



CAR FIRE—This 1972 Vega stationwagon was completely destroyed by fire last Friday afternoon. The fire was called into the Lockney Fire Department at about 5:00 p.m. Firemen responded and were on the scene within minutes, but were

unable to save the car because the fire was already well involved. The car, belonging to Craig V. Anson of Roaring Springs, was completely gutted by the fire. STAFF PHOTO

Blood drive Friday at Lockney hospital

Individuals willing to donate blood are being asked to step forward Friday for a blood drive at Lockney General Hospital. The hospital is sponsoring the drive, which is scheduled from 3 until 6 p.m.

Donors are asked to phone the hospital for appointment. They should also bring their Social Security cards because these numbers are used for identification.

United Blood Services personnel from Lubbock will be here Friday to receive donors, who should allow about 30 minutes.

United Blood Services (UBS) is a nonprofit community blood center which provides blood and blood products for patients in area medical facilities.

Officials point out that it is "absolutely impossible" to contract a disease while donating blood. All materials used during the donation process are sterile and are used only once.

Blood goes to the blood center laboratory in Lubbock for typing and testing to ensure patient safety. It is then labeled, stored at the proper refrigerated temperature and distributed to area hospitals.

Data from UBS states: "You may not donate blood if you have or had: hepatitis, internal malignancy (cancer)

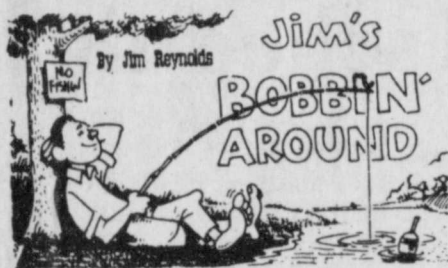
within past 10 years, diabetes requiring insulin, intravenous drug use not prescribed by a physician, belonged to a group at high risk of contracting AIDS, sexual contact with an AIDS patient or with individuals who are at increased risk of contracting AIDS, unexplained night sweating, skin eruptions, fevers, weight loss, swollen lymph glands or persistent diarrhea." Heart, lung, kidney, liver or stomach disease may or may not prevent you from donating blood.

Certain other temporary deferrals will be explained by UBS personnel.

The Beacon on new schedule for next week

Due to vacation time, The Beacon will follow a different schedule next week only. Deadline for both news articles and advertising will be 5 p.m. Friday.

Although subscribers are to receive their Beacons at the regular time, the office will be closed Monday.



CANNING SEASON 'IN'

Canning had almost become a lost art for most people until the past three or four years.

We've heard in the past couple of weeks more than a few people mention "putting up" vegetables for the winter months ahead.

One fellow spoke of processing 95 cans of pinto beans. Other vegetables have also been mentioned.

Last Thursday in a Lockney store, we observed a customer needing canning supplies.

Betcha we hear a lot more about this subject before frost.

TERMINOLOGY

Most of us, having been reared in this farming community, are familiar with farming terms and sayings of farm nature, but what if you were not familiar with them?

For instance, what would be your reaction to the common sentence "When I get caught up, I think I'll go fishing"?

If you were from a different culture or another country, you might wonder if I was going to be 'caught up' by the law (in which case it's unlikely I would get to go fishing for a while), or 'caught up' in a net (also probably preventing my doing a lot of fishing), or even 'caught up' into heaven with the Lord — in that case maybe a lot of fishing.

Of course, we all understand that when a farmer says he's about 'caught up,' he means he's nearly through, for the time being, with the farm work that's absolutely necessary for right now and he might have a day or two before the next major crisis evolves, in which case he may never get 'caught up.'

Another common saying is "laid by" as in "Well, I guess I'm 'laid by' til fall."

Now, barring the fact that you know what the term means, what would your first thought be? Maybe that the poor farmers was going to be out of commission, "laid out," until autumn or that he was going to stretch out by the tractor (or the dog or a pretty lady) for a few weeks. See what I mean?

Or he might say "I don't think I'm ever gonna get laid by," in which instance you might wonder what is his problem!

Funny how we take things for granted, like our language, and assume that we are perfectly understood.

Take, for example, "Go to the south 40, son, and 'knife' the cotton."

Boy! Can you imagine the raised eyebrows and puzzlement that would cause in someone of another background? Why would you want to 'knife' the cotton? How do you manage that? Wouldn't it be a long and tedious process knifing every little stalk of cotton with a knife?

And the natural question in the winter around here, "Are you about through stripping?"

Well, that is an impertinent question! And besides, why would a fellow want to strip in cold weather; and what is this anyhow, a male strip county? Sodom and Gomorrah!

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Investigation continues into vehicle burglaries

Lockney Police Department continues its investigation into the burglary of five vehicles the previous week. Each incident involved the theft of a purse.

Four of the cars were left unlocked and the fifth was a locked car opened with the assistance of a clothes hanger, according to Police Chief Tim Thompson.

