



Ranger Times

© 1991 Eastland County Newspapers Inc.

McCleskey No. 1 - October 1917
Ora. B. Jones No. 3 - November 1935

50¢

Volume 87 Number 49

"City Of Flowing Gold"

Thursday, June 20, 1991

RANGER COMMUNITY LIBRARY: LET'S BRING IT BACK

By: David Drake

When our public library closed some time ago as yet another victim of our strained economy, our community lost more than mere access to the books on its shelves. A public library is a hallmark of civic pride as well as a center for education and entertainment. When the Ranger Community Library locked its door for what seemed to be the last time, it left behind that door a little bit of the civic pride that is so dearly needed in our town these days.

Ranger has an excellent school district and junior college. We can have an excellent public library as well. It doesn't have to be supported by local tax money—realistically, this is not even an alternative. Our city receives only \$25.00 a month from the county for library services, and we have no city revenue to support library. If our public library is to unlock its door, it must do so with the use of volunteers and financial support from some source other than local taxes.

Fortunately, it appears that we can do this. At their meeting on June 10, our city commissioners established the Ranger Community Library Board to lead the effort to bring back our public library. The board consists of David Drake, Chair-

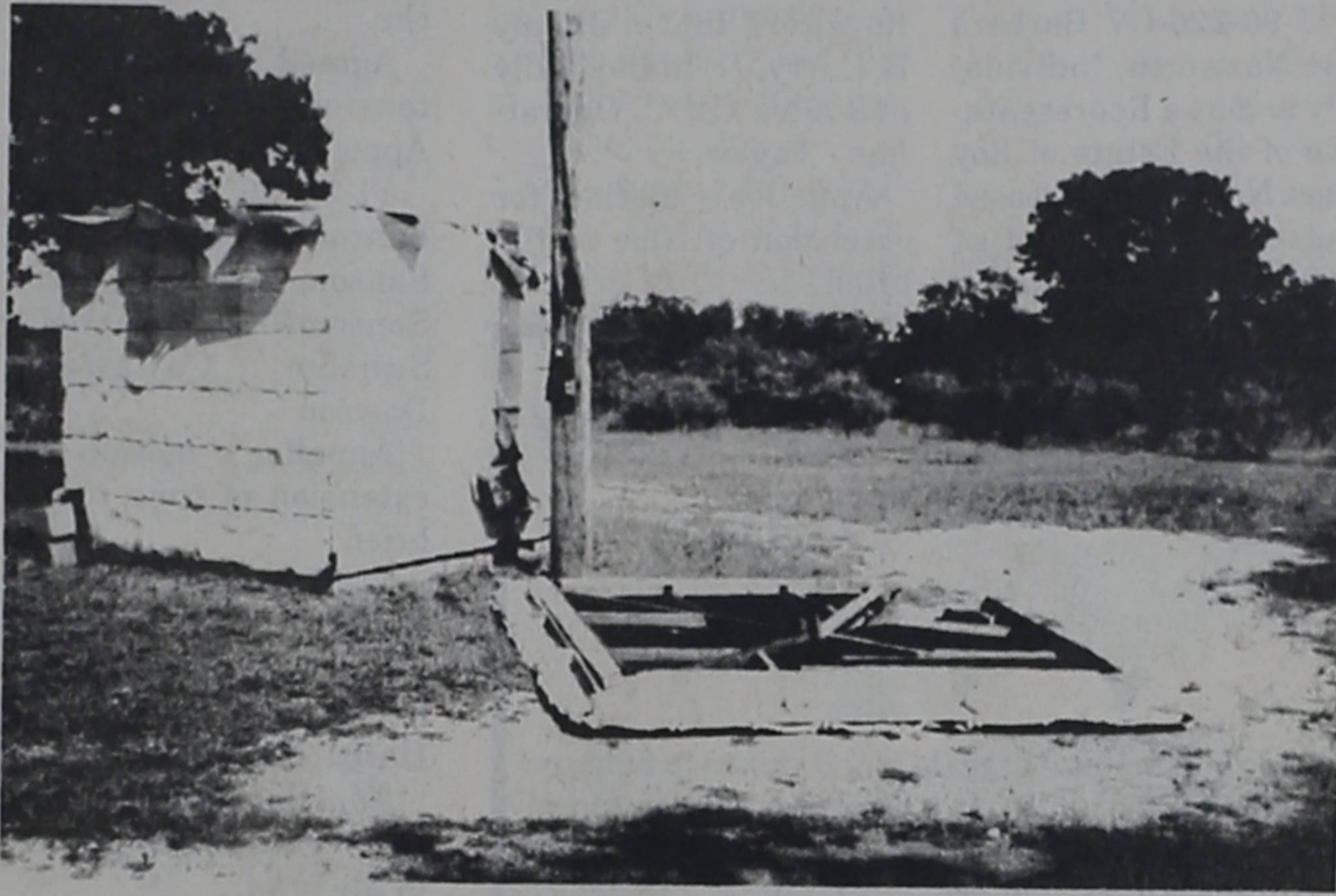
man, and members Alla Ray Morris, Carla Gohlke, Mike C de Baca, and Juanita Warden. The role of the board will be to provide leadership and direction for our library while enlisting community participation and support.

The board hopes to employ a library staff member through the use of "Green Thumb" funds. Green Thumb, Inc. is a nonprofit corporation that operates in 44 states and Puerto Rico as a job training and employment program for older Americans. The program is funded by a grant from the U. S. Department of Labor. Host agencies (in our case, the city of Ranger) are generally government or nonprofit agencies that would not be able to offer many essential community services without Green Thumb enrollees.

Our city has suffered in recent years from business closings and population decline, but we still have much to offer. Many of our citizens are working long and hard to improve the quality of life in Ranger. The recently initiated project of supervised destruction and cleanup of abandoned buildings is just one example.

Our public library can unlock its door and serve our community again. Let's bring it back!

Weather Spawns Tornado South Of Cisco Sunday



A SMALL TWISTER apparently lifted the roof off of the well house at the Betty Nixon place two miles south of Cisco Sunday afternoon. Tin was blown off the garage and trees were severely damaged as the storm passed. (Staff Photo)

What started as a peaceful Sunday afternoon, June 16 turned into a deluge for the Eastland and Cisco areas and flash flood warnings for the whole county. There was also hail around Cisco and apparently one tornado two miles south of town.

These areas received rainfall up to 3.7-4.5 inches, but rains were lighter in the south and east parts of the county. The storms Sunday were unusual in several ways, including their movement from the east to west. No heavy rainfall was predicted for Eastland County that afternoon with just a lazy dry line stalled west of Abilene.

It looked like people were going to get a rest from some of the 'nightly frights' the past week. This had included two wild clouds on Friday night.

By 3 p.m., however, light showers were building in the Ranger area and south. About 4:10 these intensified and moved into the Lake Leon area and Eastland. There

was lightening and downpours of rain, with water in Eastland running curb-deep in low places. A brisk steam ran across West Highway 80 east of the Post Office.

About 4:40 p.m. the storm rolled into Cisco, packing marble-sized hail along with rain and twisting winds. Motorists on Highway 183 hunted shelter as hail bounced along. Water ran over Highway 80 east of town.

Two miles south of Cisco on Highway 183, at the Nixon home they noticed that the sky was dark and big hail was coming down. One of Betty Nixon's grandchildren asked why so many cars were stopping beside the road.

Then Mrs. Nixon looked out and saw that the roof had been blown off her well house and also the garage. Shingles were off the roof of her house, and some of her large oak trees had been blown down or damaged.

This erratic twister had missed the neighbor's house across the road. And then across the south fork

of the Leon the storm and rainfall totals tapered off.

Some of the totals from around the county were:

Cisco - 3.7 to 4.5 inches. Lake Cisco caught eight inches of water.

Eastland - 3.9 with 4 inches reported for Lake Leon.

Rising Star - .8 inches. Some of the peanut farmers had been planting last week between rains.

Gorman - 1 inch Sunday. This stopped peanut planting in that area also.

Ranger - 1.8 inches with the Eastland County water District Pump Station reporting 2 inches. Lake Leon caught 1 ft. 10 inches and now stands at 76.1, a foot over the spillway. Both the north and south forks of the Leon River are running.

By late afternoon Sunday the sky was clearing from the northwest, with the clouds rolling back toward the Gulf. Eastland County people were rejoicing over the full tanks and green countryside.

signs. Listed below are other noteworthy sponsors of the tournament.

Drive safely. Don't wreck your life.

