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By Don Nelson

Mike Elder was a sharp, lively, likeable, fun-loving kid.

He went through Dimmitt High School in the late '60s and early '70s, graduating in '71.

Those were difficult times. It was the Age of Aquarius, with the drug culture, the hippie movement, the Vietnam war, the protest rallies. An entire generation was challenging authority as never before.

Mike, though, was more interested in hoodwinking the establishment than challenging it. He'd rather do a "gotcha!" than shake his fist at anybody.

The main thing I remember about him was that he was so expressive.

He played the slavemaster in the one-act play, *Waiting for Godot*, making a melodramatic stage-left entrance in black tights, carrying a bullwhip and yelling at the top of his voice. The play tied for the regional championship in UIL competition.

He was the editor of the only DHS yearbook that was not bound in purple-and-white or purple-and-gray. Mike's yearbook cover was green—although that wasn't really his doing—and some of its content went over not at all well with the authorities.

He was a summer helper at the newspaper while he was in high school. There aren't many teenagers who can fill in on the news desk, but Mike could. We had a good working rapport.

There were signs of a drug problem here, but parents and other authorities didn't want to recognize it or admit it. I sent Mike out to survey teenagers, figuring they'd be more likely to talk to him than to me. Guaranteeing the teens anonymity, he asked them if they knew anyone doing drugs, if they felt the problem was widespread here, and if drugs could be bought easily in Dimmitt.

The teens' answer to all the questions was "yess."

Although authorities wouldn't accept the results, later developments proved that the findings of Mike's survey were accurate.

I lost track of Mike after he graduated and went to college. He earned a bachelor's degree, then became a top sales representative for piano and organ companies, working in Wisconsin, Ohio and Washington, D.C.

After a few years, he entered graduate school at the University of

County sending new cards

Castro County voters will be receiving new voter's registration cards this week and when the new cards arrive, voters are asked to please throw their old cards away.

But be careful—the new cards will be yellow, the same color as the old ones. There will be a way to distinguish between new and old, though.

The new cards will have a three-digit precinct number while the old ones had just one. The first of the three digits represents the voter's county precinct. The last digit represents the location of the voter's box in that precinct.

County Tax Assessor-Collector Billy Hackleman said 4,311 new voter's registration cards will be mailed out on Monday, and anyone who has questions should call his office at 647-5336.

Anyone who has not registered to vote in the Nov. 8 general election has until Oct. 9 to do so, in person, at Hackleman's office. Voters who wish to mail in their registration must have their application post-marked by Oct. 11.

Anyone who has moved and not changed their address with Hackleman, also has until Oct. 9 to stop by the office and sign an affidavit changing the address. If the addresses are changed by that date, the correct address will be printed on the new voter's cards.

The Nov. 8 general election will be held under the new redistricting plan, and there will be confusion among several voters as to where they are supposed to vote, and in which precinct election they are allowed to vote.

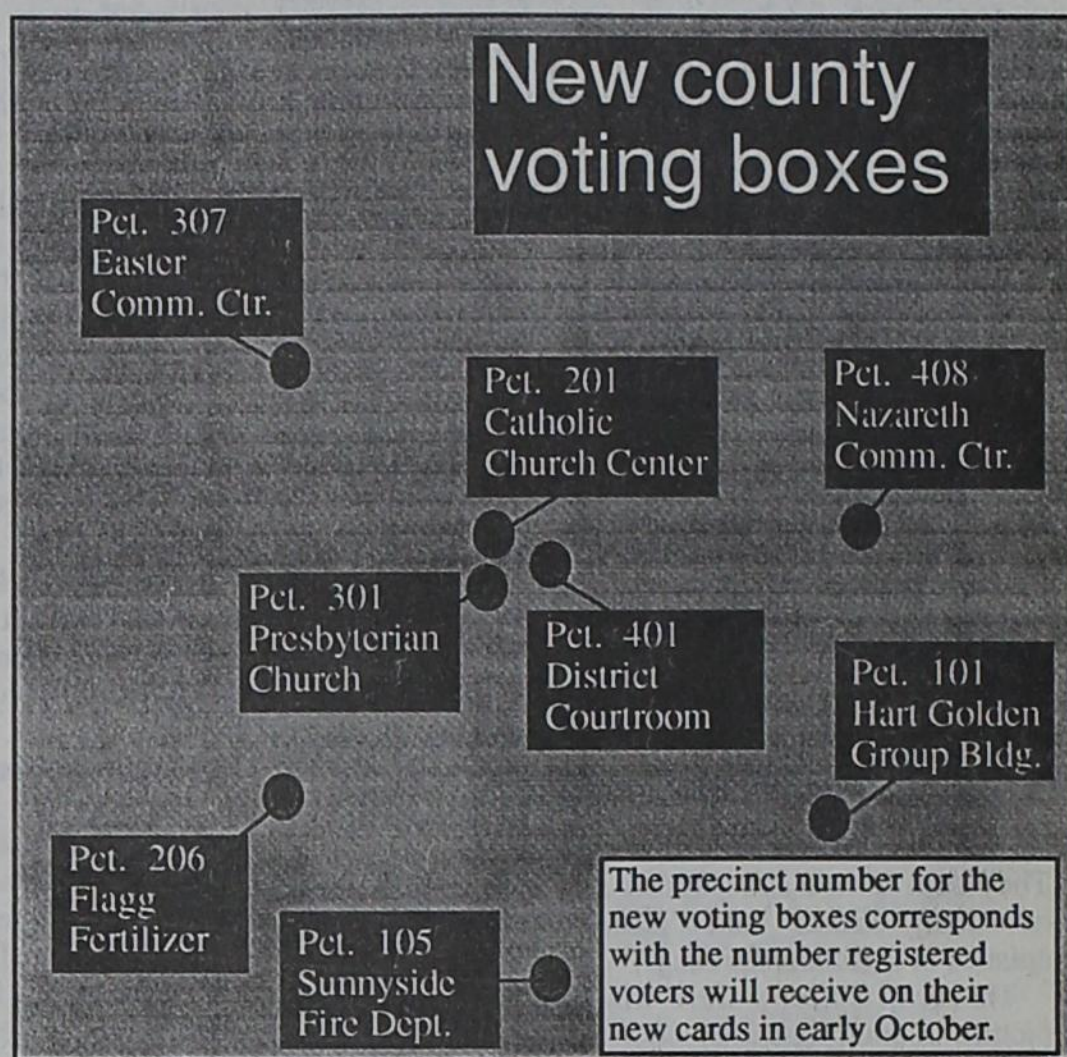
The new plan has shuffled numerous voters from one precinct to another, but if a voter looks at his or her new voting card and studies the precinct number, he or she should have no problems with determining where to vote.

Precinct 1 voters will have either a "101" or "105" in the precinct box on their new voters card. Those with a "101" will vote in Precinct 1 at the Hart Golden Group Building. Those with "105" in the precinct box also will vote in the Precinct 1 election, but the location will be at the Sunnyside Fire Dept.

Voters casting ballots in Precinct 2 should have either the number "201" (at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church) or "206" (at Flagg Fertilizer).

Precinct 3 voters will be designated by either a "301" or "307" on

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Beet harvest starts Oct. 5

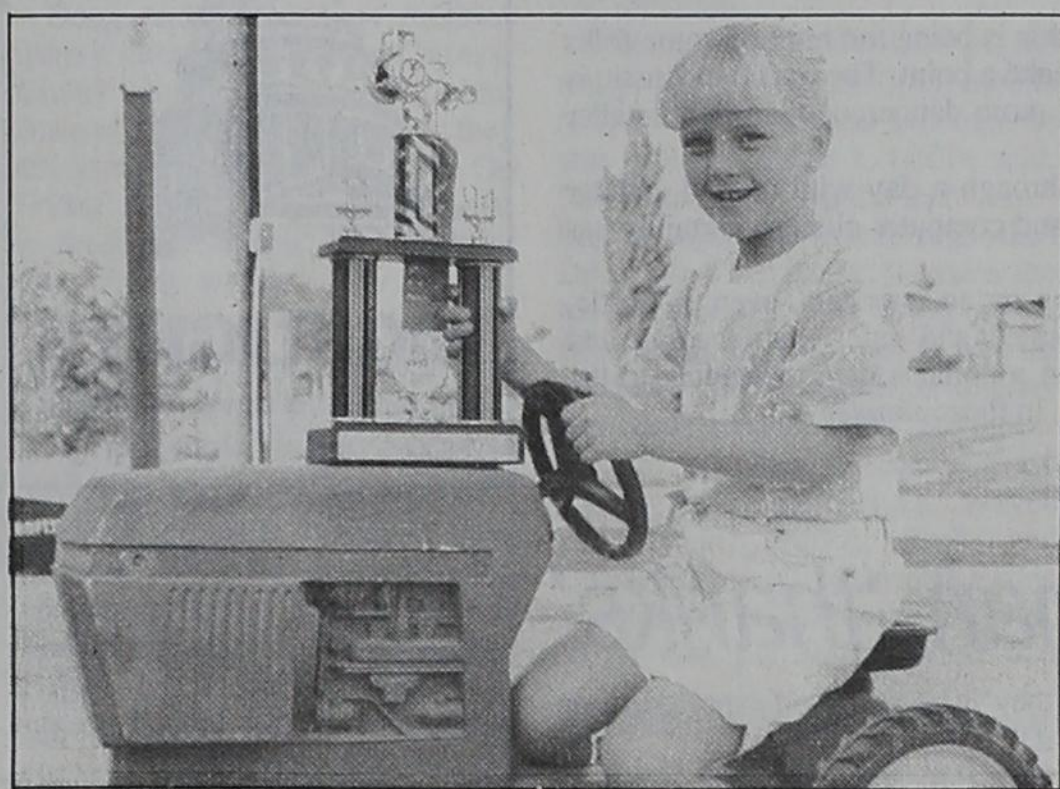
Early harvest is scheduled to begin Oct. 5 for about 26,000 acres of sugar beets in the region.

The beet acreage is down significantly this year, but tonnage and sugar content may be the best ever.

"Our sugar content is about 1% higher than normal," said Dennis Printz, agricultural manager at Holly Sugar in Hereford. "We have the potential for our overall quality to be much above average."

Early harvest schedules will be in effect from Oct. 5-Nov. 1, with factory contracts in Dawn, Dimmitt, Farmers Corner and Nazareth

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HOLLY KLEMAN, 5-year-old daughter of Doyle and Rosie Kleman of Nazareth, proudly shows off the third-place trophy she won at the National Tractor Pull this weekend in Nebraska. Holly competed against 16 other 5-year-old girls from across the nation.

Photo by Anne Acker

Kleman finishes third in national tractor pull

Holly Kleman of Nazareth pedaled her way to a third-place finish in the National Pedal Tractor Pull Saturday in Omaha, Neb.

Kleman was one of five county youths competing in the national pull after placing first or second at the state contest.

Kleman competed in the 5-year-old girls' division against 16 other girls. She was beaten by two girls from Iowa.

Kleman is the first Texan ever to win a trophy in her age division. This is only the second year Texas' youths have competed in the national pull.

Other competitors from the county were Chase Black of Nazareth, who finished 14th in the 5-year-old boys' division; Dustin Schulte of Nazareth, who finished 19th in the 6-year-old boys' division; Garrett Kleman of Nazareth, who finished 14th in the 7-year-old boys' division; and Brooke Moyers of Dimmitt, who placed 17th in the 11-year-old girls' division.

The youngsters were accompanied to Omaha by Dwayne and Sheryl Kleman, Rosemary Kleman, Kimmie Moyers and Tammy Black.

There were 18 states and the province of Ontario, Canada represented at the national event.

Carriker: no apologies for senate

Texas faces the same massive problems as other states—crime, education, inner cities, health care. But State Sen. Steve Carriker has no apologies for the way Texas is addressing those problems.

Sen. Carriker, a Democrat from Roby, was in Dimmitt on a campaign swing Tuesday. He's up for re-election in November, and is opposed by Republican nominee Tom Haywood.

Although he has served in the Texas Senate since 1988—after five years in the House of Representatives—this is the first year for Sen. Carriker to campaign in Castro County, which was added to his expanded 30th Senatorial District in the latest redistricting.

In recent years, Castro County has been shuttled from the 31st District (represented by Sen. Teel Bivins of Amarillo) to the 28th District (represented by Sen. John Montford of Lubbock) to Sen. Carriker's huge new district.

He said he feels a kinship with Castro Countians because he's a farmer and his home county (Fisher) is primarily agricultural. He raises cotton, milo, wheat and cattle.

"I'm the only guy left in the Senate who is actually a farmer," he said. "We've got one fellow who

ranches part-time, and I'm the farmer. And over in the House there's Pete Laney (from Hale Center). And the list gets pretty short after that. (State Representative) Pete Patterson, who's from over in East Texas, has some farming interests."

Candidates who criticize Texas' criminal code and criminal justice system, Sen. Carriker said, are trying to rope a horse that's already in the corral.

"We've spent a lot of resources trying to get enough beds in our criminal justice facilities to make sure that violent criminals are put behind bars for a long enough period of time to make a difference," he said. "That's what people wanted."

"We've now changed the criminal code (effective Sept. 1) to make sure that anyone who has committed a violent crime is going to spend a minimum of 50% of their sentence behind bars. To facilitate that change, we've tripled the number of prison beds."

One issue that's close to the hearts of many Castro Countians is highways and roads—especially,

how to get State Highway 194 from Dimmitt to Plainview improved.

"You probably need to write a letter to your senator," he quipped.

"The Highway Commission meets once a month," he explained. "They've been very responsive to placing items on the agenda that I have asked them to."

He added, "It's a new day at the Highway Dept.; it's a better day since the governor has made her appointments. The present commissioners are much, much more responsive to citizen input than they were at one time, when... they didn't give individual requests much consideration."

"I've had good luck picking up the phone and calling the commission and telling them there's something that I think they've overlooked. I've had good response from them."

"It sounds like Castro County's situation has existed too long, and that it's time to turn it around."

On public-school funding, he said, "nobody's terribly happy" with the system that has been in effect this year, "and about the best thing you can say for it is that last fall the schools did open. There was a genuine prospect that they

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CAMPAIGN STOP—State Sen. Steve Carriker, a Democrat from Roby, visits with County Democratic Chair Carole Dyer during a campaign stop in Dimmitt Tuesday. Due to redistricting, Castro County is now in the 30th Senatorial District, which Sen. Carriker has represented since 1988.

Photo by Don Nelson

Girl dies in wreck

A Springlake-Earth High School student was killed Saturday when the vehicle she was driving struck a truck nearly head-on near Dodd.

Yvonne Meiwes, who lived in the Dodd area about 20 miles southwest of Dimmitt, was pronounced dead at the scene on County Road 629 about three miles west of Dodd. Her sister, Crystal Meiwes, suffered an injury to her left arm. She was taken to Muleshoe Area Medical Center before being transferred to University Medical Center. She was hospitalized through Saturday night and returned to her home Sunday.

Yvonne Meiwes was driving a 1993 Ford pickup and was going east on the paved county road. She had pulled over to the edge of the roadway to allow a westbound truck to pass. Meiwes was apparently blinded by the morning sun and did not see a second truck as she pulled back onto the road.

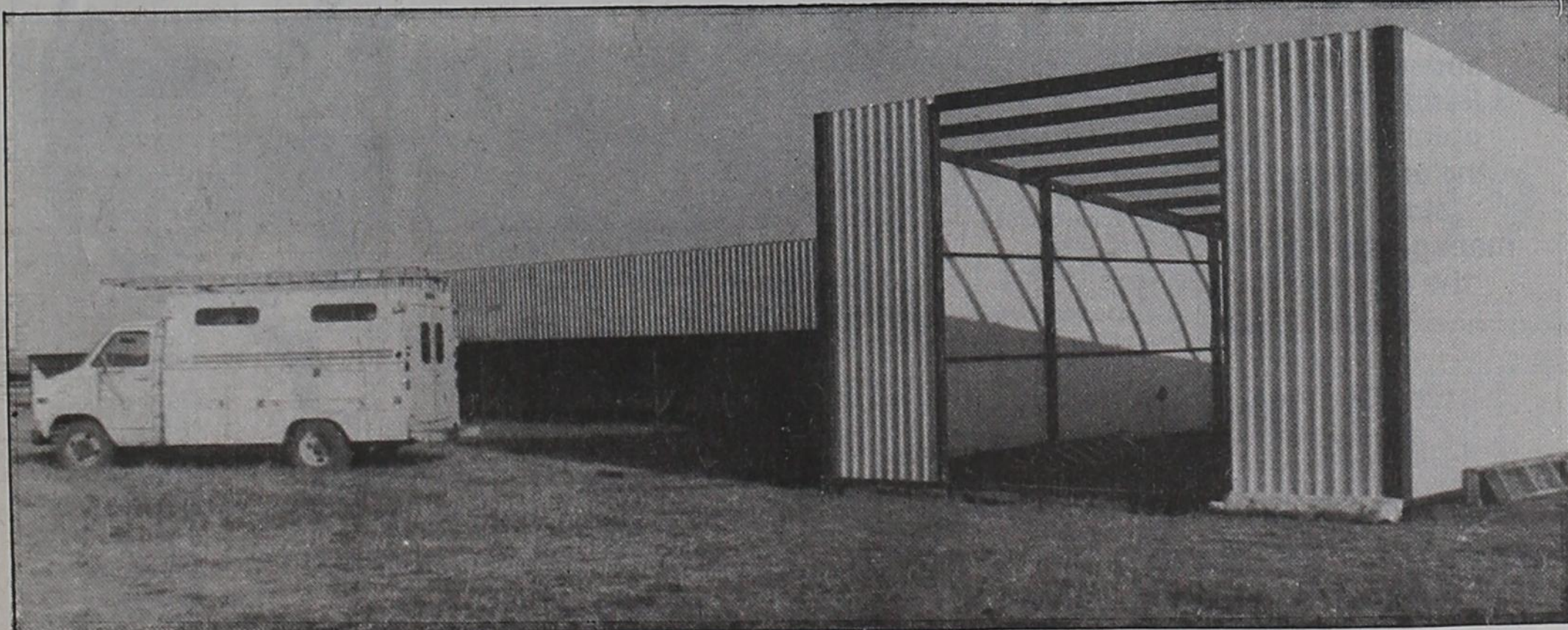
The driver of the second grain truck, 24-year-old Jerome Sewell of Blackwell, Okla., was slightly injured in the accident. He was treated at the Muleshoe hospital and

released. The accident occurred about 8:05 a.m.

Meiwes was a senior at Springlake-Earth High School. She was the drum major for the S-E band and had led the band in its performance at the Dimmitt-S-E game on Sept. 2 at Bobcat Stadium. She had performed in Europe this summer as a member of the National Honors Band. She also was a member of the debate team and participated in UIL calculator and speech events.

She was also an active member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Hereford. She had attended World Youth Day activities in Denver in 1993, taking an active part in several days of activities and attending services led by Pope John Paul II.

Mass for Yvonne Meiwes was held Monday evening at St. Anthony's Church, where classmates at S-E read a tribute to Yvonne. They honored Yvonne for her unbending moral character and her willingness to tackle any project in school or the community.



WORK IS ALMOST COMPLETED on the first phase of the new Castro County 4-H Center just north of Dimmitt on NW Fifth. When the first phase is finished in early October, 4-H'ers will have a place to care for livestock projects. Funding for the first phase of the project was

made possible by donations made at the Dimmitt Young Farmers Junior Livestock Show last winter and a grant by the Amarillo Area Foundation and the Harrington Foundation. Funding is being sought for other phases, including a classroom area.

Photo by John Brooks

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Sleepy town? Simpler times?

LYNN BRISENDINE in the *Brownfield News*:

I enjoy reading many different types of literature and I am fortunate in the fact that I exchange newspapers with other publishers across Texas.

There are a lot of talented people writing columns and their opinions vary from the radical left to the radical right, and everywhere in between. For the most part, I enjoy these divergent items, and I also learn from many of them.

Every now and then, though, one column or another hits a sore spot and I sit and shake my head wondering about the person who could come up with such ideas.

Recently a guest column in an area paper got my goat. It began with a young writer going to the big city, and he invariably compares his new surroundings with the familiar haunts of his youth.

"I grew up in a sleepy little town in the Texas Panhandle, and well, gosh, the traffic here in Austin is just terrible by comparison."

What a dolt. The big-city writers, even the newest of them, continue to consider any city of less than 50,000 a sleepy little burg where nothing important happens.

We have seen this type treatment in Brownfield by both the *Dallas Morning News* and the *Houston Post*. They both went a little further and included the terms of "dusty streets" and "grimy windows" in their epistles of misunderstanding.

The term "sleepy little town" evokes an instant picture of total inactivity, with people actually sitting on their stoops rocking in their porch swings fast asleep, during the middle of the day. It's total bunk, and truly says that the writer of the piece has no idea of what takes place in the real world of small-town Texas.

Not only that, but this terminology continues the myth that nothing good can happen in such small country towns. This attitude hurts our area and other rural areas of this state.

The other term that we see used many times by writers trying to romanticize their appearance in print is the comparison of today and its myriad problems with the past. It usually goes like this: *Our computer-*

ized society, with all its inherent problems, makes one yearn for the good old days of simpler times, when living was easy.

I read these words of wisdom and the thought comes into my mind: I wonder what my Daddy and Granddaddy might have said to that writer, who probably thinks ancient history was when the Dallas Cowboys wore those ugly uniforms with the large stars on the shoulders.

Simpler times never happened. History would show even this less-than-accurate writer that times have always been tough, complicated, and in many instances downright harsh.

I can remember my Dad telling me that he could recall a time when my Granddad had to go out and hunt something for his family's supper. He shot the only thing he could find, blackbirds, and they ate blackbird pie.

Now I don't know if my Dad was stretching the truth or not, but I am sure there were times before refrigerators, freezers and modern grocery stores, that folks had to resort to taking matters into their own hands.

