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MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



DOROTHY LEE

Dorothy Lee is a native of Roaring Springs. She works in Home Health Care and takes care of the elderly. She enjoys doing this very much.

Dorothy had eight children. Two daughters and two sons are still living. She has twenty-five grandchildren and twenty-two great-grandchildren.

In her spare time she enjoys cooking, sewing, and working in her yard.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Feed your faith and your doubts will starve.

— Paul Brownlow, Faith

RS Community Volunteers Will Host County-Wide July 4th Celebration

A county-wide Fourth of July Celebration will be sponsored by the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers at the Roaring Springs Community Center. It will begin at 7:00 p.m. with a cake and ice cream feast that will be followed by group singing at 8:00 p.m.

Homer Martin is in charge of this part of the evening's festivities and he has planned a program of great music for everyone to take part in and enjoy. About dark the Fourth of July Celebration will end with a fireworks display.

Motley County Jr. Rodeo Set For July 12 and 13

The 22nd Annual Motley County Junior Rodeo will be held at the Old Settler's Arena in Roaring Springs on July 12 and 13, 1996. The Junior Rodeo is sponsored annually by Motley County 4-H.

This year, there will be two rodeo performances. The Friday night performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. The Saturday night performance will begin at 4:00 p.m. Rodeo books will close at 5:00 p.m. on July 9th.

Saddles will be awarded to the All-Around Boy and Girl in the Senior Division (ages 16-19). A set of Rickey Trammell Bits and Spurs will be given to the All-Around Boy and Girl in the Junior Division (ages 13-15). Buckles will be awarded in the Pee-Wee Division (ages 8-12) and the Pre-Kids Division (ages 7 and under) for the All-Around Boy and Girl. Montana Silversmith Belt Buckles will also be awarded for first place in each event

for all age divisions.

The events for the Rodeo are: Barrel Race, Flag Race, Pole Bending, Goat Tying, Tie Down Roping, Ribbon Roping, Breakaway, Straight-Away Chute Dogging, Team Roping, Steer Daubing, Calf Riding, Steer Riding, Bareback, Saddle Bronc, and Bull Riding.

A dance will be held nightly featuring Lydia Dorman. The dance will begin at 9:00 p.m. both Friday and Saturday night.

All interested youth are encouraged to enter the Rodeo and spectators are invited to watch the action and dance nightly to Lydia Dorman.

For more information or entry blanks, feel free to contact Cathy Turner, Rodeo Secretary, Box 666, Matador, Texas 79244, (806) 347-2834, or Beverly Logsdon, County Extension Agent, Box 670, Matador, Texas 79244.

Tri-Annual Homecoming Set At Flomot July 6-7

The Welcome Home banner is ready to unfurl for former residents returning to Flomot for the Tri-Annual Homecoming, Saturday and Sunday July 6-7.

Registration will start at 10:00 a.m., Saturday at the Flomot Community Center. From 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. class reunions and visiting are planned.

At 7:00 p.m., Saturday there will be a program in the Community Center with the crowning of the Homecoming Queen and election of the officers of the Homecoming Association. Following the program, a Homecoming dance will be given for those attending the

Homecoming and their guests.

The Swimming Pool Association of Turkey will have a concession stand open for business all day Saturday at the center. The Do-Gooders' Club will sell chances for a Lone-Star quilt that will be on display during the Homecoming activities. The winner will be announced Saturday night at the program and does not have to be present to win.

Those attending are reminded that joint church services will be held Sunday at 11:00 a.m. in the Community Center following by a catered lunch in the gym.

Ronald Clay, president, announced since the Homecoming Association does not have membership dues or charge for the dance tickets, donations to help defray the expenses will be appreciated.

Others on the Association executive committee besides Mr. Clay are Billy Wendell Morris and Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert.

Those serving as committee chairman are Dianne Washington, registration; Trula and Wilburn Martin, decorations; Glen Calvert, food and Donnie Rogers, dance.

"The memories we collect and give brighten our lives as long as we live."

Pete Laney To Speak At Second Annual Chamber Banquet

James E. "Pete" Laney, 71st Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, will be the featured speaker at the Second Annual Motley County Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Friday, July 19, 1996.

Pete Laney was first elected Speaker by his colleagues in 1993 after serving 20 years as a State Representative for a Texas Panhandle district. When he was re-elected Speaker in January, 1995, he pledged to help renew any barriers preventing people from contributing their talents and ideas to the Texas Legislative process.

Speaker Laney is a Hale County farmer. He graduated from Hale Center High School and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture economics from Texas Tech University. He has received numerous awards and honors, including being chosen the 1996 Texan of the Year by the Texas

Legislative Conference. He also has been named a Texas Tech Distinguished Alumnus and was given the 1995 Outstanding Texas Leader Award from the John Ben Shepperd Public Leadership Forum.

The banquet will be held at the Motley County School Gymnasium at 7 p.m. on Friday, July 19th. A complete barbecue supper featuring brisket and wild hog meat will be served. The dress will be casual or western attire. Tickets will be \$10 each and will be available after July 1st at local businesses or from Chamber Board members. Please purchase tickets by July 15 so that the Chamber can ensure adequate seating and food. For more information, call President Jeff Thacker, 348-7546 or Secretary Charles Keith, 347-2283.