ACS GOLF TOURNAMENT TREMENDOUS SUCCESS

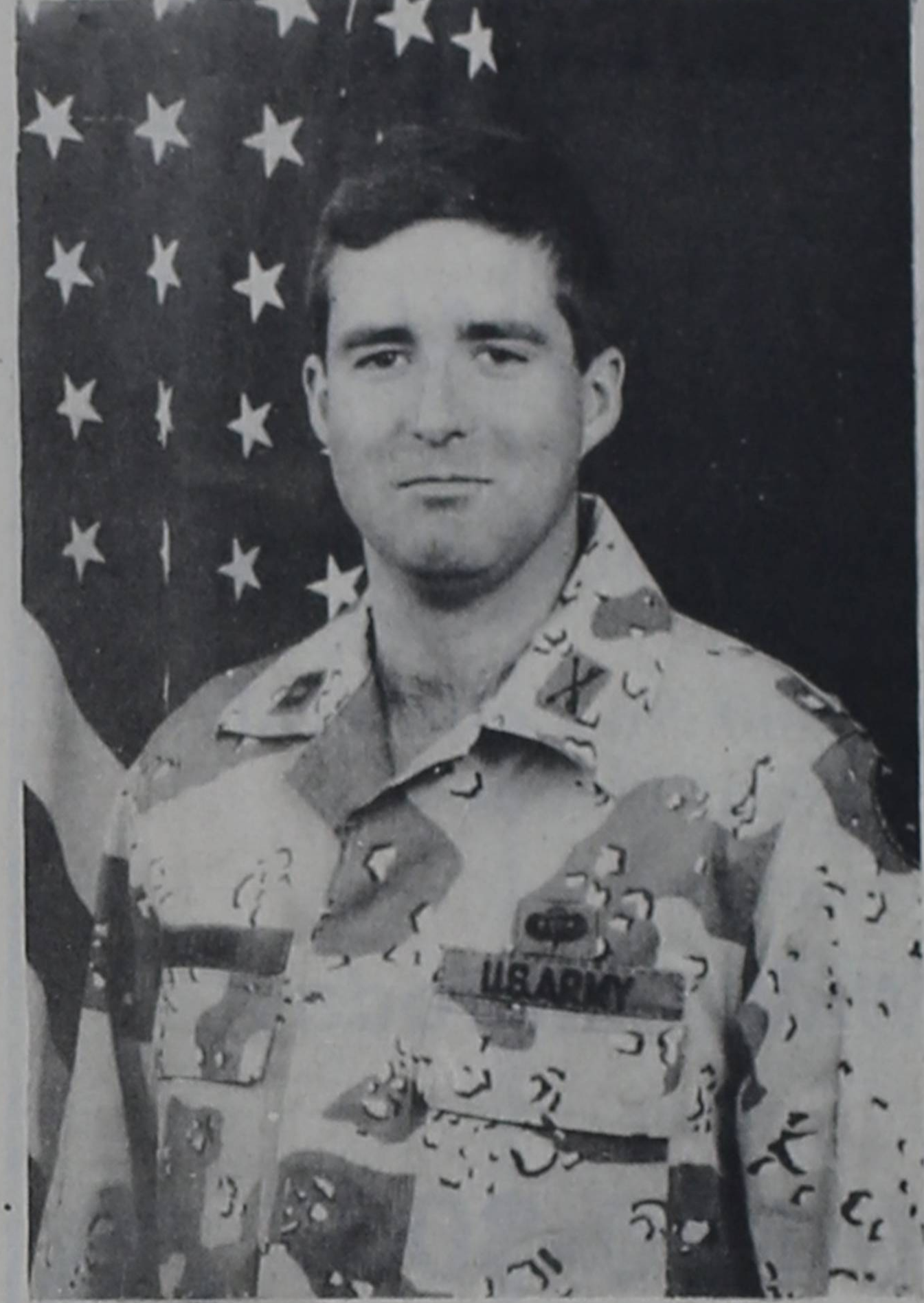
By: Brad Stephenson

June 8th and 9th marked the 5th annual American Cancer Society Golf Tournament to be held at Lone Cedar Country Club. Over \$17,000.00 was raised during the event, making it the best year ever. Countless hours went into preparation for the tournament and auction on Saturday as well as long hours spent on the course itself - though it wasn't quite as difficult to find volunteers for those jobs!

Special Events Chairpersons Mindy and Brad Stephenson would like to take a moment to thank all the players, volunteers, and sponsors without whose contributions the

tournament could not possibly have taken place. Many thanks to Cathy and Jerry Don Doyle as well as Jamie Williams for all their hard work preparing Lone Cedar for the tournament. The Eastland Telegram and local radio stations KVMX and KEAS showed wonderful support of the Cancer Society by their numerous and frequent advertisements prior to the event. Victor Cornelius has, as always, been gracious enough to donate all necessary printing for the tournament. Ricky Herrera has cheerfully donated his time once again in preparation of the sponsor

Friday At 3 p.m. Public Invited To Homecoming Salute



CAPTAIN VINCE FREEMAN

The public is invited to attend a surprise informal "Welcome Home" for Capt. Vince Freeman, and other Desert Storm Troops here at the time, on Friday, June 21st at 3 p.m. at 1201 S. Seaman St., Eastland.

It will be an opportunity to publicly welcome and thank this trooper and others who are present for their participation in the recent conflict in the Persian Gulf.

Capt. Freeman will be on leave from his unit, the Second Armored Cavalry Regiment, a part of the Famous Seventh Corps stationed at Bindlach in German Bavaria. His wife, the former Amy Leigh O'Brien, was instrumental in establishing a Desert Storm Support Group in this county.

During the conflict, many in this area wrote Capt. Freeman and he attempted to respond to as many as possible, including the public school students who wrote him.

His unit was among the first, if not the first, to engage the Republican Guard Tank Corps near Basra Iraq, and apparently distinguished itself by inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. His unit reportedly had no injuries or misfires, but sister units suffered casualties, in virtually nullifying and Guard in the battle before two relief divisions arrived in support. He is Fire Support Officer for the Unit.

Other Desert Stormers are especially invited to be present and be recognized.

Eastland: Town & Country Real Estate, Mungum's Parts Plus, H & R Lumber, Ken's Chicken and Fish, Stiles Air Conditioning, Certified Glass, NAPA/Eastland Service Parts, Ken's Motorcycle Shop, C&H Monograms, Pro Auto, Poe Floral, Drs. Larry and Judy Harris, Express Photo, Hoffman & Siebert Atty., Beatty Travel, and Jim Kennedy Insurance.

Additional contributions were made by White's Ace Hardware, Abbot Laboratories, Health Clinic, Eastland Drug Co., B & W Clinic,

Eastland National Bank, Hood King Motor Co., Aaron Insurance, and Gary's Automotive.

Thanks again to everyone who have worked so tirelessly to make this the "Best Little Tournament in Texas" - we'll see ya'll next year!

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS? CALL TODAY 647-1101

EASTLAND COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS 629-TIPS

June has been designated as Clean Up Ranger Month!!! The city commission has ordered the landfill open for free dumping all month. In order to dump at this location, you must present your paid water bill and a driver's license. If you are unable to haul your trash because of age or illness, please contact city hall at 647-3255. Let's all make an effort to Clean Up our town and make it beautiful for the many summer visitors we have.

HOGAN SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS ON STATE CHARGES

Former Eastland County Sheriff Dee Hogan was sentenced in 91st District Court Tuesday, June 18 to five years in the Texas Department of Corrections, to run concurrently with a Three-year Federal sentence.

The State charge against Hogan was aggravated perjury in connection with an Eastland County Grand Jury. Presiding Judge Jim Wright read the charges and accepted the guilty plea from Hogan. The former Sheriff was represented by Byroan Chappel, a Lubbock Attorney.

Hogan answered necessary questions quietly and made no comment when the sentence was pronounced. The whole proceedings took about 15 minutes.

A number of Eastland County lawmen were in the courtroom, which was more than half full of spectators. Television crews waited in the hall outside.

Hogan was returned to the Eastland County jail, where he will await transportation to prison.

SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming Lessons are being offered at the Ranger Swimming Pool from June 24-July 3 (weekdays only). These sessions are for children ages 3-10 years. . . all swimming levels accepted. There will be Certified lifeguard/instructors; limited class size; each child individually evaluated and placed in class according to his/her skill level and completion certificates will be awarded. Registration begins now. Come by the Ranger Swimming Pool from 1:00-6:00 P.M. Tuesday through Sunday for registration or call Sherry Nail at 647-3728.

REPORT ON EMERY WALTON

The latest reports on the condition of Emory Walton is that the former District Attorney had further surgery in a Dallas Hospital.

A visitor said he found Walton being wheeled from ICU back to a room, indicating that he was making some recovery. Walton was able to ask: "How are things at the Courthouse?"

Cards and letters from Eastland County are reported to mean a lot to Walton, who suffered a gunshot wound some weeks ago. His address is: c/o Zale Lipsky University Hospital, Room 502, 5151 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, Texas 75235.

Subscriptions Make Excellent Gifts Phone Today: 647-1101

COMPUTER CAMP FOR KIDS NEXT WEEK ON RJC CAMPUS

A Computer Camp for Kids will be held at Ranger Junior College beginning Monday, June 24 at 9:00 A. M. . The camp, to be held in the RJC Computer Lab, designed for young people from ten through fourteen years of age with little or no computer training or experience, will run from Monday, June 24 and continue through Friday, June 28 from 9:00 to 11:00 A. M. .

This camp will introduce students to computer systems using a variety of fun and challenging educational software packages. The goal of this camp is to promote a fundamental understanding of how a computer operates.

Students will learn:
* Keyboarding skills
* Movement and use of the cursor
* Basics DOS commands
* Beginning word processing
* Computer games
* Basics of writing a simple computer program.

The class size will be limited to twenty-five and the fee will be \$25. Instructor for the class will be Connie Davis, Computer Specialist for the college.

For additional information contact Donny Veal at 647-3234 at the college.

Read The County Classifieds

RANGER TIMES

RANGER TIMES MEMBER 1991 and Weekly Chronicle TEXAS PRESS Publication No. (USPS 455-400) ASSOCIATION 647-1101 P.O. Box Ranger, Texas 76470 ©1991 Eastland County Newspaper Co.

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to Ranger Times P. O. Box 118, Ranger, Texas 76470.

Second Class Postage paid at Ranger, Texas, under Act of Congress in March, 1870. Published every Thursday and Sunday.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES:

In Eastland County \$18.00; Adjoining Counties \$23.00; In Texas \$25.00; Out of Texas \$35.00. No Out of U.S. Without APO.
Publishers Mr. and Mrs. H. V. O'Brien
Editor-Cisco Joan Elliott
Editor-Eastland H. V. O'Brien
Editor-Ranger Patti Cozart
Editor-Rising Star Carolyn Ratliff
Office Staff Margaret Hallmark
Office Staff Sheila McCoy
Computer Operator Ladonna Clement
Office Staff Tim Hull
Production Supervisor Ted Rogers
Production Raymond McCoy
Production John McCoy
Feature Writer Viola Payne
Commercial Printing Hale Dunsont

Federal-Aid Primary Highway System 70 Years Old

In 1921, Congress passed a road act that has remained the basic framework of the nation's federal-aid highway system for 70 years. The Federal-aid Highway Act of 1921 led to today's network of 300,000 miles of primary highways that knit America together.