These men also faced some other trying situations in their *simpler times*. Little things like a couple of national depressions, a couple of world wars and changing political times, which brought worry about their nation's safety and future.

It seems sort of cheeky to me for some word slinger, whose idea of hard times is TV without remote control, to have the continued literary license to consider his grandfather's time a simple walk through the tulips.

I suppose all of this is being too hard on some folks who are trying to make a point. The traffic in Austin is indeed heavier and more dangerous than in a smaller city.

And struggling through a day with missed cellular calls, curled faxes and computer glitches certainly has its downside.

Somehow, driving on an interstate, even in traffic, seems less complicated and safer than feeding and clothing a family on a dollar a day, or wading to the beach at Normandy, in those *simpler times*.



State Capital

HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

ignored six past-due statements mailed to them since May 16.

Records show that 8,590 of the estimated 43,000 lawyers are not current on their occupation tax payments, and other tax-dodging lawyers may find liens against their property or freezes on their bank accounts if they don't pay up, Sharp said.

Sharp said the state is due an estimated \$650,000.

DA Requests Probe of Truan
State Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi, is denying wrongdoing after allegations were made that he illegally solicited his home county to become its insurance agent.

Nueces County District Attorney Carlos Valdez said he has asked the Texas Rangers to find out whether Truan's solicitation of Nueces County Judge Robert Barnes constituted official misconduct or conflict of interest, according to a report in the *Austin American-Statesman*.

The state's official misconduct law went into effect in January 1993, after Truan had been named Nueces County's agent of record, Truan pointed out, and called the allegations "Republican smear tactics." Truan, an incumbent, is being challenged by Republican Rex Moses on the Nov. 8 ballot.

After receiving a freedom of information request from Moses, Barnes acknowledged the receipt of an unsigned letter dated September 1990, typed on Truan's official Senate stationery and bearing the name of a Truan aide.

Truan said the use of the stationery by an aide was inadvertent and apologized for the error.

Bullock Gets NRA Support
Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who is recovering from heart bypass surgery, has received re-election support from the National Rifle Association in his campaign against Republican Tex Lezar.

"Gun owners and sportsmen have always been among my strongest supporters, and I'm pleased to have their backing again," Bullock

said. "Hunting and gun ownership are as much a part of Texas as armadillos, the Alamo and high school football."

Bullock, a Democrat, said the NRA noted his help in passing legislation that would have allowed Texans to carry concealed handguns as the reason for its support. Gov. Ann Richards vetoed that legislation.

Term Limits in Oklahoma
Oklahoma voters last week overwhelmingly approved extending term limits to its congressional delegation.

The vote, pending a U.S. Supreme Court decision on challenges made against other states that have set congressional term limits, would limit Oklahoma's U.S. senators to two six-year terms and House members to three two-year terms.

In 1990, Oklahoma became the first state in the nation to impose term limits on its state legislators.

Other Highlights
■ The state consumer advocate for insurance has recommended a 5.7 percent reduction in standard auto insurance rates. Public Insurance Counsel Mark Kincaid also challenged the rate proposals filed earlier by Farmers Insurance Group and the Texas Automobile Insurance Service Office. Farmers proposed a 9.8 percent boost, while TAISO requested a 17.7 percent increase.

■ Rebecca Flores Harrington, a new board member of the United Farm Workers of America, says the union will intensify efforts to organize agricultural laborers in Texas. Harrington, who has been Texas' UFW director for 20 years, said many farm workers are battling poor working conditions, low wages and fewer job opportunities.

■ The state Veterans Land Board is increasing the amount of low-interest loans available to help veterans buy land, Land Commissioner Garry Mauro announced. He said the board has doubled the amount of money Texas veterans can borrow from \$20,000 to \$40,000.

Letter

Helpers deserve more than 'thanks'

Dear Editor,

Last Monday afternoon I watched something none of us expected or wanted to see; my neighbor's house burned and she lost her life. She was a wonderful neighbor and a dear friend for many years. She will be greatly missed.

As I watched our volunteer firemen doing their "job," I was so amazed at the professional way they worked together. I felt I knew a little because I've had two sons on the fire department, but watching them in action really does make you appreciate them more than words can say. I feel that sometimes in our own busy lives we forget what these guys are ready to do for any of us in a moment's notice. We really should appreciate them a lot more than we do.

I would like to personally say a big "THANK YOU" to all of the firemen who worked so quickly to get the fire put out, and all the rest who couldn't be there this time, for

being volunteers. I would like to thank the EMS for their quick responses with Dorothy, as well as with CD, Brian and Joe as they were overcome by smoke. Thanks also to our sheriff and his department, including Denise Schilling who received the 9-1-1 call and dispatched everyone so fast, and to CD and his deputies who worked with the firemen and did their own job so well. Watching them, you would have to realize just how dedicated they are to be there anytime we might need them.

Two of the deputies, Mitch McDonough and Billy Cox, stayed out there all night watching the "hot spots" they were afraid would start up again. I got up several times during the night, looked out and saw them still there. When you saw the light from a flashlight, you knew they were still looking it over. These two guys were out there nearly three, eight-hour shifts back-to-back. I know this wasn't the first time and it won't be the last time

they'll be asked or expected to do it.

I heard someone say something about them having to work all night after Billy had worked all day, yet they both said, "I don't mind doing it." They worked even though they knew they would just get half-time overtime pay, which amounts to very little.

I wonder how many men would stay at a job when they are not to expect time-and-a-half overtime. I wonder how long it will be before another county offers them what they deserve and they accept and leave. I think our county government needs to realize just how valuable they really are. I think we've all heard the saying "You get what you pay for." When one of these dedicated guys leaves, what are we going to get? Half-time dedication for half-time pay? We all need to show our appreciation to all of these men for what they do for us every day.

ALENE THOMAS

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ACROSS

- greatest female athlete of the century: TX Didrikson
- reddish-brown horse (2 wds.)
- TXism: "evil mannered"
- Rangers Will Clark scoring stats.
- this Yul starred with TX Eli Wallach in "The Magnificent Seven" (init.)
- hallucinogenic drug
- TXism: "in ___ eye!" (never)
- TXism: "I'll ___ a new hat size!" (threat)
- TX Ramon Novarro starred in this '26 silent film
- TX Ginger Rogers film: "Shall ___?" ('37)
- in Brooks Co. on 281
- TX Quannah Parker's medicine man
- Ft. Worth theater
- TXism: "he's ___ been" (faded fame)
- "cease and ___"
- TXism: "he couldn't drive ___ into a snow bank" (incompetent)
- song: "___ Across Texas"
- #1 hit by TX Gary Morris: "Makin' Up ___"
- Lake O
- Mex. Indepen. Day: Fiesta Diez
- sweetheart songs
- on the Texas Railroad
- TX George Strait's "___ in the Hole Band"
- in Hidalgo Co.: ___ Alto
- San Angelo, TX is named for a ___
- "All My ___ Live in Texas"
- TXism: "brain ___" (study or think hard)
- TXism: "call ___ day"
- Texans Landry or Kite
- 365 days (abbr.)

DOWN

- Cowboys new head coach
- TXism: "he's half ___ out of plumb" (crazy)
- TXism: "want it so ___ could spit"
- TXism: "a sight for sore ___"
- TX pitching legend: ___ Nolan Ryan
- past TWU pres. now heads this agency for Clinton (2 wds.)
- payable now
- "Honest ___ Lincoln"
- infraction area for a Dallas Star (2 wds.)
- USS Texas had 14- ___ guns
- TX "Farm Fresh" restores the VW Karmann ___
- Houston Rockets Phoenix opponent
- "much ___ about nothing"
- Houston's Zina Garrison & ___
- Shriver won Olympic Gold in '88
- TX singer Orbison (init.)
- TXism: "___ have to get better to die"
- use needle & thread
- TXism: "fit ___ fiddle" (healthy)
- slopes
- TXism: "honest ___ day is long"
- TX snake warning: "___ yeller, kill a feller"
- "she ___-of-a-kind"
- ribs and roasts
- Ireland, once
- school exercise
- TX-born ABC reporter Donaldson (init.)
- Hutchinson's title
- TXism: "camps out in the ___ corner" (religious)
- TX Lovett tune: "Here ___"

On the Go

With Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

The London Piano Duo will be the Community Concerts presentation today (Thursday) at 7:30 p.m. at the Harral Auditorium at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

Brad Cade, the grandson of Elois McMasters of Dimmitt, didn't have to work too much Saturday when Texas Tech beat SMU, 35-7, for Homecoming at Tech. Brad is the punter for the Red Raiders.

He graduated from Frenship High School, where he was quarterback and kicker. This is his first year kicking at Texas Tech, and he'll be back next year. He is averaging well over 40 yards a kick and is doing a great job. He is the son of Danny and Donna Cade.

Jean Dulaney came from Austin recently to see the grandkids and visit for awhile. Tate Head of Hereford is playing football there and Rala Byrnes and Jake Head attend WTAMU in Canyon. Jean will be visiting for a month.

The Odoms, Hollums and Coxes enjoyed a reunion Sept. 18. They all attended church services at First Baptist as Rae and Shae Odom were baptized. After the service they all went to the home of M.B. and Lucille Odom for a delicious dinner. Those enjoying the day were Kenneth and Shirley Hollums, Roy Hollums, Kimmie Moyers, Brooke Moyers, Lynn and Sharon Cox, Brandon, Valarie, Shelby, Leslie and Dallas Cox, Cinnamon Bradley, M.B. and Lucille Odom, and Mike, Cindy, Rae and Shae Odom.

James and Joyce Autry of Rocky Ford, Colo., have been in Dimmitt for a week visiting Irene Carpenter, Jimmy and Floyce George and other relatives and friends. James participated in the cutting horse events at the El Cid Ranch at Farwell the past two weekends and won some awards. Joyce and Irene went to Wheeler to visit Irene's sister and family while Joyce was here.

Sheryl Shaw gave the devotional at Canterbury Villa on Thursday morning. Her subject was "The Master Plan." Parents have plans for their children and God is the master planner. Ola Faye Sherman

led the singing and sang a special. Renise Blair was the pianist and Mauzee Youts closed the meeting with a prayer.

Our sympathy to the Wilke and Heller families on the death of Dorothy Wilke.

Bob and Vicki James of Lancaster were here for Dorothy Wilke's funeral. They visited with Vicki's parents, Charles and Betty Vaughan, and her sister Shari Wilkerson and family while they were in Dimmitt.

Louise Mears was hostess for the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center and she served cookies for snacks and a delicious Mexican fruit cake for dessert. Alma Kenmore won high score and Bill Thornton won second high score. Others playing were Ina Rae Cates, Bernice Hill, Fern Dickey, Cleo Forson, Mary Small, Elizabeth Huckabay, Virginia Crider, Oleda Schumacher, Neva Hickey, Emily Clingingsmith and Loranel Hamilton.

Out of town visitors at the museum last week were John Smith of Aurora, Colo., and Floyd Schulte of Nazareth.

Ruth Cochran spent a week in Texarkana with an aunt who fell and was in the hospital.

Martha Jo Hyman spent several days with her friend Karen Moore in Sunray last week. Karen had a bone marrow transplant last November and is recovering slowly but nicely.

Leigh Hyman visited in Levelland with Randall and Janna Baccus and Kendra. The Baccus family is formerly from Dimmitt and Randall is Martha Jo's brother.

Martha Jo and Jo Hyman went to Lubbock and who but Matt Howell was the service man who helped them. He said "hello" to all in Dimmitt.

Jo Hyman went by and picked up Lisa Widick Trevino, a friend from Dimmitt through their school years, and her new son Josh. They met Dickie Holcomb Ballard for lunch at Harrigan's. They saw Carolyn and George Sides having lunch as well.

Doug and Debbie Smith and Alyson and Bobby and Wanda Murdock drove to Clovis, N.M., and pickup up little Katie and drove on to Portales to visit Brad Murdock and friend Ronda and her daughters Tashia and Holly. They cooked hamburgers and ate a delicious chocolate cake for dessert.

Doug and Debbie just returned from a three-day cruise on Carnival Cruise Line's Fantasy to Nassau, Bahamas. The first night they attended a show on the ship. On Friday they ported in Nassau and walked and toured the beautiful city. Friday evening they enjoyed the captain's dinner and then

attended "The Jubilation," a show at the Crystal Palace. Saturday was the day at sea with activities on the ship. They ported back in Orlando on Sunday morning. While they were gone Granddad Lee Smith of Sabetha, Kan., and aunt Anita and her daughter Ashley of Hiawatha, Kan., stayed with Alyson in Amarillo. Then Nana and Bobby Murdock took care of Alyson on Sunday until Doug and Debbie returned.

The neighbors gave Eddie Kimbell a party on his 81st birthday Sunday afternoon. There were 20 guests and family who attended the come-and-go special occasion. There was much visiting and eating birthday cake, punch and coffee.

Stop by and visit with Eddie any time, he would like to visit with you.

The First Baptist Church Choir hosted a fellowship Saturday evening in the home of Doug and Cheryl Pybus, and what a fun evening it was! Cheryl had prepared everything except the dessert. Chicken enchiladas, green chili hominy casserole, tossed salad, chips, soft drinks and cakes, pies and cobblers.

The fun started when we played crazy bridge. Coach Alan Steinle held up one finger and I thought he was going to Table 1, but he said, "No, I need to go to the bathroom." Cheryl said in the wintertime when Doug has a fire in the fireplace she has to relax in a slim, sleazy gown. Bro. Paul Kenley said we all needed to go to church on Sunday and confess our sins for the night.

Choir members attending were Randy and Tami Griffitt, Wayne and Paula Proffitt, Jack and Charlene Howell, Alan and Elaine Steinle, Bay and Bobbie Baldrige, Virgil and Liz Jones, Wade and

Walter Maynard, Bill and Shirley Newland, Dan and Oma Dee Heard, Debra Ball, Paul Kenley, Mary Edna Hendrix, Doug and Cheryl Pybus, Don and Carolyn Moke and CD and Linda Fitzgearld. Debra Ball and Liz Jones tied for high score and Shirley Newland won low score.

Jackie McLeroy and her daughter, Marilyn Stones attended the Black Hills Recreation Leaders Laboratory near Rapid City, S.D. on Sept. 17-23.

The lab is a stimulating living experience where there is an exchange of ideas and techniques in the field of recreation and leadership. Group unity grows as individuals develop together in work and play. Major emphasis is placed on joy and fellowship. New knowledge and abilities gained through sharing creative activities lead to mental, emotional and spiritual growth.

Each morning for 1-1/2 hours, Marilyn and Jackie led discussions on True Colors of Leadership. The workshop participants were able to identify their personal "True Colors" and to learn their leadership effectiveness by understanding the motivation and behavior of others. Insights given assisted leaders in increasing rapport by building self-esteem and respecting the diversity of the individuals they work with.

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Nazareth WITH VIRGIE GERBER. 945-2669

A great number of friends and relatives attended the wedding mass Saturday afternoon uniting Jason Wethington and Nikki Schulte in Holy Family Church with Rev. Neal Dee officiating.

A reception and dance were held at the Nazareth Community Hall. Several Schulte relatives came from Nebraska to the wedding.

Tony and Mary Gerber, Leonard and Alvina Gerber and Virgie Gerber enjoyed a birthday party for Henry and Virginia Gerber of Amarillo Sunday afternoon at the beautiful new country home of Bob and Elaine Gerber. The party was hosted by their children including Irene and Mark Riley of Lubbock, Nadine and Ray Behrends of Hereford, Debbie Gerber of Amarillo and Bob and Elaine Gerber of Summerfield. Also attending were Rozena Albracht and Shirley Skarke of Amarillo, Connie Backus of Hereford and Jerri Gerber of Umbarger. It was a fun afternoon for all.

Frances Gerber of Umbarger is still a patient in St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo after having an emergency appendectomy last Tuesday.

Tony and Angela Acker hosted a "kids' day" Sunday afternoon for their 24 grandchildren. The only one missing was 1-year-old Emily Marnell who is still in Children's Hospital in Galveston with her parents, Denise and Gerald Marnell, recuperating from a cleft palate surgery. The kids enjoyed a hayride, horseback riding, a softball game, a pinata and a bonfire over which they roasted wieners.

Dorothy Pohlmeier is home after being in the Dimmitt and Lubbock hospitals for a week, undergoing treatment for high blood pressure. Pam and Lyn Bogle of Center,

Colo., Lisa Pohlmeier of Dallas and Linda Kendrick of Desoto were all here at the Pohlmeiers' home this weekend.

Derrick Schacher is also home after spending a week in Lubbock Methodist Hospital, undergoing treatment for a hip injury.

Congratulations to John and Norma Schacher, who celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary.

Sunnyside WITH TEENY BOWDEN

Embee Roy and Willie Mae Sadler went to Lubbock to have dinner prepared by Myles in celebration of Willie Mae's birthday. They also went to church with Myles.

Robert and Frances Duke entertained their two Lubbock grandchildren, Ashlee and Alyssa, the children of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Duke. Frances took them home Saturday afternoon.

R.V. and Bess Bills watched a grandson play ball Tuesday evening. Also, Emma Jean King watched Lincoln play. Emma Jean and Billie King visited with the kids at Hobbs last Tuesday.

Eules and Hazel Waggoner visited with her brother in Muleshoe Saturday and with friends in Earth.

The Sunnyside Baptist Church revival will be Sunday through Wednesday. For the meal after Sunday morning's service, the church will provide the meat, others will furnish the salads, vegetables and desserts. Everyone is asked to bring pick-up foods for after the service Sunday night.



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Kris Knippa and Sharla Jackson

December vows planned

Mr. and Mrs. Cary Jackson of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Sharla, to Kris Knippa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Knippa of Dallas.

The couple has planned a Dec. 17 wedding and will exchange their vows in the First Baptist Church at Dimmitt.

The bride-to-be and prospective groom are students at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview and after they wed, they plan to live in Hale Center.



Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of Sept. 29 to Oct. 7.

DIMMITT

THURSDAY: Choices of *chicken strips, hoagie submarine sandwich or beef and bean burrito with chili; Spanish rice, macaroni and cheese or *Mexicali corn; *tossed salad with dressing, fruited gelatin or fresh watermelon slices; *hot rolls, crackers or flour tortillas; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choices of *golden fried cod filets, pigs in a blanket or salad plate; tater tots, baked potato or pasta salad; tossed salad with dressing, *assorted relishes or *cantaloupe wedges; hot rolls, whole wheat rolls or crackers; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

MONDAY: Choices of *chicken strips with gravy, lasagna with ground beef or avocado, bean sprout and fruit plate; *mashed potatoes, broccoli with cheese sauce or seasoned green beans; tossed salad with dressing *garden relish or chilled, canned fruit; *hot rolls, garlic French bread or crackers; apple, banana or orange; and *milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choices of Turkey tetrazzini, *hoagie submarine or taco salad with salsa; *potato wedges, onion rings or black-eyed peas; tossed salad with dressing, *coleslaw or fresh fruit salad; hot wheat rolls, old fashioned combread or flour tortilla; *apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY: Choices of *cheeseburgers, enchilada casserole and ham and cheese sandwich with a bowl of soup; Mexipinto beans, haystack finger salad, or *potato rounds; tossed salad with dressing, *hamburger salad or cucumber-tomato salad; flour tortilla or chips, crackers, or white bread; apple, plum or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

THURSDAY: Choices of turkey and dressing, corn dog on a stick or *nachos with ground beef; *refried beans, potato au gratin or *Spanish rice; tossed salad with dressing, *fruited gelatin or fresh fruit slices; hot rolls, crackers or flour tortillas; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choices of *fish nuggets, chicken and dumplings, or barbecued hot links on a bun; *macaroni and cheese, baked potato or potato rounds; tossed salad with dressing, *assorted relishes or coleslaw; *combread, whole wheat rolls or crackers and flour tortillas; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

HART

THURSDAY: Chili dogs, pinto beans, pickle spears, potato chips, Jell-O with fruit and milk.

FRIDAY: Charsteak, whipped potatoes, brown gravy, Italian green beans, carrot sticks, broccoli, variety of cobbler and milk.

MONDAY: Cheeseburgers, tomatoes, pickles, lettuce, French fries, fresh fruit and milk.

TUESDAY: Barbecued chicken, twice-

baked potatoes, combread, broccoli, carrot sticks, pudding and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Steak fingers (elementary) or chicken fried steak (secondary), whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, cobbler and milk.

THURSDAY: Smoked polish sausage (elementary) or corn dogs (secondary), macaroni and cheese, pinto beans, corn, bread, pears and milk.

FRIDAY: Nachos with meat (elementary), or combread casserole or burritos (secondary), salad, fruit and milk.

NAZARETH

THURSDAY: Mexican casserole, beans, sopapillas and honey, fruit cocktail and milk.

FRIDAY: Spaghetti, tossed salad, rolls, pineapple and milk.

MONDAY: Sloppy Joes, corn, fruit and milk.

TUESDAY: Soft tacos, lettuce, cheese, carrots, fruit salad and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Sandwiches, cheese, lettuce, tater tots, apples and milk.

THURSDAY: Chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, green beans, rolls, pudding and milk.

FRIDAY: Fish, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw, combread, peaches and milk.



Royce Schulte and Cindy Allred

Allred, Schulte to wed

Roddy and Janice Allred of Wildorado announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Cindy, to Royce Schulte, son of Lester and Beth Schulte of Dimmitt.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows at 7 p.m. on Dec. 30 at First United Methodist Church in Canyon.

The bride-elect is a 1988 graduate of Vega High School. She holds a bachelor of business administration degree with a teaching certification from West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She is employed as a third-grade teacher at Wildorado Elementary School.

The prospective groom graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1991. He is a senior at West Texas A&M University majoring in ag business and economics. He will graduate in December with a bachelor's degree.

Reception set for Reynolds

A going-away reception for Bryan, Paula and Harley Reynolds will be held Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. in the basement at the courthouse in Dimmitt.

