area. We hope they will be safe and return home soon.

Sheila and I went to Abilene on Saturday, but they had to come after me that morning as the roads were still very muddy.

Not too much news this week, everyone has been staying close to home during all this bad weather we have been having. I am ready for it to be spring.

See you next week.

## Tracie Deann Pritchard Engaged To Rodeny C. Denton, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Pritchard of Clyde announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracie Deann, to Rodeny C. Denton Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney C. Denton Sr.

The bride-elect graduated from Abilene High School and attended American Commercial College. She is employed by Fisher County Nursing

Home. The prospective bridegroom graduated from Rotan High School and attended Texas State Technical Institute in Sweetwater. He is employed by the City of Rotan.

A February 16 wedding is planned at First Baptist Church.

## Retirement And Social Security Benefits Pre-Planning

People nearing retirement age who will soon be applying for Social Security benefits can save time and energy with a little pre-planning, Glyn Hammons, Social Security manager in Abilene, said recently.

People should contact Social Security 2 or 3 months before the date they wish to begin receiving benefits. This will allow sufficient time for processing the claim so that the first benefit payment will arrive the month retirement begins. People can apply by telephone, or they can go to their local Social Security office.

Whichever way is chosen, they can save time by having certain documents handy. They will need their Social Security card or a record of the number.

They must also have a birth certificate and the birth certificates of their spouse and children (if they, too, are filing for benefits), as well as evidence of recent earnings. This would be last year's Form W-2 or a self employment tax return for last year.

People who want benefit payments deposited directly into a bank account should have a checkbook or bank passbook in order to give the correct bank account information.

Anyone with questions about applying for benefits should contact Social Security. The people there will be glad to help. The Abilene Social Security office is located at 142 S. Pioneer. The office is open from 9:00 to 4:00 Monday through Friday.

# Carriker To Serve Key Slots

Lt. Governor Bob Bullock announced committee assignments this week, naming state Senator Steve Carriker (D-Roby) to several key slots in the Texas Senate leadership.

With the early focus of the Legislature on ethics, Bullock assigned Carriker to chair the Senate Subcommittee on Elections and Ethics. The Lt. Governor has already referred the ethics reform bill, which is co-authored by Senator Carriker, directly to Carriker's subcommittee.

In addition, Carriker was named to the chairmanship of the Senate Subcommittee on Agriculture. As the only member of the Senate who makes his living from farming, Carriker will use his experience to help protect farmers and ranchers from burdensome regulations and meddlesome state agriculture inspectors, and to further the economic development potential for value-added processing of Texas' basic crops. Carriker will also serve on the full committee on Natural Resources handling

water, energy, and environment.

Also, Carriker was named to the Committee on Economic Development and to its Subcommittee on Insurance. All legislation dealing with insurance must pass through this committee, and with Governor Ann Richards' commitment to representing consumer interests and additional accountability of the insurance industry and the State Board of Insurance, the Insurance Subcommittee will have a crowded

agenda. Finally, Senator Carriker was named to the Special Subcommittee on Legislative Districts and will continue in his position on the Sunset Commission.

The 30th Senate District consists of 30 counties stretching from Sherman-Denison to the Texas Panhandle. Carriker, who has represented the district since 1988, maintains district offices in Gainesville, Wichita Falls, and his hometown of Roby.

## Students Receive Book

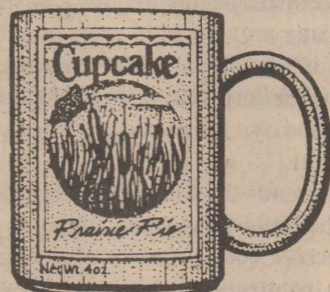
Students in the fourth grade at Rotan Elementary School have received the gift-book entitled "Feeling Good About Me." It is a handsomely bound book of stories about learning traditional values and self-esteem.

"Feeling Good About Me" contains eight stories about realistic problems young people might encounter and how, using traditional values, they are resolved.

Each story has a full-color illustration and teaches such lessons as right and wrong, appreciation of family, what it means to be a good citizen, living up to one's full potential, and why (and how) to stay away from drugs.

These beautiful books are made to last and are likely to become keepsake editions for the students. Local sponsors provide this important gift to the children because they know young people are the most precious resource of this community. The local sponsors are: Weathersbee Funeral Home, Clinic Pharmacy, and Landes Furniture.

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## School Menus

### ROTAN SCHOOL MENU

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**TUESDAY:** Sliced Ham, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Jello, Milk.

**WEDNESDAY:** Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Hearty Chicken Soup, Vegetable Sticks, Chilled Fruit, Peanut Butter Cookies, Crackers, Milk.

**THURSDAY:** Chalupas, Buttered Corn, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Granola Bars, Milk.

**FRIDAY:** Hamburgers, Hamburger Salad, Potato Chips, Pork & Beans, Fruit Cobbler, Milk.

### ROBY SCHOOL MENU

January 28 - Feb. 1, 1991

**MONDAY:** Baked Wieners, Cream Potatoes, Buttered Peas, Fruit, Hot Rolls, Milk.

**TUESDAY:** Fried Chicken, Gravy, Green Beans, Salad, Fruit, Bread, Milk.

**WEDNESDAY:** Corn Dog, French Fries, Black-Eyed Peas, Peanut Butter Cookie, Bread, Milk.

**THURSDAY:** Chili Beans, Buttered Rice, Spinach, Oatmeal Cookie, Cornbread, Milk.

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Cyrena Garza, Jodi Granada, Sunny Helms, Lauren Kennedy, Emilia Munoz, Bryan Nowlin, Tamara Torres, Bobby Vaughn.  
1ST GRADE: Timothy Berryman, Rebecca Duke, Natassia Flores, Mariasha Harbin, Robert Helms, Robert Hoffman, Zachary Kinsey, Laci Martin, Heather Martinez, Christopher Miranda, Paige Nowlin, Laci Parker, Kayla Posey, Krista Reyes, Seth Summers.