Before that legislation was passed, federal support for highways had been spotty. There was a lingering question about whether federal road financing was constitutional.

In 1915, a congressional committee reported that Congress not only had the constitutional responsibility "to establish post roads and regulate commerce," but also "to provide for the common defense and promote the general welfare." In the automotive age, good "all-weather" roads would be needed to meet those responsibilities.

That finding led to the Federal Aid Road Act of

1916, which appropriated \$75 million over five years to be matched dollar for dollar by the states for road improvement. But there were no guidelines on the road mileage to receive the aid and no requirement that federally-aided road segments be connected.

In the end, the money was spread too thinly over too many unconnected projects for any national benefits to result.

The Federal-aid Highway Act of 1921 corrected the problem by setting priorities. States were asked to designate a connected system of main rural roads, limited to seven percent of all rural roads in the state, as those eligible for federal aid.

That was the first step towards a national system of interconnected highways, and the beginning of the federal-state partnership in highways that has proven so successful over the years.

Today, more than 190 million American highway users travel more than 2 trillion miles a year. The federal-aid primary highway system, including the Interstate, makes up less than eight percent of all the nation's road mileage but carries about half of all the traffic and three-quarters of all commercial traffic.

Although federal funding comprises less than 25 percent of all highway spending in the country, it finances nearly 70 percent of the capital improvements on the most important highways.

With the Interstate construction era coming to an end, the Bush Administration has recommended that 150,000-165,000 miles of existing primary highways be designated as a "National Highway System" to receive federal aid for improvement.

The Highway Users Federation, representing those who pay taxes for better roads, agrees with the concept of a national highway system, but would extend it to closer to 200,000 miles. Even that mileage would erase

100,000 miles of primary highways from the national system.

The Senate has another idea. It is proposing legislation to pare the federal-aid highway system down to the Interstate alone and distribute highway funds to the states for use on surface transportation as they see fit.

On September 30 of this year, the current federal-aid highway legislation expires with all of its funding. Congress has until that date to fashion a new highway program and have it signed into law by President Bush.

While it remains to be seen what kind of highway program ultimately will be agreed upon, highway users across the country are urging that the basic form of the federal-aid primary highway system be retained and improved to better serve the traveling public.

The system has worked well for 70 years. Killing it off when travel demand is greater than ever would ill serve the need to improve national mobility and safety.

Brag Corner



Stanley, Angie and Ben Honea of Cottonwood wish to announce the newest addition to their family. Stanton Brenner Honea was born at Hendrick Medical Hospital Center on May 8, 1991. He weighed 7 pounds and 2 ounces and was 19 inches long. Proud grandparents are J. D. and Georgia Bilbrey and Juanita Campbell all of Cisco.

BURN VICTIM.
ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES.
Cisco Press - Eastland Telegram - Ranger Times Thursday, June 20, 1991-
Read The Classifieds

RANGER JAYCEES
RODEO QUEEN CONTESTANT FORM

NAME: _____

AGE: _____

PARENTS: _____

SPONSOR: _____

RODEO QUEEN:
Entry Fee: \$25.00
Age: 14 thru 19
For More Information
Call Gloria Castro 647-1144 or 647-3407 after 6:00 p.m.
"Deadline to enter July 8th"
(Along with picture)
Mail to: Ranger Jaycees
P.O. Box 41
Ranger, Texas 76470

Pastoral Counseling Center
820 W. Main - Eastland
Chaplain T. D. Whitehorn
M. Ed.
629-2266
By Appointment Only CER56

817/629-3631 OPEN 8:00 - 5:30 SAT. 8:00 - 12:30
EXPRESS PHOTO
SAME DAY PHOTO PROCESSING
COLOR, BLACK & WHITE, PHOTO REPRODUCTION
BILL CULVERHOUSE, OWNER 601 W. Main EASTLAND, TX 76448

E & E Kustom Paint & Body Shop
RONNIE, ROBBY & KENNY EDWARDS
1713 West Commerce Eastland, TX 76448 Phone (817) 629-8265
NOW YAMAHA GOLF CART DEALER
Service & Sales CER51

FOR RENT
3 BR, Rising Star Hwy \$300 mo./w 6 months lease. Call to see.

FOR SALE
COMMERCIAL BUILDING & LAND. COULD BE HOME & OFFICE OR BUSINESS. \$54,000. 3BDRM/2 bath home on Simms, 2 car garage, fenced w/ storage bldg. \$59,000. 1004 W. 11th, 2 BDRM, 1 1/2 lot, \$20,000. APPROX. 10 acres off Rising Star Hwy w/mobile home (2 BR), westbound water for only \$18,000. COLONIAL BEAUTY overlooks downtown, 4 BR, 2 1/2 bath at 300 W. 5th. Priced to sell at \$75,500.

McMillian Real Estate
Yvonne McMillan-Broker
8th & C. Hilton Ave. - Cisco, Texas 442-3846
Nancy Bacon, Associate 442-2679 CER104

A celebration of hearts and minds.

Join us for the official grand opening of the Humana Heart Center at Humana Hospital - Abilene.

Date: June 22, 1991
Time: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Place: The back parking lot of Humana Hospital - Abilene

Humana® Hospital - Abilene has brought hearts and minds together in order to expand its cardiac care services and create the new Humana Heart Center.

To celebrate the center's grand opening, the hospital is hosting an event that's sure to get your heart going with something for everyone. KEAN 105 FM/1280 AM will be here with a live remote and plenty of music to help raise money for the American Heart Association.

For live entertainment, kick back and listen to the hand clappin', toe-tappin' tunes of Bareback. •• You'll also have the chance to tour both the Humana Heart Center and the Humana Health Center. •• A variety of health-oriented activities for the family are also

planned. Find out just how healthy you are with a free weight evaluation and body composition screening.

A five-to-seven page report will tell you where you are and where you should be healthwise. The Meek Bloodmobile will also be on hand, so be sure to show

you care with all your heart and donate. •• And as with any celebration, we'll have plenty of

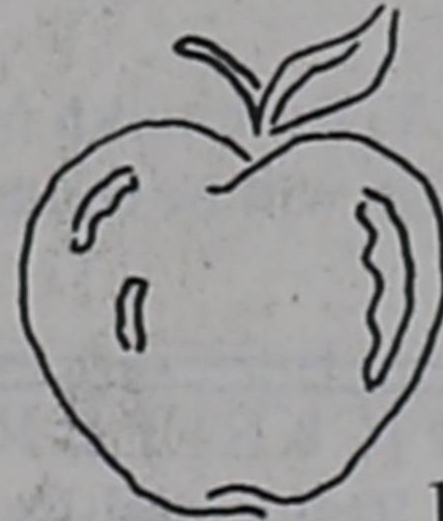
things to give away, including executive physicals,

16 memberships to

The Humana Health Center, eight certificates for a free

mammogram, and lots of other

extras. •• So make plans to join us for a fun-filled celebration of hearts and minds.



Hearts and minds working together

The Humana® Heart Center
Humana Hospital Abilene

6250 Highway 83-84 at Antilley Road
Abilene, Texas 79606
1-800-424-3627

© 1991 Humana Inc.

H0 07-0088 6/91

Obituaries

Zora May Hill

WINTERS - Zora May Hill, 85, of Winters died Thursday, June 13, 1991 at the Senior Citizens Nursing Home in Winters.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, June 15, 1991 in the First Baptist Church in Winters with Rev. Gene Suttle and Rev. Glenn Shoemaker officiating. Burial was in Pumphrey Cemetery under the direction of the Winters Funeral Home.

She was born December 21, 1905 in Pumphrey and with the exception of 2 years that she taught school in Paint Rock had lived in Pumphrey Community all her life. She taught school at Drasco and Pumphrey. She graduated from Simmons College in Abilene in 1926. She married Omer C. Hill on November 26, 1955 in Pumphrey. She was a

member of the Drasco Baptist Church for 75 years.

Survivors include her husband, O.C. Hill of Winters; two sons, Alpheus "Red" Hill of Wingate, and Glynn Dale Hill of Bishop; one daughter, Evelyn Voelkel of Ballinger; one brother, Audra L. Mitchell of Pumphrey; one sister, Ila "Mrs. Robert" Conner of Pumphrey; one daughter in law, Joanne Hill of Eastland; ten grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; three nephews; and two nieces.

One son preceded her in death, Elvin Omer Hill.

Pallbearers were John Hill, Leslie Hill, Gary Voelkel, Glenn Hoppe, Jr., Gary Schwartz, Terry Wendland, Kevin Michalk, Mike Robinson, Kerry Hibbitts, Randy Smith.

R.M. Love

ODESSA - R. M. Love, 85, died Wednesday, June 12, 1991 at his residence.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 15, 1991 at Sixth and Jackson Church of Christ with Larry Roberts officiating.

Graveside services were held at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 16, 1991 at Alameda Cemetery south of Ranger, directed by Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors.

Mr. Love was born in Ranger and moved to Odessa in 1936 from Ranger. He had been owner of R. M. Love Mobile Homes in Odessa, also owned Love Insurance Agency and had been

involved in real estate investments.

He also owned a barber and beauty shop, Sanitary Food Store and a loan company. He was a member of Sixth and Jackson Church of Christ where he served as a deacon.

He was named to Who's Who of the Southwest as an independent businessman and served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Fannye Love of Odessa; a son, Don Love of Odessa; three brothers, Melva Love of Gorman, Jack Love of Ranger and Herbert Love of Odessa; and two grandchildren.

Milligan Gregg

Milligan Lewis Gregg, 87, of Abilene, died Thursday, June 13, 1991 in a local nursing home.

Services were held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, June 15, 1991 at Hillcrest Church of Christ with Robert L. Gregg and Jimmie Jividen officiating. Burial was in Alameda Cemetery south of Ranger, directed by North's Funeral Home, Abilene.

Mr. Gregg was born and raised in Alabama, moved to Carbon in 1923 and farmed and ranched in Eastland County until 1942.

