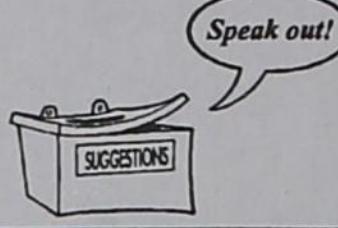


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waiting to prove you wrong.
At least, I think I heard David emphasize the word "once."
Here's one way the great American journalism profession polices itself. When a journalist sees a humorous goof in a headline or story, he/she sends it to the *American Journalism Review* magazine, which runs a collection of them each month under the heading, "Take 2," for all to see. Here are the most recent ones:

- No Way**
Poll says that 53% believe media often make mistakes
(*San Diego Union-Tribune*)
- Imagine That**
Money-laundering started without federal OK
(*Over a Miami Herald article about an undercover currency exchange that was started without legal approval*)
- Just How Big Is It?**
New drug promises to be bigger than Viagra
(*Albuquerque Journal*)
- Welcome to the Jungle**
Guns 'n' Moses as NRA votes to make Heston boss
(*New York Post*)
- Ya Think?**
Increased arrests result of rise in law violations
(*Rhineland, Wis., Daily News*)
- What Ever Happened to Political Correctness?**
Lewinsky granted broad immunity
(*Boston Globe*)
Lewinsky gets broad immunity
(*Fort Lauderdale's Sun-Sentinel*)

Letter 'Pray for each other and for our country'

Dear Editor:
In Max Lucado's Inspirational Study Bible—A New Century Version—in the Book of Ephesians, Chapter 5:11-12, Paul writes a message that I feel is appropriate for us today.
He says, "Have nothing to do with the things done in darkness, which are not worth anything. But show that they are wrong. It is shameful even to talk about what those people do in secret." (Read this in every translation that you have!)
I'm ashamed that we have to expose the innocent to the darkness of the deeds done in secret, but the scripture does say that the wrong should be exposed. Our country does

assure, or guarantee, that we are innocent until proven guilty. Thus, the need that the proof of guilt be exposed.
It matters not that evil, immorality and deception have always been practiced or that other countries accept it. Acceptance of these things is not the will of the God we claim to love. "In God's will" is where we, as Christians, want to forever be.
I know that today's news repulses you as it does me. I beg you to pray for each other and our country that moral stability, decency, honor and JOY may be restored.
In His name and with His love,
SHIRLEY WISE

Anger doesn't have to hurt



By RON TRUSLER
Executive Director
Central Plains Center

Everybody gets angry in some form or other. Some of us handle it right and some of us do and say stupid things when we are angry. Stupid things to do when you are angry are like hitting or shoving others or saying hurtful things. Hopefully, after we have messed up we want to do differently next time. The problem is that angry behavior can get some people what they want. They can throw a temper fit and get others to give in to them, so they just keep doing it because it works. However, if you are tired of hurting others and are interested in controlling your anger, try the following:
1. Be willing to admit you are angry. Anger is an emotion just like crying, fear, depression, etc. we are created to have emotion. It helps us cope with things that occur in our lives. You may not be willing to admit your anger because you think it is bad to feel that way. It's the bad things we do or say when we are angry that are wrong, not the anger itself.
2. Learn to be aware of your own anger. It's not easy to identify when you are getting angry. If you have someone you can trust to honestly help you, ask them to tell you when they know you are getting angry. You may recognize your muscles tensing up in some way or feel your face flush. My wife and others who know me pretty well, can see it in my face

and my movements. Most of the time I am not yet aware of it.
3. Develop a "Plan of Action" to take when anger increases too much. Set this up before you get angry, while you are thinking clearly. Write down specifically what you will do, where you will go or who you will call when your anger is showing signs of being hurtful to others. Think it through. Now, I know when you are angry you will not get out of your little "Plan of Action" and read it out loud to know what to do. However, you will be more apt to follow it because you worked on it when you were thinking more clearly. It will be more imbedded in your mind.
4. Take "Time-Outs." If you have the tendency to be hurtful to others when angry, do this for sure.
◆ When you notice you are too angry, say, "I am getting angry. I need to take a time-out." that's right, say it out loud.
◆ Leave for at least 30 minutes.
◆ Go for a walk. DO NOT GO FOR A DRIVE! There are too many mad drivers on the road now.
◆ Come back when you said you would. Be on time. This shows control and dependability.
◆ If you are still too angry to be productive, postpone again.
One of the best antidotes for anger is talking to someone you trust. Someone who will let you express whatever you feel without giving you a bunch of "shoulds" and "do's" and "don'ts."
Anger can be used for good. It can be an inner drive for doing worthwhile things. Please don't hurt others when you are angry. Thank you.
Ron Trusler is executive director of Central Plains MHMR/SA. He can be reached at (806) 293-2636.

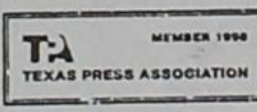
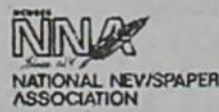
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No Pun Intended
Starvation Brings N. Korea to the Table
(*St. Louis Post-Dispatch*)

Just Say No (continued):
While Verbie and I were having our weekly Saturday-morning phone chat with our daughter Connie in Atlanta, she mentioned that she and the girls all had the sniffles.
"Just give them a teaspoon of apple cider vinegar and a teaspoon of honey mixed in half a glass of water every morning," I told her. "Just like I gave you when you were a girl, remember?"
"Sure, Dad," she said. "Do you know how much therapy it took for me to get over that?"

Letter Reader questions Sargent cartoon

Dear Editor:
This is somewhat belated; however, I still want to take issue with Ben Sargent's "cartoon" in your paper on July 23, 1998.
The Texas State Board of Education apparently had an informed mind and heart when they voted to divest more than \$43 million in Disney stock.
Taking a big profit, they reinvested in other companies. According to recent information from David Bradley, a State Board of Education member from Beaumont, these companies are unfortunately fluctuating with the stock market; however, losing only about 10% in comparison with the 30% drop in Disney's "world."
So now, Ben Sargent, "Who's goofy?"
Sincerely,
AURELIA SCHOENENBERGER

Speak out!

Do you have an opinion about any of the articles on these pages, or about any of the things happening in our local, state or national government? Write and tell us about it. (*Castro County News*, P.O. Box 67, Dimmitt 79027.)
And if it's an issue that needs the attention of our legislators, here is a list of where you can write or call some of them as well: (Contact us for a more complete listing.)

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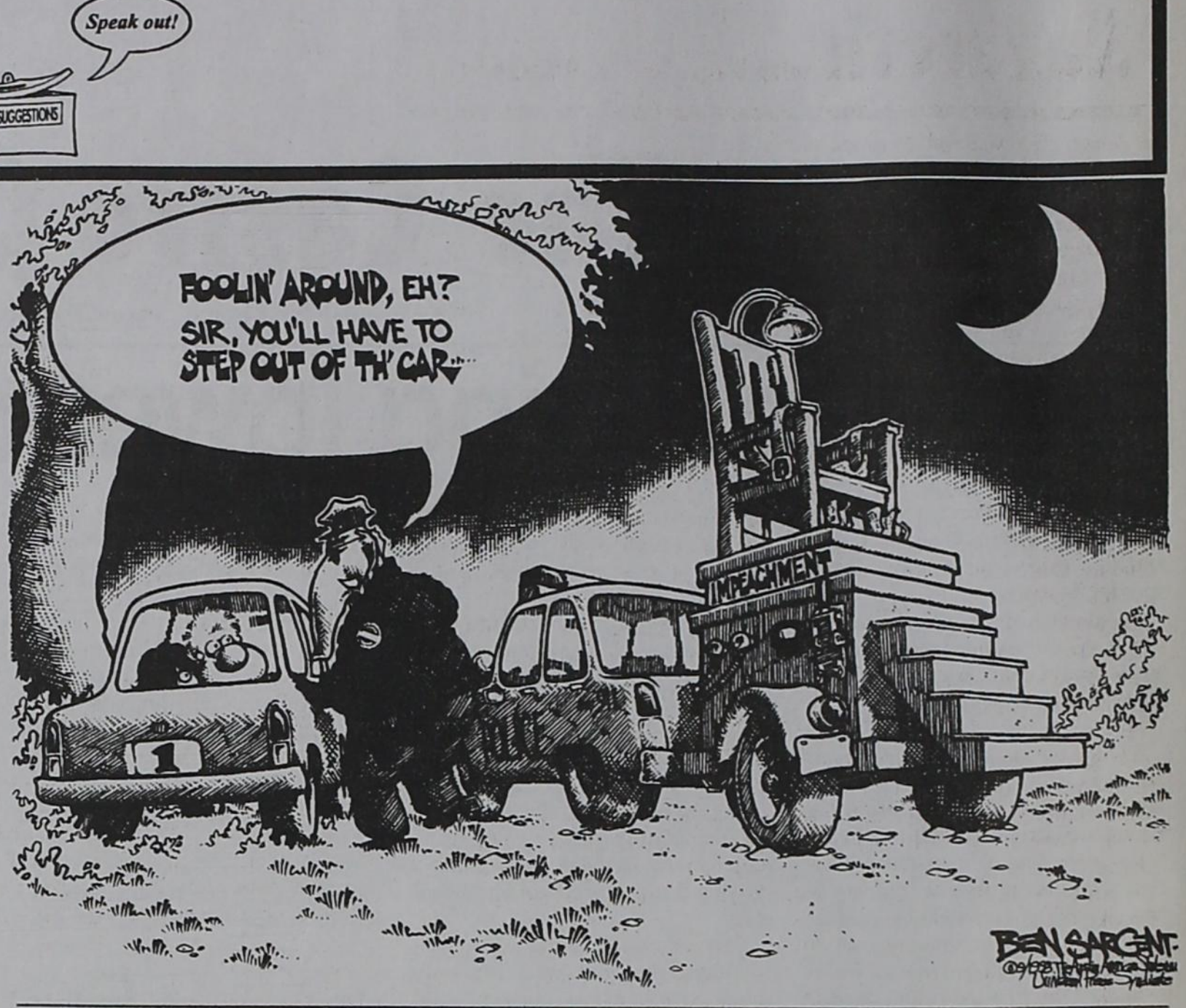
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Last Puzzle Solution

