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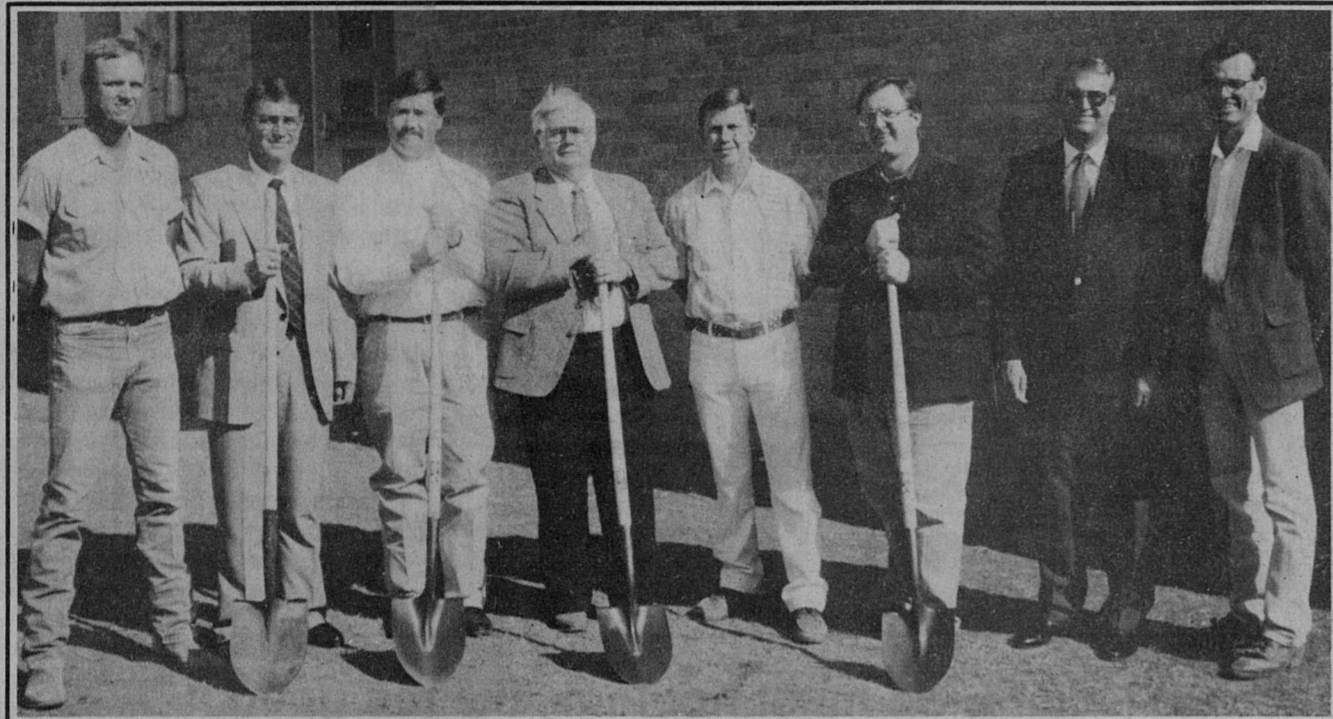
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THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 1994-TWELVE PAGES THIS WEEK



Spur and Jayton school officials, along with the architect and construction manager, were present last Thursday morning to break ground on the new Science Lab/Classroom project that is being added to the south end of the Secondary campus building. The new addition was made possible by money the Jayton-Girard School District opted to give to needy surrounding school districts instead of sending the money to the state. Spur was one of nine school districts that shared money from the Jayton-Girard district. Left to right are Spur School board president, Ray Faubus; Spur superintendent, Oran Hamilton; Shawn Arney, Spur science teacher; John Fowler, president of the Jayton-Girard School board; Leo Day Jr., secretary of the Spur School board; architect Trevor Ford of Lubbock; Jayton-Girard School superintendent Gary Harrell and construction manager, Kent Hewlett, Lubbock. Construction on the project is expected to begin within the next few days.

May Day Committee Sponsoring 'Fun Day' In Park This Saturday!

The Spur May Day Committee is planning a Fun Day in Swenson Park on April 30, according to an announcement this week by Nancy Hale.

Plans for the day start off with a Chili Cook-Off, beginning at 10 a.m. Judging of the Chili will be at 1 p.m. Trophies and money prizes will be given for places first through third for Best Chili and Showmanship.

Anyone interested in obtaining a set of rules contact Sheldon or Debbie Parsons.

Youth Play day Events will begin at 10 a.m. Some of the Horse Events will be Barrels, Poles, Goat Tying, and Ribbon Pull. Other Arena events are Stick Horse Race, Boot Scramble, and Goat Ribbon Pull.

Senior Citizens will serve sandwiches, cold drinks and dessert items in the concession stand at the Rodeo arena. The Dickens County Roping Club will host a "Members Only" roping beginning at 2 p.m.

Cow Patty Bingo will be a new feature of the "Fun Day" this year. It will be located in or near the arena and it is understood perhaps more than one "round" will be held.

The Fun Day will close with a Dance, music provided by the Blue Denim Band. The Days events are sponsored by the Spur May Day Committee and all proceeds are used for the Rodeo Arena and Exhibition Barn improvements.

Chili Cook-Off Rules:

1. Each team will have a captain to represent them should they be any question or complaint. The captain will also draw for the team number.

2. The team captain will come to the committee upon arrival to draw for team number.

3. Teams will be set up and ready to cook by 10 a.m. The chili must be cooked on site the day of the cook-off.

4. The Chili Meat will be from animals with cloven-off only! (Example: beef, hog, goat or deer)

See COOK OFF RULES, Page 5

Spur Elementary Math-A-Thon Raises \$341.20 For St. Jude's

The Spur Elementary students have completed their annual St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Math-A-Thon.

"This year we had 10 students participating with a total of \$341.20 donations collected," states Rhea Melton, local coordinator.

Each student received a certificate signed by the National Executive Director of the Math-A-Thon, Richard C. Shadyac and by the local coordinator. Students collecting \$30 or more received a T-Shirt with the '94 logo on it. Students

collecting \$80 or more also received the tote bag with the '94 logo on it.

Students receiving a Tote bag this year were Nikki Beaty and Allison Chastain. Students received a T-Shirt were Craig Harris, Misty Harris, Nicole Hensley, Kristian Rivera and Ada Snook.

Those students receiving a certificate were Cammie Day, Trent Day and Trisha Day.

"I would like to take this time to thank all of those who participated in working the math problems and taking up donations or by making the donation itself," Mrs. Melton concluded.

SHS One Act Play Going To State!

Spur High School's *Scenes and Revelations* has advanced to the UIL State One-Act Play contest after winning the Region I-A contest at South Plains College in Levelland, Thursday, April 21.

Blake Ball was named as Best Actor of the contest. Raegane Richey was named to the All-Star Cast and Vallye Maben received Honorable Mention honors. Other cast members include Elisha Ball, Kaci Brownlee, and William Snook.

Crew members include Anna Casey and Jalene Young, projectionists; Christi Henderson, lighting technician; Kyle Hulme, sound technician; Scott Rankin, crew manager; and Julie Flud, Alysia Kelley, and Ryan Middleton, alternates.

Jim Devenport, director of the play, would like to give special recognition to several individuals who volunteered their time and talents to the production of this play. Ryan Middleton is the artist responsible for preparing the pictures for the projections throughout the play. Nelda Benson, Margaret Stubblefield, and Jean Williams served as seamstresses in preparing the girls' dresses. The administration of Spur ISD has also been very supportive of the students and the program. "It is very important to all of us that these people realize just how much we appreciate their help in producing our show," said Devenport. "Their special talents have helped us in creating a winning show."

Greg Schwab, Director of Theatre at Sul Ross State University in Alpine, served as the critic judge. Other plays competing at the regional contest included Ft. Davis,

April Fish; Higgins, *Close Ties*; Meadow, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*; O'Donnell, *God's Country*; and White Deer, *Tom Jones*. O'Donnell High School also advances with Spur to the state level. Ft. Davis was named as alternate.

Eight plays will compete for the state title on Saturday, May 7, at Texas University's McCullough Auditorium in Austin. The first session will begin at 4:00 with: Overton, *Black Angel*; High Island, *Tracers*; Trent,

Close Ties; Normangee, *Breaking Up Is Hard to Do*. The second session will begin at 7:30 with Penelope, *Noises Off*; Spur, *Scenes and Revelations*; O'Donnell, *God's Country*; and Lindsey, *Rimers of Eldrich*.

Tickets are available on a limited basis through Spur High School for a cost of \$5 for adults and \$3 for students per session. Anyone wishing to purchase tickets for the second session play should contact Debbie Ball at the school, 271-3385.



The one-act play cast and crew proudly display their Regional Championship plaque. On the back row are Jim Devenport, William Snook, Vallye Maben, Raegane Richey, Christi Henderson, Jalene Young, Julie Flud, and Ryan Middleton. In front are Kyle Hulme, Kaci Brownlee, Blake Ball, Elisha Ball, Scott Rankin, and Anna Casey.

Dickens County ASCS NEWS

BY SPARKY ECKLES, CED

Dickens County relies upon agriculture and agriculture relies mainly upon the weather. Well, the weather has not been to favorable to agriculture so far this year. The continued dry weather has prevented the normal growth of pasture grasses and small grain grazing crops over the county. Most livestock producers continue to supplement feed for livestock, to prevent the sale off of basic herds, and supplies of hay are being exhausted.

The Dickens County ASCS Office has received approval (as a result of being a contiguous county to Garza County) for the emergency Livestock Feed Program, effective April 21, 1994.

The program is a feed cost share program, for eligible livestock, for producers that have a loss of grazing production, due to drought conditions. Producers that are interested need to come by and review

the program provisions and sign up.

Also, the Dickens County ASCS Office has substituted a request for haying and grazing of ACR, CU for Pay, and CRP to the State ASCS Office. At this time we have not received approval of these programs, but as soon as word is received we will notify producers. We realize that approval of haying and grazing of these acreages is not a quick fix, but, if approved, it will provide additional acreage to produce forage for hay to replenish a normal hay supply. At this time, the State ASCS Office is reviewing the data and maybe we will hear something soon.

Since I have been in the Dickens County area, I have been told that conditions can be good and we produce the least or conditions can be the worst and produce the most.

Ohio Born Orphan Ends Up As Pitchfork Kid

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A boy who was born in Ohio in 1868, was orphaned at an early age, and sent to Kansas City to live with his grandparents. They must have been named Parks for the boy thought that his name was Billy E. Parks. He was 32 years old before he found out what his real name was. Billy grew up on the streets of Kansas City, shining shoes when he could find a customer. All the time he was longing to go somewhere "West", and be a cowboy.

One day Billy's grandfather sent Billy to borrow a monkey-wrench from Billy's uncle who lived nearby. Later, Billy laughed when he told the story, and said that he never did find that monkey-wrench.

Out "West" Billy met Uncle Ridge Greathouse who took Billy in and cared for him. Uncle Ridge was a Confederate Veteran of the Civil War. He had at one time been wealthy, but lost his fortune during the war. Uncle Ridge was well educated and read Shakespeare and other classics to Billy around the camp fire at night. Uncle Ridge was trapping and poisoning predator animals for their furs; and bounties paid by the large ranches. He was trapping on the Matador and Pitchfork ranches when he took Billy in.

In 1884 while Uncle Ridge and Billy were trapping on the Pitchfork, D.B. Gardner became interested in Billy and let him stay at the ranch headquarters and go to school. Mr. Gardner would not

give Billy a job as a cowboy. He insisted that Billy needed to go to school. Billy left the Pitchfork and went to J.T. George Ranch (a small one) where Mrs. George was a school teacher. She helped Billy with his reading and writing. When he got to be seventeen, Billy returned to the Pitchfork and was put to work as a cowboy. Something about the Pitchfork didn't suit Billy and he went to the Matadors (which joined the Pitchforks) and was put to work. One of the Matador boys called Billy-- the Pitchfork Kid -- and the name stuck, and he went by "The Pitchfork Kid" the rest of his life. The Kid made a top hand and was soon leading the drives as the straw boss on the roundups. When a strange cowboy showed up at the Chuckwagon looking for a job, if the cowboy didn't have his bed room with him, and had to spend the night, The Kid was always sure that the cowboy had a place to sleep, and often The Kid offered to share his bed with the cowboy. The Kid was a quiet, courteous, considerate young man, and he had lots of friends.

When the roundup started in the spring of 1892, one of the cowboys with the wagon, George Martin, asked The Kid (now one of the top riders and ropers with the Matadors) to top out his bronc. The Kid agreed to accommodate Martin. The bronc threw The Kid and left him more dead than alive. He was unconscious, but still breathing. He was loaded in the Hoodlum Wagon and hauled thirty miles away over a bumpy road to the head-

quarters. He didn't regain consciousness, so, he was hauled another seventy-five miles to the railroad and put on the train and taken to Trinidad, Colorado, the general headquarters of the ranch, and put in a Catholic hospital, where the doctor's performed brain surgery on The Kid. He regained consciousness 19 days after his accident. When he woke and saw the Catholic nurses in black and white, he asked: "Is this heaven?"

The Kid recovered slowly. He was

left with a slight impediment in his speech. In 1896 at the Cowboy Reunion in Seymour, Texas, The Kid won first in steer roping, and accepted the prize, (a shop made saddle) with a big smile. When he rode out to the grandstand, smiling, and waving his hat, a lot of the crowd rushed down to congratulate him, and shake hands with him.

In 1900, The Kid made a trip to Kansas City with a train load of Matador cattle. He found some people who know some

of his folks, and was told that his folks were all dead. The Kid shed tears, and thanked the informers who also told him that his name was not William E. Parks, but William E. Partlow.

The Kid told them that when he got back to Matador he would have the record changed. He did so and was back on a record from there on as William E. Partlow.

In 1907 the Pitchfork Kid quit the Matadors, and undertook a business

venture which didn't work out. When he tried to get his job back, the Matador foreman, who was mad because he quit, would not hire him. Murdo MacKenzie, the General Manager of the Matadors whose office was in Trinidad, was in Matador on an inspection trip, and ran into The Kid on the street, and asked about his trouble. When The Kid told him, MacKenzie wrote a letter to "Whom it May Concern", in which he highly recommended The Kid. When shown this letter, the foreman put The Kid back to work.

The Kid was an expert plaiter of quirts and bullwhips which he would make and give to the other cowboys. He was also the "outside man" and worked with other ranch roundups to gather any Matador cattle that might have strayed off, and bring them back to the Matador range.

In 1915 The Pitchfork Kidd was transferred to the Matador Alamocitos Division on the Canadian River near Channing, Texas. Frank Mitchell was boss of the Alamocitos. Mitchell sent The Kid to New Mexico to look after some Matador cattle near Nara Visa. In 1919, working alone, and hauling hay on a wagon, The Kid fell off the wagon, was run over and killed. He was fifty-one years of age. Frank Mitchell administered his estate and paid the funeral expenses out of The Kid's estate.

The Kid was buried in the Llano Cemetery in Amarillo. His grave marker

See PITCHFORK KID, Page 5

Single Family Housing Loans Now Available At County FmHA Office

Rural Housing Loans for very-low and low income applicants are available through County Offices of the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA), Spur, FmHA County Supervisor, said today.

Home ownership loans may be used to buy, build, improve, repair, rural homes and to provide adequate water and waste disposal systems. Homes may be built on individual tracts or in subdivisions. Funds may also be used to modernize homes, add improvements such as bathrooms, central heating, modern kitchens and other improvements. Borrowers may buy an existing house and lot or buy a site on which to build a home. Loans may be made for up to 100 percent of the appraised value of the site and the new home. Interest rates

for this type of loan are presently 7.75 percent with 33 year terms. Monthly payments are subsidized with the amount of the payment dependent on the borrowers annual income. Homes will be modest in size, design, and cost but about 1,050 square feet of living area.