He later worked for El Paso Natural Gas Co., retiring in 1968 as plant

superintendent in Snyder. He was a member of Hillcrest Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Clarice Elna Gregg of Abilene; two sons, Robert L. Gregg of Mustang, Okla., and Joe Paul Gregg of Austin; four daughters, Cora Lou Clements of El Paso, Clarice Vanna Cunningham of Midland, Janice Milligan Bennett and Judi Caroline Dimmitt, both of Abilene; two brothers, R.O. Gregg of Borger and Bill Gregg of Eastland; a sister, Era Alexander of Eastland; 15 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Roy Carol Boles

CISCO - Roy Carl Boles, 91, of Breckenridge died Saturday, June 15, 1991, in a Breckenridge hospital.

Services were at 11 a.m. Monday, June 17, 1991, at Melton Funeral Home Chapel of Memories with the Rev. Rex Boggs officiating. Burial was in Gunsight Cemetery.

Mr. Boles was born in Gunsight and was a long-

time resident of Breckenridge. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. He was a farmer and a Methodist.

Survivors include two sisters, Opal Gladys Bunton of Ranger and Montra Wylie of Killeen; two brothers, Seaborn Hershel Boles of Cisco and Loyd Grayden Boles of Breckenridge; and several nieces and nephews.

Jimmy E. Cook

CARBON - Jimmy Earl Cook, died Thursday, June 13, 1991 in an Abilene hospital after a long illness.

Services were held at 4 p.m. Saturday, June 15, 1991 at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel in Gorman with the Rev. Richard Watson officiating. Burial was held in Murray Cemetery near Carbon.

Mr. Cook was born in Gorman and moved to Carbon a few years ago.

He worked for Birdsong Peanut Company in Gorman and was a member of First Baptist Church of Carbon.

Survivors include his wife, Rebekah Cook of Carbon; a stepdaughter, April Longoria of Carbon; two stepsons, Benjamin Longoria and Joshua Longoria, both of Carbon; his mother, Marie Cook of Carbon; and four brothers, Don Cook of Cleburne, Jerry Cook of Ennis and Weldon Cook and Lyndal Cook, both of Snyder.

Mary Allen Evans

CISCO - Mary Allen Evans, 56, died Saturday, June 15, 1991 at Abilene Hospital.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 17, 1991 at Cherry Heights

Baptist Church, with Rev. Don Conner. Burial was in Clyde Cemetery, directed by Bailey Funeral Home in Clyde.

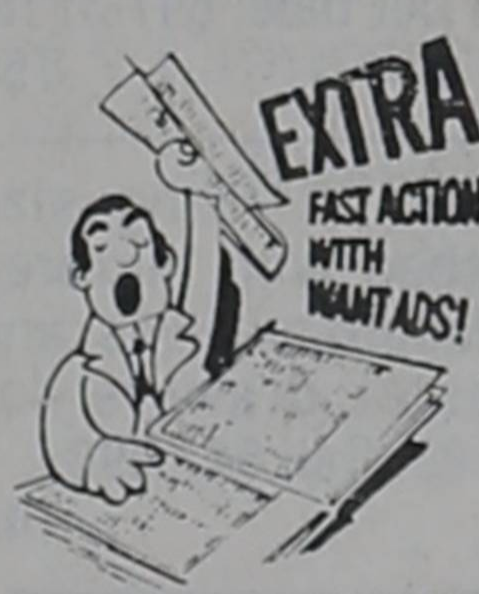
Mrs. Evans was born in Colony-Putnam and attended Putnam and Cisco schools. She has been a resident of Clyde for 30 years and retired clerk for City of Clyde and attended the Cherry Heights Baptist Church in Clyde.

Survivors include her husband, Henry (Hank) Evans of Clyde; two sons Jerry Allen and David Allen both of Clyde; three sisters Wanda Sugg of Chico, Betty Wyatt of San Angelo, and Treva Simpson of Mesquite; three brothers Emmett Wood of Iowa, Parks, Billy Mack Wood of Brownwood and George Wood of Hayes, KS; and four grandchildren.

Men In Service

Marine Lance Cpl. Tim J. Castillo, son of Jackie L. Whitson of Rt. 1, Ranger, recently returned from deployment of the Middle East in support of Operation Desert Storm while serving with 1st Battalion, 7th Marines, Twentynine Palms, Calif. Operation Desert Storm was the largest deployment of U.S. military forces since Vietnam. The operation was in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and threat to Saudi Arabia.

A 1987 graduate of Kirbyville High School, Kirbyville, he joined the Marine Corps in January 1988.



Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.

313 W. Main 629-1211 Eastland

BUYERS

Special

reg. 32.29

9.97

8 pocket

nail & tool pouch

030910-EP823 While supplies last

BUYERS

Special

reg. 24.79

9.97

BLACK & DECKER

7 1/4" carbide tipped

saw blade

305553-473-074 While supplies last

T O O L

HWI

SPECIAL

29.97

reg. 44.59

BLACK & DECKER

variable speed reversible

3/8 inch drill

346450-7190 While supplies last

BUYERS

Special

reg. 24.99

9.97

Great Neck

11-piece, combination

wrench set

030904-4ZC011K While supplies last

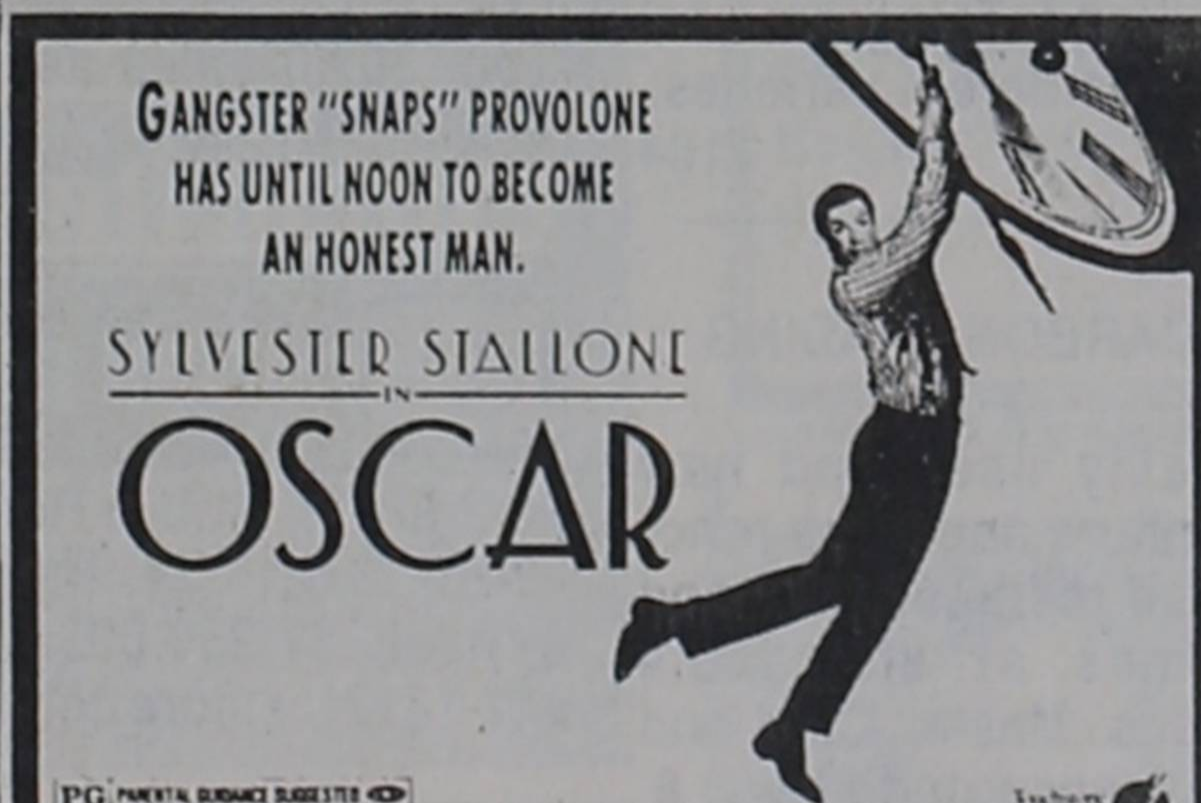
Green Family Reunion Held

The Green Family Reunion will meet here July 6-7. This big family met in Fort Worth in 1990 in July. They had a enjoyable time with a large attendance. They came from Longview East and Los Angeles West.

We are expecting large attendance. Eastland is home to most of all and the families here are all planning for this meet. They will meet at the Friendship Park and have their meal at the First Baptist Annex. This reunion is in honor and memory of the father of Freddie, Amelia, and Evelyn, the daughters of Huey Green. The late Green was a citizen of Eastland for many years. His first wife Hattie is still living. She is the oldest generation. She is ninety years old, but the family is planning on bringing her out to celebrate too.

MAJESTIC THEATRE

629-1322



Fri. • Sat. • Sun. • Mon.
All Shows: 7:30 p.m. - \$3.00
We Now Offer 5-Admission Gift Passes - \$10

PIANO, VOICE, KEYBOARD LESSONS

Beginner, Intermediate or Advanced
Children or Adult
Susan Wester
Experienced Teacher
442-4099
Call Now For Summer Enrollment

Need To Place A Classified?
Call The Eastland Telegram--629-1707
The Cisco Press--442-2244
The Ranger Times--647-1101

The 'Old Glory' Story

To veterans throughout American history, the Stars and Stripes has served as a symbol of their service, and as a continuing testimony that the service was worthwhile.

Since many flags of early America contained stripes in their design and several others had star devices, there are varying accounts of when and where the first Stars and Stripes was flown. Flag history experts agree, however, that the first Stars and Stripes flag to have the general form we recognize today did not appear until the summer of 1777, when the Continental Congress formally resolved "That the flag of the United States be 13 stripes, alternate red and white, that the union be 13 white stars in a blue field representing a new constellation."

Interestingly, the Congress did not specify the arrangement or shape of the stars, the direction of the stripes, or the relative size of the various components. Consequently, military units and civilian public alike flew a confusing array of local, state and homemade interpretations of the congressional flag description.