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State Capital

HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — "Increasingly minority" and "increasingly poor" are adjectives the Texas Education Agency used in its report released last week describing Texas' public school population.
Minority and poor students also are increasingly moving out of urban, inner-city schools and into predominantly white suburban school districts, the report showed.
"That really caught our eye," agency spokeswoman Debbie Graves Ratcliffe told the *Austin American-Statesman*.
"I think it may be that more minorities are entering the middle class and following the middle class to the suburbs."
During the 1997-98 school year, the number of minority (African American, Hispanic and Asian) students made up 55 percent of the 3.9 million Texas public school students, the eighth consecutive year minorities comprised 50 percent or more of all public school students.
The number of minority school students also is growing at a rate eight times faster than that for white students, the report said.
But the growth rate that stands out the most in Texas is that of economically disadvantaged students, which at 65 percent is the most of any population group

tracked in the report.
Economically disadvantaged students now account for 48 percent of all Texas public school students, compared to 35 percent in 1987-88.
Students are classified as economically disadvantaged if they are eligible for U.S. Department of Agriculture meal programs offered at schools, through which children from low-income families receive free or low-cost breakfasts and lunches.
Bomer OKs Code Changes
Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer has adopted, on an emergency basis, a citizen advisory committee's recommended changes in the state's new coastal building code for windstorm resistant construction.
Without Bomer's emergency action, changes in the code likely would take 60 to 90 days because of public notice and public hearing requirements.
Bomer said he planned to follow those requirements and consider permanent adoption of code changes that would:
◆ Increase eave-to-eave roof span of one and two-story buildings from 36 to 48 feet.
◆ Allow builders to connect building components, such as wall studs, top plates and sole plates with plywood sheathing, appropriately nailed to assure resistance to uplift from hurricane-force winds.
◆ Add new provisions giving builders guidance on the design of recessed front entries.
New homes built to the new code will qualify for Texas Windstorm Insurance Association wind and hail insurance premium discounts to be set by Bomer.
Agencies Issue Lens Alert
Four state agencies last week issued a joint warning about possible health risks associated with medically unsupervised use of cosmetic contact lenses.

After receiving about a dozen reports of eye infections and injuries, the Texas Department of Health, Texas State Board of Medical Examiners, Texas Optometry Board and Texas attorney general said risks of using unprescribed lenses include bacterial infection, allergic reaction to the lens coating, insufficient oxygen to the cornea, abrasions and corneal ulcers.
The colored and patterned non-corrective fashion lenses, frequently sold by businesses unlicensed to distribute them or through classified advertising in school newspapers and free community publications, often are targeted to junior high and high school students.
Also, the Texas Department of Health said, the sharing or trading of contact lenses can cause serious viral or bacterial infections.
Other Capital Highlights
◆ With the voluntary assistance of Texas newspaper publishers, Texas Secretary of State Alberto Gonzales is conducting an essay contest in which school children will write on the topic, "Why My Parents Should Vote." Winning entries will be published in newspapers and displayed at the state Capitol. On Sept. 8, Gonzales certified the ballot for the Nov. 3 general election.
◆ The Texas Department of Insurance reports that the state's 20 biggest automobile insurers are charging just 2.7 percent more than insurance department benchmarks established to keep rates reasonable. State law permits insurance companies to charge rates 30 percent higher or lower than a benchmark the state considers reasonable.
◆ Over a 78-hour Labor Day weekend reporting period, traffic accidents on Texas roads claimed the lives of 29 people, the Department of Public Safety reported.

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ACROSS

- a replica of this Columbus ship sailed to TX in '92
- source of cheap oil: United Emirates
- TXism: "spends his ___ looking for shade" (lazy)
- pre-owned pickup
- TX George Strait's "Marina Del ___"
- TXism: "___ squirrel up a tree"
- TX Vikki Carr '89 release: "___ Hombres"
- Spaniard who mapped much of TX: ___ Leon
- TXism: "gets ___ with the chickens"
- Valley pheasant: chacha ___
- Buchanan ___
- Fort Worth Zoo has huge condor vulture
- Cowboy Casillas' horse racing bus: ___ Farms
- TX singer Roy (int.)
- El Paso mountain: Sierra de ___ Rey
- TX performers go on this
- Stephenville is seat of this county
- Johan's last name in the mysterious Boerne Bible
- TXism: "happy as a small dog ___ big bone"
- founder of TX Belo media co.: Alfred ___ Belo
- TXism: "___ have to get better to die" (sick)
- TXism: "want it so ___ could spit"
- monthly lodging expense
- TXism: "out ___ killer"
- type of saw
- TX Cassidy was Addams Family "Lurch"
- TXism: "___ dice"
- Aggie Leonard who won Cong. Medal of Honor
- support for 50-across
- Lynch of the Dixie Chicks
- NASA astronaut Armstrong
- cow owners group (abbr.)
- internet provider (abbr.)
- TXism: "he's all beer and no ___"
- Exxon forerunner
- TXism: "quick ___ York minute"
- TXism: "___ tight he squeaks when he walks"
- TXism: "it don't ___ up"
- saloon receptacles
- yearly event for environmentalists
- Sonora is a leading wool & ___ ctr.
- car cooling (abbr.)
- TX pro strike-out king (int.)
- chili is state ___
- social companion
- TXism: "___ loop roper" (bad)
- TXism: "every ___ then"
- TX Charley Pride's "Where ___ Put Her Memory?"
- TXism: "can't hunt with an empty ___"
- Terrill newspaper
- TX story (2 wds.)
- TX-sized communications co. (abbr.)
- small state with a big rooster (abbr.)
- publisher's opinion
- baby horse
- in the country
- Gov. (1942-46) Stevenson (init.)
- TXism for "want to" near El Paso: ___ Mountains

People



MR. AND MRS. M.B. ODOM

Odoms celebrate 60th wedding anniversary

M.B. and Lucille Odom celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Wednesday with family members.

M.B. married the former Lucille Thompson on Sept. 23, 1938, on a farm near Chickasha, Okla. They moved to Dimmitt in 1941, where M.B. was engaged in farming until his retirement in 1985. Lucille was a cafeteria worker in the Dimmitt

school system for 20 years.

Children of the couple and their spouses are Bruce and Helen Odom of Lyman, Wyo., Kenneth and Judy Odom of El Paso, Sharon and Lynn Cox of Lazbuddie, Larry and Sandy Odom of San Angelo, and Mike and Cindy Odom of Dimmitt.

The couple have 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Brutons make home in Flagg

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Dan Bruton are home in Flagg after enjoying a wedding trip to Cripple Creek, Colo.

The couple exchanged wedding vows in a double-ring ceremony on Aug. 1 at First Baptist Church in Quitaque with Ed Norris of Silverton officiating.

The bride is the former Krisse Shahnice Pigg, daughter of Clayton and Donna Pigg of Quitaque.

The front of the church was decorated with candelabra accented with greenery and tulle and baskets of tiger lilies, greenery and roses. Pews were marked with greenery and roses.

Larue Garvin, organist, performed the couple's musical selections including *Canon in D* and *The Wedding March*. Soloists Lori Tubbs and Kate Skutstead sang *Valentine*.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a sleeveless corset top dress designed with a full tulle skirt. She wore a pillbox hat-like fingertip veil.

She carried a bouquet of gardenias, ivy and tulle.

"Something new" was her wedding dress. For "something old and borrowed," the bride wore her grandmother's pinkie ring. "Something blue" was her garter.

Maid of honor was Mandy Pigg of Quitaque, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids included Heather Blount of Lubbock, Tracy Guest and Joni Hancock of Turkey and Julie Ross of Quitaque, friends of the bride; and Rhiana McNamara of Lubbock, cousin of the bride.

The bridal attendants' fuchsia dresses were designed with a scoop

neckline, empire waistline and were tea-length. Each attendant carried an arrangement of tiger lilies, soft yellow roses and other summer flowers.

Best man was Jimmy Patterson of Amarillo, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Ben Scott Jr. of Dimmitt, Slaven Sparks of Santos, Britt Boozer of Fort Worth and Chad Davis of Lubbock, friends of the groom; and Ben Pigg of Quitaque, brother of the bride.

Ring bearer was Blake Pigg of Quitaque, brother of the bride. Flower girl was Brandi Davis of Amarillo, the bride's cousin.

Candle lighters were Jamie Pigg and Mary E. Pigg, both of Quitaque, cousins of the bride.

Guests were seated by Monte Moore of Kress, friend of the groom; J.C. Pigg of Quitaque, brother of the bride; and Jarret Pigg of Turkey, cousin of the bride.

After the wedding, a formal receiving line was formed and a reception was held at the church's Fellowship Hall. Then the bride's parents hosted a reception for the couple at their home. Guests enjoyed brisket, catfish, calf fries, barbecued goat and all the trimmings for the meal, which was catered by the Sportsman Restaurant in Quitaque.

The bride wore an off-white and gold shift dress with a matching jacket for her traveling attire.

The bride is a junior at West Texas A&M University, majoring in elementary education.

The groom is a graduate of Texas Tech University and he holds a degree in animal science. He farms and ranches.



MR. AND MRS. KEVIN DAN BRUTON
... She's the former Krisse Shahnice Pigg

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Book's 'Green Chili Enchilada' dish judged best in beef event

Susan Book's "Green Chili Enchiladas" tempted the tastebuds of five judges and it earned her a \$75 beef gift certificate recently.

Book entered her recipe in the Ground Beef Cooking Contest, held Sept. 12 in conjunction with the Harvest Days celebration.

As winner of the local event, Book earned the right to represent Castro County and enter her dish in the Tri-State Fair Ground Beef Recipe Contest in Amarillo this week.

