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Charter election is May 5

The Dimmitt Aldermen decided Monday to call for voter approval of the proposed city charter in an

election set for May 5.

On or before April 5, voters will receive a copy of the proposed

charter, drawn up by the elected charter commission. Ballots will be marked for or against adoption of the entire document.

Balloting will be held at the Dimmitt City Hall meeting room. Election judge will be Carole Dyer and alternate will be Phil Lemons.

Absentee balloting will begin April 9, continuing through May 1, and will also be conducted at the city hall, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each week day that is not a state holiday. Absentee clerk will be Jo Hamilton, with alternates Dolores Baldrige and Betty McClure.

"There will not be an election of city officials until the current election lawsuit against the city is settled," City Attorney Jack Edwards said. He estimated that it would be at least August before such an election could be set. Terms of some of the current aldermen would be expiring in May, but Edwards said they will continue in office until a settlement is reached.

The election suit was filed by Larry Gonzales and calls for a single-member district system for selecting at least part of the city governing board. The proposed charter incorporates such a system, but may have to be changed further to accommodate the lawsuit settlement.

In other business, the aldermen voted to adopt a Section 3 Affirmative Action Plan for the city as part of the requirements for receiving the Texas Community Development Grant funds for drainage and paving improvements for the city.

Mayor Wayne Collins also said he would promote community awareness of fair housing through educational projects through his office, including a proclamation of April as Fair Housing Awareness Month. This effort is also a requirement of the grant process, according to Panhandle Regional Planning Commission representative Judy Munden.

The PRPC is administrator of the grant funds.

Munden said that the Section 3 Plan stipulates that the city must make every effort to inform local contractors and suppliers, particularly minority businesses, of the bids being sought for the paving and drainage projects.

"Even if the bid goes to a larger, out of town firm, the city and the

contractor who is awarded the project are both encouraged to seek ways to involve local or minority suppliers," Munden said.

The aldermen voted to approve the sale by bids of two parcels of land in the city which were auctioned to pay back taxes. A third bid was rejected. Approval must also be given by the Dimmitt school district before the bids are final. The county has already given approval to the same bids, and also rejected the same bid as the city.

In his manager's report, City Manager Reeford Burrous told the aldermen that a representative of the Humane Society inspected the city animal pound, and noted that an area must be provided for isolation of sick animals or those suspected to have rabies.

Burrous said that local veterinarian Dr. W.J. Hill has agreed to house any such cases at his regular daily boarding rate plus any medical expenses, with all of the cost billed to the owner of the animal, if the owner is located. He added that the city only has one or two such cases a year.

In his budget report, Burrous said that the city is bringing its expenditures more under budget each month, noting that the budget is 3.57% under the amount of planned expenses.

The aldermen agreed to sign a resolution supporting the efforts of the City of Amarillo to avoid restrictions on the Amarillo International Airport. Collins said that new federal regulations would strictly control the airspace over Fantex, a nuclear weapons facility, and such controls would affect the operations of the airport.

"Our people from Dimmitt probably use the Amarillo airport as much or more than any other in the area," Collins stated.

Alderman Wayne Proffitt suggested that the board also ask Amarillo's support through resolution in the fight to have trash disposal regulations adjusted for environmental conditions.

Burrous noted that he has received word that initiation of the new, more stringent regulations may be delayed from 30 to 90 days, but urged citizens to continue "putting on the pressure" for congressional help in seeking relief for small communities.



DID YOU EVER HUG AN OSTRICH? Well, Leon Griffin, who farms southeast of Hart, is raising 23 of the exotic birds for breeding purposes. This 300-pound, 2-year-old female specimen visited Dimmitt last week to seek treatment from local veterinarian Dr. W.J. Hill. Hill said he treated the bird for a tendon problem. "I'm going to have to start a new file for ostriches, now," Hill quipped. The bird is wearing a stocking mask to obstruct its vision in an effort to keep it calm during transport.

County conventions, runoff elections set

Political activity is continuing for the voters of Castro County, with runoff elections and county conventions scheduled for both the Republican and Democratic parties.

County party conventions for the Democrats and Republicans are both set for Saturday, March 31.

The Republicans will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Dimmitt City Hall. The Democrats will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Courthouse basement meeting room.

"Delegates and alternates elected at their respective Republican precinct conventions held March 13 will deliberate on resolutions for submission as part of the possible party platform, and will elect party officers," said Republican County Chairman Deanne Clark. "Also, four delegates and four alternates will be selected to attend the Republican State Convention scheduled for June 29-30 in Fort Worth."

County Democratic Chairman David Schaeffer said the Democrats will also decide on resolutions and elect county-level party officers, as well as naming eight delegates and eight alternates to the State Democratic Convention, set

for June in Houston.

Runoff elections are set for both parties on April 10 with balloting from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Republicans will decide between Grady Yarbrough and Wes Gilbreath for land commissioner; between Richard McIver and Rick Perry for agriculture commissioner; and between Buster Brown and Pat Hill for attorney general.

Castro County Republicans will consolidate all eight voting boxes into one for the runoff, with that voting location set at the courthouse basement meeting room.

"Voters anticipating problems with the stairs are encouraged to vote absentee, or they may ask the voting clerks to bring a ballot upstairs or to the curb," Clark said.

Democrats have to settle the race for the nomination for governor between Ann Richards and Jim Mattox. Voting box sites will be announced later, Schaeffer said, adding that they may be consolidated.

Absentee voting for the runoff elections of both parties will be held April 2-6 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the County Clerk's office.



OWEN VILES, who was an American Field Service Exchange Student in Dimmitt during the 1983-84 school year enjoyed a two-week visit in Dimmitt with his American parents, Doug and Cheryl Pybus, and visited with former classmates and friends. He arrived in Dimmitt March 3 and left Wednesday to visit his sister, Caorline, in Canada.

Former AFSer enjoys coming back to Dimmitt

By ANNE ACKER

The year Owen Viles spent in Dimmitt was a good experience for him and that's why he keeps coming back here for visits.

Viles, a former American Field Service exchange student from New Zealand who lived with Doug and Cheryl Pybus in Dimmitt from June 1983 to June 1984, has been back in Dimmitt for a visit—his second since leaving in 1984.

"I really enjoyed my year here. I remember enjoying the whole school scene. Everyone just took me in and accepted me," Viles said. The other two students (Anna Biesler of West Germany, who was another AFS student from 1983 to 1984, and Nina Moberg, a private placement student from Finland) and I had a really good year. I guess that's why I keep coming back. It's nice to come back here.

"Nothing has really changed. It's the same. The people look the same

and the town looks the same. I don't think things change too much. It's like when I go back to New Zealand, nothing has changed. Things just go on without you," Viles said.

Viles, who is on a six-weeks vacation from his job in Kobe, Japan, said he hasn't done very much since he's been in Dimmitt.

"Mainly I've been watching television, sleeping and seeing various family and friends. In Japan I was working six days a week and it's been a hectic pace for the past year. My intentions were to come here and not do anything," he said. "I've just visited with about five classmates (from Dimmitt) since I've been here. A lot of them are pretty scattered over Texas, but I have talked to a lot of them by phone. Mark Bruegel came down from Chicago and we've spent some time together."

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By Don Nelson

As I was saying . . .

It's been quite a while since you've seen my column in the paper, and I'd like to thank both of you who said you've missed it.

With the basketball season over, I suddenly find myself with enough time (and space) to fire up 1:1 again. I'm stealing the time slot I've used since last August to write football and basketball stories. This time I promise to keep the column going until . . .

I don't intend to lose any friends over this school bond election.

I happen to favor the bond issue, not because I think I can afford the extra taxes to pay for it, but because I think our schools need the extra space and facilities (including another gym and, especially, computer labs) if they're going to do the job that needs to be done into the 21st century.

But if your only criterion for judging me is whether or not I favor this bond issue, then maybe we weren't friends after all.

If you're against it, then sound off—we'll print your letter or ad—and then vote against it. Let's argue

over the issues until we're blue in the face, but let's keep it to the issues. Then let's vote on it. And then let's shake hands and abide by the will of the majority.

The furor over the bond issue has pointed up several inequities. One is the fact that all registered voters, whether they pay property taxes or not, can vote to raise property owners' taxes.

Once upon a time in Texas, voters had to show their property-

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Weather

Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.		
	Hi	Lo Pr.
Thursday	47	22
Friday	55	23
Saturday	58	24
Sunday	69	25
Monday	58	31
Tuesday	59	31
Wednesday	75	31
March Moisture		0.34
1990 Moisture		3.33

KDHN RADIO
US Weather Observer

Cleveland tells gym needs

The most controversial part of Dimmitt's upcoming school bond election is the proposed "multi-purpose activities center."

Would it truly be a multi-purpose facility for all the students, and perhaps the public as well, or would it simply be a glorified playpen for a handful of basketball players?

As athletic director, Kenneth Cleveland is responsible for all of the DISD's athletic and physical

Bond issue forum set

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a forum Tuesday from 7 to 8 p.m. on the Dimmitt Independent School District bond election, with speakers both for and against scheduled to give their views.

The forum will be broadcast live on KDHN Radio, 1470, as well as on TV Cable Channel 8.

Six individuals (three in favor and three against) will speak on the issue, and questions will be taken from the listening audience by phone.

"The Chamber encourages all local citizens to be sure to take this opportunity to hear and express differing views on this important issue. We also want to encourage everyone to get out and vote April 3," Chamber executive officer Delores Heller said.

education (PE) programs.

The *News* asked Cleveland 10 questions about the program and cost factors relating to the proposed activities center. Here are his answers:

NEWS: You were not a member of the long-range planning committee, although your input was requested during the committee's study. Do you concur with the committee's proposal to build a gymnasium with two practice courts that would convert to a game gym with seating for 1,500 and combine it under the same roof with a new school cafeteria, two classrooms, offices and storage, under the label of "multi-purpose activities center"?

CLEVELAND: Apparently, many people think the multi-purpose facility "gym" would be used strictly to play a small number of basketball games each year. This is not the case. The facility consisting of two classrooms, a cafeteria and gym would be used each and every day of the school year, and, more than likely, every day of the summer months.

The gym would be used daily by ninth grade boys and girls, junior varsity boys and girls and varsity boys and girls for their athletic periods. The other periods of the day, PE classes could be scheduled.

This would definitely help class scheduling in high school. Instead of having 33 in a math class or 30-plus in a science or English class as we now have, the class sizes could

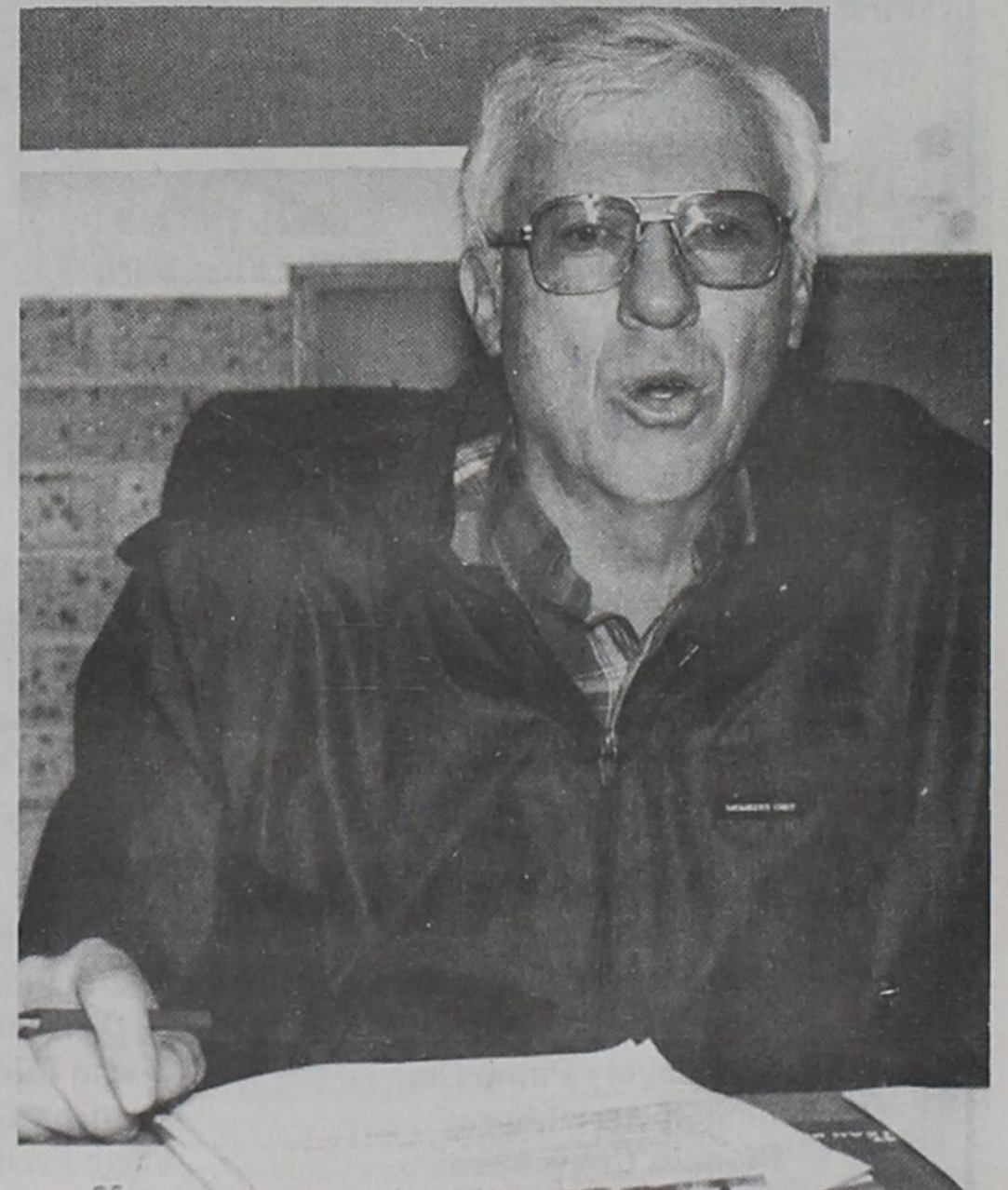
be worked out to a size more conducive to learning.

By state law, everyone in high school must take PE, or athletics will substitute for PE. Because of scheduling conflicts due to lack of gym space, a student may not get to

take an advanced course he or she would like to take.

Our varsity and junior varsity girls' teams now travel each day to middle school for their athletic period. During track season, they

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Kenneth Cleveland

On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

CORRECTION: Last week's column contained a paragraph that said, "The couple will exchange wedding vows April 14 at the Church of Christ in Hart." This paragraph wasn't supposed to be there (it was from another story), but it appeared below my article on Denise Behrends' shower, and may have given the wrong impression. Denise and her fiance, Douglas Roberts, will be married this Saturday at 5:30 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt.

Also, several names were left out of the item about the Cub Scout troop which visited the museum. The boys were Tanner Griffitt, Daniel Proffitt, Corey Lane, Wesley Harkins, David Garcia, Matthew Sandoval and Nick Hernandez. The parents were Mary Alice Lane, Paula and Wayne Proffitt, Tami Griffitt, Ray Sandoval Jr., Elva Garcia and Gloria Hernandez.

Clotee Minchew and Jody Huseman met a group of "Home Interiors and Gifts" girls at the Amarillo airport to fly to Nashville, Tenn. for their yearly seminar. That night, they all went to "Nashville Now." On Wednesday, they registered and their classes began on Thursday. They had to attend six classes out of eight to be eligible to get their 25% discount on their next order. On Friday night, they had an awards banquet which ended the seminar. On Saturday morning, they chartered a bus and went on an historical tour, which included the home of President Andrew Jackson and the Grand Ole Opry stage. Clotee's son, Don Minchew, and wife, Judy, and daughter, Dawn, met them at Opry Land Hotel and went with the Home Interior group to the Grand Ole Opry. Clotee stayed a few extra days with Don and his family. She reports that she had a wonderful time.

The Senior Citizens met at the center on Tuesday evening for a pot luck supper, with a good crowd attending. Sal DiCuffa is the new president, and he is doing a good job with this organization. Games of Skip-Bo, bridge and "42" were played.

Allie Tisdale's daughter, Nancy Whatley, from Alvin, spent a few days with her mother and aunt, Johnnie Vannoy, in Dimmitt.

The members of the Hospital

Auxiliary met last Wednesday morning with Betty Freeman presiding over the business meeting. Lucille Drerup gave the secretary's report and Barbara Sava gave the treasurer's report. Committee reports were given by Ruby Wood, Bea Hardy, Nell Ingram, and Claudine Langford. Rick Hunter discussed the needs of the hospital that the Auxiliary could help purchase. They plan to use the Hospital Auxiliary Memorial money for a new sign at the hospital. If anyone wishes to give a memorial, you might consider the Hospital Auxiliary. Plans were made for the bazaar and dinner to be held next fall, Oct. 26.

The Eastern Star School of Instruction was held at the Masonic Hall in Plainview last Thursday morning and afternoon, followed by a banquet in the evening. The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron conducted the fraternal visit. Members going from Dimmitt were Gary and Linda Grand, Ioma Stokes, Betty Vaughan, Ruth Coleman, Linda Payne, James and Ruth Slough, Zonell Maples and Oleta Gollehon. Carl and Alyce Collyer, former Dimmitt residents, came up from Corpus Christi for the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McKinnon from Albuquerque, N.M. visited with Dr. Charles and Esta Vandiver for a few days.

The Dimmitt Book Club met Wednesday, March 14, at Rhoads Memorial Library with Maxine Tidwell presiding over the business meeting in the absence of Kim Hays. New officers for next year will be Susie Bradford as president, Debbie Matthews as vice president, Becky Webb as secretary-treasurer, and Ina Cleavinger as parliamentarian. Joanie Ballentine was welcomed as a new member in the Book Club. Pastors' wives who were present were Donna Baker, Betty Freeman and Elsie Smith.

Myrtle Lois Moran introduced her guest reviewer, Virginia Holmes of Hereford, who gave a delightful review of the book, *The Train to Estelle*, by Robert Wood. Lucy Richards from Bonham wrote in her diary in 1911 that she went by train to Estelle to teach school on a ranch. She had 11 students and the first day, one

student fell in a dry well. Like many other school teachers, she married a local boy.

Hostesses for the social hour were Ann Ethington and Deanne Clark, who served pretty Shamrock sandwiches, decorated cookies and pineapple punch from a colorfully decorated table of green and white.

Johnnie Vannoy was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens' Center for lunch and a day of bridge. Ina Rae Cates won high score and Edith Graef won second high. Others playing were Bernice Hill, Elizabeth Huckabay, Helen Braafladt, Louise Mears, Cleo Forson, Alma Kenmore, Virginia Crider, Retta Cluck, Neva Hickey, Loranell Hamilton, Ferne Dickey and Susie Reeves.

