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Ranger Citizens Trying To Save City Swimming Pool

May 11, 12, 13, at the City Swimming Pool there will be a garage sale to save the pool. Ranger needs this activity for their kids to have a safe place this summer where they can go and enjoy themselves and not standing out on the streets and getting into trouble.

There will be all kinds of items from clothes, stereo (with speakers), some furniture and lot of misc.

You can make a donation by 647-3310 or 647-1838 and items can also be picked up. Also donations of money are being accepted.

So make plans to go by the City Swimming Pool to Help Save Our Pool.

Four Month Old Baby Has Rough First Year



Zachary Darr

Zachary Darr, the four month old grandson of the Gary Landenbergs of Cisco, was allegedly severely abused by the husband of a babysitter in Abilene.

After Zachary was picked up from the babysitter's husband when he was three months old, his parents noticed there was no eye movement and took him to the hospital. X-rays showed a very severe skull concussion, evidence of trauma over a period of time, and blood in his eyes, according to his grandmother, Buffy Landenberger.

A police investigation began and people who had had contact with the child were questioned. The husband of the babysitter, was questioned and was given a polygraph test. He reportedly confessed to officers that he had been upset over the possibility that he and his wife might get a divorce, and that he had been abusing the baby for a period of time.

To the caring people of Cisco, I wish to express my thanks and gratitude to everyone who prayed for our grandson, Zachary Darr. I believe without the power of prayer and the hand of (Cont. On Focus Page)

A few days later, the man was arrested by officers in Abilene, and his bond was set at \$300,000, it was reported, and he was being held in jail. He had reportedly confessed to throwing the baby down on a concrete floor after shaking him hard. Officers reportedly told the family that he had confessed to other forms of abuse which they would not repeat to the family.

Little Zachary was hospitalized on March 21, and he was kept in intensive care for some

County Voters Stay With Most Incumbents; Turnout Moderate

Eastland County voters went out to the polls May 6 and elected City officials, School Board members, and in some cases, Hospital Board members.

There were contested races in several of the towns, with higher voter turnout where issues were at stake.

Rising Star Mayor Jerrell Bible and Ranger Mayor Ronnie Ainsworth were each returned to office, and incumbent City Commissioners were re-elected in Eastland.

There will be a runoff in Ranger for two places on the City Council. For Place 1, Adam Lopez and Buddy Johnson will be in the runoff, and for Place 3 Bill Guess and Donny Veal will be in a runoff.

In Rising Star there will be a runoff between Betty Westerman and Howard Lawrence for a seat on the School Board.

The election results follow:

- Carbon**
- City: Place 5: Kenneth Knowles - 22. Dennis Hagan (I) - 11.
- Cisco**
- City: Place 1: ✓ Robert Anderson - 165. James Hinman (I) - 58.
- School Board: Place 2: ✓ Angeline Stovall -

178. Monty Toler - 130. Place 3: ✓ Bob Snyder (I) - 198. John Gonzales - 112. **Cisco Hospital Board:** Two at-large places: ✓ Robert Conner - 262. ✓ H. K. Neeley - 231. **Eastland** City: Three at-large seats: ✓ Dale Squiers (I) - 170. ✓ James Fullon (I) - 148. ✓ Stephen Barry (I) - 142. Steve Haines - 117. **Hospital Board:** Four at-large seats: ✓ W. H. Hoffmann, Jr. (I) - 201. ✓ Emmett Lasater (I) - 186. ✓ Becki Thomason - 160. ✓ Earl Bradley (I) - 153. Bob Carroll (I) - 149. David Norris - 106. **School Board:** The four board positions were uncontested. Incumbents received the following votes: ✓ Susie Miller Thomas - 204. ✓ Kenneth D. Parker - 194. ✓ Walter L. (Rocky) Maynard - 200. ✓ D. E. (Gene) Kea - 200. **Gorman School Board:** Three at-large seats: Danny Snider (I) - 144. Larry Keith (I) - 118. Bobby Rich (I) - 110. Bill Hagood - 79.

- Gary Mauney - 21. Revis Laminack - 15. Jimmy Woodall - 6. **Ranger Mayor:** ✓ Ronnie Ainsworth (I) - 317. David Snyder - 268. **City:** Place 1: ★ Adam Lopez - 201. ★ Buddy Johnson - 187. Harry Radloff - 137. Michael Rogers - 53. Place 2: ✓ J. J. "Red" Jones - 400. Bill Jernigan - 104. Arvin Stott - 57. Place 3: ★ Bill Guess - 281. ★ Donny Veal - 145. Jean Dawson - 96. B. C. McNabb - 55. **School Board:** Place 2: George Beighley - 315. Linda Squyres - 153. Darla Martinez - 51. Place 5: James McDonald - 362. Sheila Webb - 161. Place 6: Tom Peebles - 280. Rowland Honeycutt (I) - 158. Doug Rogers - 88. Place 7: Guinn Adams - 319. Alan Thomas (I) - 198. **Eastland County Water Supply Dist. Board of Directors** Place 2 (Eastland): ✓ Tommy Warford (I) - 133. Dennis Shumard (I) - 132. Place 3 (Ranger): ✓ Floyd E.

- Caraway (I) - 258. ✓ Bobby G. Adams (I) - 303. **Rising Star Mayor:** ✓ Jerrell Bible (I) - 105. Shirley Leonard - 90. Henry Burk - 76. **City:** Two at-large seats: ✓ James Cook - 170. ✓ Buck Harrelson (I) - 100. Clinton Crisp - 93. Norman Chancellor - 64. Johnny Hubbard - 62. Barbara White - 20. One-year term: ✓ Gorman Welch - 142. Frank Agnew - 130. **School Board:** Two at-large seats: ✓ Dale Wolf - 176. ✓ Betty Westerman - 174. ✓ Howard Lawrence - 174. Steve Robbins - 70. **33rd Annual Ranger JC Rodeo In June**

It's almost that time again, the 33rd Annual Ranger JC Rodeo will be held June 8th, 9th, and 10th this year. The parade will be Saturday the 10th starting at 10 a.m. and there will be a dance each night following the rodeo. For box seat tickets or more information you can contact Gloria at 647-3407

Storm Hits South Side Of County

A cluster of dangerous storms moved across West-Central Texas late Saturday, only two days after a deadly storm struck Fort Worth Friday night.

The tornadic activity swirled through the south side of Eastland County, leaving some damage in Rising Star, Desdemona and Gorman. Cisco, Eastland and Ranger were out of the main path of the storm, but received some of the general rainfall.

Sunday's turbulence was generated by a dry cold front hitting warm, unstable air from the Gulf - a common occurrence in May. By 4:45 p.m. there was an arc of clouds from the Concho Valley north-east to Oklahoma.

Coleman was the first area town to catch the brunt of the storm. At 6 p.m. National Weather Service officials issued a tornado warning for the Lake Brownwood area in Brown County. The storms were moving

northeast, and Eastland County looked like the target.

A tornado was soon confirmed at Williams, a community 10 miles S.W. of Rising Star. There a man going from his car to the back door of his home was picked up by the tornado and put down by his cellar. When he grabbed the cellar door it shattered in his hand, but he jumped in the cellar anyway!

The tornado warning was expanded to include all of Eastland County. Everyone was told to "take cover."

A blinding rain hit the County about 7 p.m. Small tornadoes ran between Cross Plains and Rising Star, and S.E. of Rising

Star. In the town tree limbs were blown off, and a carport damaged. In the rural area, some gates, barns and outbuildings were damaged. A tree was reportedly blown across a trailer home.

The storm moved about 35 M.P.H. east-northeast across the County, with tornado and flash-flood warning out thick and fast. One member of the Sipe Springs Fire Department was out in a vehicle "Weather Spotting" between that community and Rising Star. The rain fell so hard he couldn't see much. Three-and-one-half inches came down quickly, along with some pea-sized hail. The wind was up to 30-40 m.p.h. An R.E.A. pole was blown down, and tree limbs scattered around.

Other Weather Spotters were out from the Eastland Fire Department.

Eastland Super City Wide Garage Sale Is Saturday

Eastland's Super Saturday City Wide Garage Sale will be held this Saturday, May 13. Merchants will be having Sidewalk

ment and around the County, but the main storm cells kept to the south. Lake Leon received no damage, but the Lake rose to one ft. over the spillway.

In Desdemona there was some structural damage to buildings, and a tornado was reported between Desdemona and Lake Leon. Gorman received damage to the football bleachers and various buildings in the town. Trees were uprooted and sheds blown down. The roof of the post office was damaged.

In Eastland County the temperatures dropped about 20 degrees within minutes after the storm hit, coming down from about 78 to 58. By 9:30 p.m. Sunday the line of clouds had pretty well cleared out toward the

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THE WEATHER

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Tidbits by HVO

PERSPECTIVE: WHILE most of us could not even imagine actually living where there are earthquakes, we endure the sometime weather horrors of Spring-Time in West Texas. This past weekend was a classic case, but for high winds and heavy rains, we generally were spared damage and injury. Not so, so many of our neighbors in other parts of the state. Highs, lows, atmospheric conditions, rain, hail, tornadic winds -- all these suddenly become our major concerns as the elements deal with us as they will. Warnings: it's coming our way! Will we be next? Which closet in the house would be safest? All in all, high anxiety for all. And then, almost as quickly: it went east of us. We're missed again, but who did it hit? Who was less fortunate? And it's usually a re-runnable scenario that repeats itself for some time...Which brings us to **GIANT THANK YOU**s to all those **SUPER CITIZENS** who leave their own families and homes to go out into the open to be our eyes and ears, so that should the elements decide differently for us, then we can be warned in time to get ourselves and our family into the right closet. We too rarely say it, but we do sincerely appreciate the **WEATHER SPOTTERS**.