"Beef production is the top income producer in Castro County. We wanted to show our appreciation to all the people involved in the beef industry," said Marilyn Neal, Castro

County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences.

Ten county women entered their favorite ground beef dishes in the contest.

Mattie Seale's "Meat Balls with Sweet and Sour Sauce" were judged second and she received a \$50 gift certificate.

Carla Schilling cleaned up with third place with her "Ground Beef and Wild Rice Casserole".

Other participants and the dishes they entered were Mary Edna Hendrix, "Mexican Casserole"; Ferne Jones, "Enchilada Casserole"; Bertha Klein, "Soft Tacos"; Janet McDaniel, "Green Chili"; Denise Schilling, "Grandma's Goulash"; Kay Stevens, "Green Chili Stew"; and Lequetta West, "Spanish Goop."

Additional \$25 gift certificates were presented to Ann Henderson and Darla Stewart after a drawing of the Cow Patty Bingo entrants.

This year's contest was sponsored by Rafter 3 Feedyard, A2 Cattle Feeding, Seven X Feedyard and Terry Hill. Educational materials were provided by the Texas Beef Council.

Fashion Follies slated Sunday at Lubbock fair

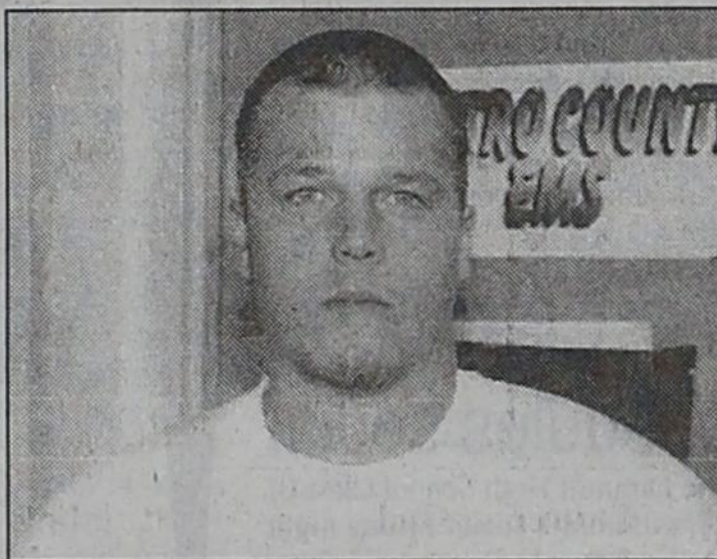
The District II 4-H Fashion Follies will be held Sunday at the South Plains Fair.

If you plan to enter something you have constructed within the past year, you must enter it in the Castro County Fair.

After the county fair, Castro County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal will take the items to Lubbock for inclusion in the South Plains Fair.



SIDNEY JOINER
New Manager of the DME Store



MIKE ELLISON
New Director of Emergency Medical Services

May We Introduce . . .

The Hospital District has two new department heads whom we want to introduce to you.

Sidney Joiner started her new job as the manager of the D.M.E. Store this week.

The store is located in the east end of the Medical Center of Dimmitt building on West Jones Street.

"D.M.E." stands for "Durable Medical Equipment," and that's just what the store sells, rents and services—such things as wheelchairs, hospital beds, canes, lift chairs, crutches, commode chairs, bathroom safety products, oxygen bottles and carts, and other types of specialized equipment for personal and home use.

Before the store opened, local people had to depend on out-of-town suppliers for this type of equipment.

"I'm excited," Sidney said. "I know we're small and just starting, but we want to continue with the foundation that has been laid. I hope to meet more people and to make more people aware of our services."

Sidney is the wife (since May 1) of Cory Joiner, a Dimmitt native who is an accountant with the firm of Doug Proffitt, C.P.A.

She grew up on a farm near Wildorado and attended Vega schools. She earned a BA degree in criminal justice from WTA&M in 1993.

For the last two years, she has been working with the Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo.

Sidney has two daughters, Jennie Crow, 14,

and Autumn Crow, 9. The girls' father is deceased.

Mike Ellison is the new director of Emergency Medical Services.

He came back home to take the job here. He previously worked as a flight paramedic in Amarillo and a shift supervisor for the EMS in Dumas.

Mike is based in Plains Memorial Hospital, and heads a department that includes 11 paramedics and 11 emergency medical technicians.

Mike himself is both an EMT and a paramedic, and soon will also be a Registered Nurse. He is scheduled to complete his R.N. training in December through the Amarillo College program.

The son of Zane and Carol Ellison, Mike graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1993. He attended WTA&M and Amarillo College, receiving an associate degree in emergency medicine from AC in 1996.

Mike's wife, Brandy, was raised in Amarillo. Mike and Brandy have a 5-year-old son, Ashton.

His family is a major reason why Mike chose to return to Dimmitt.

"I like the situation here," he said. "It's a little slower pace than I was used to, but I get a lot more family time now."

Please make an effort to meet Sidney and Mike and to welcome them to our community.

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Plains Memorial Hospital emergency room is open 24 hours a day.

We'll honor Gracie Marsh Wednesday.



Gracie is retiring after more than 22 years' service with our bank and our customers.

In her honor, we will host an all-day retirement reception Friday, serving punch and cookies from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the bank lobby.

Please come join us in wishing Gracie a happy retirement.



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Petty and Lathem exchange vows in formal, double ring ceremony

Carol Ann Petty became the bride of Doug Lathem when the two exchanged vows Sept. 12 in a formal, double-ring ceremony in Dimmitt.

The Rev. Howard Rhodes officiated at the nuptial service, which was held at First Baptist Church in Dimmitt.

The bride is the daughter of Doris Swinburn of Dimmitt and Arlie Petty of Bovina. Parents of the groom are Chester and Diana Lathem of Scotsdale, Ariz.

The front of the church was decorated with fresh-cut flowers including red roses, white gladiolus, purple iris, yellow poms, white lilies, and white, yellow and pink alstromeria arranged in a crystal vase flanked by a pair of brass candelabra with white tulle, greenery and babies' breath. The unity candle stand held three white candles accented with white tulle and fresh flowers. The pews were marked with white tulle bows with streamers to the floor.

Soloist Susan Coleman sang *The Wedding Song*, and she was accompanied by organist Rhonda Wise. *The Lord's Prayer* was sung during the lighting of the unity candle.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white Italian satin and Venice lace. The sleeveless bodice featured a Sabrina neckline trimmed with a band of dainty, narrow satin. The empire waist echoed a double band of satin. The princess A-line skirt was trimmed with a banding and was highlighted with lace appliques. The cut-out back accented a Venice lace overlay. The dramatic split train was adorned with lace medallions and satin banding.

She wore a veil of French illusion finished with an edge of satin ribbon.

The bride carried a nosegay of red roses with English ivy intertwined. Her grandmother's handkerchief was attached to the bouquet.

Maid of honor was Carla Petty, sister of the bride. Honorary matron of honor was Kristi Sadler, sister of the bride.

Best man was Russell Lathem of Scotsdale, Ariz., brother of the groom.

Ushers were Brad Sadler of Grand Prairie, and Derrick Zett of Plano.

Flower girl was Sarah Malone of Garland, cousin of the bride. Honorary flower girl was Makenzie Sadler of Grand Prairie, niece of the bride.

Ring bearer was Darrin Parker of Dalhart, cousin of the bride.

After the wedding, a reception was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Max Swinburn.

The evening included a dance in the back yard with music provided by the Three Quarters Band.

The back yard was decorated with white lights, torches and tables covered with white cloths. Hurricane globes with white pillar candles accented with bright fall colors of red, purple and yellow flowers, greenery and white tulle, served as



MRS. DOUG LATHEM
... nee Carol Ann Petty

centerpieces for each table. A variety of pick-up foods were served to guests.

The bride's four-tiered white wedding cake was covered with fondant icing and was decorated with icing embroidery on the sides and handmade gum paste flowers including red roses, white lilies, yellow and white freesia, purple statice and orange blossoms.

The groom's table was covered with a white cloth and white tulle draped along the edge with attached tulle and satin bows. It held crystal rose bowls and a fresh flower arrangement of red roses, pink, white and yellow alstromeria and babies' breath as the centerpiece. Crystal appointments completed the decor.

Presiding over the bride's table were Amber Langford and Shelly Petty. The groom's cake was a three-tiered red velvet package cake. The bottom package had pheasants in a corn field. The middle package had Texas Tech's Double T logo. The top layer featured the bride and groom's initials. All of the packages were topped with a gold bow.

The groom's table was covered with a white cloth and the centerpiece consisted of five brass candlesticks holding white candles accented with greenery and babies' breath.

Servers at the groom's table were Kim Dyer and Autumn White.

After a week-long honeymoon in Colorado, the newlyweds are home in Dalhart.

The bride earned her master's degree in communication disorders from Texas Tech Health Sciences Center in 1996. She is currently

employed with Sundance Rehabilitation, Inc.

The groom holds a degree in business administration from Texas Tech University, graduating in 1994. He is engaged in farming in Dalhart.



PLAINS MEMORIAL
It's a boy, Luis Anjel Marin, for Luis Alfonso Marin and Nora Quiroz of Bovina. The infant was born Sept. 19 at 8:22 p.m. in Plains Memorial Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds and 6.4 ounces and was 20 inches long. He has a big sister, Clarissa Quiroz, 1. Paternal grandparents are Eulojlo and Della Marin of Houston. Maternal grandparents are Jose and Maria Isabell Quiroz of Dimmitt. Great-grandparents are Fermin Navarez and Sofia Camacho.

4-H will sell candy bars

Castro County 4-H'ers will be selling candy bars over the next month in an effort to raise money for construction of their 4-H Education Center.

Money raised will go toward the 4-H's matching fund to be used for the center.

"We'll have a big push on the candy sales during National 4-H Week the first week in October," said Earl Behrends, one of the adult leaders working with youngsters on the project.