It was not until 1912 that the flag was finally assured a uniform appearance, when President Taft signed an executive order prescribing the relative size, shape and positioning of the flag's components.

A subject of almost as much debate as the shape and design of the flag has been the question of how and when to display the Stars and Stripes.

Since 1942, when a law was first enacted to govern actual display of the flag, the guiding statement has been that the flag should be flown on "days when weather permits." The generally accepted interpretation was that the colors could be shown only between sunrise and sundown, and, even then, not during inclement weather.

Growing sentiment that "Old Glory" should be kept flying irrespective of darkness and foul weather culminated in 1976, when President Ford signed legislation providing that: "When a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed twenty-four hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness." The new law also permits the Stars and Stripes to remain flying through inclement weather when a flag of all-weather materials is used.

In addition to its historical significance for permitting the national colors to remain aloft indefinitely for patriotic effect, the 1976 legislation may be remembered for giving life to "Old Glory." The new flag code contains the provision that: "The flag represents a loving country and its staff considered a living thing."

Submitted by:
James T. Wright,
Veterans Service Office
Eastland County, Texas

CHILD ABUSE 24 HOUR HOTLINE
1-800-252-54 00

J and J Air Conditioning

201 South Lamar
629-2252

With Carrier Window Units, Maytag Appliances, and Frigidaire Appliances

License # TACL00200C

Oak Wilt Control Doesn't Wither

By Kathleen Davis
By December 1989, some 80,000 acres of Hays County trees were dead or oak wilt, a disease that raged unchecked there for almost a decade.

"I was pretty well in a bad mood over the thing," recalls Hays County Extension Agent Cliff Caskey.

But his temper and the deadly oak tree disease are under control now, Caskey said, because county residents got together on the problem.

"I feel like it has been contained. It's not spreading like wildfire like it was when we first got involved," Caskey said, crediting his network of volunteers for whom saving sick trees is "near and dear to their hearts."

Oak wilt is a fungal disease that enters the tree's vascular system, blocking the flow of water and nutrients. The disease enters the tree either through roots shared by an infected tree or by contaminated insects that land on open wounds or pruning cuts.

Hays County volunteers use trenching, tree removal and, more recently, tree injections of Alamo, a chemical labeled one year ago after successful re-

search by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

"We have seen nothing to change our minds on this product," said Dr. David Appel of College Station, the Experiment Station's lead researcher on oak wilt. "We are even more confident about it than this time a year ago."

Appel, who announced the successful oak wilt treatment in March 1990, said every experimental plot of sick trees injected with Alamo in four years of research has suffered less crown loss than unhealthy trees left untreated.

But Appel noted that crown loss sometimes occurs at what he considers unacceptable levels even in the treated trees.

"If we can pull a group of trees through the disease with 10-15 percent crown loss, that is considered a successful treatment," Appel said. "A group of treated trees with 40-50 percent crown loss is considered a failure even though the untreated trees have 80-100 percent crown loss."

In his research in Austin, Comfort and Round Rock, Appel pointed out, eight groups of treated trees had crown loss from 2 percent to 41

percent. Five groups of untreated trees had from 61 percent to 100 percent crown loss, he added.

"In any disease control, from cancer to oak wilt to heart worms, nothing is infallible," Appel said.

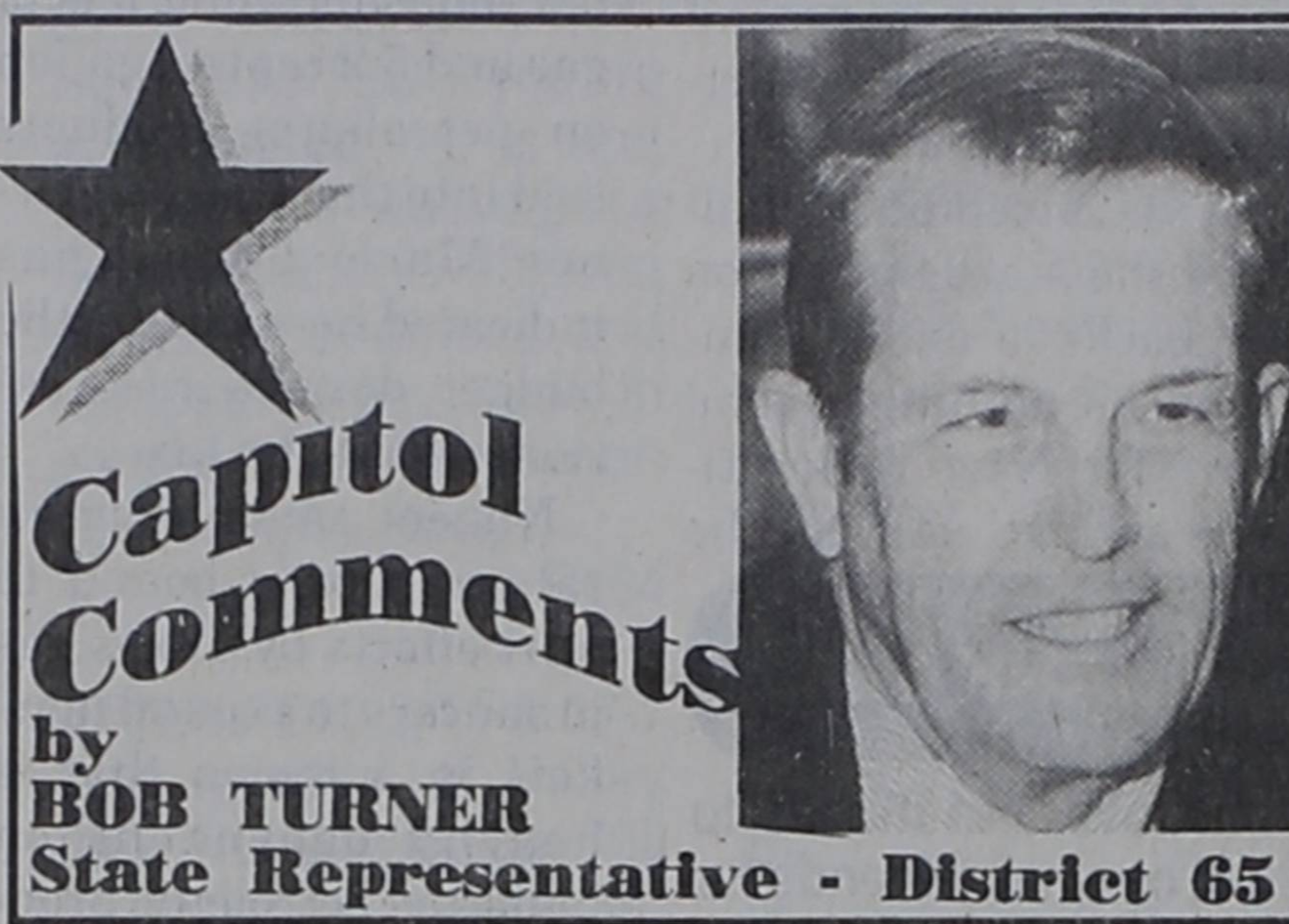
"We know that the initial health of the tree is important to its recovery. But it's hard to judge to what degree the tree already is infected when all we have are the leaves to look at. Leaves aren't like a thermometer that can measure a fever."

The possibility of saving a higher percentage of the tree is the gamble Hays County volunteers are willing to take, Caskey said. Extension service training sessions on the use of Alamo have been widely attended.

"It's like trying to count baby pigs with two or three mother sows running around," Caskey said. "I have more people show up than I know what to do with."

Caskey estimates that oak wilt may eventually claim 100,000 acres of the county. Newcomers to the fast-growing population center between Austin and San Antonio have to be continually educated on prevention methods, and application costs in a couple of locations within the county have kept some residents from treating trees, Caskey said.

But trees in the bulk of



The legislative activity in the Texas Legislature is definitely full speed ahead, as the 72nd Legislature proceeds into the final few weeks of regular session. Representative Charles Finnell of District 80 and I, along with our staff people, have prepared a substitute for House Bill 1969. This bill corrects a Hospital District problem for Jackboro Hospital District, which is in Representative Finnell's district, and Cisco, in Eastland County. The bill will permit the districts to pay their hospital bonds as they come due with tax money and will correct a major problem. A group from Cisco were here to testify before the House State Affairs Committee hearing to exhibit their strong support for the legislation.

The Texas Chamber of Commerce hosted a

the 433,000-acre-plus county will be saved because of the volunteers' actions, he added.

Statewide, Dr. Jerral Johnson, Extension Service plant pathologist, estimates that some 5,000 people have been trained in the 36 counties where oak wilt has infected or killed millions of trees.

Although the training enables people to inject trees, Johnson said, probably more than half will opt for hiring the job done.

Self-application costs about \$3.30 per one inch of trunk diameter for the chemical, he estimated. Commercial application usually costs from \$5-\$12 per inch.

For an average 20-inch tree, the injection treatment may range from \$66-\$240, Johnson indicated.

Other control measures incorporated with the overall program include trenching to sever common roots between sick and healthy trees and removal of dead or hopelessly sick trees. Johnson developed two videos, available in the affected counties' Extension Service offices, to demonstrate oak wilt control.

Control is progressing well but researchers still are trying to understand the disease, Appel said.

"We know that oak wilt is caused by a fungus, but there are a lot of mysteries," Appel said. Researchers do not understand how the fungus enters a tree through the root system, the response of the tree to the fungus, or precisely when a tree gets the disease, for example.

"We can say now that oak wilt is a manageable problem if people are willing to take the time and money to control it," Johnson said.



elementary, K through 6th grade. I voted against the bill, not because I do not agree with the concept, but because I feel that mandates without funding must end for our public schools. The bill passed by a vote of 74 to 51. House Bill 284, a bill which I supported, passed the House this week and has been sent to the Senate. This piece of legislation makes it more difficult to get a suspended driver's license reinstated. I feel this is especially important in the case of DWI.