THIS WOULD BE nice: an invitation to the dedication of the marker honoring the burial place of Maj. James Poe Sr., a Revolutionary War Hero and Soldier, on May 20th at the Poe Community Cemetery at Newtonville, AL. You may remember that we wrote of this earlier about J. C. Poe's great-great-grandfather being so honored. It is near Tuscaloosa where ROTC, Color Guards, military and public officials will participate with the Genealogical Societies and others will conduct a formal program. After the effort began there to properly mark the burial sites, J. C. helped furnish a lot of material about his ancestor, and naturally he and Mrs. Poe would love to be present but due to distance and time, it won't be possible. We're asking for photos, stories and hopefully a video of the event for the Poes. You'll also remember that J.C. did a book about a great-grandfather, Maj. James T. Poe and his service in the Civil War.

AS SPACE is available, your local newspaper will be running school-related photos in connection with the upcoming reunions. Please identify people and while we will make every effort to return photos safely, you might want to make sure you have duplicates. And make sure that all photos have your name and address so they can be returned.

HUMMELFEST IS set May 19-21 at New Braunfels in connection with the Hummel Museum there. If you are a collector or admirer of the fine porcelain figures, this might be for you.

ANTI-CANCER Battle Plan: (abbreviated): eat 3 vegetables, 2 fruits & 6 whole grain products daily; don't smoke and avoid passive smoke; use a sunscreen of at least 15SPF; avoid trying to get a tan; know cancer's seven warning signs; know cancer's history in my family; exercise regularly; don't overeat; drink in moderation; limit fat in diet; a woman over 20 should do personal self-exams and a woman over 40 should follow physician's advice on mammograms; all should examine entire skin for lesions or irregular marks; eat food with starch, fiber, nutrients; examine the mouth, gums, lips, cheeks, tongue and back of the mouth; after 50 follow physician's advice regarding stool tests; men should examine themselves monthly; stop using snuff and/or checking tobacco; accept x-rays only on the advice of physicians and/or dentists and always insist on shield; women should discuss and follow physician's estrogen dosages; and all should follow worksite health and safety rules, wearing protective clothing and use protective clothing and equipment as indicated.

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From Page One County Commissioners Meeting

Eastland County Commissioners Monday welcomed County Judge Scott Bailey back from his trip to Washington, D.C. as a delegate to the National Conference on Aging.

Judge Bailey said it was an interesting and exciting trip, and he would have much to report from it.

On an agenda item, the Commissioners voted to recommend that about 3 miles of County Rd. 327 in Pct. 3 be turned into a Farm to Market Road. This road is between Carbon and Gorman, near the Bear Springs cemetery. Pct. 3 Commissioners L. T. Owen said the court had previously voted to accept this project, but it needed re-voting, the earlier idea that no county funds would be spent on it was probably incorrect, he said, and the State would not accept the previous recommendation.

Although land owners had indicated they would donate right-of-ways, the County would probably have to pay for moving utility poles and fences, he noted. Several Commissioners said at a recent public meeting with the Texas Department of Transportation they were informed that the State is not accepting any more Farm to Market projects until 1997. But State Rep. John Cook is supposedly helping on this local project, they added.

Cook reportedly had said: "There is money available. (In Austin) you just have to go after it."

Judge Bailey said he hoped something could be done - that anytime the county could acquire any more paving it helped on maintenance and transportation.

In other business, the Commissioners approved a depository contract with Eastland National Bank, and agreed to return the bank's good faith checks.

County Treasurer Ruth Hart told the court that the bank was still working on an account analysis, and there will be no possible charges until the analysis is complete.

She said a variety of county-held accounts was in the bank - 31 in all.

The Court deferred

From Page One Storm Hits South Of County

east, although there was sporadic rainfall and lightening during the night.

On the north end of the storm system, Ardmore, Oklahoma was hit by a tornado Sunday night. It cut about a 5-mile swath across I-35, with a large tire company partially destroyed and around 100 homes damaged.

Monday in Eastland County the wind had switched to the west, with a red haze visible on the horizon. Local people were

consideration of transferring TexPool funds back to the bank until the account analysis is finished.

On another item, Nancy Trout, County Tax Collector, told the Court that she would continue to keep her offices open during the noon hour, except when she was so short on employees she could not do so.

She suggested that people could call ahead to her office and find out about specific days.

Mrs. Trout makes regular trips to Rising Star and Gorman to accommodate people in outlying areas.

News on the jail population continued to be very good. There were 17 inmates in the jail Monday, considerably down from recent counts of 38-40. The jail is certified to hold 25 inmates.

happy about the latest rain - and thankful that no lives had been lost in the latest blow.

The National Weather Service predicted clear weather through the middle of the week, with maybe more storms next weekend.

Thanks To Volunteers From Eastland Police Chief

Dear Editor,
In light of the recent "close encounters" with severe weather, including softball-size hail, 80 mph winds, torrential rain and toadic activity, I think it is appropriate to recognize those who have dedicated themselves to providing early warning to the citizens of Eastland County.

Every time that the National Weather Service calls and alerts us to the possibility of severe weather, the Eastland Fire Department immediately responds to the call. Several volunteer firefighters quickly report to the fire station and are assigned to certain areas to watch for threatening conditions. They go out into the storm, sometimes risking their own safety, as well as possible damage to their personal vehicles, to report by radio so that citizens may be alerted to the approach of dangerous weather.

I think we should all get to know these men and women, and convey to them our sincere gratitude for their service to our community. It's nice to know they are there, watching the clouds, while most people are home in bed. Thanks, EFD!

Cecil Funderburgh

(Ed Note: Thanks are due too to police, emergency workers, of all kinds throughout our area.)

Spotters May Warn Of Dangerous Weather

It is the season for severe thunderstorms and sometimes even tornadoes, so the fire department reminds us that during threatening weather conditions fire dept. spotters will be out observing the clouds and

weather from vantage points around the city.

If a severe storm or tornado is spotted in or around the city, an effort will be made to warn residents. Local officials may interrupt programming

From Page One Baby Has Rough First Year

the Lord, this beautiful little boy would not be with us today.

I would like to thank Liz Cozart and Cyndi Starr for the help and comfort given in this time of crisis.

Child Abuse is something you see on T. V. or read about in the paper. No additional thought is given after the headlines die down. Until this happens to one of your own! The extent of damages inflicted on any child should be met with the severest penalty of the law. The long term suffering of the

child and the family of the victim is beyond words.

The damage inflicted on this beautiful three month old is tragic. The total extent of damage will not be known for two to five years. We are thankful Zachary is alive and he will know only love and gentleness for the rest of his life. He will also know of the love and prayers from the people in Cisco.

Thank you and please report suspected child abuse immediately!

Gary & Buffy Landenberger

on all channels on cable television to give a weather warning. A siren will also be used to warn Cisco and Eastland residents. Ten cycles on the siren for a minute or so will warn Cisonians to take shelter, and one long blast afterward will signal that the danger is past. A long continuous blast followed by short blasts on the siren will warn residents of Eastland.

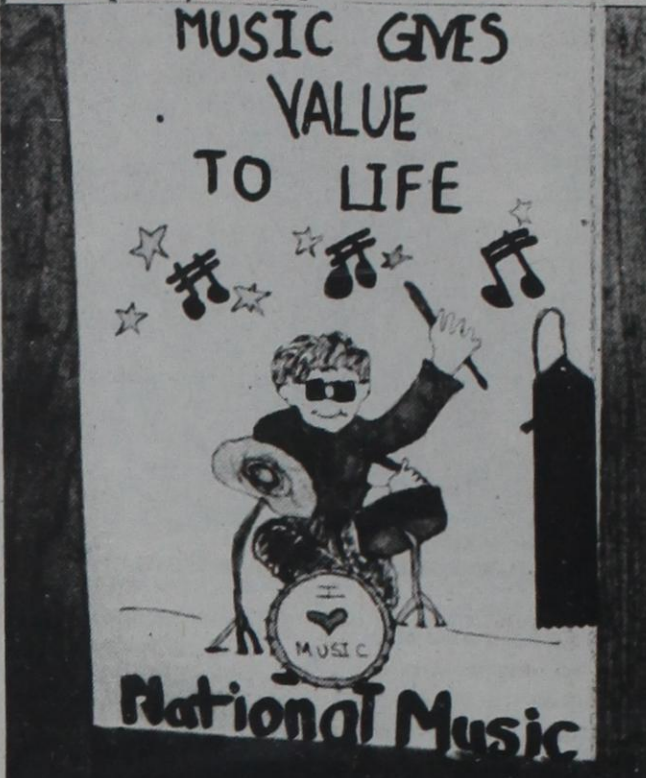
Volunteers and officers of Cisco, Eastland and Ranger cooperate to spot severe weather and to warn area residents of impending danger.

Weather spotting is done as a public service by the fire department volunteers in an effort to insure the safety of local residents, and these volunteers who come to the rescue when we need them the most, regardless of discouraging conditions or other interests, deserve our gratitude and respect, says your editor.