The candy will sell for \$1 a bar, and Behrends says the bars are jumbo-sized.

For more information contact the Extension office at 647-4115.

The secret of boring people lies in telling them everything. —Voltaire

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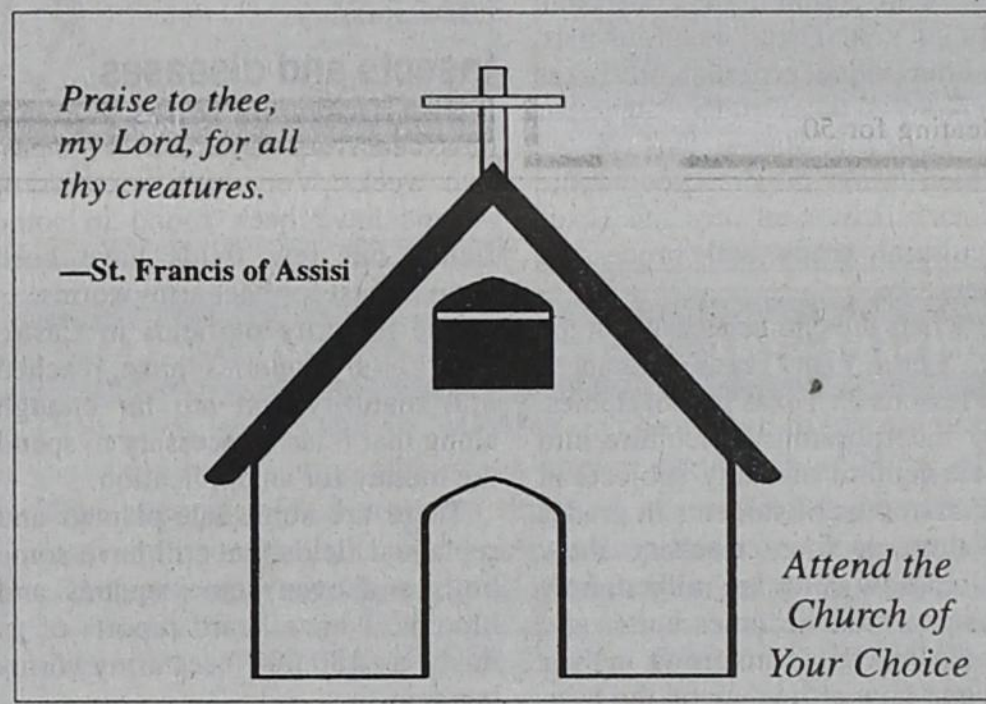
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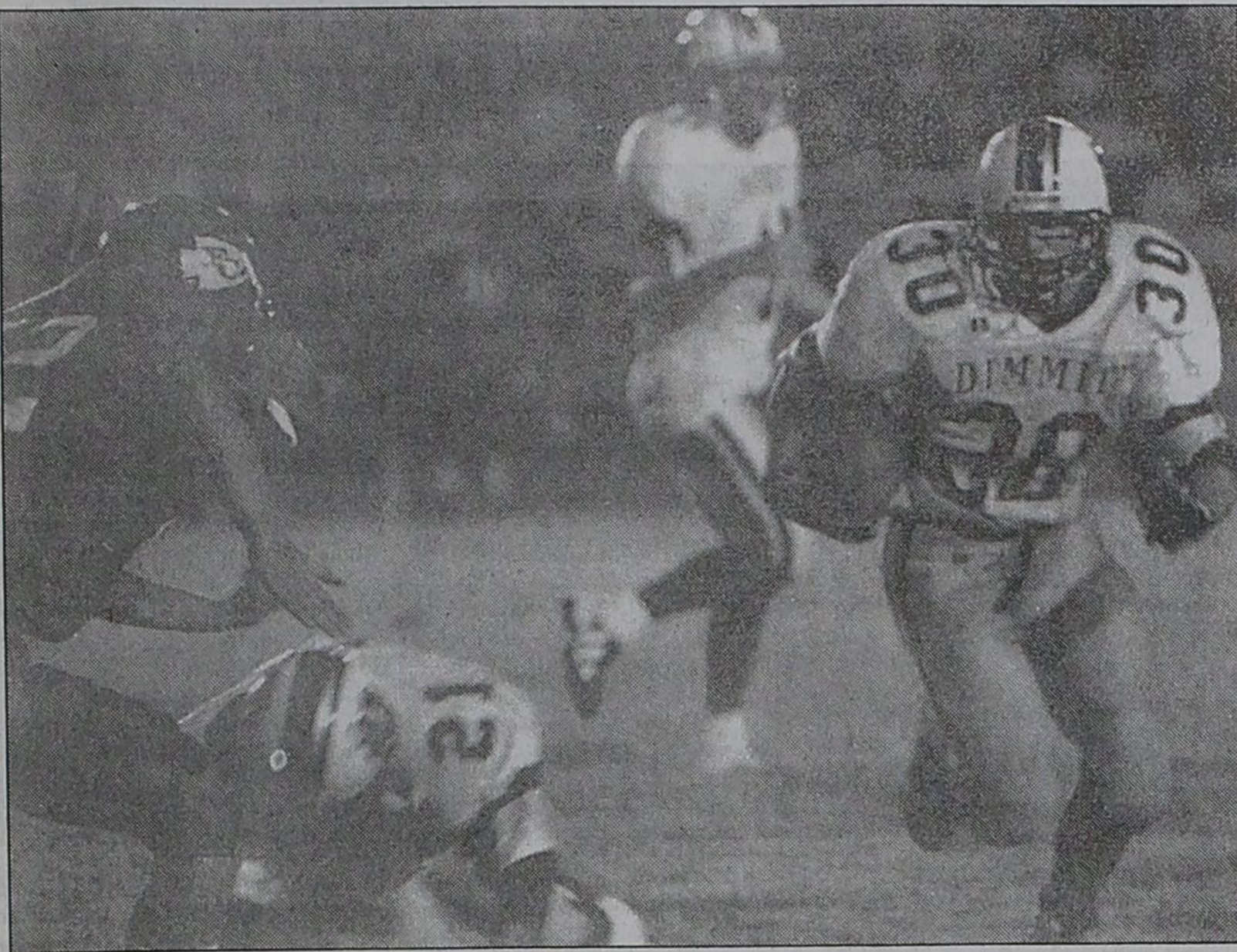
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Harris Picks

Here's how the Harris Rating System picks this week's area games, and how it ranks area teams. Home teams are listed in capital letters.

DIMMITT 25 over Brownfield
 Nazareth 12 over WHITEFACE
 Hart 8 over OLTON
FRIONA 28 over Dalhart
PERRYTON 3 over Canadian
CHILDRRESS 14 over River Road
 Sanford-Fritch 10 over QUANAH
MULESHOE 27 over Tullia
 Littlefield 15 over LAMESA
SUDAN 17 over Lubbock Roosevelt
 Shallowater 6 over NEW DEAL
HAPPY pick vs. Paducah
 Valley 16 over VEGA
ROPES 1 over Crosbyton
O'DONNELL 37 over Motley County
 Plains 13 over PETERSBURG
 Post 5 over LOCKNEY
IDALOU 10 over Tahoka
BOVINA 10 over Smyer
 Farwell 16 over KRESS
HALE CENTER 25 over Spur
ANTON 11 over Morton
 Sundown 24 over RALLS
 Boys Ranch 4 over CLAUDE
SPEARMAN 17 over Wheeler
STRATFORD 6 over Gruver
 Sunray 7 over HIGHLAND PARK
 Memphis 18 over CLARENDON
 West Texas High 27 over PANHANDLE
WELLINGTON 36 over Booker
WHITE DEER 26 over Shamrock

ABERNATHY 10 over Springlake-Earth
FLOYDADA 6 over Slaton
ALPINE pick vs. Denver City
SWEETWATER 3 over Lubbock Estacado
ANDREWS 21 over Levelland
AMARILLO 21 over Dumas
LUBBOCK CORONADO 8 over Midland
LUBBOCK 13 over Lubbock Cooper

78. Perryton 183, 85. Childress 182, 89. Sanford-Fritch 182, 124. Dimmitt 175, 126. Shallowater 175, 136. Denver City 173, 139. Lamesa 173, 162. Lubbock Cooper 169, 169. River Road 166, 177. Lubbock Roosevelt, 192. Dalhart 160, 193. Tullia 160, 196. Slaton 167, 202. Brownfield 150.

WEEK 2 RANKINGS

Here's how Harris ranks the area teams, including their respective power ratings, by which he bases his decisions.
Class A: 1. Tenaha 193, 2. Iola 188, 3. Aspermont 186, 4. Sudan 183, 5. Wheeler 183, 6. Era 182, 7. Bartlett 181, 8. Burkeville 181, 9. Wink 180, 10. Roscoe 179.
Other Area Class A: 19. Happy 169, 20. Springlake-Earth 169, 23. Hart 168, 25. Nazareth 168, 41. Petersburg 164, 53. Shamrock 157, 55. Valley 157, 57. Kress 155, 60. Memphis 154, 71. Claude 151, 76. Anton 149, 81. Whiteface 148, 92. Lorenzo 143, 94. Booker 142, 100. Motley County 141, 101. Vega 140, 109. Crosbyton 135, 112. Crowell 134, 113. Smyer 134.
Class AAA: 1. Sweeny 209, 2. Tatum 207, 3. Coldspring 205, 4. Newton 205, 5. Sealay 204, 6. Breckenridge 203, 7. Commerce 203, 8. Waco Connally 202, 9. Crane 202, 10. Cuero 201.
Other Area Class AAA: 24. Littlefield 193, 43. Friona 188, 63. Seminole 185,