A large number of controversial subjects have been, and are about to be on our agenda, dealing with a variety of issues, such as: the reduction of state tax on horseracing, a bill to permit marriages of persons of the same sex, the establishment of a penalty if either a physician or patient has the AIDS virus and does not notify the other, a bill which would permit casino gambling on Pleasure Island at Port Arthur, a mandate of school districts with 1,000 or more ADA to employ a business manager, and a piece of legislation to allow qualified citizens to carry a concealed weapon. These are only a few, there are numerous others.

As graduation time from public schools draws nearer I have attended, or am scheduled to attend and speak at several Junior/Senior Banquets and graduation exercises. I thoroughly enjoy taking part in these functions, look forward to them, and hope I will have an opportunity to see one of you on one of these occasions.

Redistricting plan maps will be available within the next few days. As you read about these changes in the districts over Texas please keep in mind that the House will have to vote on the final plan. Any plan that you view prior to that House vote is not final or official. This particular issue is very gut-wrenching for sitting House members because of the changes redistricting usually brings about in the make-up of each member's district. Stay tuned. This is a hot issue that will get no way but

hotter.

CJC Pre-Registration Times Set For Summer II

Pre-registration for the Summer II semester at Cisco Junior College's Abilene Educational Center is scheduled for Tuesday, June 18 and Wednesday, June 19 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Registration for all classes will be held at the center located in Radford Hills Shopping Center

located at 841 N. Judge Ely Blvd.

Pre-registration for the Summer II semester at the Cisco campus will be Monday, June 17 through Thursday, June 20 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Pre-registration for the Fall semester 1991 at the Cisco campus is scheduled for June 17 through August 2 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

For more information, call the appropriate campus at one of the following numbers: Cisco (817) 442-2567; Abilene (915) 6734567.

SEATBELTS
Buckle Up
for Safety!

Eastland Telegram-Cisco Press-Ranger Times-

Thursday,
June 20, 1991

Your Special Invitation...



If you like to hear about...

Jesus

The pastor, and international speaker, John C. Jones presents the "living Christ" through the message of "faith" weekly. The congregation is a inter-denomination worship center where people from all walks of life and religious experience come to study God's Word.

A Church of "Signs & Miracles"

Service Times
Sunday 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

"Where going to church is fun"

This week, join those who drive from a 100 mile radius each week to attend a church that is "Delightfully Charismatic."

Ph. 442-2673 608 E. 8th Cisco, Texas Ph. 442-4479

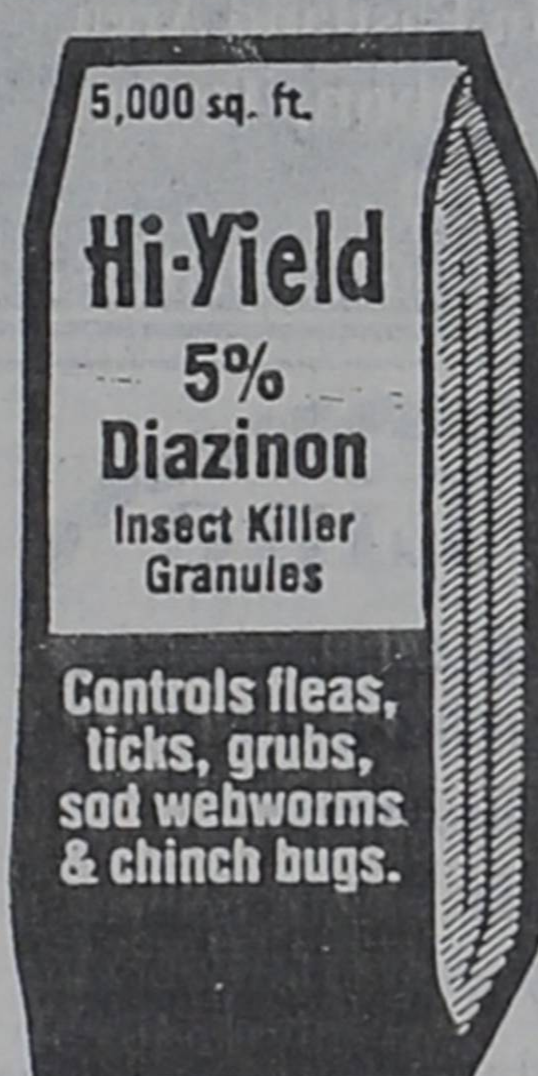
Treat Now For Grubs!



5% Diazinon
or
1% Dursban
5,000 sq. ft.

\$5.98

Your Choice



ACE Hardware
and Garden Center

504 EAST MAIN • EASTLAND, TEXAS 76448

OPEN
7 Days A Week

817-629-3373

HOURS: 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Monday - Saturday
1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. Sunday



WE BELIEVE
IN AMERICA!

Heather's Hallmark Store and Merle Norman
Are the Wedding Planning Headquarters!

HEATHER'S Hallmark
MERLE NORMAN
Personalized Skin Care and Makeup

Shady Oaks Shopping Center - Eastland

Beautiful Hallmark products make wedding planning easier:

For the bride:

Everything from wedding, invitations, wedding albums, and personal bridal accessories

Attendants' gifts:

Choose from lovely Hallmark items or other complete lines of gifts

FOR THE BRIDES SPECIAL NEEDS ON HER SPECIAL DAY.

MERLE NORMAN
Personalized Skin Care and Makeup

For luncheons, receptions, and parties:

Everything from partyware to candles, cake knives, cake tops and related items.



Keeping Up With Our Folks
629-3420 By Weems Dykes

CISCO

Your columnist took part of Saturday afternoon to take his two grandchildren, Ashley and Bradley Harrison of Mineral Wells to Cisco for a short visit with some of the businesses there in the interest of his column, "Keeping Up With Our Folks." I visited the "J. R. Salon," and found out that a lot of women break the monotony of life by going to the beauty shop to boost their morale. Keep the good work up ladies!

At "Twice Around" I talked to the proprietor, Vicki Collins, and learned that it probably would be going out of business soon. It looked like they had some good bargains.

At the "Video Center" owned by Jody Hurley, the pretty lady running the center in the old Sears building told me that Jody was moving his business the last of June to a building next to Allsups on

highway 80 in Cisco, and that he was busy getting the building ready for moving.

While visiting in Austin's Furniture I talked to Mrs. Kenneth Roan and Peggy told me that their son, Harold had just finished graduating from Tarleton University in Stephenville and that he and his wife, Jana, were expecting their first child in August. Bet grandma to be, Peggy, can hardly wait to spoil the little one with her love.

Peggy's mother-in-law Flossie Roan, formerly from McCamey, moved to Cisco about a year ago. Your columnist who served the McCamey First Christian Church for some 18 1/2 years knew Flossie and her husband while living there. Welcome to Cisco and Eastland County, Flossie!

EASTLAND
The Lewis family of

Eastland should make the "Believe It or Not" registry as did "Old Rip" the horned toad of fame.

Recently as June 9, Clarence Lewis and wife La Verne of Willow Park, East of Weatherford celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary of fifty years as husband and wife.

Each of the following Lewis sisters and brothers have celebrated their Golden Wedding with their mate: Bob and Thelma Lewis of Eastland, Hub and Connie Lewis of Eastland, Myrtle and Henry Van Geem of Eastland, who also celebrated their 57th anniversary this year; Louise and Clyde Stansill of Eastland, Vernon and Doris Lewis of Breckenridge, Clarence and La Verne Lewis of Willow Park East of Weatherford.

Hub passed away this year. Earl and Jo Lewis live in Eastland. What a remarkable family the Lewises have been. Congratulations to you all!

O. H. Dick of Olden is a valuable resource man for Olden's history. His wife Cordie was born in Palo Pinto. O. H. was born at Colony Creek. His father Jess, was born in Mississippi and worked for the Texas and Pacific Railway as section foreman during WWI, his mother also was from Mississippi and when they came to Olden they bought 100 acres of land for \$1.00 per acre and built a four bedroom house and bath. The bath fixtures were added later, all of this for \$3,250.00. Olden had a population of 10,000, two banks, an ice plant and picture show.

When O. H. was a boy he sold news papers, then opened up a cold drink

stand and made from four to five hundred dollars during the summer months. O. H. and Cordie have one daughter, Barbara Dick Cooper, who is now in the furniture business, she taught school 21 years in Andrews and one year in Mineral Wells.

On June 9 of this year, O. H. and Cordie observed their sixty-first wedding anniversary. O. H. was working for the Magnolia Oil Company when they were married in 1930.

The Magnolia Oil Co. is known as Mobil Oil Co. now.

O. H. owned the Eastland Telegram and the Ranger Times and later the Breckenridge American. When he sold the Breckenridge American, Virgil Moore bought it, and his son "Trippie" now Virgil Moore III owns the paper. H. V. O'Brien is now owner of all of the Eastland County papers.

O. H. and Cordie have two grandsons, Aaron Jiles, 19 years old of Chicago, Illinois who recently graduated from college and Brit Ward who is in high school in Naperville, Ill.

If you don't know O. H. Dick, you'll find him as the distinctive man wearing a big bright bow tie, which he has been wearing since 1937 and has 100 or more bow ties in his collection.

At this writing O. H.'s wife, Cordie, had just been admitted to the Eastland Memorial Hospital.

O. H. thank you for sharing some interesting facts about your life, this makes "Keeping Up With Our Folks" a good column for communications.

RANGER
Mrs. Helen Cozby of Louisiana visited in the

Desdemona News
By Vonnie Guthrey

First Baptist Church observed Father's Day last Sunday. Visitors were Michelle Wortham of Granbury, Christen and Marla Lewis of Eastland, Carol Ragland of Crawley, Clarence Ragland of Gorman.

Vacation Bible School at the Desdemona First Baptist Church is June 24 through 28, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Bring a friend with you to enjoy Bible Study, games, crafts and refreshments.

Desdemona Monthly Musical will be Saturday June 22 at the Community Center. Bring your friends for an enjoyable evening. Good food at the concession booth.