2ND GRADE: Jake Dallas, Rode Morrow, Cory Rains, Sarah Shelley.  
3RD GRADE: Lacy Callan, Crystal Early, Jennifer Fowler, Byron Kennedy, Dayme Mullins, Tara Nowlin, Ryan Posey, Jacob Price, Ruth Riddel, Nikki Rowland, Jason Soliz, Becky Velez.

4TH GRADE: Shelley Burk, Andrea Carrillo, Guy Duke, Sarah Greenlee, Brooke McCall, Stacy Morrow, Bradey Murphree.

## THIRD SIX WEEKS "A/B" HONOR ROLL

1ST GRADE: Jennifer Clawson, Jacob Dickson, Michele Dunaway, Darci Eaton, Amanda Ferrell, Molly Martinez, Dane Mullins, Amanda Soliz, Jeremiah Stanford, Dustin Weathersbee.

2ND GRADE: Rocky Flores, Salvador Garcia, Ashley Garza, Dee Gonzalez, Sabra Hargrove, Haley Helms, Alicia Pillans, Monica Reyes, Natasha Thompson, Jacob Yanez, Zachary Yanez.

3RD GRADE: Candi Anderle, Clay Cade, Baldemar Frausto, Mindy Gaspar, Scott McKinney, Rocky Munoz, Carolyn Rocha, Theresa Soliz, Tyrell Williams, Jennifer Yanez, Nikki Yanez.

4TH GRADE: Ryan Branch, Kelly Burnett, Brandon Carreon, Mikya Dickson, David Garcia, Adan Garza, Holly Hunsaker, Daniel Markham, Crissy Martin, Andrea Miranda, Keri Robertson, Monica Romo, Lori Tandy, Leif Willhite.

## 1ST SEMESTER ALL "A" HONOR ROLL KINDERGARTEN, SUNSHINE FRIENDS:

Jodi Granada, Sunny Helms, Lauren Kennedy.

1ST GRADE: Timothy Berryman, Rebecca Duke, Mariasha Harbin, Laci Martin, Heather Martinez, Paige Nowlin, Laci Parker, Krista Reyes.

2ND GRADE: Rode Morrow, Alicia Pillans, Cory Rains, Sarah Shelley.  
3RD GRADE: Lacy Callan, Crystal Early, Jennifer Fowler, Byron Kennedy, Scott McKinney, Dayme Mullins, Tara Nowlin, Ruth Ann Riddel, Jason Soliz, Becky Velez.

4TH GRADE: Shelley Burk, Brooke McCall, Stacy Morrow, Bradey Murphree.

## 1ST SEMESTER "A/B" HONOR ROLL

1ST GRADE: Jennifer Clawson, Jacob Dickson, Michele Dunaway, Amanda Ferrell, Natassia Flores, Robert Helms, Zachary Kinsey, Molly Martinez, Christopher Miranda, Dane Mullins, Kayla Posey, Amanda Soliz, Seth Summers, Dustin Weathersbee.

2ND GRADE: Jake Dallas, Lisa Daniel, Salvador Garcia, Ashley Garza, Dee Gonzalez, Sabra Hargrove, Haley Helms, Craig Leach, Monica Reyes, Natasha Thompson, Jacob Yanez, Zachary Yanez.

3RD GRADE: Clay Cade, Baldemar Frausto, Yanet Frausto, Crystal Hoyle, Lindy Kelley, David Posey, Jacob Price, Carolyn Rocha, Nikki Rowland, Tyrell Williams, Nikki Yanez.

4TH GRADE: Ryan Branch, Kelly Burnett, Brandon Carreon, Andrea Carrillo, Mikya Dickson, Guy Duke, David Garcia, Adan Garza, Sarah Greenlee, Holly Hunsaker, Daniel Markham, Crissy Martin, Andrea Miranda, Ryan Parr, Keri Robertson, Monica Romo, Leif Willhite.

## \*\*\*\*\* ROTAN HIGH SCHOOL FIRST SEMESTER "A" HONOR ROLL

9TH GRADE: Karen Dickson, Matt Mercer, Mark Marshall.  
10TH GRADE: Victor Amezcuita.

12TH GRADE: Richard Almanza, Stephanie Long, Debra Martinez, Vanessa Peek, JoAnna Sepeda.

## "A/B" HONOR ROLL

9TH GRADE: Jennifer Burnes, Joe Gonzalez, Mark Marshall, Eleshia White.

10TH GRADE: Vicky Freeman, Traci Hull, Jason Moffett, Heather Randolph.

11TH GRADE: Sammy Daniel, Grant Kinsey, Kristi Martinez, Sharilyn Murdoch, Julie Parr, Kathy Sepeda, Czrena West, Tracy Williams.

12TH GRADE: Tiny Carrion, Sherri Conner, Edna Daniel, Melissa Flores, Tim Gregg, Joanna Perales.

## 3RD SIX WEEKS "A" HONOR ROLL

9TH GRADE: Karen Dickson, Mark Marshall, Matt Mercer, Mitchell Montez.

10TH GRADE: Vicky Freeman.  
11TH GRADE: Julie Parr.  
12TH GRADE: Richard Almanza, Debra Martinez, JoAnna Sepeda.

## "A/B" HONOR ROLL

9TH GRADE: Jennifer Burnes, Rebecca Daniel, Joe Gonzalez, Michael Montez.

10TH GRADE: Jason Carrillo, Veronica De Leon, Taronna Dunaway, Jason Moffett, Heather Randolph.

11TH GRADE: Victor Amezcuita, David Daniel, Luis Garcia, Grant Kinsey, Kristi Martinez, Sharilyn Murdoch, Christi Parr, Irene Reese, Kathy Sepeda, Terry Warren, Czrena West, Tracy Williams.