The Chamber Board of Directors will meet this Thursday evening, June



Pete Laney

27, at 7:30 p.m. at the First State Bank to finalize the banquet planning.

Kids Camp Underway In Roaring Springs



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG — These kids are standing in attention as they prepare to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag to begin the first day of Kids Camp on Monday morning at the Frank N. Mitchell Memorial Park in downtown Roaring Springs. The camp, sponsored by the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers, is for kids ages 6-12 and will continue through Friday. There were over 100 kids from Motley and surrounding counties registered for the camp. Community churches and individuals helped Volunteer members with food, refreshments, and all kinds of fun activities. The camp will wrap up with a Drama to be presented by the kids at the Volunteers' Community Center.

Sharp Delivers June Sales Tax Rebates With a 23 Percent Increase Over Last Year

(AUSTIN) — John Sharp, State Comptroller of Public Accounts, today delivered a total of \$154.5 million in June sales tax rebates to 1,081 cities and 115 counties, a 23 percent increase over the allocations for June 1995.

"Total sales tax rebates thus far in 1996 are a very respectable 8.9 percent higher than those through June of last year," Sharp said. Payments for June 1996 show a significant increase over those of June 1995 due in part to a

procedural change in the way the rebates are now processed by the Comptroller's office.

Texas cities received monthly sales tax rebates of \$140.9 million, 23.8 percent above the \$113.7 million last June. Counties in Texas were sent rebates of \$13.6 million, 15.2 percent above \$11.8 million for June 1995.

This month's city and county sales tax rebates include taxes collected on April sales and reported to the Comptroller in May by businesses filing monthly tax returns.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation is scheduled for Friday, July 12.

Totals for Motley County: Matador - current rate, 1.000%; net payment this period, 1,027.61; comparable payment prior year, 1,015.59; % change, 1.18%; 1996 payments to date, 10,123.08; 1995 payments to date, 10,842.87; % change, -6.63%.

Roaring Springs - current rate, 1.000%; net payment this period, 2,325.09; comparable payment prior

School Board Accepts Coach And Teacher Resignations

The Motley County ISD Board of Trustees met Wednesday, June 12 at 7:30 p.m.

The main items on the agenda included approving the 1996-97 Chemical Hygiene Plan.

Bids were opened for Workers Compensation Insurance and was awarded to Hibbs/Halmark of Tyler; Student Accident Insurance to Student Accident Insurance of Dallas; purchase of a pickup, will purchase from the

State Purchasing Contract.

The Board went into Executive Session.

Out of Executive Session, the Resignations of Chris and Christi Bearden were accepted.

Items for information:

- * Board Training
- * Houston TASB Convention
- * Football Reserve Seat prices were discussed.

Meeting adjourned.

Barbara's Bylines

The following is from BY THE WAY, by Alice Gilroy, *Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon*.

Mrs. Gilroy says Not too long ago I heard an interview on the radio with a Rev. Wright of Kansas.

Wright had caused an uproar with a prayer he had offered up at the opening of a session of the Kansas House of Representatives.

I never got to hear the prayer, I only heard about the reaction from some of the members in the House, and the atheists and special interest groups who I believe later picketed his church.

When I heard his interview I wished I had the prayer. Duard Reeves, of Lockney, has since brought me the prayer. I thought I might share it with you.

According to Reeves' information one Kansas Representative said, "I have never heard in 10 years, as divisive, sanctimonious, self-serving, overbearing prayer, as I have heard this morning."

One representative is said to have walked out and another is said to have sat down in protest.

Here is the prayer - Would you have walked out?

"Heavenly Father: We come to you today to ask your forgiveness and seek your direction and guidance. We know

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Kids Camp Will Present Drama

The Roaring Springs Kids Camp will end an exciting week of activities with a drama presentation by the camp participants. This drama, entitled

"Proud", will take place at the Roaring Springs Community Center at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 28. Everyone is invited to attend to see this musical presentation by the kids. After the presentation, the kids who have participated in the camp will be treated to hamburgers and a swimming party.



READY, SET, READ — Listening to a story being read by Mrs. Pam Thacker at the Ready, Set, Read Program at the Motley County Library were (l-r) Mylissa Gilmore, Brenda Gillespie, Sonya Martinez, Brady O'Pry, and Isiah Sims. Felton Gilmore and Mary Kelley also read stories to the group.

Engagement Announced



Lacey Parks and Ryan Rankin

Harold and Barbara Parks of Roaring Springs wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lacey Melody Parks, to Ryan Ray Rankin, son of Newell Rankin and Vickie Rankin of Miami, Texas.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Omar Parks of Roaring Springs and Maxine Pickens of Spur. Ryan is the grandson of Rex and Betty Yoder of Amarillo, and Rudolf and Fern Rankin of Miami.

The Bride-elect, a graduate of Motley County High School, attends West Texas A&M. The future bridegroom, a graduate of Miami High School, also attends West Texas A&M.