On this past Sunday evening, weather spotters went out as a severe storm system approached the area from the southwest. A weather watch was

announced to some local residents, and if a tornado or some other danger had been spotted, the sirens

in Cisco and Eastland were ready to sound. But the dangerous weather missed us one more time.



This colorful poster is one of many on display in Eastland this week, celebrating National Music Week May 7-14. It is an original creation of a music student at Siebert Elementary, and one of the blue-ribbon winners. Other posters may be seen at Eastland Memorial Library, the Majestic Theatre, the Eastland Telegram, and at businesses around the Courthouse Square.

National Music Week is sponsored each year by the National Federation of Music Clubs, the Texas Federation, and the Eastland Music Study Club.



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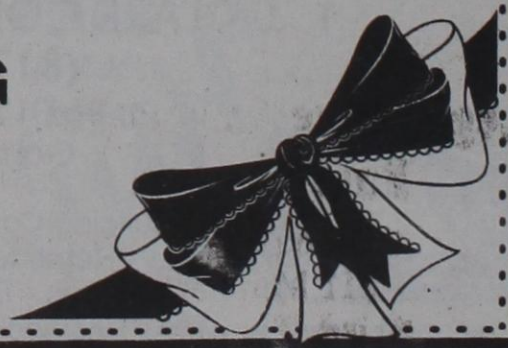
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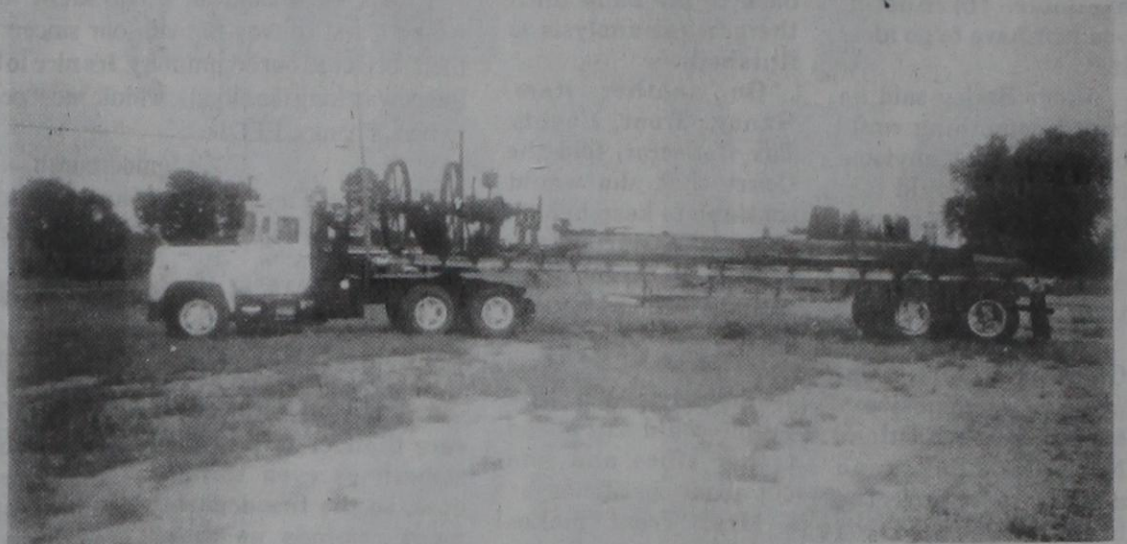
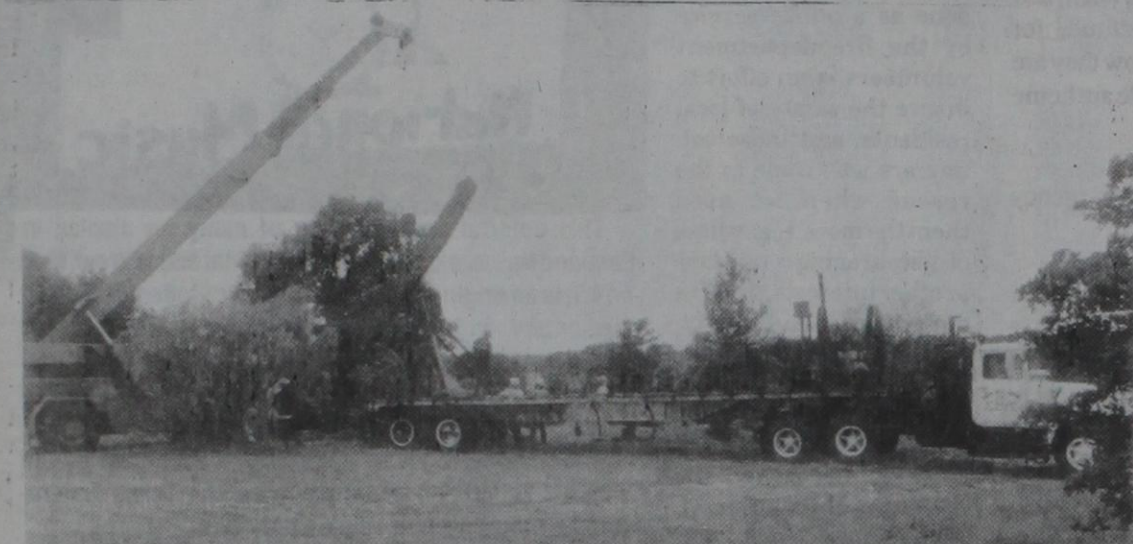
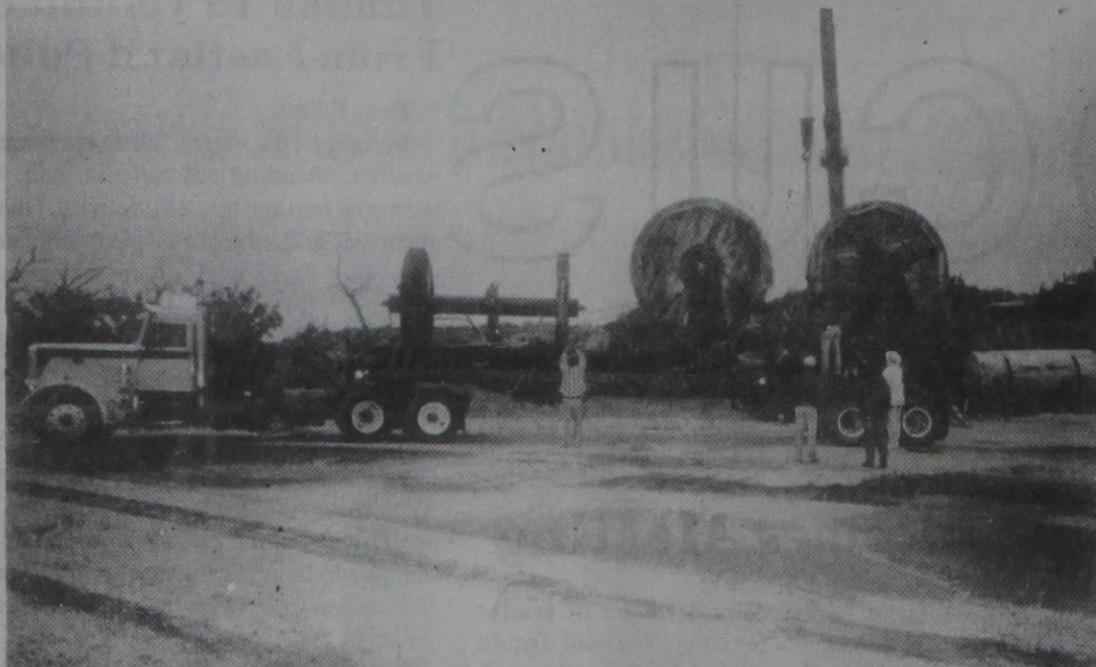
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Shown are some of the workers who helped move the vintage equipment.



MS Support Group To Meet May 11

The Breckenridge Multiple Sclerosis (MS), Support Group Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 11, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Tower Room at First National Bank, Albany/Breckenridge, located at 101 East Walker, Breckenridge.

A video from the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, of the Tri-Cities of Texas Chapter in Fort Worth, will be shown and afterwards there will be a question and answer time.

Anyone in the Eastland or Callahan County area, who has Multiple Sclerosis, (no matter how advanced the symptoms are, or how long they have been diagnosed), or anyone who is a caregiver or who is a friend of someone who has MS, is invited to attend.

For more information call Wanda Hallmark, 1-817-559-5412.

Vintage Equipment Reconstructs Site Of Discovery Well

On Saturday, April 22nd, a special group of folks worked to move the vintage equipment donated by North Ridge Corporation for the purpose of reconstructing the site of the Discovery Well of the Ranger Oil Boom. This well was the J.H. McCleskey No.1. It wasn't the largest producer, but the first to come in a

gusher, the beginning of one of the greatest booms of all times, the boom noted as the "Boom That Won The War." [WWI]

A very special thanks to those who, on a Saturday (normally a day of relaxation), worked to help move the vintage equipment that will be used to reconstruct this site so that this important part

of our nation's history may be preserved, and made a part of the historical tour of Eastland County. It should be noted that the equipment was donated by North Ridge Corporation, and moved from the Desdemona Field, just one of the areas of this famous oil boom.

Workers from North Ridge Corporation: Jack Lowrance; Joe Martin; David Connors; Ken Dykestra; Tom Morren; Brad Turner; Cecil Robertson.