Dorothy Hopson brought the devotional for the residents at Canterbury Villa last Thursday morning. She read from the book *A Few Hallelujahs For Your Ho-Hums*. We are to look for the beauty in this world. Renise Blair sang "The Love of God," and Connie Ivey was the pianist. Others enjoying singing were Geneva Malone, Mauzee Youts, Ysleta Ball, Irene Carpenter, Beral Hance and Mary Edna Hendrix.

A large crowd attended the reception celebrating the 50th wedding anniversary of Melvin and Juanita Summers, which was hosted by their sons and families: Gerald and Patty Summers and Charles and Sue Summers. Betty Ruth Bradley registered the guests and Camille Summers served the two pretty cakes. Charles Summers served the delicious fruit punch. There were many out of town guests and I visited with Clyde and Betty Renfro from Amarillo, who were formerly of Dimmitt, as well as Doug and Debbie (Murdock) Smith from Amarillo.

Angel Garibaldi drove to Roswell, N.M. to pick up her son, Jason, for a seven-day leave from the Job Corps, where he is attending school and working. He enjoyed his time visiting his parents and Mary Lou Webb. He wants to say hello to his friends around town. Mrs. Garibaldi returned with him to Roswell on Feb. 26.

Church Happenings

Presbyterian Church

Sunday school classes meet Sunday at 10 a.m. "Affliction" will be the subject of Pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the Sunday services, scheduled to begin at 11 a.m.

Morning prayers will be recited Wednesday at 6:30.

"Miracles," Mark 8:1-26, will be the subject of the Lenten service Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Ministerial Alliance

Ed Freeman will lead the Castro County Ministerial Alliance in a study of Matthew 5:13-16 Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church in Dimmitt.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

The Lay Ministries Training Program will be held tonight (Thursday) from 7:30 to 9:30.

There will be a Small Christian Communities Workshop at the Episcopal Center, 232 E. Cottonwood Street, Dumas Highway East. All "neighborhood" coordinators and chairpersons of SCC are expected to attend the seminar.

A weekend retreat, "Pathways to Serenity," will be held Friday, March 30, through Sunday, April 1 at the Bishop DeFalco Retreat Center in Amarillo. Friday's opening service begins at 7:30 p.m. with the conclusion of the retreat scheduled Sunday at 1 p.m. The retreat is open to anyone on any level of a spiritual journey. It will focus on exploring and integrating the spiritual principles of "12-step recovery" with some of the central tenets of spirituality.

The Christian Leadership Awards at Incarnate Word College in San Antonio are tuition grants in the

amount of \$500 per year and are given to students upon the personal recommendation of a Catholic priest in Texas or a Sister of Charity of the Incarnate Word. Contact Father Choong for more details.



Parousia Ministries

Parousia to appear

A contemporary band, Parousia, will be ministering at the First Assembly of God Church, SE Second and Belsher in Dimmitt, on Sunday beginning at 7 p.m.

This team communicates messages of God's love, evangelism and a closer walk with the Lord through short skits. People of all ages return again and again to hear Parousia. They communicate well with all ages.

Assembly of God Pastor Claude Hendricks invites everyone to attend the program.

Senior Citizens

Senior Citizens Menu

MONDAY — Steak and gravy, potatoes, English peas, salad, bread, dessert, tea and coffee.

TUESDAY — Chicken casserole, beets, salad, bread, dessert, tea and coffee.

WEDNESDAY — Barbecued beef tips, potato salad, brown beans, salad, bread, dessert, tea and coffee.

THURSDAY — Pork chops, scalloped potatoes, black-eyed peas, salad, bread, dessert, tea and coffee.

FRIDAY — Fish, baked potatoes, green beans, salad, bread, dessert, tea and coffee.

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Kids, Inc. Basketball

You just thought the basketball season was over. When the high school season ended, the Kids, Inc. season started. Our two local gyms are still alive with activity four nights a week as 202 Dimmitt area youngsters, divided into 24 teams and four leagues, play six games a night.

It takes a lot of volunteers to organize the teams, find sponsors, set up schedules and coach them through the junior basketball season. That's the job that Kids, Inc. does for us every spring.

We salute all those who coach and sponsor the teams, and who run this worthwhile program.

Jerry Durham is president of Kids, Inc., with Jackie Matthews serving as vice-president and Prissy Boothe as secretary-treasurer. Board members are Mike Bell, Joe Bob Sanders, Rhenea Webb and Rick Wilcox.

- Here are the team sponsors and coaches:
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 LANE DIRT SERVICE—Bill Thomas and Michael Smith
 DIMMITT READY MIX—Mike Bell and Rick Bell
 B&W AERIAL SPRAY—Jackie Matthews
 RUBIE LEE REAL ESTATE—Randy Schumacher and Kent Lindsey
 FLAGG FERTILIZER—Rita McDaniel
 BUD HILL FEEDLOT—Roger Rodriguez
- MAJOR LEAGUE GIRLS**
 COLEMAN PHARMACY—Kelly Proffitt
 LA COIFFURES—Rick Wilcox
 OPM INVESTMENTS—Ray Bradley
 CONTEL—Kathy Ethridge, Joe Josselet and Allison Davis
- MINOR LEAGUE BOYS**
 CASTRO OIL & GAS, INC.—Steve Buckley and Van Hopson
 DIMMITT EQUIPMENT—Michael Smith, Rhenea Webb and Justin Shultz
 S&S CATTLE—Joe Bob Sanders and Eddie Sutton
 EASTER GRAIN, INC.—Eddie Matthews and Russell Harkins
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 DIMMITT AGRI INDUSTRIES—James Killough and Harry Najjar
- MINOR LEAGUE GIRLS**
 FIRST STATE BANK—Jerry Matthews and Norman Hays
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 HEADHUNTERS—Paul Garcia, Michelle Garcia and Olan Moore
 CASTRO CO-OP GIN—Jackie Matthews and Rick Bell
 KARRYALLS BY KAREN—Karen and Jeff Robertson
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Church Directory



"Behold, I send an angel before you, to guard you on the way and to bring you to the place which I have prepared." Exodus 23:20.

- New Hope Memorial Baptist Church**
300 NE 7th, Dimmitt
- Sunnyside Baptist Church**
David Fletcher, Pastor
647-5712, Sunnyside
- First United Methodist Church**
Perry Hunsaker, Pastor
938-2462, Hart
- La Asamblea Cristiana**
"Full Gospel"
Ruben Velasquez, Pastor
400 NW 5th, Dimmitt
- First United Methodist Church**
Vernon O'Kelly, Pastor
647-4106 or 647-4107
110 SW 3rd, Dimmitt
- Iglesia De Cristo**
Pedro A. Gonzalez, Pastor
E. Lee and SE 3rd, Dimmitt
- Immaculate Conception Catholic Church**
Norbert Choong, Pastor
647-4219
1001 W. Halsell, Dimmitt
- Primera Iglesia Bautista Mexicana**
Eduardo Acevedo, Pastor
647-4373
301 NE 7th, Dimmitt

- Church Of God Of The First Born**
611 E Halsell, Dimmitt
- Immanuel Baptist Church**
James Alexander, Pastor
501 SE 3rd, Dimmitt
- Rosa De Saron Church**
Maria Castaneda, Pastor
647-5598
411 NE 6th, Dimmitt

- St. John's Catholic Church**
Norbert Choong, Pastor
Hart
- Church Of Christ**
Benny Baker, Minister
647-4435
SW 4th at Bedford, Dimmitt
- Rose Of Sharon Temple**
407 NE 4th, Dimmitt

- First Assembly Of God**
Claude Hendrick, Pastor
647-5662
300 SE 2nd, Dimmitt
- First Baptist Church**
Paul Kenley, Pastor
647-3115
1201 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt
- Lee Street Baptist Church**
647-5474
401 SW 2nd, Dimmitt
- Church Of God Of Prophecy**
647-3403
309 NW 4th, Dimmitt
- First Christian Church**
David Keller, Pastor
647-5478
600 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt
- La Iglesia De Dios Del Primojento**
East Halsell St., Dimmitt
- Presbyterian Church**
Edward D. Freeman, Pastor
647-3214
1510 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt
- Holy Family Catholic Church**
Neal Dee, Pastor
945-2616, Nazareth

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- Flagg Fertilizer Company
- Foskey-Fleming Funeral Home
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- K-Bob's Steak House
- Miguel's Texaco
- Rubie Lee Real Estate
- Sunnyside Farm Store



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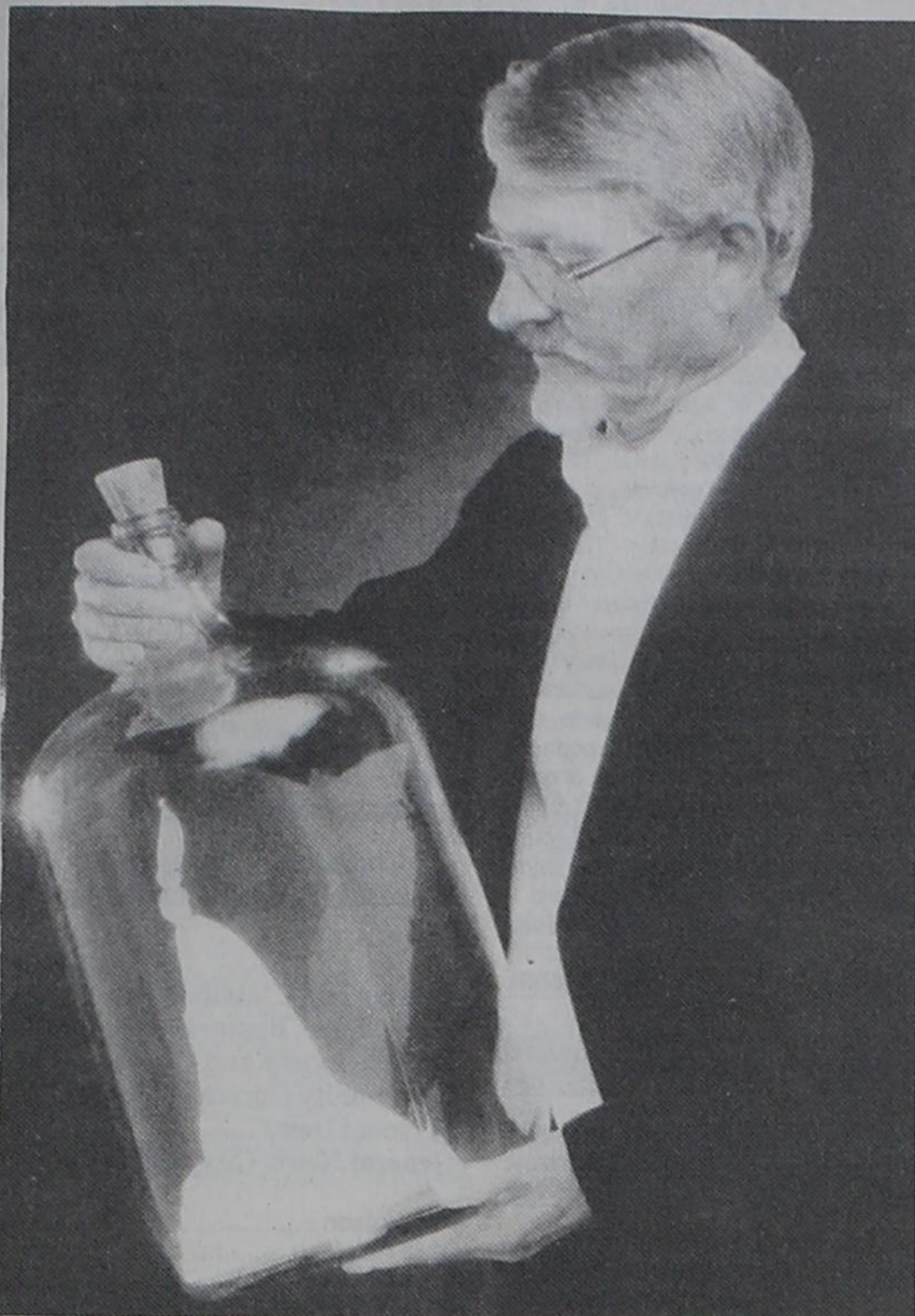
Earth Day set in April

A committee is being formed to promote Earth Day 1990 in Earth and the surrounding area.

Ideas are needed in planning the Earth Day 1990 activities, but the greatest need is for volunteers to help with the planning and executing of all activities now being considered, an area spokesperson said.

The international celebration is set for April 22, with events planned to draw attention to environmental concerns around the world.

Anyone wishing to assist, or needing additional information, can contact Noel Pittman at 257-2111 or 257-2195 or Edna Sanders at 986-4205 or 257-3390.



ILLUSIONS and magic tricks will highlight *The Elegant Magic of Fred Story*, which will be presented by the Dimmitt Lions Club as a fundraiser. The show will be performed April 9 at 7 p.m. in the Dimmitt High School Auditorium.

Magic show planned for Lions' fundraiser

The Dimmitt Lions Club will sponsor a magic show in Dimmitt April 9 at 7 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School Auditorium.

The group will once again sponsor *The Elegant Magic of Fred Story*, a 90-minute program featuring traditional feats of magic. Among the tricks performed include a lady floating in mid-air; birds, rabbits and ducks appearing and disappearing; and illusions. Members of the audience will be invited to participate in various magical effects during the performance. One highlight of the program is when a local person participates in the "French Guillotine Illusion."

Proceeds from the Lions Club-sponsored show will go to the Crippled Children's Camp in Kerrville.

Local businesses and individuals will be contacted by telephone to ask for their support of the Lions Club's project by purchasing children's and senior citizen's tickets.

Lions Club Project Chairman Jim Baker urges everyone to support the project. If you are not contacted, donations may be mailed to P.O. Box 471, Dimmitt 79027, or by calling 647-3731. Adult

tickets, senior citizens tickets and student tickets may also be purchased at the door on the night of the performance.

Swine seminar is slated

Area swine producers can obtain practical information about artificial insemination of their herds at a seminar Saturday at the Texas Tech University Livestock Arena.

The program, scheduled from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., is being presented by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Texas Tech University. The livestock arena is located on Indiana Avenue, just south of the Brownfield Highway.

The use of artificial insemination in swine will be discussed by Gary Patterson, Parmer County Extension agent. The detection of estrus in gilts and sows will be explained by Joe Tarter, Lazbuddie producer.

Stanley Harris, swine herdsman at the Tech farm, will cover the training of boars and collection of semen. Obtaining semen from boar studs for liquid or frozen storage will be the topic of Dr. James R. Clark, associate professor of animal science at Tech.

Techniques for inseminating gilts and sows with liquid or frozen semen will be shown. Evaluation of semen collected on the farm, and ways to extend semen collected on the farm will be covered by Clark.

Additional information about the seminar may be obtained by calling Clark at 1-742-2496, or from county agents of the Extension Service.

Reading help is available

Tutors are available to help anyone learn to read.

There is no charge, and pupils learn at their own pace. The one-on-one teaching also affords privacy.

Call 647-5352 if you are interested.

Encourage someone who does not know how to read to call.

Achievement tests slated

Dimmitt Middle School students will be taking CTBS Achievement Tests Tuesday through next Thursday, March 29.

Students in the fourth through eighth grades at Dimmitt Middle School will be tested from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. each day.



Five Cat Card Club Winners for this week have been named at Dimmitt Middle School.

Fifth grader Angie Lopez was nominated by teacher Dawn Goolsby, who described her as "a serious math student, committed to all required tasks."

Sixth grader Gerald Cadena, and fourth graders Errin Kropp, Gracie Martinez and Jayson Person were all selected for turning in lost items.

Winners of Cat Card privileges get to attend school-sponsored functions free during the week of their selection, and get to go to the head of the cafeteria line. Coupons for redemption are also offered by local merchants.

Omission

A Dimmitt Middle School student who qualified for the A-B honor roll for the most recent grading period, was not listed with the rest of the honor students in a story in last week's issue of the *News*. Nicole McWorter, a fourth grader, made the list, but was omitted from the list the school turned in to the *News*.

Correction

In a story in the March 8 issue of the *News*, a story about Brian Nelson winning the Reserve Championship barrow honors at Houston contained some incorrect information.

In the last paragraph, it reads that Nelson had the top corn yield in Castro County in 1988. He had one of the top yields in the county in 1986.

The *News* regrets the error.

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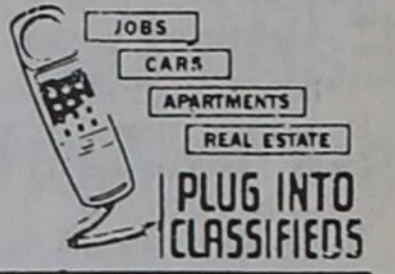
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Sunnyside

Catherine Pierce of Littlefield, mother of Pat Elkins, underwent an angiogram in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock Tuesday afternoon. Damage was minor and can be handled with medicine. Pat came home Tuesday night for the first time. She will possibly be dismissed March 19 after a stress test.

Jan King. Madge Robb and Teeny Bowden spent Wednesday afternoon on stories and bookkeeping at Teeny's, and then spent Thursday afternoon at the library recording stories brought in by Emma Jean King and from Clara's office. Several brought in their stories and asked questions.

Flossie Jones of Olton has been with her sister, Ettie McDermitt of Dimmitt, in High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo as she has undergone vein replacement surgery in one leg recently and in the second leg Tuesday. Phillip went with her Saturday, but Sunday she went back alone as more surgery is anticipated on Monday.

Lillian Carson and Phyllis Bates of Ruidoso, N.M., Ruth Brown of Dimmitt, and the Lee and Louise Bradley family went to Lubbock Thursday night to eat supper to support Gregg George in his practice management class project. He will graduate in May as a hotel manager, and this was one of his class projects. He had complete charge of all phases of the supper from the decorations to the food and serving. He was the manager over it all. Lillian and Louise had made some decorations for him and Lillian and Jack took them down to him Wednesday night.

Emma Jean King and Jo Eddy Riley and probably others attended the funeral services for Gary Cowley in Earth Thursday afternoon in Earth's First United Methodist Church. He was 43 and died suddenly of a heart attack. Mr. Cowley was the father of Leona Blanton's oldest grandchildren, Tony, Tamera and Tyson Cowley. Leona kept Tyson and Marsha's baby, Chelsey, and stayed with Ronnie.

Ezell and Verba Sadler returned home from Lake Hubbard Thursday after spending a 10-day period preparing for the Louder reunion April 28-29.

Clara Vick and her family attended the funeral services for her brother-in-law, James Craghead, in Amarillo Friday afternoon. They spent the weekend with the family.