Reynolds, who has been assistant county agent here since June 1992, has accepted a position as county Extension agent-agriculture in Lynn County (Tahoka).

Reynolds will begin working in Tahoka on Oct. 17.

The public is invited to attend the reception. Cookies and punch will be served.

4-H plans orientation

Castro County 4-H has planned a "Family Orientation Night" for Monday at 6:30 in the courthouse basement at Dimmitt.

Any youngster between the ages of nine and 19 or students in at least the third grade, who are interested in joining 4-H are invited to attend.

A program will be presented highlighting 4-H projects and the many opportunities offered. County Extension Agents J. D. Ragland, Marilyn Neal and Bryan Reynolds will answer questions from those attending.

Cookies and punch will be served.

Any 4-H'er who has not re-enrolled for the 1994-95 year should fill out an enrollment form at the Extension office.

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

Class of 1974 plans reunion

Dimmitt High School's Class of 1974 will hold its 20-year reunion this weekend in Dimmitt and Lubbock.

The class will sit together and will be honored at the Homecoming pep rally at 3 p.m. Friday at DHS. The class will eat at the annual FHA supper at Richardson Elementary School then sit together at the Slaton-Dimmitt game at Bobcat Stadium.

Saturday, the class will play golf at 8:30 a.m. at Country Club of Dimmitt and host a picnic from noon to 2 p.m. at the DHS patio. The class will hold activities Saturday evening in Lubbock at the Lubbock Plaza.

K-Bob's to offer donations to 4-H scholarship fund

Anyone who purchases an entree at K-Bob's Steakhouse in Dimmitt during the week of Oct. 3-9 will be able to play a part in helping the county's youths.

During that week, the restaurant's owners, Dwight and Jolene Gleghorn, will donate 25¢ to the Castro County 4-H Scholarship Fund for each entree purchased.

A booth depicting 4-H activities will be on display at the store during the week, which is National 4-H Week.

On Oct. 8, the restaurant will team up with Castro County 4-H to sponsor a child identification program during a health fair at the Dimmitt High School gymnasium.

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Jamie Alexis Baker and Francisco Mendoza Jr.

Baker to wed Mendoza

Mr. and Mrs. James Baker of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jamie Alexis Baker, to Francisco Mendoza Jr., son of Frank and Lucia Mendoza.

The couple plans to marry Nov. 5 and will make their home in Lubbock. The bride-to-be is a 1991 graduate of Dimmitt High School and is a candidate for December graduation from Texas Wesleyan University with a bachelor of science degree in social science. She participates in and is a member of Alpha Phi Omega, Texas Wesleyan Singers, Student Ambassador for Texas Wesleyan Admissions and Polytechnic United Methodist Church, of which she is the campus liaison.

The prospective groom graduated from Springlake-Earth High School in 1985. He graduated from Texas Tech University in 1990 with a bachelor of science degree in engineering technology. He is a member of the Texas Jaycees. He currently is employed by Texas Tech University.

Health fair to be Oct. 8

If you need your blood pressure or cholesterol checked, or if you need a glucose test or free influenza

vaccine, you will have the opportunity to receive these medical services during the annual Castro County Health Fair, which will be held Oct. 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School gymnasium.

The fair is open to the public and several booths will offer educational health information.

Free influenza vaccines will be offered this year, and glucose and cholesterol tests will be given.

A new activity planned this year will be the 4-H Child Identification Program. Parents can bring their children in to have photographs and fingerprints taken to make a safety identification package. Supplies for the activity will be provided by K-Bob's Steakhouse of Dimmitt.

GOP plans open house

State Senate candidate Tom Haywood will be the special guest Monday at the grand opening of the county Republican headquarters at 500 South US Highway 385 in Dimmitt.

The headquarters is in the building shared by Nelson Trucking and Grace Fellowship Church. The open house will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and is open to the public.

Sandwiches and soft drinks will be provided by the Republican Organization for Women. Bumper stickers, brochures and yard signs for several candidates will be available at the open house.



Presbyterian Church

The Area II fall leadership school will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Lubbock.

Sunday is World Communion Sunday. Sunday School classes will meet Sunday at 10 a.m.

"To Curse God" is the subject of Pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the World Communion Service Sunday at 11 a.m.

Ministerial Alliance

Gerald Aalbers will lead the Castro County Ministerial alliance in a study of Hebrews 5:11-6:20 on Tuesday, Oct. 4, at 10 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Hart.

DMS plans open house Tuesday

Dimmitt Middle School will host an open house Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the school.

The general assembly will be held at 7:30 p.m. Report cards for each student will be issued by each student's first period teacher. Parents must attend the open house to obtain their child's report cards for the first six weeks.

Orders for the DMS yearbook will also be taken beginning Tuesday. Parents will have the opportunity to buy a yearbook, which will be delivered in May. The yearbook will continue to be on sale through Oct. 14.

Third graders receive awards

Third graders at Richardson Elementary School were recognized for being good citizens, top spellers, hard workers and for making the honor roll during the first six weeks of school.

Students recognized follow.

GLIDEWELL'S ROOM

Honor roll: Sheena Ehly, Todd Jansa, Amy Laurent and Justina Navarro.

Citizenship: Ehly, Laurent, Navarro, Lori Sifuentes and Crystal Silva.

Spelling: Ehly, Sifuentes, Laurent, Mindy Maxwell, Maggie Lopez, Mark Goode, Jansa, Jake Wright and Angelica Quiroz.

Hardest Worker: Sifuentes.

BAIN'S ROOM

Honor roll: Christina Campos, Angelica Lara and Katy Loudder.

Citizenship: Campos, Lara and Adam Wright.

Spelling: Campos, Lara, Loudder and Valentina Lugo.

Hardest Workers: Maria Ibarra and Wright.

AXTELL'S ROOM

Honor roll: Shayla Kenworthy, Alicia Heard, Matthew Sanders and Kami Sanders.

Citizenship: Samuel Cavazos, Adrianna Arcos and Matthew Sanders.

Spelling: Matthew Sanders, Kami Sanders and Kenworthy.

Hardest workers: Delfina Martinez, Logan Pillow and Eric Ward.

MERRITT'S ROOM

Honor roll: Christy Morgan, Lisa Sears and Tyler Myatt.

Citizenship: Sears and Marcela Salinas.

Spelling: Cynthia Barrera, Morgan, Alex Castillo, Nicky Gauna, Jorge Martinez, Rey Medrano,

Myatt, Tabitha Laurent, Deidre Perez, Roxanne Oltivero and Salinas.

Hardest workers: Casey Hargrove and John Lucio.

KOCH'S ROOM

Honor roll: Erica Abrego, Shantell Self, Cinnamon Trotter, Jimmy Armstrong and Jared Griffitt.

Citizenship: Abrego and Shae Odom.

Spelling: Abrego, Armstrong, Larry Adams, Self and Ben Ojeda.

Hardest Workers: Michael Guzman and Jhirvon Starling.

NUTT'S ROOM

Honor Roll: Delia Arredondo.

Citizenship: Cecilia Castaneda.

Spelling: Nancy Paz, Angel Melendez, Junior Cuevas and Arredondo.

Also recognized as winners of the six weeks big spelling bee were Sheena Ehly, Lori Sifuentes, Amy Laurent, Mindy Maxwell, Maggie Lopez, Mark Goode, Todd Jansa, Jake Wright, Christina Campos, Angelica Lara, Katy Loudder, Valentina Lugo, Kami Sanders, Shayla Kenworthy, Christy Morgan, Alex Castillo, Rey Medrano, Tyler Myatt, Deidre Perez, Roxanne Oltivero, Marcela Salinas, Erica Abrego, Jimmy Armstrong and Shantell Self.

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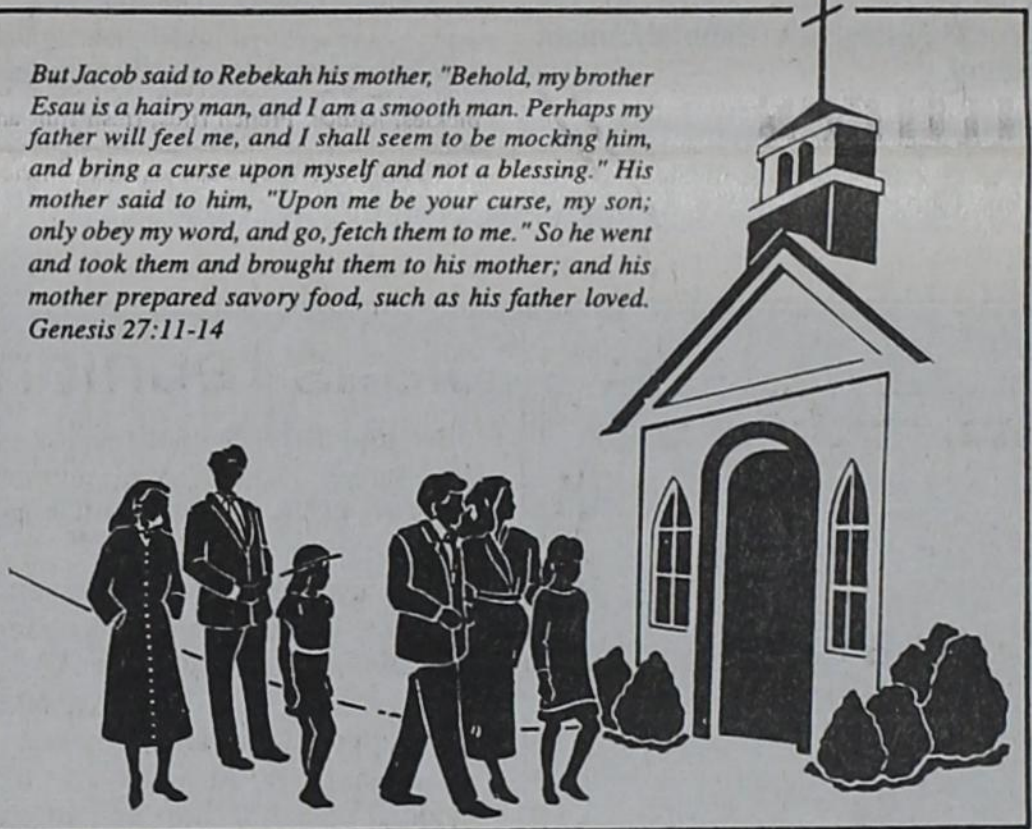
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engine surged to find equilibrium with the load. The smell of the freshly turned earth took me back about 30 years.

As the sun disappeared, I got back into the car. I savored the quality experience and tucked it in my memory. For a moment I returned to my roots.

I took note of the farmer's fence as I pulled back onto the highway. The fence row was clean, the posts were straight and the barbed wire was tight.

I also noticed that the line the plow was drawing across the field was straight and true. The tractor, though nearly 50 years old, was obviously well-maintained and still working flawlessly. Everything I saw indicated quality.

If you can judge a man by the quality of his work, I'd guess that Kansas farmer is a loving husband, father and grandfather. I'll bet he lives in a comfortable, but unpretentious, house. I'd guess his children are hardworking and well-educated. I'm sure it brings him satisfaction to know that the wheat he raises helps feed dozens of other families.

As I drove into the darkening night, I realized that I'd discovered another quality theory. Suddenly, I knew how the Japanese discovered quality.

How the Japanese learned

Many presume that it was W. Edwards Deming who taught the Japanese all about quality. I propose that the Japanese had already learned many quality lessons prior to Deming's efforts.

Assuredly, Deming taught the Japanese all about statistical process control. However, the Japanese had already discovered this key quality principle: If you want to be the best, you study the best.

The Japanese studied America. They observed our way of life—our culture. They experienced our steel making, car building, electronics production and chemical processing. They learned about quality from the greatest country in the world.

Absolute proof

You want evidence to support my

theory? Here it is. Who makes better film than Eastman Kodak? Who builds better tractors than John Deere and Case IH? Who sews better jeans than Levi Strauss? Who makes better heating controls than Honeywell?

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Yes, in America we have quality all the way back to our roots. Think about that the next time you see a working antique tractor, sit in a 100-year-old rocking chair or read a vintage book. Quality is timeless.

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Golden Spread REC applies for permit to build new plant

Golden Spread Electric Cooperative has filed with the Texas Public Utility Commission a notice of intent to apply for a certificate of convenience and necessity for construction of a new 400 megawatt generating plant.

Scheduled for initial operation in early 1998, the plant would consist of four 100 megawatt, simple cycle gas turbine powered generating units. Natural gas will be used as the primary fuel.

A final site selection has not been made, but two preferred sites are

currently under consideration. One site is located in Moore County south of Sunray, and the other site involves properties in Yoakum and Gaines counties east of Denver City.

Approval by the Texas Public Utility Commission of the notice of intent will only give Golden Spread the right to file an application for a certificate of convenience and necessity, which is the authorization needed before the project could be constructed.

In its filing, Golden Spread

advised the commission that it also intends to solicit proposals from other utilities and independent power suppliers for both new capacity and demand side control options. The solicitation will be made in about three months and will include a request for purchased power or other supply options.

Golden Spread currently purchases wholesale power from Southwestern Public Service Company and from West Texas Utilities Company. SPS' 1993 load and capacity resource forecast,

which includes the Golden Spread loads, shows a need to construct 486 megawatts of new gas turbine generating capacity to serve area loads.

Golden Spread President Robert W. Bryant said, "Our proposal does not duplicate any existing generating facilities. It simply means that SPS can defer the construction of additional generating plants on its system, and that will benefit SPS retail consumers."

Golden Spread's member systems

are Bailey County Electric Cooperative (Muleshoe), Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative (Hereford), Greenbelt Electric Cooperative (Wellington), Lamb County Electric Cooperative (Littlefield), Lighthouse Electric Cooperative (Floydada), Midwest Electric Cooperative

(Roby), North Plains Electric Cooperative (Perryton), Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative (Dalhart), South Plains Electric Cooperative (Lubbock), Swisher Electric Cooperative (Tulia) and Tri-County Electric Cooperative (Hooker, Okla.).

Matthews, Bagley are sworn in as new state WIFE officers

Mary Emma Matthews and Pat Bagley were inducted as 1994-95 officers for Texas WIFE during the group's 18th annual convention on Sept. 10 in Amarillo.

Matthews was inducted as president and Bagley was sworn in as first vice president. Both are from Dimmitt. Other officers inducted were LaDon Horsford of Abemathy, second vice president; Doris Howell of Cotton Center, secretary; Wanda Horsford of Hale Center, treasurer; and Janice Hughes of Flomot, historian.

In addition to Matthews and Bagley, other Dimmitt women attending were Fran King and Lois Wales.

Matthews, as 1993-94 president of Texas WIFE, presided over the meeting.

Wales updated those present on the recent National Feed Grain Council meeting in Dallas and

Kathy Teague of Amarillo, KACV Public Television, spoke to the group during the Saturday night banquet.

During the morning session, James Esty of Littlefield, Texas Dept. of Agriculture (TDA) inspec-

tor, reviewed rules and regulations for the application of pesticides.

WIFE agreed to continue monitoring the private property rights act, endangered species act, pesticide rules and regulations and progress on the 1995 Farm Bill.

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Cotton Talks

Officials with the Federal Crop Insurance Corp. (FCIC) are in the process of getting the word to crop insurance providers about FCIC's recognition of the unique circumstances surrounding the 1994 High Plains dryland cotton crop.

According to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, FCIC officials have sent out copies of the Sept. 2 issue of *Cotton News* that outlined the options available to producers for the timely termination of the 1994 dryland crop. A copy of the *Guidelines for Maximizing Profitability in Low Yielding Cotton Fields* is available from PCG and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"FCIC officials have recognized the fact that this year's dryland crop is for the most part already made and that unnecessary delays in harvesting activities will only reduce the already low yields expected from these fields," said Donald Johnson, PCG executive vice president. "The guidelines we helped develop will aid producers in making this year's harvest decisions by spelling out the three options open to them under FCIC's currently established procedures."

Johnson explains that producers who harvest their fields entirely can use the actual yield of the farm for insurance purposes. Producers opting for this option are reminded that even though they harvested the field entirely, they need to have the field released by their insurance carrier before beginning any post-harvest tillage operations.

In addition to the agronomic con-

siderations surrounding the 1994 dryland crop, FCIC also has recognized that producers have other concerns about the crop. Early termination will efficiently and effectively remove the major food source for boll weevils preparing to go into overwintering habitat.

"In many ways, producers have an opportunity to create a win-win situation by spending a little money up front to get the crop out of the field," said PCG Boll Weevil Control Program Coordinator Roger Haldenby. "Early termination of fields will allow producers to maximize as much as possible the quality of the cotton that is there and remove a major boll weevil food source. Right now weevils are feeding, building fat deposits and preparing to enter overwintering habitat."

Haldenby adds that removing the weevils' food source now by defoliation and harvesting, or even plow-up in some instances, would be a tremendous help in the fight against the boll weevil.

PCG reports that House-Senate negotiators have agreed to increase funding for US Dept. of Agriculture's Boll Weevil Eradication Program in Texas and other cotton-producing states by \$5 million for Fiscal Year 1995.

The increase brings the total funding for the program up to \$18,084 million for 1995. The final version of the appropriations bill that includes the Boll Weevil funding will be considered by the full Senate in the next few days.

PCCA has record cash distribution

A record cash distribution of \$32.4 million was announced Sept. 21 by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association (PCCA) during the association's 41st annual meeting in Lubbock.

PCCA reported total net margins of almost \$31.4 million on sales of \$798 million for the fiscal year which ended June 30.

"Our total margins of \$31.4 million were second only to 1993's \$31.7 million," said PCCA President Van May. "To put this in perspective, the \$63 million earned in the last two years equals the total earnings of PCCA during its first 34 years."

The cash distribution to PCCA members, which exceeds the previous record by almost \$10 million, consists of \$14.2 million in cash dividends, \$15.1 million in stock retirements and retirement of 1989-crop mill option capital retains totaling almost \$3.1 million. The stock retirements include \$3.2 million for marketing division book credits issued from 1969 through 1987, putting this division on a six-year cycle for the first time in more than 30 years.

The stock retirements also include 1987-crop marketing pool and denim mill equities, the first ever retirement for these divisions following PCCA's acquisition of the American Cotton Growers denim mill at Littlefield in 1987. PCCA also announced a bold new equity plan for its members.

"Probably the most important thing we did this past year was to develop and present to the board a comprehensive plan for managing PCCA's equity section for the foreseeable future," May explained. "They unanimously approved the plan which is now our road map for handling the equity funds (primarily book credits) that our members allow to remain in PCCA. We call this new equity plan our '20/20 Vision' for PCCA."



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DMS HONORS STUDENTS--Students of the Month for September have been named at Dimmitt Middle School. Honored this month were (front row, from left) fourth graders Sarah Sanchez and Joel Birdwell; fifth graders Tasha McAllister and Jason Harris; sixth graders Leticia Sanchez and Isaias Olmos; (back row, from left) eighth graders Taryn Hays and Beau Hill, and seventh graders Julie Merritt and Michael Penney.

Photo by John Brooks

Cattle feeders to meet in San Antonio

"Bridge to Tomorrow" is the theme for the 1994 Texas Cattle Feeders Association's annual convention, Nov. 13-15 at the Hyatt Regency in San Antonio.

The convention will help cattle feeders continue to build bridges in international trade, the political arena and industry issues as they move toward the 21st Century.

The opening general session on Nov. 14 will feature TCFA President Les McNeill, who will share his thoughts on a very eventful year for cattle feeders. Russ Wolfe, vice president of Topco Associates, Inc., will discuss how beef is faring in the battle at the retail meat counter. With results of the November elections still fresh, cattle feeders will be interested in Hugh Sidey's analysis of the Washington political scene. Sidey, who has covered the past six administrations as a columnist for *Time* magazine, brings a wealth of inside understanding about the political process.

With NAFTA a reality, cattle feeders are expanding their long-time trading partnership with Mexico. Former NCA and TCFA President Bob Josserand will moderate a panel discussion on how NAFTA is affecting cattle and beef trade.

On Nov. 15, cattle feeders will hear an update on the move to consolidate the major national industry organizations.

McCormick wins at Amarillo

Jay McCormick drove his 275-lb. crossbred hog to the grand championship of the barrow show at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo on Sept. 22.

McCormick picked up \$750 and a passel of ribbons for the grand championship. He won \$75 for placing first in the crossbred class. Another crossbred barrow of McCormick's was the reserve breed champion in the crossbreds.

McCormick also drove a Hampshire to third place in Class 1; the breed champion and reserve breed champions in black other pure breeds after picking up the top two places in Class 1; and first place in Class 3 crossbreds.

Other county exhibitors placing in the show were Mandi Moore,

second in Class 2 Hampshires, first in Class 2 crossbreds and third in Class 1 white other pure breeds; Max Moore, breed champion, the top hog in Class 1, fifth place Class 2 white other pure breeds, and second place Class 3 crossbreds; and Ky Kirby, third place Class 2 crossbreds.

In the lamb show on Sept. 19, McCormick drove his 124 lb. finewool cross lamb to first in the class, and later drove it to the top of the finewool cross division. He also exhibited the 15th place and 16th place medium wool lambs.

Toby Crow exhibited the fifth place Class 5 and sixth place Class 6 medium wool lambs. Kirby had a ninth place medium wool lamb in Class 4; Aaron Wilcox had the sixth and eighth place lambs in Class 10 and the fifth place lamb in medium wools. Tiffany Wilcox was fourth and 15th in the medium wool class.

Dimmitt continued its winning ways Saturday in the fair's steer show. McCormick drove his steer to first in Class 14 exotic crossbreds

and later garnered the reserve breed title.

Although Tucker Schumacher was sidelined with a knee injury suffered Friday night at River Road, FFA members McCormick and Justin Sutton pitched in to help drive his exotic crossbred steer to second place in Class 13.