And for use of heavy equipment necessary for the move, in addition to their labor: J.J. Finley and Dustin; George Read; Clinton and Janet Eaton, Nick Messenger, and Chris Eaton.

Members of the Historical Society: Dana

Pearson; Adam Lopez, Jr.; Jerry Jackson; Elzie and Jeane Pruett. (Clinton & Janet Eaton are also members of the Society.)

MORE BRICKS PURCHASED FOR THE WALKWAY:

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in any way to preserve this great heritage of our entire area.

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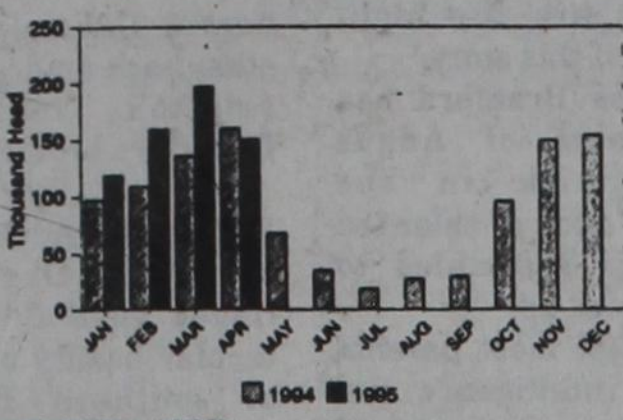
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Graph 1. Cattle Imports from Mexico 1994 - 1995



Total imports in 1994 = 1,082,561
1995 year-to-date imports through April 15 = 627,597
Source: USDA Livestock Market News

Ranchers Concerned Over Recent Increased Cattle Imports From Mexico

By M. Davy Vestal
County Extension Agent-Ag
Eastland County
Ranchers in Texas continue to express concern over the recent increase in cattle imports from Mexico and their effect on the cattle market. Ranch-

ers are particularly concerned since most of imports are feeder cattle which end up in our domestic beef supply. These imports are in direct competition with domestic feeder production which is the principal product from the vast

rangelands in Texas. In addition, ranchers are concerned with what appears to them as the closing of Mexican markets for U.S. cattle as result of the peso devaluation and the severe economic conditions in Mexico.

Feeder cattle imports from Mexico have increased substantially since the December 20, 1994 peso devaluation. According to the USDA Market News Service in Santa Teresa, N.M. imports this year through April 15, 1995 total 627,597 head, compared to 427,975 during the same period a year ago (Graph 1). This means that almost 200,000 more feeder cattle have been imported so far this year in comparison to a year ago. Imports during the first three and one-half months in 1995 already comprise about 58 percent of the total 1.083 million

head imported in 1994. Slaughter cattle imports also are up, as Mexican cattlemen respond to higher prices and the prospects of continued drought in northern areas of the county. The import rate for both, however declined significantly in April.

Cattle Market Weakening

Increased imports from Mexico are affecting cattle markets, especially in South Texas and come at a difficult time of already weakening U.S. markets. After a six year cycle with record breaking prices for cattle, the U.S. cattle market has been showing serious signs of weakness since Fall '94. Bulging supplies of competitive meats have weakened the market and the outlook for 1995 does not appear bright. Meat production for 1995 is forecast at almost 67 billion pounds (beef, 24.625 billion; pork, 17.925 billion; poultry, 24.4 billion), up about 2 billion percent from last year's huge level. Part of this already weakening market is apparently being attributed to the increase in Mexican slaughter cattle imports.

Increased cattle imports from Mexico have been influenced by both the devaluation of the Mexican peso and a continuing cattle liquidation from the drought stricken region in northern Mexico. The area has been plagued with a severe drought which not extends over five years.

The precipitous drop in the value of the Mexican peso, now about 6.3 pesos per U.S. dollar, down to about 54 percent of the value of about 3.4 pesos/dollar in mid-December 1994, has encouraged increased imports to the U.S. and dimmed prospects for U.S. agricultural exports to Mexico in 1995. The devaluation has made U.S. goods about 90 percent more expensive to Mexican importers compared to Mexican goods which are now about 46 percent cheaper to U.S. importers.

If the peso situation was the only influence affecting increased exports, increased cattle imports to the U.S. would continue except that it appears very doubtful that Mexico can sustain the increased export rate.

Mexico's total cattle inventory is about one-fifth the size of U.S. inventory to serve a young and growing population which is over one-third the size of the U.S. In addition,

Mexico does not enjoy abundant supplies of relatively inexpensive animal energy (corn, sorghum), nor does it possess the most efficient conversion (feeding) system in the world as in the U.S. As a result, it appears highly unlikely that Mexico can sustain increased exports without seriously jeopardizing domestic supplies. Price and economic conditions will be the determining factors.

The total Mexican cattle herd was down to about 22 million head prior to recent drought and hundreds of thousands of head have died, been slaughtered or exported as a result of the current drought. Most international cattle market analysts believe that the Mexican cow herd is down to critical levels.

Cattle imports from Mexico have increased substantially since 1986 when Mexico joined GATT and opened its borders to trade. Since then cattle imports from Mexico have been averaging about 1.1 million head annually.

Cattle imports are forecast to increase in 1995 and thereafter decline to the post 1986 levels commensurate with their production capabilities, domestic demands and export prices.

At any rate, according to the Texas Beef Cattle Council, in any given year since 1986, Mexico contributes between 15 and 20 percent of Texas feeder cattle supplies. The Texas Beef Council recently released an excellent newsletter answering seventeen of the top concerns by cattle ranchers over recent trade trends with

Eastlander Designs Changes Location

By Bill Sanders
Eastlander Designs has moved from College St. to E. Main in Eastland. You really can't miss them; they are right across the street from Robert Flynt Motors. They are also hanging a new sign.

Judy Cozart took us through the new building last week. In addition to all the great bedspreads

in stock, they do custom orders as well. There are scrap materials available for purchase (they make neat quilt tops), and valances and drapery materials as well. Quilting for your tops is also a service of the factory outlet.

There are new Southwestern decorations, figurines and the like. The new facility offers better

conditions and advantages to customers and staff alike. The "strip" just got a valuable new addition - an old home friend - Factory Outlet.

Eastland, at which time the following subjects will be discussed, to wit:

Meeting called to order - Jim Moylan.

Approval of the minutes of the previous meetings.

Discussion and possible action with regard to land acquisition.

Discussion and possible action with regard to new signs as proposed by the Eastland Chamber of Commerce, Mr. James Wright and/or Mr. Clint Ferguson.

Discussion and possible action with regard to outstanding invoices.

Discussion and possible action regarding an invitation from West Central Texas Economic Development District.

Discussion of unfinished business.
Other business.
Adjournment.

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Eastland Music Club Luncheon To Be May 17

The Eastland Music Study Club will conclude the season with a Business Luncheon on Wednesday, May 17, 12 noon in the Women's Clubhouse.

Outgoing President Cletis Williamson will be in charge, with the Executive Board as hostesses.

There will be reports

Mexico. Write them for a copy at: Texas Beef Council, 8708 Ranch Road 620 North, Austin, Texas 78726-3505.

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about the year's activities, and installation of officers for 1995-96.

There will also be an interlude of music, featuring numbers by various musicians in the Club.

Reservations for the luncheon need to be made by noon on Monday, May 15. Please call Ruth Noah at 629-8288 to make your reservation.

Eastland Economic Development Board To Meet Thursday

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Eastland Economic Development Board of the Eastland will be held on May 11, 1995, at 6:00 p.m. at Eastland City Hall in

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5 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: 604 S. Bassett St., Saturday, May 13, 7:30 a.m. til 3:30 p.m. Furniture, dishes, clothing, and many other treasures.

GARAGE SALE: 411 Briarwood, Eastland, Saturday Only, 8:00 a.m. til 4:00 p.m. Clothing, misc. items, too numerous to list all. "A Great Sale."

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GARAGE SALE: 3900 I-20 East, All day Saturday. Come early for best bargains. Mattresses, pillows, bedspreads, motel surplus, tables, and many other items. Great bargains, small prices!

GARAGE SALE: Saturday Only, 513 S. Daugherty, Eastland. Dining room table and chairs, clothes, some antiques, glassware, check us out!

GARAGE SALE: 804 Foxhollow, Eastland, all day Saturday, 7:30 a.m. til 7:00 p.m. Dishes, furniture, clothing in several sizes, knickknacks, and much, much more.

AUCTION: At City Wide Garage Sale: Tools and more, Saturday, May 13, beginning 10:00 a.m. Corner Commerce & Lamar St., Eastland. "Be there early and see our merchandise."

BIG GARAGE SALE: 1200 W. Commerce, Eastland, Friday, May 12 and Saturday, May 13. 3 Families from Eastland. Also, items from Ft. Worth, Dallas, Stephenville & Cisco. Lots of goodies, lots of junk. Come on by.

GARAGE SALE: One Day Only, Saturday, May 13. Sale begins at 8:00 a.m., lasts until 5:00 p.m. 1404 Slay St., Eastland. Tools, TV's, dishes, linens, clothing, and many, many misc. items. You don't want to miss this one!!!

GARAGE SALE: 205 N. Green, Eastland. Saturday only, 8:00 a.m. til 5:00 p.m. Baby items, automotive items, clothing, curtains, and other household items. "This is a great sale."

YARD SALE: 1 1/2 miles west on old Highway 80, next to Red's Steakhouse, Saturday, May 13, 8:00 a.m. til 7:00 p.m. Many, many really good items with this sale.