Verba Sadler played with the Hereford music group for the Crime Stopper benefit program Friday night. Ezell accompanied her.

Jackie Clark won first place in the Texas Irrigated Division of the 1989 National Corn Yield Contest. He received the first place trophy during the 1990 NCGA Corn Classic in Phoenix Feb. 20. Sandra flew to Phoenix with him to receive the trophy. His yield was 244.36 bushels per acre for an NC-plus 6414 variety. They were gone three days.

Our first bad storm of the season was received on Tuesday. We had a few snowflakes Wednesday with a temperature of 24 degrees Friday morning and 28 degrees Saturday morning, but clear

skies both of those mornings. Rev. David Fletcher and family took a tour through eastern New Mexico on the kids' days off instead of going to Gruver as reported last week. They went to Alamogordo, White Sands, the space museum, Billy the Kid's grave at Fort Sumner, and the Lincoln State monument. They got home Tuesday night after making the 600-mile trip.

James Norrell's parents were up last Saturday from Ropesville. James and Joan visited with them and Joan's parents for a little while after her doctor's appointment in Lubbock Thursday.

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Ezell and Verba Sadler attended the 50th wedding anniversary of Melvin and Juanita Summers in Dimmitt Sunday afternoon.

Gary and Lynda Marr, Coby and Brady, of Lockney visited Friday night and had supper with Rev. David and Debra Fletcher, Hadley, Hale and Harmony. They reported that Rev. Murle Rogers is not doing very well.

Becky and Kathy Norrell of Levelland and Sharon Bradley were visitors in the Sunday morning services. Phyllis Mooney played the piano for both services. Melinda Wilson, out of Tech for spring break, visited in the evening services.

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Tamera Cowley and Derrick visited Saturday with Leona Blanton, Tyson and Marsha and children. Linda was also home from Albuquerque, N.M. for the weekend.

Carl and Alice Collyer of Corpus Christi arrived Friday and spent Friday night with Billie and Emma

Sharon Sadler's brother-in-law, Chad Windsor, lost his father on Wednesday. Sharon and Tex and Norma Conard left Thursday morning for Topeka, Kan., with the funeral services set for Friday. They came back home Saturday night.



State Department of Highways and Public Transportation

1—Real Estate, Homes & Land

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14—Cards of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank all the people for helping me when I needed you. To the special people at the Courthouse, to Kim Hunter and Kirk Pigg with the ambulance, to the nurses and Dr. Hardee in the E.R. at the hospital, to the other nurses and especially Dr. Murphy, thank you. Thank each of you for the visits, cards, beautiful flowers and love you have shown. God Bless each of you.
 OLETA RAPER
 14-49-1tc

CARD OF THANKS

Whoever penned the song, "Dear Hearts and Gentle People," must have lived in Castro County at one time. Once again your love and tender concern for our welfare has been manifest in so many ways that it leaves us speechless and humbly grateful.

We thank you for the many prayers that went Heavenward, for all the visits, cards, flowers and delicious food that has been brought to our house since my angioplasty in Lubbock and subsequent stay at the Dimmitt Hospital. You cannot possibly know how much we appreciate every act and pray God's blessings on you all.
 MARGUERITE & LAURENCE McLAIN
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15—Legal Notices

NOTICE TO CALL FOR BIDS

The Texas Association of School Business Officials in cooperation with the following Independent School Districts: Claude, Groom, Dimmitt, Hart, Hartley, Borger, Sunray, Vega, Amarillo, River Road, Shamrock, will receive bids for paper products and office and teaching supplies until 1 p.m. on April 13, 1990, and publicly open bids on the same date and time in the office of the Texas Association of School Business Officials, Suite 770, 1701 Directors Blvd., Austin, Texas 78744.

Bid documents, plans, and specifications may be examined at the Texas Association of School Business Officials. For more information call 1-512-462-1711 or 1-800-338-6531, Ed L. West, reference Bid #202 (Paper Products) and Bid #202-2 (Office and Teaching Supplies). 15-48-2tc

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Castro County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and the right to waive informalities is reserved.

MRS. M.L. SIMPSON JR.
 County Judge,
 Castro County, Texas
 15-49-3tc

LEGAL NOTICE

The Dimmitt Independent School District will accept bids for the purchase of band uniforms until 7 p.m. April 9, 1990, at 608 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, TX 79027. Specifications may be obtained from the high school band director, Dimmitt High School, 1505 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt, TX 79027.

The DISD reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

ROBERT RYAN
 Superintendent, DISD
 15-49-2tc

Freeze syrup from canned fruit to make a sauce for gingerbread, coffee cake or nut bread.

Nazareth names honor students

Nazareth Independent School District has released its honor roll for the fourth six weeks of school.

Adrian Farris was named to the Principal's Honor Roll in the high school.

Grade School students named to the Principal's Honor Roll were Lindsie M. Gerber, John Farris, Jill Schulte, Andrea Braddock, Susan Book, Ann Wilhelm and Celina Braddock.

Students on the A honor roll include:

FIRST GRADE: Saige Annen, Mark Birkenfeld, Lindsey K. Gerber, Lindsie M. Gerber, Whitney Hoelting, Tara Kleman, Mark Lange, Matty McLain and Brooke Moyers.

SECOND GRADE: Cassie Birkenfeld, Melanie Book, Bo Hunter, Cameron McLain, Shawn Nelson, Dawn Ramaekers, Jill Schulte, Sara Schulte, David Verkamp, Karen Wilhelm and Andrea Braddock.

THIRD GRADE: Susan Lange, Laura Birkenfeld, Ann Wilhelm, Susan Jones, Susan Book, Stephanie Gerber, Heather Schilling, Matthew Kern, Vanessa Wilhelm, Mitchell Brockman, Jessica Kern and Amanda Birkenfeld.

FOURTH GRADE: Celina Brad-

dock, Kaci Wethington, Sara Birkenfeld and Amy Pohlmeier.

FIFTH GRADE: Justin Bingham.

SIXTH GRADE: Robin Schulte, Jaimye Bingham and Allyn Garza.

SEVENTH GRADE: Karmen Pohlmeier and Scott Brockman.

EIGHTH GRADE: Sabrina Acker.

FRESHMEN: Jill Pohlmeier.

SOPHOMORES: Kalina Pohlmeier and Jodi Johnson.

JUNIORS: Marcia Hoelting, Darlene Heck and Cindy Albracht.

SENIORS: Nikki Schulte and Kirsten Birkenfeld.

B honor roll students were:

FIRST GRADE: Jaci Birkenfeld, Zach Cameron, John Farris, Shawna Gerber, Jason Huseman, Nichole Huseman, Erin Jones, Bryce Pohlmeier, and Adam Schulte.

SECOND GRADE: Clay Hoelting, Judy Schacher, Stanton Wethington and Meredith Braddock.

THIRD GRADE: Chris Birkenfeld, Kira Ball, Kristin Hales, Nancy Wilhite, Stephanie Pena, Matt Olvera, Tiffany Schmucker, Jayme Schmucker and Lori Maurer.

FOURTH GRADE: Barry Hoelting, Tanya Wethington, Whitney

McLain, Trina Johnson, Joy Long, Jerad Birkenfeld and Leon Birkenfeld.

FIFTH GRADE: Misti Ball, Bryan Braddock, Heather Braddock, Marcus Brockman, Margie Durbin, Angela Fortenberry, Nicholas Gerber, Mindy Hoelting, Nathan Hoelting, B.J. Kern, Sarah Olvera, Jill Ramaekers and Bj Wethington.

SIXTH GRADE: Courtney Hoelting, Robby Schmucker, Casey Hoelting, Kelly Jones and Carie Wethington.

SEVENTH GRADE: Rhonda Maurer, Jaret Schulte, Jeremy Wethington, Alston Farris, Denia Durbin, Richard Herring and Colby Pohlmeier.

EIGHTH GRADE: Trampas Ball, JJ Bermea, Lynette Kleman, Kristin Brockman, Mary Ellen Ramaekers and Nick Johnson.

FRESHMEN: Melinda Birkenfeld, Ashley Hoelting, Bill Hochstein and Michael Schmucker.

SOPHOMORES: Hugh Durbin, Peggy Huseman, Lisa Ball and Garrett Dobmeier.

JUNIORS: Janay Johnson, Vance Acker, Steph Farris, Bryce Hatla, Steven Lange, Bernie Hochstein and Noel Johnson.

Nazareth

By Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669

Funeral mass was read for Neil Duer, 69, Friday at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Fort Worth. His wife, Hilda (Schmucker) Duer, survives him. Family from Nazareth attending the funeral were Hilda's brother, Lawrence Schmucker; her sister, Alvina Gerber; Leonard, Mark, Roger, Mick and Joel Gerber; Connie Backus; Floyd and Dorothy Schulte; Marilyn Wilson and Hubert and Joan Backus. Hilda's sister, Louise Braddock, was unable to attend because she was recu-

perating from foot surgery. Alvina Gerber will spend a week with Hilda before returning home.

Mary Litsch hosted a dinner last Wednesday for Msgr. Stanley Crocchiola of Canadian, who was visiting here. Those attending were Julius and Kathy Birkenfeld and daughter, Brittany; the Birkenfeld's nephew, Ryan Buchanan; Leonard and Rosemary Wilhelm; Dean and Dianne Wilhelm; and Kim Drerup.

The Nazareth Senior Citizens en-

joyed dinner at the center Sunday. Rev. Neal Dee offered a prayer remembering Paul Pohlmeier, one of our members, who has taken up residence at the Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt. Dinner guests of Ann Schulte were Edith Huseman and her foster child, Kenneth Rachel, Dorothy Ware and Lena Durbin. Guests of Rose Hindman were Paul and Joan Durbin. Clara and Bo Cowell of Amarillo were the guests of George Schacher. Francis Backus of Hereford was a guest of Helen Backus. Ella Hoelting hosted Estelle Keys of Plainview. Donna Charanza of Amarillo was the guest of Meta Stork.

LeRoy and Dorothy Pohlmeier enjoyed a trip to Colorado to visit family members, including Pam and Lyn Bogle. They attended the Colorado State Basketball Tournament that their granddaughter, Christa Bogle, a sophomore at Sargent High School, was participating in.

In Colorado Springs they visited Tom and Brenda Conrad and family. They also watched their grandchildren, Tiffany and Brett, participate in basketball.

Nancy and Lynn Buchanan flew to Dallas on Friday. Lynn will undergo physical and speech therapy at the Dallas Rehabilitation Institute. Lyn underwent brain surgery Jan. 24 at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo. Their address in Dallas is 9713 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, Texas 75220-5441. Their phone number is 1-214-358-6000 or 800-82-REHAB.

Lorelea Acker and her mother, Judy, are still residents of the Ronald McDonald House in Amarillo. Lorelea is receiving radiation treatments at Northwest Texas Hospital until about the first of April. They enjoy coming to Nazareth each weekend.

Jim Skarke of Umbarger is a cancer patient at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo. His room is number 504. Tests are being done Monday and Tuesday and he will have brain surgery Wednesday. Prayers are asked for him.

The junior high tennis tournament was held Saturday on the Nazareth courts with 32 Nazareth sixth, seventh and eighth grade students participating. Melinda Schmucker won first in the girls' singles, Kristin Brockman, second and Robin Schulte, third. Justin Wethington won first in the boys' singles, Alston Farris was second and Scott Brockman finished third. In the doubles, A Division, Justin Wethington and Karmen Pohlmeier were first, Alston Farris, Robbie Schmucker and Denia Durbin were second and Colby Pohlmeier and Melinda Schmucker finished third. In the B Division Nick Johnson and Joyce Birkenfeld were first, Gaylon Schilling and Tara Johnson, second, and Ron Backus and Allyn Garza, third.

Pageant is planned

Jane Dorris Frost of San Jon, N.M., former Arney resident, will portray the role of Joanna in an Easter pageant at the Caprock Amphitheater, 11 miles south of San Jon.

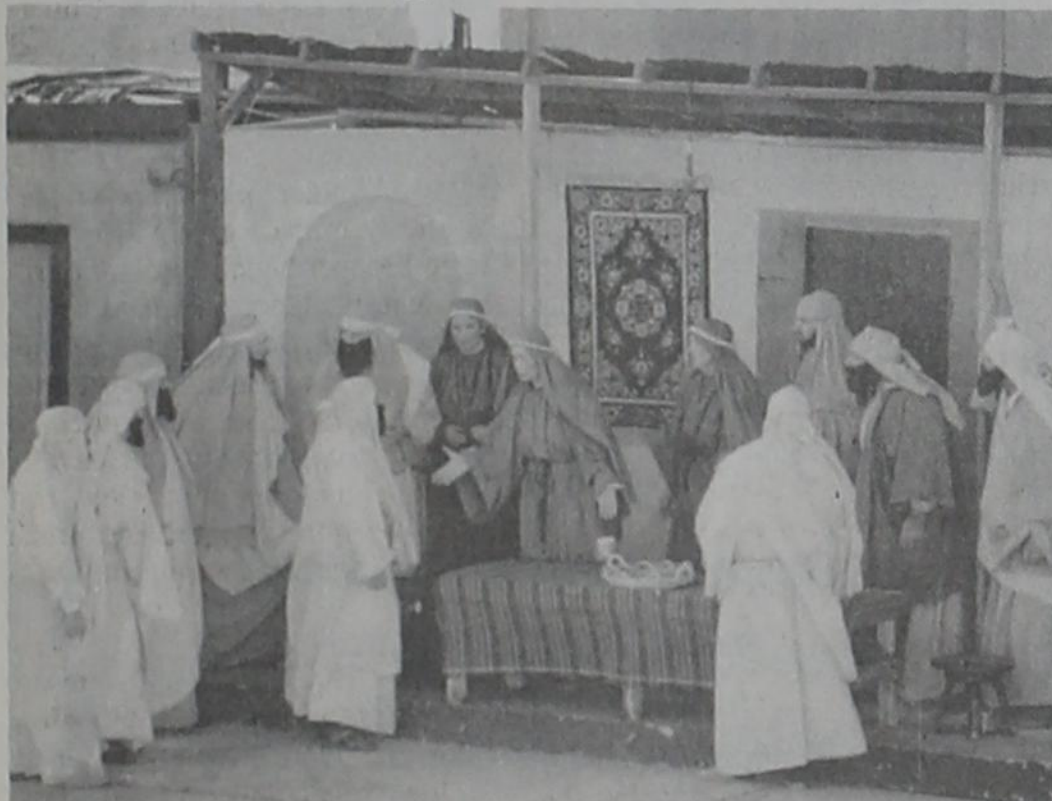
The San Jon United Methodist Church will sponsor the second annual presentation of an original pageant, "The Third Day," Friday, April 13, at 7 p.m. (MDT) and on Easter Sunday morning, April 15, at 5:30 a.m. In case of inclement weather, the pageant will be moved to the San Jon High School gymna-

sium.

Members of the San Jon community will depict the feelings and fears of the disciples and the women closest to Jesus during the days following the crucifixion and their reactions to his resurrections.

One of the co-writers of the pageant, Martha Toles Frost, is a former Happy resident. Several cast members are also former Happy-area residents.

Both presentations will begin with singing performed by various members of the community.



THE THIRD DAY, an Easter pageant, will be presented at the Caprock Amphitheater near San Jon, N. M. April 13 and April 15. A former Castro County resident, Jane Dorris Frost, will be portraying "Joanna" in the pageant.

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2. Do we need to continue the computer learning?
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3. Did the Texas Education Agency recently issue a strong recommendation that the High School should increase the facilities in the library, cafeteria and physical education areas?
YES!

4. Are the physical education classes in the Middle School overcrowded?
YES!

5. Is it true that less than half of the High School student body can be seated in the cafeteria at one time?
YES!

6. Is the projected Freshman enrollment for the Fall of 1990 three times the number of Seniors being graduated in the Spring of 1990?
YES!

7. Is there a need for more electricity at Richardson?
YES!

8. Is the Richardson/Middle School cafeteria in need of renovation and new equipment?
YES!

9. Are handicapped restroom facilities required?
YES!

10. What does the Dimmitt Classroom Teachers' Association say?
YES!

VOTE YES!

April 3

People

Newlyweds establish new home in Amarillo

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bruce Peterson Jr. are home in Amarillo after their March 10 wedding and a honeymoon trip to Colorado.

The bride is the former Sandi Schinkus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schinkus of Dimmitt. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Earl B. Peterson Sr. of Muleshoe.

The couple exchanged wedding vows March 10 in a formal, double-ring ceremony at Dimmitt's First Baptist Church with Pastor Gil Hiltbrunner officiating.

Red tulle rosettes surrounded by white tulle bows tied with white lace marked the church pews.

Church decorations included a heart-shaped candelabra placed under a heart-shaped arch. A flared candelabra and a spiral candelabra were placed on each side of the arch. The candelabras and the arch were decorated with large sprays of red poppies, white lotus blossoms and greenery tied with red tulle bows and accented with large pearl white ribbon.

The unity candle was accented with a spray of white gardenias, carnations and tiny red rose accents tied with white tulle bow and accented with white pearl ribbon.

Steve Simpson of Amarillo served as pianist. The Prelude was written and played by Simpson. Helen Kilburn of Amarillo, soloist, performed *Make Us One Father* after the couple spoke their vows, *Broken for You* during communion and *On This Day* while the couple lit the unity candle.

The groom sang *I Stand In Love of You* after the couple's mothers were seated. He joined the bride in singing *Author of Love* later in the ceremony.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a designer white regal satin gown featuring a Queen Anne neckline crowned with a high collar. The bodice was encrusted with seed pearls and jewels and was crowned with clusters of jeweled flowers. The Edwardian sleeves featured pearl sprays on net, coming to bridal points over her wrists. The full, flowing satin skirt featured Venice lace medallions and crystallized, hand-beaded designs. The back of the gown was highlighted with a runner of pearl buttons. The full-length Queen's Court cathedral-length train was accented with sunburst medallions and sprays of pearls. A double-edged satin ruffle finished the hemline.

She wore a fingertip-length veil featuring a puffed spray atop a Juliet cap. Satin rosettes, amish pearl sparklers and jeweled flower sprays highlighted the headpiece.

Cindy Reynolds of Amarillo, friend of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Brenda Schinkus and Robin Parks, both of Dimmitt, Sherrie May of Canyon, and B.J. Lane and Brenda Fox, both of Amarillo.

The bride's mother designed and sewed the bridesmaids gowns of red debutante satin. They were fashioned with a sweetheart neckline and puffed sleeves. Each gown featured a drop waistline which was accented with a large designer bow at the back. Matching gloves of debutante and red lace, and shoes dyed to match the gowns,



MRS. E. BRUCE PETERSON JR. ... nee Sandi Schinkus

completed the bridesmaids attire.