Brockman earns award

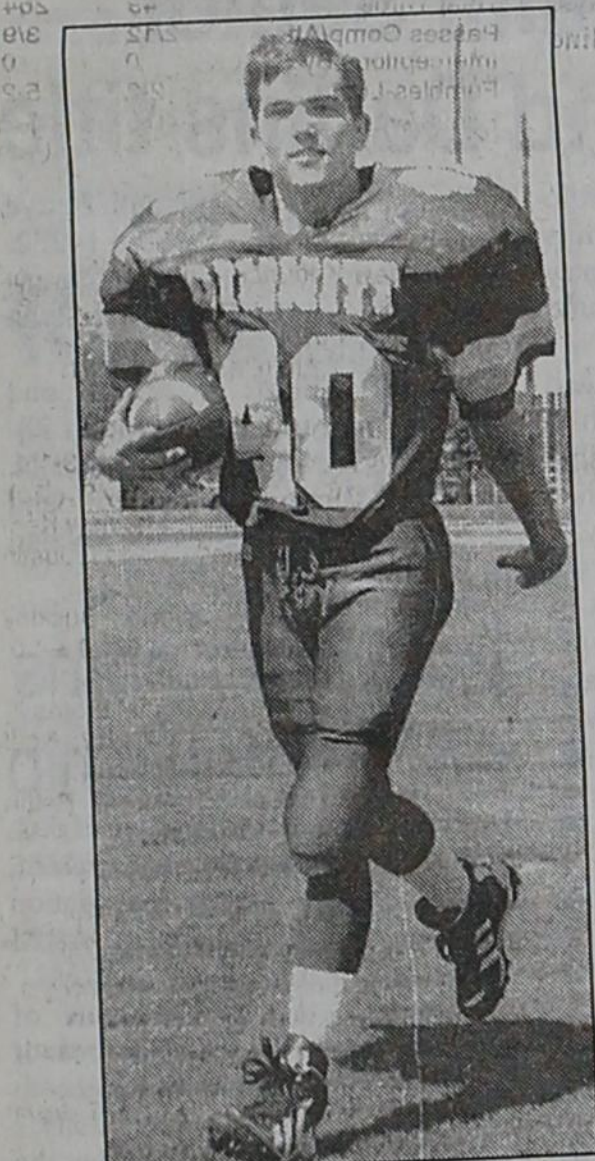
Mitchell Brockman of Nazareth has been named a United States National Award Winner in English. Brockman, who attends Nazareth High School, was nominated for the award by Brenda Schulte, a teacher at the school. Brockman's picture and biography will appear in the USAA official yearbook, which is published nationally. Brockman is the son of Ralph and Sharon Brockman of Nazareth. His grandparents are Katie Brockman and William C. and Catherine Hochstein, all of Nazareth.

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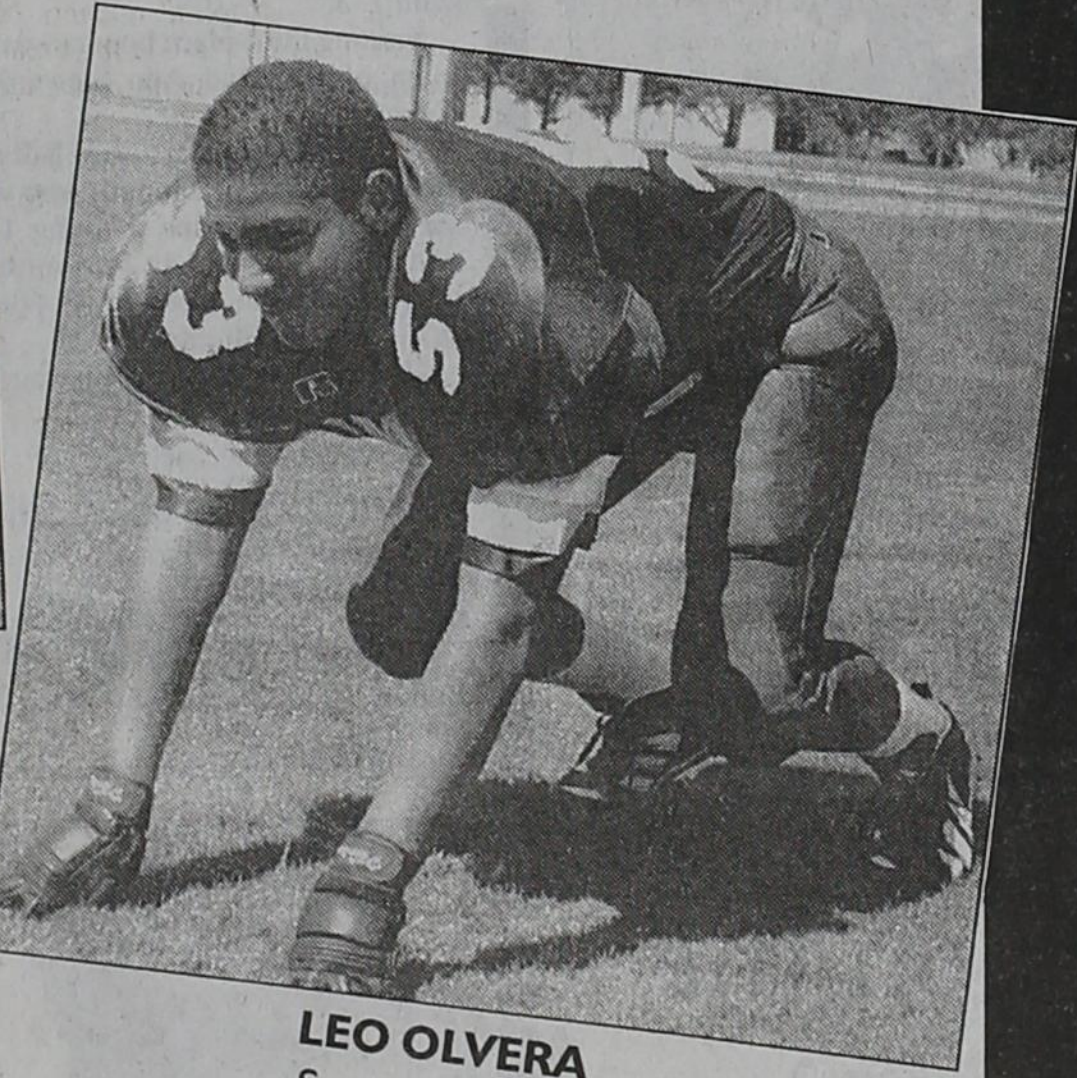
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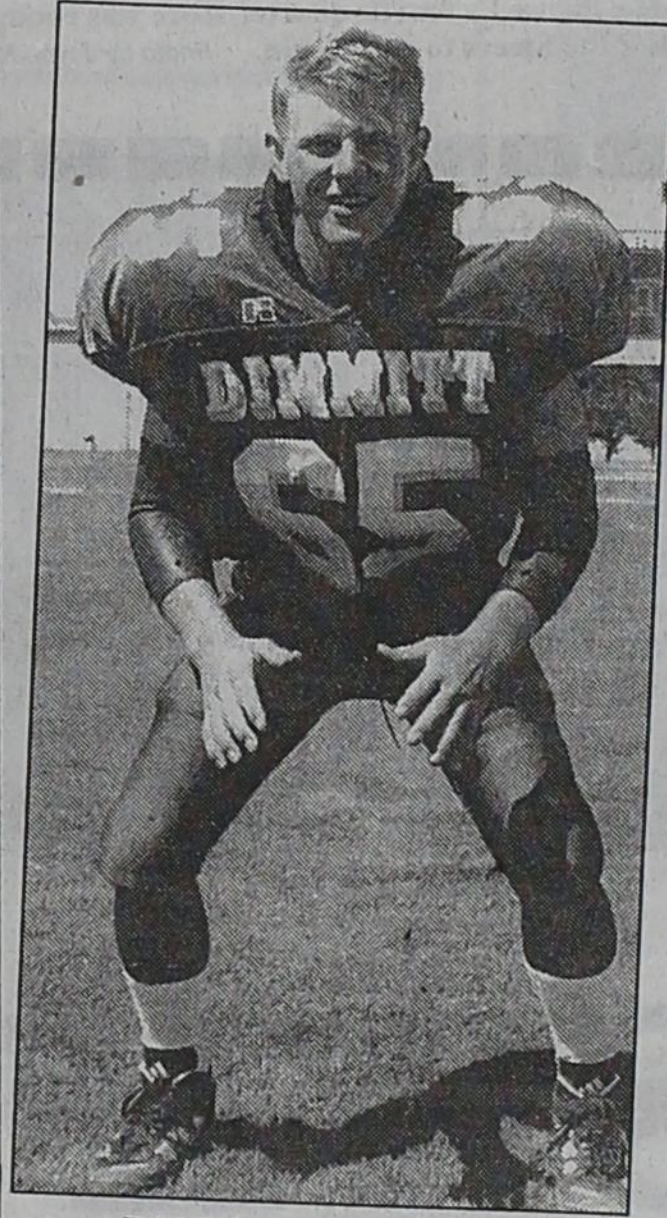
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Schedule & Scores

VARSITY	
Bobcats 24, Sundown 13	
Bobcats 21, Lamesa 17	
Bobcats 0, Friona 14	
Sept. 25 Brownfield (Homecoming), Here	8:00
Oct. 2 Muleshoe, There	8:00
Oct. 9 *River Road, Here	7:30
Oct. 16 *Tullia, There	7:30
Oct. 23 *Sanford-Fritch, Here	7:30
Oct. 30 *Dalhart (Senior Parents), Here	7:30
Nov. 6 *Perryton, There	7:30

* Denotes District Games

FRESHMEN AND JUNIOR VARSITY	
JV 14, Sundown 0; 9th 22, Sanford-Fritch 44	
JV 12, Lamesa 14; 9th 12, Lamesa 20	
JV 22, Friona 0; 9th 29, Friona 0	
Sept. 24 Brownfield, There	5:00-6:30
Oct. 1 Muleshoe, Here	5:00-6:30
Oct. 8 River Road, There	5:00-6:30
Oct. 15 Tullia, Here	5:00-6:30
Oct. 22 Sanford-Fritch, There	5:00-6:30
Oct. 29 Dalhart, There	5:00-6:30
Nov. 5 Tullia, There	5:00-6:30

SEVENTH AND EIGHTH	
8th 12, Friona 12; 7th 0, Friona 12	
Sept. 24 Brownfield, Here	5:00-6:30
Oct. 1 Muleshoe, There	5:30-7:00
Oct. 8 River Road, Here	5:00-6:30
Oct. 15 Tullia, There	5:00-6:30
Oct. 22 Sanford-Fritch, Here	5:00-6:30
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Aven breaks arm as Horns win, 35-12

Jared Aven only needed two strong legs and a little bit of speed to destroy the Bovina defense Friday, and that's all he had when he scored his third rushing touchdown in the fourth quarter to give Hart its 35-12 victory.