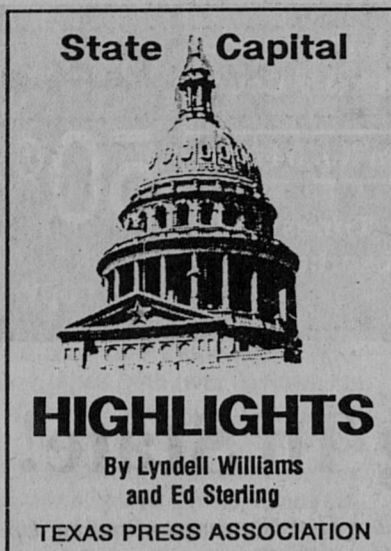
In addition, Farmers Home Administration guarantees home ownership loans made to applicants of low or moderate income. Guarantees offer opportunities to families who are unable to afford a commercial loan with a Guarantee. These loans may be made for up to 100 percent of the value of the property and are made for terms of 30 years. The interest rate is based on the Federal National Mortgage Association rate with

a maximum loan amount in most counties of \$67,500.00.

The Farmers Home Administration assists rural America by guaranteeing private sector loans and by providing temporary, supervised direct loans to farm and housing borrowers who have a reasonable chance for success, and whose current needs cannot be met at reasonable rates and terms by commercial sources. The Agency is committed to excellence in providing its services.

"Application for assistance may be obtained at the Farmers Home Administration office located at 314 Willard Ave., FmHA County Supervisor said. The FmHA office in Spur is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Prison Expansion Brought About By Threat Of \$25 Million Per Month Fine



HIGHLIGHTS
By Lyndell Williams and Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Texas should appeal or even violate the two-year-old Ruiz federal prison lawsuit that required the state to operate its prisons within the limits of the U.S. Constitution, Republican gubernatorial candidate George W. Bush said last week.

In a speech to the Texas Police Chiefs Association in Austin, Bush suggested that tents be pitched on prison sites to house inmates to relieve overcrowding in county jails that are forced to house state prisoners.

Bush granted that Richards did stop the "revolving door" that let convicts out on parole, but he pointed out that the move only saddled county jails with 34,000 state inmates and transferred the burden to county sheriffs.

But Chuck McDonald, a spokesman for Gov. Ann Richards' re-election campaign, said if the settlement between the state and the federal courts were violated, it would bring a federal fine of \$800,000 per day, or \$300 million per year.

"No one would take \$300 million in taxpayer money and shred it just to be a tough guy," said McDonald. A month of fines would come to \$25 million — money that would be better spent on building a prison, McDonald said. "No right-thinking person wants to get back into that

financial nightmare."

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales has approved the use of tents on a temporary basis to house inmates. But he has warned that if Texas violated the prison settlement, the federal courts would limit how many inmates could be housed in prisons now under construction.

Bush also told police chiefs that he supports the right of Texans to carry concealed handguns.

He said he would have approved a bill that Richards vetoed last year that would have allowed Texans to vote on whether they should be allowed to carry handguns.

Harris Defends Ballpark Bill

State Sen. Chris Harris, R-Arlington, said his sponsoring of a 1991 legislative bill that allowed the construction of The Ballpark in Arlington was appropriate, though his family owned land less than a mile from the stadium site.

John Steiner, executive director of the Texas Ethics Commission, said he found no conflict of interest in Harris' ownership of the land, although state law forbids lawmakers from voting on measures that will directly benefit a specific business transaction of a business entity in which the member has a controlling interest.

Steiner noted that Harris and his family have owned the land for more than 20 years. He said he doesn't believe there was a special intent on Harris' part to pass legislation to help his own business interests.

Harris said carrying the bill — which had the backing of Arlington voters and city officials — was a duty performed for his constituents.

The senator said he has a 5 percent interest in his family's 29-acre tract, which is zoned for apartments and actually is harmed by the traffic brought by games at the \$189 million ballpark.

Teacher Pay Hike: Meno

Education Commissioner Lionel "Skip" Meno says Texas teachers deserve a 5 percent pay raise, but teachers' groups said such a raise

would not go far enough.

Meno recommended the pay hike as a part of a package of proposed education improvements he sent to a select committee studying Texas' public education system.

The proposal calls for a minimum annual pay for beginning teachers of \$17,850 for a 10-month contract, an increase of \$850.

The top minimum salary would be \$31,020 for a teacher with a bachelor's degree and at least 12 years' experience.

Campaign Manager Picked

Gov. Richards has named Mary Beth Rogers, one of her former top aides, to manage her re-election campaign.

Rogers, who also managed Richards' 1990 campaign, served as chief of staff during the governor's first 19 months in office. She is a visiting professor at the University of Texas' LBJ School of Public Affairs.

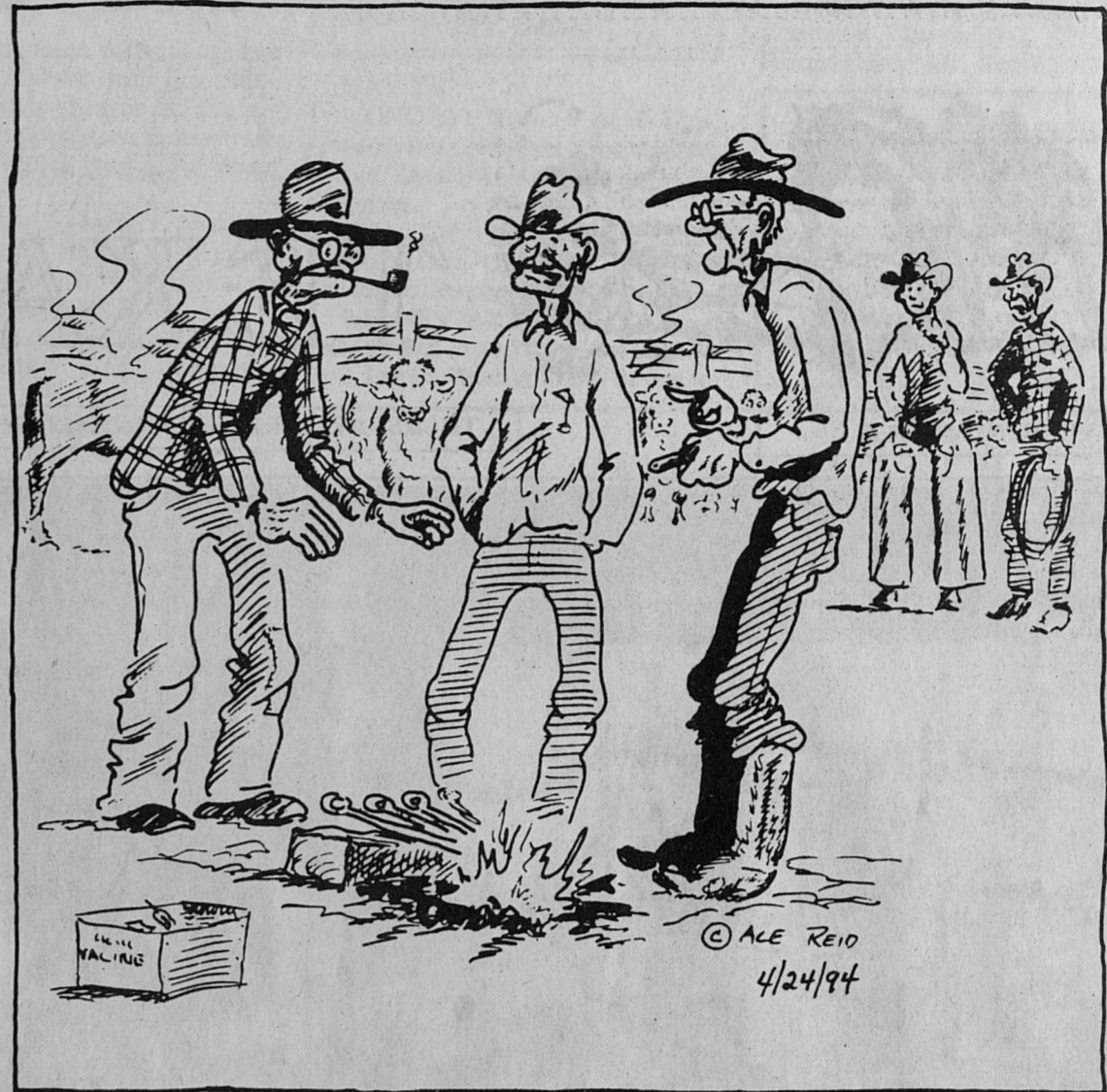
Richards said the appointment completed reassembly of "the nucleus of our winning team from the last campaign."

Other Highlights

- Gov. Richards named Kleberg County Sheriff Adan Munoz Jr. to head her criminal justice division, which is responsible for administering \$60 million in state and federal money for various programs. Munoz, 46, succeeds Doyle Bailey, who resigned to become executive director of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission.
- The Texas High Speed Rail Authority will meet April 27 to consider whether to revoke Texas TGV Corp.'s franchise to build and operate a high-speed railroad in Texas. TGV officials were unable to raise \$170 million in initial financing for the project by a Dec. 31, 1993 deadline.
- Amarillo businessman Jerry Hodge has resigned from the Texas Board of Criminal Justice to devote more time to his health care business. Hodge was appointed in 1987 by then-Gov. Bill Clements. His departure leaves one Republican — San Antonio lawyer Alan Polunsky — on the 9-member panel.

COW POKES

Courtesy Dickens Electric



"Fellers, we must not look like too good a brandin' crew. I heard one of them young bucks say it'd take two weeks to brand this pen of calves."

AND THAT'S THE WAY IT WAS... SPUR--IN THE BEGINNING

From the files of The Texas Spur, compiled and edited by Lillian G. Nay

11-16-33 BAPTIST CHURCH DEDICATION

On last Sunday a special service was held for the dedication of the Church. Rev. Pat Horton, who was the first Sunday School Superintendent elected by the church and is now pastor of the Plainview Baptist Church preached the sermon. A history of the church was given by the chairman of the Board of Deacons, W. F. Godfrey. After the sermon and dedicatory prayer, the Rev. F. G. Rodgers offered his resignation, to be effective November 23, 1933. He is to take the pastorate of the church at Duncan, OK. It is with much regret that we give him up, but we rejoice that God has blessed his work here and that he has been called to a larger field of labor.

12-14-33

W. J. Elliot and Basil Cairns were over in Garza County near Calgary, Monday looking for bones or prehistoric animals. W. J. Elliot has quite a collection of bones and rocks of rare formations which he in all probability will donate to one of West Texas' college museums. (But he didn't. They are a part of the Margaret Elliot Museum, in Spur, Texas, where they belong.)

12-21-33 METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

As per a late decision, our Christmas tree will be Sunday evening. We will have a musical program in connection. When a person gets too old to go to a Christmas tree his days are about numbered. Don't go to sleep in the midst of life. Experience the joys of youth again and go to the Christmas tree.

12-28-33 1925 BRIDGE CLUB ENTER-TAINED WITH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Members of the 1925 Bridge Club enjoyed their first Christmas party Tuesday evening from 7 to 11 o'clock at the Eula Perry home on West Hill Street. The house was very beautifully decorated in holiday attire with Holly, mistletoe, and a very beautiful Evergreen tree all aglow with brilliant colored lights, sparkling ornaments and laden with lovely gifts for the members present. The bridge appointments were Yuletide motifs in perfect harmony with the surroundings. Upon the arrival guests were instructed to address each other by Christian name or else pay forfeit by performing stunts. Dick Watson concentrated on bridge, making high score and received a beautiful bridge tablecloth. Mary Berta Harkey, Olive Love, Lillian Dickson and Bennie Jennings his her name was Mary. When we asked her what her last name was, she said, "I don't know, but I think it is the same as my mothers."

Pearl Jones, Lula Reed, Nellie Davis and Alice Laverty were more alert and received light sentences. Ann McClure was plain "dumb", couldn't even hold a bridge hand. A sumptuous luncheon was served consisting of chicken salad sandwiches, sour pickles, fruit cake, sanka, Christmas candies and salter pecans. Upon departing each guest acclaimed the occasion to have been one of the most enjoyable one.

MRS. ALTON B. CHAPMAN RESIGNS AS HOME EC. TEACHER IN SCHOOLS

5-24-34 - CLYDE BARROW, BONNIE PARKER SLAIN WEDNESDAY - Clyde Barrow, notorious bandit of the Southwest and Bonnie Parker his woman companion in crime were ambushed and riddled with a fusillade of bullets from the muzzles of dozens of guns, in the hands of Frank Hamer (special agent assigned to the task of capturing Barrow and his companion,) and his confederates, Gault, Highway Patrolman; Ted Hinton and Bob Alcorn, Dallas County Sheriff and others. The ambush was arranged by Hamer, who had followed Barrow relentlessly with a determination to capture. Reports as to location are conflicting as one reports, Gibeland, La. 50 miles east of Shreveport; another of Baseler, La. and still another at Black Lake, 90 miles south of Shreveport at 8:15 Wednesday morning.

The bandit's car was heavily loaded with all kinds of guns and ammunition and is reported to have approached the Posse's hide-out at a high rate of speed of 25 miles an hour and when ordered to halt, started for their guns. Bonnie Parker died with her head between her knees and a machine gun in her lap, while Clyde Barrow, who was driving, collapsed behind the wheel with a rifle clasped in his hand.

CROW SPRINGS BEING MADE INTO PLAYGROUND

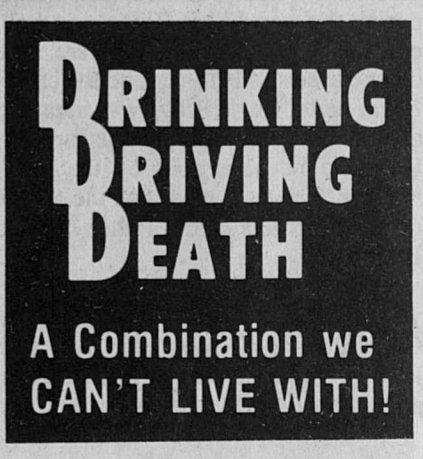
With funds furnished through the PWA, Crow Springs near Dickens is being made into a beauty spot and play ground. Forty-two years ago a ten acre plot of ground including the springs was dedicated as a public park and play ground by Dr. Crow with the stipulation that the plot never be used for any other purpose than a park and it has become one of the best known places for picnics and outings in this entire section.

Among the many improvements that have been made recently with Charles Whitener as designer and engineer in charge are stairways and guard rails leading down into the springs; rock and concrete tables and seats and barbecue pits large enough to properly cook 50 chickens, a good size pig or calf. A graded highway has been made leading to the site of the springs with the proper water diversion channels and dams put in, and the place is now accessible to the

general public. Mr. Whitener states that a wading pool for children will be built in the near future and that it is planned to install an 19 x 36 inch bronze memorial to Dr. Crow.

A STATEMENT OF FACTS FROM THE MANAGEMENT OF THE RITZ THEATRE - It was a very unfortunate occurrence for the Ritz Theatre and management in the way that the drawing of last Tuesday night terminated. It was my earnest desire that the drawing would go off in a way that there would be no question or doubt in the public's mind as to the absolute fairness of our every move but it seems that there has arisen a doubt, and a very just one as to the way the drawing was handled. However, I feel sure that the public will not censor either the theatre or myself as I have tried to conduct myself above reproach in all my dealings both here and elsewhere. We as strangers were absolutely ignorant of any connections whatsoever of any of the judges or the man to whom the money was given. We are determined that the public will not suffer for our negligence in the matter as we will give another \$150 away Tuesday night, May 29, in front of the theatre absolutely free. You will not have to purchase a ticket to the theatre to participate in this drawing. It is our earnest desire to see that this \$150.00 be awarded in the right way, and I assure you that it will be done. H.C. Kyle, Mgr.