The attendants carried crescent-shaped bouquets of red roses and white lotus blossoms tied with white tulle bows and white pearl buttons surrounded by lace.

They wore shoulder-length veils featuring a puff spray atop a deputation cap of satin flowers and pearls.

Best man was Lloyd Cunningham of Amarillo. Groomsmen were Wayne Peterson of Muleshoe, Randy May of Canyon, Gary Lane of Amarillo, Davis Ford of Hereford and Mike Schinkus of Dimmitt.

The groomsmen were outfitted in black tuxedos with red cummerbunds.

Ellise Hiltbrunner was flower girl. She wore a white dress of debutante satin designed and made by the bride's mother. It was fashioned with a multi-ruffled back accented with a bow at the waist.

In her hair she wore a crown of white flowers accented with tiny red roses.

She carried a white basket, crocheted by the bride's mother. The dress, basket and hairpiece were all accented with tiny red satin ribbon and bows.

Dustin May, cousin of the groom, was ring bearer. He wore a black tuxedo accented by a red cummerbund.

Following the wedding the couple were honored with a reception in the church's fellowship hall.

The reception hall was decorated with red and white balloons which the guests turned loose as the couple left the church.

The bride's white cake featured a red fountain decorated with red

roses, white lotus blossoms and greenery.

The bride's table was covered with a white lace cloth over a red cloth and was graced by a large centerpiece of red gladioli and white gardenias. Red gladioli and white gardenia sprays also accented silver candelabras. Pecans, coffee, fruit punch, nuts and white rose mints were served from the table.

The groom's table, which was covered with a black tablecloth and red cloth overlay, featured a large centerpiece of red poppies, black seed pods in a black ginger jar. Pick up foods were served from the groom's table.

Walter Maynard of Dimmitt played musical selections on the piano during the reception. The couple left for their wedding trip to Colorado following the reception. For her traveling attire, the bride wore an off-white lace dress.

The bride is employed by the Dept. of Human Services in Amarillo. The groom is self-employed.

Perkins joins honor society

Alissa J. Perkins of Dimmitt was recently initiated among the 41 new members of the Texas Tech University Chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta.

The national academic honor society for freshman college and university students recognizes its initiates for superior classroom performance as freshman students.

Local cancer group offers service, recovery programs

In the fight against cancer, the American Cancer Society places great importance on cancer patient services hoping to ease cancer's impact on people's lives.

The fact that more people are surviving cancer today than ever before—over 50% live at least five years—reinforces the need to help people get back into life's mainstream.

The hopeful side of cancer, the survivability, is why the ACS offers cancer support programs for patients and their families.

"The aim is to provide assistance that ranges from practical advice and emotional support to meeting the day-to-day needs for hospital beds, wheelchairs, transportation to and from treatment centers and, for patients from out of town, for housing in Amarillo," said Bettye Wallace, chairman of the Castro County ACS unit's Service/Rehabilitation Program.

More information on the services is available for cancer patients by calling Wallace in Dimmitt.

The ACS Service and Rehabilitation Committee is a group of doctors, nurses, social workers, chaplains, other health care professionals and trained volunteers, some who have had cancer. Their job is to coordinate the cancer patient programs offered by the ACS.

Facilitating some of these programs are health professionals in hospitals and cancer treatment centers.

Also helping with these ACS programs are people who have or have had cancer themselves. These cancer patients are trained and then call upon to serve as role models, helping the newly-diagnosed patient adjust to cancer diagnosis. These visits are always done with the approval of the patient's physician and are usually done while the patient is hospitalized.

Other services and rehabilitation programs involve aid that begins after the patient leaves the hospital.

In the Dimmitt area, the following services and programs are provided, without charge, by the American Cancer Society:

— Loan equipment, such as hospital beds, side rails, wheelchairs, shower seats, walkers, commode chairs and crutches.

— Gift items, including eggcrate mattresses, comfort pillows, micro-pore tape, room deodorant, sheepskins, ostomy supplies, laryngectomy stoma bibs, bed pans, urinals, emesis basins, dressings, and other materials related to the rehabilitation programs.

— Cancer information services with information about ACS programs as well as other resources within the community. Also, a variety of free educational literature is available and many local volunteers maintain their own cancer patient resource guide.

— Blood, which is during treatment is provided.

DHS Band meeting set

Dimmitt High School band members and their parents will hold a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the high school band hall.

The band trip to Colorado Springs and money-raising activities will be discussed.

All band parents are urged to attend.

— Transportation to and from treatment centers through the volunteer Road to Recovery program.

— Cancer patient visitation programs, which include the Reach to Recovery program for breast cancer surgery patients, the laryngectomy visitation program of the Lost Chord Club for patients who have had the voice box removed, and the United Ostomy Association's support program for those having had an ostomy operation for colorectal cancer surgery. CanSurmount is also a one-on-one visitation program intended for cancer patients who have not had these special surgeries.

— The patient/family support programs, including I Can Cope, an educational program in a group setting for patients, their families and friends; and Dialogue, a fol-

low-up program to I Can Cope with education and support activities led by a professional group facilitator.

— Bereavement support for those who have experienced the death of a loved one within the past two years.

— Support materials for parents and families of children with cancer.

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Shower honors Behrends

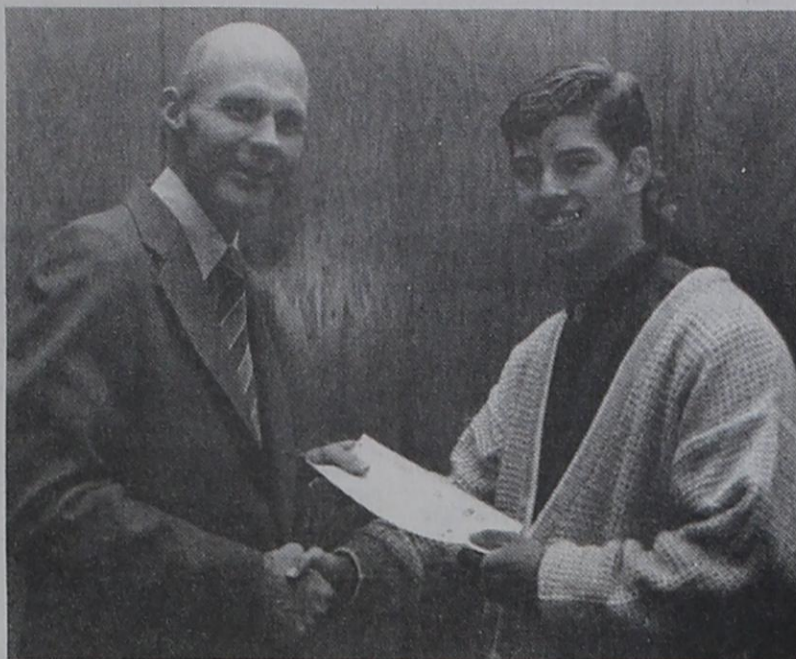
Denise Behrends, bride-elect of Douglas Ferrel, was honored with a bridal shower recently in the home of Mrs. Monty Boozer.

Guests were greeted by Mrs. Sue Boozer, the honoree and her mother, Mrs. Jane Behrends.

The serving table featured a mixed flower arrangement as the centerpiece. Pumpkin biscuits with shaved ham, brownies, macadamia coconut cookies and a fruit bowl were served with coffee and summer-time tea.

A vacuum cleaner, oyster blender and food chopper were presented to the honoree by the 31 hostesses.

Special guest attending included grandmothers, Judy Love and Helen Behrends, a great-aunt, Georgia Kern, and a cousin, Judy Kern.



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT—Brian Stewart of Dimmitt (right) accepts his salutarian scholarship check from Dr. Bill Dean, executive director of the Texas Tech Ex - Students Association. Stewart, a music major at Tech was salutarian of the 1989 graduating class at Dimmitt High School. The Ex-Students Association annually provides scholarships to high school valedictorians and salutarians who enroll as freshman students at Tech. Stewart is a member of the Goin' Band from Raiderland. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen K. Stewart of Dimmitt.



Plains Memorial

Arthur and Audera Guzman of Hart are the parents of a baby girl, Amber Lee, who was born at 5:11 a.m. March 8 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 19 inches long. Her paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jose Guzman of Hart. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Rogelio Velasquez and Mrs. Martha Fuentes, all of Hart. The baby's great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Froilan Reyna.

It's a boy for Bruce and Lisa Braddock of Nazareth. Joshua Myles Braddock entered the world on March 9 at 3:45 p.m. at Plain Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt weighing 7 pounds, 12 3/4 oz. and measuring 20 inches long. Joshua Myles has three older siblings, six-year-old Timothy, two-year-old Melina and one-year-old Jacob. Paternal grandmother is Sister Frances Anne Braddock of Gainesville, Ark. Maternal grandmother is Alice Palazzini of Nazareth. The baby's godparents are Myles and Cindy King of Templeton, Mass.

Out of Town

Bryan and Donna Reinart of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby girl, Lana Brianna, who was born Feb. 26 at Deaf Smith General Hospital in Hereford. She weighed 5 pounds, 14 1/4 ounces and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Don and Agnes Schilling of Dimmitt and Leander and Clara Reinart of Hereford.

SS rep here today

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Dimmitt today (Thursday) from 9 to 11 a.m. at the courthouse.

To Gym or not to Gym is NOT the question.

Physical Education IS!



Theresa Rose Wilhelm

Dyslexia is topic of meeting at Hart

Dr. Howard Stewart will present a program on the learning disability of dyslexia and language disabilities of children at the Hart Golden Group Building next Thursday, March 29, at 7 p.m.

Dr. Stewart is the chairman of the Scottish Rite Learning Center of West Texas, based in Lubbock. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children of Dallas. Dr. Stewart is also the Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

Wilhelm to perform French horn recital

Theresa Rose Wilhelm of Nazareth, a senior music education major at West Texas State University in Canyon, will present a French horn recital Monday, April

2, in the Northern Recital Hall on the WTSU campus.

The free concert begins at 4 p.m. and is open to the public.

Program selections include *Allegro Spiritoso* by Senaille, *Concerto for Horn* by Hermann, *Chant Sans Paroles* by Clerisse and *Concerto for French Horn No. 3* by Mozart.

Wilhelm, a 1986 graduate of Nazareth High School, will be assisted by pianist Kathryn Schultz.

Wilhelm is a member of the WTSU Symphonic Band, Concert Band, Orchestra, Brass Choir, Horn Choir and Wind Ensemble. She is a student of Ron Lemon, associate professor of music at WTSU.

Letter

A committee members view

Dear Editor:

When I was asked to serve on the school facilities committee, I said that I would take a look at the school. I wasn't in favor of building a new gym, though nothing was said about it.

After going through the school, I was surprised at how full the schools were. There is a shortage of classrooms in Richardson Elementary and the high school, while all but one classroom is full at the middle school. There is a shortage of P.E. floor space causing scheduling problems. Electrical service and cafeteria need renovation and Richardson.

We thought that the best answer to most of the problems, especially in the long-term, would be to build a new junior high with cafeteria and gym. That was until we got a cost figure and new we couldn't afford that best option.

The recommendation we made to the school board is what we felt was a minimum recommendation.

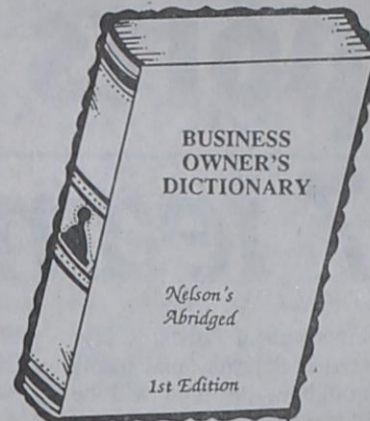
The detailed facts are available from the school board, but I feel that what it comes down to is that the future of this community is based on the quality of our schools and the education we provide our children. It is important to me that we make this investment in our future. I hope that it is important to you, too, and that it is worth the sacrifice we will have to make to pay for it.

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Sports

47 teams to compete in Bobcat Relays

Dimmitt's annual Bobcat Relays are scheduled Saturday and teams from throughout the area will be vying for the meet crowns in three divisions—Division I and II Boys and Division III Girls.

Forty-seven teams will converge on the track at Bobcat Stadium Saturday morning. The field events and running prelims are scheduled in the morning with the running finals slated to begin at 1:30 p.m. Trophies will be presented to teams and individuals at 5:30 p.m.

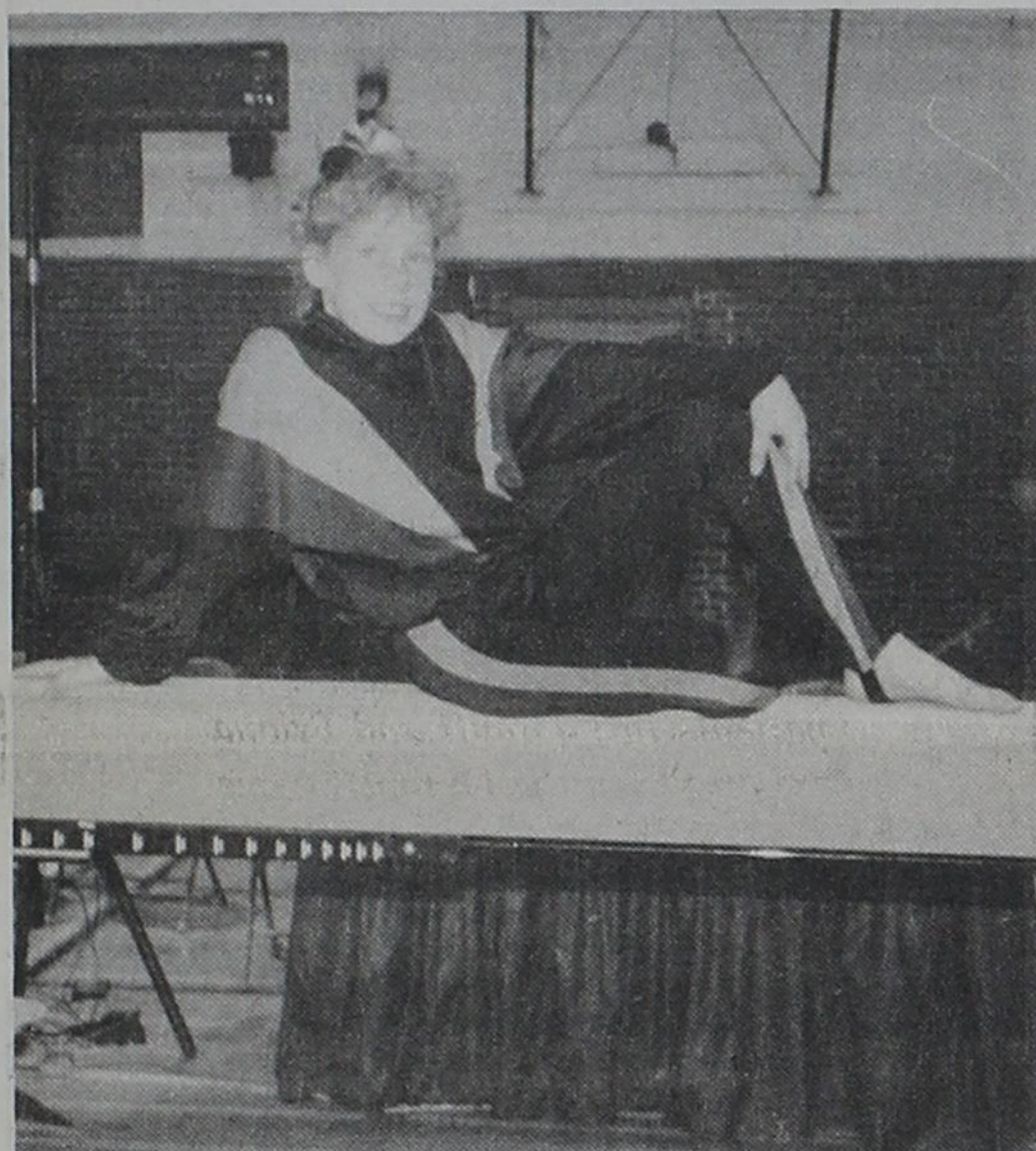
The big guns in the girls' meet will be Tulia and Dimmitt. The two girls teams battled in two meets this year in which Tulia finished first and Dimmitt came in second. They are expected to be among the leaders of the 18-team girls' meet Saturday. Canyon should also be a strong threat. Other girls' teams scheduled to compete include Abernathy, Bovina, Farwell, Floydada, Friona, Hart, Littlefield, Lubbock Cooper, Muleshoe, Nazareth, Springlake-Earth, Sudan, New Home and Amherst.

15 boys' teams will compete in Division I, with Dimmitt, Boys Ranch, Friona and Tulia the favorites to walk away with the gold medals. Other teams competing will be Abernathy, Farwell, Floydada, Hart, Littlefield, Lubbock Cooper, Muleshoe, Springlake-Earth, Sudan, Lockney and Sundown.

Swiftettes say 'thanks'

To the people in Castro County:
We would like to thank all of our fans and the many individuals that supported us through the year. We want to thank you for helping with our trip to the state tournament in Austin.
Your support was greatly appreciated. Thanks again.
THE NAZ SWIFTETTES

In the Division II boys' meet, 14 teams are lined up including Bovina, Nazareth, and Amherst and junior varsity squads from Boys Ranch, Dimmitt, Floydada, Friona, Lubbock Cooper, Muleshoe, Springlake-Earth, Sudan and Tulia.
A schedule of the proposed time for each event follows. The prelim



JENNIFER VICK of Dimmitt qualified for the state finals in gymnastics recently by finishing 11th overall in Class 8-Open Competition at the United States Gymnastics Federation semifinal meet in Fort Worth. Over 50 girls competed from the northern half of Texas. Two girls from the Panhandle qualified for state—Vick and a girl from Lubbock. The state meet is scheduled Sunday in Houston. Vick will compete against a team coached by Bella Karolli, the US Olympic Coach, and the team of Capitol Gymnastics, which currently has girls on the US National Team and the US Junior National Team.

time schedule is tentative.

FIELD EVENTS

9 a.m.—Div. I discus; Div. II pole vault and high jump; and Girls' triple jump and shot put (south).
10:30 a.m.—Div. I long jump, shot put (North) and pole vault; Div. II discus; Girls' high jump.
12 noon—Div. I high jump; Girls' long jump and discus.
1:30 p.m.—Div. II long jump (four jumps, no finals).

RUNNING PRELIMS

9 a.m.—400-meter relay.
9:30 a.m.—Girls' 100-meter low hurdles (west); Div. II 100-meter dash (east).
9:45 a.m.—Div. I 110-meter high

hurdles (west); Girls' 100-meter dash (east).