Four of the five purses have been recovered, three without money and the fourth without money and other valuables. The other purse has not been recovered.

Burly of a vehicle is a third degree felony.

Chief Thompson places the losses at "approximately \$1,100 to \$1,150 in cash alone."

In each incident, the burglarized vehicle was parked adjacent to a residence. Each happened in "the southwest part of town."

Thompson and David Hollis, also a member of Lockney Police Department, advise the public to "take the keys out of your vehicle and lock it, either taking valuables with you or placing them in the trunk."

In one of the car burglaries, a woman entered a house and remained approximately 10 minutes while her purse was stolen. During this time span, children reportedly were "in and out of the house, on the front porch and in the front yard."

The police chief remembers another situation in which "We had seven cars with the keys taken out" during the owners' absence by a child.

Officers advise individuals to "call in when they spot suspicious activities."

Floyd County Fair two weeks away

The Floyd and Surrounding Counties Fair will kick off just two weeks from today, on August 21. There are a number of events planned and there will be something for every member of the family.

Jest Amusement, the carnival company for this year's fair, will open its rides on Wednesday, August 20, at 4:00 p.m.

Tickets for the carnival are priced at two for \$1.00 and will stay at this price until August 20, at which time they will go to \$1.00 per ticket.

Tickets are available at several businesses in Lockney.

In addition to judging in all departments, there will also be a talent show on Thursday. This is open to men, women, boys and girls and will include many forms of entertainment. If you would like to participate in the talent show, contact Reeda Cay Smith or Amy Thornton.

Friday at 5:00 p.m. there will be a tractor driving contest. The contest has been added back to the slate of fair events this year following a five year absence. It is open to all ages of tractor drivers. The Beacon will print the details of the contest in next week's edition.

Also on Friday, at 9:00 p.m., there will be a square dance, sponsored by the Whirlers Square Dance Club of Floyd County. Dancers are expected from several neighboring county clubs. Spectators are welcome.

Saturday holds a number of events for everyone. In addition to a rabbit show, parade, chili cookoff and the Little Miss and Queens contests, the Lockney FFA

Chapter will be holding the children's rodeo and playday, along with the miniature tractor pull.

The children's playday will open at 1:30 at the rodeo arena. There will be several events for children ages two through 10. Six of the scheduled events will have a 50 cent entry fee.

Closing the fair on Saturday night will be a dance with the music being

provided by the band, Slow Motion.

Slow Motion was formed at Clarendon Junior College two years ago and includes Lockneyites Earl Broseh and Keith Owens. Other band members include LeRoss Apple, Becky Webb, Don Bode and Steve Havens.

These are just a few of the fair events scheduled for August 20-23 at the 33rd annual fair so make plans now to attend.

LHS Class of 1926 holds reunion

Seven of the twenty or so remaining members of the Class of 1926 from Lockney High School gathered this past weekend for their final class reunion.

Saturday evening the group gathered in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wofford. The group reminisced about their years at Lockney High School and talked about their former classmates.

Sunday the group traveled to Plainview for a farewell lunch at the Far East Restaurant. This is their farewell as they are not planning to hold another reunion as a class.

Attending the reunion were Emma (Hodel) Scitz of Spearman, Louise (McRee) Baldwin of Borger, Alma (Smith) Holmes of Duncanville, Edward

Newman of North Hollywood, California, and attending from Lockney were Wanda (Steinbaugh) Baker, Nora (Sams) Ayres, and Lloyd Wofford.

Class members attending the reunion reported that there were 39 members of their graduating class and of those approximately 21 are still living but some were unable to attend the reunion due to health reasons.

Back-to-School Sale
slated August 15-16

This Week . . .

RESERVE FOOTBALL SEATS
Reserve seats for the 1986-87 football season will go on sale August 11 in the superintendent's office. Seats will remain on sale through August 22. If you have a reserve seat or parking space please renew your seats and parking spaces as soon as possible.

QUEENS CONTEST
The rehearsal for the fair queen and Little Miss contest will be held

at 4:00 p.m. August 16. Anyone wishing to enter should have entry blanks filled in and plan on being at the rehearsal. For more information call Cheryl Teeter at 652-3158 after noon.

MOTHERS DAY OUT
Mothers Day Out at the First United Methodist Church in Lockney will resume on Wednesday, August 6, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and will be held each Wednesday.



MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1926 gathered in the Lloyd Wofford home this past Saturday and then traveled to the Far East Restaurant in Plainview for a farewell dinner on

Sunday. Pictured are Wanda Baker, Emma Scitz, Louise Baldwin, Alma Holmes, Edward Newman, Nora Ayres and Lloyd Wofford.