12TH GRADE: Sherri Conner, Edna Daniel, Melissa Flores, Tim Gregg, Sean Lee, Stephanie Long, Vanessa Peek, Joanna Perales, Emily Soliz.

## \*\*\*\*\* ROTAN JR. HIGH 3RD SIX WEEKS HONOR ROLL 1990-1991

5TH GRADE: Ryan Branch, Kelly Burnett, Brandon Carreon, Mikya Dickson, David Garcia, Adan Garza, Holly Hunsaker, Daniel Markham, Crissy Martin, Andrea Miranda, Keri Robertson, Monica Romo, Lori Tandy, Leif Willhite.

5TH GRADE: Jake Baker, Katy Cady, Jonathan Sims.

6TH GRADE: Mandy Dycus, Deon Duke, Katie Kennedy, Leanne Landes, Adrianna Velez.  
7TH GRADE: Cassidy Early.  
8TH GRADE: Amy Blackwelder, Brian Carreon.

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5TH GRADE: Jeremy Alls, Jeffery Anderle, Stoney Carrillo, Cheryl Dodd, Monica Gaspar, Kaleb Goodwin, Maria Gonzalez, Tony Guerra, Joey Lujan, Tracy Posey.

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8TH GRADE: Misty Bowen, Melissa Burk, Stephanie Hunsaker, Brandy Long, David Nowlin, Jody Price, Dawn Tandy, Brandi Thomason.

## \*\*\*\*\* ROTAN JR. HIGH 1ST SEMESTER HONOR ROLL 1990 - 1991 "A"

5TH GRADE: Jake Baker, Katy Cade, Jonathan Sims.

6TH GRADE: Laura Blackwelder, Mandy Dycus, Deon Duke, Katie Kennedy, Adrianna Velez.

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son Hargrove, Leanne Landes, Erlinda Natividad.

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### NOTICE OF SHERIFFS SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF FISHER

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32ND Judicial District Court of Fisher County, on the 7 day of January, 1991 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL vs. VICENTE TIJERINA; Cause #4196 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 5th day of February, 1991 which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the North door of the Courthouse of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

Tract I: Being all that certain South 72.5 Feet of Lots 9 and 10 in Block 97 of the Original Town of Rotan, Texas, and being more particularly described in that certain Deed of record in Volume 467, Page 126 of the Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 7 day of January, 1991 as the property of VICENTE TIJERINA, Box 57, Rotan, Texas 79546; to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$687.21 with interest from the 25th day of August, 1988 at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

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# Rotan Yellowhammers Take Victory Over Hermleigh

by Cliff Vlasin

What a difference a week makes. The Rotan Yellowhammers went a long way to erase any memories of frustration last Tuesday, opening District 25A action with a convincing 56-48 win over Hermleigh.

Posse Alls led all the scorers with 26 points in the win while teammate Chris Kennedy pumped in 18.

Rotan Coach Doug Dallas was particularly pleased with the Hammer performance. "We finally played basketball," he said. "We've got a chance to be a legitimate basketball team."

Lack of playing time has hampered the Hammers all year, with several games being cancelled for a variety of reasons from weather to football. Many Class A teams have in the neighborhood of 20 games under their belt while the Hammers had only nine games when they began District play.

"The longer we keep playing, the

better we're going to get," Dallas said.

The win elevated Rotan's record to 3-7 on the year.

The Hammers came out fast, as they pulled to a 14-7 first-quarter advantage, but Hermleigh was not ready to give up so easily, and answered with an 18-point second quarter to cut Rotan's lead to one at halftime, 26-25.

In the all-important third quarter, however, the Hammer defense held Hermleigh to only eight points while pumping in 12 of their own to take a 38-33 lead.

The two teams played even in the final period which was a perfect conclusion for Hammer fans.

Dallas has been hoping for just a little help all year, and his wishes may have come true last week with the re-installed eligibility of Trey Carrillo.

Dallas feels the addition of Carrillo will be a shot in the arm for the Hammers as they head into the more diffi-

cult portion of their district schedule.

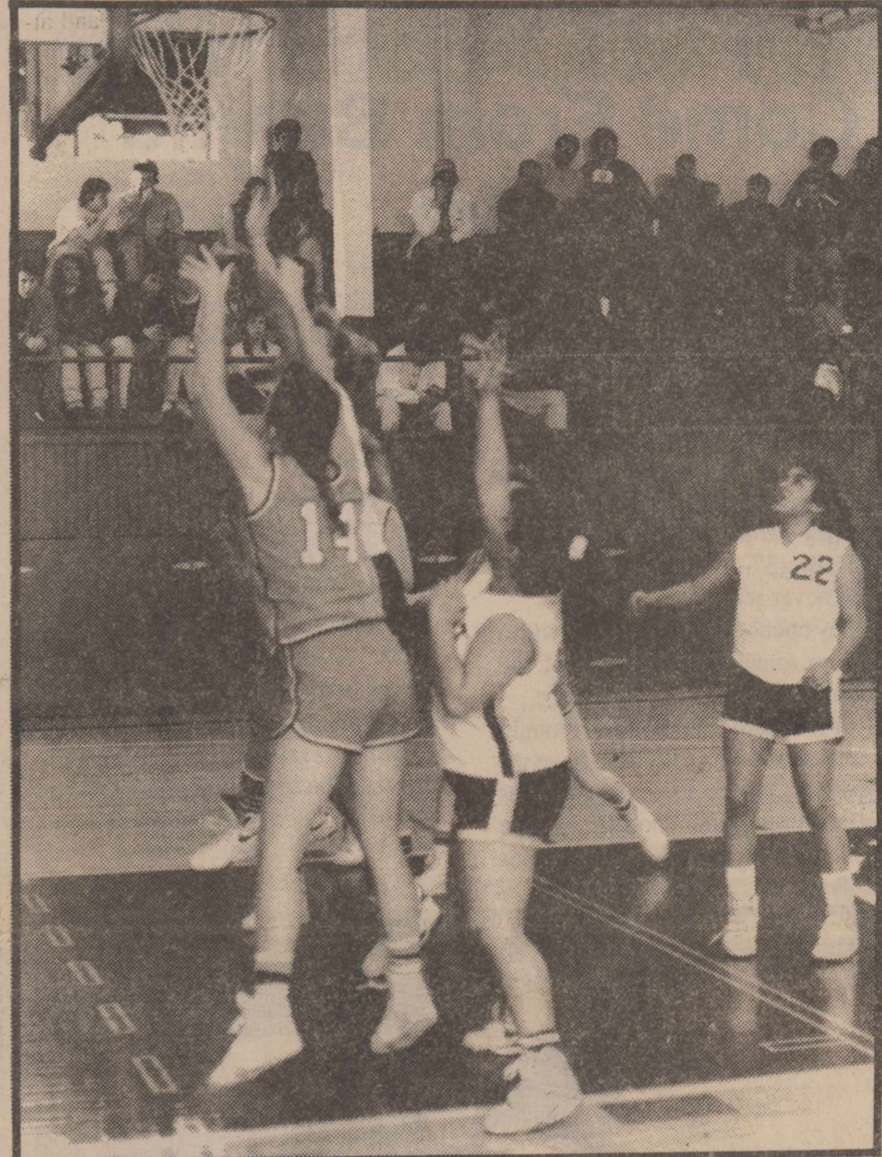
"It's definitely going to help," he said, "not only his scoring, but the things that go on around him." Dallas also thinks the addition of Carrillo will be a boost to his team's confidence.