10 a.m.—Div. II 110-meter high hurdles (west); Div. I 100-meter dash (east).

10:15 a.m.—Girls' 800-meter relay.
10:30 a.m.—Div. II, Div. I and Girls' 400-meter dash.

11:10 a.m.—Girls' 300-meter low hurdles.

11:30 a.m.—Div. I and Div. II 300-meter intermediate hurdles.

12 noon—200-meter dash.

RUNNING FINALS

1:30 p.m.—3200-meter run.
2:30 p.m.—400-meter relay.
2:45 p.m.—800-meter dash.
3:15 p.m.—Girls' 100-meter low hurdles.

3:20 p.m.—Div. II and I 110-meter high hurdles.

3:30 p.m.—100-meter dash.
3:40 p.m.—Girls' 800-meter relay.
3:45 p.m.—Div. II, I and Girls' 400-meter dash.

4 p.m.—Girls' 300-meter low hurdles.

4:05 p.m.—Div. II and I 300-meter intermediate hurdles.
4:15 p.m.—200-meter dash.
4:30 p.m.—1,600-meter run.
5:15 p.m.—1,600-meter relay.

Bobbies finish second at Friona Invitational

Dimmitt's Bobbies brought home gold medals in five events at the Friona Track Meet Saturday enroute to a second place team finish with 114 points.

Tulia racked up 157 team points to take the first place meet crown.

The Bobbies were lead by Renea Harman, who finished first in the 3,200-meter run (12:52.75) and the 1,600-meter run (6:06.51).

Dimmitt's 1,600-meter relay team including India Thomas, Wendi Ethridge, Halley Bradley and Poppy Thomas finished first with a time of 4:15.65.

Poppy Thomas had a busy day at the meet. In addition to her participation on the relay team, she finished first in the 400-meter dash with a time of 61.04. She also finished third in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.22.

Bradley placed in two other events besides the 1,600-relay. She won the 800-meter run in 2:32.19 and finished second in the triple jump with a leap of 31-7. She crossed the line for a fifth place finish (64.70) in the 400-meter dash.

Other Bobbies placing in the top six at the meet were Rosie Enriquez, second, 3,200-meter run, 13:43.31; Ethridge, sixth, 100-meter hurdles, 18.62; Christina Velasquez, fourth, 1,600-meter run, 6:29.49; Beatrice Ramos, sixth, 1,600-meter run, 6:41.06; Genice

Bossett, fifth, discus, 77-2; India Thomas, fifth, 100-meter dash, 13.34; Ethridge, second, 300-meter hurdles, 50.66; Velasquez, third, 800-meter run, 2:38.71; and India Thomas, third, 200-meter dash, 27.24.

The Bobcats finished seventh at the Friona meet with a total of 32 team points.

The Cats were paced by Michael Ethridge's two third place finishes—the first in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 15.59 and the second in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 40.49.

Craig Heller finished third in the vault with a 12-0 effort.

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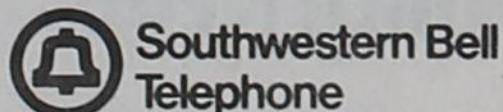
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Approval of this application would remove all rates, terms and conditions applicable to billing and collection from Southwestern Bell's Intrastate Access Service Tariff. Intrastate billing and collection service would continue to be subject to PUC regulatory oversight only to the extent that (1) Southwestern Bell would be required to maintain current price lists at the Commission for the service, and (2) the revenues or losses from the service would be subject to the regulatory treatment specified in P.U.C. SUBST. R. 23.27(p). Further, under procedures established by P.U.C. SUBST. R. 23.27, the PUC's General Counsel, the Public Utility Counsel or any affected person could seek a subsequent review of the rates, terms and conditions of this service.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings, or who would like further information, should call or contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757, (512) 458-0100. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Information Office at (512) 458-0227, or (512) 458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf.

The PUC has assigned this matter to Docket No. 9224. A prehearing conference will be held on April 19, 1990, at 9:00 a.m. at the Commission's offices at 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard in Austin, Texas. The deadline for filing motions to intervene is April 26, 1990.



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TUESDAY: 7:30 p.m., Rubie Lee Real Estate vs. Hill Feed Lot.

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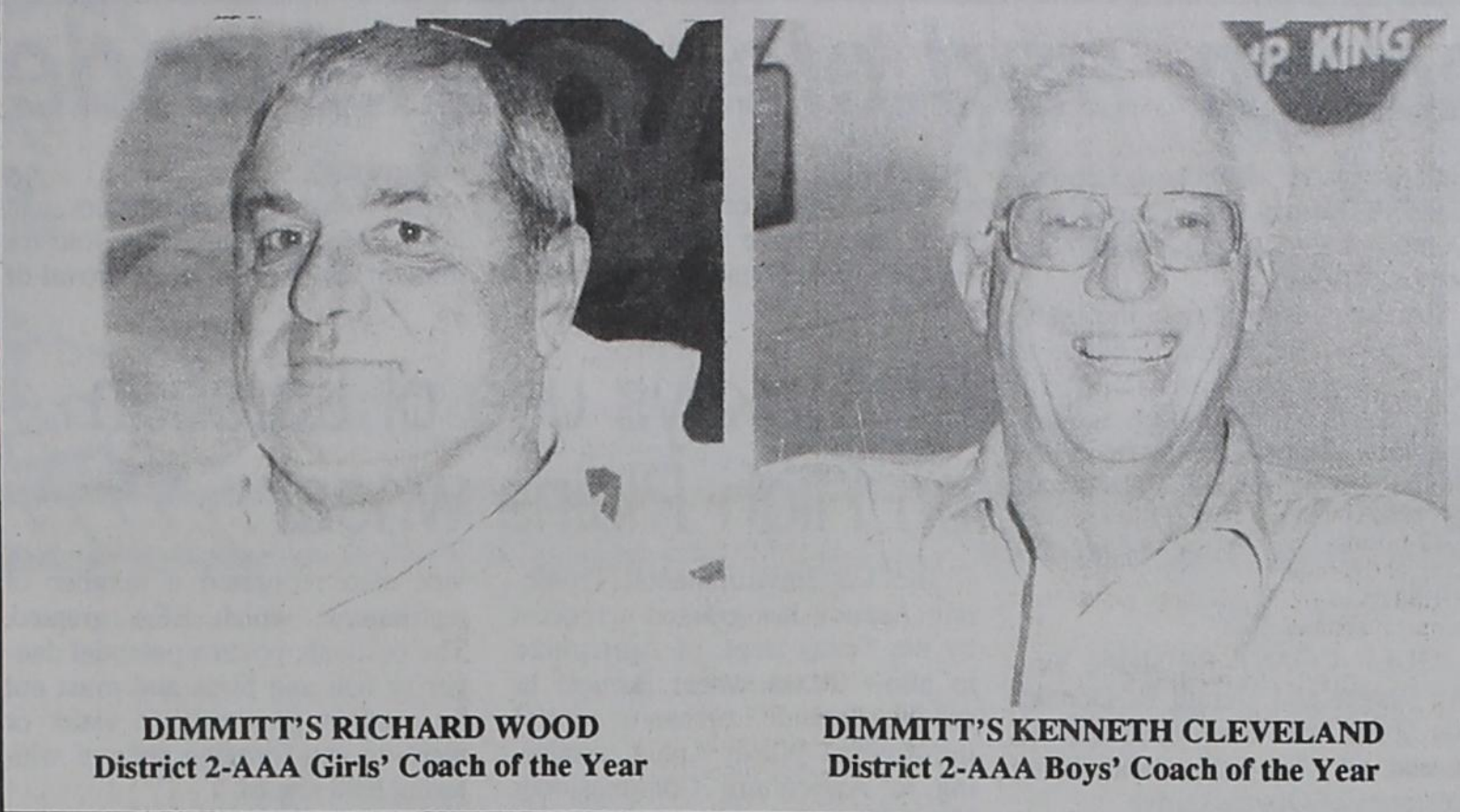
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Bobbies earn 2-AAA laurels

Three Dimmitt Bobbies and their coach, Richard Wood, were honored and named to the District 2-AAA team recently. Wood was named the District's Coach of the Year and Renae Joscet, a junior, was named the 2-AAA Player of the Year in addition to being placed on the all-district squad. Gloria Gauna, a senior, and Halley Bradley, a freshman, were also named to the all-district team for Dimmitt.

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County 4-H'ers show some of the top barrows at show

Castro County youngsters exhibited three Reserve Breed Champion barrows at the West Texas Barrow Classic held at Tahoka Saturday. 289 barrows were shown in the open show. Exhibitors from the kindergarten through 12th grades are eligible to show. Brady Irons of Hart exhibited the Reserve Breed Hampshire. Brady Nelson of Flagg's 4-H Club drove his Yorkshire to the Reserve Championship and also placed first with his medium heavyweight Hamp-

shire and third with a heavyweight Cross. Wesley Ralston of Easter earned the top junior showmanship award in the show. Josh Merritt of Nazareth showed the Reserve Breed Champion Chester White. Other county 4-H'ers showing animals and the places they earned in the show were Danna Ralston of Easter, first, mediumweight Hampshire and fourth, heavyweight Hampshire; Wesley Ralston of Easter, fourth, heavyweight Spot;

Mandy Davis of Hart, third, mediumweight Duroc; Chris Davis of Hart, fourth, mediumweight Duroc; Brandon Irons of Hart, second, heavyweight Chester White; Ashley Davis of Hart, third, heavyweight Duroc; and Michelle Davis of Hart, third, medium heavyweight Cross. Other 4-H exhibitors were Jared Aven, Dustin Dyer and Brian Simpson.

DYF to meet

The Dimmitt Young Farmers will meet next Thursday, March 29, to discuss changing or amending rules for the annual Castro County Junior Livestock Show. Everyone is invited to attend the meeting.

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Bowden asks for another extension

By TEENY BOWDEN
 Chairman, Castro County Historical Commission
 I called Helen Lance, our representative with Taylor Publishing Co. on March 13 and asked for another extension on the deadline for family histories for the county's centennial history book. Two things prompted me to do so. First, many people were still working on their stories and second, we needed more stories to have a book as large as the 1981 book. We want our centennial edition to be bigger and better, not smaller and less interesting. We are working hard to put out a good book. Some have misunderstood when we said update your family histories from the last book. If you can't get your 500 words that way, go back and take out parts of what you put in the first time or go back a generation or two. If you are new to the county, your story is important also. We have less than 400, we should have at least 700 to make a big book. Family histories are the only deadline we have announced. The new deadline is April 15, and it will be absolutely the last deadline for stories. It is not too early, however, to start turning in memorial and tribute pages, business histories or updates, clubs and churches updates, etc. The Castro County Historical Commission will hold its regular quarterly meeting April 5 and I urge all members to attend. Everyone is welcome. On Thursday, March 12, at 2 p.m., Helen Lance will be here to meet with all who have been working with the book and anyone else who would like to help or just attend. Both meetings are important. Both will be at 2 at Rhoads Memorial Library.

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High Jump: 3. Derek Thomas, Dimmitt, 4-10.
Long Jump: 1. Derek Thomas, Dimmitt, 16-9 1/2.
Triple Jump: 1. Chad Jennings, Dimmitt; 5. Cody Fry, Dimmitt.
800 Run: 3. Stephen Villanueva, Dimmitt, 2:29.09.
400 Run: 1. Derek Thomas, Dimmitt, 58.15.
1600 Relay: 5. Dimmitt (Eric Mays, Fernando Ontiveros, Stephen Villanueva and Derek Thomas), 4:23.45.

8th Boys

TEAM TOTALS: 3, Dimmitt, 77.
400 Relay: 4. Dimmitt (Billy Williams, Billy Scroggins, Aaron Salinas and Anthony Mirelez), 49.0
110 High Hurdles: 6. Garcia, Dimmitt, 20.27.
800 Run: 2. Michael Velasquez, Dimmitt, 2:21.96; 4. Raymond Limas, Dimmitt, 2:24.84; 5. Jeremy Strickland, Dimmitt, 2:25.34.
100 Run: 2. Scroggins, Dimmitt, 12.27.
400 Run: 1. Mirelez, Dimmitt, 55.32; 5. Mario Castillo, Dimmitt, 57.65.
200 Hurdles: 3. Jimmy Casas, Dimmitt, 29.38.
1200 Run: 3. Perez, Dimmitt, 3:56.49; 6. Levario, Dimmitt, 4:02.36.
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Texas corn referendum and election is underway

The Texas Corn Producers Board is conducting an election on expanding the unified corn market development and research program to include the entire state and to name the board members to administer the program.

On March 6 and 7, 61,000 ballots were mailed to Texas corn farmers by the TCPB. The election is scheduled to conclude April 4. Currently there are seven High Plains counties in the TCPB area. They are Deaf Smith, Castro, Parmer, Swisher, Bailey, Lamb and Hale Counties.

The terms of three incumbent directors expire with this election. They are Chairman Weldon Davis of Hart, Executive Director Carl King of Dimmitt and Bert Williams of Farwell. All three are seeking a

new term. A total of 26 candidates are listed on the ballot for the nine positions to be filled in the election with the passage of the referendum.

Board nominees by region are:
NORTH PANHANDLE: Marion Garland and J. Morris Carter, both of Sunray; V.B. Morris of Gruver, Harold Grall and Michael "Dee" Vaughan, both of Dumas; Jack Thompson of Hartley; and Robert Young of Dalhart.

SEVEN - COUNTY HIGH PLAINS TCPB AREA: Incumbents Weldon Davis of Hart, Carl King of Dimmitt and Bert Williams of Farwell; and Neal Burnett of Plainview.

BLACKLANDS & CENTRAL TEXAS: Andy Armstrong of Ennis, John Baker of Temple, Kirk Hansen of Chilton, David Magness

Carl Hensz of Harlingen, Leonard Loop of Brownsville, Church McDonald of Edcouch and Otto Wagner Jr. of Edinburg.

Farmers throughout the state have asked for a united effort to solve problems and conduct projects which are too big to manage individually. Aflatoxin in the Blacklands and South Texas, re-of Royse City, Ray Stewart of McGregor and Tom Zander of Otto.

GULF COAST REGION: Jimmy Barger and Gerald R. Donaldson, both of Wharton; Curtis H. Jensen of Danevang; and Jerald Nesloney of Orange Grove.

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY: Jim Paul Gamble of La Feria,

gional mite and insect problems, and the expansion of food grade corn sales have been the main reasons farmers gave for requesting

the program.

All Texas corn producers and landowners are eligible to vote for nine directors at large. Approval of

the referendum will increase the current nine-person board to 15. The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service mailing list of corn farmers and landowners was used; however, if any producer does not receive a ballot through the mail, they are available at county agents' offices. The farmers within the seven-county TCPB area will vote in the director election, but will not vote in the referendum to expand the territory.

Passage of the referendum will require a two-thirds majority vote. Chairman Weldon Davis encourages all farmers to vote in this important election.

EPA okays use of Lorsban on High Plains wheat

The US Environmental Protection Agency has granted a request by the Texas Dept. of Agriculture to allow Texas wheat farmers to use the pesticide Lorsban to control the Russian Wheat Aphid, according to Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower.

Wheat producers will be allowed to use the pesticide until May 31, 1990, Hightower said. The Texas Dept. of Agriculture asked EPA for the special use of Lorsban on the Texas wheat crop on Feb. 8.

Use of Lorsban, a trade name for the pesticide chlorpyrifos, is illegal on wheat in Texas without authorization from EPA.

The pesticide is available for use by certified or licensed applicators only.

EPA authorizes emergency pesticide exemptions when a state can prove that certain extraordinary conditions exist, such as if no other effective pesticide is available and the pest problem poses a significant loss to growers.

"The Russian Wheat Aphid caused an estimated \$30 million in damage to the 1988 Texas wheat crop and more than \$100 million to wheat crops nationwide," Hightower said. "TDA worked with EPA to get a crisis exemption for the 1989 crop year, but because of an untimely drought followed by severe freezes, we can't really assess the impact of either the aphid or the pesticide on the most recent crop year."

"The best estimates for the 1990 crop year are that without the use of Lorsban, the Russian Wheat Aphid could cost the Texas economy in the neighborhood of \$140 million."

"Since the initial outbreak of the Russian Wheat Aphid near Muleshoe in 1986, the pest has spread to more than a million acres in 84 counties in Texas," Hightower said.

Wheat producers may begin use of the pesticide immediately but should be aware that several restrictions apply to its use. The application must be made at least 28 days prior to harvest and no grazing can be allowed for 14 days after application.

The US Fish and Wildlife Ser-

vice also requested a number of restrictions, which EPA granted. The pesticide poses a potential danger to fish and birds and must not be used in proximity to water or roosting and foraging sites of wintering bald eagles.

Producers should contact their county Extension agent or the nearest TDA district office for specific restrictions.

The Russian Wheat Aphid primarily affects wheat crops in the High Plains, but crops in the Cross Timbers, Edwards Plateau and Trans-Pecos areas of Texas have also been affected.

TCGA win battle to change USDA underground pipe program

The Texas Corn Growers Association has been victorious in getting changes made in the US Dept. of Agriculture's underground pipe cost-share assistance program, which would have severely hampered irrigation practices on the High Plains.

"We were successful in having damaging language in the cost-share program removed," said Carl King of Dimmitt, TCGA president and member of the Texas Corn Producers Board.

"If the program hadn't been

changed, it would have prohibited the bulk of High Plains irrigation farmers from qualifying for cost-share assistance," added King, who learned of the change in policy while attending last week's US Feed Grains Council meeting in New Orleans.

In the original USDA program directive, to be eligible for cost-share assistance, "land that has been diverted for conservation or conserving use must be irrigated for at least one season after being released from the provisions of the

other (farm) program. . . ."

TCGA was able to have this portion of the USDA directive eliminated, said King, noting that TCGA received much help in its endeavor from Sen. Phil Gramm and Rep. Bill Sarpalius.

"Credit is certainly due to both men for their assistance in this manner," said King.

He added that local Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service offices should receive detailed information on changes in the program soon.

Meeting to look at potential for replacing farm chemicals

Ways farmers and ranchers can reduce their use of chemicals and the potential impact such steps will have on crop and livestock production and the environment will be examined at a conference in Lubbock March 26.

The conference, sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will cover agricultural policies.

The public discussion will feature national environmental and government policy leaders, research scientists, educators and enforcement agency representatives, said Dr. Bob Robinson, Extension Service district director. It is supported by the Texas Agricultural Forum.

The conference will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Holiday Inn-Civic Center, 801 Avenue Q in Lubbock. Registration is \$20 and includes lunch.