That's because he broke his arm in the third quarter.

Hart Coach Bryan Welps said Aven apparently broke his arm in the third quarter when he hit it on another player's helmet. After the play Aven said his arm hurt, but he continued to play the rest of the game, scoring his final touchdown in the fourth quarter.

"Jared had a heck of a game, then he broke his arm in the third quarter. He still played the whole game, though," Welps said.

Aven was responsible for the bulk of the Longhorn offense, scoring on runs of 1, 61 and 15, and completing an 18-yard touchdown pass to Chris George. He rushed for 124 yards on 10 carries to lead the Hart ground attack.

Losing him will be a major blow to the Longhorn offense, Welps said.

Aven scored the game's first touchdown, then Bovina pulled within a point of Hart early in the second quarter before the Longhorns turned up the heat, then cruised to a 35-12 victory.

The win kept Hart's unblemished record in tact while Bovina fell to 0-3 on the season.

Bovina gained more first downs

and more yards than the Longhorns, but the Mustangs were killed by turnovers. Hart intercepted Bovina three times and recovered five fumbles.

The Longhorns gained 230 yards on the ground, with Aven leading the attack with 124 yards on 10 carries. Aven then completed three of eight passes for 69 yards.

"We had a good game offensively," Welps said. "We drove downfield and when we got in the red zone we scored. We executed well."

Bovina pounded out 285 yards on the ground and picked up another 49 through the air for 334 total yards.

"Turnovers killed Bovina," Welps said. "A lot of their turnovers were deep in our territory when they were threatening to score. If we wouldn't have gotten those turnovers, it would have been a different ballgame."

Hart's defense did get the turnovers, but Welps wasn't pleased with the overall defensive performance.

"We played sloppy. We did just enough to win. It was ugly," Welps said.

Aven picked up his first touchdown in the first quarter on a one-yard plunge across the goal line. Lucas Anzaldua kicked the point after to put the Longhorns up, 7-0.

Bovina answered with a touchdown of its own in the second quarter

when Derrick Venegas scored from a yard out. The Mustangs elected to go for the two-point conversion and lead, but the pass play was broken up and Hart remained in control by a point, 7-6.

Aven extended that point lead in the second when he took advantage of a few well-placed blocks and raced 61 yards to paydirt. Anzaldua's kick was good for a 14-6 Hart lead.

Before time expired in the half the Longhorns would strike again, this time through the air.

George's 18-yard touchdown catch thrown by Aven and Anzaldua's extra point put Hart in command, 14-6.

Bovina would pull within nine points of Hart early in the third quarter thanks to a Hart turnover.

Lucas Ramos picked a Longhorn fumble at the Hart 21 and raced for the goal line to make it 21-12. The attempted pass for two fell incomplete again.

Hart wasn't to be denied in the third quarter, either.

Keith Finch scored from five yards out, then Anzaldua made it four-in-a-row through the uprights for a 28-12 Hart lead.

The Longhorns would cap off scoring in the fourth quarter on a 15-yard run by Aven. Anzaldua kept up his perfect kicks in the game, splitting the uprights for extra point five and the 35-12 lead.



HART FRESHMAN Keith Finch (6) turns the corner and outruns a couple of Bovina defenders for a good gain Friday night. Hart topped Bovina in the showdown, 35-12. Finch scored on a five-yard touchdown run in the third quarter. Photo by David Knox



LOOKING FOR ROOM—Hart's Frankie Cortez dodges one tackler thanks to a teammate's block, then looks for a hole but finds nothing but Bovina jerseys Friday in a non-district game. Other Horns pictured include Richard Gonzales (10) and Keith Finch (6). Hart won the game handily, 35-12, to remain unbeaten this season. Photo by David Knox

Game at a Glance

Longhorns 35, Bovina 12	
Hart	7 14 7 7—35
Bovina	0 6 6 0—12
	HART BOV
First Downs	13 17
Yards Rushing	230 285
Yards Passing	69 49
Total Yards Gained	299 334
Passes Comp.-Att.	3-8 4-10
Interceptions By	3 0
Punts-Avg.	3-34 1-36
Fumbles-Lost	2-2 8-5
Penalties-Yards	5-50 6-49

Scoring By Quarters

First Quarter:
HART— Jared Aven 1 run (Lucas Anzaldua kick)
Second Quarter:
BOVINA— Derrick Venegas 1 run (pass failed)
HART— Aven 61 run (Anzaldua kick)
HART— Chris George 18 pass from Aven (Anzaldua kick)
Third Quarter:
BOVINA— Lucas Ramos 21 rumble return (pass failed)
HART— Keith Finch 5 run (Anzaldua kick)
Fourth Quarter:
HART— Aven 15 run (Anzaldua kick)

Key finishes 14th in meet

Hart's Valerie Key earned a medal with a 14th place finish in the Abernathy Cross Country Meet Saturday.

Key was the lone Lady Horn runner to finish among the top 50 in the race.

Other runners and their respective times and finishes are Raquel Garcia, 51st, 12:50; Vanessa Carrasco, 53rd, 12:52; Nicki Burress, 63rd, 13:03; Christy Guzman, 70th, 13:06; Ysa Rodriguez, 81st, 13:21; and Veronica Gonzales, 86th, 13:28.

In the varsity boys' race, Hart's Isaias Garcia was 26th in 17:09. Also competing were Franky Chaparro, 18:56; and Jose Avila, 19:18.

The Lady Horns' junior varsity team fared well, placing several runners in the top 50.

Leading the JV girls was Julia Cisneros, who finished fourth with a time of 12:45. Cynthia Gonzales was 12th in 13:18 and Rosanna Waddell placed 17th in 13:26. All earned medals.

Other JV runners were Becky Guzman, 22nd, 13:35; Denise Morales, 42nd, 14:07; Lindsey Montemayor, 55th, 14:24; and Sonia Gonzales, 65th, 14:29.

Several junior high girls competed in the meet, too. Kelli George earned a medal with a fourth-place finish in 12:23.

Other junior high runners were Amanda Carrasco, 14:32; Christina Chaparro, 14:33; Diana Bustos, 14:47; and Mariza Mendoza, 14:54.

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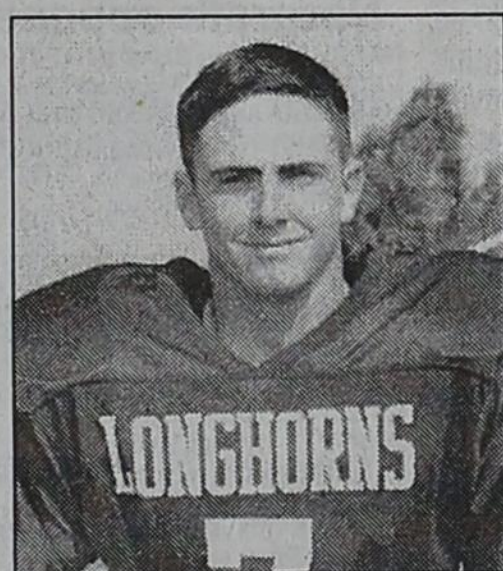
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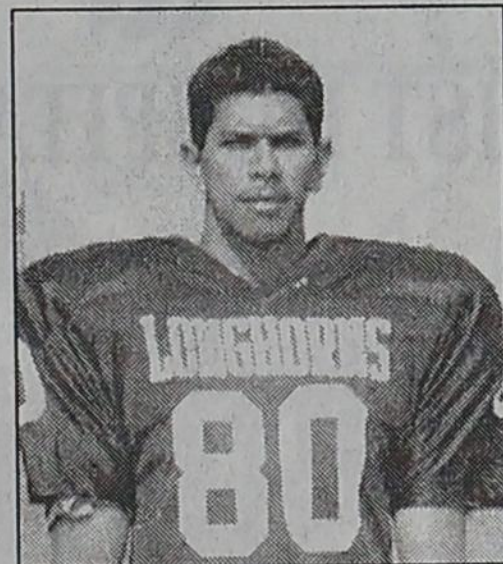
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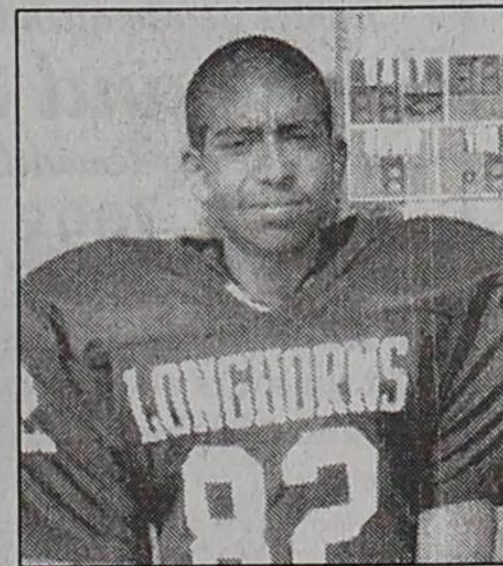
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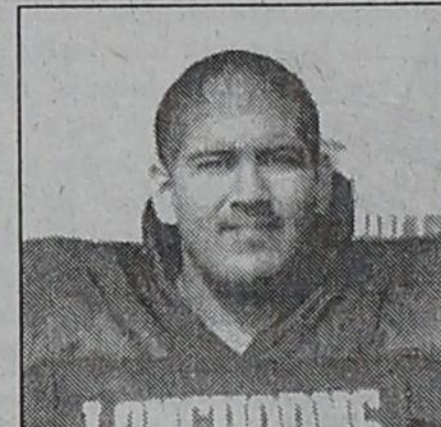
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Cats, Swifts hope to rebound from losses; Horns still perfect

The county's three football teams are enjoying successful starts this year, even though Dimmitt and Nazareth suffered minor setbacks when they lost their first games of the season Friday night.