GARAGE SALE: All day Saturday, 8:00 a.m. til 4:00 p.m. 405 S. Connellee, Eastland. Children's clothing, household items, many miscellaneous items. There are a lot of nice things here!

GARAGE SALE: Saturday Only, 8:00 a.m. til 3:00 p.m. 215 S. Halbryan, Eastland. Clothing, shoes, pictures, and numerous home decorations. You don't want to miss this sale. Really good merchandise offered!

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11th Court Of Appeals

The following proceedings were had in the Court of Appeals, Eleventh District of Texas on May 4, 1995:

Affirmed
11-93-205-CR Robert Anthony Gonzales v. State of Texas, Collin. (Judge McCloud, Retired, sitting by assignment) (Publish). (Judge Wright not participating).

11-93-340-CR Samuel Ernest Bigham v. State of Texas, Stephens. (Opinion by Judge Arnot).

11-94-101-CV William Carl Pfluger et al v. James H. Clack and wife, Barbara Culver Clack, Nolan. (Opinion by Judge Arnot). (Judge McCloud, Retired, sitting by assignment). (Judge Wright not participating).

11-94-109-CR James Carroll Roy v. State of Texas, Dallas. (Opinion by Judge Arnot).

Motions Submitted & Granted

11-93-090-CR Charles Allen Parker v. State of Texas, Stephens. Appellant's second motion for extension of time to file statement of facts.

11-94-093-CR Bruce Wayne Daniels, Sr. v. State of Texas, Grayson. State's motion for permission to file supplemental brief.

11-94-126-CR Cecil Don Vineyard v. State of Texas, Scurry. State's second motion for extension of time to file brief.

11-94-162-CR Manuel Trevino Rodriguez v. State of Texas, Jones. Appellant's third motion for extension of time to file brief.

11-94-180-CR Randy Ray McCollister v. State of Texas, Stephens. Appellant's second motion for extension of time to file brief.

11-95-030-CV In the

Interest of C.L.C., a child, Jones. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file statement of facts.

Writ Of Mandamus Refused In Part & Conditionally Granted In Part

11-95-014-CV Sally Sue Womack v. Hon. Aleta Hacker, Judge. - Orig. Proc.

(Per Curiam Opinion). (Judge McCloud, Retired, sitting by assignment). (Judge Wright not participating).

Poem

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If you should go and I remain,
For trials and trouble to be won.

One thing stands out very clear,
The two of us are as one.

As down life's lone highways,
Each of us wounding have trod.

The one we have help today,
Will seem to ease the weary miles.

And if I should go and you remain,

The Late M. H. Byrd Family Hold Reunion

The birds flew in and landed under the beautiful shade trees of Camp Inspiration for their annual reunion held May 6, 1995.

The register table was layed with a white table cloth with a center piece of red roses with the red bird crest. Colored pens were used to write your

I'll stop and rest a little while.

And we'll soon meet again,
Just beyond the evening star.

And if you should go and I remain,
For victory to be won.

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Is the Lord to say, "Well Done."

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name and address on the cloth and will be used again at later reunions.

Cheer person, Sue Garrett, opened the reunion with a welcome to everyone. After a short business session, Lady Byrd, Betty Jackson gave her report and asked for nominations for Lady Byrd of 1995-96, which was won by Sue Garrett.

Pat Byrd sat up a table for arts and crafts display made by family members, and later used as prizes.

Sue organized games of dominoes, cards and bingo. The children enjoyed the facilities of the camp.

A Bar-B-Que dinner of brisket, beans, and potato salad with all the trimmings were served and a good time was had by everyone.

Can't help but mention there were two Byrds missing and they are going to get their tail feathers cut off and eat worms for the next year. See you then.

Those attending from Clyde, Texas were: Engate, Kathy, Ashley, Brandon, Dustin, Luke, Frances, Albelic Hawk and friend, Ryan; from Odessa: Gerald Hocper, Donna, Jerry, and Rusty Raglan, Jerry Don Hooper; from Clyde: Jerry, Debbie, Leslie; from Eastland: Barbara Benton, Danny, Clista, Ben, and Stephanie McNabb, Emma Lou Benton; from Lake Leon: James, Jill, and Ashley; from Morton Valley: Nancey and Jett Lowrance, Jack, Darla, Jakkie and Keeley Lowrance; from Comanche: Carynne Levens, Brandon Levens, Kerri and Michelle Montgomery; from Carbon: Betty and Kenneth Jackson; from Iowa Park: Sue and Glenn Garrett; from Eastland: Pat and Justin Byrd; from Lancaster: Randal, Kay and Quety Byrd; from Eastland: Mike, Brenda, Mandy and Leslie Arther, Chase Griffin, Sharon, Brandy, Lindley and Shelby Carlton.



Jesse Bradford is Angus McCormick in "Far From Home: The Adventures of Yellow Dog." This movie will open at the Majestic Theatre in Eastland on Friday, May 12.

'Far From Home: The Adventures Of Yellow Dog' To Show At Majestic

"Far From Home: The Adventures of Yellow Dog" a Twentieth Century Fox movie, opens at the Majestic Theatre in Eastland on Friday, May 12. It will show at 7:30 nightly through Monday, May 15.

Admission will be \$3.50 at the box office, with balcony seats available at \$5 to per-

sons over 21.

A storm at sea separates him from his father, and fourteen-year-old Angus McCormick is washed ashore in the wilderness of the Pacific Northwest.

Angus has only his wiles and a trusted canine friend to help him survive. The adventures of Angus and his

resourceful dog, and the McCormick's family's struggle to find Angus are the highlights of this story.

Jesse Bradford has the part of Angus McCormick in the film, and a talented cast is assembled to back him up.

"I feel most parents want intelligence and humor in a story, and some lessons in life," states writer-director Phillip Borsos. "And they want values - real values."

"Phillip's characters are very real," says Mimi Rogers, explaining why she was drawn to the role of Katherine McCormick, Angus' mother. "They're human adult figures, not the sort of parental caricatures that you see in a lot of family films."

"The McCormicks are a traditional family," states Jesse Bradford. "They're very close."

After all the two-legged stars were located, there still remained the task of finding the right yellow dog for the movie.

The search for the dog was a three-month undertaking. Over one hundred yellow dogs from all over Canada

and the U.S. were seen, before the filmmakers settled on a Labrador named Dakotah. Four other back-up dogs were selected, including Dakotah's brother.

Most of "Far From Home: The Adventures of Yellow Dog" was filmed amid the spectacular beauty of some of southern British Columbia's most remote provincial parks of Vancouver Island. These are "first growth" forests, which have never been logged. It was a rare opportunity to be allowed to film there, and the footage is stunning.

This scenery, the boy and dog and their story is something the whole family will enjoy.

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As most know by now Leon has been infected by a non-stocked species of fish. The white bass or sand bass has somehow taken a foot hold in Leon. Over the past 3 weeks I have caught a number of these throwing spinnerbaits across wind blown points. Most have been running in the pound and a half range and full of shad.

While these fish are a lot of fun to catch, they multiply quite rapidly and do require a lot of forage. With the small acreage of Leon if these fish do continue to multiply the shad population at Leon will be cut considerably. This will effect the crappie, bass, and catfish if this happens as we have seen at Hubbard Creek and other lakes. I would like to urge everyone to retain your legal limit of Sand Bass at Leon when possible to help keep the numbers from over populating this small impoundment.

A question that is on everyone's lips are: Where and how did the sand bass come to be in Leon?

There are a number of possibilities, but the most talked about is the transportation from another lake that was stocked by the Texas

Parks and Wildlife. If so this is considered to be illegal for any fish to be transported from one impoundment to another. A few of the reasons are: introduction of disease, bad blood lines, cross breeding of species, harmful species. Currently there is a group of anglers in I believe Missouri, which are being fined for illegal transporting spotted bass to a lake that Parks and Wildlife department there had not and did not want in that lake.

Believe me folks, I know I sometimes don't agree with everything the TP&WD do, but overall they are helping our fisheries. Let's let them handle our fisheries and not throw monkey wrenches in the works.

Boating fatalities and accidents in Texas increased in 1994 after a significant decrease

in each category in 1993. Although many boats already are on the water, Memorial Day weekend traditionally launches the recreational boating season in Texas, leading Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials to encourage boaters to practice safe boating techniques this year.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department game wardens reported 56 boating related fatalities - all but one drowning - during calendar year 1994, up from 47 the previous year. Game wardens also reported 164 boating accidents last year, up from the 144 in 1993 but way below the 215 accidents reported in 1992.

The accident total resulted in a reported 126 injuries, up considerably from 93 in 1993. Most of the injuries happened when the victim fell overboard (49) or was hit by the boat or prop (34). Twelve injuries occurred when the subject fell in the boat and 31 were from other causes.

The 164 accidents in 1994 involved 214 vessels compared to 186 vessels involved in 1993's accidents. Collision with another vessel was the most often reported accident with 97. Some others included capsizing (23), collision with a fixed object (19), grounding (13) and sinking (10).

The most common known accident cause was boaters not having a lookout (31). Excess speed was involved in 22 accidents, restricted vision in 19, alcohol use in 14, weather conditions in 14 and faulty equipment in 10.

Class 1 boats, those 16 feet to 26 feet long, were involved in 110 of the 214 vessels damaged. Class A boats, those less than 16 feet, were involved in 74. More than \$521,000 in property damage resulted from the accidents, up slightly from the previous year.