RITZ LOSES \$150 BUT PUBLIC SHALL HAVE FAIR PLAY - At the expense and request of Mr. Kyle, manager of the Ritz Theatre, the Texas Spur will circulate locally a special edition this week. The paper will bring to you news of the dissension which arose at the theatre's money night last Tuesday night and the general public is requested to read the various articles and form their own opinion. Following the drawing last Tuesday which was not only unsatisfactory to the audience but also to the management of the theatre, Mr. Kyle has decided to place \$150 of the theatre's own money in the contest, as well as offer the regular \$25 "Money Night" allotment and an additional \$25 as a third prize. This will make three big drawings at the next money night at the Ritz Theatre.



As Others See It... ...And Say It!

Jimmye Taylor--Paducah Post:

You know what really chaps me? When we have returning former residents—like some of those who came for the big celebration last weekend (don't get me wrong, we love having you come home) and they go around looking things over and saying, with long faces, "boy, the old town is sure going down" or "why are you all letting the old town die?" or when encouraged to move back here, "I wouldn't live here for anything!" Man! That really gets my goat! I beg your pardon, but those of us

who have stayed "in the old town" are not the ones "letting it die!" We are working our rear ends off, to try to keep it alive—to keep our small businesses going and fixing up our town a little, to try to make it attractive to someone else who might want to come here and maybe put in a business. It's a struggle, believe me, when it seems like so many folks are packing up and leaving, moving to a more metropolitan area to make a living. I know that one must do what one must do—but don't give us a hard time, or put our town down, just because we choose

to stay and tough it out here. With all its warts, it is still home, and although it may never be the boomtown it was back in the early part of the century, when there were more than 7,000 residents in this town and county, Paducah will remain.

We still have a quiet and relatively crime-free atmosphere; kind and friendly people; good schools and good churches; wide clean streets and lovely homes; good water; and most of the other things people are looking for in a place to live.

The things we don't have are not missed so badly, because they aren't things we particularly need—except a drug store, and a place to buy shoes. We compensate, for the most part.

So, don't tell us how bad our town is, and why don't we do something about it. Come back here and help us.

Wendell Faught--Haskell Free Press:

Biggon Drinnon reports the birth of a Red Brangus calf on or about April 9.

There would be nothing newsworthy about that, except the young heifer has five legs. The extra front leg, which doesn't reach the ground when the calf is standing, has two hooves.

An attempt to get a picture of the animal for publication in this newspaper went awry when a certain photographer couldn't follow simple directions to the birth site.

Alice Gilroy--Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon:

Every week we go to Lockney Elementary school and take pictures of the Little Longhorns. These students work very hard at making it a whole week without getting in any trouble (at least mine had to work hard at it). You'd think after they beat the odds and made it this far a little thing like telling us their name would be easy—but it's not.

My favorite part about taking these pictures is asking the names of the kids. Some of them look blank, some look scared, some run through it so fast you can't understand it, some whisper so low you can't hear it and then there are the ones that really make us laugh.

Recently one little Pre-K student told us her name was Mary. When we asked her what her last name was, she said, "I don't know, but I think it is the same as my mothers."

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Library Notes

by Ethel McArthur

Lori Wells donated a novel *Disclosure* by Michael Crichton last week. It is a \$24.00 book and she said she was trying to get the book to us before we ordered this title. Lori is an avid reader and she considered *Disclosure* an excellent story. We truly appreciate her thoughtfulness.

The "Friends of the Library" are going to play Cow Pattie Bingo Spur Fun Day, April 30th over in Swenson Park. There is already a showing of interest by 1/4 the spaces (100 to be sold) already being sold. There are 2 or 3 sheets with spaces for 24 names circulating, but I have one at the library and will be delighted to sell you a square. Squares are \$5.00 each. If you are missed squares will be sold in the park, April 30th.

If you haven't been in the library lately, do come in and see the enormous jug filled with pennies. It is certainly a conversation piece. The pennies were donated to the library by Sinclair and Gerry Hughes in memory of her dad and in honor of her mother, the Cecil Esteps who raised their children in Dickens County. Even Sinclair and Gerry have no idea how many pennies are in the jar, but if you guess the nearest to the number when they are actually counted, their value will be yours. If you don't "win" you will have made a dollar donation to the library and had a lot of fun at the same time. A few people are making several guesses—coming in about once a week, then keeping their own record of numbers guessed just to see which one comes nearest to the correct number when they are counted. Why don't you get in on the fun of one or the other of these games? Both maybe!

I mention occasionally our volun-

teers, but not enough possibly. One volunteer has recently spent several afternoons getting the paperback room in order after the book sale. We do appreciate it. We are hoping that during the summer several teenagers will come in and volunteer time. In Fort Worth libraries they call them "pages". I wonder why? We need folks who know the alphabet and can alphabetize to the 3rd letter, but we used to teach that in the 5th and 6th grades, so, pre-teens could volunteer to shelves books if they have really learned the process.

I would like for parents of children who occasionally use the library to check and see if your child has an overdue book. We have a number that have been out 2 or more months. When we call during library hours, there is no one at home. It would help us a lot to get the book back for others to use. When the book comes in that stops the fine—if the child doesn't have the fine money, I just put it on my I.O.U. list, however, the person cannot check out a book until the fine is paid.

South Dickens County Senior Citizens

Dovie Nichols, Site Director

Another month is almost gone. What a sand storm we had Monday! Wish it would rain.

Alvis Bilberry thanks for the green onions.

We had donations of flavoring from Mrs. T.S. Rutledge. Thank you so much. I had to go to another SPAG meeting Thursday at Lubbock. Doris May was so nice to work for me that day. Thanks, Doris.

Thanks for the Baxter donation I found in the door this morning. Thanks J.D and Wanda.

Faye's brought us a beautiful basket of cut flowers the other day. Sent to us by the Mark Hogan family. Everyone enjoyed them. They were beautiful for several days. It is so nice for people to remember us. Thanks again.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Mark Hogan.

Thanks to Margie Jenkins for the garage sale items. Thanks also to Tookie Cash.

Also would like to thank Louise Wright for all the nice things that she does for the center.

Faye McArthur was our hostess last week. Thanks Faye.

Guy Karr is our host this week.

I can always depend on Mr. Bragg to fix the ice and pour the tea. Thanks Mancell.

Missed the domino players Monday. Guess they didn't want to get out in the sand storm.

Glad to see Betty Jones back with us

Prevention Is Your Best Defense Against Fire Loss

Darlene Brady, CEA-HE
Dickens County
Fire can be friend or foe, depending on the situation. Unfortunately, unfriendly situations arise all too often, costing lives and devastating property.

Prevention is your best defense against fire losses, but you must be prepared if fire starts, emphasizes Darlene Brady, County Agent-Home Economics, with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

She suggests these precautions:
*Test smoke detectors regularly. Change batteries within the recommended interval or when you see or hear a "low battery" signal from a detector. If you have yet to equip your home with these proven lifesavers, do so soon.

*Post phone numbers of the fire department, emergency medical service and others who could help during an emergency. Teach youngsters how to call for help in case of fire or other emergency.

*Prepare, then practice a home fire escape plan.

*If you have no nearby water source such as a river, lake or farm pond, install water holding tanks for fire fighting.

*Equip your house, outbuildings and motorized equipment with fire extinguishers of the proper type and rating.

Type A fires (paper, wood, straw) are best fought with a pressurized water extinguisher.

Type B fires (petroleum products, solvents, kitchen grease) require the smothering effect of a dry chemical or carbon dioxide extinguisher.

Type C fires (electrical) also require use of dry chemical or CO₂ extinguishers.

A dry chemical extinguisher charged with tri-class chemicals can be used on Type A fires but not as effectively as water.

Never use a water extinguisher on a Type B or C fire—with a B fire you could spread the flames and with a C you could suffer an electrical shock.

A tri-class 2A-10B:C extinguisher is ideal for a shop, tractor, combine or truck where a fire might involve both deep burning and flammable materials.

*Locate extinguishers near building entrances and in areas with a higher fire risk such as kitchen, shop or furnace room. Those on vehicles and equipment should be accessible from both the operator's station and the ground.

*Teach family members and employees how to use extinguishers, and check extinguishers regularly.

Nite n Gals Take Part In Texas Trash Off Project

The FCE, Nite 'n Gals held their monthly meeting on April 18 at the Jayton Community Center.

Shirley Deal, West Texas Utilities Community Relations Specialist, presented the program on "Good Sense." She showed different ways to make your home more energy efficient and reduce those monthly utility bills.

Everyone enjoyed the program and learned that it doesn't take a lot of money to save money. We send Shirley a special thank you for taking time to come to Jayton to present this fabulous program.

Other guests for the night were Opal Jones and Hazel Baker.

On April 16, the club participated in the Texas Trash Off. We had several turn out for this special event. We were informed they had a terrific time. Besides picking up trash, they found a snake, lost keys and hitchhiked from one vehicle to another.

I would have to say if you didn't get to help, you missed the excitement.

Those attending were Debbie Channess, Doty Benningfield, Lenora Stanaland, Ester Martinez, Barbara Glosson, Shirley Long, Rhonda Welch, Melissa Martinez and Amber Stanaland.

The club voted and decided to participate again next year in the Adopt A Highway Project.

Next month the Nite n Gal meeting will be held on May 17 at Debbie Channess's house.

Monday. Sorry to hear that her mother is so ill.

We have missed Carl Grantham. He has not been in lately.

Remember our sick in your prayers. Some of the coming events:

Monday-Wednesday-Friday: Exercise Class at 9 a.m.

Wednesday, Blood Pressure Check, 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, Blue Bonnet Club, 2 p.m.

Lunch Served daily at 12 noon, Monday through Friday.

Parenting Skills Meeting Slated

ATTENTION PARENTS, GUARDIANS, AND CONCERNED COMMUNITY CITIZENS:

Last year at the Chapter One evaluation meeting a concern was expressed by several parents for our school to be involved in helping our parents to improve their parenting skills.

To provide for this need, the Chapter One committee has invited Ken LeBlanc from the Post CPS office to speak ALL interested persons on Thursday, April 28 at 5 p.m.

We would like to invite you to come into the Library for this informative presentation. Refreshments will be served. Supervision for young children and for students returning from UIL will be provided.

Thank you, Chapter One Committee
Patton Springs ISD
Mrs. Karr
Mrs. Anderson

THANK YOU FOR READING THE TEXAS SPUR

Dickens County Senior Citizens Menu

MAY 2-6

MONDAY: Braised Beef Tips, Hominy, Brussel Spouts, Tossed Salad, Wheat Bread, Apple Cobbler, Milk, Beverage

TUESDAY: Barbecued Sausage, Baked Potato, Okra, Tossed Salad, Cornbread, Peaches, Milk, Beverage

WEDNESDAY: Barbecued Chicken, Baby Limas, Squash, Coleslaw, Wheat Roll, Lemon Pudding, Milk, Beverage

THURSDAY: Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Italian Vegetables, Waldorf Salad, Garlic Bread, Gelatin, Milk, Beverage

FRIDAY: Baked Ham, Corn, Oriental Vegetables, Tossed Salad, Wheat Roll, Frosted Cake, Milk, Beverage

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The Editor's Corner

by Joe Harrison



Guess who put a rain gauge up Sunday afternoon?

Guess what happened Monday? If you guessed The Editor and a sandstorm you are right on both counts. And, speaking of sandstorms, the one we had here Monday was a pretty good one. However, it was about a 4 on a scale of 1 to 10 compared to the ones in the 30s if you believe what the old timers report.

The same storm cell that brought in a sandstorm brought the Dallas-Ft. Worth Metroplex area some dandy hailstorms along with tornadoes.

I'll take the sandstorms any day.

There's a new sign of the times springing up all across Texas, and it's another first-in-the-nation for the Lone Star State. "It" is a new highway information sign, telling motorists on interstate highways where they can exit to fill up with alternative fuels like propane and natural gas.

Fuels like propane and natural gas burn substantially cleaner than gasoline or diesel fuel and can cut smog-producing exhaust by up to 45 percent according to the EPA.

The Bureau of Land management is now accepting applications for adoption of wild horses and burros. The Oklahoma Area Office of the Tulsa District will, over the next several months, develop a schedule for adoptions to be conducted in the four state region of Oklahoma, New Mexico, Texas and Kansas.

In order to determine the most appropriate locations for these adoptions, the BLM is requesting that those individuals interested in adopting a living symbol of the American West call 405-794-9624 or write the Bureau of Land Management, Oklahoma Resource Area, 221 N. Service Rd., Moore, OK, 73160, for an application packet.

Details on the adoption process, as well as the requirements for adoption, will be included with the requested applications.

If memory serves me right, a few years ago some area people adopted some horses and burros under this program. It would be interesting to learn how they turned out.

I clipped this from Kim Pease's column in the Rotan newspaper.

If you want to live to be a "happy hundred" years--take one of the pills listed below each day--then keep re-

peating the process over and over.

1. Do not be on the lookout for ill health.
2. Learn to be satisfied.
3. Keep on liking people regardless.
4. Have a hobby that you really like.
5. Maintain a good sense of humor best done by saying something pleasant every time you have the chance.
6. Meet adversity valiantly.
7. Tell your spouse that you love them first thing every morning.
8. Keep useful at work.
9. Live to make the present hour pleasant and cheerful.
10. Meet the little problems of life with decision.

(I don't know if the above prescription works or not--Kim isn't a "happy hundred" yet.)

Just finished reading "In History's Shadow," by the late John Connally, former Governor of Texas. I found the book most interesting from the standpoint that Gov. Connally had a high regard for the late President Richard Nixon while Gov. Connally did not speak highly of former President, George Bush. Incidentally, Gov. Connally died before his book made it into print.

We received word Tuesday morning that the Post Office (an other Federal offices) would be closed in observance of President Nixon's funeral services Wednesday (April 27). Hopefully, we have made arrangements to get our out of town papers into the mail. The Spur papers will not be put up locally until Thursday morning. They will go on the newsstands at the regular time.

AFTON NEWS

by Janey Carothers
Phone 689-2299

Agnes Williams and Linda Dement were in Spur last Thursday visiting with their mother, Myrtle Carothers at the Spur Care Center. They also attended the monthly luncheon at the Spur Care Center which is held every third Thursday for the residents and their relatives and friends.

We were saddened at the loss of my uncle, Howard Alexander, 88, of Fort Worth. Howard died, March 9th in Haltom City, Texas. He was buried at Shannon Rose Hill Memorial Park, Fort

WTU Presents Safety Program To Spur, Patton Fourth Graders

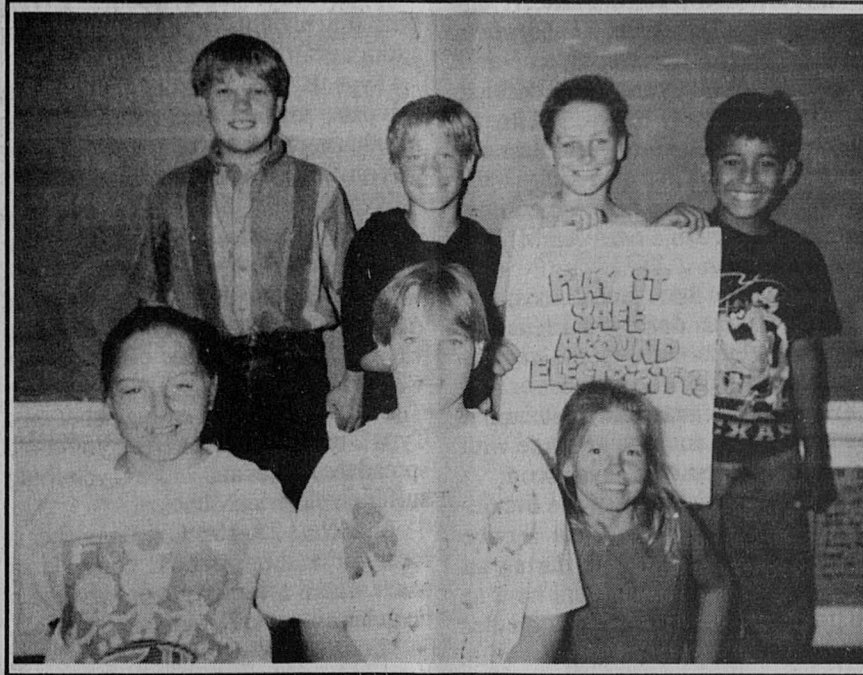
Electrical safety programs were presented to 4th grade students at Spur and Patton Springs Elementary Schools by West Texas Utilities Company representative Linda Caton, recently.