TDA starts new program for products

Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry has unveiled a new computer database program, the Texas Agricultural Marketing Exchange, that will link buyers seeking products such as foods, beverages, lawn and garden plants and textiles with suppliers in just minutes.

"With TAME, Texas agricultural producers and processors will be in the fast lane on the information superhighway," Perry said during the Texas Restaurant Association Southwest Foodservice Expo in Houston. "TAME gives these groups an edge in what is becoming a highly competitive marketplace. The Texas Dept. of Agriculture is committed to bringing the state's agribusinesses the necessary tools to compete."

One major goal at TDA is to encourage more Texans to buy Texas grown or processed products, and this computer program helps locate companies that provide these products, Perry said.

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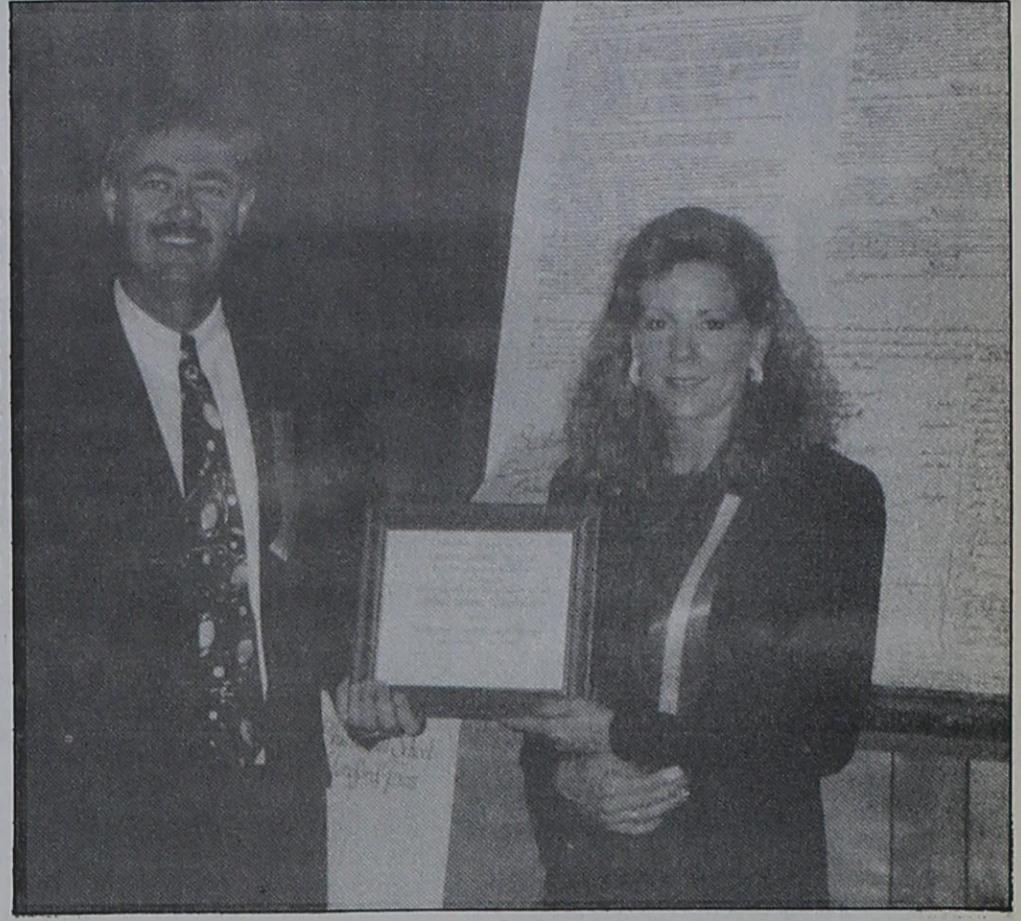
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CEREMONY HONORS US CONSTITUTION--A ceremony was held Wednesday at Dimmitt Middle School commemorating the anniversary of the US Constitution. DMS students (left) signed a replica of the Constitution that will be displayed for the next year in Philadelphia. At right, DMS Principal George Rasor (left) accepts a certificate from Jennifer Crabtree, regional director for US Sen. Phil Gramm's Lubbock office. *Courtesy photo*



DMS students re-enact signing of US Constitution

Dimmitt Middle School students signed a special copy of the US Constitution during a special assembly Wednesday at the DMS auditorium.

Jennifer Crabtree, regional director for the Lubbock office of US Sen. Phil Gramm, led the program. DMS students signed a replica of the Constitution which will be displayed at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia for the next 12 months.

The ceremony was held during National Constitution Week, Sept. 17-23. Crabtree presented DMS Principal George Rasor with a replica of the US Constitution for

the school, a certificate signifying the school's participation in the replica signing program, and a letter from Gramm honoring the school for taking part in the event.

"You represent America's next generation of leadership," Gramm wrote. "It is my hope that you will become a student of the Constitution; that you will learn to love and appreciate the impact of the Constitution on our way of life. I salute your participation in commemorating the Constitution's 207th anniversary and remind you that our system of government is the envy of the world."

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Sports



Dimmitt makes cat fight interesting at RR

By JOHN BROOKS

Dimmitt may have given up the most yards it has given up in a game this season Friday to the River Road Wildcats, but the Bobcats looked a lot better Friday in a 31-20 defeat in Amarillo.

"It's kind of funny," said Dimmitt coach Danny Chisum about the game which dropped Dimmitt's record to 1-3. "The kids were loose in the locker room before the game and you never know what to think about that. We stayed with them for a half, and had 'em on the ropes in the third quarter. We were with them all the way and had a couple of chances to take the lead."

"With a little luck and a little more effort, we could have beaten them."

A homecoming crowd of 2,000 was stunned in the fourth quarter when the Bobcats twice closed to within less than a touchdown in the third quarter, only to lose two chances to take the lead and to give up an easy touchdown in the fourth quarter.

Dimmitt's top runner, Derrick Thomas, picked up 169 yards on 27 carries and scored three touchdowns, including a 93-yard kickoff return in the third quarter that sparked a Bobcat rally from a 19-0 deficit.

River Road's Kent Foster, who picked up 251 yards on 35 carries, scored on a five-yard run in the third quarter for a 19-0 lead two minutes into the half. On the kickoff, Thomas caught the ball at the seven and headed toward his right.

All-state player Donny King tried to arm tackle Thomas, then nipped at his heels like a pesky Chihuahua for 10 yards until Thomas gave him an old-fashioned forearm at the River Road 45. Thomas outran everyone else to the endzone to



THERE HE GOES AGAIN!—Dimmitt's Derrick Thomas shakes off an ankle-hold and breaks loose for a 30-yard gain in the second quarter of Friday night's game at River Road. Pursuing the speedy Bobcat back are RR's Lee Withers (45) and Josh

Sursa (74). Thomas paced the Bobcats' offense again with 169 yards on 27 carries (6.25 average), plus a nifty 93-yard kickoff return and 35 yards on two pass receptions, and scored all three Dimmitt touchdowns. River Road won, 31-20.

Photo by Don Nelson

make it a 19-6 game. Quarterback Joey Martinez then hit tight end Chad Ellis with a PAT pass to cut the lead to 19-8 with 9:47 to go in the quarter.

On River Road's second play after the kickoff, Jason Wooten intercepted a Jeff Davis pass at the Wildcat 41 and returned it to the 23. Thomas picked up six yards on a fourth-and-two play at the 15, then went nine yards on the next play with 7:24 to go in the quarter.

A two-point pass failed, leaving Dimmitt five points behind at 19-14 and some River Road fans with their chin in their mums.

River Road answered in three plays with a 77-yard pass play from Davis to King moving the ball to the Dimmitt four. Davis threaded the needle between two converging Dimmitt defenders and was about to score when Wooten caught him from behind at the three. Foster scored on the next play to make it a

25-14 score after a missed PAT kick.

Dimmitt then took off on its best drive of the year, going 63 yards in 12 plays. The drive was keyed by a 29-yard run by Joe Juarez and two passes by Martinez, a 15-yarder to Ellis and an 11-yard toss to Juarez on third-and-nine to the River Road 4. Thomas scored on the next play to cut the score to 25-20 with 1:07 to play in the third. The Bobcats tried for two again, but the pass play was inches short of the goal line, according to the head linesman.

"We wanted to go for two on our last two touchdowns because we wanted to get within a field goal of them," Chisum said. "We sure thought we had the two points on

the last touchdown but she (the official) said we didn't."

River Road, with the help of a Dimmitt face mask foul, moved 77 yards as the fourth quarter began to score the game's final points. Foster had three big runs, including the final 17 yards with 9:31 to play. The run for two failed, leaving River Road up by 11 with 9:31 to go.

Dimmitt had two more chances to score in the fourth quarter, but couldn't capitalize. Chris Everett, in his first action of the year, returned the ensuing kickoff seven yards and was hit late out of bounds. The 15-yard penalty moved the ball to the River Road 44. On third-and-15 at the 49, Martinez and fullback Dagon Newton missed connections on a shovel pass, and a fourth down run by Joe Juarez netted two yards.

Midway through the period the Bobcats moved from their 17 to the 50. On third-and-six from midfield, Martinez lofted a pass to Juarez who was behind the secondary at the Wildcat 25. Juarez looked for the ball over his left shoulder, but Martinez threw it over his right shoulder. Juarez never turned the other way, and the ball fell incomplete.

River Road scored in the first quarter on a six play, 72-yard drive when King hit Nathan Reynolds with a 38-yard TD pass with 6:11 to go in the period. Reynolds was wide open on the left side and scored easily. Jamie Axton's kick gave the Wildcats a 7-0 lead.

Dimmitt missed a great opportunity in the second quarter to tie the game as the Bobcats moved from their 30 to the River Road 25. Keyed by a 32-yard run by Thomas, who broke four tackles to move to the Wildcat 34, the drive stalled at the Wildcat 25 where Juarez was stopped a yard short on a fourth-and-five run.

River Road moved to its 45 before punting. The Bobcats moved the ball to their 43 before Wooten, who started at quarterback, fell on a bad pitch at his 33. He was intercepted by King on the next play with 46 seconds to play in the half. River Road got a cheap

touchdown to close the half as Reynolds caught a 22-yard pass from Davis with five seconds left in the half. The Bobcats blocked the PAT, leaving the score 13-0 at the half.

"We had a breakdown on our pass coverage there in the first half when we were supposed to be in man-to-man coverage," Chisum said. "You can't get any simpler than man-to-man coverage, but we didn't have anyone covering him. Our man just forgot, and instead of 7-0 it was 13-0."

"We stepped up and played awfully well, and that was a good sign. We need to continue to step up because it's time to get after it."



Score by quarters:

Dimmitt	0	0	20	0	-	20
RR	7	6	12	6	-	31

Scoring summary:
First quarter—RR: Nathan Reynolds 38 pass from Jeff Davis (Jamie Axton kick), 6:11.

Second quarter—RR: Reynolds 22 pass from Davis (kick blocked), 0:05.

Third quarter—RR: Kent Foster 5 run (pass failed), 10:00

D: Derrick Thomas 93 kickoff return (Chad Ellis pass from Jason Wooten), 9:47

D: Thomas 9 run (pass failed), 7:24

RR: Foster 3 run (pass failed), 6:26

D: Thomas 5 run (pass failed), 1:07

Fourth quarter—RR: Foster 17 run (run failed), 9:31

Statistics:

	Dimmitt	RR
First Downs	16	21
Yards Rushing	255	249
Yards Passing	61	204
Total Yards	316	453
Passes C/A	4/15	9/20
Intercepted by	1	2
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	0-0
Punts-Avg.	3-39	4-33
Penalties-Yards	10-70	8-75

Individual rushing: Derrick Thomas 27-169; Joe Juarez 12-83; Joey Martinez 3-9; Dagon Newton 1-7; Jason Wooten 3-(-13). Individual receiving: Derrick Thomas 2/35; Chad Ellis 1/15; Joe Juarez 1/11.



Local teams strong at meet

The fourth-ranked Dimmitt girls fared better against second-ranked Sanford-Fritch Saturday at the Amarillo Invitational Cross-Country Meet.

Sanford-Fritch won the team title with 44 points; Dimmitt was second with 73 points. The teams trail Dallas Ursuline in the Class 3A rankings in Texas Track and Field News.

"We ran a little better this week than we ran at Hereford," said Dimmitt coach Richard Wood. "We need to keep working, because I know we can still cut time."

"Some of our girls are finding out you can medal, you can get something out of all this to make it worthwhile. I think they're ready to keep working hard so we can get to state."

Nazareth's Casey Hoelting was third overall in Division I, running the three-mile course in 17:30.

Nazareth and Hart did not field full teams at the meet. Misti Ball of Nazareth was seventh overall in 13:30; teammate Denia Durbin was 43rd in 14:39. Hart was led by

Christina Robledo, ninth in 13:41, and Isela Minjarez, 13th in 13:57.

Leading the way for Dimmitt was Amy Ethridge, fourth in 13:23.48; Kim Thomas, 14th in 13:59.16; Laura Torres, 15th in 14:00.17; Summer McLean, 19th in 14:02.75; Rochelle Harman, 25th in 14:17.79. Also running for the varsity were Jacy Buckley, 14:50.79, and Amy Matthews, 14:56.68.

Dimmitt's "A" junior varsity group was first and the "B" JV unit was fourth in the JV division, while the Nazareth JV was fifth.

Leaders for Dimmitt were Jessica Vasquez, 14:40.11; Sabrina Olvera, 14:48.57; Amber Matthews, 15:21.36; Carrie Bradley, 15:35.85; Jana Nelson, 15:50.50; Tina Williams, 16:23.70; Ruth Torres, 16:30.20; Teresa Robertson, 17:39.92; and Amy Garcia, 17:42.10.

Celina Braddock led the Nazareth JV, finishing 11th in 14:42; Trina Johnson, 22nd in 15:00; Margie Durbin, 26th in 15:08; Sara Birkenfeld, 28th in 15:12; and Judith Nieves, 87th in 16:20.

Dimmitt was also tops in the junior high division. Shawna Kenworthy led the way in 14:00.70. Also running away from the field were Stephanie Hinojosa, 14:10.99; Sandra Torres, 14:26.70; Melissa Martinez, 14:33.87; Lilia Dominguez, 14:44.21; Carol Summers, 15:31.39; Stephanie Flores, 15:32.77; Holly Reyna, 16:42.40; Abigail Torres, 16:49.41; Janette Lafuente, 16:56.72; Myra Pena, 17:05.01; Jessica Garcia, 17:05.85; Jackie Bebout, 17:08.14; and Becky Ramirez, 17:44.33.

River Road JV edges Dimmitt

Dimmitt scored first, but River Road rallied with three second-half touchdowns to take a 28-10 win Thursday at Bobcat Stadium.

Dimmitt scored first when Oscar Rueda hit paydirt on a 45-yard touchdown run. Quarterback Joey Flores ran for the two-point conversion to give DHS an 8-0 lead.

River Road came back with a second quarter TD but missed the extra point, and Dimmitt led 8-6 at halftime.

The Wildcats scored and converted a two-point PAT to take the lead for good at 14-8. Dimmitt picked up two points when the River Road punter ran down a bad snap and kicked the ball out of the back of the end zone.

River Road scored twice in the fourth quarter while Dimmitt failed to capitalize on two possessions inside the Wildcat five.

Coaches Lanny Crow and Gus Ortiz praised Flores, Rueda and Kalem Thomas for their work on offense, and Josh Roberts and Luis Nino on defense.

The JV ended up with a 2-2 record. Most of the JV players who remained eligible were promoted to the varsity this week.

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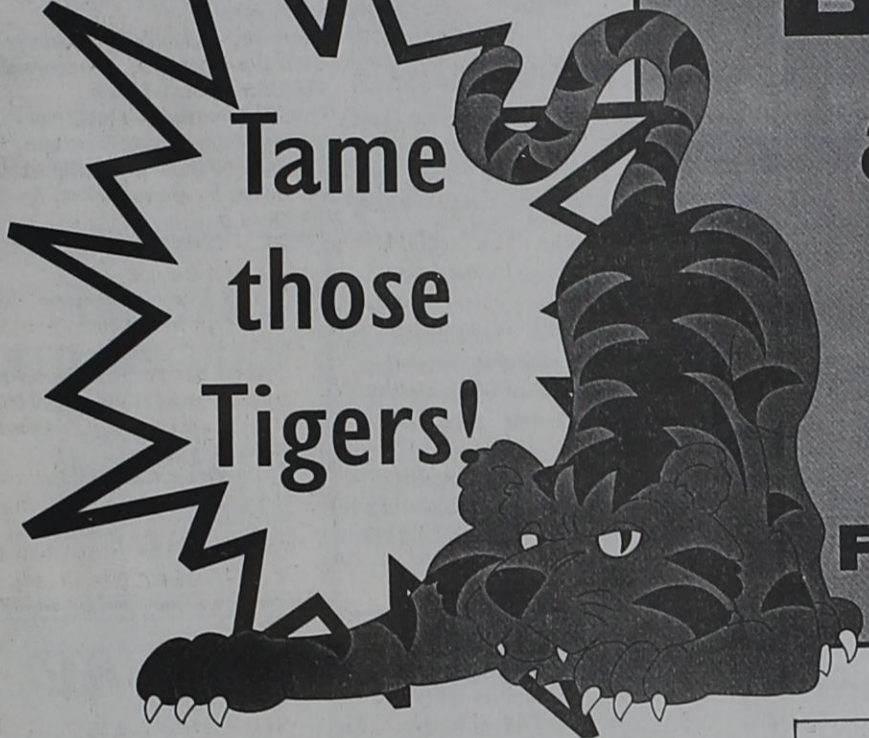
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Bobcats 7, Tulia 14
Bobcats 20, River Road 31

September 30	Slaton (Homecoming)	Here	8:00
October 7	• Floydada	Here	7:30
October 14	• Shallowater	There	7:30
October 21	• Friona	Here	7:30
October 28	• Muleshoe	Here	7:30
November 4	• Littlefield	There	7:30

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JV 6, Springlake-Earth 7; Freshmen 6, Idalou 7
JV 20, Sanford-Fritch 6; Freshmen 21, Sanford-Fritch 16
JV 20, Tulia 0; Freshmen 42, Tulia 18
JV 10, River Road 28; Freshmen 7, River Road 12

September 29	Slaton (Freshmen Only)	There	4:30
October 6	• Floydada	There	5:30-7:00
October 13	• Shallowater	Here	5:30-7:00
October 20	• Friona	There	5:30-7:00
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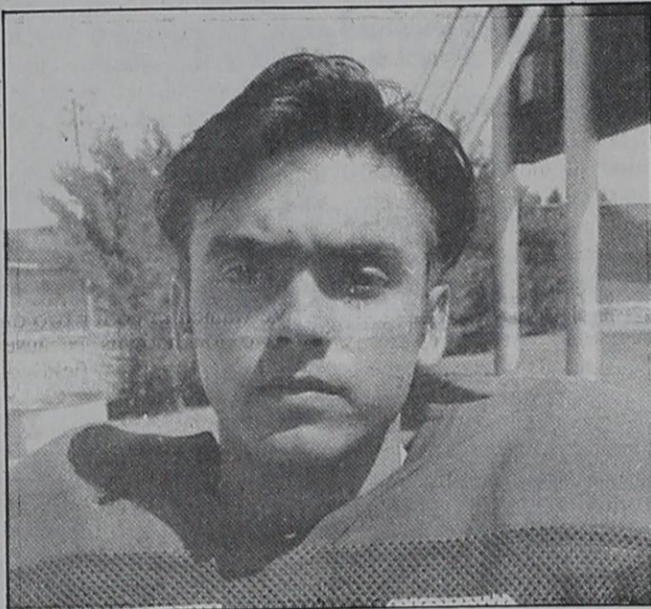
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8th Grade 21, River Road 6; 7th Grade 8, River Road 8

September 29	Slaton	Here	6:00-7:00
October 6	• Floydada	Here	5:00-6:00
October 13	• Shallowater	There	5:00-6:00
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Defense sparks Swifts in 15-6 win over Petersburg

By SCOTT BROCKMAN
Nazareth Coach Rick Price has to be pleased with his defense after Friday night. If it is true that defense wins championships, then the Swifts are on the right track.

Nazareth shut out the No. 26-ranked Petersburg Buffaloes through three quarters of play, then held on in the final minutes to claim a 15-6 win at home.

Nazareth's defense held the Buffaloes to 41 yards of offense in the first half, and did a good job handling the job in the third quarter. Petersburg picked up 80 yards in one offensive drive in the fourth quarter and could have tied the score at 8 if a two-point conversion would have worked. But Nazareth's defense was there to stop the attempt.

"I think we played a pretty good defensive game," said Price. "It looked like we lost some intensity on that one drive, but you've got to give Petersburg some credit. They've got some big, strong boys."

Colby Pohlmeier was one of the Swifts' defensive standouts, returning a punt for a touchdown, intercepting a Petersburg pass at a crucial point in the fourth quarter and recording nine tackles. He was a big threat on offense as well, catching five passes for 63 yards.

He caught those passes from quarterback Gaylon Schilling, who completed 11 of 17 throws for 84 yards and rushed 14 times for 94 yards to lead the Swifts.

Both offenses struggled during the game. Nazareth scored the first eight points, but the defense gets the credit.

After Nazareth's offense stalled near midfield, Scott Brockman dropped a 40-yard punt on the Petersburg 3-yard line. The Buffaloes

got off a couple of plays and gained five yards, but a third-and-five play cost them two points. Jon Johnson tackled Petersburg quarterback Casey Hollums in the end zone to get the two points with 2:42 left in the first quarter.

Nazareth got the free kick, but couldn't gain any momentum on its offense. The defense kept Petersburg's offense off track, too, forcing two consecutive punts.

Pohlmeier took one of those punts and raced 69 yards down the right sideline for the score. Cody Annen's extra point was off, but the Swifts were up 8-0 with 6:34 left in the first half.