Environmental issues facing

agriculture will be outlined by Katherine Reichelderfer of Washington, D.C. She is with "Resources for the Future," a policy and planning group.

The ability of technology to replace chemicals in production agriculture will be addressed by Dr. John R. Abernathy, resident director of research at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Lubbock.

The director of economic analysis for the US Dept. of Agriculture, Keith Collins, will explore the alternatives and consequences of environmental policy.

The economic impacts of reduced and chemical use will be examined by Dr. Ronald Knutson. He is an Extension Service economist and director of the Agricultural and Food Policy Center with the Texas A&M University System at College Station.

The Texas High Plains perspective will be presented by Dr. Kary

Mathis, professor of agricultural economics at Texas Tech University.

Whether USDA or the Environmental Protection Agency will control agricultural chemical policy will be discussed by Mack Gray. He is assistant to the chief of the Soil Conservation Service with the US Dept. of Agriculture in Washington.

The role of research and the Extension Service will be reviewed by Dr. Milo Shult, associate director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Agricultural Experiment Station

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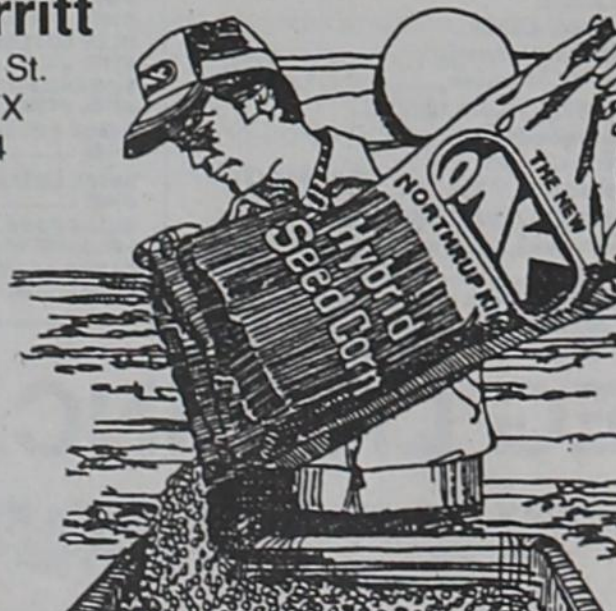
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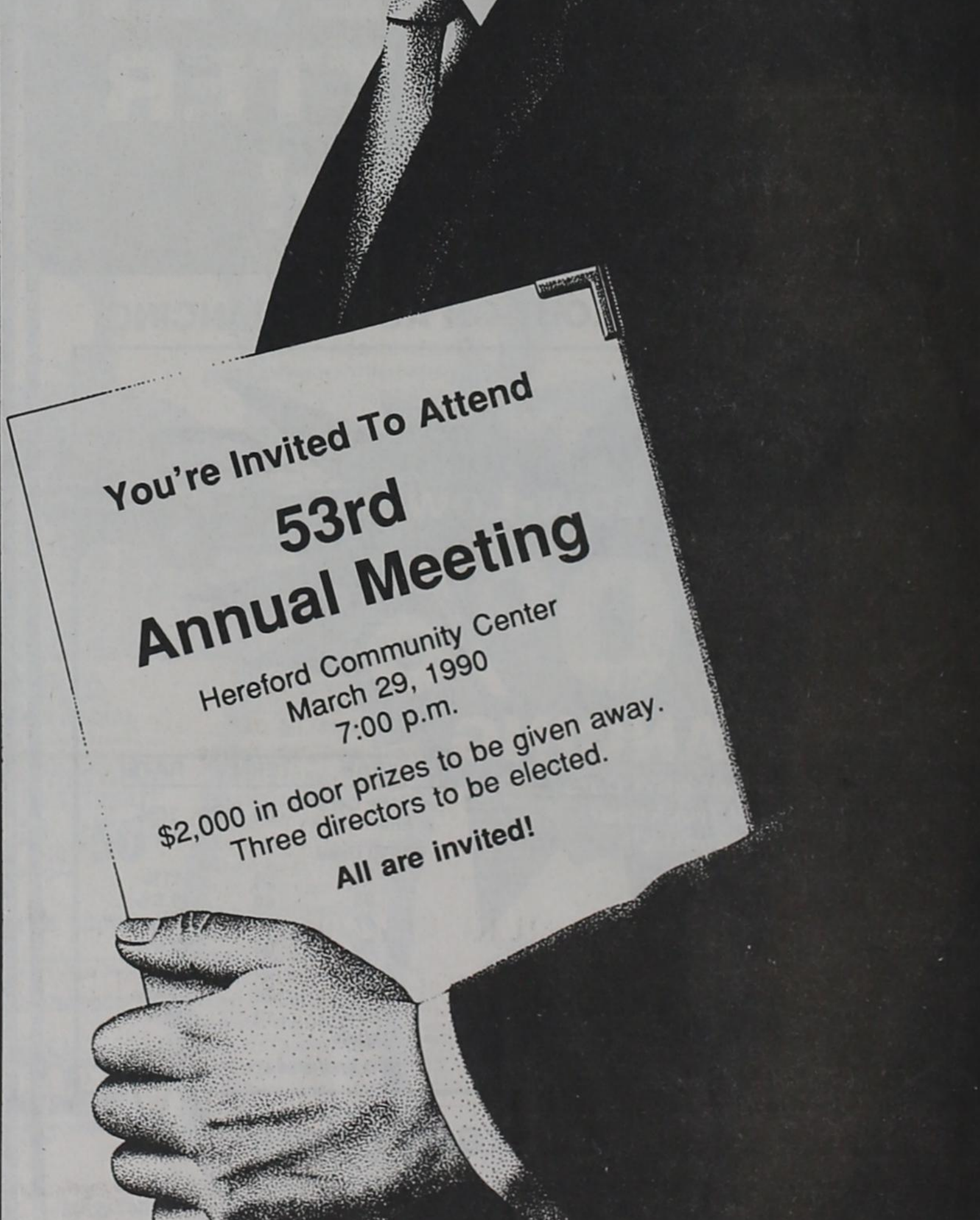
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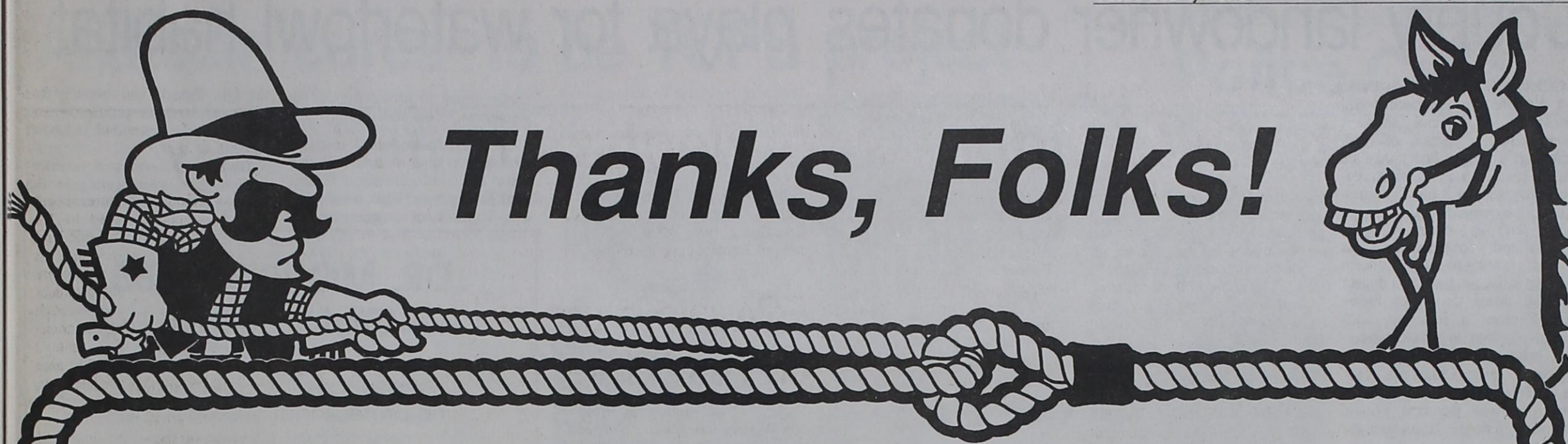
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In case we missed anyone, we thank you for your support!

County landowner donates playa for waterfowl habitat

Officials with the Texas Parks and Wildlife first approached Bill Armstrong, a Lubbock attorney, about selling a section of land, including a playa lake, that he owned southwest of Dimmitt because they wanted it for a migratory bird management area.

The land had been in Armstrong's family for generations and he wasn't willing to sell, but after a series of talks, he agreed to donate the land under the Playa Lakes Joint Venture, a five-year, \$1.3 million program to protect waterfowl habitat in the Playa Lakes Region of Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado and New Mexico. Armstrong was the first private landowner to donate land under the program.

Representatives of Phillips Petroleum Co. and the TPWD honored Armstrong during a sign dedication ceremony on his farm, 12 miles southwest of Dimmitt, last Thursday morning.

"What we are trying to do is restore the bird populations to what they were back in the 1970's," said Harvey Miller, TPWD waterfowl specialist. "Roughly, mallard populations are only two-thirds of what they were in the 1970's and pintails are less than half. The playas are very important wintering areas for waterfowl. If the birds go back to the breeding range and aren't fat and healthy, then breeding will be diminished. That's why these playas and the surrounding cover and crops are so important."

After almost a year of discussion with TPWD officials, Armstrong agreed to a conservation easement-lease agreement.

"I have personally owned this land for about two years. My grandfather, E.W. Miller, owned it first, then my mother, Gertrude Armstrong took it over. I'm interested in the land as an investment, but I also get a great deal of pleasure out of the lake and birds here. It's a pretty spot. It's a thrill to come out here and see the ducks and geese," Armstrong said.

As many as 2.8 million ducks, 750,000 geese and 450,000 sandhill cranes winter in the region. On a given day, Texas Parks and Wildlife officials have counted as many as 44,000 geese and nearly 65,000 ducks on Armstrong's land alone. Those numbers sound good, but surveys by state and federal wildlife agencies verify that duck populations are at an all-time low.

"I had no idea that so many ducks used my land," said Armstrong. "I didn't realize the importance of playas as a habitat for waterfowl and wildlife and I don't think other landowners are aware of the need. They need to be informed, just as I was," he added.

Armstrong said he signed a conservation easement with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Service in December 1988. That allowed the Texas Parks and Wildlife Service



BILL ARMSTRONG, Lubbock Attorney, (left) is congratulated by John Yoss, Phillips Petroleum Co.'s regional manager for exploration and production and member of the Playa Lakes Joint Venture Steering Commission, during a sign dedication ceremony last Thursday on Armstrong's

land, 12 miles southwest of Dimmitt. Armstrong donated his land under the Playa Lakes Joint Venture to protect waterfowl habitat. Armstrong was the first private landowner to donate land under the program.

to maintain his entire 640-acre farm as a wildlife habitat. In addition, he has leased the 160-acre area which encompasses his 52-acre playa to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept., which will maintain the area as a waterfowl sanctuary.

Armstrong maintained the pheasant hunting rights to the land as one of the stipulations on the agreement. He is, however, not allowed to build anything but farm buildings on the property and the water level in the lake must be kept at a certain level. He has agreed to limit development and grazing on his land, also.

"I believe a person who owns land is a steward of that land and he has an obligation to return the land to the next owner better than it was when he received it," Armstrong said.

"It's also a tax advantage for me. The easement decreases in value and the donation can come off my taxes. Landowners get a significant tax break for this type of donation, depending upon the appraised value of the land," he said.

The Playa Lakes Joint Venture Program was launched in January by nine partners — Phillips Pe-

troleum Co., the US Fish and Wildlife Service, Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. Oklahoma Dept. of Wildlife Conservation, New Mexico Game and Fish Dept., Colorado Division of Wildlife, Kansas Dept. of Parks and Wildlife, Ducks Unlimited, Inc. and the National Wildlife Federation

Under the plan, Phillips Petroleum will donate \$125,000 annually through 1994, which will be matched collectively by the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Co-

lorado and New Mexico. Ducks Unlimited will match Phillips' cumulative \$625,000 cash donation and will contribute the funds in Phillips' name for waterfowl enhancement in Canada.

"The playas are very important areas for Phillips," said John Yoss, Phillips' regional manager for exploration and production and member of the Playa Lakes Joint Venture Steering Commission, which directs the program's activities. "It's important because it's our home. We need to get more landowners to commit to the solution. 99% of the playas are owned by landowners.

"We want to honor Bill for his

commitment to protecting the environment," Yoss added.

The Playa Lakes Joint Venture is the seventh joint venture initiative under the North American Waterfowl Management Plan, a cooperative international program among

the US, Canada and Mexico that promotes wetland protection and restoration for waterfowl and other wildlife.

Landowners interested in information about participating in the Playa Lakes Joint Venture should call Miller at 1-742-2841.

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LGA slates membership dinner Monday

The Ladies Golf Association will hold its annual membership supper Monday at the Castro County Recreation Center Clubhouse beginning at 7 p.m.

All members are invited and may bring a guest.

Officers for the new year are Patty Summers, president; Kathy Lindley, vice president; Betty McClure, secretary-treasurer; and Carolyn Watts, reporter.

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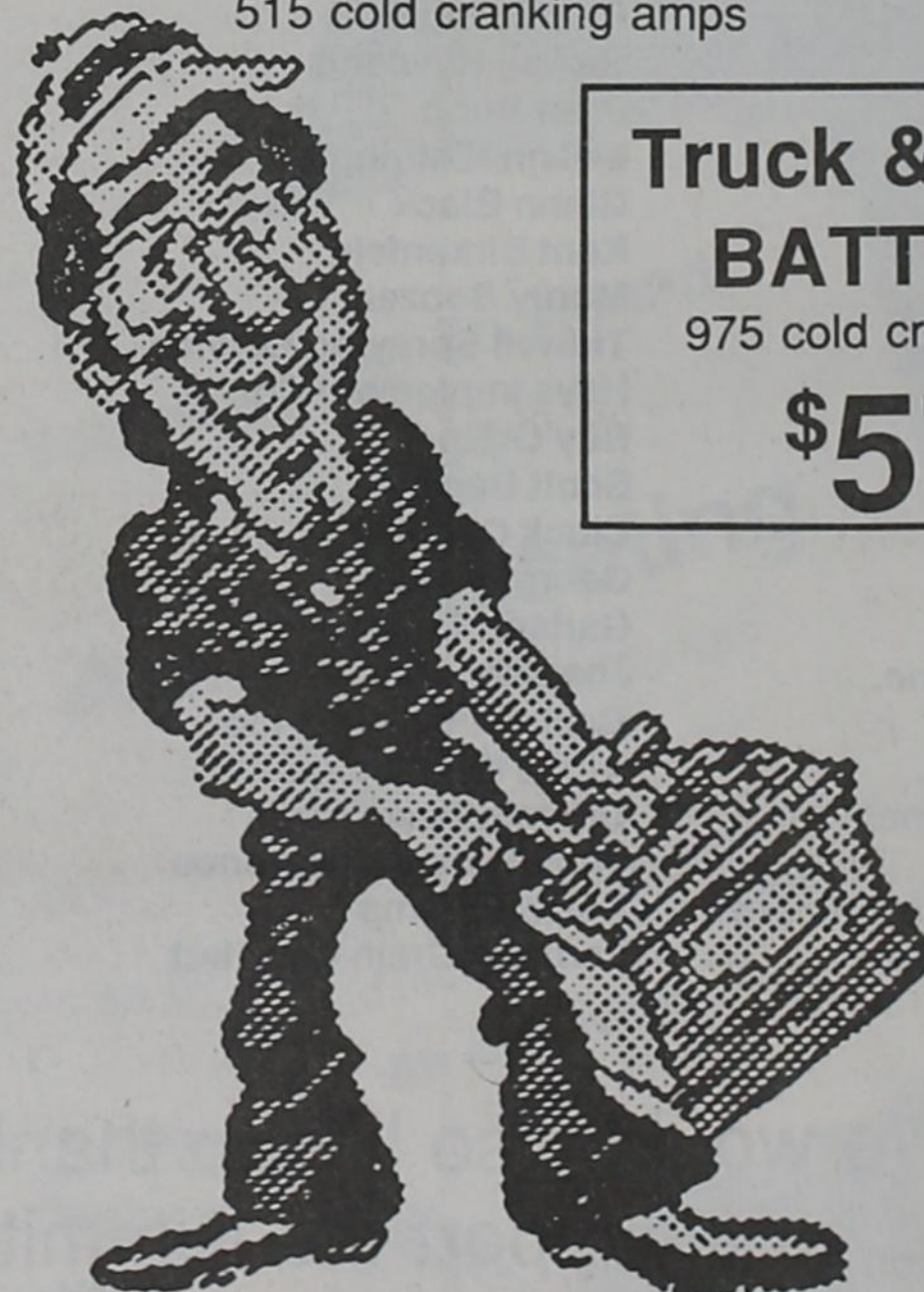
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Police Calls

Over \$2,500 - worth of stolen property was recovered by the Castro County Sheriff's Dept. Saturday afternoon.

Deputy Jerry Bailey discovered the location of the items through leads uncovered while investigating the Oct. 4 burglary of Hill Land & Cattle Co. at Hart. Bailey said the property was found in a detached garage near a house north of Olton.

Two men were indicted in that burglary earlier this month, and Bailey says more indictments may be forthcoming as investigations continue.

Bailey noted that the stolen items included some special-order truck tires, some welding equipment, and a case of special-order O rings. Pictures were taken of the items for evidence and they were returned to the owners Tuesday.

Monday night, a 19-year-old Hereford man was arrested for disorderly conduct. He was released on \$200 bond on the misdemeanor charge. Police reported that the man had caused damage at the home of his ex-wife in Dimmitt, and had shouted profanities at the woman and at an investigating officer.

Castro County Surveyor John Alldredge complained to police Saturday that someone had run over some of his surveying equipment, causing over \$500 in damage to the instruments, which had been set up at Northeast Second and Etter Streets in Dimmitt.

A 17-year-old Dimmitt woman told police last Wednesday that a man whose vehicle was stopped in front of her car at a stop sign caused his vehicle's tires to spin, throwing gravel at her car and damaging the paint and headlights. She estimated the damage at \$300.

Early Monday morning, a 23-year-old Dimmitt woman told police that a man had damaged the front door of her house. She estimated repairs at \$100.

A man living on Southwest Third Street in Dimmitt told police Saturday that he suspected neighborhood children of shooting holes in his roof and in the side of his new garage. He said the weapons used were BB guns.

Two people were stopped in the past week for speeding, no driver's license and no insurance, one was stopped for DWI, and three were held for public intoxication.