The largest number of accidents occurred while boaters were just cruising around the lake - 92 in 1994 and 86 in 1993. Thirty accidents occurred while fishing. As expected, most accidents occur on the weekend, 63 on

Saturday and 57 on Sunday. The prime time for an accident was from noon to 7 p.m. (124 accidents).

"The most effective thing people can do to prevent accidents is wear PFDs (personal flotation devices)," said Tim Spice, TPWD's boater education coordinator. "These life preservers are mandatory for children under 13. While they are not required for adults, many lives may be saved if all boaters wore them.

Boating can be stressful and studies have shown that exposure to the sun, wind, engine noise, vibration and constant motion can slow reaction time significantly. Boaters also should avoid alcohol, which can double the effects of other stress factors. In addition to having U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation devices on board for each person aboard, boaters also should have a Coast Guard-approved marine fire extinguisher, navigation lights at night and a horn or whistle for boats 16 feet to 26 feet long.

Spice recommends

that boaters and potential boaters take the free boating safety courses offered throughout the state. Graduates get a certificate that may get them a discount on boat insurance, depending on which insurance company they use.

For more information on boater education, call the TPWD toll-free number at 1-800-792-1112, then dial "6" on the first menu and "2" on the second menu. The public also may call (512) 389-4999 for boater education, (512) 389-4800 for general information or (512) 389-4828 for boater registration.

Here is a list of scheduled boater education courses across the state.

* Corpus Christi - June 3, Marguerite McNeil, (512) 949-8708; also, Aug. 12.

* Dallas Sports - June 21, William Eardley, (214) 475-3333.

* Deer Park - June 7, Charles Ashford, (713) 474-7260.

* Duncanville - June 17, Steven Crawford, (214) 780-5070.

* Houston - July 27, Jean Hamilton, (713) 773-2628.

* Kemah - July 1, Charles Ashford, (713) 474-7260.

* Nederland - May 30, Albert Follett, (409) 724-7257.

* Possum Kingdom - June 2, George Cox, (817) 779-2321.

Commodities Distribution

Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. will distribute USDA Commodities in Eastland County at the following locations:

Cisco, 1611 W. Hwy 80, Tuesday, May 16, from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Rising Star, Senior Center, Tuesday, May 16, from 1 to 2 p.m.

Eastland, Senior Center, Wednesday, May 17, from 8 to 10 a.m.

Carbon, Christ Center, Wednesday, May 17, from 11 to 11:30 a.m.

Desdemona, School, Wednesday, May 17, from 12 to 12:30 p.m.

Gorman, Senior Center, Wednesday, May 17, from 1 to 2 p.m.

Ranger, Senior Center,

Thursday, May 18, from 9 to 10 a.m.

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All eligible persons will receive emergency food assistance without regard to race, color, age, national origin, political beliefs, religion, sex or disability.

Shut-ins are encouraged to designate an authorized representative to pick up for them. Volunteers are greatly needed and appreciated to help with this much needed program.

Southwestern Searchers To Meet Thursday, May 11

The Southwestern Searchers will meet Thursday, May 11th at 7 p.m.

Metal Detectorists, Treasure Hunters, Historians and Antiquers are invited to attend. A two part program will be presented. Part I will discuss the history and possible locations of Red Gap, Texas, while Part II will discuss how metal detector users can assist Law Enforcement agencies in crime scene investigations.

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State Capital HIGHLIGHTS
By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
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AUSTIN — A bill allowing Texans to carry handguns passed on a voice vote in the Texas House last week but was rejected by the Texas Senate on a 23-8 vote.

Rejection was based on a provision in the House bill requiring a statewide nonbinding referendum on the issue in November — two months after the bill would take effect.

Sen. John Leedom, R-Dallas, offered a motion to add the referendum provision, appealing to senators to hear the voters of Texas on the issue. "To not let the people express their opinion on this is ridiculous. If you trust the people, let them express themselves," Leedom said.

But the bill's author, Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Beaumont, called Leedom's motion "silly." He said it would be a "cruel hoax" on voters if they rejected the right-to-carry law and then found that their vote did not count. "You do not have arbitrary popular votes on fundamental elements of the U.S. and Texas constitutions," Patterson added.

Senators voted down two other motions to modify the bill: Sen. Mike Moncrief, D-Fort Worth, moved to prohibit the carrying of handguns in hospitals; and Sen. Mario Gallegos, D-Houston,

moved to increase handgun safety training from 15 hours to 30 hours. But Patterson said the cost of extra instruction "makes this a rich man's privilege."

Differences in the House and Senate versions of the measure will have to be hammered out by a joint conference committee.

Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, who is on the conference committee, wants to delay the effective date of the right-to-carry bill until after a referendum is held.

The bill would allow Texans to carry concealed handguns if they obtain a permit which requires that they be a legal resident for six months, at least 21 years old, have no felony conviction, no chemical dependency or mental illness.

A four-year permit would cost \$140.

Bush Signs HIV Test Bill
Gov. Bush last week signed a bill to allow marketing of home-testing kits for the virus that causes AIDS.

If the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approves of the sale of the home-test collection kit, Texans could send a small blood sample to a laboratory and receive confidential results and counseling via a toll-free telephone number.

Other Highlights
• The Texas Senate has approved a bill allowing cities to create special enterprise zones to pay for new sports complexes. The measure was backed by the Dallas Cowboys, Mavericks and Stars, the Houston Oilers and Rockets and the San Antonio Spurs.
• A Senate-passed bill that would allow imprisoned child molesters to undergo voluntary castration was approved 5-2 by the House Corrections Committee. The controversial bill now goes to the full House for debate.
• Approximately 92 percent of the 183,737 high school seniors have passed all sections of the tests (TAAS) required for graduation, Texas Education Commissioner Mike Moses announced. Moses said that's about the same as last year's results.

last week, stricter standards for child-care centers would be further delayed to allow for a new cost-benefit study.

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Moran News

By Mrs. Luke Huskey

Auxiliary Meets

Nine members of the American Legion Auxiliary were present for the regular May meeting on Monday night, May 1st. They with members of the American Legion enjoyed a covered dish supper preceding the meeting.

The president, Elma May Huskey, called the meeting to order and Mary Edwards gave the opening prayer. The pledge to the Flag and the Preamble to the Constitution was repeated by the group.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. The concession report was given. The treasurer's report was given. The flags that had been ordered had arrived.

The unit had reached its quota of 32 members. The District was 91% in members. Their 75th annual convention was announced.

All officers were re-elected for the ensuing year.

The president thanked the members for the bowls and pan that was given to the Legion kitchen.

The Memorial Service scheduled for May 29th, at 9 a.m. at the Moran Cemetery was discussed and plans made. Poppies will be sold on Friday, May 26th. The members will appreciate your contribution to buy a Poppy for Memorial Day. The members will fly the flags on Monday in observance of Memorial Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kays visited with their daughter, Mrs. Craig Dunbar, and family in Fort Worth, last week.

Visiting with Jim Howard over the weekend was his daughter, Mrs. Winnie Padgett and Susie of

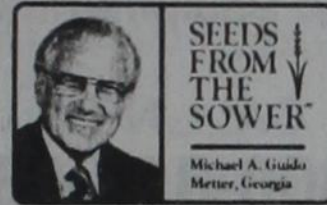
Athens and his son, Bill Howard of Possum Kingdom Lake.

Moran and community has escaped the severe weather conditions, so far. Rain has fallen, and approximately 2 1/2 inches has fallen, which has been very beneficial to the vegetation and grain. The grain was beginning to burn and the grass and weeds were dying from the lack of moisture. Lawn mowers will be used in a few days. More rain would be welcomed, but what has fallen was appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Branham and children of Brownwood visited with his father, Bob Branham, last weekend.

Marvin Kays was re-elected Mayor of Moran in the City Election, Saturday. Joe Clack and Ronald Hallmark were re-elected as council members.

In the Moran Trustee Election, Gary Wilkins, Lisa Schafer and Joyce Bacon were elected as trustees for the Moran School Board.



SEEDS FROM THE SOWER
Michael A. Gaskin
Minister, Georgia

Last week I heard a girl cry, "I wish I were dead!" "Dead?" I replied. "Why, you've never been alive. What you ought to say is, 'I wish I were alive!'"

She, like so many, had turned to the "pick-me-ups" of sex and song, drink and drugs - cheap substitutes for the life the Lord gives. They pick you up only to push you down, and the only thing that remains is a habit, an addiction, unbreakable habits.

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The William Columbus McCleskey Family, about 1900, Earth County, Texas. Front row (left to right): Jim Cornelius, Percy Cornelius, Celia Ulmer (McCleskey) Cornelius, Hester (Cornelius) Perkins Fox, William Columbus McCleskey, Velma (Robbins) Norway, Dorothy Jane (Dulin) McCleskey, Tressie (Robbins) Dawkins, Everenthus Robbins, Grace (Robbins) Alexander, Rado (McCleskey) Robbins, Artie L. Robbins (baby), Mitt McCleskey, Opal (McCleskey) Mulloy, Elizabeth "Lizzie" (Medows) McCleskey, and Sidney Louise (McCleskey) Booker. Back row: Tura (McCleskey) Hancock, Essie (McCleskey) Bostain, Clint Robbins, Schubert Robbins, Brilla (McCleskey) Robbins, Timmie (McCleskey) Rogers, Johnnie (McCleskey) Fewell.