Besides the obvious pats on the back to Alls for his output in the Hermleigh win, Dallas was also pleased with the improvement of freshman Kennedy. "We're asking a lot from a freshman," he said. "But he's going to be good -- he's scoring more all the time."

While the Hammers are glad for all the good news in the past week, they did have some unfortunate tidings. Alls suffered an injury in the Hermleigh game and the time of his return is questionable. Dallas was questionable, however, that his talented point guard would be available by this Friday when the Hammers travel to Roby for their battle with their Fisher County rival Roby Lions.

Dallas said his players were looking forward to the matchup. "The kids say 'we'll play Roby a good game, coach,'" he said. "If they don't kill us outside, we'll be all right."

"It's a good rivalry," he added of the Roby-Rotan contest. "That's the way it should be."



STRONG REBOUND: Lady Hammer Vanessa Peek (14), grabs a rebound and puts it back up for two.

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A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS  
For The Week Ending January 17

Cotton trading, contrary to many trade sources' expectations, reacted euphorically on Thursday, January 17 following initial success of U.S.-led air raids on Iraq. New York cotton futures prices and trading on the Lubbock-based TELCOT electronic cotton trading system jumped dramatically from the outset.

Texas and Oklahoma cotton producers sold more than 29,000 bales of 1990-crop over TELCOT on January 17, more than double the two previous days' trading combined. The average price received for all qualities was 59.55 or 15.75 gross premium over the loan. The previous Thursday, cotton traded over TELCOT averaged 58.62 cents per pound, or 14.87 gross premium. Cotton traded through TELCOT January 11 to 17 was 83,352 bales compared to 62,152 the previous week. Cotton listed on TELCOT's firm offer fell to 140,330 bales at the close of trading on January 17.

Many trade sources had expected cotton prices would fall initially with the outbreak of war between Iraq and the U.S.-led coalition, followed by a rally. Approximately 12 hours after fighting broke out, the New York Cotton Exchange opened sharply higher and the strength continued throughout the day. The March contract closed up 156 points, May up 167, July up 157 and October up 68 points. Earlier in the week, futures prices and TELCOT trading had been sluggish due to pre-war jitters.

In addition to the early success in Iraq, cotton traders cited plunging oil and gold prices for optimism in the commodities markets. They also noted the previous week's USDA crop and supply/demand reports along with rumors of new Chinese purchases of U.S. cotton as reasons for cotton futures' sudden upturn.

The USDA reports issued January 11 pegged 1990 U.S. cotton production at 15.6 million bales, compared to 15.4 million estimated in December. The increase in production was offset by higher export estimates at 7.8 million bales, compared to December's 7.5 million. The result was a 100,000-bale decrease in anticipated ending stocks for the current marketing year now standing at 2.5 million bales.

Much of the increase in the U.S. crop estimate occurred in Texas where production was raised to 5.0 million bales, up 200,000 from a month earlier. Oklahoma production also increased 30,000 bales, now estimated at 380,000. However, estimates of the 1990 world cotton crop dropped 300,000 bales from the December figures.

Rumors surfaced on January 11 that China had purchased 400,000 bales of optional-origin cotton, with ideas that 40,000 to 80,000 could be U.S. stocks, according to sources contacted by Commodity News Service. Validity of the rumors was offered by trade estimates that China may need to import as much as three million bales during this marketing year.

The rumors were partially confirmed by USDA's weekly export report issued January 17 for the week ended January 10. The report showed a net increase in U.S. exports of 186,400 bales with 48,500 destined for China. Other major buyers noted were South Korea at 35,800 bales; Hong Kong at 25,900; Taiwan at 15,800; and Thailand at 15,000 bales.

The adjusted world price effective through January 24 is 67.09 cents per pound, down 13 points from the previous week, adjusted to U.S. location and base quality, according to USDA.

Knight-Ridder Financial News (KRF) reported last week that private crop analyst Sparks Commodities has estimated U.S. 1991 cotton planted area at 13,998 million acres. The figure compares with USDA's final 1990 plantings of 12,429 million acres, however, a Sparks Commodities spokesman in Memphis, Tennessee, contacted by KRF declined to comment on the figures. USDA is scheduled to release preliminary 1991 plant intentions figures February 11.