Venezuela eases embargo on corn

Venezuela is easing its embargo on corn to allow some imports.

Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB) executive director, Carl King of Dimmitt, and TCPB director Bert Williams met with US Feed Grains Council officials in New Orleans on March 5 to develop plans to open the Venezuelan markets to Texas food corn. King and Williams sent corn samples to Venezuela's food processors by Manuel Rodriguez, USFGC's Venezuelan director.

TCPB, for the past decade, has conducted an effective program to develop food grade corn production and sales. Over 30% of the corn produced within the seven-county TCPB area, including Castro County's, is sold to food producers at premiums up to \$2 per hundred-weight. Production and promotion of food grade corn is one way TCPB has improved the profitability of Texas corn production.

Texas corn farmers are currently voting in a statewide referendum to determine if the entire state will join the seven-county TCPB area in a unified research and promotion program. In the referendum-election, the farmers in the proposed

new territory, will decide if they want to join TCPB. To add new territory, the referendum must pass by a two-thirds majority of those voting.

Upon passage of the referendum, all Texas commercial corn farmers will pay an assessment of one-half cent per bushel to support the TCPB promotion and research program. The assessment will be refunded to any producer who does not want to participate. Corn farmers will receive a ballot by mail or they may obtain one at their local county agent's office prior to the April 4 voting deadline.

TCPB Chairman Weldon Davis said, "Corn farmers throughout the state have expressed an interest in joining the TCPB food corn program. The statewide referendum offers them that opportunity. The food corn contracts were the only thing that kept some of us in the corn production business."



Aflatoxin cures to be TCPB project

Aflatoxin has created great concern for Texas corn farmers and caused many to quit production altogether. The threat to the corn industry, especially in South Texas and the Blacklands, has forced producers to seek solutions.

They have called on the Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB) to conduct a statewide referendum for a unified corn research and promotion program. Referendum ballots have been distributed statewide and must be returned by April 4.

"Farmers in the High Plains have seen the value of their checkoff program," said Weldon Davis, TCPB chairman. "We are pleased that the farmers in other parts of the state want to be a part of it. Aflatoxin problems will, without a doubt, be one of TCPB's major projects if the referendum passes."

To be ready to act promptly upon passage of the statewide corn referendum, TCPB directors Carl King,

Bert Williams and Joe Reed met with Deputy Director Dr. Robert Merrifield and other officials of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Agricultural Extension Service on Feb. 8. TCPB requested that the two agencies develop an overall strategy for solving aflatoxin problems in Texas. Dr. Merrifield and his co-workers have outlined the program they feel should be implemented as soon as possible.

The A&M proposal would include three basic approaches to reduce the impact of aflatoxin. They are prevention, management and protection and removal.

Prevention would include development of resistant hybrids. Other research will be directed to better understanding the fungal growth, its penetration into plant tissue and mechanisms that trigger production of toxins in corn.

Management strategies include

development of practices to maintain plant health to avoid the attack of the naturally occurring pathogens (prior to harvest or in storage). Improved methods to determine aflatoxin presence or potential must be developed so producers, purchasers, users and other in the trade can monitor and avoid aflatoxin problems.

The protection and removal approach would develop mold inhibition treatments and methods to protect crops. Some detoxification methods have already been developed. Others are on the drawing board. Further research will be required to get approval of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and other government regulatory agencies.

Some of the most exciting work underway is a joint Texas A&M and US Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) effort with adsorbent materials and the discovery of "chemical sponges" that can immobilize aflatoxins. Dietary chemisorbents and development of commercial products for safe, practical detoxification and removal of mycotoxins in corn offers one of the most immediate protective solutions. There are already low-cost products that are very effective, but will require FDA approval before they can be used for this purpose.

"These options for dealing with aflatoxin will be among the first projects considered upon passage of the referendum," said Carl King, TCPB executive director.

Un-egg contest deadline is Friday for merchants

Merchants wishing to participate in the business division of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Un-Egg Contest must turn in their entries for judging prior to 2 p.m. Friday.

The entries may be taken to the Chamber office. An eligible "un-egg" is a decorated egg shape, as long as it is not a real egg.

Businesses participating in the Easter season promotion will pay a \$15 fee, display a window poster denoting their participation, and will be listed in one co-op newspaper ad, as well as having the option of creating their own un-egg entry for display and judging.

The winner selected by secret ballot at Friday's meeting will be refunded the \$15 participation fee.

The special promotion also in-

cludes competition for children age 12 and under, with competitors divided into four age categories: 6 and under, 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12.

Kids' entries must be turned in by April 7, one week before Easter, at one of these egg stations: Tots & Teens for entries from children age 6 and under, Sheffy's Western Wear for ages 7-8, Thriftway for ages 9-10, and Maria's Restaurant for ages 11-12.

After judging, the entries will be distributed among all participating businesses for public viewing.

A first place prize of \$10 and runner-up prizes of \$5 will be given in each age category.

"Judging will be handled by four bald headed men," Chamber executive director Delores Heller said. "Entries will be judged on creativity, neatness and personal appeal."

Johnson is new FmHA director

Sox Johnson, administrator for the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) in Washington will succeed outgoing Texas FmHA Director Lynn Futch, US Sen. Gramm has announced.

John Kirchoff of Plainview has been named the new FmHA deputy state director.

Futch, 64, is retiring after completing 20 years with the agency in Texas, including nine years as state director.

Johnson, who is from Arlington, joined the US Dept. of Agriculture and FmHA in 1973 and served as executive assistant to the administrator in Washington until 1977. In 1981, he returned to FmHA and subsequently served as executive assistant to the administrator in Washington until 1977.

In 1981, he returned to FmHA and subsequently served as executive assistant to the administrator, deputy administrator, state director at-large and acting associate administrator.

"Sox Johnson brings a wealth of experience and talent to the Texas FmHA," said US Sen. Phil Gramm said in making the announcement. "The farmers and rural communities which count on FmHA can count on Sox Johnson."

The new deputy state director, Kirchoff, has farmed and raised cattle in Swisher and Hale Counties and presently is a partner in the Kirchoff Co., a real estate firm in

Seminar seeks to boost yield, quality and profits in cotton

Ways cotton producers can achieve their goals for the 1990's to gain higher yields, premium quality and greater profits will be outlined in a seminar April 5 during the annual trade show and convention of the Texas Cotton Ginners' Association.

The convention annually draws more than 6,000 ginners, producers, officials and others in the industry.

The seminar will be conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service from 1:15 to 4:30 p.m. in the banquet hall of the Memorial Civic Center, site of the convention. It will conclude the 33rd annual meeting of Plains Cotton Growers, which is open to all interested persons.

The significance of marketing fiber quality will be explained in the opening presentation by Dr. Don Ethridge, professor of agricultural economics at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Beginning in 1991, the system for grading cotton will change and this will impact on the way cotton is marketed. Ethridge will show how producers can use the new rules to do a better job of marketing

their crop. The growth and development of cotton and how this relates to improved yield, quality and profit will be reviewed by Stephanie Johnson Hake of Memphis, Tenn. A former county farm advisor for the California Cooperative Extension Service, she is a consultant to the University of California at Davis in development of a bulletin on cotton production.

How culture and environment influence fiber development will be discussed by Kater Hake, director of the cotton physiology education program of the National Cotton County out of Memphis, Tenn.

The influence breeding and selection have on fiber quality and yield will be explained by Dr. John R. Gannaway, cotton breeder with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in Lubbock.

How production and harvesting practices influences fiber quality and yield will be outlined by Dr. James R. Supak, Extension Service cotton agronomist at Lubbock.

Dr. Robert Metzger, Extension Service cotton agronomist at College Station will be the moderator.

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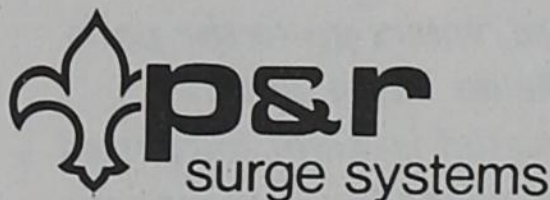
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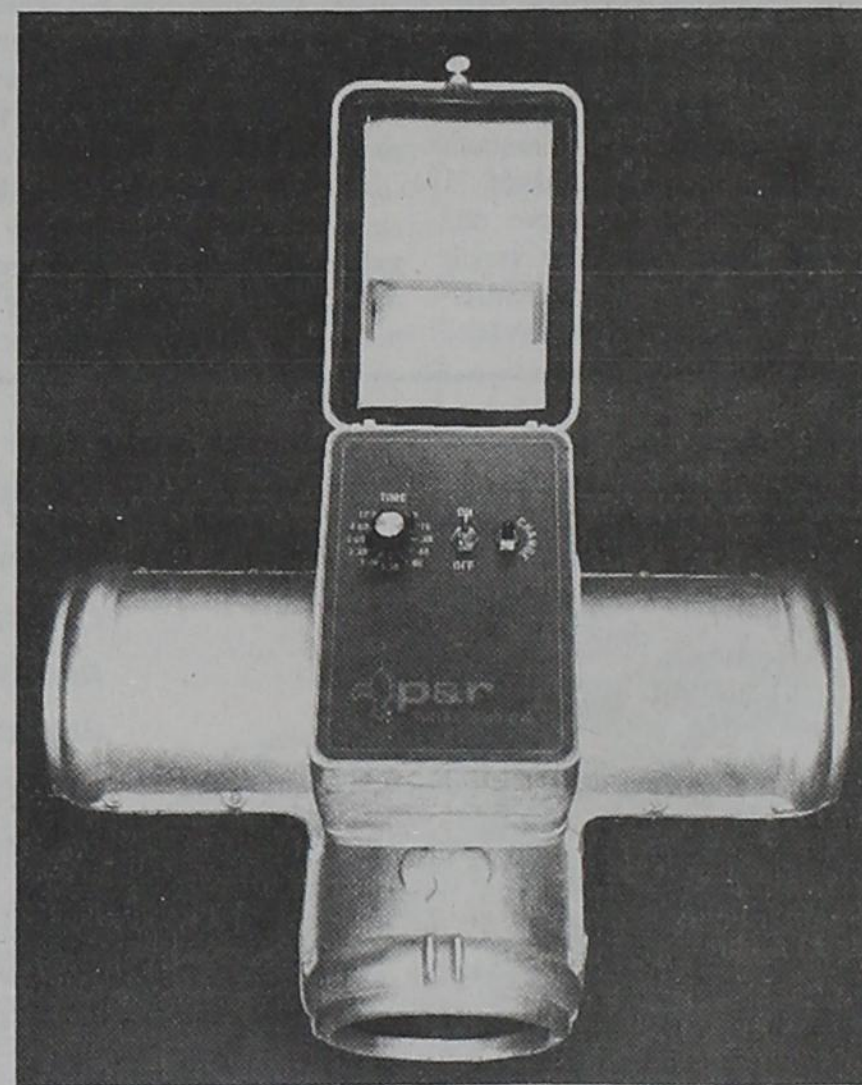
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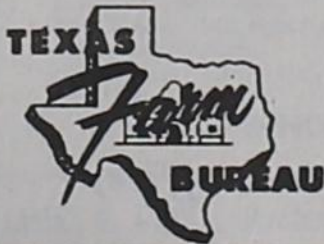
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More about

Cleveland tells about gym needs . . .

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make the trip over and back to high school to work out. This is a dangerous situation. If we had the facilities here in high school, it would free the middle school gym for their PE classes.

Speaking as Dimmitt's basketball coach for the past 29 years, I would very much like a facility that is equal to those of some of our district and area opponents. It would be nice to have parking space and decent seating for our people.

Our football facilities, our tennis facilities, our track facilities, our ag farm, our band facilities and our shop facilities are all very nice, and, for the most part, second to none.

It would be great to be able to upgrade our basketball facilities. I realize the above statements won't change some minds on the issue. I also realize the facility is needed more so for PE, lunch room, library and classrooms than it is for playing basketball.

NEWS: What percentage of our students would be affected by the construction of the activities center? In what ways?

CLEVELAND: One hundred percent of our students would be affected, plus a big percentage of students at the middle school. One hundred percent of our students are enrolled in PE or athletics for at least a year and a half of their four years in high school.

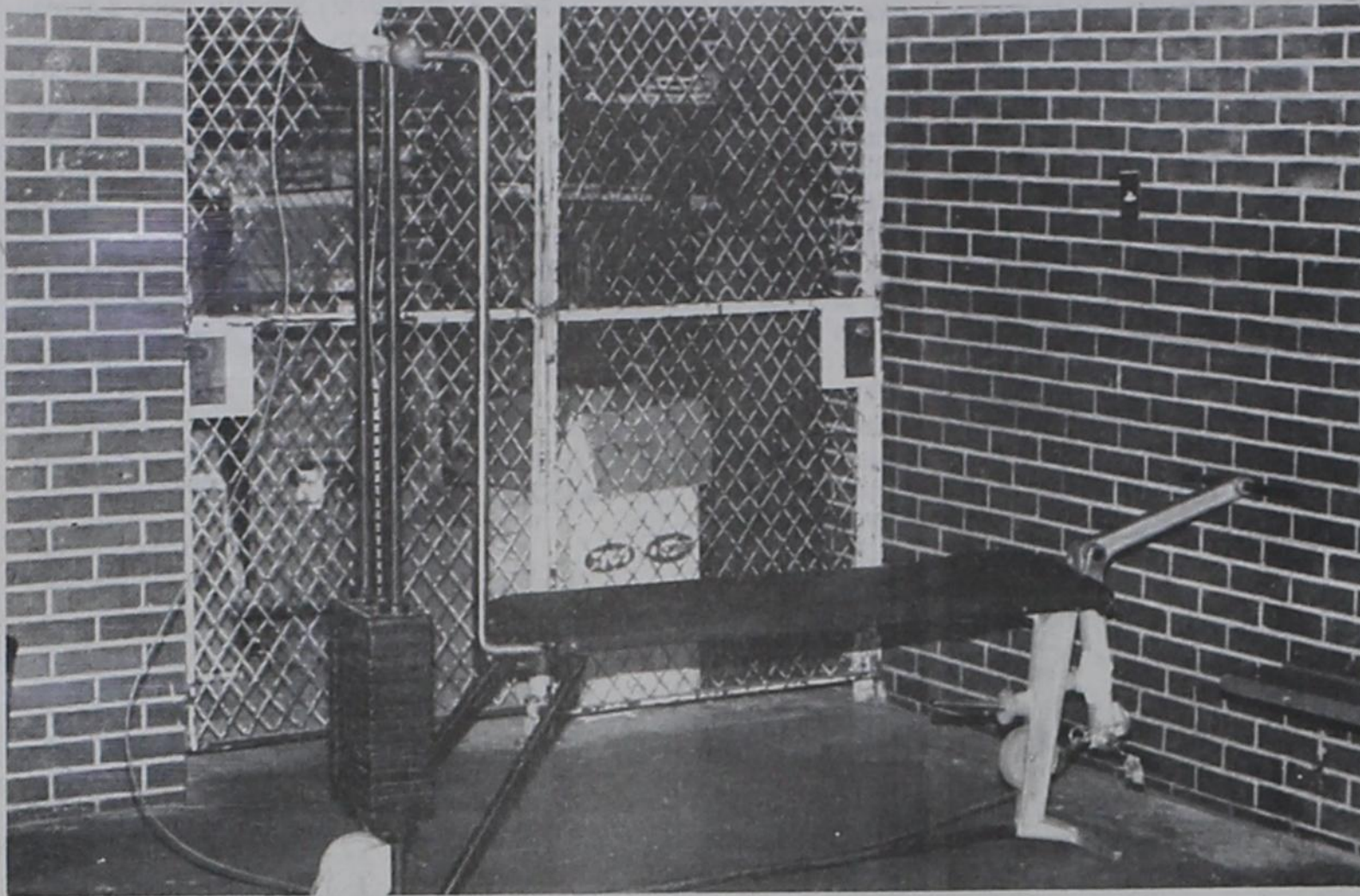
It has already been pointed out the domino effect that would take place. If we had the facilities, it would free up the middle school gym for their PE classes, which now have to handle more than 100 on the floor at one class period. It would allow us to move the library to our present lunch room with space that is much needed for a library, which would free up the present library for use as two class rooms.

We are graduating approximately 47 seniors this year. Next year we will gain approximately 140 incoming freshmen. Where will we put them?

Also, our entire student body will benefit from the new library, lunch room and class rooms. The new activity center definitely would benefit our entire student body and even the student body at middle school.

NEWS: Much has been said about athletics vs. academics. In your opinion, how would DHS students benefit academically from the proposed activities center?

CLEVELAND: It has been pointed out many times the problems we have with scheduling classes. I wish everyone could observe our lunch hour, with our split lunch periods. It is a very crowded situation. If the lunch room were ade-



NOT ONLY IS THE STORAGE SPACE LIMITED, there's no place to put personal belongings in this PE dressing room area at Dimmitt High School. There are no individual lockers, nor even

baskets for belongings. There is only one toilet for each of the three separate dressing areas. Hooks are mounted above benches that line the walls in each room.

quate, it would free up another period for academics. Our morning classes in high school are large. If we had more PE facilities that the center would provide, classes could be more evenly distributed, contributing to a greater learning atmosphere.

NEWS: What effect would the proposed new "multi-purpose activities center" have on the physical education program in our schools?

CLEVELAND: One of the biggest effects would be to free our middle school gym for more PE classes. We could get our high school girls' athletics out at high school and not have the problem of leaving one campus to go to another during the school day.

Again, if we had the facilities to schedule PE classes throughout the day, it would create better scheduling possibilities for other classes.

NEWS: What kind of total PE and athletic program would you, as the athletic director, like to see if you had this extra gym-floor space and storage space to work with?

CLEVELAND: If we had the PE gym space where we could set up specialized equipment that we wouldn't have to take down between every period, we could offer all kinds of gymnastics, tumbling, wrestling, weight lifting, aerobics, archery or just about any type of recreational activity.

Our gym space is so limited and storage space is virtually non-existent. We don't have tumbling mats, we don't have archery equipment, gymnastics equipment, or

weight equipment. I'm referring to the everyday PE student who could also benefit from a weight-lifting program. We do have weights in our athletics facility at the football fieldhouse.

We have only three small dressing rooms for our PE classes and athletic classes to use. At the present, we have four PE classes and three athletics classes using our high school gym.

If we had more gym space, two PE classes or two athletic periods could be scheduled at the same period, thus making more efficient use of our coaching staff.

We now have six basketball teams that have to be worked into the floor-space schedule, and we also have four PE classes that could easily be expanded to six. Some of our teams could double up, but we would still need 10 periods a day to take care of this.