"Play It Safe Around Electricity" was the emphasis and title of WTU's Public Awareness program. Through a video and other visuals, the students learned to avoid flying kites or climbing trees near

power lines, to stay away from electrical substations and downed lines, and to always observe overhead lines when working or playing.

Mrs. Caton also discussed the nature of electricity and what to do in case of accidents. WTU Area Manager, Don

Ferguson, was present to meet the students and participated in the question and answer session following the program. Each student received a booklet of electrical safety tips and other materials to take home.



Patton Springs Fourth Grade--back row, Thomas Rock, Dustin Rutledge, Dane Arnold and Eric Kautz; front row, Dayna Atkinson, Kayla Atkinson and Elizabeth Mahuron.



SPUR FOURTH GRADE CLASS

Worth, Texas at 10 a.m. March 23, 1994. He is survived by a son, Delbert, a daughter Lavillas and a sister, Ila Brown of Spur. Howard was raised in the Afton Community.

I would like to get the Afton News going again, but I need your help. Give me a call at 689-2299.

THANK YOU FOR READING THE TEXAS SPUR

SPUR SCHOOL LUNCHROOM MENU
MAY 2-5
MONDAY: Steakfingers, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Early Peas, Hot Rolls, Fruit, Milk
TUESDAY: Pizza, Pickles, Carrots, Buttered Com, Cookies, Milk
WEDNESDAY: Sausage Sticks, Pinto Beans, Spinach, Cornbread, Pudding, Milk
THURSDAY: Hamburger, Pickles, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Potato Chips, Fruit, Milk
FRIDAY: NO SCHOOL
BREAKFAST
MON. Cereal, Buttered Toast, Orange Juice, Milk
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(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Leonard Todd, 601 W. Harris, Spur, Texas 79370)

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Dollar Amounts in Thousands			
ASSETS			
1. Cash and balances due from depository institutions:			
a. Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin			
b. Interest-bearing balances			
2. Securities			
3. Federal funds sold & securities purchased under agreements to resell in domestic offices of the bank & of its Edge & Agreement subsidiaries, & in IBFs:			
a. Federal funds sold			
b. Securities purchased under agreements to resell			
4. Loans and lease financing receivables:			
a. Loans and leases, net of unearned income			
b. LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses			
c. LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve			
d. Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve (item 4.a. minus 4.b. and 4.c.)			
5. Assets held in trading accounts			
6. Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)			
7. Other real estate owned			
8. Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies			
9. Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding			
10. Intangible assets			
11. Other assets			
12. a. Total assets (sum of items 1 through 11)			
b. Loans deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j)			
c. Total assets and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j) (sum of items 12.a and 12.b)			
LIABILITIES			
13. Deposits:			
a. In domestic offices:			
(1) Noninterest-bearing			
(2) Interest-bearing			
b. In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs:			
(1) Noninterest-bearing			
(2) Interest-bearing			
14. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase in domestic offices of the bank & of its Edge & Agreement subsidiaries, & in IBFs:			
a. Federal funds purchased			
b. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase			
15. Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury			
16. Other borrowed money			
17. Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases			
18. Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding			
19. Subordinated notes and debentures			
20. Other liabilities			
21. Total liabilities (sum of items 13 through 20)			
22. Limited-life preferred stock and related surplus			
EQUITY CAPITAL			
23. Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus (No. of shares outstanding)			
24. Common stock (No. of shares):			
a. Authorized			
b. Outstanding			
25. Surplus (exclude all surplus related to preferred stock):			
26. a. Undivided profits and capital reserves			
b. LESS: Net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities			
27. Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments			
28. a. Total equity capital (sum of items 23 through 27)			
b. Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j)			
c. Total equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j) (sum of items 28.a & 28.b)			
29. Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, equity capital, and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j) (sum of items 21, 22, and 28.c)			
MEMORANDA: Amounts outstanding as of Report of Condition date:			
1. a. Standby letters of credit, Total			
b. Amount of Standby letters of credit in memo 1.a. conveyed to others through participations			
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SIGNATURE OF OFFICER(S) AUTHORIZED TO SIGN REPORT		DATE SIGNED	
Darleen Fletcher, Vice President and Cashier		April 19, 1994	
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I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank and my commission expires January 8, 1996		[Signature]	
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Dickens News

by Mary Ann Warren, Correspondent

The community was saddened at the death of Larry Little, who died Friday. Larry and his family have lived in Dickens for many years. His wife, Jeannie and sons, Sam and L.G. and daughter, Teressa and grandchildren survive. Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church in Dickens on Monday morning with interment in the Dickens Cemetery. We extend heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Larry.

Von Hammons, Abilene was in Dickens over the weekend and visited with friends and family. He attended the funeral of Larry Little. Von lived in Dickens for many years before moving to Abilene.

Also visiting in Dickens over the

Cook Off Rules...

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5. Cooks are to prepare and cook chili in as sanitary a manner as possible. Cooking conditions are subject to inspection by the judging committee. All chili cooks may be required to remove the lid from their chili cup and eat a spoonful of their own chili before turning it in for judging.

There will be three chili awards. These will be determined by the judging committee. The Chili is judged on the following criteria: aroma, consistency, red color, taste and after taste.

7. There will be three showmanship awards. These will be judged during the day and announced with the best chili awards. The showmanship entertainment will be kept on a family style basis.

8. Each team will have a minimal of 16 ounces of chili to be placed in three judging cups and marked with the team number. No more than one judging sample can be taken from any one pot. The team number will be kept secret from the teams and judges.

9. All beverage containers in the cook-off area will be plastic and will not be marked with any beverage Trade-name. There will be no glass containers in this area.

10. Judging will be at 1 p.m. and results will be announced as soon as possible. Winning teams will remain in the area for team photos.

11. The teams are ask to clean up their area. "If you bring it in take it home!"

12. This cook-off is a family affair and is for your enjoyment!

weekend was Harold Goodwin of Stratford. Harold is another former resident of Dickens. He attended to some business and also attended funeral services for Larry, with whom he had worked at the highway department.

Shannon Jones and Heather Wright accompanied by Bob and Martha Ferguson, attended Youth Extravaganza at Southern Nazarine University in Bethany, Oklahoma from Wednesday to Saturday. Shannon gave her original speech and was awarded a gold medal. The entire group reported a wonderful time and the girls were impressed with the campus of the university.

Donnie Shaw saw his doctor at the Amarillo Veterans Hospital last Thursday and his report was good. He returned home on Friday.

Robert Thornton also saw doctors at the Veterans Hospital for a check up on his pacemaker. He got a good report from the doctor also.

This weekend is shaping up to be a nice one for the Trail Ride which is being planned through the Croton Breaks area on the Robert Collier ranch east of town. There will be riders on horse back, wagons and some vehicles making the tour. The chuck wagon supper will be served at the Rodeo Grounds on Saturday evening and gospel singing and devotional time will follow. We are sure anyone who attends will have an enjoyable time.

Bill Stone spent several days in St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock last week. He is home and feeling good at this time. Bill is helping with the Trail Ride and plans to be there. He will be pulling the wagons.

David Warren came to Dickens on Wednesday night and he and his dad left Thursday for a few days on a fishing trip. They returned on Saturday, and had enjoyed the trip, but were tired and ready to be home. Connie had brought David to Dickens and on Sunday, Cody, Jody and Dylan took him to Lubbock to meet Connie. Michelle was playing in a basketball tournament at Estacado High School.

Makayla Warren is spending a few days with her dad, Cody, and Jody, Tonia and Dylan.

The week has started off with a bang. The sand and dust and wind causing allergy sufferers to wish there were somewhere else. Ina Mae and Paul Bennett were in Lubbock on Monday to

21 Players Take Part In Best Ball

A toof of 21 players, making up five teams, took part in the regular Thursday afternoon best ball scramble at the Spur Golf Course.

The team of Robert Daughtry, Johnnie Carlisle, Billie Bass and Tom Condron scored a 32 to win first place.

Second place with a 34, was posted by Bill Hoover, Neilan Hensley, Gladys Hinson, Jean Hoover and Cheryl Anderson.

Graden Bass, Greg Cowart, Eldon Reynolds and Debbie Adcock shot 35;

Glen Williams, Dewayne Sexton, Don Hinson and Sue Condron posted a 36 as did the team of Wayne Roberts, Roddy Clark, Wendell and Raynita Newman.

Tea time for the Thursday scramble is 5:30 p.m. Those who wish to play should call the clubhouse or arrive early

see the doctor and were not enjoying the prospect of driving home in the weather. Joan Warren met them at K-Mart where they were all shopping. They had all driven up early, before the wind began. Joan drove home early and had to drive with the lights on most of the way home. The day got progressively worse, and Ina Mae and Paul were not able to leave until after 2 p.m. appointment with the doctor. They probably had a more unpleasant drive than Joan.

It appears that Tuesday's weather will not be much better. However, we are thankful for the small amount of rain we received on Friday. Our rain gauge showed .10, and we are hoping for more soon.

Be sure to remember the coming school and city elections. Your vote is needed to place competent people in these positions, the election will be on May 7th and early voting is still possible. City election ballots are at Dickens City Hall and Patton Springs School Board Ballots are at the County Clerks Office.

Pitchfork Kid...

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disappeared after a short time, and the location of his grave was lost for several years. Fred I. Hale, a good friend of The Kid, searched the cemetery records and located the grave. Hale wrote Douglas Meador, Editor of the Matador Tribune and told him about locating the grave. In 1958, Meador, an authority on cowboy lore, started a memorial fund to put an appropriate marker on The Kid's grave. Many contributions donated and Meador put a fine bronze permanent marker on the grave.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Joe,

There is always a positive side to everything. My husband Michael and I could not collect money owed us by a couple here in town, so I went to Oran Hamilton to ask him if he would go with my daughter and I to ask the man for the money. The man's wife is a teacher in the Spur Schools. He said he couldn't go that day, but she was teaching summer school and he would ask her the next day. The woman's husband came into the room right after Oran, so he asked them both why the bill hadn't been paid. The man went straight to Michael and explained. The bill was paid within a week.

There was a teacher here that called my daughter a druggie and laughed at her in front of her class. I called Oran Hamilton and told him what had happened and I expected an apology from that teacher, to my daughter, in front of that same class. Oran told me to call Mr. Walker and tell him and that he (Oran Hamilton) would see to it. The next day my daughter received the apology in front of her class with Mr. Walker standing right there. I would like to thank both men for doing such a fine job.

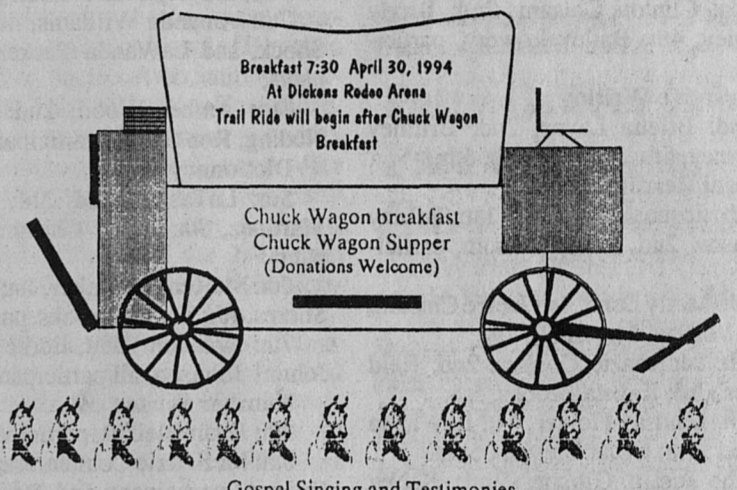
Another time I called Oran and asked him to check on filling the holes at the entrance to the kids parking lot, because I had just had a \$50 wheel alignment job done on my car. He said as soon as the

City filled the one in the street he would fill the ones in the parking lot. I told him I had already called the City, at 7 a.m. the next morning, when I took my daughter to Driver's Education, the holes were filled. All of them. All my thanks to Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Walker and the City Boys.
Dolores Adcock
701 N. Parker
Spur, Texas
806-271-3710

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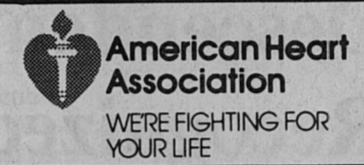
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Jayton Elementary, Junior High Students Win District In Zone Literary Contests



Jayton Elementary and Junior High School students won their District 15A Zone Literary Contests in Rule, April 19th and 21st, 1994. Elementary students scored 523 points; Rule placed second with 434. Junior High students scored 387.5 points; Rule placed second with 322. Other schools participating were Hermleigh, Rochester, and Lueders-Avoca.

Elementary Results

Storytelling
2nd: Garrett Holder, 2nd; Megan Muscatell, 3rd; Amanda Johnson, 5th;
3rd: Clinton Chisum, 2nd; Brody Whitley, 4th; Buddy Lowery, participant;

Creative Writing
2nd: Brietta Layne, 2nd; Brittney Courtney, 5th; Jamie White, 6th;

Oral Reading
4th: Joshua Stanaland, 1st; Tiffany Harrison, 2nd; Randi Chisum, participant;

5th: Marty Long, 1st; Jackie Chisum, 2nd; Michael Muscatell, 4th;

6th: McKenzie Couler, 2nd; Reid Guess, 3rd; Kayela Brooks, 5th;

7th: Lindsay Holder, 1st; LaWanda Tucker, 4th; Oscar Trevino, 5th;

8th: Justin Gibson, 2nd; Becky Skelton, 4th; Gina Baeza, 5th;

Ready Writing
3rd: Mark Martinez, 1st; Rachel Kaelin, 3rd; Daena Hernandez, 4th;

4th: Randi Chisum, 4th; Valari Bryant, participant; Amilynn Daniel, participant;

5th: Jackie Chisum, George Zimmer, Amanda Martinez, participants;

6th: Reid Guess, 3rd; Ray Hall, 4th; Morgan Jeter, 6th;

7th: Lindsay Holder, 2nd; Amber Chisum, 3rd; B.J. Baldrige, 5th;

8th: Amber Wood, 2nd; Jennifer Nuding, 5th; Summer Coulter, 6th;

Picture Memory
4th & 5th Team: Jackie Chisum, Elizabeth Hoover, (Perfect Paper) and Amilynn Daniel, 2nd;

Music Memory
5th grade Team: Michael Muscatell, Jackie Chisum, Devonne Hammack, Haley Holder and Amanda Martinez, 3rd;

6th grade Team: McKenzie Couler, Morgan Jeter, Reid Guess, Justin Hall, and Leslie Jones, 3rd;

Listening Skills
6th: Ray Hall, 1st; Morgan Jeter, 3rd;

Justin Hall, participant;
7th: Casey Shock, 5th; Oscar Trevino, and LaWanda Tucker, participants;
8th: Brad Chisum, 2nd; Justin Gibson, 3rd; Gina Baeza, 5th;

Spelling
3rd: Rachel Kaelin, 1st; Clinton Chisum, 2nd; Daena Hernandez, 4th;

4th: Brianna Nuding, 1st; Joshua Stanaland, 3rd; Amilynn Daniel, 4th;

5th: Seth Jeter, 1st; Michael Muscatell, 3rd;

6th: McKenzie Couler, 1st; Amanda Shores, 3rd; Kyllinda McCurry, 4th;

7th: Amanda Williams, 4th; Casey Shock, and LaWanda Tucker, participants;

8th: Amber Wood, 2nd; Jennifer Nuding, Rob Sallee, participants;

Dictionary Skills
5th: LaTasha Kidd, 3rd; Amanda Martinez, 6th; Jackie Chisum, participant;

6th: McKenzie Couler, 1st; Amanda Shores, 4th; Kayela Brooks, participant;

7th: Brandon Kidd, Eddie Chisum, Johnny Johnson, all participants;