Bernard and Ann Keith was in Clyde on Tuesday to attend the funeral of a friend, Mary Dale Evans.

Michelle Wortham of Granbury spent the weekend with her parents, Bro. Joe, Cozette and Misty Wortham.

Carol Ragland of Crawley visited the weekend with her parents,

home of her mother in Ranger recently and attended the Strawn and Thurber home coming, also Mr. Barbara Yorgesen of Snyder visited with Mrs. Thelma Foote in her apartment at the Gholson Hotel.

Elwood and Nell Ragland.

Christine and Marla Lewis of Eastland visited her parents, Harbin and Judy Lewis over the weekend.

George Brazell is recovering from surgery on Friday 14 at the Stephenville Hospital.

Doyle and Frances Hughes had visitors from Austin, Houston, Edgecliff Village and South Lake as well as some of the local neighbors to see the new Pot Bellied Pigs. Their performing pigs "Tara's Little Hams" entertained the guest. Doyle had gone to Daisy, Arkansas to attend the Hughes Family Reunion with his brothers, Raymond Hughes and his sister, Maxine Rowch of Abilene, but got home in time to pull Barry and Vickie Emerson out of the mud. Barry is president of the South Lake Bank and the Emerson's are adopting one of the baby pigs, got caught at Tara in the rain storm.

Anniversary

Woodie Ivies To Celebrate

Mr. and Mrs. Woodie Ivie of Moore, Oklahoma, will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary with family and friends Sunday, June 30, 1991.

The Cisco natives were

married July 1, 1941 in Cisco. She is the former Carnella Simpkins. He is retired from Lone Star Producing Company. They are members of the United Pentecostal Church of Moore.

Spaces Available For Rising Star's City Wide Garage Sale

Rising Star - Spaces are available for the people of your community to take part in the Citywide Garage Sale to be held during Rising Star's 4th of July Freedom Festival. There is a \$3.00 fee, which covers advertisement. There is no fee for non-profit organizations.

Each garage sale will be furnished several maps, with the location of

each garage sale and with all Freedom Festival activities at the park listed, to give customers.

Notify us by June 23. Call Leisa Martin 817/643-3211, Mary Ann Underwood 817/643-2502 or Marie Morgan 817/643-6513.

We welcome you to join the fun.

USE THE CLASSIFIEDS

INTRODUCING EASTLAND'S NEW DOCTOR

Meet **Dr. Stephen G. Barry**
CHIROPRACTOR
951 E. Main Eastland

Most Insurance Accepted

IF YOU'RE SUFFERING FROM ANY OF THESE SYMPTOMS, CALL TODAY AND SEE WHAT CHIROPRACTIC CAN DO FOR YOU.

- Headaches
- Neck Pain
- Muscle Spasms
- Shoulder Pain
- Back Pain
- Numbness
- Arm Pain
- Hip Pain
- Leg Pain

LIVE THE GOOD LIFE AGAIN... Through Good Health And Wellness!

Call **629-1771** Today

Rescue Line For Women

Ruth Stewart, M.Ed.

Q. (Continued) What are some ways I can improve as a follower of my husband's wishes for our family?
A. Be Adjustable! A good follower is adjustable to life's circumstances.

- Don't have a lot of preconceived ideas about what you want out of life, such as where you want to live, kind of house, life style, economic level, or plans for the children.
- Make all your dreams portable so you can be happy anywhere.
- (More To Follow)

Source "FASCINATING WOMANHOOD" by Helen B. Andelin.

Questions should be addressed to:
Rescue Line
P.O. Box 269
Cisco, Texas 76437 CER104

Cisco Press - Eastland Telegram - Ranger Times
Thursday, June 20, 1991

Medi Plex Home Health Care Services
Announces Grand Opening Of Newest Branch In Cross Plains
LINDA PAYNE, RN
Manager
912 N. Main Cross Plains
817-725-7132 CER49

High-Performance Notebook Computer
Save \$611
\$1388
Reg. 1999.00
Low As \$43 Per Month

- Tandy 1500 HD ■ 640K RAM
- 4-Hour Battery Life ■ Under 6 lbs. #25-3506

286-Based PC For Home or Office
Save \$500
\$999.95
Reg. 1499.95
Low As \$20 Per Month

- Tandy* 1000 TL/3 PC

Save \$711 on TL/3 System with CM-5 color monitor and 20MB hard drive. Reg. separate items 1799.85. #25-1603/1043/1047. Sale 1088.00 #25-1603 Monitor extra

The Home PC That Guarantees Success!
Save \$300
\$999.90
Reg. 1299.90
Low As \$30 Per Month

- Tandy 1000 RL
- Includes 24 Home-Oriented Software Applications #25-1451/1043

Eastland Office Supply/ Radio Shack Dealer
111 W. Main Eastland
"Your Southwestern Bell Cellular Agent"

Versatile, Triple-Mode Personal Printer
Cut \$160
199.95
Reg. 359.95
Low As \$15 Per Month

- Word Processing, Draft And Graphic Modes #26-284E

VHS Hi-Fi Stereo VCR—That's Entertainment!
Cut \$150
299.95
Reg. 449.95
Low As \$15 Per Month

- On-Screen Programming
- 1-Year/6-Event Timer #16-617

Dual-Cassette Stereo Music System
Save \$70
149.95
Low As \$15 Per Month

- Synchro-Start Dubbing ■ AM/FM
- Semi-Automatic Turntable #13-1240

Portable Entertainer! AM/FM/TV-Sound Radio
25% Off
29.95
Reg. 39.95

- Keep Up With Soaps, Sports or News at Beach, Pool, Wherever #12-648

7-Band, 40-Watt Car Equalizer/Booster
33% Off
39.95
Reg. 59.95

- Lets You Customize Your Auto Sound
- 10-Level Power Output Meter ■ Fader Control
- Front Panel Jack for Connecting a CD Player #12-1955

24-Watt Digital AM/FM Car Stereo
Cut \$50
99.95
Low As \$15 Per Month

- Auto Reverse ■ 5-Band EQ
- Auto-Eject ■ Seek #12-1930

Color TV/VHS Player
Save \$100
399.95
Reg. 499.95
Low As \$15 Per Month

- Remote ■ Carry Handle
- Plays on AC or Car DC #16-404

10-Channel Scanner For Police/Fire Action
\$40 Off
89.95
Reg. 129.95

- Have Direct Access to Over 22,000 Frequencies #20-126

Our Big-Button Phone Is A Conversation Piece!
Cut 20%
39.95
Reg. 49.95

- "Hold" Button
- Amplified Handset
- Touch-Redial #43-338

Cordless Telephone
Cut \$50
69.95
Reg. 119.95

- 3-Number One-Touch Dialing
- Auto-Set Security Code #43-558

0% INTEREST!
AND NO PAYMENT UNTIL OCTOBER!
NO DOWN PAYMENT!

0% interest and no payment until October on approved RSVIP account with single ticket purchases totaling \$100.00 or more. Following the no-interest period, any remaining balance is subject to a finance charge of up to 21% APR (depending on your state of residence) (50¢ minimum monthly finance charge). Refer to your RSVIP Account Agreement. Offer is valid June 12 through July 6, 1991.



The Weeks children (l-r) Brandy, Robert Jr. and Rebekah, all played in Nashville June 14-15. Robert Jr. competed in the Grand Masters competition on the Grand Ol' Opry stage.

ROBERT WEEKS JR. PLAYS AT GRAND MASTERS FIDDLE

Robert Weeks Jr., 13, made it through the preliminary Fiddle competition at Nashville, Tennessee, last Friday to compete in the Grand Masters Championship Contest on Saturday, June 15. Thirty-six fiddlers began in the preliminaries, and Robert was one of the nine chosen from that group to compete on the big stage in the Grand Ol' Opry Theatre.

These nine from the Playoff were joined in the Grand Masters by sixteen other fiddlers invited to compete on the stage. Although Robert did not place in the final rounds, he received a lot of applause from the audience.

Reports are that the Grand Masters was televised, so it may be shown

on nationwide TV at a later date.

When Robert went onto the Grand Ol' Opry stage a sign informed the audience of his competition number (14), and had his name and 'Eastland, Texas' under it. So a lot more people now know about Eastland!

For this competition he played a medley of 'Tom and Jerry', 'Sally Good'in', and the 'Fifty Years Ago' waltz. The judges were secluded in another part of the building, being aware only of the sound.

Only one other player was younger than Robert - an eleven year old boy from the northwestern part of the U.S.

Other members of the Weeks family - Robert Sr., Brandy and Rebekah -

also were treated to a meal, tickets for programs and transportation.

A number of well-known Nashville performers were at the Grand Ol' Opry. Robert Jr. and Brandy were especially thrilled to meet Mark O'Connor, their favorite fiddle player.

The Weeks family arrived home late Sunday night, saying this was the most exciting trip of their lives. Bonnie says Robert Jr. 'Looked mighty small on that big stage' but that he pitched in and really played his best.

Members of the family express appreciation to friends who sponsored Robert Jr. on this trip. Without their encouragement and help this big chance would have not been possible. Robert Jr. has composed a special letter to tell how he feels about this.

'I would like to thank the people of Eastland County for help making it possible for me and my family to go to Nashville. It was a real treat for me. And also I would like to thank Al Anderson, Roy Thackerson and my sponsors. We all had a great time there and got to meet my favorite fiddler Mark O'Connor.' — Robert Weeks Jr.

entered the preliminary competition Friday. They did not go on to the finals, but said the contest was a great experience.