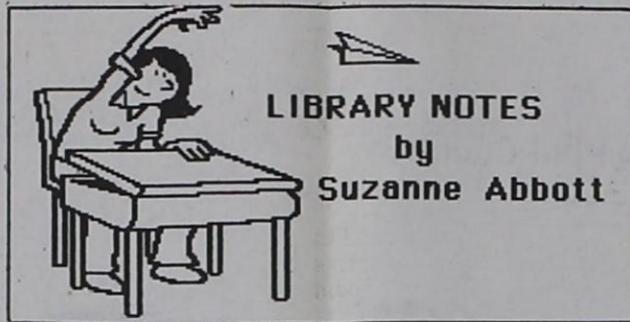
The couple will marry August 10th at the First United Methodist Church in Matador.

Louderers Named Citizens of the Year

Former Matador residents, Gene and Mary Louder, now of Kress, were recently named Citizens of the Year.

Gene is a retired pastor and was a former Methodist pastor in Matador. Gene serves as parade chairman for the Hi-Neighbor Picnic and Celebration and is president of the Swisher County Library Board.

Mary is co-chairman for the annual Cancer drive in Kress and helps with the Hi-Neighbor event.



Today, Thursday, 4:30-5:00 p.m., at the Library we will have our final session of the Library's Summer Reading Program. Certificates will be presented to the participants and prizes will be given to those who read the most books. Last week the kids involved in the Library's summer reading program, Ready, Set, Read! listened to a story presented by Pam Thacker. The kids involved in the summer program have enjoyed many good books and stories. We want to thank Mary Kelley, Felton Gilmore, and Pam Thacker for giving of their time and talent to present stories for our Ready, Set, Read! program.

We wish to thank Jo Ann Dickson and Georgia Witcher for their donations to the Motley County Library.

Books new to the Library include a book about Douglas MacArthur, American Caesar Douglas MacArthur 1880-1964, by William Manchester and a fascinating book, The Power to Heal Ancient Arts & Modern Medicine, that presents a picture of the earliest medicine and the "primitive"

Bylines

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your word says, 'Woe to those who call evil good,' but that's exactly what we've done. We have lost our spiritual equilibrium and inverted our values.

"We confess that we have ridiculed the absolute truth of your word and called it moral pluralism.

"We have worshipped other gods and called it multi-culturalism.

"We have endorsed perversion and

medicine practiced in third world countries today.

New books in the Library this week include the long-awaited set of books, The New Handbook of Texas in Six Volumes. This set was made possible by a donation from Leatrice Knight Dickinson, and we could never have afforded them without her generosity. These most interesting reference books tell everything you ever wanted to know about Texas - many personages, both known and little-known and many places: towns, cities, geographical sites in Texas. This set of books is now in the reference section ready for your use.

Other books new to the Library are three popular health books, dealing with common problems that many of us have from time to time - headaches, sleepiness, and depression. These books are Headaches 47 Ways to Stop the Pain, 67 Ways to Good Sleep, and Depression Questions You Have...Answers You Need. These helpful books are ready to be checked out at the Motley County Library.

called it an alternative lifestyle.

"We have exploited the poor and called it self-preservation.

"We have rewarded laziness and called it welfare.

"We have killed our unborn and called it choice.

"We have shot abortionists and called it justifiable.

"We have neglected to discipline our children and called it building esteem.

"We have abused power and called it political savvy.

"We have coveted our neighbors' possessions and called it ambition.

"We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it freedom of expression.

"We have ridiculed the time-honored values of our forefathers and called it enlightenment.

"Search us, O God, and know our hearts today; try us and see if there be some wicked way in us; cleanse us from every sin and set us free.

"Guide and bless these men and women who have been sent here by the people of Kansas, and who have been ordained by you, to govern this great state. Grant them your wisdom to rule, and may their decisions direct us to the center of your will.

"I ask it in the name of your son, the living Savior, Jesus Christ - Amen."

I think the problem here is not that Rev. Wright said these things, but that our spiritual and political leaders haven't said enough. Maybe if we heard it more we wouldn't be so shocked when someone says it.

Tax Payments

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year, 805.94; % change, 188.49; 1996 payments to date, 9,779.24; 1995 payments to date, 9,557.62; % change, 2.31%.

County total - net payment this period, 3,352.70; comparable payment prior year, 1,821.53; % change, 84.05%; 1996 payments to date, 19,902.32; 1995 payment to date, 20,400.49; % change, -2.44%.

Wedding Plans Announced



Lou Ann Taylor and J.J. Talamantez

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Burns and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Taylor of Matador

and

Mr. and Mrs. Esequiel Talamantez of Ralls would like to invite you to attend the wedding ceremony of their children

Margie Lou Ann Taylor

and

J.J. Talamantez

Friday, July 28, 1996 at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon

Assembly of God Church

Roaring Springs

A reception will follow the ceremony

The Bible Speaks

The Bible speaks to the person enslaved by drugs, alcohol or greed and describes the experience of salvation as "redemption". The Lord Jesus is the one who "gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good". (Titus 2:14)

The Bible speaks to the neglected, abused, and lonely man or woman and depicts salvation as "adoption" into the family of God. "In love He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will." (Eph. 1:5)



The Bible addresses the defeated and broken person who sees no way to resolve the chaos of his or her life and weeps for the chance to make a fresh start. The Bible describes salvation as being "born again" in John 3:3-5.

What happens in the process of salvation is described in the Bible under a variety of metaphors. Each is only a metaphor, however, and should not be understood as an explanation of the whole process. Is it complex? Yes. Can it be understood? Yes it can. For the Bible speaks on the subject of salvation in several places. Here is one example.