Both hope to get back on track with victories this week.

The Bobcats will host Brownfield for their 1998 Homecoming game while the Swifts will travel to Whiteface.

Meanwhile, the Hart Longhorns are still unbeaten with a 3-0 mark,

but a tough challenge is scheduled this week when the Horns load up and travel to Olton.

Hart will be without its starting quarterback and offensive leader, Jared Aven, who broke his arm in Friday night's win over Bovina.

Dimmitt and Hart will kick off their games at 8 p.m. while Nazareth will start at 7:30 p.m.

Brownfield at Dimmitt

Brownfield's Cubs don't really want to be the invited guests at the

Bobcats' Homecoming party Friday night.

The Bobcats are one of the more highly regarded Class AAA teams in the area.

The Cubs, bless 'em, have been outscored 120 to 5 in their first three games.

They have the same head coach, Eddie Hooper, who took them into the playoffs four years in a row through 1995.

(Hooper, one of the senior football mentors in the area, coached at Naza-

retth in the late 1970s and at Hart in the early '80s.)

The Cubs have fallen on hard times the last couple of years, and won only two games last season. For rebuilding blocks, they have only nine lettermen back from last year, including two offensive and three defensive starters.

In their first three outings, the Cubs of District 3-3A have lost to Kermit 20-2, to Friona 49-3, and to Muleshoe 51-0.

"They're struggling," Bobcat Coach Bruce Dollar acknowledged.

Quarterbacked by little-bitty Roy Altamirano (5-7, 140), the Cubs operate mainly out of the I formation.

However, "They run every formation there is," Coach Dollar said. "They haven't had a lot of success with any of them. I think they're searching for something that will work."

On defense, the Cubs have been running a 50 alignment and giving up an average of 10 points per quarter.

Amid all the mums and Homecoming excitement, the Bobcats will concentrate on improving their own game.

"We're not going to worry about Brownfield's situation," Coach Dollar said. "We're going to fix what we've made mistakes on, and get ready for district. We want to be mature when we play River Road (in two weeks)."

Kickoff time will be 8 o'clock.

The Homecoming Queen and her court will be presented at halftime, and after the game the featured Class of 1978 will host a social at the Country Club for exes and friends while students attend the Homecoming Dance at the Expo Building.

Hart at Olton

Several stiff challenges await the Hart Longhorns this week as they travel to Olton.

The Longhorns and Mustangs are big rivals and anytime the teams meet, you can expect a lot of excitement and this year should be a classic matchup because both teams are undefeated with 3-0 marks.

But Hart suffered a big blow Friday when starting quarterback Jared Aven broke his arm against Bovina. He won't play Friday.

Chris George will move from receiver to quarterback for this week's game.

"I think Chris will be good stepping in for Jared. We'll just try and do the same as we've done in the past, using our big backs a bunch and trying to control the ball and keep it out of their hands," said Hart Coach Bryan Welps.

"Olton's a big, physical team with a lot of speed. This is going to be a big test for us. We've got to stop them from getting big plays on us and we've got to control the ball."

Welps said Olton lines up in the I and runs their big, quick fullback, David Wilborn behind a big offensive line.

Wilborn gained 62 yards on nine carries for Olton in a 35-6 win over Crosbyton Friday night, but he was-

n't the main scoring threat for the Stangs. Chris Almanza (6-0, 180) caught one touchdown pass from Adam Moore (5-10, 150) and Ruben Alvarado (5-10, 170) rushed for 116 yards and scored three rushing touchdowns.

Those backs hit holes opened by a group of experienced, big linemen like Eward Sandoval (5-11, 240), Joe Gutierrez (5-10, 195), Juan Luis Martinez (5-10, 235) and Juan Carlos Martinez (5-11, 200).

On defense, Olton runs a 5-2, relying heavily on its big linemen and linebackers to curtail opposing offenses.

"Their front seven are really tough," Welps said.

Anchoring the defensive line are Sandoval, Juan Antonio Casares (6-2, 240) and Jimenez while linebackers are Gutierrez and Richie Vallanueva (5-10, 190).

Nazareth at Whiteface

Nazareth suffered a heartbreaking one-point loss to Farwell late in the game Friday night and the Swifts hope to get back on the winning track this week when they travel to Whiteface.

Kickoff in the non-district matchup will be at 7:30 p.m.

Whiteface is 2-1 on the season, and is currently riding a two-game winning streak after beating Bovina and Morton. Whiteface opened the season with a 44-0 loss to Happy before beating Bovina, 12-6, and Morton, 26-0.

"They've got a new coach and he's put in a run-and-shoot type of offense using a single back and some weird sets," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "They'll use some shotgun with no backs, too."

"I feel like their running game is scarier than their passing game," Price said. "They'll throw it about 25 times a game. They'll get you worried about covering the pass, then they'll use their two backs who are quick and shifty."

The backfield features Serapio Arguijo (5-8, 147) and Peter Franco (5-9, 140).

Directing the Antelope offense is 6-5, 210-lb. Dustin Davidson, who's

Here's how our opponents fared

Here's how Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth opponents fared in the third week of the prep football season. Each school's opponent is listed in capital letters.

Dimmitt opponents

MULESHOE (3-0) beat BROWNFIELD (0-3), 51-0
LAMESA (2-1) beat Kermit, 28-8
RIVER ROAD (2-1) beat Caprock, 6-0
TULIA (0-3) lost to Lockney, 18-6
S'FORD-FRITCH (3-0) beat Panhandle, 44-0
DALHART (0-3) lost to WT High, 24-0
PERRYTON (2-1) beat Guyton, Okla., 35-0
SUNDOWN (1-2) lost to Idalou, 9-6

Nazareth opponents

HAPPY (2-1) beat CLAUDE (1-2), 27-12
VEGA (1-2) lost to Shamrock, 28-0
HART (3-0) beat Bovina, 35-12
S'LAKE-EARTH (1-2) beat Smyer, 28-0
KRESS (2-1) beat Memphis, 28-22
WHITEFACE beat Morton, 26-0
LCHS not available
VALLEY (2-1) beat Crowell, 26-7

Hart opponents

OLTON (3-0) beat Crosbyton, 35-6
NAZARETH (2-1) lost to Farwell, 8-7
KRESS (2-1) beat Memphis, 28-22
HAPPY (2-1) beat Claude, 27-12
S'LAKE-EARTH (1-2) beat SMYER (0-3), 28-0
VEGA (1-2) lost to Shamrock, 28-0
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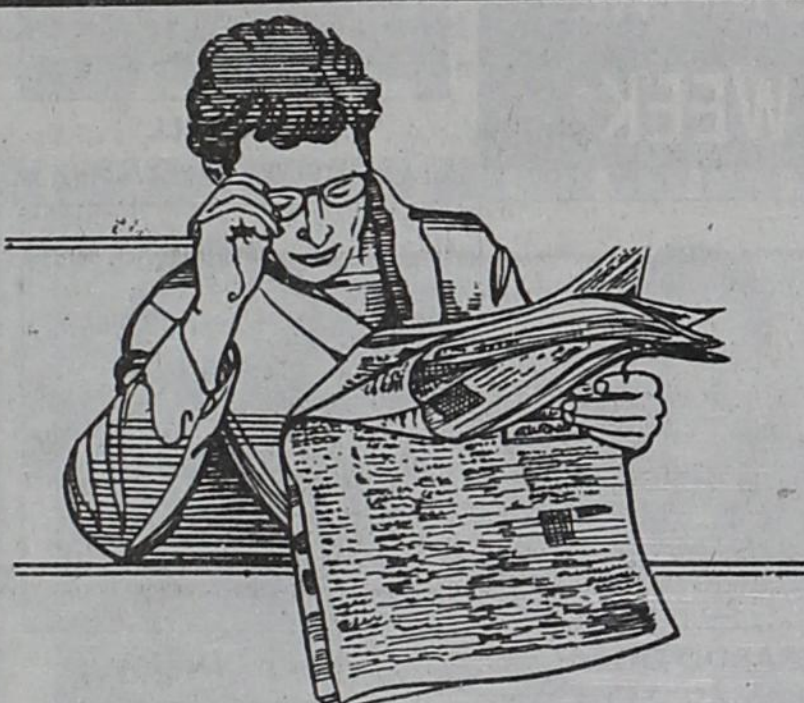
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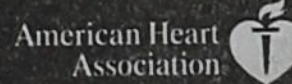
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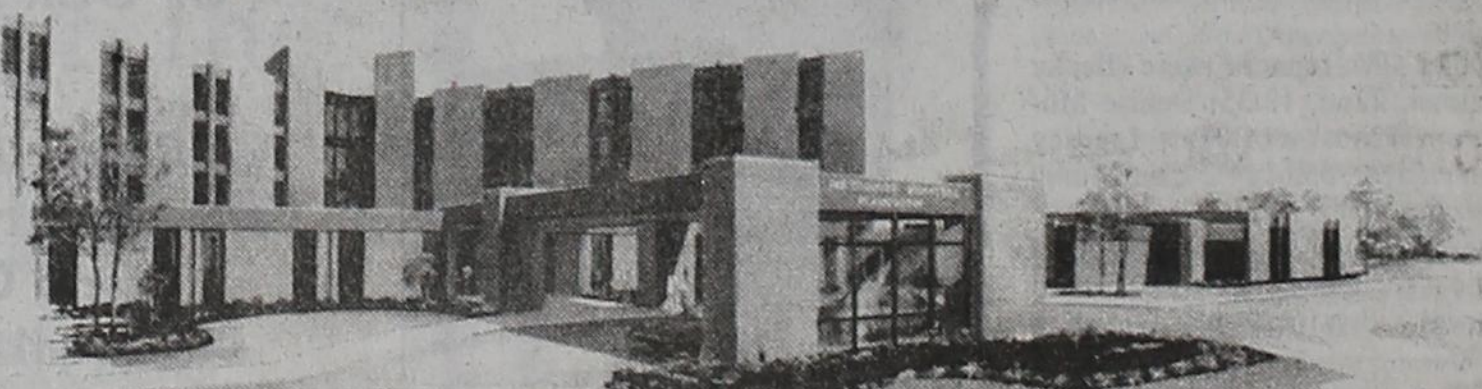
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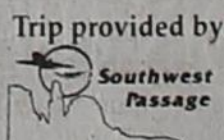
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Obituaries

Hazel Bagwell

Services for Hazel Bagwell, 86, of Dimmitt, were held Friday afternoon at First Baptist Church in Dimmitt with the Rev. Howard Rhodes, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Bagwell died at 8:30 a.m. last Wednesday, Sept. 16, at Dimmitt.