The Swifts had another shot at the end zone in the second quarter, but the clock killed that drive at the Buffalo 7-yard line.

Nazareth finally got its passing game and offense on track and worked to the 7-yard line. The Swifts had used all of their time outs and couldn't stop the clock in time for another shot at the end zone.

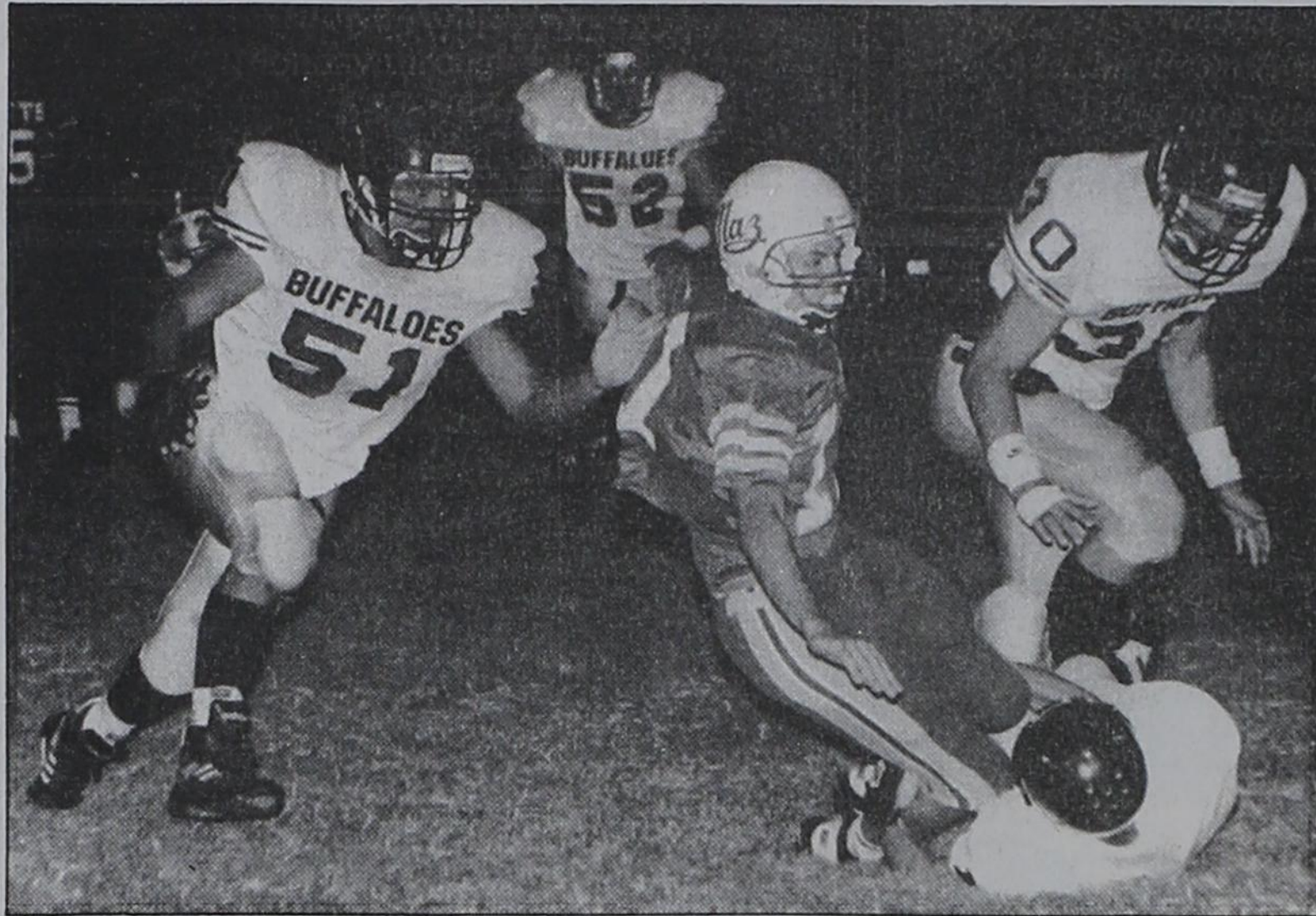
A series of stalled drives and punts dominated third-quarter action, but both teams pulled out all the stops in the final 12 minutes.

Nazareth had Petersburg's offense in trouble and it looked like the Buffaloes would have to punt again, but the Swifts were flagged for roughing the quarterback and Petersburg had new life.

The Buffaloes lived that life to the fullest, too, driving 80 yards in 16 plays to score on a 2-yard run by Jesse Ovalle with 5:14 left in the game. That made the score 8-6 Nazareth, and Petersburg elected to try the two-point conversion to tie the game. Jaret Schulte put a stop to that, dragging down the fullback

short of the goal line to keep the Swifts in control.

Nazareth sealed the win on its next drive, which was ignited by Schilling, who took the ball on the first snap, headed up the middle, then cut back to the right before outrunning defenders for 63 yards to Petersburg's 3-yard line before he was pulled down from behind. Three plays later Coby Schacher barreled into the end zone and



HALTED! Nazareth's Scott Brockman (11) is stopped short by an unidentified Petersburg defender (on ground) as a herd of Buffaloes including John Lopez (51), Brent Martin (52) and Chris Travis (30) close in during action Friday in Nazareth. Brockman had just caught a pass from

quarterback Gaylon Schilling and gained just three yards before his progress was stopped. The Swifts used a stifling defense to shut out Petersburg through 3-1/2 quarters, then held on for a 15-6 win.

Photo by Anne Acker

	NAZ	PET
First Downs	13	14
Rushes-Yards	32-152	46-167
Passing Yards	84	23
Total Offense	236	190
Passes Comp./Att.	11/17	2/10
Passes Int. By.	1	1
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-0
Punts-Avg.	6-34	6-38
Penalties-Yds	8-80	5-45

Nazareth	2	6	0	7-15
Petersburg	0	0	0	6-6

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter:
NAZ: Jon Johnson, Safety
Second Quarter:
NAZ: Colby Pohlmeier 69 punt return (kick failed)
Fourth Quarter:
PETERSBURG: Jesse Ovalle 2 run (run failed)
NAZ: Coby Schacher 3 run (Cody Annen kick)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—NAZ: Gaylon Schilling 14-94; Jon Johnson 3-9; Coby Schacher 5-16; Quentin Dobmeier 10-33.
Passing—NAZ: Gaylon Schilling 11/17 for 84 yards.
Receiving—NAZ: Colby Pohlmeier 5-63, Scott Brockman 4-7, Jon Johnson and Coby Schacher, 1-7 each.
Fumble Recoveries—NAZ: None.
Interceptions—Colby Pohlmeier
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NAZARETH'S COLBY POHLMEIER (28) tucks away the pigskin and heads downfield after catching a pass from Gaylon Schilling during action Friday night in Nazareth. This catch was his first of five in the game and he advanced the chains to the Swifts' 40-yard line before he was dragged down by Petersburg's Andy Flores (33). Pohlmeier caught five passes for 63 yards, recorded nine tackles, an interception, and returned a punt 69 yards for a touchdown to lead the Swifts to a 15-6 win.

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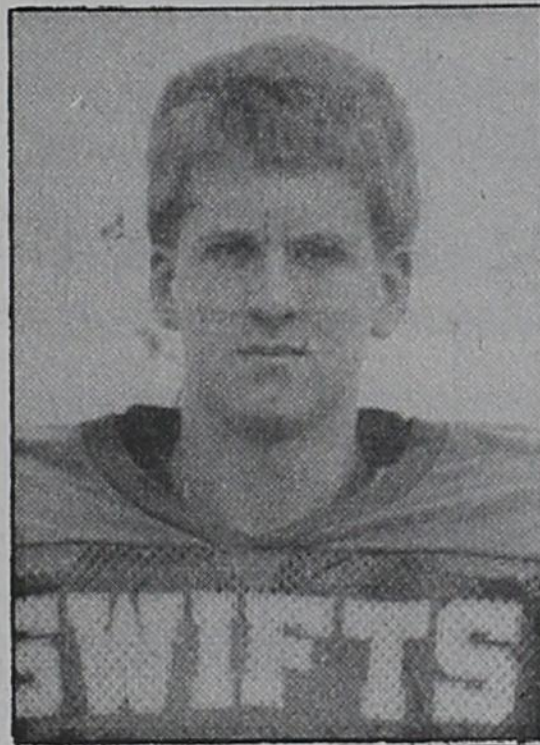
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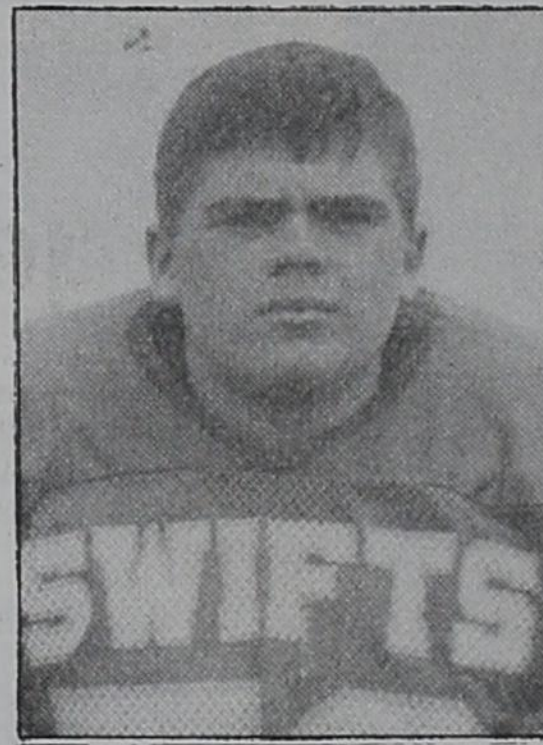
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Longhorns lop 'Lopes with big plays, 30-0

By GERALD AALBERS

Hart loped all over the Abernathy Antelopes Friday in a very lopsided District 3-AA ballgame at Abernathy, 30-0.

Dividing the offensive chores among them, the Longhorns scored on a 23-yard Alan Valderaz pass to Jeremy Card, a 68-yard run by Duke Chavers, a 30-yard field goal by Raynea Garcia, a five-yard run by Chavers and a 40-yard run by Armando Minjarez.

The Longhorn runaway was kept from being an all-out stampede while Hart threatened but did not score on three additional opportunities.

"Offensively we did a better job in that we distributed the ball a little better," said coach Danny Wilhelm. "Chavers had a good game with 162 yards on 18 carries. Our fullback Garcia had over 60 yards and Jeremy Card added 40 or so yards. We threw the ball nine times, and for us, that spread it out a little bit."

The Hart defense contributed extensively by blocking two punts, intercepting three passes and recovering two of Abernathy's three fumbles. Punts were blocked by Manuel Minjarez and John Welps. Making good on the interceptions were Card, Felix Rocha and J.R. Lee.

"We just played solid defense," said Wilhelm. "John Welps was our leading tackler again, and Abernathy had zero penetrations (inside the 20). I think some of that can be attributed to our offense not turning the ball over like we did in previous games."

Game at a Glance



Score by quarters:

Abernathy	0	0	0	0	--	0
Hart	0	17	0	13	--	30

Scoring summary:
 Second quarter--H: Jeremy Card 20 pass from Alan Valderaz (Raynea Garcia kick)
 H: Eddy Chavers 68 run (Garcia kick)
 H: Garcia 30 FG
 Fourth quarter--H: Chavers 5 run (kick failed)
 H: Armando Minjarez 40 run (Garcia kick)

Statistics:

Abernathy	Hart	
First Downs	5	13
Yards Rushing	88	280
Yards Passing	18	42
Total Yards	106	322
Passes C/A	1/15	3/9
Intercepted by	3	1
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-1
Punts-Avg.	9-27	2-31
Penalties-Yards	8-40	10-65

For Abernathy it was just a long night as they were only able to collect five first downs for the game. The penetration line could have been handicapped back to the Hart 35-yard line and Abernathy still would not have had a penetration. Abernathy had the ball 13 times during the game and crossed midfield--barely--on two occasions, the first and last possessions of the first half. Ten of the Abernathy possessions were stopped behind its 38-yard line.

Abernathy took the opening kickoff and proceeded to put together its best drive of the night, collecting two first downs and

driving to the Hart 45 before the Antelopes ran out of gas. Manuel Minjarez blocked the Abernathy punt, putting Hart in good field position at the Abernathy 45. The Hart offense did not answer the bell and punted.

Following an Abernathy punt, Hart put together a scoring threat that started from the Hart 46-yard line. As the first quarter ran out, the Hart offense sputtered and misfired and came away empty, even after having a first down at the Abernathy 15.

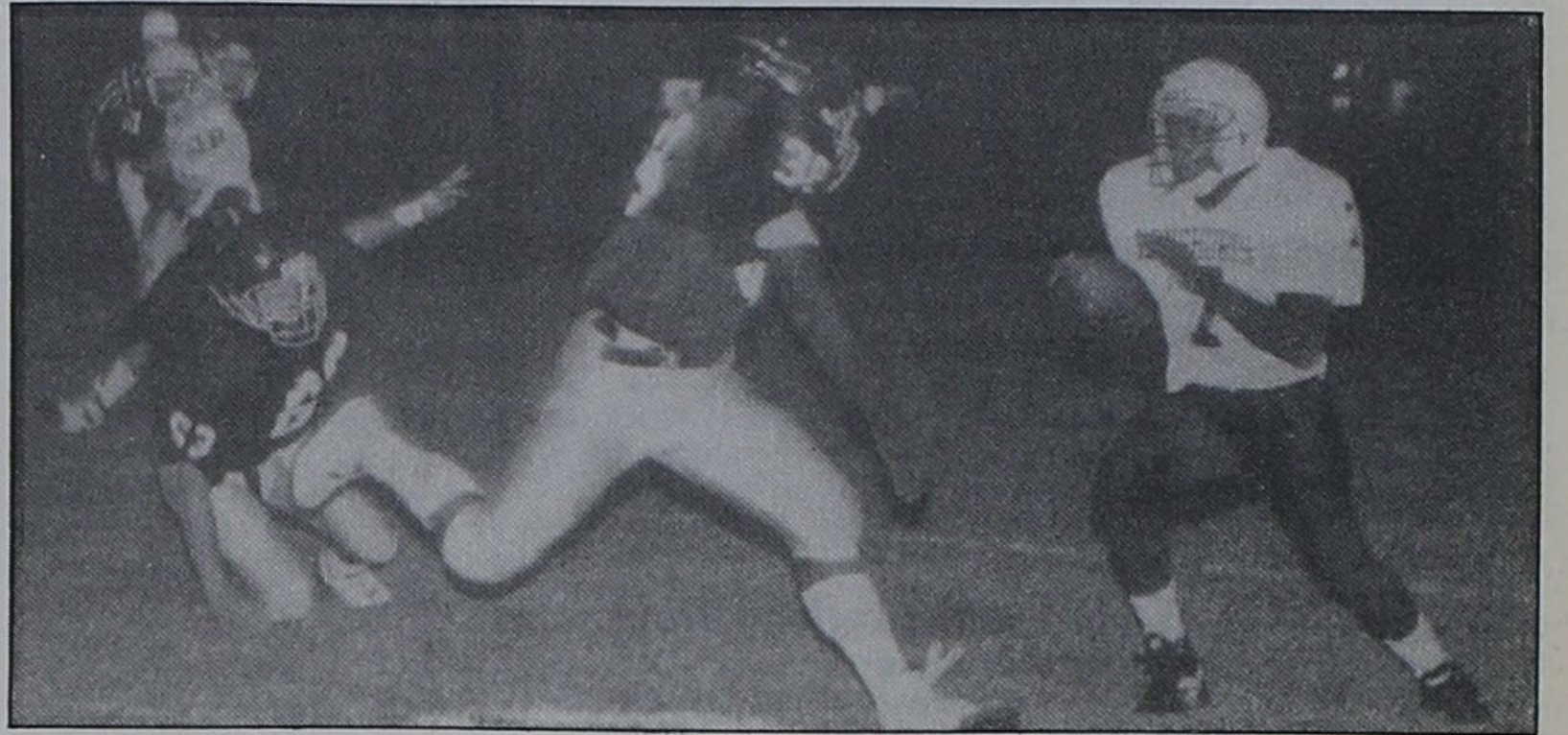
Abernathy took over at its own 23, but promptly gave the ball up on a lost fumble.

With 11:12 to go in the second quarter, the scoring got started on Hart's first play from scrimmage as Valderaz found Card for the 23-yard touchdown pass. Garcia added the PAT, and Hart led 7-0.

Following another Abernathy punt, Hart went to work from its own 27. On the third play of the possession it looked like Chavers was stopped at the line, but came charging out of the traffic jam. Dodging Abernathy's only hopes, a cornerback and a safety, Chavers flew into the end zone on a 68-yard run. Garcia added the PAT, and Hart led 14-0 with 8:09 left in the first half.

Following another Abernathy punt, Hart put together another nine-play drive before sputtering again. This time, Garcia connected on a 30-yard field goal and made the score 17-0 with 33 seconds left in the half.

Before the half ended, Abernathy moved the ball into Hart territory as far as it would all night--the



CAN'T STOP THIS--Hart running back Eddy Chavers (7) gets around the corner for a 17-yard run lead Hart to a 30-0 District 3-AA victory. Friday in the Longhorns' battle with the Antelopes at Abernathy. Chavers ran for two touchdowns to help lead Hart to a 30-0 District 3-AA victory.

Photo by Shawn Thomas

Longhorn 39--before an interception by Jeremy Card ended the threat.

The second half saw Abernathy's punt blocked by Welps, followed by a Hart drive which resulted in a field goal that went astray.

As the third quarter was winding down another Hart scoring opportunity, set up by an interception at the Antelope 30 by Felix Rocha, ended with a frustrating interception by Abernathy in the end zone.

The Hart offense got uncorked again in the fourth quarter as the 'Horns put together an eight-play scoring drive. Set up by a Card 22-yard punt return, the drive started at the Longhorn 46. Chavers had a 28-yard run before his final five-yard run with 4:45 to play, putting Hart ahead 23-0 after the missed PAT.

After another Abernathy punt the Longhorns needed only one play to score again as the Hart coaching staff put several subs into the game. Armando Minjarez sprinted 40 yards for the score. Garcia added the PAT kick and with 2:57 left it was Hart 30, Abernathy 0.

Abernathy collected its last first down of the contest with the aid of a pass interference foul against Hart. That moved the ball to the Antelope 49--Abernathy's third-best field position of the night. The next play, a pass was intercepted by J.R. Lee and time ran out just three Longhorn plays later.

Chavers led the offense with his

162 yards on 18 carries, an average of nine yards a carry. John Welps led the defense for the game, and

has 45 tackles on the season. Chris Hernandez is next-high on the team with 32 tackles.

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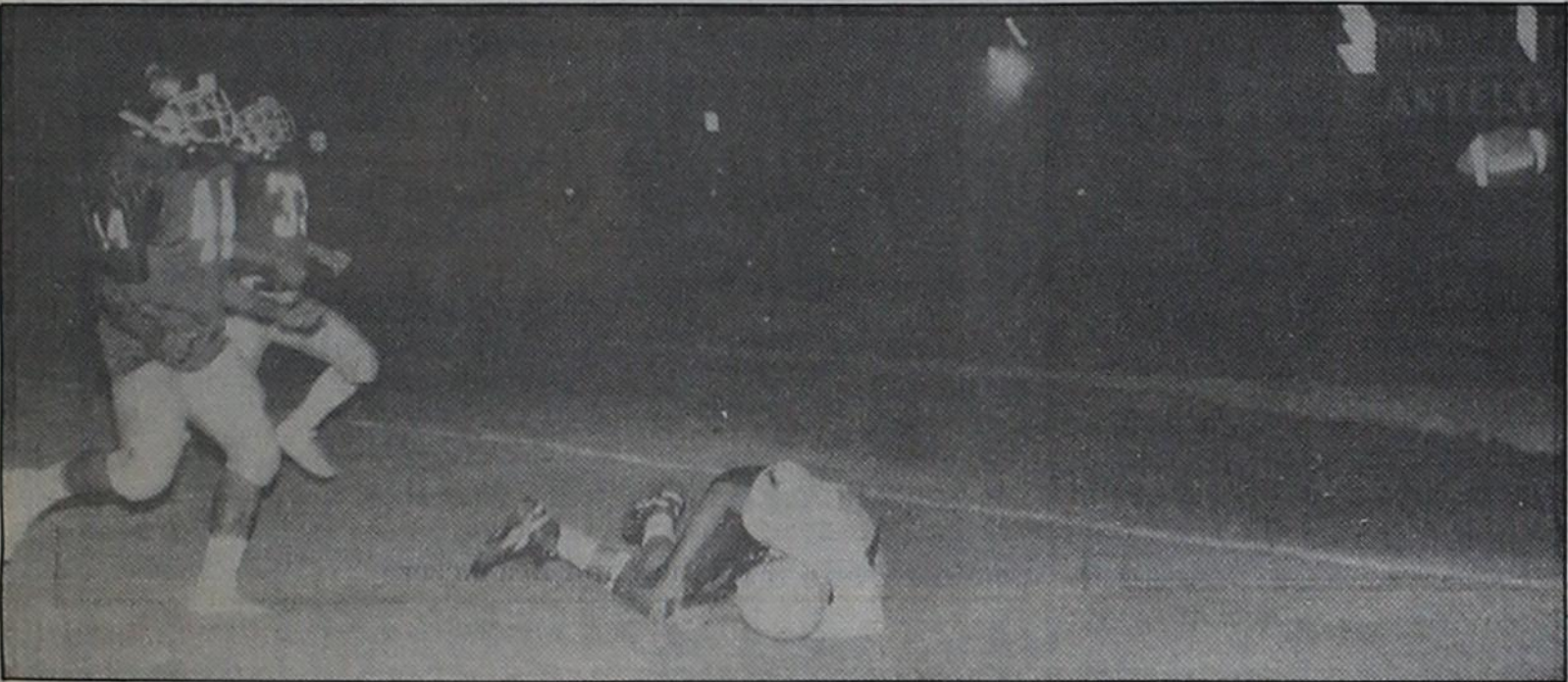
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JUST OUT OF REACH--Hart receiver Felix Rocha (1) just misses a pass from Alan Valderaz Friday in the Longhorns' game at Abernathy. Hart connected plenty of times in the game for a 30-0 District 3-AA win.