"But when the kindness and love of God our savior appeared, He saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior" (Titus 3: 4-6)

Roaring Springs Church of Christ

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

Bible Study - 10:00 a.m.

Worship - 9:00 a.m.

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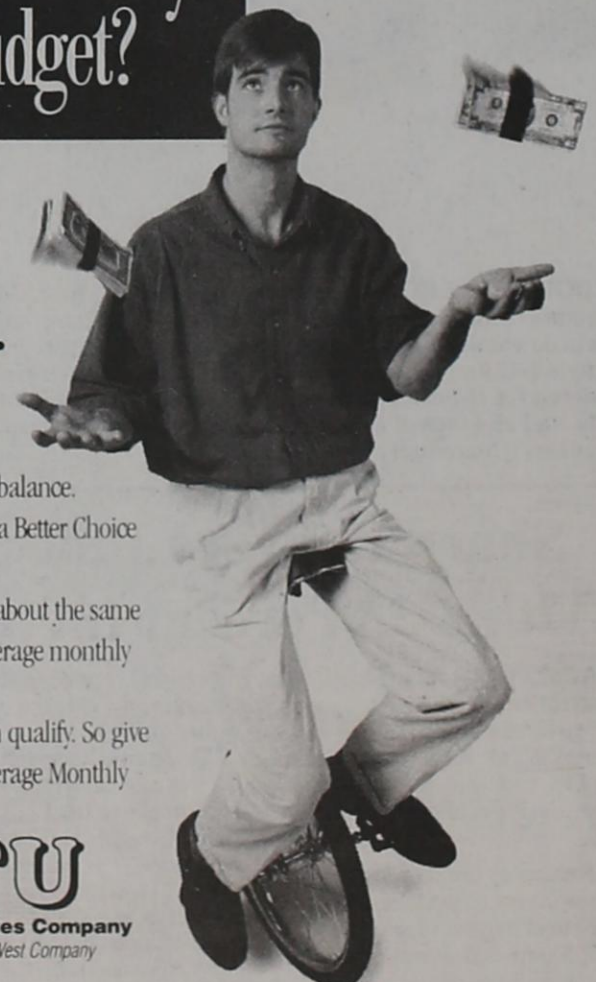
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Home Economically Speaking

by Beverly A. Logsdon
Home Extension Agent - Home Economics

ENJOYING SUMMER DAYS WITH FAMILY

Some people dream about those long warm summer days. Memories of eating popsicles on the front lawn, running through the sprinkler, and picking wild blackberries fill my mind. These simple, spontaneous, close to home activities are cherished most.

Unfortunately, work schedules, to-do lists and scheduled activities result in more crazy days than lazy days.

Would you like to have more memorable days than hectic days this summer? Slowing down your busy pace involves loosening up on routines, and making conscious choices about structured activities. Ask each family member what they enjoy the most about summer. Then plan summer activities that reflect your family's interests. Be sure and leave plenty of unplanned time for just hanging out with your family around home.

Do you feel comfortable with the idea of just hanging out? Here are a few ideas to keep on hand to spur your imagination:

— Blankets on the lawn can provide the center for many activities. An instant picnic, laying on your back relaxing while your toddlers play with toys, a place to enjoy stories or listen to the evening sounds.

— Tents become forts for toddlers and preschoolers. A great camping trip can take place in your own backyard.

— Play games. Infants and toddlers love to play with balls, and bubbles. Preschoolers enjoy hide-and-seek, Frisbee, t-ball, Mother may I, red light, green light. Think of outdoor games you played as a child. Build an ob-

stacle course. Get neighbors involved in a giant game of hide-and-seek, or team children and parents up for a mini-scavenger hunt.

— Play with water. Sprinklers, swimming pools, water balloons, washing the car, watering the plants - anything to be in or near the water.

— Spontaneous gatherings. Invite neighbors over to share a meal. It could be any time of the day - a weekend breakfast, a lunch, or a week night supper. Each family brings their own food or something to share - no planning ahead - and keep it simple and focus on conversation and good company.

— Have a cupcake party. Cover a picnic table with vinyl tablecloth, bring lots of cupcakes, frosting, and an assortment of different toppings including chocolate chips, sprinkles, raisins and fruit.

— Take a walk or fly a kite.

— Make a sidewalk chalk picture.

Summer is a season of so many possibilities. Working parents can easily fill everyday with tasks and "to-do's." It is easy to let our sense of urgency about an over-scheduled life prevent us from taking some time to enjoy our children. This summer let yourself relax and enjoy the lazy days of summer!

Educational programs of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: One of the most difficult things for a speaker to remember is not to nod his head in agreement when the toastmaster praises him.

by Steve Blow

NOTE: This article first appeared in the *Dallas Morning News* and was reprinted in the *Hamlin Herald* and other newspapers.

"A teacher's group foolishly asked me to make a few remarks the other evening. And as I was pondering what I might say, the phrase 'crisis in education' kept coming to mind. It's a given these days that our schools are in a

mess.

But as I thought about it, it suddenly dawned on me that we don't have a 'crisis in education'. What we have is a 'crisis in parenting'. And that's what I told the group that night — that we're focusing on the wrong crisis.