Number Sense
5th: Ryan Bleiker, participant;

6th: McKenzie Couler, 1st; Priscilla Duenes, participant and Reid Guess, participant;

7th: Amy Chunn, 3rd; Amber Chisum, 6th; Lindsay Holder, participant;

8th: Summer Coulter, 2nd; Gina Baeza, 3rd; Brad Chisum, participant;

Calculator
6th: McKenzie Couler, 2nd; Morgan Jeter, 4th; Kyllinda McCurry, participant;

7th: Amy Chunn, 4th; Amber Chisum, 8th; Brandon Kidd, 10th;

8th: Becky Skelton, 3rd; Hector Sanchez, 5th; Brad Chisum, 6th;

Maps, Graphs, & Charts
5th: Michael Muscatell, 4th; Ryan Bleiker, 5th; Haley Holder, participant;

6th: Leslie Jones, 3rd; Morgan Jeter, 5th; McKenzie Couler, 6th (tie);

7th: Amy Chunn, Brandon Kidd, Lindsay Holder, all participants;

8th: Gina Baeza, 1st; Hector Sanchez, 5th; Justin Gibson, 6th;

Life Science
7th: Amy Chunn, 3rd; Amanda Williams, 5th; Amber Chisum, participant;

8th: Jennifer Nuding, 2nd; Summer Coulter, 5th; Hector Sanchez, participant;

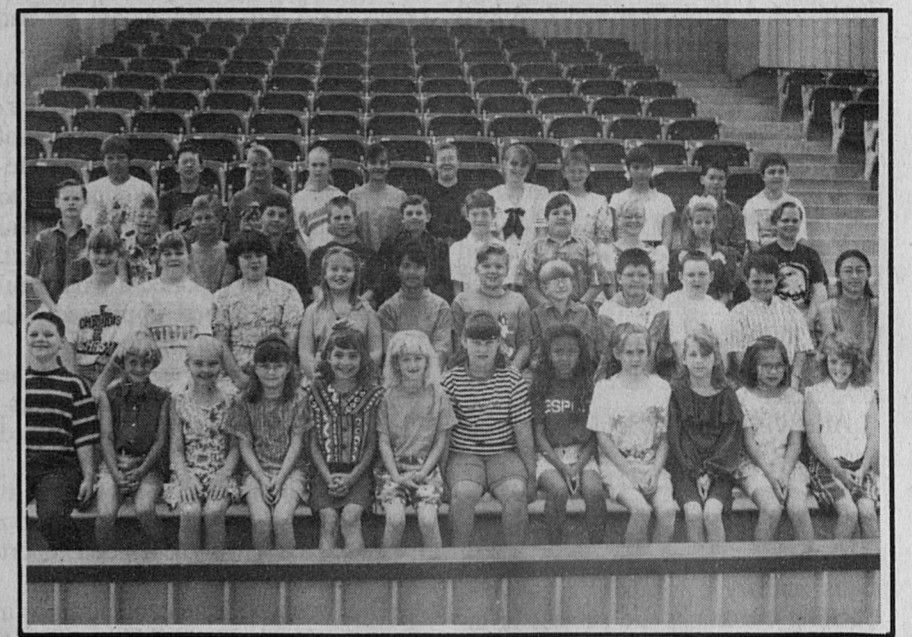
Modern Oratory
7th: Lindsay Holder, 1st; Amber

Chisum, 2nd; Casey Shock, 3rd;
8th: Summer Coulter, 1st; Jennifer Nuding, 2nd; Justin Gibson, 5th;

Impromptu Speaking
7th: Amber Chisum, 4th;
8th: Summer Coulter, 2nd; Gina Baeza, 3rd; Rob Sallee, 6th.



Jayton Junior High UIL contestants: front row, from left: Amanda Williams, Lawanda Tucker, Lindsay Holder, Amber Chisum, Amy Chunn; second row: Jennifer Nuding, Summer Coulter, Becky Skelton, Amber Wood, Gina Baeza, Oscar Trevino; third row: Eddie Chisum, Johnny Johnson, Brandon Kidd, Jeffrey Arnold, Casey Shock, B. J. Baldrige; fourth row: Brad Chisum, Cliff Foster, Justin Gibson, Rob Sallee, Carl Miller and Hector Sanchez.



Jayton Elementary UIL participants: from top left: Jeremy Bouher, Leslie Jones, Morgan Jeter, Amanda Shores, Lilly Hoover, Kyllinda McCurry, McKenzie Couler, Kayela Brooks, Priscilla Duenes, Reid Guess, Ray Hall; second row: Justin Hall, LaTasha Kidd, Seth Jeter, Michael Muscatell, George Zimmer, Marty Long, Ryan Bleiker, Joshua Stanaland, Jackie Chisum, Devonne Hammock, Scott Parker; third row: Haley Holder, Randi Chisum, Joy Williams, Amilynn Daniel, Daena Hernandez, Rachel Kaelin, Clinton Chisum, Mark Martinez, Buddy Lowery, Brodie Whitley, Amanda Martinez; bottom row: Garrett Holder, Brittany Courtney, Brietta Layne, Jamie White, Megan Muscatell, Sunny Glosso, Amber Stanaland, Amanda Johnson, Valari Bryant, Elizabeth Hoover, Brianna Nuding, Tiffany Harrison.

Descendents Of Cynthia Ann Parker Recognized Saturday At Crowell

A surprised Roland Parker, Jayton, was one of the distinguished guests at the Cynthia Ann Parker Day held in Crowell, Texas on Saturday, April 23, 1994.

She was a Great-Aunt of Rolands.

Also honored was a grandson of Quannah Parker, the son of Cynthia Ann.

The festivities began with a very colorful and interesting parade where a special float of Cynthia Ann and Quannah Parker carried the Descendants.

Later, the two older descendants were taken a few miles out from Crowell to the place of the re-capture of Cynthia Ann and her baby daughter and were returned to her people.

Other activities included a great and colorful Pow-Wow on the Whitley Baseball Field. Several Indian tribes were present and presented a wonderful program. Their different costumes and head-dresses were outstanding.

A very touching program was held in the District Courtroom of the Court-house. The Cynthia Ann Parker Symposium was very interesting.

A big thanks goes to the delegates and members of the Crowell Chamber of Commerce for their generous hospitality, the interesting programs and the delicious luncheon served to the descendants of Cynthia Ann and Quannah Parker. Also, thanks to our Uncle Roland for his contribution.

Those attending the gala affair were Roland's wife, Ila Parker; Mrs. June (Parker) Clark and son, Craig; Mrs. Glenda (Parker) Hill and son, Dan; Mrs. Leona B. (Parker) Kidd and husband, James O. Kidd.

Kent County Highlights
 by Wyvonne Spray

Amos and Grace Fincher visited their daughter, Bernice and Ken Marts on Sunday. Their granddaughter Trushell Curtis, Groesbeck, was there also.

Saturday, Dennis, LaVonda and I went to Snyder. While there we saw David and Mani Foster, Marci and Cliff.

Sue Slay went to Menard last weekend to visit their mom, Juanita Slay and brother, Fred and Susan Slay.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!
Elaine Marley, Amanda Williams, Lindsay Holder, Matthew Wilson, Leella Hall, Kathy Owen, Bill Parks, Sr., Mary Jane Harrison, Bill Williams, Sarah Sena, Deanie Matthews.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!
Sammy and Linda Johnson; Jim and Kathleen Jones.

Kent County ASCS
 by Norma Jo McDonald, CED

Kent County has been approved for the 1994 Livestock Feed Program. Eligibility will be figured from the date of your application. Please call for an appointment to sign up for the Livestock Feed Program as soon as possible. Remember that all feed tickets must be signed by seller with amount and type of feed purchased, unless the feed generated ticket.

The FINAL Date to sign-up in the 1994 Farm Programs is Friday, April 29, 1994. If you have not signed up, call for an appointment as soon as possible. Do not wait until the last day. There is considerable paperwork and it takes a while to complete everything. Advance Deficiency payments will be issued as soon as all required forms have been filed and approved.

The Final Date to certify Wheat and/or Oats for Grain is May 2, 1994. Even if you do not participate in the program

you still need to certify planted acres in order to hold your bases. If you are using wheat for grazing etc., on ACR (set aside), or for CUPAY you still need to certify by May 2, 1994. REMEMBER the PULL OFF date for grazing Wheat for Grain was March 15, 1994.

All Farm Plans, including structural practices, must be completed by January 1, 1995. If you have any questions on your farm plans, please contact the Soil Conservation Office.

Any changes on your farm (sale of land, adding a new farm, dropping a farm, etc.) must be reported as soon as possible, in order for your files to be updated.

IMPORTANT: The County Committee may reduce program payment yields if it is determined that the producer planted or cared for the crop in an unworkmanlike manner if under normal conditions it would not produce the farm program payment yield.

TEXAS NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION



AMENDED NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR WASTE DISPOSAL PERMIT

KENT COUNTY, Kent County Courthouse - Box 6, Jayton, Texas 79528 has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (Commission) for a permit (Proposed Permit No. 13698-01) to authorize the disposal of treated domestic sewage effluent by irrigation of 30 acres of pasture land. The disposal volume is not to exceed an average of 101,500 gallons per day. Application rates for the irrigated land are not to exceed 3.79 acre-feet/acre/year. No discharge of pollutants into the waters of the State is authorized by this permit.

The wastewater treatment facility and irrigation site are approximately 1,200 feet south of Farm-to-Market Road 1228 and approximately 7,500 feet west of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1228 and State Highway 70 in Kent County, Texas. This location is in the drainage area of the Salt Fork Brazos River in Segment No. 1238 of the Brazos River Basin.

The Executive Director of the Commission has prepared a draft permit based on the application submitted by the applicant and other information presently available.

Legal Authority: Section 26.028 of the Texas Water Code and 30 TAC Chapter 305 of the Rules of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

This application is subject to a Commission resolution adopted August 18, 1993, which directs the Commission's Executive Director to act on behalf of the Commission and issue final approval of certain permit matters. The Executive Director will issue this permit unless one or more persons file written protests and/or a request for a hearing within 30 days after publication of this notice.

If you wish to request a public hearing, you must submit your request in writing. You must state (1) your name, mailing address and daytime phone number; (2) the permit number or other recognizable reference to this application; (3) the statement "I/we request a public hearing;" (4) a brief description of how you, or the persons you represent, would be adversely affected by the granting of the application; (5) a description of the location of your property relative to the applicant's operations; and (6) your proposed adjustment to the application/permit which would satisfy your and/or requests for hearing are filed, the Executive Director will not issue the permit and will forward the application to the Office of Hearings Examiners where a hearing may be held. Commission public hearings are evidentiary legal proceedings similar to civil court non-jury trials. Although general comments from the public may be heard, the law requires that the Commission's decision on whether to approve or deny the application be based on evidence and testimony submitted during the public hearing, presented under oath and subject to cross-examination by the other parties. Public comments are not evidence and cannot be the basis for the Commission's ultimate decision. In the event a hearing is held, the Office of Hearings Examiners will submit a recommendation to the Commission for final decision.

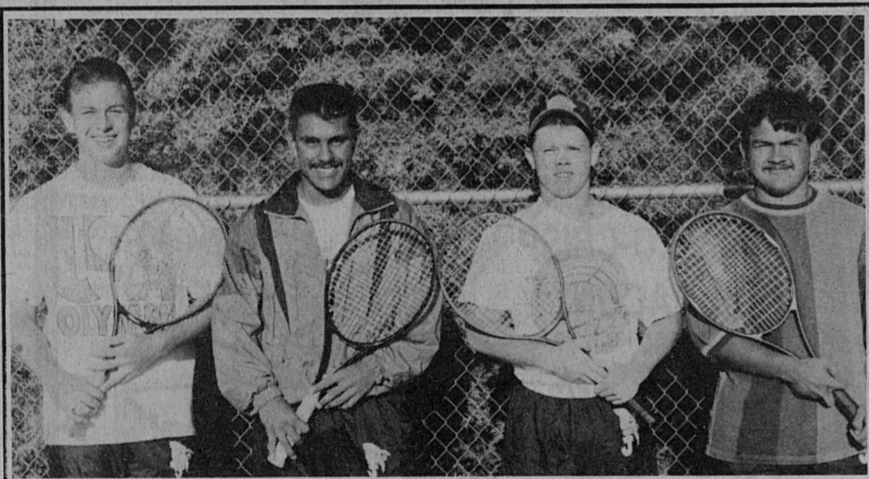
If no protests or requests for hearing are filed, the Executive Director will sign the permit 30 days after publication of this notice or thereafter. If you wish to appeal a permit issued by the Executive Director, you may do so by filing a written Motion for Reconsideration with the Chief Clerk of the Commission no later than 20 days after the date the Executive Director signs the permit.

Requests for a public hearing on this application should be submitted in writing to Chief Clerk's Office, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P.O. Box 13067, Austin, Texas 78711, Telephone (512) 463-7908. Information regarding hearing procedures may be obtained by contacting Kerry D. Sullivan, Assistant Chief Hearings Examiner at the same address or by telephone at (512) 463-7875. Information concerning any technical aspect of this application can be obtained by writing Firoj Vahora, Wastewater Permits Section, at the same address or by telephone at (512) 463-8201.

Issued this 18th day of April, 1994.



Gloria A. Vasquez, Chief Clerk
 Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission



Jayton boys tennis doubles team: Scott Harrell and Randy Martinez, second place in Zone and Shane Long and George Baeza. (This picture was scheduled to run in last week's edition but was inadvertently omitted).

Thoughts...
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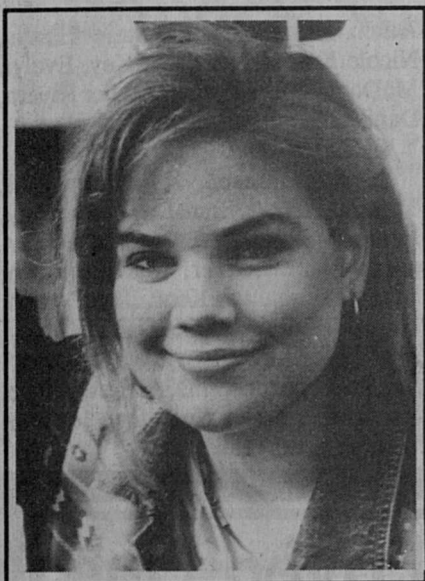
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Jayton High School students who participated in the Regional UIL Academic Meet at Hardin-Simmons in Abilene this past week end are (bottom, left) J. T. Williams, fourth in Spelling and participated in Number Sense; Destry Layne, participated in Keyboarding; Katie Wilson, participated in Lincoln-Douglas Debate; DeDe Freemyer, second in Persuasive Speaking; Brook Baldrige, participated in Feature Writing and Ready Writing; Cassie Benningfield participated in Prose (top left) Buffy Ferguson, participated in Informative Speaking; Johanna Nuding, first in Ready Writing and sixth in Persuasive Speaking; Rachel Brown, third in Editorial Writing and sixth in Science; Devin Galloway participated in Informative Speaking.

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DeDe Freemyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Freemyer, qualified for State in Persuasive Speaking. She received first place in District competition and second at Regional competition. Congratulations and Good Luck DeDe!



Johanna Nuding, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Butch Nuding, qualified for State in Ready Writing. She received first in District competition and first in regional competition. Congratulations and Good Luck Johanna!



Rachel Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brown, qualified for State in Editorial Writing. She received second in District competition and third in Regional competition. Congratulations and Good Luck Rachel!

Dry Conditions Call For Farmers To Seed Cotton At Lower Rates

Powder-dry fields and scant prospects for pre-plant rainfall have High Plains cotton growers facing a Russian roulette summer, says a cotton agronomist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service here. Considering the low yield potential, the most important practice they can take is to reduce seeding rates, he advises.

With the area's customary three million cotton acres the driest they've been in 20 years and planting time at hand, the moisture situation is critical, says Kater Hake, Extension Service cotton specialist. "With these conditions, cotton producers will need to look in every corner of their production budget to shave some dollars off their costs," he said.