McCleskey Family Hold Reunion

A McCleskey family reunion will be held in Dublin, Saturday July 1, 1995, at the First United Methodist Church Family Life Center Building, starting at 10:00 a.m. You are asked to bring any family histories and

photographs you might have which could enrich our knowledge of the family. To be included in the catered lunch please call 817-939-0646 or write McCleskey Reunion, 2202 N. E. Street, Belton, Texas 76513. We need to hear from

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This reunion is held primarily for the descendants of William Columbus "W.C." McCleskey, second son of David Melton and Mary Thirza "Polly" (Ulmer) McCleskey,

who was born June 9, 1846 in Hall County, Georgia. He enlisted in the Civil War on August 20, 1863 at the age of seventeen, and served in Company F of the 8th Alabama Calvary, Clanton's Brigade under Captain Sam Henry Combes. W.C. married Dorothy Jane Dulin, August 30, 1866 in Marshall County, Alabama. They moved to Earth County in 1885 and

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Obituaries

Jim Frank Fleming

CISCO- Jim Frank Fleming, 66, died Saturday, May 6, 1995 at an Eastland nursing home. Services were at 2 p.m. Monday, May 8, 1995 at Kimbrough Funeral Home Chapel, Revs. Carl Begley and Bob Ferguson officiated. Burial was in the Oakwood Cemetery. He was born in Stanton and was a heavy equipment operator, a Methodist and an Army veteran of the Korean Conflict. He married Velma Crowder in 1952 in Cisco. Survivors include his

wife, Velma of Cisco; three sons, Randy Fleming of Abilene, Franky Fleming of Baird and Ricky Fleming of Moberly, MO.; two daughters, Kathy Justice of Cisco and Darlene Ritchie of Russellville, Ark.; his mother, Bama Fleming of Cisco; three brothers, L. J. Fleming of Brownwood, Alton Fleming of Clyde and Morgan Fleming of Cisco; three sisters, Millie Fleming and Billie Fleming, both of Cisco; and Patty Killough of Waco; and 14 grandchildren.

Neva Ann White

EASTLAND- Neva Ann White, 74, died Friday, May 5, 1995 at Eastland Memorial Hospital. Services were at 2 p.m. Monday, May 8, 1995 at Edwards Funeral Home Chapel, Larry Roberts officiated. Burial was in the Alameda Cemetery. Mrs. White was born August 11, 1920 in Jackson Parish, Louisiana to Marshel and Susie (Swafford) Caudle. She moved to the Eastland area at an early age where she met and married O.T. White. He preceded her in death, April 14, 1993. Survivors include two sons, Odie White of Duncanville and Thomas White of Saginaw; four daughters, Patsy Alexander, Kay Straw, and Sue Williamson, all of Eastland, and Barbara

Hill of Fort Worth; four brothers, Raymond Caudle Arlington, Bob Caudle of Iowa Park, Bill Caudle of Loving, and Lester Caudle of Joshua; 23 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Cisco Funeral Home Merges With Bill Wilcox

Mrs. Armo Chambers and son Bural, owners and operators of Cisco Funeral Home, announce their recent merger with former Cisco native Bill B. (Butch) Wilcox. Armo Chambers, the firm's founder, operated the Funeral Home until his death in 1983. Since then Mrs. DeAlva Chambers and son Bural have continued serving the families of Cisco and Eastland County. Mrs. Chambers and Bural will continue to operate the business in conjunction with the new ownership. The son of the late Faye and G.W. Wilcox, Bill Wilcox is a 1960 graduate of Cisco High School, attended Cisco Jr. College and completed his Mortuary Science studies in 1962. He currently operates funeral homes in Burnet and other Central Texas communities. Complete renovation of the Cisco facility will begin immediately to include all new furniture, fixtures, carpet, landscaping and paved parking. The name of the firm will be changed to Chambers-Wilcox Funeral Home. All pre-arranged services and insurance will be honored at full value. "We

City Commissioners Of Eastland To Meet Friday

Notice is hereby given that a Called meeting of the Governing Body of the above named City or town will be held on the 12th day of May, 1995, at 11:30 a.m., at the Eastland City Hall in Eastland, Texas, at which time the following subjects will be discussed, to wit:

Item 1. Meeting Called To Order.

Item 2. Canvass the Results of the City Officers Election.

Item 3. Swearing in of New Commissioners - Judge Bailey.

Item 4. Appointment of Officers:

A. Chairman of the City Commission

B. Chairman Pro Tem of the City Commission

C. Treasurer

D. Assistant Treasurer

Item 5. Discussion of New City Directory - Gina Simon will be at the meeting on Monday.

Item 6. Discussing of Burning permits for dilapidated structures,

burned out shells, and other condemned buildings.

Item 7. Discussion regarding the Sale of a 25' x 100' tract on North Lamar.

Item 8. Discussion regarding application process to improve the water distribution system through the Rural Economic and Community Development Agency (RECD) / formerly the Farmers Home Administration.

Item 9. Discussion regarding partial payment request for improvements to the collection system and wastewater treatment plant.

A. Keystone Construction - 15th request.

B. Jacob & Martin - 13th request.

Item 10. Other business.

Item 11. Adjournment. Eastland, Texas By: Susie Quinn City Secretary

Catherine Thomas To Participate In British Studies Program In London



CATHERINE THOMAS Catherine Thomas, of Eastland, has been accepted to participate in the British Studies Program at the University of London, July 12 through August 14th. She will be studying British Housing and Interiors. The course includes lectures by distinguished

British professionals, seminars and supervised research at the Victoria and Albert Museum libraries and archives. Field trips to stately homes, palaces, museums, galleries, exhibitions, design centers, auction houses, and factories supplement class study. Catherine will participate in day trips to Canterbury/Dover, Stonehenge and Winchester; and she will participate in a five day tour of Scotland before returning home. A sophomore at Texas Tech University, Catherine earned a 4.0 for the fall semester. Her major is Interior Design with Art History as her minor. She is a recipient of a Human Sciences Department Academic Scholarship. She is active in the American Society of Interior Designers chapter at

TTU, and is treasurer for the Horn-Knapp Dormitory complex. She has volunteered with the AIDS hospice to restore a Lubbock home for AIDS patients. She volunteers weekly at Buckner's Children's Home and assist with abused and neglected children. Catherine is the daughter of Tommy and Janet Thomas, of Eastland.

Pleasant Hill FCE Club Meeting Notice

The Pleasant Hill Club will have their regular meeting on Thursday, May 11th at 2 p.m. in the home of Allene Smith in Cisco. The program will be "The Power of Positive Thinking." Janet Thomas will present the program. All members are urged to attend. We will be planning the dinner for the Christmas in May Workers at this meeting. Visitors are always welcome.

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Curley - Pope

Joann Curley and Shane Pope were united in marriage, Saturday, April 15, 1995 in Amarillo, with the Honorable Gary Bourland of Refugio, uncle of the groom officiating. Vows were exchanged before a lighted fountain in the natural garden setting of the Ramada Inn Atrium. White columns topped with cherubs and double heart-shaped candelabra graced with spring flowers and satin bows flanked the fountain. Balloon bouquets of navy and cranberry tied with satin bows completed the setting.

Joann is the daughter of Delores Curley of Panhandle and Bryan Burley of Florida and the granddaughter of Dorothy

Graves and Bonnie Curley of Amarillo. Shane is the son of Jim and Peggy Pope of Cisco. He is the grandson of J.C. and Margaret Bourland of Hale Center and Zephra Pope of Abernathy and the late J.W. Pope, Sr., and the great-grandson of Mrs. J.O. Robertson of Lubbock.

Susanne Fleenor, cousin of the groom of Amarillo, played organ and string selections on the keyboard. Trina Gahagan of Claude sang "Only God Could Love You More" and as the bride and groom lit the unity

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candle, Jimmy Compton, cousin of the bride of Amarillo sang, "Forever Is As Far As I'll Go." After being pronounced man and wife, Phil Day, uncle of the groom of Amarillo honored the couple with a prayer of dedication.

Candles were lit by Madison Pope, niece of the groom of Crane, who wore a dress identical to the brides, matron, and Clint Graves, cousin of the bride of Amarillo, attired in a black tuxedo.

The bride carried an arm bouquet of long stemmed spring flowers and greenery as she descended from the third floor in a glass elevator to take the arm of her uncle, Randy Graves of Houston, who escorted her down the aisle. Upon being given in marriage by her parents, the groom turned to his bride and surprised her by singing "Keeper of the Stars." The bride chose for her wedding day, an elegant mermaid style gown of white slipper satin graced with motifs of lace embellished with beads, pearls and sequins featuring a sweetheart neckline and long puffed sleeves fitted at the wrists. A cathedral-length train extended from a low back bow and to complete her ensemble she wore a veil of illusion which fell from a bow accented with sprays of pearls.

Tammy Hooten of Amarillo, served her sister as maid of honor and was attired in a dropped waist satin gown featuring a navy bodice, full puffed short sleeves and sweetheart neckline which attached to a full ivory skirt that scooped to

the ankles in back and featured an ivory bow at the hip. Brides matron, Sandy Hudson, cousin of the bride of Amarillo, was attired in an identically styled gown with a cranberry bodice. Chelsea Hooten, niece of the bride of Panhandle was flower girl and wore a dress of white chaffon, decorated with lace, pearls and sequins which complimented the brides gown.

Bryson Carter served his uncle as ring bearer. They were dressed in identical black moon glow tuxedos featuring a broken blue and black stripe, cut-away jacket with tails and matching vest.