She was born April 13, 1912, in Johnstown, Colo. She married Ivor Bagwell on Nov. 19, 1933, in Hereford.

Mrs. Bagwell had lived in the Dimmitt area since 1933, moving here from Hereford. She was a member of the Bethel Home Demonstration Club and Dimmitt Dinner Club. She was a very active member of the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt. She was a Junior Schools Sunday School Teacher for many years.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Nelda Jean Fallwell of Richardson; a son, Milton Bagwell of Dimmitt; a sister, Nell Bencoe of Albuquerque, N.M.; eight grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Baptist Church, 1201 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt 79027; or the Alzheimers Panhandle Chapter, 2200 West Seventh Street, Amarillo 79106.

Roy Day

Roy Day, 98, of Lubbock, father of LaRue Hasley of Dimmitt, died Sept. 14 at St. Mary Hospital in Lubbock.

Services were held last Thursday, Sept. 17, at First United Methodist Church in Sudan with Randy Jordon officiating, assisted by the Rev. Lyndal Fletcher, pastor.

Burial followed in Sudan Cemetery under the direction of Hammons Funeral Home of Littlefield.

Mr. Day was born Feb. 24, 1900, in Oklahoma. He married Mattie Belle Waldrop on April 9, 1921, in Lubbock County. They moved to Sudan in 1940, where they operated a farm on a ranch. He was an honorary volunteer fireman in Sudan.

He was preceded in death by his

wife on April 22, 1989.

Survivors include four daughters, Joy Zamora of Sudan, Larue Hasley of Dimmitt, Tommie Noblett of Lubbock and JoGail Frances of Carbon; nine grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Sudan EMS or Sudan Volunteer Fire Dept.

Nadine Gooch

Funeral services for Nadine Gooch, 84, of Plainview, were held Tuesday morning in Lemons Funeral Home Memorial Chapel of Plainview with Mike Thibodeaux of Fort Worth officiating.

Burial was in Parklawn Memorial Gardens of Plainview.

Mrs. Gooch died Sept. 18 in Heritage Nursing Home in Plainview.

She was born Sept. 21, 1903, in Cooke County, where she attended school. She was a homemaker. She married Ester Elwin Gooch on Dec. 31, 1921, in Cooke County. He died March 29, 1978. In 1944 she moved to Bovina and Parmer County. In 1946, she moved to Dimmitt, and in 1979 she moved to Plainview. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Burns City.

She is survived by two sons, J.W. Gooch of Lubbock and Blake Gooch of Plainview; five grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

James Herriage

Graveside services for James Herriage, 72, of Earth, were held Tuesday morning at Earth Memorial Cemetery with Glen Branscum of Earth officiating.

Burial was in Earth Memorial Cemetery under direction of Ellis Funeral Homes.

Mr. Herriage died Sept. 19 at Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

He was born Jan. 10, 1926, in Bonham. He married Bertie Trash on May 19, 1951, in Clovis, N.M. Mr. Herriage moved to Earth in 1952 from Littlefield. He was a veteran of World War II and a farmer.

Survivors include his wife; a son, James Lee Herriage of Earth; five daughters, Carla Scott of Overland, Kan., Judy Garcia of Earth, Kim

Rodriguez of Amarillo, Kelli Hill of Gilbert, Ariz., and Michelle Miller of Dimmitt; two sisters, Juanita Gummelt of Amarillo and Judy Davis of McPherson, Kan.; and seven grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Earth Memorial Cemetery, Earth 79031.

Duckwall-ALCO reports second quarter earnings

Duckwall-ALCO Stores, Inc. (NASDAQ-DUCK) has announced record results for the 1999 fiscal second quarter and six-month period ended Aug. 2.

Second quarter highlights include:

- ◆ Diluted earnings per share of \$.31 represent the 22nd consecutive quarter of earnings growth.

- ◆ Gross margin reaches 33.9%, up from 33.1% a year ago.
- ◆ Net sales increase by 12%.

Net sales for the 1999 fiscal second quarter ended Aug. 2 were \$90.4 million, a 12% increase from \$80.5 million during the second quarter of fiscal 1998. Net earnings grew 4% to \$1.6 million or \$.31 diluted earnings per share, from \$1.5 million or \$.30 per share a year earlier.

Net sales for the six months ended Aug. 2 increased 14% to \$171.4 million, up from \$149.7 million last year. Net earnings for the period rose 9% to \$2.6 million, or \$.50 diluted earnings per share, from \$2.4 million, or \$.46 per share, in the prior year.

"We believe a severe drought in the South Central United States and depressed commodity prices which represent unique and continuing economic challenges in our rural markets, negatively impacted the company's operations during the second quarter," said Glen L. Shank, president and chief executive officer. "Despite our performance coming in below planned levels, we nevertheless achieved our 22nd consecutive quarter of year-to-year earnings growth for Duckwall-ALCO."



LANEY TRIBUTE—Harold Bob Bennett (center) of Hart was the master of ceremonies Saturday night at a three-county tribute to House Speaker Pete Laney (right) at the Senior Citizens Center in Tulia. Here, Bennett helps Laney's wife, Nelda, open an appreciation gift from the dinner's planners while Laney tries on a new hat. Theme of the dinner was "Hats Off to Pete Laney," and David Schaeffer of Dimmitt gave a testimonial on behalf of Castro County residents. The dinner drew a large crowd from Castro, Swisher and Briscoe Counties.

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More about

School bus signals...

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when they have to wait for the line of buses that load up students for the ride home. It isn't a problem at the elementary and middle schools because the buses load in a non-traffic area.

Washington said that at the high school the buses have to stop in the roadway and that drivers coming from either direction are obligated to wait until the flashing lights go off.

He said he has asked the bus drivers to also make an effort to not hold up traffic unnecessarily, but added that they sometimes forget. He said it would be permissible for a driver to stop their vehicle and ask a bus driver why the lights are flashing if no students are loading or unloading.

Washington said he has advised vehicle drivers "just don't go that way (around the front of the high school) if you are in a hurry."

"People are in a hurry and don't want to stop, but they need reminded," Washington said.

N. Dean Johnson, Nazareth Independent School District Supt., said that Nazareth bus drivers have reported several incidents of stopped buses being passed by vehicles out on the highways.

He said it isn't a problem at the school, because of protected loading zones, but out in the county has been a problem.

He said the bus drivers were unable to get a license plate number in all except one incidence.

"The law does not say 'stop and then proceed.' It says 'stop and stay' (until the bus's stop signals are turned off)," Johnson said. "Who could put a \$1,000 price tag on even one child's life? It is too great a chance to take. We want to see our students come home safely."

Digger Elam, Hart High School Principal, said that Hart also has no

problems around the school buildings, but did have some incidents reported last year out on the highways. He said that bus drivers have been able to get license plate numbers and the police chief would deliver a warning.

If anyone sees a driver who passes a bus illegally, they can report the vehicle's license tag number and the name of the driver to the Dept. of Public Safety. A summons may be issued calling that person to appear before the Justice of the Peace to hear their side of the story and to be apprised of any charge against them. Then a determination would be made by the JP, according to DPS Trooper Ron Mann.

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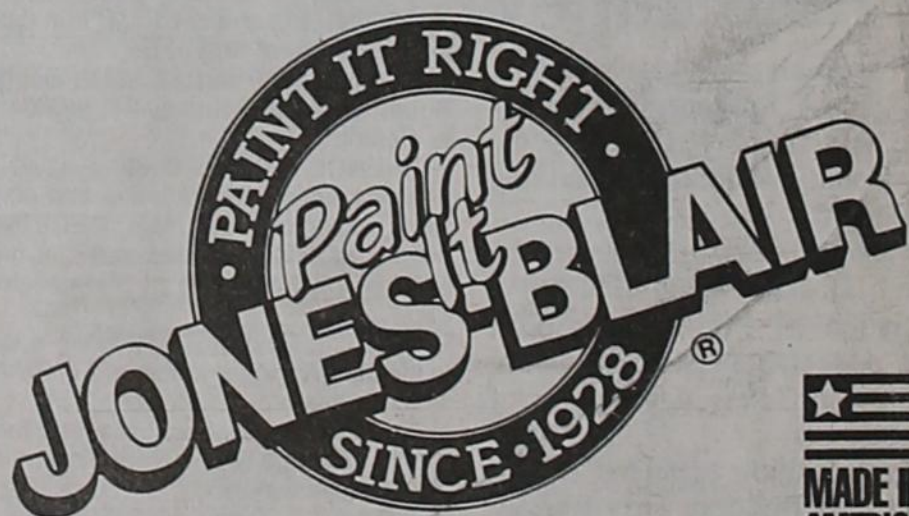


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