Cotton can tolerate drought if there is deep moisture in the soil, Hake noted. But the deep roots of last year's record crop pulled out the deep moisture and it hasn't been replenished by precipitation. Lubbock has recorded only 3.4 inches of rain since last August. Only Briscoe, Martin and Floyd counties, of the 25 cotton counties around Lubbock, have even moderate soil moisture.

"When water supply is limited, dropping the seeding rate will increase the amount of water available for each plant," Hake said. "Plants must survive long enough to set and mature bolls. Using 10 inches of water to keep 20,000 plants alive until boll maturation is vastly preferred to using the same amount of water to keep 40,000 plants alive for only half the growing season."

Hake said that a dryland trial conducted by the Extension Service in Dawson County last year illustrates what other researchers, such as Dr. Dan Krieger at Texas Tech University, have been saying for years: As the water supply declines, reduce seeding rates.

The trial used six seeding rates with high quality, treated seed. At the maximum rate of 19.2 pounds of seed an acre, a stand of 39,750 plants was obtained. This stand yielded 194 pounds of lint and 389 pounds of seed an acre, for an income of \$114.24. The lowest rate of 9.5 pounds of seed an acre produced 22,750 plants with a yield of 229 pounds of lint and 449 pounds of seed an acre, and an income of \$145.42.

"Considering the high quality seed available from 1993, and the reduced water supply in dryland cotton, seeding rates of 10 to 15 pounds an acre should be adequate," Hake said. "If producers intend to plant at these low levels, applying a strong fungicide treatment would be wise use of the dollars saved in the cost of planting seed."

The Extension specialist said irrigated fields have greater flexibility in optimum seeding rates. "Our trials in 1993, and others before, indicate a wide range of optimum seeding rates when plenty

of irrigation water is available. Given water, the plant can compensate for different stand densities by growing wide or narrow."

Hake suggested that producers with irrigated fields but limited water supply reduce their seeding rate to 13 to 17 pounds an acre, according to their seed quality and available water.

"This year, the Texas High Plains is perched on a precipice--not of a bumper harvest, but rather of a high risk, Russian roulette summer," he said. "any disruption in rainfall (this season) could see literally millions of cotton acres collapse. Cotton markets will need to follow the rains on the plains' to learn if one or two million bales suddenly disappear."



Flavored Coffees

by Carla McKeown



I'm always on the lookout for ways to make homemade versions of my favorite expensive things. One of my favorite desserts is a hot mug of flavored coffee topped with a spoonful of freshly whipped cream.

I like to try all the different flavors, and since Tony and I don't always have the same tastes, buying several cans of flavored coffee for each of us gets a little costly. So, you can imagine how excited I was several years ago to run across a recipe in the "Hints from Heloise" column for making flavored coffees.

I have since adapted the recipe to make several additional flavors.

In addition to saving me money, the homemade flavored coffees also make great gifts. When giving the coffees as a gift, I buy three or four decorator coffee mugs and make several different flavors of coffee. I place the coffees in small plastic bags and seal tightly. Then, I loosely wrap the coffee-filled bags with colored plastic wrap or tissue paper and arrange them creatively in each mug. A decorative ribbon on each handle adds the final touch.

For storing the flavored coffee at home, I store each flavor in a small, labeled glass jar. If you don't drink coffee very often, store the coffee in sealed containers in the freezer or refrigerator for longer lasting freshness.

Try the following recipes for making flavored coffees. I'll give the basic recipe followed by several variations. For the variations, use the same directions as with the Mocha Coffee Mix. Feel free to mix and match different flavorings, creating your own unique blend, such as orange-chocolate, mint-chocolate, cinnamon-nutmeg, etc.

MOCHA COFFEE MIX
1/2 cup instant coffee granules or crystals
1/2 cup sugar
1 cup powdered milk or coffee

creamer
2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa
Combine all the ingredients in a blender container and blend until well-mixed and powdered. To serve, combine 2-3 heaping teaspoons of the mixture with 1 cup of boiling water; stir to blend. Top with whipped cream. For a stronger flavor, use more of the mix in each cup.

ORANGE COFFEE MIX
1/2 cup instant coffee granules or crystals
3/4 cup sugar
1 cup powdered milk or coffee

creamer
1/2 teaspoon dried orange peel
CINNAMON COFFEE MIX
1/2 cup instant coffee granules or crystals

2/3 cup sugar
2/3 cup powdered milk or coffee

creamer
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
SUGAR-FREE MOCHA COFFEE MIX

1/2 cup instant coffee granules or crystals
Sugar substitute to equal 1/2 to 3/4 cup sugar
1 cup powdered milk (coffee creamer often contains sugar)

2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa (or the flavoring of your choice)
NOTE: Because the sugar substitute does not have the bulk of sugar, use less of the mix when making coffee.

ALMOND-MOCHA COFFEE MIX
1/2 cup instant coffee granules or crystals
1/2 to 3/4 cup sugar
1 cup powdered milk or coffee

creamer
2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa
1/2 teaspoon almond extract or flavoring

CINNAMON-VANILLA COFFEE MIX
1/2 cup instant coffee granules or crystals
1/2 cup sugar
1 cup powdered milk or coffee

creamer
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
MINTY COFFEE MIX
1 teaspoon vanilla extract 1/2 cup instant coffee granules or crystals

1/2 cup sugar
1 cup powdered milk or coffee

creamer
1/2 teaspoon mint flavoring
WHIPPED CREAM
1 cup (1/2 pint) whipping cream
1/4 cup powdered sugar
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Before whipping the cream, chill the bowl and beaters by placing them in the freezer for at least 30 minutes. In the chilled bowl, place the whipping cream and vanilla; beat on medium speed with electric mixer for 1 minute. Continue beating while adding sugar a spoonful at a time. Beat until soft peaks form. Do not over beat. Makes 2 cups whipped cream.

NOTE: You can make a flavored whipped cream to compliment your flavored coffee. When adding the sugar, also add one of the following: 2 table-

spoons unsweetened cocoa, 1/2 teaspoon

Ranching Photographs Become Quarter Horse Heritage Center's First Traveling Exhibit

Photographs capturing the flavor of ranch life on the legendary Pitchfork Ranch have become the American Quarter Horse Heritage Center and Museum's first traveling exhibit.

"Hoofbeats on the Pitchfork Ranch: Photography by Bob Moorhouse" illustrates the beauty and function of the American Quarter Horse and life on one of the nation's most historic ranches, as seen through the eyes of its manager, a man who is both artist and cowboy.

What began as a hobby for Moorhouse has grown into a visual history that tips its hat to the ranching industry. Several of his photos have graced the cover of *The Quarter Horse Journal* and *The Cattleman*; however, the initial exhibit in Amarillo marked the first major showing of his work.

The Pitchfork itself embodies a history that prides itself on continuity, as it is still owned by the Williams family of St. Louis, Missouri, which founded the

Three Top Prizes Offered At Jayton Bike-A-Thon May 21

Mr. Fernando Trevino, coordinator of the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital would like to announce plans for the Jayton Wheels for Life Bike-A-Thon to be held on May 21, 1994.

Thanks to our local business donations, we are going to be able to give away three prizes.

First Prize to the rider who collects the most money will be a 26" 10-Speed Bike; 2nd prize, a Spalding Sports Bag; 3rd prize a cassette player with headphones.

We encourage everyone to support and participate in this event.

Thank you,
Fern Trevino

Sharon Stanaland Heads Golf Assn.

Kent County Women's Golf Association met Tuesday, April 19th and elected new officers as follows:

President, Sharon Stanaland; Secretary, Linda Daniels; Reporter, Connie Martinez.

The winning teams of Tuesday's scramble were: 1st-Jeanette Seaton, Dorothy Green, Pat Drake and Stacy Burchett; 2nd-Catherine Dunham, Kim Geeslin, Sharon Stanaland, and Linda Daniels.

Ladies scramble will be held on Tuesday's starting at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

almond extract, or 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon, nutmeg or ginger. The whipped cream can match the coffee--chocolate whipped cream on top of chocolate coffee--or offer a contrasting flavor--cinnamon whipped cream on almond-mocha coffee.

Send your favorite recipe or recipe request to: Carla McKeown, P.O. Box 3651, Lubbock, Texas 79452.

ranch in 1883. The original West Texas holdings have grown to more than 165,000 acres--one of the few ranches which is larger now than when it was established. It is a tribute to managers such as Moorhouse, who has been with the Pitchfork for more than 20 years, that the ranch has survived downturns, including market depressions and severe droughts. Other Pitchfork holdings include the 35,000-acre Flag Ranch near Laramie, Wyoming, and the 4,000-acre Flint Hills Ranch near Topeka, Kansas.

Moorhouse, who serves as Vice President and General Manager of the Pitchfork Land and Cattle Company in Guthrie, Texas, has been involved in ranching and the American Quarter Horse industry his entire life. He was recently elected to the American Quarter Horse Association Board of Directors and serves on the Association's Marketing and Public Relations Committee.

The photographer's other activities include serving as the Second Vice President for the Texas Tech University Ranching Heritage Center and as a committee member of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association.

The "Hoofbeats" exhibit is on a two-year tour and already has been featured at the American Quarter Horse Heritage Center & Museum and the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Touring of this exhibition was made possible by a grant from AQHA-sponsor Miles Inc. of Shawnee Mission, Kansas; with additional funding provided by Carl and Cam Ballew of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and AQHA-sponsor MBNA America of Newark, Delaware.

The exhibit will be on tour at the Wichita Falls Museum & Art Center, Wichita Falls, Texas, June 4-September 4, 1994; Red River Valley Museum, Vernon, Texas, September 18-October 23, 1994; Scurry County Museum, Snyder, Texas, November 6-December 4, 1994; J. Evetts Haley Library, Midland, Texas, December, 19, 1994-January 29, 1995; John E. Conner Museum/Texas A&I University, Kingsville, Texas, February 14-March 27, 1995; Crook County Museum & Art Center,

Sundance, Wyoming, April-Mid-May, 1995 (TBA); and the Normal R. Eppink Art Gallery/Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas, June 4-July 16, 1995.

Other stops include the Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs, Ruidoso, New Mexico, Summer 1995 (TBA); Cowboy Artists of America Museum, Kerrville, Texas, September 4-October 15, 1995; Southern Illinois University Museum, Carbondale, Illinois, Mid-January-February 1996; Phippen Museum of Western Art, Prescott, Arizona, March 15-April 29, 1996, and The Museum at Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas June 1-July 14, 1996.

For more information concerning "Hoofbeats on the Pitchfork Ranch: Photography by Bob Moorhouse," call the American Quarter Horse Heritage Center, (806) 276-5181.

Petty Officer Is Part Of Major Navy Fleet Exercise

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Reginald D. Esborne, whose wife, Michele, is the daughter of Grady and Louise Walker, Spur, is participating in a major fleet exercise in the Western Atlantic Ocean aboard the aircraft carrier USS George Washington (CVN 73), homeported in Norfolk, Virginia, the lead ship in the USS George Washington Joint Task Group.

The exercise, known as FLEETEX, involves more than 20 Navy ships and nearly 100 aircraft from all services. Approximately 13,000 sailors, Marines, airmen and soldiers are participating in the exercise, which is taking place off the southeastern Atlantic coast.

FLEETEX feature a relatively new concept for afloat forces--the use of U.S. Army and Air Force helicopters and special operations personnel make up a Joint Special Operations Task Force, which is conducting special operations missions from the aircraft carrier USS George Washington.

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DISTRICT 8A
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RULE 37 CASE NO. 0204931

AMENDED NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant, Petroleum Property Mgmt. Inc. (A), 833 E. Arapaho, Suite 207, Richardson, Tx 75081, has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code Section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the distance between wells requirement to deepen (below casing), Well No. 4 Reed "A" Lease, 80 Acres, Section 2, Block 2, H&GN RR Co. Survey, A-1261, S-M-S (Canyon Reef) Field, Kent County, being 10 miles in a northwest direction from Clairemont, Texas.

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in the Wildcat field. No Rule 37 is necessary pursuant to field rules for the fields.

The location of this well is as follows:
1350' from the west line and 560' from the south line of lease.
660' from the south line and 1350' from the west line of survey.

Field Rules for the S-M-S (Canyon Reef) and Wildcat field are 467/1200, 40 acres.
This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 6750 feet.

Pursuant to the terms of Rule 37 (h) (2) (A), this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Glenn E. George, at (214) 298-3141. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6718.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST FILL OUT, SIGN AND MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE AUSTIN OFFICE OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS A NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST. A COPY OF THE INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST ALSO BE MAILED OR DELIVERED ON THE SAME DATE TO APPLICANT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ABOVE. THIS INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE WITHIN BY MAY 6, 1994. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUEST PERMIT WILL BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

NOTICE REQUIRES PUBLICATION.



Highway News

by Mary Putman, Correspondent, 271-4596

Howard Landreth, Forrest Ville, California, son of Murl Richey Miller, Gibsonton, Florida formerly of Spur, was on his way to California from Florida (he is a trucker) and stopped at John and Willie Quattlebaum's home Saturday night and spent the night with them. They all went to Girard Sunday morning and spent the day with Brenda and Jody Stanaland, Joy and Jay Brent Stanaland. Howard attended school here in 1962. He left Girard Sunday afternoon and drove to Alburquerque, New Mexico to visit Wayne Richey and family. It had been five years since Brenda had seen him.

Joy Stanaland won 4th place at the 4-H dress review in Munday.

Kenneth and Donna Clark went to San Saba with loads of cattle, Sunday, so they would be there for the cattle sale on Monday morning.

Eddie Clark and Mary Hinson took two loads of cattle to Mason, Texas, Monday. With no rain, pastures are drying up.

Donna Carr, Brent and Amy, Azle, came Friday to spend the weekend with

her parents, Russell and Nelda Wright, Girard. Teressia Marley, Russ and Elaine, Seminole, came to be with Donna and the children. They came to Oleta Hahn's home while here and planted her garden, cleaned the yard of weeds. They took her to Girard where she spent the day, Saturday with all of them. Ina Thomason visited me awhile Saturday afternoon.

We are all saddened by the illness of Luwanna Harris and Willie Williams.

Hillarye Hightower spent the weekend with her grandmother, Virgie Powell. Her parents, Cliff and Pat Hightower rode in the Harley-Davidson run, to make money for Multiple Sclerosis foundation in Lubbock on Saturday.

Harry and Bessie Lee Martin drove to Springtown last Friday and visited their son, Bob and Mary Martin. Bob and Mary's daughter, Casey Moore and son, Marcus, Wichita Falls were there also.

Winona Rinehart is wanting to get with Brode Puckett to see if he is a relative of Clifford and Clifton Puckett, who lost their lives in World War II. She

Spur Elementary Fifth Six Weeks Honor Roll Announced By School

5TH SIX WEEKS

"A" HONOR ROLL

2nd: Cami Cranford, Wendy Day, Danielle Reynolds, Britny Robertson, Jackie Scarlett, Robert Forno, Brett Gaylord, Franklee Salinas, Pat Wells, Lindsay McNeill, Austin Halliday, Trevor Davis, Mason Pierce, Misty Harris, Kristen Rivera;

3rd: Sean Wells, Rosalinda Delos Reyes, Ashley Guerrero, Kelsie Hill, Matt Hindman, Ashley Key, Drew Baker, J. Don Hinson;

4th: Kailee Wyatt, Elise Ramage, Elisa Davis, Bristi Gardner, Emily Pierce, John Carroll;

5th: Craig Harris, Makenzie Harris, Jennifer Martin, Danika Robertson, Spence Campbell;

6th: Kyla Campbell, Stephanie Ferguson, Hillarye Hightower, Heather McGalliard, David Melton.