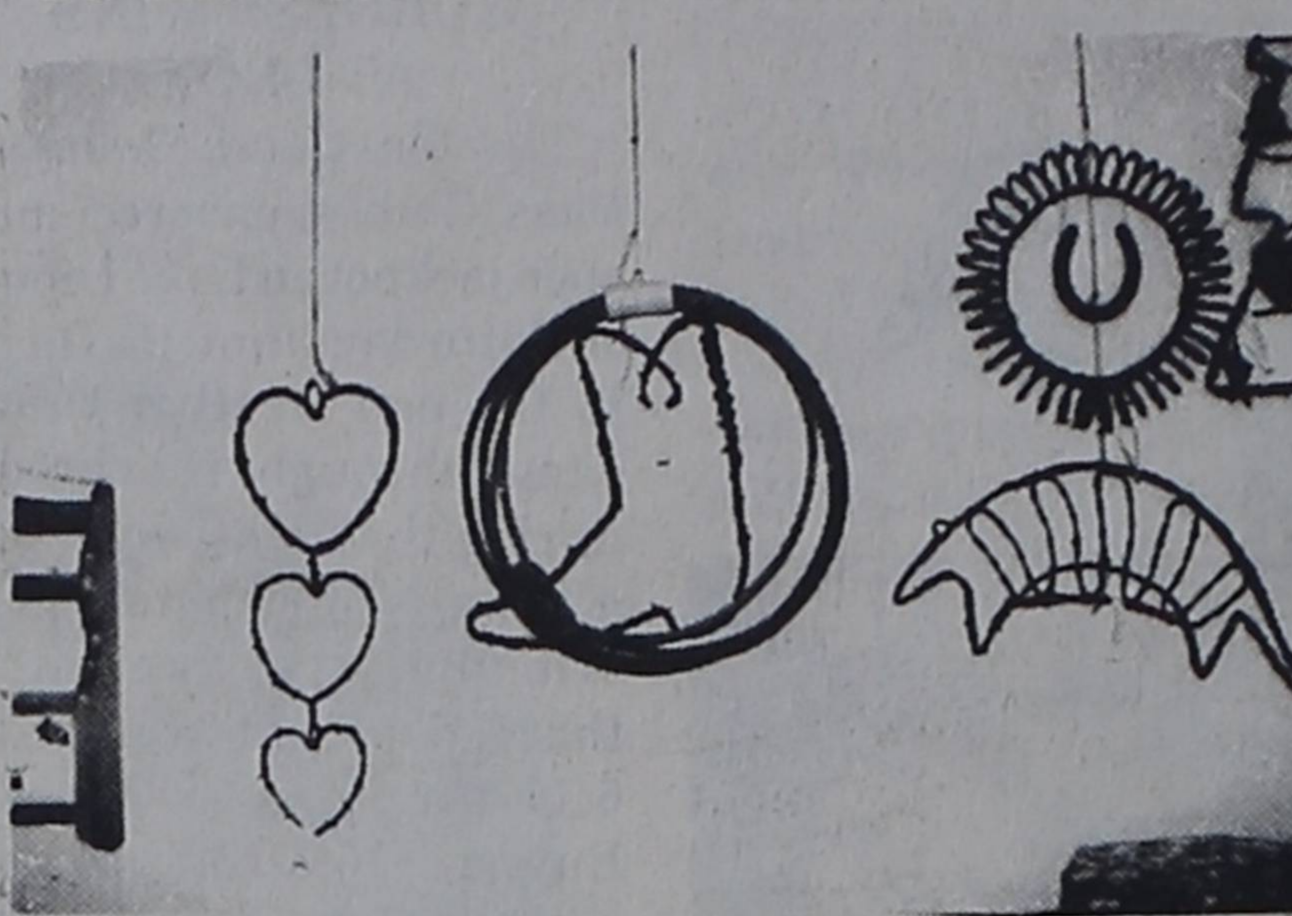
Mrs. Robert Weeks Sr. (Bonnie) did all the driving on the trip. On the first night the family stayed about 27 miles from Nashville. But after Robert Jr. made the finals Friday the family was given motel rooms near the Grand Ol' Opry. They

Lawn Mowing Service

Mowing, Bagging & Trimming
Free Estimates
Call 647-3418

R53

EASTLAND BUSINESS "HAND-WORKS" TO EXHIBIT AT DALLAS TRADE SHOW



These striking wall hangings from 'Handworks' may be used indoors or out. Copper, lariat rope and copper project the Southwestern themes. Similar items will be displayed at the Best of Southwest Show in Dallas.

Southwestern decor is one of the most popular trends world-wide right now. An Eastland husband and wife team, Gary Ford and Corrie Cowley, is part of this exciting business frontier.

Their company, "Handworks," is one of two Eastland firms invited to display items in the prestigious Best of Southwest Design and Craft Show June 29-July 3 in Dallas. The jury-selected Show will be held at Market Hall in the Dallas Market Center Complex.

"Handworks" will display wall hanging made from old barbed wire, lariat ropes, and copper. Gary

and Corrie blend their ideas and talents on the designs, which feature southwestern themes. The craft work is done in a shop adjoining their homes.

The decorative items are generally sold wholesale, and are carried in gift and Museum shops. Some of the wall hangings may be seen at Ann Folsom's Interiors in Eastland.

"Handworks" has exhibited in several trade shows since it became a full-time business about two years ago. Before that Gary and Corrie had worked with crafts and designing, developing ideas for their

He's Just A Little Boy

"He stands at the plate with his heart pounding fast; the bases are loaded; the die has been cast. Mom and Dad can not help him; he stands all alone.

A hit at this moment would send the team home. The ball nears the plate; he swings and he misses. There's a groan from the crowd, with some boos and hisses. A thoughtless voice cries, "Strike out the bum!" Tears fill his eyes; the game's no longer fun.

Remember - He's just a little boy who stands all alone. So open your heart and give him a break, for it's moments like this a man you can make, keep this in mind when you hear someone forget. He's just a little boy, not a man yet...."

Author Unknown

own business.

Being chosen to exhibit in the Best of the Southwest Show is a special honor for the Company. There will be around 20 prominent artists and craftsmen from Texas with displays at the big event. The Show is expected to attract over 25,000 buyers from around the world.

The standards for artisans exhibiting in the Show are listed as Product quality and regional authenticity, product presentation, wholesale production capabilities, and product integrity.

With encouragement from the Best of Southwest Show, the small business called 'Handworks' may not remain small long. And the enterprise is significant not just for what it means to Gary and Corrie, but for the possibilities it suggests to others.



Read The County Classifieds
Ranger Times
Thursday,
June 20, 1991

RJC CAMPS

Other activities in continuing education (non-credit courses) and summer camp programs scheduled for next week are:

FOOTBALL CAMP
Quarterbacks and Receivers 9:00 A.M. to 12:00, June 16 through 19.
Kickers and Punters 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M., June 17 through 19.
COMPUTER COURSES

Introduction to Computer: Applications in Business, 6:30 to 8:30 P.M., June 17 through 27.
SPECIAL INTEREST
Powder Puff Mechanics 7:00 to 9:00 P.M., June 18 through 28.

Ranger Times



State Farm Sells Life Insurance.

Jim Wortman
214 S. Seaman
Eastland
629-1096

STATE FARM INSURANCE COMPANIES
Home Offices: Bloomington, Illinois



M & M HOME & APPLIANCE
Service Company

Air-Conditioning
Heating
Refrigerators
Washers, Dryers

Installation
Service
Repairs

R104

Ritchey Motor Company



Hwy. 80 West - Ranger
817-647-3502

1986 Chev. Celebrity 4 dr. auto, air stereo.....\$3550.00
1987 Ford Taurus 4 dr. auto, air stereo.....\$3250.00
1986 Ford Ranger P/U V8, auto, air, stereo, Red & White\$3650.00
1987 Dodge B250 Van V8, auto, air, PS, PB, stereo, elec. windows, very clean.....\$5550.00
1982 Chevy P/U Silverado V8, auto, air, cruise, tilt, clean....\$2650.00
1981 Ford 3/4 ton 4X4 P/U V8, 4 spd., air, stereo.....\$2550.00
1987 Mercury Topez 4 Door, auto air, tilt, cruise, stereo.....\$2950.00
1971 Chevy. P/U V8, auto, air nicest around.....\$2450.00
1986 Ford Excort EXP, auto, air, stereo, tilt, cruise.....\$2550.00
1975 Dodge P/U 6 cy, auto, air.....\$950.00

Come By
And Visit

ER104

Ranger Furniture Exchange

Brashier's
123 N. Rusk - Ranger, Texas - 647-1404 In Ranger For Four Generations Since 1921

To Our Loyal Friends & Customers,

It is with regret that effective Wednesday, June 19th, we will close our business. This is not a decision that we have reached lightly. However, the state of the local economy and the rising cost of doing business have made it more and more difficult to maintain operation.

Since the day my great-grandfather, Colonel Brashier opened the store in February of 1921, in the same building we now occupy until today, we have tried to be a positive force in this history of this town and this county. My grandfather, Felton Brashier, and my father, Pete Brashier, also have witnessed Ranger firsthand through good times and bad. And through it all, we have all tried to make Ranger a better place to live.

Throughout the years, we have owed our business to you, our many loyal and faithful customers. You have given your support through those bad times as well as the good. We thank each of you for the opportunity we have had to serve you.

We appreciate your support. Thanks for everything.

Sincerely,

Tommy & Pete Brashier

In an effort to clean up and beautify Lake Leon, the Eastland County Water Supply District would like to ask everyone with a boat dock in ill repair to please repair or remove the dock by July 1, 1991.

B40-43
E49-51

We proudly present

TRIBUTE PROGRAMS

A video presentation of a life remembered®

We are excited about this new service we now offer you. The Tribute Program is a tasteful and wonderful way to honor the life of a loved one.

Each Tribute Program is individually created from photos, music, scenery and a quotation you select. You choose the pictures that recall the treasured moments of your loved one's life. With lovely, moving background scenes, and the music that means the most to you, your Tribute Program is a truly beautiful way to preserve your cherished memories.

Call us or stop by for a free booklet about the Tribute Program. Find out how the Tribute Program can help you remember all the love between the laughter and tears.

Bakker Funeral Home

411 S. Mulberry St.
Eastland, Texas
817-629-1726

The Tribute Program is produced by National Music Service, Spokane, WA

ES780