John Johnson

# News From Down South

By Bertha Warren

With all the war news going on, it's hard to concentrate on anything else. But we do have some good local news. Norma Parks reports that Levi Parks is improving, she is back at work and Julie's mother has returned home to Sweetwater and Pache is able to work during the week. Of course Levi still has a long ways to go and still needs all our prayers.

David Shipp is much improved after his shooting accident.

Helen Thornburg had surgery in Lubbock Wednesday, the 9th and returned home the 15th. She is slowly gaining her strength back. Hope she will continue to improve. Lowell's nephew Bobby Staton of Ira spent Sunday with them.

Lowell Benson of Plano and his son and daughter-in-law, Brent and Nancy of Garland, spent the weekend with Ben and Edna Benson in Sweetwater.

Charlie and Thelma Smith went to Merkel Sunday to visit Roe Jene Hicks and family.

Our sympathy goes out to the

families of Toney Mitchell of Price, Texas. He was 17 years old and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mitchell. He died in a car accident Sunday.

Greg Ogden of Midland spent a couple of hours with his grandmother Ollie Ogden. He had supper with her then went on to Stamford.

Theatre on the Brazos catered the John Deere farm sale Saturday, the 19th. Had a very nice crowd and the weather was better than we had expected. We had such a good hard working group of folks helping, from those cooking the meat out in the wind and smoke to the ones inside making burgers and coffee and serving. A group from the Library were selling the most delicious cookies and candy and cakes.

Wednesday, the 9th, Jewell Ratliff and I flew to Ca. to drive back home with Dot McCain. Dot returned home with LeRoy after our family reunion in October. All 3 of her children (Ouida, Frankie and LeRoy) live around Los Angeles. We had a wonderful time. Saw the show "Coach" taped and went

on tours. Ouida has worked for Universal Studios for about 15 years and she was able to take us places to see things we couldn't have seen without her. We returned home Wednesday night. Had very pretty weather all the way home.

Speaking of California, congratulations are in order for Bem Rainey. She was named employee of the year by United Artist Cable and won a 3 day trip to Los Angeles. Rock, her husband was able to make the trip with her. They left Friday, stayed in the Bel Air Hotel and Saturday night they attended the awards dinner held at the Rex Restaurant. This is the same restaurant the first Academy Awards were held in 1920. Over a hundred United Artist Cable employees and their spouses attended. They returned home late Sunday night. B.D. Rainey won the Showmanship buckle and a trophy for showing the Reserve Champion Duroc. Congratulations B.D.

Charlie Smith was 79 years old Tuesday. Happy birthday Charlie.

See you next week. Call and let us know what's going on in your world.

## Roby Lions Come From Behind To Capture Win Over Ira

by Cliff Vlasin

The Roby Lions had to come from way behind last Tuesday night, overcoming an 18-point first half deficit to take a 58-51 triumph over Ira in their District 25A opener at Ira.

Jonathan Petty led the Lions with 27 points, and Jeremy Terry was the only other scorer in double figures for the cold-shooting Lions with 13.

Eddie Onofre added eight, Jamie Amador had 10, and Kenny Heflin and Robert Katic had three each, as the Lions improved to 10-8 on the season.

The Lions jumped to an early lead, going ahead 6-0 in the early going, but a 15-1 run by the Bulldogs gave them a 15-7 advantage by the end of the first quarter.

Ira scored the first five points of the second half, and continued to increase their advantage until, with just over three minutes left in the first half, they were on the long end of a 30-12 score.

It was then that the Lions got their wake-up call, however. The Lions outscored the Bulldogs 14-2 in the final three minutes of the first half, with Petty scoring nine and Katic adding four three throws.

### Rotan Friendship 4-H Club Holds Meeting

The Rotan Friendship 4-H Club met January 15, 1991 at the Lion's Club Building. Valentine activities were discussed. Jeff Klein and his dogs presented a very interesting program for the group. Club members attending the meeting were: Katy Cade, Tracy Posey, Julie Grisham, Laura Blackwelder, Mandy Dycus, Jonathan Sims, Guy Kelley, Kaleb Goodwin, Jason Hargrove, Luis Yanez, Jake Baker, and Lane Greene.

### Secret Pal Club Holds Meeting

The Secret Pal Club met on the 16th of January in the Senior Citizens building. Each brought a covered dish. They played bingo, ate lunch at noon and exchanged gifts. Everyone had a good time.

Members present were: Willia Dean Reaves, Wanda Kiker, Fay Woolsey, Lillia M Herron, Bessie Eaton, Lenora Streetman, Treasa Dycus, Aurora Martinez, LaVerne Starnes, Chris Rackley, Jimmie Horton, Mary Allen.

### Hospital News

HOSPITAL NEWS  
Patients admitted to the Fisher County Hospital January 15 thru January 21, 1991 were:  
Joe Ella Bennett- Rotan; I.T. McArthur- Rotan; Oma Lois Lee- Rotan; Mandy Dycus- Rotan; Martha M. Wright- Hermleigh; Charles Dannheim- Roby; John T. Murdoch- Jayton; Loyce A. Sutton- Roby; Era B. Boen- Rotan.

The Lions continued to come back in the third quarter. After Ira opened the half with a bucket to make it 34-28, Petty answered with a rebound and two straight scores by Terry cut it to one, 34-33. Ira scored again at the 2:45 mark to regain a three-point advantage, but Terry hit for two more layups to give Roby a 37-36 lead, a lead the Lions would never relinquish.

Roby opened the final quarter with a 10-2 run to take the bite out of the Bulldogs.

Roby coach Ron Francis thought the intimidation factor might have affected the Lions in the early going as they faced one of their most formidable opponents of the year in 6-7 post James Sturdivant.