Kevin Pope of Crane, served his brother as best man and groomsman was Wilkes Stevnes of Canyon. Ushers were Tim Graves, uncle of the bride of Amarillo and Nathan Stevens of Canyon, a player on AAU basketball teams coached by the groom, who introduced the bride and groom. Groomsmen and ushers work black tuxedos and cummerbunds.

Distributing packets of birdseed were Ashton Pope, niece of the groom, attired in a gown matching the maid of honor and Quin Carter, nephew of the groom of Lubbock,

wearing a black tuxedo. Ashton carried a basket of ivory satin and lace and Quin carried a basket fashioned from a half basketball of ivory decorated with navy and cranberry satin.

A reception following the ceremony was held in an area surrounding the fountain. On the bride's table was a red velvet heart-shaped tiered cake featuring a flowing fountain with spring flowers cascading down spiraling stairways extending to satellite cakes. Also gracing the table were Snoopy dolls dressed in wedding attire. The groom's table held a chocolate cake in the shape of a basketball player featuring jersey #15 to signify the wedding date and a half ivory basketball with an arrangement of tulips. Presiding at the tables were Amy Stevens, Aundrea

Burrows, Sarah Trosper, Missy Jones, Jeffrey Kelley and Brad Jones, all members of AAU basketball teams coached by the groom.

The couple left the reception for a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, dressed in their wedding attire. As they entered a white limousine, dozens of navy and cranberry balloons were released through the sunroof.

The bride who graduated from West Texas Christian High School in 1989 is employed by Roche Biomedical Labs in Amarillo. She attended W.T. A & M and Amarillo College.

The groom is a 1988 graduate of Quanah High School and is employed by the Texas Department of Transportation in Canyon. He attended West Texas A & M.

ENGAGEMENT



Davies - Holt

Harold and Alura Davies of Early, Texas, announce the engagement of their daughter, Meredith, to Drex Holt, son of Anthony and Johnna Latino of Brownwood, Texas and Rex and Betty Holt of Irving, Texas.

Meredith is the granddaughter of Marvis Thames of Cisco, Texas

and the late R.B. Thames and of Jewel Davies of Cisco and the late Harold L. Davies.

Drex is the grandson of Oscar and Faye Jarvis of Brownwood and the late Brooks Dozier.

The wedding ceremony will take place on May 20, 1995, at the home of Anthony and Johnna Latino.

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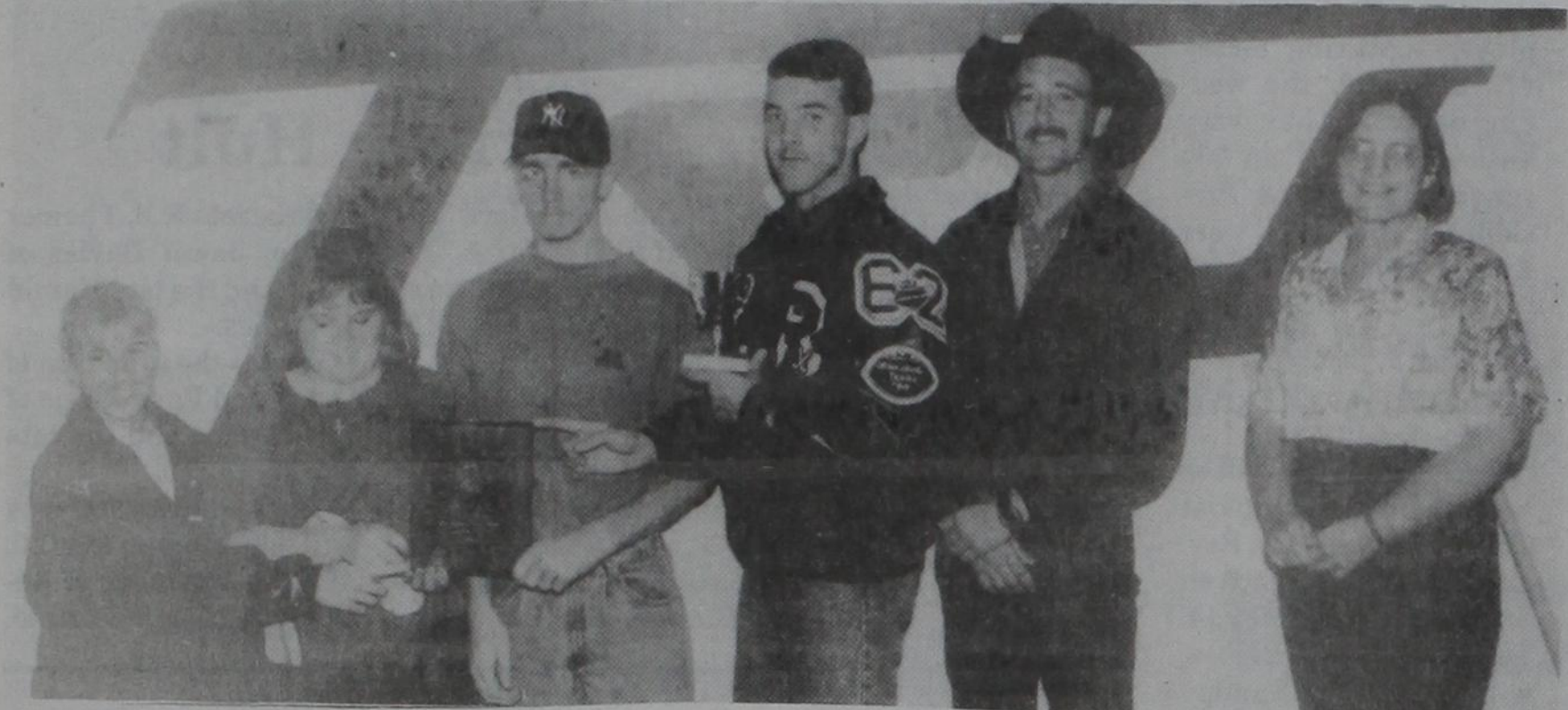
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LAND-The Future Farmers of America Land judging team from Ranger High School placed second in the FFA Area IV contests held recently at Tarleton State University. Members of the team included (second from left) Jay Speer, Shay Hudson (fifth high individual), Josh West (seventh high individual), Cody Fox (second high individual) and sponsor Rick Cunningham. At far left is Dr. Joe Cadle of Tarleton's Department of Animal Sciences. (TSU News Service photo).



DAIRY FOODS-The Future Farmers of America Dairy Foods judging team from Ranger High School placed third in the FFA Area IV contests held recently at Tarleton State University. Members of the team included Honey Waddle (ninth high individual), Lynsey Cunningham, Justin Owens, Jay Jordan (third high individual) and sponsor Tom Arnold. At right is Connie Fox, a faculty member in Tarleton's Department of Agronomy, Horticulture and Agricultural Economics. (TSU News Service photo).



RANGER & PASTURE-The Future Farmers of America Range and Pasture judging team from Ranger High School placed third in the FFA Area IV contests held recently at Tarleton State University. Members of the team included (second from left) Jodi Thomas, Beth Glidewell, Jennifer Copeland, Mandy Cunningham (fourth high individual) and sponsor Rick Cunningham. At far left is Dr. Randy Rossier, a faculty member in Tarleton's Department of Agronomy, Horticulture and Agricultural Economics. (TSU News Service Photo).

Ranger Fire And EMS Calls

Fire
April 30-Responded to a report of an MVA at the 356 milemarker eastbound. Assisted with traffic control. One injury.

May 1-Responded to a report of a grassfire by the 352 mile marker. Fire Extinguished by units responding.

Total Fire Calls To Date-Fifty Four.

EMS
April 27-Transported an 83 yr. old female from Western Manor Nursing Home to Eastland Hospital. Seen for N-G tube complications.

April 28-Responded to a report of an MVA at a residence on loop 254 East. No transport.

April 28-Responded to a report of an MVA on highway 16 northbound. No injuries, no transports.

April 29-Responded to a report of possible medical emergency at a residence on loop 254 East. No transport.

April 29-Responded to a report of an MVA at the intersection next to Ranger First Stop. No injuries, no transports.

April 29-Treated one male patient at the Rodeo Arena for a sprained ankle. No transport.

April 30-Responded to a report of an MVA at the 356 mile merker, eastbound. Transported one male patient to Eastland Hospital for minor injuries.

April 30-Same MVA as previous call. One female subject, no injuries and no transport.

May 2-Responded to a residence on North Marston for a possible medical emergency. Female refused transport. No Transport.

May 2-Responded to a medical emergency at a residence on Caddo Hwy. Transported an 84 yr. old female to Eastland for chest pains.

May 2-Responded to

a possible medical emergency at the police dept. No transport.

May 3-Responded for a medical emergency at a residence on Walnut Street. Transported a 72 yr. old female to Eastland Hospital for chest pains and difficulty breathing.

May 3- Transported a 72 yr. old female from Eastland Hospital to Abilene Regional Medical Center.

May 3-Responded to the Gholson Hote Apts. for a possible medical

emergency, no transport by ambulance. Female patient taken by private vehicle to Dr. office.

May 4-Responded to Western Manor Nursing Home for a medical emergency. Transported an 81 yr. old male to Eastland Hospital for a possible CVA.

Total EMS Calls To Date: One Hundred Eight-Four.

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Ranger OurDoor Gospel Concert May 12th 8 p.m.

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