Photo by Shawn Thomas

Thank you for reading The Castro County News!

Bobcats ready for Tigers

Dimmitt will try to celebrate Homecoming this week as they take on one of the state's top Class 3A teams, while Nazareth faces Class A foe Anton in a non-district game and Hart tries to run its District 3-AA slate to 2-0 against New Deal.

The Dimmitt and Nazareth games start at 8 p.m.; the Hart-New Deal game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Slaton at Dimmitt

Dimmitt will have to recover from losing a half-dozen players to grades under the no-pass, no-play rule against a team that was as high as No. 6 in the state in one poll last week before losing at Lovington, N.M., on Friday, 33-14.

Lovington rallied in the second half from a 14-7 halftime deficit to score 26 unanswered points to hand the Tigers their first defeat of the season. Slaton had rolled past Idalou, Post and Abernathy to climb

to No. 6 in the Harris Rating Service's Class 3A poll before last week's loss knocked them out of the Top 10. The Tigers picked up enough votes in this week's Associated Press poll to be No. 20.

"Oskar Soliz is a very good running back," said Dimmitt coach Danny Chisum of the Tigers' top threat. Soliz is one of the leading rushers and scorers on the South Plains in Class 3A and scored both Tiger touchdowns last week. He's been the top Class 3A running back on the South Plains for two years.

"They'll feature him a bunch, I can assure you," said Chisum. "What makes them really tough is that they run from so many different formations. They will line up in some crazy looking stuff and they'll send people in motion and all kinds of things, but they only run about a half-dozen plays. What our kids need to do is not worry

about all of the other stuff they do and concentrate on their job. We can't worry about all the frills and different looks; we just need to worry about doing our job and stopping them."

Slaton won't throw the ball as much as River Road did last week, but quarterback Chris Hammons was the top quarterback on the South Plains last year and is the third very good quarterback in a row for the Bobcats.

"We're not worried so much about them as we are about us," Chisum said. "We need to find some folks who will play and play hard, and we need to find some folks who will be leaders. We have some new kids on the varsity and some of them are going to play if they want to play. They need to step up, and we have some juniors and seniors who need to step up."

With the loss of six players, the junior varsity schedule has been cancelled for the rest of the year.

"We have some kids coming up from the JV who can help us if they're willing to step up, and we have some seniors who need to step up and begin to help us, too," Chisum said. "It's disappointing that we have lost some of these kids because we offer them the help they need whenever they need it."

"Our kids need to realize that our district is wide open. We can play well, and continue to work and improve, and we can be in the playoffs. It's up to our players to make that decision."

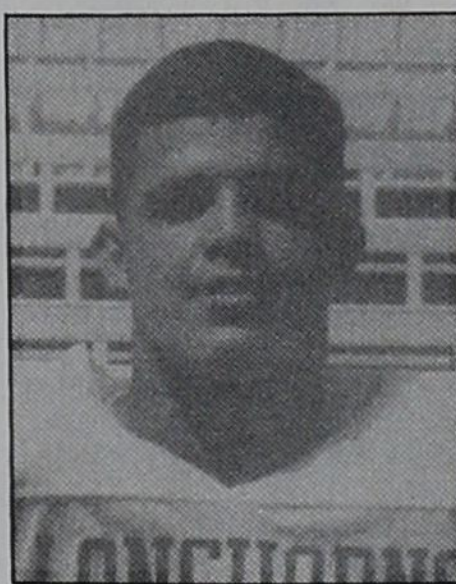
New Deal at Hart

Hart is riding high this week after knocking off Abernathy, 30-0 in the District 3-AA opener last week, and the Longhorns are hoping to improve their district mark to 2-0 this week with a win over New Deal.

The Lions will converge on Longhorn Stadium Friday for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff in District 3-AA action.

New Deal has won just one game this year, and that was over Kress,

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RAYNEA GARCIA
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More about Bobcats ready for Tigers...

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13-6, in the first week of the season. Since then New Deal has lost to Idalou and Seagraves, and tied Morton (8-8) in the first district game last week.

Hart Coach Danny Wilhelm said New Deal could "present us a few problems with their defense. They stunt a lot. They go 5-3. They like to send their linebackers and that could present some problems. I'm concerned about blocking their defense and picking up their stunts."

New Deal's defensive unit is led by linebackers Jason Looney (5-8, 180) and Chuck Hartless (6-1, 190), safety Dustin Martin (6-2, 190), defensive end Brian Winn (6-3, 190) and tackles Keith Harkey (5-11, 240) and Chris Sharkey (6-0, 211).

The New Deal defense limited Morton to 138 yards rushing, but gave up 99 yards through the air Friday. For the season, the Lions have allowed 71 points and have scored just 27.

On offense New Deal will operate under the direction of quarterback Craig Bigham (6-0, 170) from the I

formation. Key members of the offensive unit are tailbacks Sharkey and Martin and fullback Bobby Hudson (5-8, 170), who scored New Deal's only touchdown Friday—an 88-yard sprint to the end zone. He finished the game with 111 yards on 16 carries.

Looney and Hartless anchor the offensive line at guards, Harkey is a tackle and Winn lines up at tight end for the Lions.

Nazareth at Anton

The Nazareth defense will have to stop one of the toughest Class A running backs in the area this week if the team wants to go 3-1 headed into district play.

That running back is James Stewart, a 6-1, 185-lb. tailback from Anton.

The Swifts will hit the road Friday to meet Anton in Bulldog Stadium. Kickoff is slated for 8 p.m.

A big question the Swifts have is whether starters Alston Farris and Jon Johnson will be able to play Friday night. Farris sat out Friday night's game against Petersburg

with a sprained pelvis, and is questionable this week. Johnson suffered a bruised knee during second-quarter action Friday, and did not return to the game. Nazareth Coach Rick Price said the doctor told Johnson he could play as soon as the soreness was gone, and Price added he thinks Johnson might be ready to go Friday night.

Anton, 2-1 on the year, has relied on Stewart to carry a large part of the offensive load this season. He is the backbone of Anton's offense, averaging 132.7 yards per game through three games this season, and he's a threat to run anywhere on the field. He's scored four rushing touchdowns, including two against Canyon JV Saturday (on runs of 63 and 2). He also kicks extra points.

"Stewart is scary," said Price. "He'll be headed where the hole is supposed to be, then decide he doesn't like the way it looks, so he'll head another way. Just because he starts off one way doesn't mean he'll go that way."

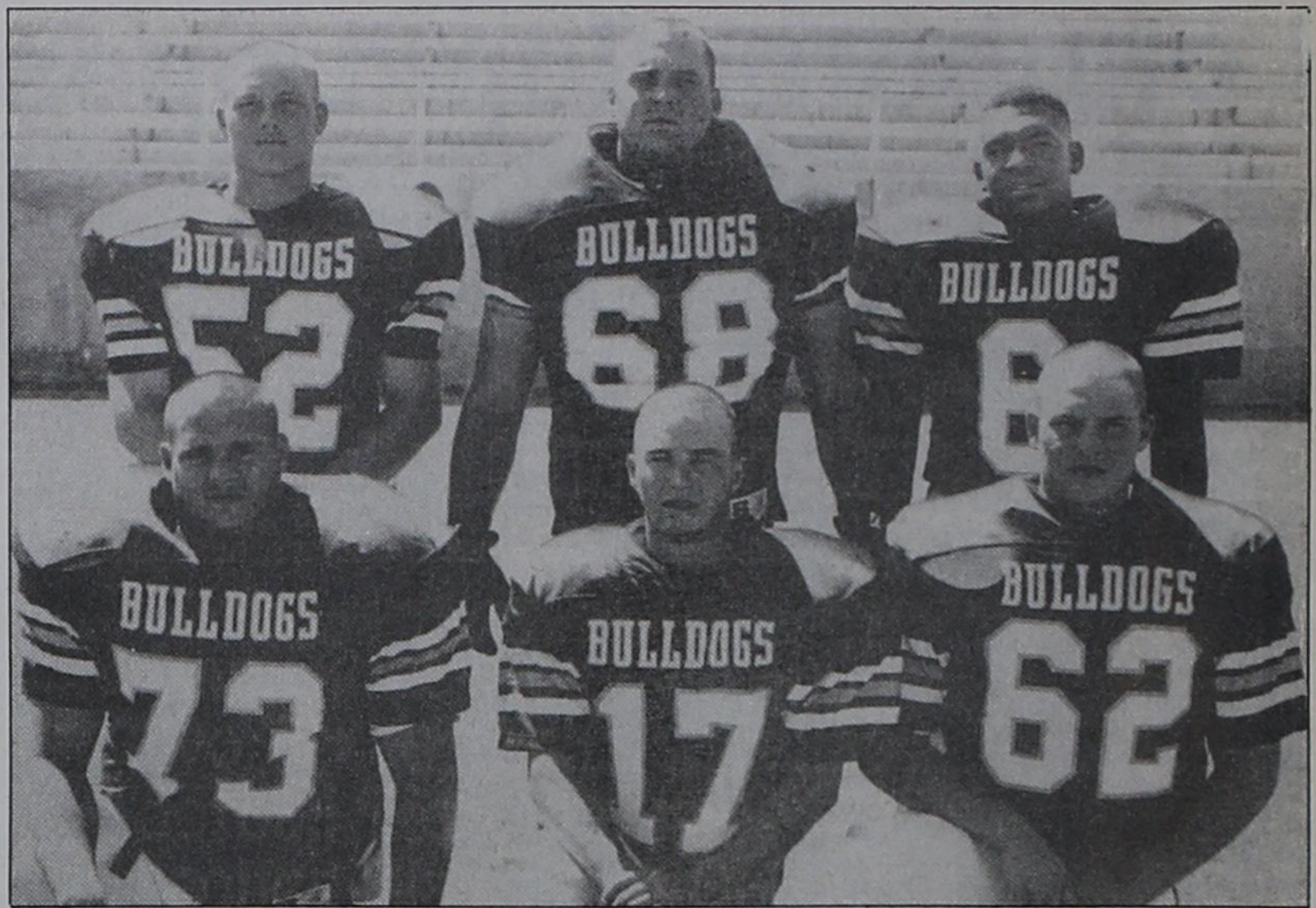
"Anton's a pretty one-dimensional team, but that one dimension (Stewart) is a pretty good one," Price said. "Stewart's got all the qualities you want in a good back. He can run over or around people and he's got really good moves. He's also got more than enough speed to hurt us if he gets loose."

While Stewart carries the ball more than half of the time, Anton does have a good fullback who supports him. He is Chris McClure, a 5-10, 190-lb. junior.

Quarterbacking the I-formation offense is Clint Conkin (6-0, 175). Conkin, Stewart and McClure all scored on the ground against Canyon Saturday. The offensive line is solid according to Price. The line is anchored by tackle Bo Kesey (5-10, 190), center Julian Guzman (5-8, 155) and guards Isidro Martinez (5-7, 180) and Izidro Guzman (5-8, 155).

Anton's basic defense is the 4-3. Defensively, the Bulldogs are strong up the middle, with McClure at middle linebacker and Kesey at one tackle position. Stewart is an outside linebacker. Conkin is in the secondary along with Clinton Stephenson (5-10, 150).

"I've been really impressed with their middle linebacker (McClure)," Price said. "He's outstanding. Anton's defense is tough up the middle. People aren't getting a lot of yardage through there."



THOMAS ON SWOSU TEAM—Dimmitt's Billy Ray Thomas (back row, far right) is one of 65 members of the football team at Southwestern Oklahoma State University at Weatherford. The Bulldogs are ranked No. 14 in the nation in the NAIA and are challenging for the Oklahoma

Intercollegiate Conference championship. Team members include (front row, from left) Presley McMahan of Borger, and Chad Campbell and Stacey Alexander, both of Clarendon; and (back row, from left) Casey Alexander of Clarendon, Scott Williams of Perryton and Thomas.

Courtesy Photo

NHS students plan Homecoming events

Students at Nazareth are raiding their closets in search of different clothing to wear this week, as the '94 Homecoming celebration gets underway.

A different "dress-up" day has been planned for each day of the

week, beginning with "Backwards and Inside Out" day on Monday, Tuesday will be "Strike a Pose" day, Wednesday will be "Hat and Sunglasses Day" and next Thursday, Oct. 6, will be "Blue and Gold Day." On Friday, Oct. 7, students are asked to wear nice clothing for "Dress Up Day."

The Homecoming Pep Rally will be held next Thursday, Oct. 6, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Swift Field. The school's Spirit King and Queen will be crowned during the pep rally. Candidates are seniors Denia Durbin and Jaret Schulte, juniors Jaimye Bingham and Quentin Dobmeier, sophomores Jill Ramaekers and Cody Annen, and freshmen Lynsey Hoelting and Shane Etheridge.

The Homecoming Queen will be crowned during pre-game ceremonies at the Nazareth-Vega game on Friday, Oct. 7. Queen candidates are seniors Kelley Boyd, Denia Durbin and Tara Johnson. Members of the Princess Court are junior Carie Wethington, sophomore Misti Ball and freshman Kaci Wethington.



Here are the Harris Rating System's picks on this week's games in the area. Home teams are listed in capital letters.

- Slaton 28 over DIMMITT
- HART 22 over New Deal
- ANTON 2 over Nazareth
- Friona 6 over TULLIA
- Floydada 7 over LUBBOCK ROOSEVELT
- SEMINOLE 10 over Muleshoe
- Sudan 24 over SHALLOWATER
- Canadian 5 over PERRYTON
- SPEARMAN 8 over Sanford-Fritch
- CHILDRRESS 11 over Hamlin
- River Road 2 over WEST TEXAS
- SPRINGLAKE-EARTH 37 over Abemathy
- Hale Center 27 over MORTON
- OLTON 14 over Lockney
- SPUR 40 over Crosbyton
- IDALOU 10 over Sundown
- POST 28 over Tahoka
- SEAGRAVES 21 over Ralls
- KRESS 14 over Groom
- Shamrock 38 over CROWELL
- BOVINA 13 over Smyer
- PLAINS 34 over Farwell
- PETERSBURG 34 over Happy
- VEGA 20 over Valley
- Lorenzo 3 over WHITEFACE
- PADUCAH 2 over Modley County
- BORGER 21 over Caprock
- Pampa 14 over CANYON
- Randall 1 over HEREFORD
- Littlefield 3 over LAMESA
- Amarillo 17 over PLAINVIEW
- LUBBOCK CORONADO 12 over Palo Duro
- Lubbock pick vs. TASCOSA
- Lubbock Monterey 23 over ANDREWS
- MIDLAND LEE 23 over Abilene
- Abilene Cooper 35 over MIDLAND
- SA CENTRAL 5 over Odessa
- DS CARTER pick vs. Odessa Permian

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The Company proposes to increase its customer charge by 89 cents per month with no other changes to its gas rate schedules. The change would apply to General Service (residential and commercial) and Small Industrial Service. The Company also proposes the following increased service charges:

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The proposed changes are expected to increase the Company's annual revenues by approximately 1.9% and therefore do not constitute a "major change." The proposed changes could affect approximately 217,000 gas consumers in the following communities and surrounding rural areas:

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Friona	New Deal	Silverton	
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Copies of the filing are available at the Energias Office at 5110 80th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79408-1121, and your local Energias Office. Affected persons whose gas rates are subject to the original jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission may file in writing comments or a protest concerning the proposed changes with the Docket Services Section of the Legal Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, at any time within 30 days following the date on which the change would or has become effective.



River Road ninth rallies for victory

Dimmitt scored in the third quarter to take the lead, but River Road scored late for a 12-7 win Thursday in a freshman football game at Bobcat Stadium.

River Road had taken a 6-0 half-time lead before Stuart Sutton connected with Charley Sanders on a 50-yard pass play. Sanders kicked the PAT to give Dimmitt a 7-6 lead.

River Road scored late for the win, which dropped Dimmitt's record to 2-2.

The Dimmitt offense was led by Zack Matthews, and Dimmitt coaches Cory Lynch and Bobby Feaster also praised the offensive line.

"We played well but just couldn't take advantage of opportunities when we had them," coaches said.

Coaches praised Sanders and Travis Crow for their outstanding play, and Matthews intercepted a Wildcat pass.

The freshmen host Slaton at 4:30 p.m. today (Thursday).

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Obituaries

Michael Elder

A graveside memorial service for Michael Davis Elder will be held Saturday at 3 p.m. at Lubbock's Resthaven Cemetery.

Mr. Elder, 42, died Sept. 16 at his home in Dallas.

Funeral services were conducted Sept. 19 in Metropolitan Community Church in Dallas, followed by cremation, under the direction of Sparkman/Hillcrest Funeral Home of Dallas.

Raised in Dimmitt, Mr. Elder was a 1971 graduate of Dimmitt High School, where he was active in speech, drama, Thespians, the school yearbook and the student newspaper.

He was a graduate of the University of North Texas at Denton, and was a psychotherapist. A victim of AIDS, he devoted the final four years of his life to full-time counseling of other AIDS patients and those diagnosed as HIV-positive.

He is survived by his mother, Bessie Ruth Elder of Lubbock; a sister, Linda Claborn of Lubbock; and his grandmothers, Ima Ruth Griffing of Odessa and Effie Mae Elder of Portales, N.M.

Artis Ivy Light

Artis Ivy Light, 87, of Dimmitt, died Saturday.

Services were Wednesday at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Muleshoe with the Rev. Scott Rilling officiating. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park.

Mrs. Light was born Oct. 8, 1906 in Texas. She married Jimmy Ivy on July 15, 1933. He died in 1970. She then married Sam Light, who also preceded her in death. She lived in Dimmitt for four years, moving here from Lazbuddie where she was a longtime resident. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie and was a homemaker.

Survivors include two sons, Jim Ivy of Dallas and Ronald Ivy of Dimmitt; a brother, A.L. Eaves of San Angelo; two daughters, Mitzi Tompkins of Dallas and Carol Smith of Springlake; and 10 grandchildren.

Yvonne Meiwes

Catherine Yvonne Meiwes, 18, of Dodd, died Saturday near Dodd.

Mass was Monday at St. Anthony's Church in Hereford with Msgr. Orville Blum, pastor, officiating. Burial was in St. Anthony's Cemetery in Hereford by Rix Funeral Directors.

Miss Meiwes was a senior honors student at Springlake-Earth High School. She was the school band drum major and was active in UIL debate and calculator competitions. She had attended World Youth Day in 1993 to see Pope John Paul II and traveled to Europe last summer as a member of the National Honors Band. She was an active member of St. Anthony's Church in Hereford, where she participated in many activities.

Survivors include her parents, Steve and Jane Meiwes; two brothers, Keith Meiwes and Cody Meiwes, both of Muleshoe; a sister, Crystal Meiwes of Muleshoe; and her grandparents, Steve and Pat Meiwes of Hereford and Richard and Jo Ann Ellis of Hereford.

The family requests memorials be to the Yvonne Meiwes Scholarship Fund in care of Rix Funeral Directors, 105 Greenwood, Hereford 79045.



Rickie Newton

Rickie Dean Newton, 34, of San Angelo, died Saturday.

Services were Monday in Ivey Chapel at Foskey Funeral Home with the Rev. Ron Redding, pastor of Lee Street Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Castro Memorial Gardens by Foskey Funeral Home.

Mr. Newton was born March 25, 1960 in Dimmitt. He was a 1980 graduate of Dimmitt High School. He had lived in San Angelo for two years and was a waiter. He was a member of the Harris Ave. Baptist Church.

Survivors include his parents, Joe and Virginia Newton of Hot Springs, Ark., and Charlotte and Jim Sanders of San Angelo; his grandmother, Wanda Youts of Dimmitt; five sisters, Katonya Allison of Dimmitt, Kelly Betzen and Debbie Newton, both of Amarillo, and Kathy Newton and Kerri Newton, both of Snyder, Okla.; four brothers, Donnie Joe Newton of Eldorado and Chris Newton, Joseph Newton and Patrick Jones, all of Hot Springs; and a host of nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to a local hospice or favorite charity.

Jewel Parsons

Jewel Parsons, 79, of Graham, died Sept. 21.

Services were Saturday in Terrace Cemetery at Post with the Rev. Bob Green, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Post, officiating. Arrangements were by Hudman Funeral Home.

Miss Parsons moved to Graham from Fort Worth in 1976. She was a telephone operator for GTE and owned a dress shop in Post. She was a manger for the Sleep Aire Mattress Co. in Fort Worth.

Survivors include two brothers, Conner of Fort Worth and Percy of Dimmitt; a sister, Vera Cox of Alexandria, La.; and several nieces and nephews.

William Powell

William D. "Bill" Powell, 63, of Afton, Okla., died Sept. 21 in Tulsa.

Services were Wednesday in Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel in Bartlesville, Okla., with Jerry Hourigan officiating.

Mr. Powell was born March 4, 1931 in Dimmitt. He was raised in Dimmitt and received his education here. He was a veteran of the US Army and graduated from the University of Arkansas in 1957. He worked for Phillips Petroleum Company in Borger and Bartlesville until retiring in 1985, when he moved to Afton. He married Mary Lou Liipe Madeira on June 22, 1971 in Bartlesville.

He was a member of First Baptist Church of Dimmitt. He was preceded in death by a brother, Clifford Powell, and a stepson, Mike Madeira.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Roshelle Marie Powell of Afton; a stepdaughter, Conny Goff of Afton; two brothers, Merton Powell of Dimmitt and Robert Powell of Rising Star; a sister, Norma Joyce Hutcheson of Leslie, Ark.; and two granddaughters.