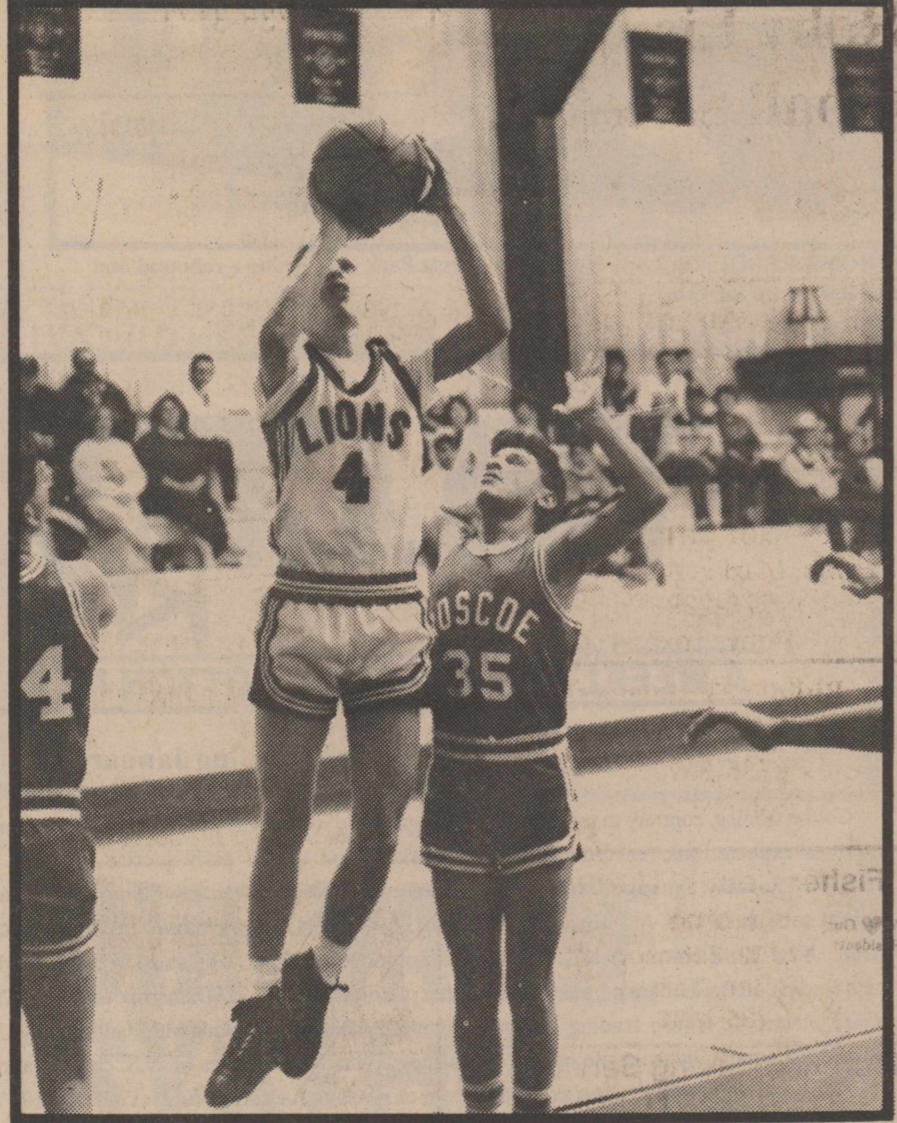
"I think he intimidated us a little bit," Francis said. "We didn't keep him off the boards."

"I got on them pretty hard," Francis added. "I kept asking if they were scared of him."

Francis says he seldom needs to motivate his players, however. "They're all seniors," he said. "They meant to get this one. We set a goal of going 6-0 in district all year."

The win over Ira ended the frustration of two losses at the hands of the same Bulldog team last year.

After travelling to Hermleigh on Tuesday, the Lions will return to Roby gym to host the Rotan Yellowhammers Friday night in a battle for the bragging rights of Fisher County.



INSIDE BUCKET: Roby's Jeremy Terry puts in a short jumper for two points.

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## Lady Lions Open District With Trashing Win Over Ira

by Cliff Vlasin

Shana Feagan paced the Roby Lady Lions, pumping in 32 points last Tuesday as the Roby girls opened District 25A action with a convincing 75-47 thrashing of the Ira Lady Bulldogs.

Belinda Williams and Lorissa Edmondson also contributed double figures for Roby with 13 and 12 points respectively while Michelle Beauchamp chipped in nine.

Also scoring were Tanya McClure (5), Karen Barrera (2), and Monica Pullig (2).

"We played pretty good in the first half," Roby coach Gail Gregg said. "We pushed the ball up the floor pretty good."

The Lady Lions dominated from the opening tipoff, scoring the first 11 points of the first quarter. When Williams hit a long three-pointer at the first eärter buzzer, the Lady Lions were up 26-8.

Edmondson then opened the second quarter with six straight points and Roby was up 32-8 on the way to an easy win.

The only down side for the Lady Lions was a problem with fouls.