If we had the space, we could get all our athletics for high school at one campus. As far as the new facility benefiting the athletic program, I really don't see that it would benefit athletics alone all that much. We would have a basketball program even if we had to play outside.

But, once again, the point is, it would allow scheduling benefits. Our students could take some courses because the scheduling would be much better.

For all those people who think we want to build a gym just for basketball, I wish they would come up and check out our scheduling problems and see that basketball is a minor side benefit of our bond issue.

NEWS: We've had a state-class basketball program here for

girls use the middle school gym daily. Their dressing room and coach's office is about half the size they need to be. There is just not enough room for the weight equipment and machines used by the team.

Again, if the floor were replaced, we could continue on for 37 more years, but I just think the people of Dimmitt deserve more.

NEWS: The basketball program generates income for the school district, just as property taxes do. Where does this basketball income go?

CLEVELAND: Basketball does create some income, which goes into a general fund that is used for the total school operation, just the same as our tax dollars and state funding. Basketball is part of the school curriculum, just as math or English, and as such, is funded and budgeted through the school.

NEWS: The estimated construction cost of the new activities center is \$1.3 million, to be paid out over 15 years. The center would probably remain in use for 30 to 50 years. Would the income from the basketball program justify this expense?

CLEVELAND: The \$1.3 million will be paying for a new school cafeteria, two classrooms, and office and storage space—not just for a new gym-PE facility. Again, as I have said throughout, the basketball program is a secondary consideration, coming after space for PE, which would create space for class scheduling.

I'm not trying to white-wash anyone. I certainly wish we had as nice a gym as Shallowater, Friona, Muleshoe or just about any other place we go. I also realize that the people of Dimmitt probably would not vote just for a gym, but I wish they would study the situation and see that the proposal is not just for a playing gym, but also includes all the other items previously mentioned.

I have coached in Dimmitt for 29 years, and 25 of those years, we made it to the play-offs. This does generate some revenue. For the decade of the 1980's, Gene King [DISD business administrator] and I figured the gate receipts at \$170,000. This includes home games, plus play-offs for boys and girls. Keep in mind this is for a 10-year period. If we projected this into 40 years, we would generate approximately \$680,000. This would not

pay \$1.3 million, but it should come close to paying for the gym itself.

NEWS: We assume that this activities center would be available for certain types of public events. In what ways do you think it could be utilized for non-school events, and what restrictions do you think would need to be imposed on its use?

CLEVELAND: I don't know how many little dribblers we have right now, but I would estimate in the neighborhood of 200 little boys and girls who are using the gymnasiums right now. That is certainly another way that we could use this facility for public events.

Another point I'd like to make is that if we had the facilities, we could play these little dribblers games from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and the kids could get home earlier and have more study time, or whatever.

Another use is volleyball. Volleyball is very popular in Dimmitt. We have teams that play all the time in our old "cracker-box" gym, the oldest gym that we have. We could have volleyball leagues. We could do a lot of volleyball, and do a lot now.

Another event, most of our school organizations raise money by having dances at the Expo building. Well, that's quite a chore to do that. If we could have dances at our new gymnasium, that would raise the money, and that's another possible way to use the facility. We have had a dance or two in our old gymnasium this year, and that's another way.

As far as restrictions, there would definitely have to be some sort of supervision. Right now, we rent our gyms for a token fee of \$5 in order to establish priorities for use. I think we would have to have more supervision for the newer facility, but that would free up the other gyms for more of the other types of activities.

NEWS: Is there anything else you feel the voters should know in this bond issue election?

CLEVELAND: I think it should be pointed out that DISD's tax rate of \$.874 is lower than the rates for almost all of the other schools in our area, and is lower than the state average of \$.97. Even with the proposed increase for the bond issue, which would bring our rate to \$.9439, we would still be below the state average. Other schools' tax rates include Friona at \$.77; River Road at \$.94; Tulia at \$1.00; Muleshoe at \$1.01; Littlefield at \$1.095; and Canyon at \$1.1885.

April 3rd, voters go to the polls to decide an important but controversial issue of purported needs of education, renovation and construction in the Dimmitt Independent School District. The issue should be simple to address with a majority vote, but apparently has exceeded boundaries of democratic rules and invaded the constitutionality

Our United States of America was founded in large by refugee freedom seekers for a Declaration of Independence and a Constitution protecting basic freedoms, to include freedom of speech, with the right of choice by one person, one-vote concept. This contingent effort, without intimidation and oppression, entitles us as citizens to live in harmony, with debatable issues resolved through majority rule. Coupled with a purge of personal and democratic values the forthcoming issue, being both emotional and debatable, could fracture community and personal relationships without serving valid interests. In keeping with the democratic principles of this nation, we have the authority and obligation to act on this issue based on its merits without neglecting feelings, rights and freedoms of friends and constituents.

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Obituaries

John Bridges

Services for John Bridges, 55, of Earth, former Castro County resident, were held Wednesday afternoon at Earth's First Baptist Church with Rev. Steve Branson, pastor of the Springlake Baptist Church, officiating. He was assisted by Rev. Joe Vernon, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Earth.

Burial followed at Earth Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home of Earth.

Mr. Bridges died Monday at 7:20 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock.

He was born Sept. 13, 1934, in Castro County and moved to Earth from Sunnyside in 1956. He married Evelyn McNeill on June 4, 1953, at Springlake. He was a rancher and a member of the Earth First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Bruce of Sunnyside and Brad of Earth; his mother, Rebecca Bridges of Dimmitt; and seven grandchildren.

Gary Cowley

Gary Cowley, 43, of Earth, died at 12:10 a.m. last Wednesday, March 14, at Lamb County Health Care Center in Littlefield following a sudden illness.

Services were held last Thursday at the Earth First United Methodist Church with Rev. Cecil Shirey, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Earth Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home.

Mr. Cowley was born in Wichita Falls and had been a longtime resident of Earth. He married Janis Fuller on April 19, 1972, in Dimmitt.

He was a farmer and had been a salesman with Earth Oil and Gas Co. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, the Lions Club, Earth Volunteer Fire Dept. and Masonic Lodge No. 1277.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Tony of Forth Worth, Tyson of Sunnyside and Matt of Earth; two daughters, Tamera Cowley of Balmorhea and Casey Cowley of Earth; his parents, Kenneth and Roberta Cowley of Earth; a sister, Janice Cowley of Houston; a brother, Mike of Big Spring; and three grandchildren.

Letter

Risk is worth it

Dear Editor:

I wish to express my support for the school bond issue that our community will vote on April 3.

It will be a risk—anything that affects our pocketbook is always of great concern to all of us and we certainly want the most for our money. I wish to commend the committee for their efforts, energy and time they have spent doing research to determine the real needs and how to meet these needs. May I suggest that if you have questions about any part of the proposal, that you do examine the existing conditions—look, listen and then decide how you feel.

A very real need is there. Let us handle this problem with very sensitive concern for everyone. I truly feel that a postponement of our problem will be very expensive, not only in tax dollars, but also in lost time in the effectiveness of our school system.

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Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt will sponsor a car wash Friday from 7 a.m. to around 4 or 5 p.m.

Those who don't have time to bring their vehicles by for a wash job can call 647-3117 for pick up and delivery service.

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NAZARETH'S DARLA LEAVITT
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NAZARETH'S NOEL JOHNSON
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Swiftettes named to All-South Plains Team

Nazareth's Darla Leavitt copped All-South Plains Player of the Year honors and teammate Noel Johnson was named to the All-South Plains Team in Class A.

Leavitt, a three-time all-stater for the Swiftettes, and Noel Johnson, an all-stater who transferred to Nazareth from Kelton this year, were instrumental in helping the Swiftettes with their third state championship earlier this month.

Both were named to the all-state

tournament team in Class A this year.

Leavitt, Nazareth's six-foot center, was named the Class A Player of the Year by the Texas Sports Writers' Association in 1989.

This season she averaged 18.5 points, 7.5 rebounds, 3.5 blocked shots and 3.6 steals for the Swiftettes.

Johnson averaged 15 points, 4.6 steals and 3.0 assists for the Swiftettes.



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Ara Morrison

Ara Morrison, 65, of Dimmitt, died Sunday at her residence.

Services were held Wednesday morning at Foskey-Flemins Funeral Home's Ivey Chapel with Rev. Paul Kenley, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Dimmitt, officiating.

Burial followed in Restlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Foskey-Flemins Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Morrison was born in Ringgold and moved to Dimmitt in 1947 from Montague. She married Henry Morrison on Aug. 9, 1942, in Ringgold. She was a bookkeeper and a homemaker. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, the Fire Dept. Auxiliary and the Friendship Quilters' Guild.

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Sharon Epperson of Gilbert, Ariz., and Linda McKinney of Amarillo; a son, David of Deer Park; and two grandsons.

The family requests memorials be to the American Heart Association.

Grace Earleen Reisdorph

Services for Grace Earleen Reisdorph, 64, of Amarillo, former Dimmitt resident and teacher, were held Wednesday in Lamont Drive Baptist Church with Rev. Craig Little, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Schooler-Godon Bell Avenue Chapel.

Mrs. Reisdorph was born April 10, 1925, in Woodward, Okla. and had been an Amarillo resident for seven years. She married William

E. "Bill" Reisdorph in 1945.

She taught the third grade in Dimmitt in the 1950's and 1960's. She also taught in Hartley during her career, which spanned 30 years. She was a member of the Lamont Drive Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Billy Reisdorph of Gainesville, Fla.; a daughter, Bonnie E. Monden of Amarillo; a sister, Jon Dannettell of McLean, Va.; a brother, David McElhiney of Wichita, Kan.; and four grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to the Lamont Drive Baptist Church in Amarillo.

Ethel Womble

Memorial services for Ethel Womble, 84, of Hereford, longtime schoolteacher and former Dimmitt resident, will be held today (Thursday) at the First Baptist Church in Hereford with Rev. Ron Cook and Rev. Paul Land officiating.

She donated her remains to the Texas Tech School of Medicine.

Mrs. Womble died Monday at Westgate Nursing Home in Hereford following a lengthy illness.

Miss Womble was born June 23, 1905, in Hereford, the fourth daughter of Troy and Sallie Womble, who were among the first families to settle in Deaf Smith County. She attended Hereford

schools and obtained her teaching certificate in 1923.

During the 1930's Miss Womble worked as an elementary school teacher in Dimmitt and was a sponsor for the Dimmitt High School girls' basketball team.

She taught for 45 years, and spent 32 of those teaching in the Hereford Public Schools. She also taught at small rural schools in Bethel, Wyche and Flagg.

In 1938 she received her bachelor of science degree from West Texas State University. She obtained her master's degree from WT in 1951. She was hired by the Hereford Independent School District in 1938. Her first position was at Central School, the only elementary school in Hereford at that time.

During her career Miss Womble taught the intermediate grades, fourth through sixth. She was named Hereford's Teacher of the Year in 1969.

She was a member of numerous professional teaching organizations. She retired in 1970. She was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church in Hereford.

Survivors include a brother, Benny Womble of Hereford; three sisters, Mrs. Zoe Williams and Mrs. Alice Thompson, both of Hereford, and Mrs. Doyle Hinrichsen of Roswell, N.M.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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- 8-10'x3' Welded Wire Panels
- 2-4'x6' Metal Gates
- 2-4'x4' Metal Gates

More about

Former AFSer enjoys coming back to Dimmitt

(Continued from Page 1)

He's been busy since he left Dimmitt. After graduating from college in 1988 with a bachelor of arts degree in political science, he moved to Japan where he now teaches English for a private company in Kobe, which is located about 300 miles south of Tokyo, Japan.

"Japan is very different," Viles said. "For starters it's an Asian country. Japan is a very small country with a very huge population. It's very densely populated in the cities. There are millions of people there. It's a very orderly society with very little crime or problems along that line. It's a group-oriented society and it's quite different from western life. My city, Kobe, is really nice. I like it. It's got a small city feel. The population is about 1.5 million, but Greater Kobe is probably only 500,000 to 600,000.

"I work for a private English company in Japan. It's not a school. It doesn't have anything to do with the government or education board. There's a lot of them in Japan because in the school system they learn English for six years. They learn how to write it, grammar and that sort of thing, but they never learn how to speak it, so they come to these private English companies and we teach them conversation English," Viles said.

"We don't use any Japanese in our teaching at all. It's all English. We might use a little Japanese occasionally with our younger kids who haven't had as much English."

He said it's "a really fun job" and he gets to "meet a lot of different people," but when he left Dimmitt in 1984, his main ambition was to be a horticulturist. Somewhere along the line he changed his mind, and now he holds a degree in political science.

"I still really like horticulture, but I really don't know why I changed my mind and started studying political science. I think that after coming here (to Dimmitt) I

was more interested in international relations. I've always been interested in geography and politics, so I felt like I could always do horticulture around the house by working on a garden and things. I decided I would do more with geography and politics and I found it more interesting. I guess it's more of an interest move rather than a career move.

Viles said the education systems in Japan are "quite different" from those in the western world. He said New Zealand and American schools are quite similar in their education, but Japan and America are "really different."

"Japanese schools are much more strict in discipline and curriculum. The students wear uniforms, almost military-style uniforms. They have bigger classrooms with about 45 to 50 students in each class. They have very little room," he said.

"In the west we stress more independence of students and individuality. We try to teach students to think about the world they are living in and ask questions, make judgements and make assessments. In Japan it's just the opposite. They stress mainly memorization and passing exams. They stream-line kids to fit a system—the Japanese working system. They drill kids as to what sort of job they will do in the future.

"English is compulsory in Japan. While most Asian countries stress learning English, the Japanese would be the worst at actually being able to speak English. You can go to Singapore, Hong Kong, Thailand or Malaysia and a lot of people can speak English quite well. You go to Japan and almost no one can actually have any sort of conversation with you in English, even after they've studied at University. That's the reason there are so many of our companies (like the one he works for) and why they're so popular. The system just doesn't teach them to speak. It teaches them how to pass exams, write and read it. They can write

and read it very well and if you write something down they can probably understand it, but not to be able to carry on a conversation, even after many years of study, that's very poor."

Viles, who is a native of Fielding, New Zealand, has another year on his contact with the company in Japan and will return there in mid-April. But after the year is up, he has definite plans to return New Zealand. There is a problem though. He doesn't know what he'll do when he returns to his home country.

"That's one of the reasons I'm going back to Japan. New Zealand's economy right now is not great, but there are jobs available if you have the right qualifications. I'll probably become a teacher. I'll have to go back to university and get my teaching certificate.

"I'd never been a teacher before I went to Japan, and I found out I really enjoy it. There's a great demand for Japanese language teachers in New Zealand now and there will be in the future. I really need to get my act together and study and learn more of the Japanese language. I enjoy learning it, it's just a question of actually doing it. It's a pretty useful language to know, especially if you can learn to speak it.

"I might just work for a company that deals in the tourism industry, public relations, the hotel industry, or something like that. Those are probably my two main options at the moment. I hope to run my own business of some kind. I really like the restaurant industry and I like farming," he said.

"I guess what I miss most about New Zealand is sports, outdoor activities, skiing and going to beaches. I used to ski a lot and I just don't get much of a chance to do that anymore," he said.

"New Zealand's temperature is a lot more even year round than Japan's. Japan gets quite cold in the winter and it's very hot and humid in the summertime, a lot like San Antonio. It's not very comfortable. "There's no way I'd ever live in

Texas food corn is ideal for making Mexican tortillas

Changing Mexican import restrictions may pave the way for Texas food corn producers to open markets for their high quality corn. Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB) directors recently began negotiations with officials of the Mexican government and tortilla manufactures association.

Bert Williams and Jerry Don Glover, TCPB directors, exhibited examples of High Plains food grade corn in a recent series of conferences in Mexico City. Nazario Palomera Aguilar, executive director of the Mexican tortilla manufactures association, was enthusiastic about the premium quality Texas corn. Until now, the Mexican government's subsidy program made it impossible for the tortilla makers to import the corn. Recent announcements have indicated that these regulations will soon be changed.

Mexico City and its suburbs have an estimated population of 22

million. Corn tortillas are the staple food for most of these people. In the Mexico City area there are 18,000 corn tortilla makers using 2,800 metric tons of corn each day. It would take more than two miles of railroad hopper cars of corn per week to supply the tortilla companies in Mexico City alone.

CONASUPO, a Mexican government agency, buys all the corn and sells it to the tortilla companies. CONASUPO normally pays at least \$10 per hundred-weight. This has been the Mexican government's way of subsidizing food for the entire population. The quality of the corn; however, does not make the best tortillas. The new government plan would remove the subsidy to the more affluent population and allow tortilla manufacturers to buy part of their corn from the free market. This may open the door for Texas corn to those who prefer better quality tortillas and can afford them.

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tax receipts before they could cast ballots on a revenue-bond issue. But the courts declared that practice unconstitutional, ruling that the one-man, one-vote principal should apply to all elections.

Another inequity is the property tax itself as a means of raising revenue for schools.

Some of our businesses — for example, our farms and the American Fructose plant—are property-intensive. That is, they have to own a lot of property in order to do business, so most of their wealth is tied up in property.

But many other people — for example, doctors, lawyers, newspaper publishers and other professionals — are in labor-intensive or material-intensive businesses. They don't need much property investment to make their living. The income they generate goes mainly to pay for labor, materials or services, not for property.

So, through the property tax, a professional person with a good income pays less toward the funding of the schools than the farmer

who is just barely hanging on.

It puts us all in a situation of playing on an unlevel field, by outmoded rules.

It would make sense to me to do away with the property tax altogether and replace it with a state income tax. That would make the whole school financing structure more equitable; everyone would pay in proportion to his or her ability to pay.

But don't hold your breath until the Texas Legislature adopts a state income tax.

Many here will miss Earlene Reisdorph, who died Monday in Amarillo. Her influence will go on for many years here, for she taught a good number of our people their ABC's.

Earlene was teaching here and her husband, Bill, was the junior high principal back in 1956, when Verbie and I got out of college and came home to work on the paper and wait for me to be drafted into the Army.

It was during that year that Bill and Earlene adopted their first

child. While they were gone to pick up the baby, a lot of their friends broke into their home, decorated it, and left a lot of gifts.

They went from here to Hartley, where Bill eventually became the school superintendent. They made Amarillo their home after retirement.

Before Bill's and Earlene's 45th wedding anniversary in January, many of their friends here — knowing that Earlene's illness was terminal — gave them a "card shower" by mail.

I ran into Bill at the boys' bi-district game in Amarillo last month. He told me that he and Earlene were overwhelmed by all the cards they received, and that they really appreciated the thought and effort.

That's what friends are for.

I really appreciate the mute button on my TV remote control when Richard Simmons comes on with his two-minute commercial ("High fly-in-n-n-n-n-ng") for his latest aerobic workout video.

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