Joe W. Richey

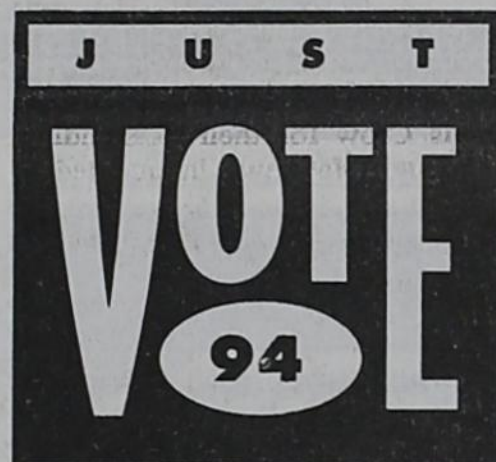
Joe W. Richey, 78, of Amarillo, died Sunday.

Services were Tuesday in Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors with Brent Adams, former minister of University Church of Christ in Canyon, officiating. Burial was in Llano Cemetery.

Mr. Richey was born in Blanchard, Okla., and had lived in Amarillo for 47 years. He was a veteran of the US Army in World War II. He farmed in Randall County from 1947 to 1986. He was a member of the Hilltop Senior Citizens Association in Canyon and West Texas Sam's RV Chapter. He married Mary E. Jeffress in 1950 at Clayton, N.M.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Bill Richey of Arlington and David Richey of Amarillo; three daughters, Pat Rivers of Amarillo, Mary Lou Lyons of Canyon and Joyce Wright of Dimmitt; two brothers, Doyle Richey of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Frank Richey of Tecumseh, Okla.; five sisters, Pauline Ogle, Imogene Smalling, Cherry Veal, Lucille Hill and Becky Bernard, all of Norman, Okla.; 14 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.



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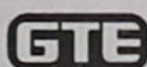
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BIG INTERCEPTION — Dimmitt safety Jason Wooten (18) returns an intercepted pass 18 yards to the River Road 23-yard line early in the third quarter of Friday night's game. Wooten's pick-off came just two plays after the Bobcats had scored a

touchdown and two-point conversion, and set up Dimmitt's second TD two minutes later. The Bobcats outscored the host Wildcats three touchdowns to two in the exciting third quarter, but lost by a 31-20 count.

Photo by Don Nelson

Homecoming plans set at DHS

Dimmitt will host state-ranked Slaton Friday at 8 p.m. to highlight a week of homecoming activities at DHS.

The annual pinning ceremony was scheduled Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. at Bobcat Stadium, where the Flame King and Queen were to be crowned. The annual Homecoming Parade will be held at DHS at 3:15 p.m. today (Thursday).

Flame King candidates are Cody Fry, Zeke Nino, Jason Nino and Julian Martinez. Flame Queen candidates are Holly Wise, Sandra Ramirez, Summer McLean and Nancy Flores.

Friday, the annual Homecoming Pep Rally will be held at 3 p.m. at the DHS Gym. The Homecoming Queen will be crowned and the DHS Class of 1974 will be

honored. The honor class will hold a picnic Saturday from noon to 2 p.m. on the patio at DHS.

Homecoming Queen candidates are seniors Kim Thomas, Marta Arredondo and Carrie Sheffy. The court will include junior Amber Langford, sophomore Lindsey Garza and freshman Laura Martinez.

Dimmitt's FHA chapter will host a Fiesta Supper, Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Richardson Elementary School cafeteria. Tickets are being sold in advance by FHA members and will be available at the door. Prices are \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for children.

A Homecoming Dance will be held from 10 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday at the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

Hats and shades were the order of the day Monday, and students wore pajamas to school Tuesday. Wednesday was "opposite" day, with boys wearing girls' clothes and girls wearing boys' clothes. Today (Thursday) is purple and white day, and Friday is dress-up day.

Dimmitt Athletic Booster Club is again urging everyone to wear purple and white at the game Friday. All those wearing purple and white will be entered in a drawing for a \$100 gift certificate from Sheffy's Western and Casual Wear which will be given away at halftime.

Businesses are asked to get into the spirit to help the Bobcats beat Slaton by answering the phone with special "Beat Slaton" during this week.

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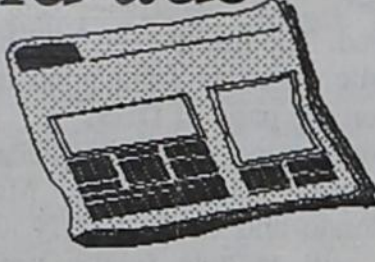


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North Texas in Denton, earned his master's, and became a psychotherapist in the Dallas area.

About 3-1/2 years ago, he was diagnosed as HIV-positive.

Immediately, he started devoting full time to counseling others with HIV diagnoses, and AIDS patients.

"His counseling approach was, 'I want to teach you how to live with AIDS, not how to die,'" his mother, Bessie, said. "And he was a living example to his patients."

Meanwhile, his own condition deteriorated into a full-blown case of AIDS.

ance company had done wasn't right.

"What the insurance company did to Michael was absolute fraud, and the judge told them so," Bessie said. "His policy didn't say anything about being cancellable. The judge awarded him an injunction against the insurance company, prohibiting them from dropping him before the lawsuit was settled."

Mike's suit drew the attention of the syndicated TV show, *Prime Time Texas*, which devoted a segment to the case.

He told his TV interviewers that he was fighting the insurance company "to show other people that they didn't just have to lay down and die; that they could live good, productive lives as long as they wanted to or were able." Bessie said. "He did a great service."

The insurance company contacted him and wanted to settle. By then, Mike was so sick he couldn't fight any longer. He settled with them.

"It shortened his life, the courtroom fight," Bessie said. "It was a real struggle. 'But it established a precedent, and a lot of people are living today because of him.'"

Mike continued to see his patients in a group setting as long as he was physically able.

"He was so courageous," Bessie said. "He never gave up. He kept fighting. He told me, 'Mom, every day when I get up, I'm so glad I've got one more day left.'"

Finally, his physician, Dr. Kevin Murphy, told him that his disease was in its final stages; that he wouldn't get any better; and that it was time to quit his work and go home.

Mike spent three days in one-to-one "closure" sessions with all his patients, then closed his practice.

His mother was with him day and night during his final eight weeks, and was alone with him when he died at home Sept. 16, at the age of 42.

During those final days, he told her that he wanted people to know how he died, because it might underscore the message he sought to get across while he lived.

"He was conscious up until the last minute," Bessie said, "and he was at peace with himself. He was ready for that new adventure."

"It was both a good time and a really bad time for me."

"I still can't believe he's gone. I'm very proud of him."

More about

County sending cards . . .

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their registration certificates. Those with "301" should cast ballots at the Presbyterian Church in Dimmitt. The Easter Community Center will be the place to vote for those with "307" designated on their cards.

In Precinct 4, those with "401" on their registration cards are asked to vote at the District Courtroom in the county courthouse. Those with "408" should vote at the Nazareth Community Center.

County Commissioners approved judges and alternate judges for the Nov. 8 general election during their Monday meeting.

Those judges and alternates are:
101: Glyn Reed, judge; Lula Mae Hanes, alternate.

105: Dorothy Gilbreath, judge; Emma Jean King, alternate.

201: Charles Axtell, judge; Darla Stewart, alternate.

206: Darene Collins, judge; Sharon Sadler, alternate.

301: Paul Garcia, judge; Bob Walters, alternate.

307: Carleta Harkins, judge; Marguerite Cole, alternate.

401: Oscar Wylie, judge; Dolores Triana, alternate.

408: Patsy Huseman, judge; Irene Wilhelm, alternate.

County Clerk Joy Jones asks voters to bring their new cards with

them when casting ballots at her office under the early election rules, or during the regular election.

Early voting will begin Oct. 19 and will continue through Nov. 4 at the county clerk's office.

Nov. 1 is the last day the early voting clerk can accept an application from individuals wishing to vote by mail.

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might not open. People don't realize how close we came to having our schools not open in September '93."

He said the school finance system still has shortcomings—that it's too complicated, it short-changes smaller rural school districts, and doesn't address the problem of financing facilities.

But, he said, school boards have "got some predictability now, and school people are comfortable with it for the time being, and are asking us to leave it alone so they can make their systems flow with it on the local level."

However, "We still have to address facilities," he said. "We've never done that on the state level, but the courts have given us one more session of the Legislature to do something about financing facilities for school districts that are short on them."

What legislative accomplishment is Sen. Carriker proudest of?

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harvested on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week. On Thursday, Friday and Saturday, contracts in the Friona, Wildorado, Kress and Bovina factory areas will be harvested. On Nov. 1, the regular harvest will begin.

"If I were to quit the Senate right now and never do another thing in politics, there's one thing that would have made it all worthwhile," he said. "We've made some real strides in rural health care—especially care for the elderly and primary care for rural residents."

"In 1989 I passed a bill to open up the process for getting rural health clinics established in some of these communities that were losing their doctors," he said. "We had one rural health clinic in the state in 1989 before the change in the law that I was instrumental in, and we've got over 200 rural health clinics now."

"We're moving toward educating a lot more family-practice physi-

cians for primary health care, and we've got a program that I passed into law that provides a scholarship incentive for rural kids to become physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses and so forth, essentially at no expense to themselves if they'll just commit to return to their community and serve at least one year for each year of their education. We've got about 25 young people across the state who are in physician training now, and about twice that many in nursing and allied health-care training."

"If there's one thing I've done that I consider worthwhile, it's the assistance I've tried to lend to rural health care."

County amends retirement plan

The county has adopted a new retirement plan, which will go into effect Jan. 1, 1995.

Commissioners unanimously adopted the Texas County and District Retirement Annually Determined Contribution Rate plan, which will change the county's vested period from 10 to eight years.

The county paid 5.66% toward the retirement plan last year and the employee paid 7%. Under the new plan, the county will contribute 6.83%. The employee's contribution

will remain the same.

When an employee has eight years of service, he will be fully vested under the plan. If the employee's years of service and age add up to 75, then that employee is eligible to retire and begin receiving benefits.

An employee who either quits or retires and elects to draw his or her retirement out in a lump sum will not receive the portion which the county contributed. The employee will only receive the part he or she contributed.

The qualified employee who wishes to retire must elect to receive monthly payments in order to receive the full amount contributed to his or her retirement account.

Commissioners heard complaints from a number of citizens about rules at the Expo Building.

The group complained that the county is not treating everyone fairly because it allows school organizations and the City of Dimmitt to decorate the Expo Building for an event the day before the group actually has the building rented.

"We only want the same treatment you give everyone else," said a spokesman for the group. "We would like to be able to decorate tables the night before just like the school or city."

After discussing options, commissioners agreed to amend the rental policy for the Expo Building and allow those renting the building to have two hours, from 6 to 8 p.m., to decorate the day before the event. Those decorating must pick up the key at 6 p.m. or later, and it must be returned by 8 p.m. that night. The new rules only apply if the building is not rented to someone else that day.

In other action, commissioners discussed replacing carpet on the front door steps of the courthouse, approved several line-item transfers, discussed placing Christmas lights around the front windows on the courthouse, and approved payment for hauling road materials from the Texas Highway Dept.

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DEBATE CONTINUES: Efforts by various ag organizations to speak up concerning the current debate over addition of animals to endangered species list, and property rights are chronicled inside this week's AgReview . . .

Combest tries to head off effort to designate swift fox, shiner minnow

Special to AgReview

WASHINGTON — Responding to constituents' alarm over federal government exceeding its boundaries and trampling private property rights, U.S. Rep. Larry Combest (R-Texas) last Friday co-sponsored legislation postponing any new additions to the list of endangered species.

Calling private property owners "the true endangered species," Combest expressed objections to the U.S. Interior Department's proposed listing of the Arkansas River shiner — known to inhabit Lake Meredith — the swift fox, also common to the Texas Panhandle.

"It seems as if government bureaucrats move in, spot a flower or furry animal and declare certain activities off limits for the people who own the land," said Combest, who grew up on a family farm.



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One variety of fox which inhabits the Panhandle is a candidate for endangered species list.

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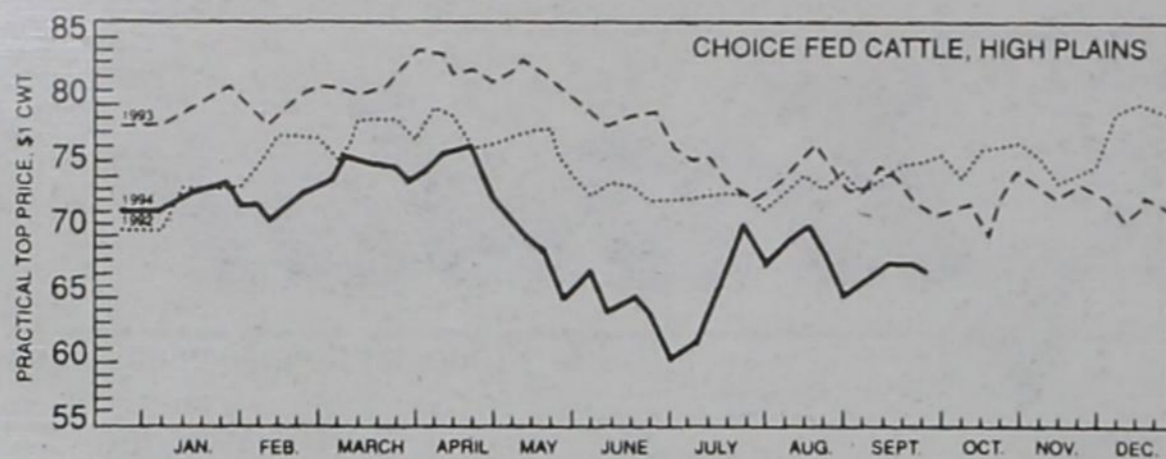
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Downstate solon, Farm Bureau seek limit to endangered listing

WACO — Flanked by Texas Farm Bureau leaders at the farm organization's state headquarters here, Congressman Chet Edwards (D-Waco) has announced plans to introduce legislation that would suspend additional listings and further designation of critical habitat under the Endangered Species Act until it can be rewritten to protect the rights of private property owners.

In stating why he was proposing the legislation restricting key provisions of the ESA, Edwards said, "I'm convinced the Endangered Species Act has gone far beyond the intent of Congress. The Act, and the agencies who implement it, are simply out of control. There's a consequence - birds and bugs seem to get more protection under the Act than people and property rights."

The Central Texas congressman predicted success, with the help of Farm Bureau, a grassroots farm organization that has been at the forefront with respect to private property rights as they relate to environmental issues. "With the help of the Texas Farm Bureau, and Farm Bureaus throughout the country, the first major issue defeated this year in Congress, in the House, was the cabinet-

level EPA position bill," the congressman noted. "That effort, pushed by the Farm Bureau, has helped really change the entire nature of the debate on environmental issues in Washington, and allowed private property rights issues to go on the offensive rather than being on the defensive." Texas Farm Bureau President Bob Stallman of Columbus praised Edwards for stepping forward on behalf of the citizens of Texas and the U.S.

"The threats to our property rights in this state and this country have taken many forms. Many regulatory schemes have assaulted those rights. Probably the most pervasive and expansive has been the effect of the Endangered Species Act on private property rights," Stallman stated, adding that Edwards' proposal was a first step in restoring common sense to the ESA through the reauthorization process.

Edwards' proposal will have three key objectives. First, it is aimed at stopping the implementation of the proposed warbler habitat plan for Central Texas, much of which lies within his district. Secondly, it

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WT A&M uses new system to study the wind's energy

Joe McCarty, a research associate with West Texas A&M University's Alternative Energy Institute (AEI), is using a Geographic Information System (GIS) to study wind resources in the Texas Panhandle.

"I try to determine where the wind will blow hard enough and long enough to produce power economically," McCarty said.

GIS gives McCarty large color maps with wind potential indicated by various shades of red and orange.

"I can study anyplace I can get a database for," McCarty said.

The information McCarty collects could then be used to determine whether an area could benefit from a utility grade wind machine.

"For example, in 1990 the California wind farms produced enough electricity to power San Francisco," McCarty said.

McCarty believes wind energy is a positive alternative to nuclear energy.

"The residential rate for nuclear generated electricity is more expensive than coal," McCarty said. "And this does not include the costs associated with disposal of nuclear waste and decommissioning of plants."

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Combest cited proposals by the Interior Department over the past two months which he said raise questions about the use of traditional drinking water sources as well as farming and ranching operations in many parts of the Panhandle-South Plains-Permian Basin region, which he represents.

Combest often describes farmers and ranchers as "natural protectors of the environment because their livelihoods depend on conservation of their land and ground water."

Combest said the Farm, Ranch and Homestead Protection Act of 1994 will protect the rights of private property owners who lose control over the use of their own land when Washington bureaucrats attempt to add another species to the endangered list.

In Texas, 366 plant and animal species are listed or are candidates for listing. Combest said it was in view of these accelerated efforts that "it is time to put the brakes on any more additions to the list until the Endangered Species Act is rationally

rewritten."

Combest has expressed his written objections to the Interior Department's Arkansas River shiner proposed listing. Designation of the two-inch minnow raises concern about using the Canadian River supplying Lake Meredith drinking water.

Combest also acted to intervene in the proposed listing of the swift fox, which is found in many parts of the region. Listing of the swift fox could deal a severe economic blow to farming, ranching and oil and gas production, Combest said.

"The Farm, Ranch and Homestead Protection Act of 1994 would temporarily suspend the addition of additional species as endangered, prevents additional lands as being designated as critical habitat until Congress rewrites the Endangered Species Act and in the meantime make private property owners eligible for compensation of lower property values if due to critical habitat designation.

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Southern chef carries on barbecuing tradition

By PAUL NOWELL

Associated Press Writer

LEXINGTON, N.C. (AP) — Wayne Monk pulled open the barbecue pit's heavy metal doors that do so little to rein in the sweet and smoky aroma that makes this small North Carolina town famous.

Cooking ever so slowly on metal grates in the oak-fired pits were 20 pork shoulders, each weighing about 15 pounds. In a matter of hours, the tender meat would be chopped or sliced into Lexington-style barbecue in a tradition that began around the turn of the century.

"I built 'em just as far as a man

can reach," Monk, the dean of Lexington's barbecue craftsmen, said of his pits.

Monk, who has served the delightful fare to presidents and common folk for 43 of his 58 years, feeds about 1,000 customers a day at his Lexington Barbecue restaurant, a modest white building along Business 85. It's one of more than a dozen places in this community of 16,000 that serve barbecue. (In 1983, Monk served it to President Reagan and the leaders of several other nations at an economic summit in Virginia.)

According to legend, Lexington-style barbecue has its origins at the Davidson County

Courthouse square, where it was cooked under tents and served it to crowds in the early years of the 20th century. "They used to keep the money in an old cigar box," Monk said.

The mantle has been passed down from generation to generation, like a prized family heirloom.

Monk began in 1951, when he was 16 years old. Working in a local restaurant, he learned the secrets of Lexington barbecue over the next decade, then went into business on his own in 1962.

It's become his life. His son, Ricky, is his assistant manager. Two of Monk's daughters work at the restaurant along with their hus-

bands.

In a typical week, Monk uses 8,000 pounds of pork shoulders and 2,000 pounds of cabbage for his equally-famous coleslaw. He's not about to guess the number of hush puppies and buns he goes through.

Monk is a veritable barbecue encyclopedia; he can recite statistics about barbecue off the top of his head.

Things like how hot the fire should be: 250 degrees F. How far the meat racks sit above the oak coals: 24 inches. How long it takes to cook a 15-pound pork shoulder: eight hours. How much fat drips off that shoulder before it's done: 6

pounds.

While there's talk of building a barbecue museum here, there hasn't been much progress. Still, the annual barbecue festival every October draws tens of thousands of visitors to town.

Even Monk questions the need for a museum when there's so many barbecue restaurants that still cook it the old-fashioned way, over a slow fire. Roy and Boyd Dunn, who own Speedy's Barbecue, are among 16 other barbecue restaurants listed in the Lexington telephone book.

The Duns began working at Speedy's in 1963. They bought the place about 15 years later.

Rick Perry calls for delay in adding to endangered list

AUSTIN—Instead of listing the swift fox as an endangered species in the Panhandle and West Texas, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service should consider other options including developing habitat enhancement guidelines for voluntary use by landowners, Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said in a letter sent today to the federal agency.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is considering a petition to place the swift fox on the endangered species list, which could restrict farming, ranching and oil field activities in its habitat. In Texas, swift fox habitat is roughly contained in the western portion of the Panhandle from the Oklahoma border south to Upton County. However, Perry argues that the species is not facing extinction in Texas, and its population also appears to be healthy in Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

"Substantial numbers of this small fox occur on private lands in these states," Perry said in a letter to Elizabeth McPhillips, supervisor of Ecological Services with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "In fact, this species is numerous enough in Kansas that...the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks indicated a desire to provide surplus animals for restocking in South Dakota."

Swift fox populations appear to be low in the northern Great Plains portion of its habitat, and the petitioner has requested that the swift fox be listed as an endangered species in South and North Dakota, Nebraska and Montana. However, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service stated in its initial findings that "substantial information exists to support a decision that listing of the fox may be warranted throughout its entire range." Along with the Texas Department of Agriculture, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department does not agree with this federal opinion.

"As they typically tend to do, U.S. Fish and Wildlife is taking a board-brush approach and considering impacting at the swift fox's entire Great Plains habitat whether populations are threatened or not," Perry said.

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will force Congress to bring up for open and fair debate ESA reauthorization, which has been effectively delayed since 1992. And finally, Edwards hopes to gain bipartisan allies in Congress — that have been affected by endangered species, and those not directly impacted, but interested in protecting private property rights.