"A-B" HONOR ROLL

2nd: Adeil Prince, Kenney Garcia, Tenola Lang, Marina Gonzales, Carley Stewart, Richard Valdez, Emilio Turrubiatez, Taynee Gilbert, Kandes

PATTON SPRINGS

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

MAY 2-5

MONDAY: Corn Dog, Macaroni and Cheese, Blackeyed Peas, Fruit, Milk
TUESDAY: Barbecued Chicken, Sliced Potatoes, Pinto Beans, Sliced Bread, Cake, Milk

WEDNESDAY: Hamburger, Burger Salad, French Fries, Fruit, Milk

THURSDAY: Steak Fingers & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Milk

FRIDAY: NO SCHOOL
BREAKFAST
MON. Juice, Cereal, Toast, Milk
TUES. Juice, Waffle Sticks, Milk
WED. Juice, Cinnamon Toast, Milk
THURS. Juice, Oatmeal, Toast, Milk
FRI. NO SCHOOL

needs to know something about their parents who lived in Highway at one time. These twin boys had a brother named Horace and a sister named Betty Puckett. Any information about them would be greatly appreciated.

Loyd and Winona Rinehart went to Lake Stamford last Monday and did some repairs for their cabin there. Loyd's sisters, Leona and Bob Smith and Lorene and Bill Hansford, all of Odessa were at the lake. They played "84" and Pinochle and did not fish because the lake was low. The women beat the men playing games. They came home on Thursday, and went to Lubbock, on Friday, for Loyd to keep a doctor's appointment.

While they were at the lake, Iva Mae and Abe Brendle, Afton visited with them.

Loyd and Winona Rinehart ate lunch at the White River Lake, Sunday.

Russell and Annette Evers, Lubbock, spent the weekend with J.W. and Dorothy Thomason.

Wanda Thomason, Lubbock visited her father, Earl Thomason at his home and her mother, Irelia Thomason in the Spur Care Center, over the weekend.

Harold and Doris May went to San Angelo and visited their son, Brian and Patty May and daughters, Morgan and Mackenzie. They went to see Morgan and Mackenzie play soccer. One of the girls team won and the other girls team tied, so neither girl lost.

Walker, Aaron Miers, Meagan Scarlett;

3rd: C.J. Walker, Valeree Hancock, Jon Adams, Edward Escamilla, Joseph Vasquez, Jennifer Ferguson, Aurora Silvas, C.J. Lockley, Matthew Olivarez;

4th: Jared Faubus, Britni Adams, Matt Garner;

5th: Jonathan Garcia, Cynthia Elmore, LaQuisha Bolton, Kristen Key, Stephen Miers, Adam Hancock, Andy Daughtry, Sarah Adcock;

6th: Lorelei Adcock, Maria Sanchez, Katy Sexton, Brant Day, Tony Guerrero, Tyson McKinney, Ketha Atkinson, Crystal Chunn, Tamara Childers, Stefanie Drennan, Amy Spradling, L'Rae Harris.

Perfect Attendance

List Is Announced

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

Andrew Adams, Beau Gaylord, Kati Hill, Derick Kelso, Lauren McNeill, Anika Molina, Gerardo Montes, J. Spencer Nolan, Kimberly Rodriguez, Lakeisha Washington;

KINDERGARTEN

Beckie Beaty, Harl Lee Childers, Trisha Day, Chelsey Dillashaw, Magen Gilbert, Nicole Hensley, Dustin Kelso, Samuel Montgomery, Jill Nichols, Dustin Raber, Anita Turrubiatez;

FIRST GRADE

Kassi Atkinson, Kerri Atkinson, Allison Chastain, Joy Cross, Cammie Day, Kelsi Gardner, Brady Hinson, Brittany Long, Christopher Marett, Brodie Reynolds, Valentin Rivera;

SECOND GRADE

Trevor Davis, Robert Forno, Kenneth Garcia, Brett Gaylord, Alecia Gilbert, Marina Gonzales, Lanika Green, Tenola Lang, Sharda McKinney, Lindsay McNeill, Aaron Miers, Samantha Montgomery, Adeil Prince, Angelica Ratliff, Danielle Reynolds, Britny Robertson, Jacqueline Scarlett, Meagan Scarlett, Emilio Turrubiatez, Kandes Walker, Patrick Wells;

THIRD GRADE

Jon Adams, Drew Baker, Bridget Childers, Rosalinda Delos Reyes, Edward Escamilla, Jennifer Ferguson, J. Don Hinson, Ashley Key, Brandon Marett, Stuart Nichols, Matthew Olivarez, Michelle Vargas, C.J. Walker, Sean Wells;

FOURTH GRADE

Britni Adams, John Carroll, Larry DelaCruz, Steven Devore, Jared Faubus, Bristi Gardner, Matthew Garner, Wil-

liam Ho-Gland, Waylon Kelso, William Latham, Robbie Miller, Cody Moore, Tonya Tagle, Gerardo Valdez, Kailee Wyatt;

FIFTH GRADE

Sarah Adcock, Zela Boles, LaQuisha Bolton, Andy Daughtry, Cynthia Elmore, Isaac Garcia, Jonathan Garcia,

Adam Hancock, Makenzie Harris, Nicole Kendrick, Kristen Key, Evelyn McDonald, Ray Pesina, Amber Rivera, Danika Robertson, Hope Tagle;

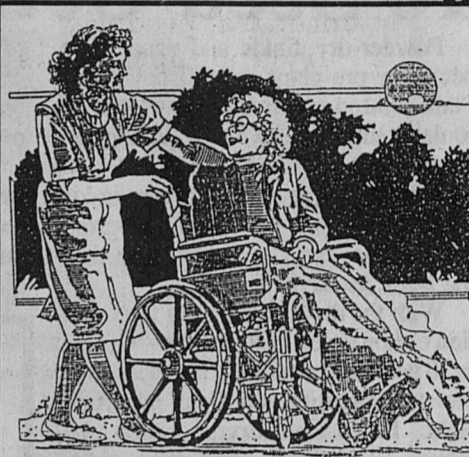
SIXTH GRADE

Ketha Atkinson, Kyla Campbell, Tamara Childers, Brant Day, Travis Day, Hemesto Delos Reyes, Stephanie Ferguson, Jamie Greer, Mark Guerrero, Hillarye Hightower, Kendall McDonald, Heather McGalliard, Leticia McKinney, Tyson McKinney, David Melton, Martin Neito, Fabian Pesina, Andrew Prince, Katy Sexton, Amy Spradling, Jessalyn Walker, K'Pri Walker.

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ogy is rapidly improving, the availability of fuels is increasing and the cost of conversion of new purchase is dropping.

Q: I keep seeing suggestions in environmental publications about buying in bulk, but I'm not sure I understand what this has to do with the environment.

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Your newspaper runs this column as a public service in cooperation with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission. If you have questions about reduction, reuse or recycling of waste, call the CLEAN TEXAS 2000 Information Center at 1-800-64-TEXAS, or write CLEAN TEXAS 2000, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.

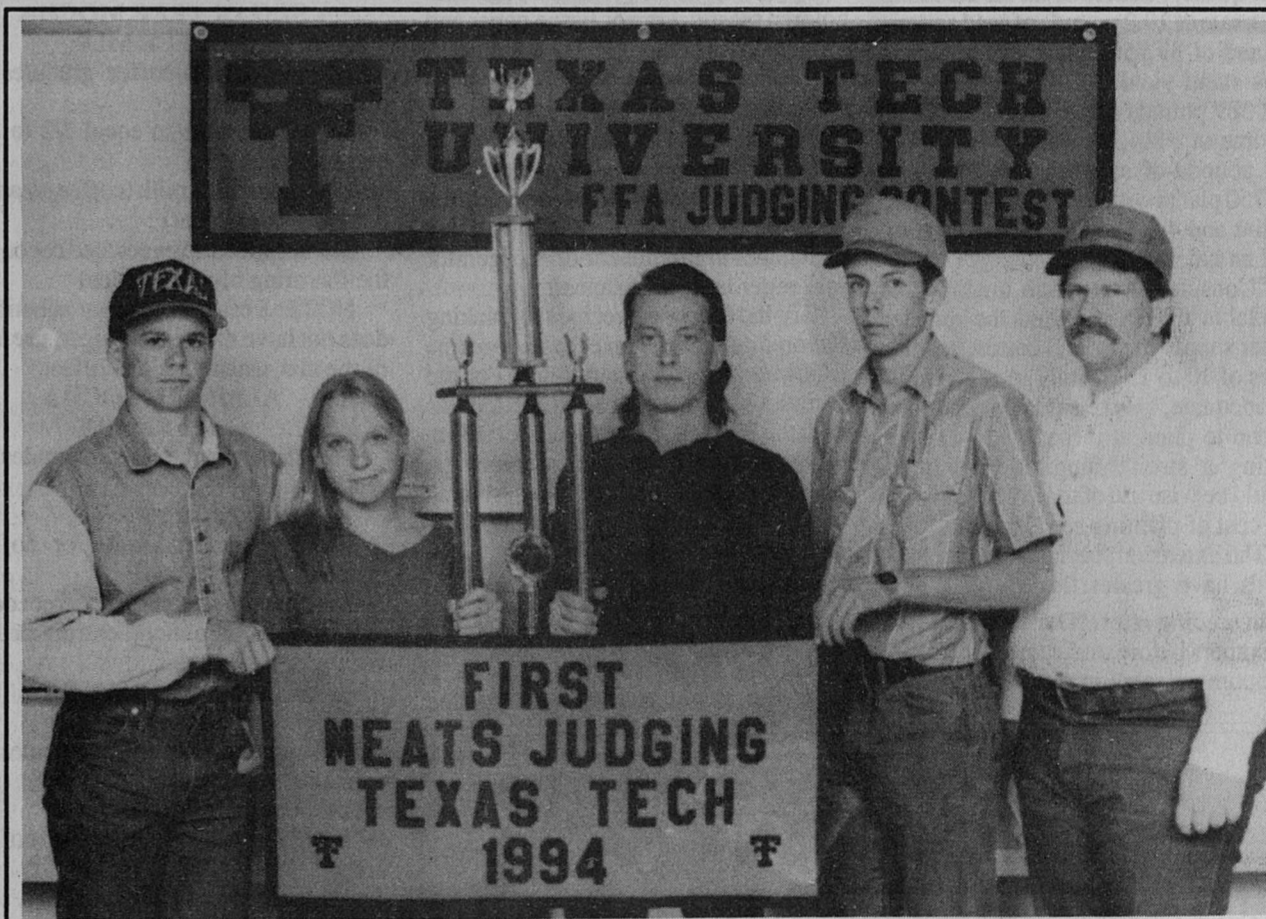
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Robert Waddell

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Robert Waddell, Rt. 1 Box 94, Spur, Texas 79370)

Good Luck To The Spur High School FFA MEAT JUDGING TEAM



Left to right, Bear Long, Jamie Flud, Jayson Thomason, Gaito Taylor and Advisor, Kermit Woolley.

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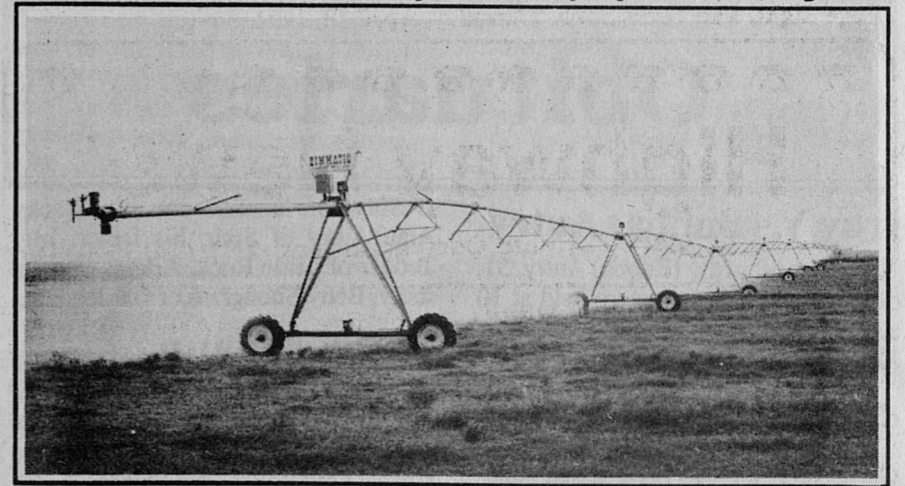
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Lubbock Social Security Manager Says More Money Comes In Than Goes Out

"It might be fatally stupid to include Social Security in your retirement calculations." So began the "advise" a syndicated columnist recently gave a couple

By Bruce Wells
Social Security Manager
Lubbock, Texas



A SAFETY MESSAGE TO CENTER-PIVOT IRRIGATORS--Remember to always use a voltmeter when working around irrigation wells and systems. Leave the voltmeter on center pivots until all motors have run. Check pump motors before touching them. Never stand in water when working around electricity.



Dry subsoil conditions continue to dampen prospects for the 1994 cotton crop throughout the High Plains region according to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers (PCG).

"Prospects for the 1994 crop are uncertain at this time and producers are definitely concerned about the situation for 1994," says PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "If dry conditions persist through the next four to six weeks we could see a reduction in the number of acres planted to cotton this year."

Concerned producers aren't only those with dryland operations notes Johnson. Many irrigated producers in the area are also under the gun because of the lack of adequate subsoil moisture. Despite the dry conditions planting activity is slowly getting underway at this time.

With an 11 percent Acreage Reduction Program in effect planted acreage in the 25 county area could total somewhere in the neighborhood of 3.1 million acres. No firm numbers are available at this time and producers have until April 29 to sign-up for the 1994 farm program.

Approximately half of the acres planted on the High Plains are considered to be dryland production. Continued dry conditions mean the potential for a significant change in planted acreage is present.

Many factors figure into final planting decisions. Individual producers will have to take into account planting requirements for crop insurance and farm program purposes in addition to weather conditions when making their decision.

"The choices made by producers this year are definitely not going to be easy," concludes Johnson. "Timing and being able to get the most out of each and every rainfall we receive will play a big role in determining the kind of start we get in 1994."

Statewide, planting is progressing well at this time. Total plantings are estimated at 18 percent, 5 percent ahead of average, through April 17.

Producers need to be aware that the cut-off date for signing up to participate in 1994 farm programs is April 29, 1994. Anyone intending to participate in the 1994 program will need to sign-up before this date.

in their late fifties who had written to him asking for his help in planning for their retirement. He went on to tell them that if they thought they would one day be entitled to Social Security benefits, they are "living in Lala Land." Of course, everyone is entitled to his or her opinion, but any opinion (especially those of an "advice" columnist) should have some basis in the facts. In this case, I think the columnist's opinions came right out of "Never-Never Land!"

The columnist told his readers that Social Security "...is a giant sucking scheme taking over by Congress...the funds from which are used to finance the deficit." He also claimed that according to his "ear on the hill", Congress can do "anything it pleases with those funds." Those stories perpetuate the myth the Congress wastes Social Security money by spending it on other government programs.

Here are the facts: Social Security takes in more money in taxes than it pays out in benefits--last year alone to the tune of about \$50 billion. Any money not used to pay benefits and administrative costs (which, by the way, are in the neighborhood of only 1 percent of revenues) is invested Treasury bonds. This is nothing new. It is the way Social Security's reserves always have been invested. Of course, once the bonds are purchased, the government can use Social Security money to pay for other programs and services. But the important difference between what the columnist called a "sucking scheme" and reality is that Social Security's reserves are invested. And just as you expect the government to pay you back with interest when you redeem your bonds, Social Security fully expects the government to make good on its obligations to the system's trust funds.

Some may question where the government will get the money it will need to redeem the billions of dollars in bonds Social Security will hold in the 21st century as baby-boomers near retirement age. Will Social Security taxes increase? Will benefits be cut? Current plans call for a variation of the latter: people born after 1937 will have to wait longer to receive full retirement benefits. Today, retirees collect full (100 percent) benefits at 65. People born in 1938 will have to wait until age 65 and 2 months to do the same. People born in 1929 will have to wait until age 65 and 4 months. The "full" retirement age continues to increase until it reaches age 67 for people born in 1960 and later.