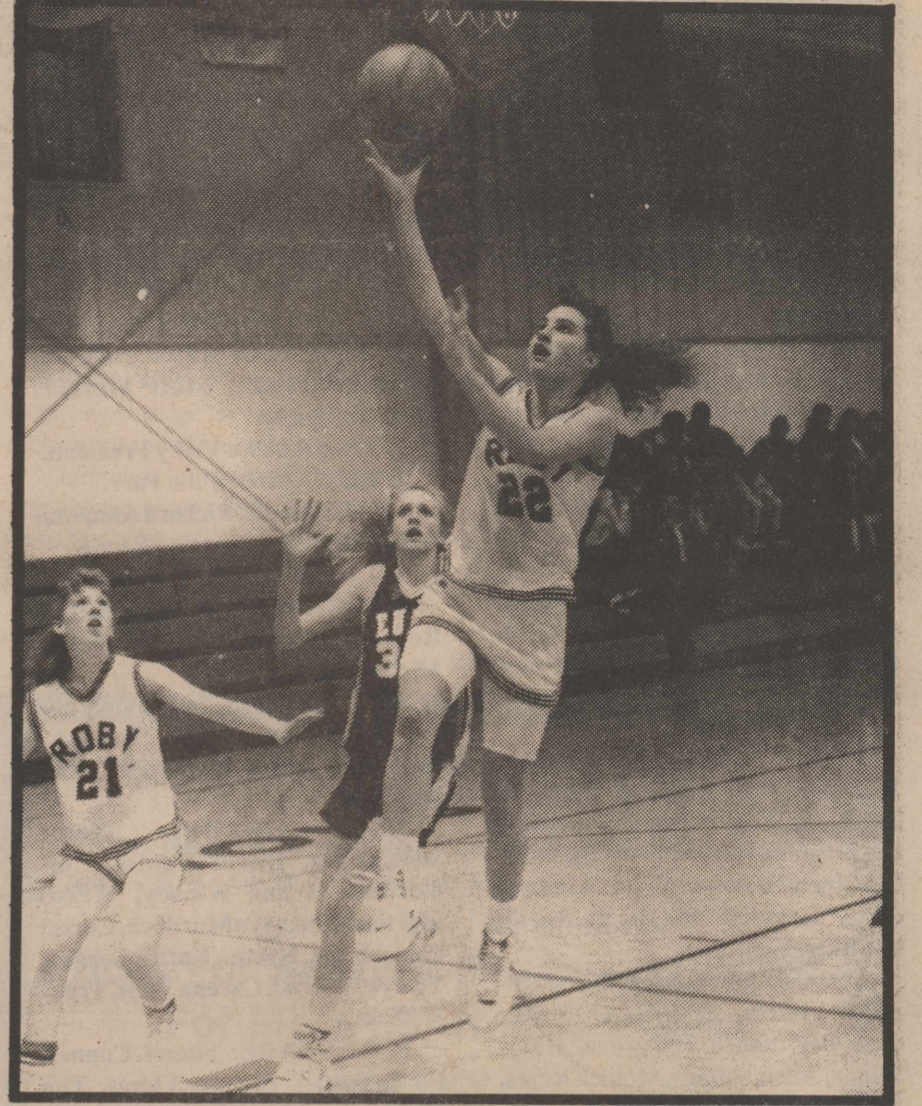
"We had a few fouls we shouldn't have had," Gregg said. The end result

was the Lady Lions having to play the entire second half without Edmondson, who fouled out with less than a minute gone in the third quarter.

The Lady Lions still managed to outscore the Lady Bulldogs in every quarter, however, as the entire Roby squad got plenty of playing time.

Feagan scored 16 points in each half and was named the Abilene Reporter News girls "player of the week".

After Tuesday's contest at Hermleigh, the Lady Lions will return to the Roby gym for a Friday night matchup with the Rotan Lady Hammers, last season's District 25A champion.



HIGH FLYIN' LADY LION: Roby's Lorissa Edmondson scores on a fast-break layup while Michelle Beauchamp (21) back her up.



Mr. and Mrs. Greg Meek are the proud parents of a daughter weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz. and was 21 inches long. Lauren Ashley Meek was born January 12, 1991 at 6:55 p.m. at Huntsville Memorial Hospital.

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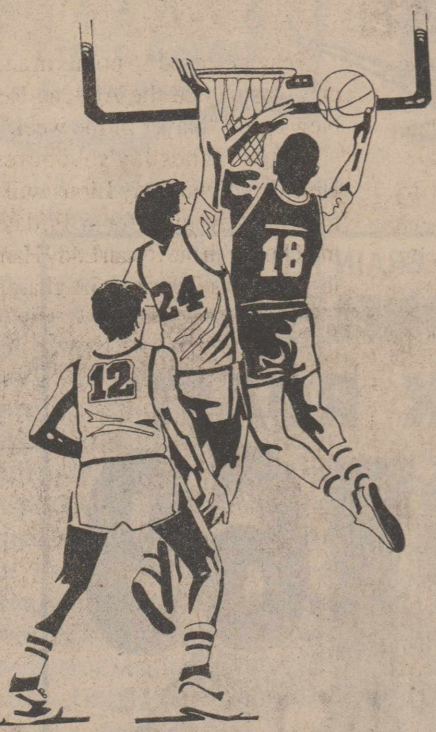
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## Ranchers' Rights