Edwards said his ultimate goal is to see the Endangered Species Act reformed and the Private Property Bill of Rights passed. That bill would ensure compensation for takings of private property and for dimin-

ished land values due to the ESA and other environmental regulations.

Perry presented the

following four proposals for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to consider to protect the swift fox, instead of a restricted endangered species listing.

- Develop swift fox management plans for all suitable U.S. Fish

and Wildlife Service-managed property in the swift fox range, which includes the Buffalo Lake and Muleshoe National Wildlife Refuges in Texas.

- Provide swift fox habitat enhancement guidelines for voluntary use by landowners and land managers (including other federal agencies).

- Support funding of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal Damage Control Service's activities to benefit the swift fox.

- Study the effect of diseases such as canine distemper on the swift fox.

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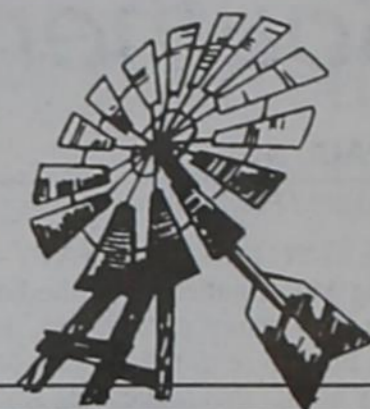
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CREATIVE CHRISTMAS — Crafts fair and creative workshops all day in Ollie Liner Center in Plainview.

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Creative Christmas for 1994: A bit of everything for the 'early bird santas'

The Ollie Liner Center will turn into a "Hale County Christmas" Saturday when the doors open on the seventh annual Creative Christmas.

Organized originally as teaching workshops to prepare for the stress and joys of the holiday season, Creative Christmas has expanded over the years to "be all things to all people."

Theme for this year's CC is "Come Have Christmas with Hale County."

The daylong festival will include workshops, health screenings by the Hale County Health Department and the Hale County Resource Network, a style show at noon, a concert by the Plainview Symphony Brass and shopping in the MarketPlace.

The event is sponsored by The Plainview Daily Herald and the Hale County Family and Community Education Council, formerly known as Hale County Extension Clubs.

Colleen Chadwick, Hale County Extension agent, and Nicki Logan, Lifestyles Editor at The Herald, are Creative Christmas co-chairmen.

Deana Sageser and Margaret Beerwinkle are in charge of FCE arrangements which include the programs and workshops and a luncheon.

Other committee chairmen are Sylvia Steen, publicity; Amy Adrian, food; Martha Sanders, hospitality; Rhonda James, FCE recruitment booth; Martha Pendergast, style show back stage coordinator; Evelyn Carroll and After Hours FCE club, decorating; Alma Cox, Rose Budd Stambaugh and the Family First FCE club, registration.

Workshop hostesses will be Anna Jean True, Catherine Cross, Tillie Kemp, Anna Ann Robertson, Debbie Price, Latrice Kemp, Yreva Mai Ellis and Treva

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Beverly Alvis makes a yule wreath

MAKE A WEEKEND OF IT:

Creative Christmas Weekend will actually begin Friday evening with a tour featuring three historic homes and two buildings in the downtown area.

The tour, sponsored by the Hale County Historic Preservation League, will be held from 6:30-8:30 and will begin at the Burgess-Pyles Law Office at 207 E. Sixth Street. The Burgess-Pyles office will only be open for one hour until 7:30.

Other tour stops are O'Sully's, 620 Broadway; the Day-Akin home owned by Kent and Sherry Akin at 1701 W. Seventh; Terry and Diane Harman's home and bed and breakfast in the historic Skaggs house, 815 Columbia, and Max and DeeAnn Odom's classic prairie-style home in the Shepherd house at 815 Denver.

Cost for the tour is \$3.50 per ticket or two for \$5. Trolley transportation is available by calling Debby Gibson, 296-1119, in advance.

WORKSHOP SCHEDULES:

As in years past, the Creative Christmas workshop schedule is planned so each person can attend several classes if they want to, or come at 11:45 for the Symphony Brass concert, luncheon and style show.

Local pianist Lavonia Moody will play for the style show and the the First United Methodist Handbell Choir will entertain after the Brass concert.

Martha Pendergast organized and will direct the style show which will feature fashions from local merchants.

Workshops will begin at 9:15 a.m. with *Pine Cone Firestarters for Holiday Hearths*, taught by Evelyn Carroll and Diane Williams, and *Antique Heirloom Books*, taught by Margaret Beerwinkle.

Both workshop have a fee. The Pine Cone workshop costs \$30 and the class is limited to 40 persons. Heirloom Books costs \$5 and is limited to 30 persons who need to bring a glue gun, scissors and an extension cord.

The second tier of workshops will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will be in the form of demonstrations. Angela Bohannon, Lamb County Extension agent, will teach *Yesteryear Christmas*, a showcase of older items, traditions and customs resulting in the way Americans celebrate Christmas, a unique blend of various cultures and customs.

At the same time, Jeanine Brunson and Darlene Teel will demonstrate how to build Gingerbread Houses using Roseanna Shepard's designs. There is no charge for either of these workshops.

Workshops will resume at 1:45 with *Rag Heart Wreaths* taught by Jeanine Brunson. Cost is \$2 and is limited to 25 participants who will need to bring 110 torn strips (7 inches by 1-1/5 inches) of fabric and scissors. The heart shaped wire wreaths will be provided.

Also at 1:45, Colleen Chadwick and Nicki Logan will give a demonstration on Hale County Spindles and Harvest Jackets. The demonstration is free of charge and is limited to 50.

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Former SCS head says farmers earn A-plus for efforts

AMARILLO—It is time for production agriculture to take the offensive on environmental issues by mapping strategies which will demonstrate their responsibility, a former head of the Soil Conservation Service told participants in the Great Plains Agriculture Council residue management seminar here.

Bill Richards, now an agribusiness consultant in Circleville, Ohio, said the key question facing producers is, "Will we use the environment to enhance and improve our industry, or will the conservation of our natural resources and environmental laws become our limiting factor?"

Environmental groups are waiting in the bushes to see whether agriculture will address their concerns" on water quality and soil conservation, said Bill Richards, now an agribusiness consultant in Circleville, Ohio. Richards and his three sons farm 3,600 acres of corn, soybeans and wheat.

Despite what many environmentalists claim, farmers have been "successful beyond our dreams" in carrying out conservation compliance plans. "Soil erosion is coming under control and we're only beginning to recognize the water quality benefits" from these efforts, he said.

Environmentalists are organized, well funded, connected

and have done their homework, he said. "They have the public's attention and have focused their sights on agriculture."

Richards said environmentalists tell Congress it's cheaper to regulate producers than to promote voluntary conservation programs. "They point out that fines levied on violators could fund a regulatory program, and that a few 'example' violations could get the attention of the agricultural community," he said.

"We farmers are spoiled. We have always had the Land-Grant System, Soil Conservation Service and Extension Service there to help us with education, management and technology," Richards said.

"There's a big difference in the cost to producers between the USDA approach—we're here to help you meet the requirements—and the Environmental Protection Authority approach—this is the law, hire an engineer, it's your problem.

"Our challenge is to redirect ag programs to incentive-type environmental programs," he

To take the offensive, he said, producers must adopt two premises:

* There are economic solutions to most all public envi-

ronmental concerns; it's our job to find them; and

* Future agricultural policy will focus on protecting the environment, and on the public's agenda that will replace protecting the family farm.

Richards said farmers' record on conservation compliance is "the best thing we have going as Congress debates the Clean Water Act and the 1995 Farm Bill.

"The latest data shows producers are going far beyond the crop residue requirements in their (conservation compliance) plans and we are near the tolerable soil loss limits on all highly erodible land.

He said the great switch to residue management on the good, level soils will put the nation's agricultural land well below the limit of tolerated soil erosion in coming years, as well.

"In my opinion, history will report and remember this revolution as the breakthrough in soil quality and productivity improvement."

He said these changes are bringing improved soil quality, increased organic matter, increased water infiltration and water holding capacity, decreased evaporation, deeper root penetration and other factors which improve the land.

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Cotton becoming the fabric of choice in Phillipines

MEMPHIS — American cotton producers, who are seeking to boost their exports worldwide, found welcome news from a recent study that revealed U.S.-grown cotton's popularity is soaring in the Phillipines.

The U.S.-grown cotton was the overwhelming preferred fiber of choice by Filipino women according to a recent consumer study commissioned by Cotton Council International (CCI),

the international marketing division of the National Cotton Council.

The study was done to gauge consumer awareness of CCI's COTTON USA Mark in the Phillipines after CCI conducted an extensive advertising/promotion campaign in the spring. Roper Starch Worldwide surveyed Filipino female consumers ages 20-50 from all walks of life and found the women overwhelmingly ranked

U.S.-grown cotton as their preferred fiber of choice when rating apparel and home textile products for styling, durability, comfort, quality, manufacturer reputation and purchase preference.

The women also ranked pure cotton as either "very" or "extremely" important criteria for purchasing virtually all types of clothing and bed and bath textile products.

Timothy Heberlein, CCI's Asia Region Managing Director, said, "The Phillipines is an ideal environment for pure cotton. Given its proven natural comfort in a tropical climate and its always fashionable appearance, it is not surprising that 72 percent of all survey respondents reported purchasing of pure cotton products in the three-month period prior to our study."

Heberlein noted that the

survey not only showed Filipino's preference for cotton over other raw materials, but revealed that products made from U.S.-grown cotton were far better perceived in consumers' eyes than those made from "generic" cotton grown in "any country."

"The Filipinos' desire for U.S.-grown cotton's superior value and performance is not altogether surprising," Heberlein added, "because

in markets from Germany to Japan we found more and more consumers are demonstrating a keen interest in the ingredients that make up the products they purchase."

Foreign retail textile manufacturers also have noticed that trend and are increasing the use of the COTTON USA Mark on their merchandise. A total of 48 brands of apparel and home textiles licensed for Mark use in the Phillipines.

Some still nursing a faint hope that other life exists 'out there'

By WALTER SULLIVAN
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Microwave emissions of unusual intensity have been detected from four relatively close-by stars that resemble the Sun. Since these are far greater than the Sun's own microwave emissions, and since this type of frequency is used as a means of communication, at least among humans, the finding has stirred a ripple of excitement among those searching for evidence of life on other worlds.

The four stars will be among about 1,000 to be scanned for signs of intelligent life with the Parkes radio telescope in Australia, one of the largest in the Southern Hemisphere. The search is to run from Jan. 16 to the end of May. Since Congress eliminated the budget for a more ambitious program, it is being financed privately.

Astronomers around the world are aiding the project by assembling catalogues of nearby stars most likely to be inhabited by intelligent beings. Candidate stars are those old enough for intelligent life to have evolved (more than 3 billion years) and far enough from another star for the orbits of any planets to be free of gravitational perturbations.

Dr. Woodruff T. Sullivan 3d of the University of Washington in Seattle, a

leader in efforts to detect television or radar signals from other solar systems, said Tuesday that it was "not impossible, but highly unlikely" that the newly reported emissions were artificial. His view was echoed by many others searching for signs of intelligence from space.

Each of the four stars was observed for 45 minutes in the 8.5 gigahertz radio band. It is expected that artificial emissions would be concentrated into a far narrower wavelength than that observed.

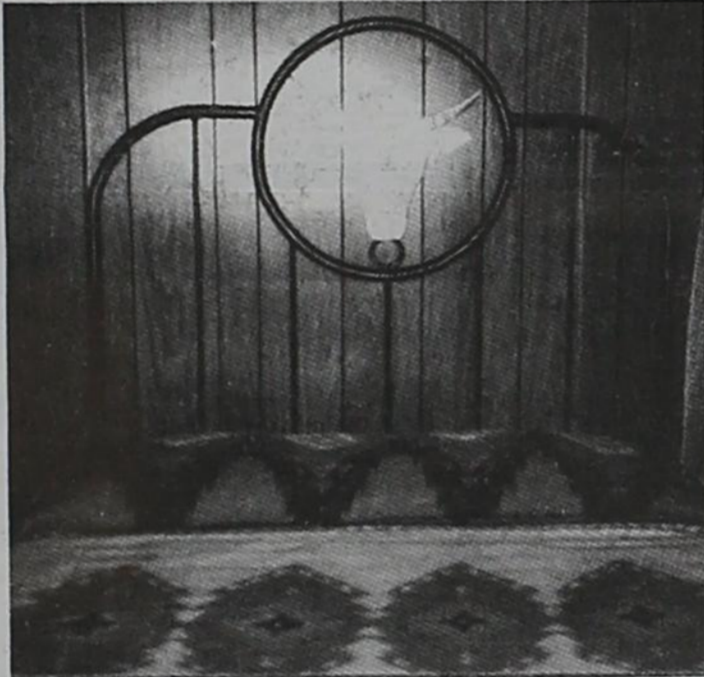
None of those from Earth-based sources, like

television, satellite communications or radar, produce such broad-band signal. Instead narrow frequencies are assigned to each function. Woodruff spoke of pulsed emissions that, when combined, might account for the observations, but he agreed with other astronomers that the emissions were probably natural and linked to each star, rather than any planet. The four stars are from 42 to 101 light-years away.

The authors of the report in Science were Manuel Gudel of the Paul Scherrer Institute in Villigen, Switzerland, Jurgen H.M.M.

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Fishing rated 'good' at many West Texas lakes

AUSTIN (AP) — Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Sept. 22:

ARROWHEAD: Water stained, 80 degrees, 4 feet below normal level; black bass good on minnows and topwaters; crappie fair 10-12 feet deep on minnows; sand bass good in schools on minnows; catfish good on shrimp and night crawlers.

BAYLOR: Water clear, 79 degrees, 13 feet below normal level; black bass good to 11 pounds on cranks, topwaters and plastic worms; crappie slow; catfish fair.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear, 80 degrees, 5.5 feet below normal level; black bass good to 8 pounds on cranks and spinner baits on the rocks; everything else is slow.

FRYER: Water cloudy, 80 degrees, 4 feet below normal level; everything is slow.

GRANBURY: Water clear, 80 degrees, normal level; black bass good to 2 pounds in shallow water on spinner baits; stripers slow; sand bass good in schools on a variety of baits; crappie good 20 feet deep in trees on small minnows; catfish good over baited holes on assorted baits.

GREENBELT: Water clear, 72 degrees, 6 feet below normal level; sand bass fair early and late on jigs and trolling; catfish good to 3 pounds on minnows, water dogs and liver; everything else is slow.

KEMP: Water clear, 7.5 feet below normal level; catfish good on shrimp in the river; black bass fair; crappie slow; sand bass slow; stripers slow; water clear,

7.5 feet low;

MEREDITH: Water clear, 78 degrees, normal level; largemouth bass slow; smallmouth bass good on jigs and cranks on rocky points 15-20 feet deep; walleye fair 20-25 feet deep on points using slabs and jigs with minnow or night crawler; crappie slow; sand bass good off humps on slabs; catfish good in rocks close to shore on punch bait.

OAK CREEK: Water clear, 6.5 feet below normal level; black bass fair; crappie good on minnows; sand bass slow; catfish fair on chicken liver and night crawlers.

O.H.IVIE: Water clear, 79 degrees; largemouth bass fair on topwaters and cranks around weed beds, larger sizes on deeper points and ridges; smallmouth bass fair mixed on rocky ridges, ledges and weed beds; crappie slow, some at night on minnows; white bass fair on topwaters, cranks, slabs and jigs; walleye slow, some caught at night on points using minnows; catfish fair to 10 pounds on trotlines with live bait and over baited holes with cheese bait.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear, 84 degrees, 3 feet below normal level; black bass slow, some caught shallow on plastic jerk baits; stripers and sand bass good in schools on small topwaters from Hell's Gate to Costello Island; crappie fair 12-20 feet deep in brush or around docks on minnows and white/red head jigs; catfish slow.

PROCTOR: Water murky, 1 foot below normal level; black bass fair to 4 pounds off points on plastic worms and cranks; crappie

fair in deep water on minnows; hybrid stripers fair to 10 pounds trolling cranks; catfish fair on trotlines using shad.

SPENCE: Water clear, 82 degrees, 30 feet below normal level; black bass good to 8 pounds on live bait near the dam; stripers good on live bait, topwaters and downrigging; white bass slow; crappie fair on minnows; catfish fair on night crawlers and shrimp.

STAMFORD: Water murky, 5 feet below normal level; crappie good late on jigs and minnows; everything else is slow.

TWIN BUTTES: Water clear, 21 feet below normal level; black bass fair to 7 pounds on plastic worms; white bass slow; crappie slow; catfish fair over baited holes in deep water.

WHITE RIVER: Water murky, 11 feet below normal level; catfish fair on perch; everything else is slow.
BASTROP: Water clear, 82 degrees, slightly below normal level; black bass fair on jerk baits and topwaters; crappie slow; catfish good on punch bait.

BELTON: Water clear, normal level; black bass slow; white bass fair in schools on topwaters; hybrid stripers slow; crappie slow; catfish good on prepared baits, shad and perch.

BROWNWOOD: Water clear, 82 degrees, normal level; black bass slow; hybrid stripers good in schools in afternoon in front of dam and west side of the state park on spoons, jigs and slabs; crappie fair early off docks and in brush piles 25-30 feet deep on minnows and jigs; white bass good in schools with hybrids during the day and running at night

under the lights on jigs and spoons; catfish fair off docks on shrimp and liver.

CANYON: Water clear, 78 degrees, normal level; black bass fair to 4 pounds on minnows; crappie good up the river on minnows; stripers slow, some caught by the dam; white bass slow; stripers slow, some caught by the dam; catfish good late on shrimp, goldfish, minnows and night crawlers.

COLORADO BEND: Water clear, 8 feet below normal level; everything is slow.

DECKER: Water clear, 82 degrees, normal level; black bass good to 9 pounds on pig-and-jig; crappie good, with limits, on minnows; white bass fair on minnows; hybrid stripers slow; drum slow; catfish very good to 8 pounds on stink bait and shrimp.

FAYETTE: Water clear, 84 degrees, normal level; black bass very good in shallow water early on topwaters and live bait and during the day on topwaters and 3-inch Shad Assassins; crappie slow; catfish fair to 32 pounds on water dogs; bream good on meal worms and night crawlers.

GIBBONS CREEK: Water clear, 84 degrees, slightly below normal level; black bass fair to 7 pounds in creeks on plastic worms; everything else is slow.

LIMESTONE: Water clear, 78 degrees, 3 feet below normal level; black bass fair to 6 pounds on spinner baits and topwaters; crappie slow; white bass fair on Rat-L-Traps and slabs; catfish fair on live bait.

NAVARRO MILLS: Water clear, 1.5 feet below normal level; black bass fair on plastic worms;

sand bass good drift fishing around sandy points; crappie good in deep water on minnows near the dam and up in the creeks; catfish fair drifting with shad.

SOMERVILLE: Water off-colored, 79 degrees, slightly below normal level; black bass slow; crappie good on minnows; hybrid stripers slow; white bass good on Hellbenders; catfish good to 66 pounds on trotlines using a variety of baits.

SQUAW CREEK: Water murky, 100 degrees, normal level; black bass fair on spinner baits and Rat-L-Traps; sand bass slow; crappie slow; catfish fair on cheese baits.

STILLHOUSE: Water clear, 82 degrees, 3 feet below normal level; black bass slow; white bass fair on minnows and night crawlers; crappie fair at night on minnows and night crawlers; catfish slow, a few caught on blood bait and dough bait.

TRAVIS: Water clear, 82 degrees, 13 feet below normal level; black bass good to 5 pounds on chrome topwaters, chartreuse spinner baits and red shad plastic worms; stripers slow; white bass fair at night under lights; crappie slow; catfish good to 8 pounds on night crawlers.

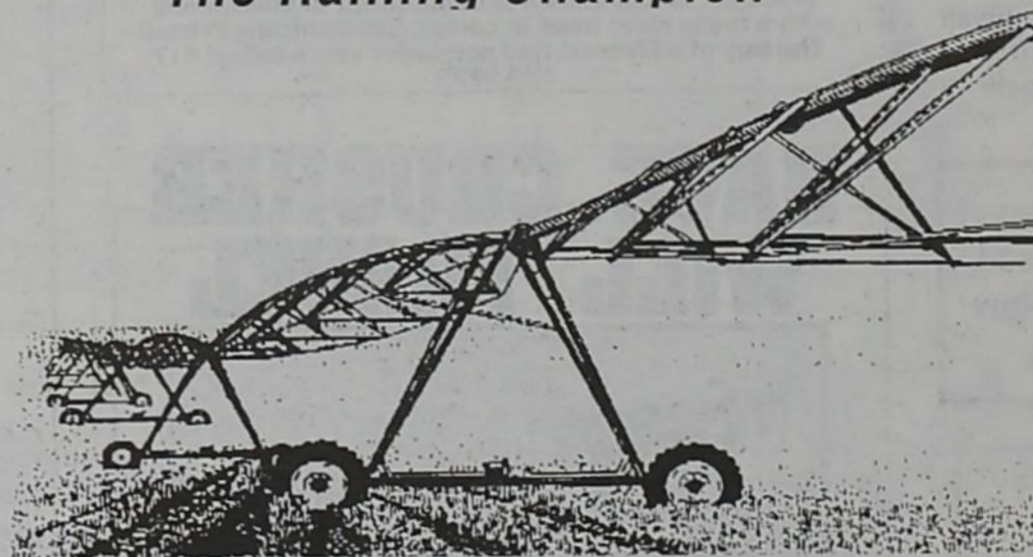
WACO: Water clear, 84 degrees, 2 feet below normal level; black bass good to 10 pounds on cranks and some topwaters early; crappie fair on main lake brush piles on minnows; white bass slow; catfish slow.

WHITNEY: Water off-colored, 84 degrees, 3.5 feet below normal level; black bass slow; smallmouth bass fair to 6 pounds on spinners, cranks and grubs, most-

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