Will more changes be necessary? That is a question decision-makers and Congress will be discussing in the future. But the columnist was wrong when he said "Congress can do anything it pleases with (Social Security)." He should have said, "Congress can do anything the people please with Social Security." After all, we live in a democracy and it is ultimately up to all of us to decide what we want out of our Social Security system.

And as you're thinking about what you want from Social Security, remember this: In the past 60 years, Social Security has changed many times to adapt to population trends, economic conditions, changes in society's values, and to the wishes of the people. It will change more in the next 60 years. But a Social Security program that provides benefits to retirees, to workers with disabilities, and to the family members of a breadwinner who had died will always be the cornerstone of our nation's financial planning network.

"What a difference a day makes", according to a song written several years ago. The song probably wasn't written to address a Social Security issue, but it does. If you were born on the first or second day of the month, one day could make a difference and mean an extra month of Social Security benefits when you retire.

How can this be? Consider how being born on the first or second day of the month would affect someone who is just turning 62. You must be at least 62 to receive Social Security retirement benefits. And the earliest that you can be eligible for a retirement check is the first full month you are 62. That means that most people cannot receive a benefit for the month in which they turn 62. But the law also says that you "attain" your age the day before your birthday. So, if you were born June 2, for example, you legally attain your age on June 1 and you would be eligible for benefits for June because you're considered 62 for the entire month. Of course, if you were born on June 1, you would also receive benefits for June because you are 62 the entire month. (Even though you legally turned 62 on May 31, you couldn't receive any benefits for May because you weren't 62 for the whole month).

The "born on the first or second"

rules also apply to Medicare, with one important difference. Unlike Social Security, where you must be eligible for the whole month to qualify for benefits, you can get Medicare coverage for a month even if you're eligible for only one day of the month. That means if your 65th birthday is on June 1, you would be entitled to Medicare for the month of May because you legally became 65 on May 31. If your birthday fell on June 2, you would be entitled to Medicare for June.

If you have questions about Social Security, call our toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, or visit your local Social Security Office.

As Others See It... And Say It

Rick Craig--*Hamlin Herald*:
With the U.S. Postal Service contemplating an increase in first class postage and a substantial increase on second-class mail (newspapers) mailed in the county, we are investigating moves to cut our costs at the Herald. One way of cutting postage is to stop our practice of mailing postcards to notify our subscribers that their subscription is about to expire.

Several newspapers have switched to a program of publishing a list of subscriptions that will expire during the month in the newspaper itself. The notice states that the listing is just a reminder and that it is not a bill. The listing is just done as a convenience to the subscriber.

The Herald will switch to such a listing beginning next month. A renewal blank will also be included with the listing.

In addition to the list, the expiration date of each subscription is printed directly above the subscriber's name. For example, a subscription expiring in March has 03/30/94 above the subscriber's name. All subscriptions expire at the end of the month.

We appreciate any comments you might have concerning this new program.

Kim Pease--*Rotan Advance*:
From the book titled "The Book of Texas Bests" by Kirk Dooley comes this. The Best High School Mascot Name goes to the Progreso Fighting Red Ants. Runners up were the Itasca Wampus Cats, Knippa Purple Rock Crushers, Hutton Hippos and Lewsville Fighting Farmers.

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WHEREAS,

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(Signed) S. E. Braly
Mayor

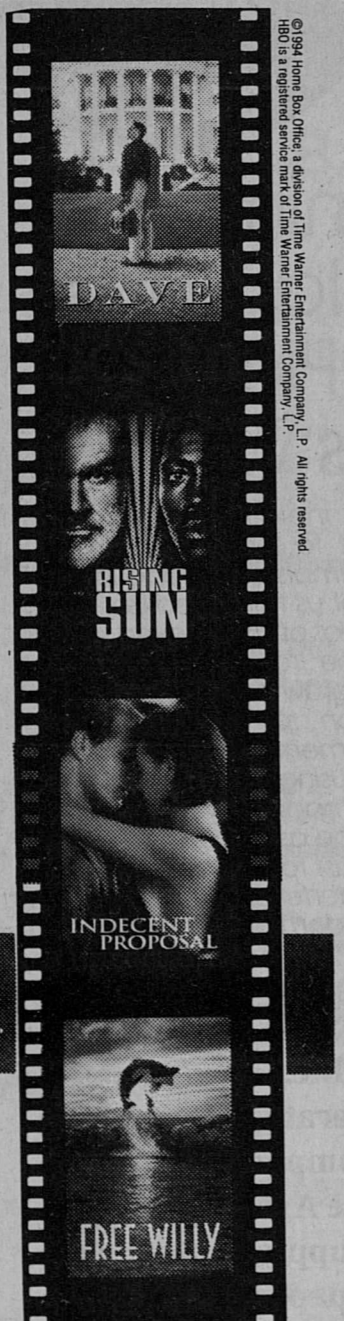
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Obituaries

Irby V. (Bubba) Autry

Services for Irby (Bubba) Autry, 51, of Gardendale, Texas, were held at 10 a.m. April 26, 1994, in Odessa with Rev. Jack Duncan, officiating.

Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Autry died April 21 in Gardendale. He was born in San Antonio and graduated from Midland High School in 1958. For a time he lived in Dallas where he was chief cook at Luby's Restaurants. He later moved to Andrews where he retired from the oil fields and where he worked for Brownly Oil Co. as a transport driver.

Survivors include one son, Rocky Alan Autry of Spur; his father, Irby Tedder of Little Rock, Arkansas and a sister, Betty Snodgrass of Gardendale.

Homer Gann

Services for Homer Gann, 69, of Lubbock, were at 11 a.m. April 25, 1994 in Sanders Funeral Home Memorial Chapel with Rev. Lloyd Campbell officiating.

Burial was in the City of Lubbock Cemetery.

Mr. Gann died April 22, 1994 in St. Mary Hospital, Lubbock.

He was born April 26, 1924 in Sonora. He married Bonnie Ann Kittrell on December 23, 1954 in Spur. He was a U. S. Navy veteran of World War II and he was a retired farmer and laborer. He moved to Lubbock from Afton in 1966.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Ann Gann, Lubbock; three daughters, Helen Hargrave of Slaton; Dorothy Stout of Haskell and Mary Vaughn of Lubbock; his mother, Velma Gann of Haskell; one brother, Billy Eugene Gann of Lawton; eight grandchildren; two foster grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Pallbearers included Ricky Hargrave, Claude Stout, Larry Vaughn, David Hargrave, Donny Hargrave and Douglas Hargrave.

Larry G. Little, Sr.

Services for Larry Gene Little, Sr., 49, of Dickens, were at 10 a.m. April 25, 1994 in the Dickens First Baptist Church with Rev. C. L. Atkinson, pastor of the Afton First Baptist Church, and Rev. Clifford Mayo, evangelist of the Church of the Nazarene, officiating.

Burial was in Dickens Cemetery under direction of Adams Funeral Home, Crosbyton.

Mr. Little died at 10:35 a.m. April 22, 1994 in Lubbock's St. Mary Hospital, following an illness. He was born May 17, 1944 in Levelland and married Jeanie Carter, January 5, 1967 in Idalou. He moved to Dickens in 1970 from Lubbock. He formerly worked for the Texas Highway Department and currently was a road construction worker for Lipan Construction Co. of Abilene.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanie Little of Dickens; two sons, Larry Little, Jr., McAdoo and Samuel Little, Dickens; a daughter, Theresa Hammons, Spur; his mother, Clara Little, Ralls; a brother, Dean Little, Alvarado; two sisters, Carolyn Nunley, Ralls and Ruth Brinkley, Predona, Kansas; three grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Don Shaw, Raymond Adams, Lewis Ray Mullins, Bobby Laster, Teddy White and Paul

Treasurer Attends A&M Seminar

County Treasurer, Druline Rape, along with 200 other Treasurers and Staff members took part in the 22nd Annual County Treasurers Continuing Education Seminar at Texas A&M University, April 17-20.

"County Treasurers--Dedicated to making County Government Work by Strengthening Old Roots and Cultivating New Branches" was the theme of the conference sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service's Institute of County Government and the County Treasurer's Association in cooperation with the Texas Association of Counties.

The seminar covered such topics as "Preparing for the 74th Regular Legislative Session", "Texas Association of Counties Investment Officers Training", "Stress Management", "Payroll/Garnishment for Child Support", "Fund Accounting", "Cost Control Techniques--Property/Liability Insurance", "Safety in the Work Place", "How to Prepare Health Insurance (Request For Proposals RFP's)", "Earned Income Credits", "Leadership/Public Relations", and "IRS Tax Levies".

Keynote speakers included Dan Morales, Texas Attorney General and John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, both from Austin.

County Treasurers who attended all of the sessions of the conference received continuing education units from Texas A&M's Office of Continuing Education. Treasurers are required to complete 30 hours of educational effort every two years in accordance with state law.

A reception for past presidents and a silent auction was held during the opening night of the conference. Also, reports were presented by the Texas Association of Counties and several scholarships were presented by the County Treasurers' Association of Texas.

Slough. Honorary pallbearers included Joe Nunley and Ronald Scarborough.

Lester J. Varnell Sr.

Graveside services for Lester J. Varnell, Sr., 92 of Mineral Wells, will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, (April 28) in Spur Memorial Cemetery. Rev. C. L. Atkinson, pastor of the Afton Baptist Church will officiate.

Campbell Funeral Home will be in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Varnell died April 25, 1994 in Palo Pinto General Hospital, Mineral Wells, following a brief illness. He was born in Waxahachie January 24, 1902. He was a life-long resident of Dickens County.

He married Myrtle Helen Edgar in Dickens on May 24, 1924. She preceded him in death October 22, 1993. Mr. Varnell was a retired farmer and a member of the Baptist Church. One son, Melvin L. Varnell, preceded him in death.

Survivors include one son, L. J. (Jake) Varnell, Mineral Wells; two brothers, Loy Varnell of Show Low, Arizona; and Richard Varnell, Afton; one sister, Ethel McCarty, Lubbock; five grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

The family will receive visitors from 11 to 1 p.m. Thursday at Campbell Funeral Home.

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Wednesday evening, 7 p.m.
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Sue Mayo, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
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Afton Baptist Church
C.L. Atkinson, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening, 8 p.m.
Dickens United Methodist Church
Rev. Jack Moffatt
Sunday Morning Service, 9 a.m.
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Temple Baptist Church, Spur
Rev. Melvin Owens
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Evening Service, 5 p.m.
Lake Side Baptist Church, Spur
Raymond Roberts, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Training Union, 5:30 p.m.
Evening Service, 6 p.m.
Assembly of God Church, Spur
Bob Wright, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Evening Service, 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening, 7 p.m.
Highway 70 Church of Christ, Spur
Ernest Bishop, Minister
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
Morning Service, 10:30 p.m.
Evening Service, 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening, 6 p.m.
Ladies Bible Class, 9:30 a.m.
First United Methodist Church, Jayton
Rev. Todd Rasberry
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Morning Service, 9:30 a.m.
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Divine Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 6 p.m.
First Baptist Church, Jayton
Rev. Glenn Shock
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Evening Service, 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening, 6 p.m.
Catholic Church of the Epiphany, Jayton
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Garage Sale

Garage Sale

Garage Sale: Saturday ONLY, April 30th, Three families, Range Hood, Antiques, fireplace heater, and hair dryer, lots of misc. 1305 W. Harris, Spur 27-1tc

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Card of Thanks

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you for your prayers, cards, flowers, phone calls, and visits while Carl and Wayne were in the hospital. You will never know what your concern and kindness has meant to me. I just want you to know I appreciate you all very much.

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All prospective bidders are REQUIRED to attend the Pre-Bidders' Conference which will be held at the Texas Department of Transportation's District Office at:

1700 Ave. F NW Childress, Texas Time & Date: 10 a.m.; Friday, April 29, 1994

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Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening, 6 p.m.
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Evening Service, 7 p.m.
All Children's Activities, 5:30 p.m.
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Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Wednesday Service
Chancel Choir, 7 p.m.
Children's Choir, 4 p.m.
Bethel Baptist Church, Spur
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Morning Service, 11 a.m.
First Baptist Church, McAdoo
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening, 7 p.m.
Dickens Baptist Church
Tommy Henderson, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening, 5 p.m.
Calvary Temple, Dickens
Renay Rice, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Worship Service, 11 a.m.
Evening Service, 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening, 6:30 p.m.
McAdoo United Methodist Church
Morning Service, 9 a.m.
St. Mary's Catholic Church, Spur
Sunday Mass, 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.
Dickens Church of Christ
Sunday Bible Class 10 a.m.
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.
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Lost & Found

***** LOST: Large Gold Shrimp Loop earring. If found please call, 271-3381, daytime. 27-1tc

Public Notice

***** BID NOTICE Dickens County will open bids May 9, 1994 at 10 a.m. in the Dickens Commissioners' Courtroom on the following pieces of property: Abstract 129, Survey 245 H&GN

Tract W-31-Footage 50x165 Abstract 129, Survey 245 H&GN W-30-Footage 67x210 Dickens County reserves the right to accept the highest and or best bid. Spur ISD will also have to accept the bid. Sealed bids need to be turned into the Dickens County Judge's Office at the Courthouse in Dickens, Texas. 27-2tc-81-\$9.60

***** BID NOTICE Dickens County will accept sealed bids for a 1990 Ford LTD Crown Victoria. The vehicle can be seen at the Dickens County Sheriff's Office. The bids will be opened May 9, 1994 at 10 a.m. in the Dickens County Commissioners' Courtroom. Dickens County reserves the right to accept the highest and or best bid. 27-2tc-56-\$7.10

***** NOTICE TO BIDDERS Bids will be accepted by the Kent County Commissioners' Court until 10 a.m. on Monday, May 9, 1994 for an extended cab pickup. Bids will be taken with or without trade-in consideration. Details are available from the office of the Kent County Judge. The Kent county Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to accept the most advantageous bid. Kent County Commissioners' Court P.O. Box 6 Jayton, Texas (806) 237-3373 27-2tc-78-\$9.30

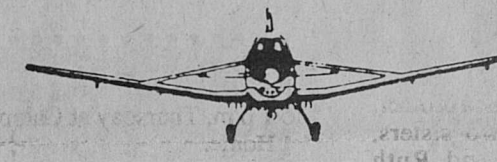
***** PUBLIC NOTICE The Texas Department of Transportation will conduct a public meeting at 10:00 a.m. on April 29, 1994 at the Commissioners' Court Room in the King County Courthouse for the purpose of discussing Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP). Affected Counties will be Dickens, Foard, King and Knox. All interested citizens are invited to attend this meeting to express their views. 25-3tc

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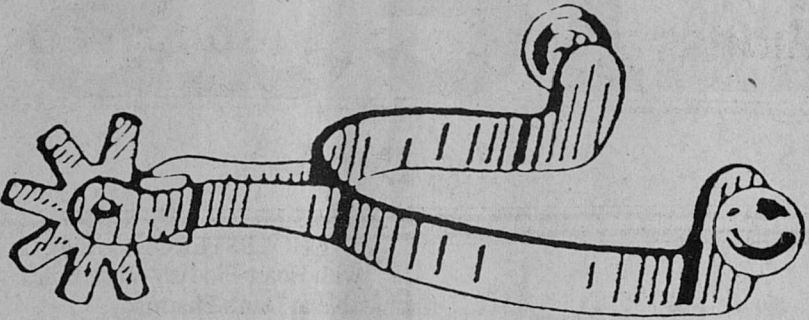
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Start at 10 a.m.-Judging at 1:00 a.m.
Showmanship Awards & Best Chili
Money Pay Back & Trophies
\$10.00 Entry Fee
For rules and information call
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Playday Events

10 a.m.
\$2.00 entry fee--Each Event
Ages (8 yrs & Under), (9 -12 yrs), (13 yrs & Up)
Events: Rescue Race, Flag Race, Barrell Race,
Pole Bending, Goat Tie or Ribbon Pull
No Entry Fee (5 yrs & Under) (6-9 yrs)
Events: Boot Race-Stick Horse Race, Boot
Scramble, Goat Scramble, Potato Race

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Roping Club Roping
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