If we as parents were able to send happy, healthy, well-disciplined, well-supervised children to school, there

would be no 'crisis in education'. Teachers would be teaching instead of spending all their time trying to fix our failures as parents.

I'm not saying schools are perfect. But maybe it's time we quit dumping everything on education, and get real honest with each other about the job we're doing as parents.

RESPONSIBLE PARENTHOOD
Maybe we ought to be holding each other to a little higher standard of responsible parenthood.

To that end: I'll start by offering a few things I'd like to see parents doing — mind you I'm not...an expert....

No R-rated Movies: It's pitiful, but Hollywood is more morally responsible than we are. They put R ratings on movies to plainly say they're not fit for kids, and then we go and take our kids to the movies, or let them rent the videos or watch on cable. Let's agree: No R-rated movies for kids. They rot young minds.

Midnight Curfew: The City Council shouldn't have to tell us when our kids should be home. We should be doing it. There's an old saying, "Nothing good happens after midnight." If we stick together we can make this work — teenagers home by midnight.

Go to Church: yea, I know it can be boring, and a lot of hypocrites are there, and it's hard to get up Sunday morning, and it's tough to find a good church. Do it anyway, your kids need it. You need it. You might even like it.

Turn off the TV: Get up from your

chair. Go outside with your child. Find something to do. Throw a ball. Pull weeds. Make paper airplanes. Race to the corner. Talk.

IT'S NOT EASY

Discipline Well: Don't yell. Don't scream. Don't slap. Don't punch. Set rules. Set punishments. Stick to the punishment. Stay calm. It's not easy; it's hard. If you need help, call a parent's hotline.

Get Married: It takes two people to become parents. It takes two people to BE parents. If you're not married, don't have babies. Get a puppy.

Stay Married: Remember that quaint old phrase — 'staying married for the kids'. There was some genius in that. It saves a lot of kids. And a lot of good marriages.

Say "NO" sometimes: It's always easier to say "yes". It hurts to say "no". But kids need to hear it. Practice these phrases — "Because you don't need it, Because it's too expensive, Because we can't afford it."

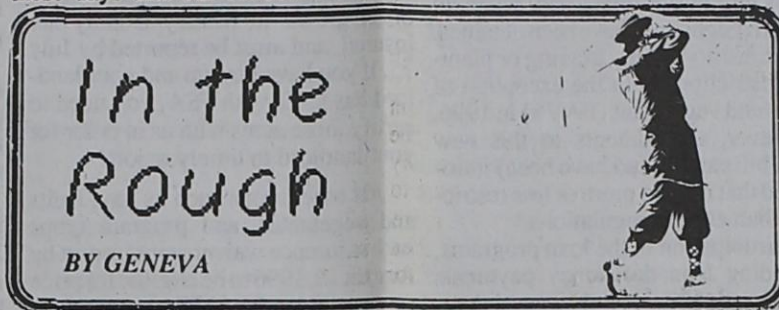
Say "Yes" Sometimes.

Teach Respect: People in Authority may not always be right, but they deserve respect. It's true for teachers. It's true for police officers. It's true for presidents. Teach your children by example to disagree agreeably. Teach your children that life won't always seem fair.

Love Abundantly: Hug. Kiss. Compliment. Praise. Pat. They may pretend they don't like it. Don't fall for it.

Have Fun: Lighten up. Laugh off the mishaps. Save some of those chores for tomorrow. Sit in the floor and play a game. It's all over so soon.

OK, there's my sermon... The school can't cover for us. WE are the most important people in our child's life.



TUESDAY SCRAMBLE June 11

Winners - 1st, with a score of 30, Mark Brannon, Shannon O'Pry, Lavema Price, and Howard Edmondson.

2nd, with a score of 31, Alfred and Louise Barton, Larry Clifton, and Salty Jones.

Others playing were Wade and Nell Berryman, Warner Sailsbury, Mike Neely, Homer and Cleo Martin, Garland Cartwright, Mike Setson, Roy and Dot Grundy, Bob Hines, Geneva Wilson, Buzz and LaVoe Thacker, Gene Brannon, and Larry McClenny. Dot got closest to pin, 39 ft.

LADIES PLAYDAY June 13

18 hole flight — Mary Lou Williams, LaVoe Thacker, Olivia Barton, Kay Bingham, and Louise Barton.

LaVoe won the ball with low gross.

9 hole flight — Marihelen Wason, Dorothy Day, Lucretia Campbell. Lucretia won the ball with low gross. Judy Renfro played 9 holes with 9 hole players and 9 holes with 18 hole players.

TUESDAY SCRAMBLE June 18

Winners - 1st, with a score of 31, Mark Brannon, Kenny Brannon, Vince Taylor, Warner Sailsbury, and Geneva Wilson.

2nd, with a score of 32, (played off on card), Salty Jones, O. McGlochlin, Gene Brannon, Joe Sellers, and Lavema Price.

Others playing were Homer and Cleo Martin, Garland Cartwright, Howard Edmondson, Jack and Charlotte Andrews, Jim Robinson, Mike Hancock, Larry Clifton, G.W. Yeargin, Louise Barton, Brian White, Roy

Grundy, Buzz and LaVoe Thacker, Bud McKay and Mike Setser.

Garland Cartwright got closest to pin on #3, 9' 81/2."