by Bob Klingsbery

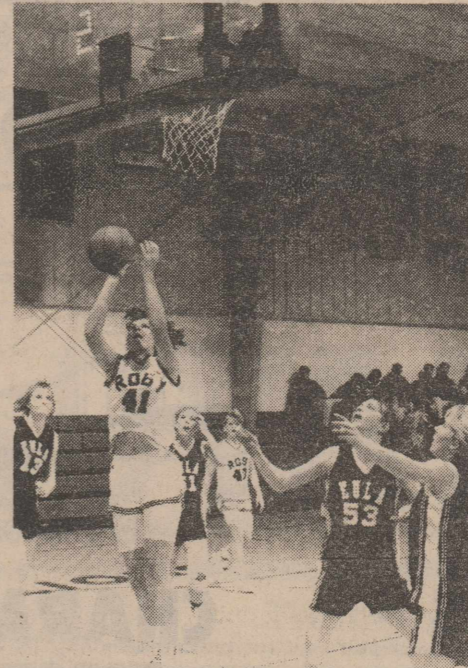
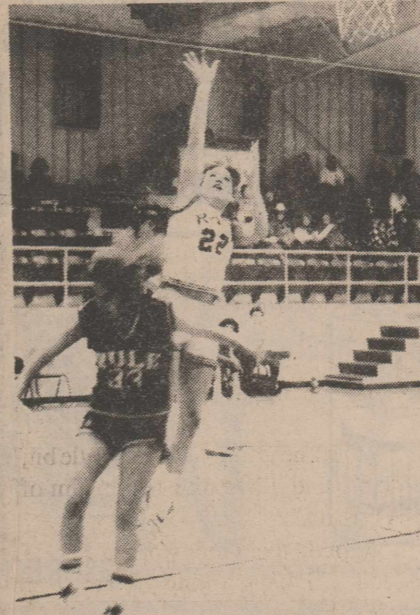
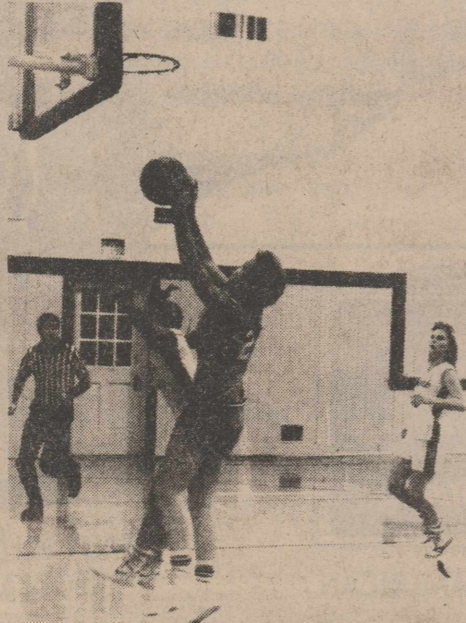
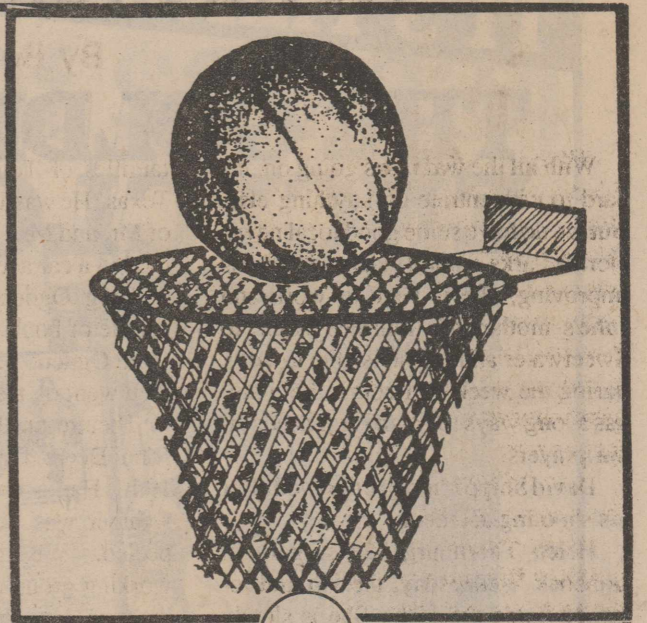
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(Editors Note: For a frameable copy of Ranchers' Rights send \$2 (\$1 for each additional) to Klingsbery Communications Box 1938, Woodinville, WA, 98072.)



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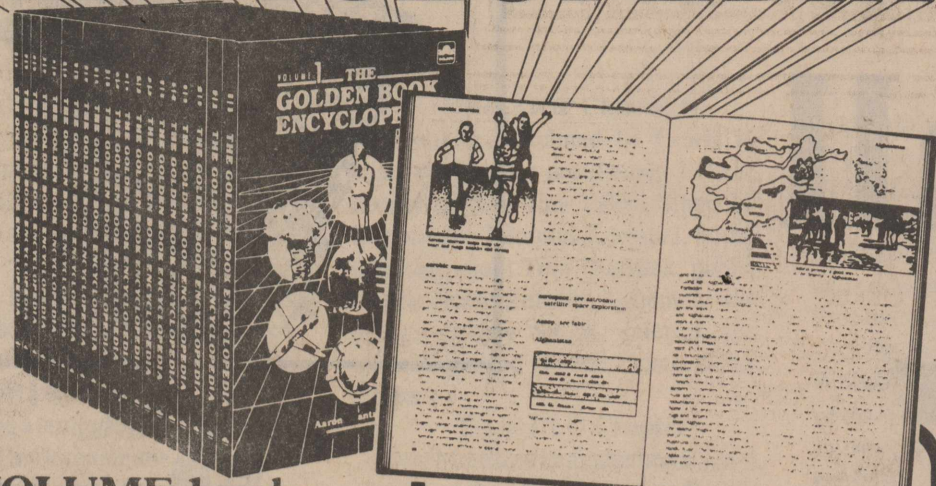
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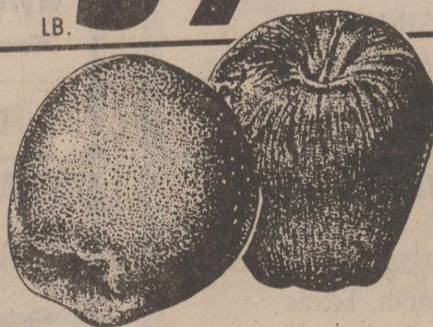


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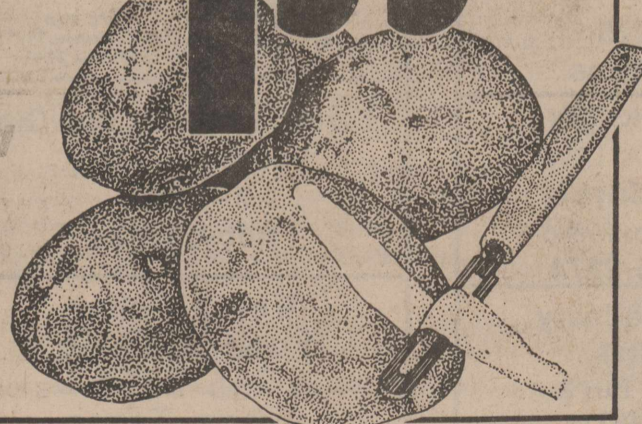


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