THURSDAY LADIES PLAYDAY June 20

9 hole flight - Dorothy Day, Marihelen Wason, and Lucretia Campbell. Lucretia won the ball with most 1 puts, 2.

18 hole flight - Geneva Wilson, Louise Barton, LaVoe Thacker, Olivia Barton.

LaVoe won the ball with most 1 puts, 8.

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Carl King Honored With 50 Year Pin



Pictured left to right, front row - Andrew Klattenhoff of Slaton, Mr. and Mrs. Varner McWilliams of Lubbock, Carl T. King of Matador, and C.R. Releford of Lubbock; back row, Wes Campbell of Floydada.

Floydada Chapter and Council met for their June stated meeting at the Floydada Masonic Hall.

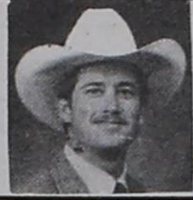
Special attention was given to guests and members. The evenings events started with a club sandwich meal with all the trimmings.

The meeting was opened and brought to order by Wes Campbell. Special guests were introduced.

After the introductions, Andrew Klattenhoff of Slaton and C.R. Releford of Lubbock, representing the

Grand Chapter and Council of Texas, presented 50 year Service Pins to Carl

T. King of Matador and Varner McWilliams of Lubbock. After reminiscing of old times and introduction of family and friends, the meeting was adjourned.



FSA News

by Billy Wayne Denison
County Executive Director

1996 FARM BILL PROVISIONS

Sign-up into the new farm program for the next 7 years continues through July 12, 1996. Eligible land is any land which currently carries a crop acreage base and is currently in conservation compliance. CRP contract bases can be enrolled as they expire. As of July 12, 1996, crop acreage BASES will no longer exist (except for CRP). Contracts will be approved only when all required signatures have been obtained. There are no haying, grazing or planting restrictions with the exception of fruits and vegetables (FAV's) in 1996. However, amendments to this new farm bill can be (and have been) introduced that may be more or less restrictive than current regulations.

Participation in the loan programs, including loan deficiency payments (POP), are available only to participating farms.

JULY 15, 1996 ACREAGE REPORTING DEADLINE

Producers that have CAT or buy-up crop insurance are reminded that July 15, 1996 is the reporting deadline with your insurance provider for all spring-seeded crops grown in Motley County. There is no extension of this date available at this time. Generally speaking PEANUTS, COTTON, and Grain Sorg. grown in Motley County are insured, and must be reported by July 15. If you have buy-up and your landlord has CAT with FSA, you need to certify those acres with us in order for your landlord to timely report.

All other crops such as hay, fruits and vegetables, and program crops with insurance waivers must report by August 15, 1996 to be eligible for price support under the AMTA program, or the Non-insured Assistance Program.



Final production figures from the 1995 High Plains crop indicate the 25-county area produced slightly over 2.6 million bales.

According to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. (PCG) the main reasons for the production drop were early season drought, a mid-season flood (in some areas) and high insect pressure.

Compared to 1994, when producers chalked up their second 3 million-plus bale effort, the 1995 crop reflected a 14 percent drop in production.

Abandonment figures for 1995 indicate only 9.5 percent of the 3,621,900 acres initially planted went unharvested. This figure is slightly higher than the 6 percent lost in 1994.

A side by side comparison shows the true colors of last year's crop. What really stands out about 1995 is the fact that area producers harvested 250,000 more acrs than they did in 1994 and made 427,900 bales less. Average yields across the 25-county dropped from about one bale per acre to only 385 pounds per acre.

*Judging from the number of acres

that were eventually harvested in our area it appears that producers tried to make cotton on just about every acre that they could," notes PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "Unfortunately the combination of drought, heavy September rainfall and insects proved overwhelming causing a significant per acre yield reduction across the entire area."

As usual several Texas High Plains counties managed to remain the top ranked cotton production acres in the state despite overall production declines. The top eight counties in 1995 were all from the High Plains. They are: Gaines, 1; Lubbock, 2; Hale, 3; Terry, 4; Hockley, 5; Dawson, 6; Lamb, 7; and Lynn, 8.

So far the 1996 crop has gotten off to an even worse start than did the 1995 crop. Already, estimates of up to 1 million acres being switched out of cotton and into alternative crops are being made.

The following table shows 1995 planted and harvested acreage, as well as total production in 480-pound net weight bales for each of the 25 PCG counties.

1995 Crop Upland Cotton Texas High Plains
Source: Texas Agricultural Statistics Service

County	Planted Acres	Harvested Acres	Yield / Harvested Acre	Production
BAILEY	103,200	78,000	355	57,700
BORDEN	30,700	30,000	184	11,500
BRISCOE	46,800	38,100	202	16,000
CASTRO	77,800	65,100	499	67,700
COCHRAN	147,000	87,500	415	75,700
CROSBY	210,900	204,200	330	140,200
DAWSON	272,700	266,900	310	171,700
DEAF SMITH	12,700	10,200	320	6,800
DICKENS	31,500	30,500	250	16,900
FLOYD	194,300	173,100	369	133,100
GAINES	320,800	300,000	527	329,400
GARZA	40,100	40,000	239	19,900
HALE	247,200	228,700	490	233,500
HOCKLEY	263,500	228,200	382	181,400
HOWARD	102,600	102,400	184	39,200
LAMB	198,200	179,500	454	169,700
LUBBOCK	282,400	273,400	419	238,500
LYNN	265,300	255,400	313	166,300
MARTIN	127,100	125,600	270	70,600
MIDLAND	34,700	29,400	264	16,200
MOTLEY	33,500	33,000	172	11,800
PARMER	79,400	70,600	551	81,000
SWISHER	85,000	66,100	328	45,100
TERRY	265,000	243,600	448	227,500
YOAKUM	149,500	116,400	420	101,900
25 County Totals	3,621,900	3,274,900	385	2,629,300

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News Around Motley County

Obituaries

Thomas George

Rosary for Thomas George, 89, of Dallas were held at 7 p.m. Sunday, June 23, 1996 at Sanders Funeral Home Memorial Chapel.

Mass was at 10 a.m. Monday in St. Elizabeth's Catholic Parish with the Rev. Michael O'Dwyer, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park under direction of Sanders Funeral Home.

George died Thursday, June 20, 1996 at St. Paul's Catholic Hospital in Dallas.

He was born Jan. 17, 1907, in Maad, Lebanon. He moved to Lubbock in 1945, and he moved to Dallas in May 1996. He married Sadie Gabriel on Jan. 26, 1941, in Roaring Springs. She died May 22, 1987. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and St. Elizabeth's Catholic Parish.

He worked in retailing in Crosbyton and Lubbock.

Survivors include a daughter, Sandra Cummings of Dallas; and several nieces and nephews.

Donnie Hunt

Donnie Hunt, 49, died in his home in San Leandro, California, June 23, 1996 after a lengthy illness. The son of Marvin and Topsy Hunt, he was born in Mangum, Oklahoma January 23, 1947.

He graduated from Monterey High in Lubbock in 1965. He received his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in painting at the California College of Arts and Crafts, Oakland, California in 1975. He received his Master of Fine Arts in Art from San Jose State University in 1983. In 1984 he received his Master of Fine Arts degree at San Jose State University.

He taught at the Fashion Design Institute in San Francisco, California.

Survivors include his parents; Marvin and Topsy Hunt of Lubbock; three sisters, Susan McReynolds, Lubbock; Janet Reagan, Lubbock; and Sandra Warren, Arlington; seven nephews and one niece.

Memorial services are pending in Lubbock.

Roaring Springs News

by Odessa Mullins & Roxie Lewis

Two, more or less, painful encounters took place in our area the past week. Cory Easter's painful encounter with their meat cutter and Karen Brown's car encounter with a turkey.

Kimberly Dawn Lewis, great-granddaughter of Mrs. Roxie Lewis, will specialize in emergency surgery in a Maryland Hospital beginning this fall. She took pre-med at Baylor University, interned at University of Missouri, did residency in Michigan.

Patients who had been recipients of Mrs. Rita Brendle's help, regretted deeply her withdrawal from the Home Patient Program.

Mrs. Linda Foster of Spur has taken on several patients in the Home Patient program in this area. Kim Woolsey and Eleanor Jordan also take care of local patients.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Zabielski are on a short vacation trip. Mrs. Pauline Hand is ably substituting for him on his mail route.

Sunday night's rain was a mixed blessing. Now the grass and weeds will really grow!

The Roaring Springs Youth Group of

First Baptist Church had fun in Dallas last week, after washing cars, doing yard work and house work to make money for the trip. They saw the movie, Twister, went to Wet and Wild, and other attractions. Those enjoying the trip were Kathy Jones, Nancy Long, Nickie Timmons, Jammie Timmons, Rebecca Long, and Elizabeth Ho-Gland. They also visited Mrs. Jones' daughter, Denise. Her son Kyle returned home with them after visiting two weeks with his aunt, Denise.

Odessa Mullins and Robert Cooper visited in Plainview Thursday with Nadene Cooper at the Prairie House Care Center. They also visited Marie Mullins.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Roller of Lubbock spent the weekend with Odessa Mullins. They had lunch at Caprock Cafe in Dickens Sunday. The Rollers went on to Lubbock and Mrs. Mullins drove on to Spur visiting with her sister-in-law, Ruby Mullins at the Spur Care Center.

Devonne Dillard and sister, Ola Faye Fisk of Lubbock drove to Arlington last Tuesday and visited several days with sisters, Marie, Murtis, and Betty.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

FLOMOT HOMECOMING CLEAN-UP

A clean-up day is scheduled in preparation for the Flomot Homecoming at 8 a.m., Friday, June 28, at the Community Center. Your help is appreciated with this project.

1971 FLOMOT CLASS REUNION, JULY 6TH

The 1971 Flomot senior graduation class will have their 25th class reunion at 2 p.m., Saturday, July 6th in the home of E.G. and Barbara Reed. Hostess will be their daughter, Lucy Reed Payne of Azle.

Other class members are Connie Washington Franks and Donnie Ray Rogers of Flomot; David Hunter of Midland; Alvia Joe Calvert of Dumas; Roy Moreno of Matador; Jim Tom Smith of Alva, Okla. and Joe Bob Crowell of Childress. Also included in Jackie Starkey Davis of Fritch who was the only and last graduating student at Flomot High School in 1972.

Family, friends and former teachers of these classmates are welcomed to visit during the class reunion.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The featured guest at the Do Gooders' Club meeting Tuesday, July 2 at 2 p.m. at the Community Center in Flomot will be Gerry Jones. She is Nurse Practitioner Supervisor at the Motley County Clinic in Matador. Mrs. Alma Shorter, program chairman, extends a cordial invitation to everyone in the area to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clay, Tanner and Kelsey visited Father's Day weekend in Panhandle with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Metcalf.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay Father's Day were Julie Clay of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Carson of Turkey and League Clay of Flomot.

Father's Day guests of Janice and Butch Hughes were Bengie and H.J. Hughes of Abernathy, Rickey Hughes of Lubbock and Tara Hughes of Floydada. Tara remained to visit. Janice visited in Turkey, Monday with her father, Clyde Rogers.

The Darrell Cruse family attended basketball tournaments in Ralls and Lorenzo Saturday morning and afternoon in which their son, Keane competed. They attended the basketball tournament in Monterey in Lubbock, Saturday night in which their daughter, Leah played.

Visiting Mrs. Edith Washington, Sunday were Mrs. Todd Washington, Katie, Cam, Clay and Connor of Childress and Mr. and Mrs. Seab Washington of Flomot.

Father's Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers were Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Rogers of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Degan and Dane of Calgary and Donnie Rogers of Flomot. Mr. and Mrs. Rogers were in Lubbock, Monday for Howard a medical check-up. He received a good report.

Luncheon guests of Mrs. Annie B. Cloyd, Wednesday were Mrs. Kim Cloyd and Jason of Memphis and Mrs. Janice Russell of Turkey.

Matador Students Named To SPC Spring Honor Lists

Levelland -- Two students from Matador have been named to the Dean's Honor List for the spring 1996 semester at South Plains College, Wendy Lancaster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Lancaster, and Kobbi Risser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Risser.

Wendy is a 1995 graduate and Kobbi a 1994 graduate of Motley County High School.

Students named to the President's Honor List must maintain a perfect 4.0 or straight A grade point average while carrying a minimum full-time load of 12 semester hours. Students named to the Dean's Honor List must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA while carrying at least the same number of hours.

Whiteflat News

by Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

A dear old Quaker lady was asked to explain her obviously youthful appearance and her winning charm. She replied sweetly, "I sued for the lips, truth; for the voice, prayer; for the eyes, pity; for the hands, charity; for the figure, uprightness; for the heart, love." How's that for a makeup kit?!

Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Jameson, Shanna Lou and Beverly visited from Saturday until Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson.

Mrs. Kathryn Martin returned home from St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock, Monday, June 17 following foot surgery. Her daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. Carol Gilbreth and Susan of Sundown returned home with her and visited until Thursday. Her other daughter, Mrs. Sharon Davis and Kristy of Fritch came Thursday to be with her during her recuperation.

Michael Stapleton and sons, Eric and Seth of Carmel Valley, California are here for an extended visit at the Stapleton rural home.

Matador News

KEITHS DRIVE 4,000 MILES THROUGH THE SOUTH IN 17 DAYS

Charles and Joan Keith attended their grandson's graduation from Swansboro High School in North Carolina on June 12, with stops along the way in Oklahoma City, Memphis where they toured Mud Island and Beale Street, Nashville, Boone, N.C. where they visited at the mountain home of Joan's nephew and his family - John and Pam Fleming and daughter Erin. While visiting with daughter Merrie and Scott Goguen and grandsons Josh and Jonathan, they toured Morehead City, Fort Macon State Park, Cherry Point, the Outer Banks Islands, and were treated to a traditional North Carolina Pig Picking Barbecue and enjoyed the company of 45 family members and friends.

They continued their motor trip on

Father's Day, stopping in historic Savannah, and then went on to Disney World in Orlando, where they explored Epcot Center, MGM and Pleasure Island, before continuing on to New Orleans, with a stop along the way at Pensacola. While in New Orleans, they sailed up the Mississippi River on the Natchez, an original stern-wheel paddleboat, toured the city and the Louisiana State Museum, walked through the French Quarter - enjoying the wonderful seafood and street musicians. They enjoyed the lush greenery all throughout the South, and didn't even mind the rain that fell everyday they were on the road!

They returned to Matador via Dallas, arriving home Monday afternoon, happy to be back in the wide open spaces of West Texas.

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THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone that called, sent flowers, and cards during my recent hospitalization, and I would like to thank my church and neighbors that brought food when I returned home. May God bless you.

Barbara Wallace

Thank you so very much to all of you who came to my 92nd birthday party and made it so special in any way. God bless each one of you.

Lois Bird

My family joins me in this expression of appreciation of the help given me at the time of my painful accident in our store last Tuesday. To Bruce Lefevre and Rickey Lawrence for releasing me; to the 911 operator; to Tony and Sherry Rose with the Motley County Ambulance, which took me to Crosbyton; to Naomi Lawrence who followed the Ambulance and stayed with me until Billy came; to the Crosbyton EMS who took me to Lubbock; to Dana Graham who picked up our children at school; and to all who called in person or by telephone with expressions of sympathy and offers to help in any way needed. May each of you meet with like kindness, compassion, and help should a need arise in your life.

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