In times like these... By Mary Jo Fielding

In the last two months evidence has piled up of Syrian involvement in several acts of terrorism. The gunmen who shot up the Rome and Vienna airports last December 27, killing 15 people, came from Damascus and were trained in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley, which is controlled by Syria. The bomb that killed a U.S. serviceman in a West Berlin discotheque last April 5 allegedly was supplied by Syria. Then the Arab who attempted to plant a bomb aboard an El Al jumbo jet in London on April 17 has told British authorities that he was equipped and abetted by the Syrians. President Reagan has promised that anyone who sponsors terrorism will be punished, as Libya was by the American air raid in May. However, as the

evidence against Damascus mounts, the administration has avoided any concrete action against Syrian President Assad. An American official has delivered a blunt warning to Syrian Ambassador Rafic Jouejati in Washington. Robert Oakley, the State Department's top terrorism expert, confronted Jouejati with the evidence of Syrian complicity in the El Al plot and other operations. Oakley warned that Damascus must end its support for the Palestinian terrorist leader known as Abu Nidal. Too, Syria must expel other terrorists from bases and training camps in Syria and Lebanon. The question now is whether Assad can be talked out of sponsoring terrorism.



SHOWMANSHIP WINNER—Matt Williams of Lockney was awarded a silver Revere bowl and a check for \$125 for finishing fourth at the 20th National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest, held July 17-18 in Springfield, Illinois. The bowl was presented by the American Angus Auxiliary and the check was given on behalf of the Hamilton James Memorial Fund. Standing with Williams are Mrs. Hamilton James [left], Newton, Illinois, and Janelce Mydland, Pollet, Montana, American Angus Auxiliary second vice president. The contest, sponsored by the American Angus Association, was held in conjunction with the 1986 National Junior Angus Show. — Photo by American Angus Association.

Lockney Hospital Report

July 21-August 4

Vickie Arnold, Tulia, adm. 7-22, baby boy, Bobby, born 7-22, dis. 7-24.
Doris Casey, Lockney, adm. 7-19, dis. 7-26.
Dora Huitron, Plainview, adm. 7-20, dis. 7-22.
Katy Durham, Lockney, adm. 7-20, baby girl, Laci Ann, born 7-20, dis. 7-25.
Laura Probasco, Shallowater, adm. 7-22, baby boy, Robert, born 7-22, dis. 7-24.
Alice DeLa Cruz, Floydada, adm. 7-25, baby girl, Chritel, born 7-25, dis. 7-27.
T.L. Huley, Lockney, adm. 7-26, transferred 7-28.
John Fortenberry, Floydada, adm. 7-25, dis. 7-29.

Elida Cazarez, Floydada, adm. 7-25, baby boy, Rolando, born 7-25, dis. 7-30.
Mary Solis, Lockney, adm. 7-29, continues care.
Ernestine Sanchez, Plainview, adm. 7-29, dis. 8-1.
Kimerly Morales, Lubbock, adm. 7-29, dis. 8-1.
John L. Hooten, Lockney, adm. 7-30, continues care.
Soela Amador, Lockney, adm. 7-31, continues care.
Connie Zarbrough, Plainview, adm. 8-2, continues care.
Caroline Martin, Matador, adm. 8-1, continues care.
Monty Teeter, Lockney, adm. 7-30, dis. 8-4.

Care Center Capers

Hello Everyone,

We've welcomed two new residents this past week. They are Mrs. Stella Cearley of Silverton and Mr. Juan Sanchez of Plainview. We sure want to welcome them to our home.

We have several birthdays this month to celebrate. Mr. Esker Pyle born 8-12-95, Mrs. Amelia Ashton born 8-10-03, Mrs. Edna Hunter born 8-2-93, and Mrs. Mamie Ford born 8-23-08. We wish each one a very happy birthday and another good year!

Mr. Andres Pena is in the Floydada hospital, we want to wish him a speedy recovery!

Mrs. Bonnie Julian of the Care

Center led a sing-a-long song the other morning. She sings beautifully, so we need help in coaxing her to lead a sing-a-long every week! Maybe just a small twist of the arm!

We've been working on our alphabet books as much as we can. They are coming along quite nicely. We should be finished sometime in September.

Now a "Point to Ponder:"
"The only exercise some people get is jumping to conclusions, running down their neighbors, side-stepping responsibilities and pushing their luck!"

Until Next Week,
Cinde Said

Birthdays and Anniversaries Special days in August

August 7-13
August 7: Leonard Griffith, Brandon Thompson
August 8: Troi Leigh Minick, Rhanda Hickerson, Hopie Blanco, Karen Quebe, Brandy Pitchford, Sammy Jimenez
August 9: Wanda Zachary, Wesley Teeter
August 10: Carson Pierce, Carolyn Cunningham, Oscar Palomin, Rogelio Guerrero, Michael Carthel, Robert Delgado Sr., Aurelia Salomon, Edward Hernandez Jr.
August 11: Tomasa DeLeon
August 12: Brandy Marr, Wilma Brown, E.M. Pyle, Maria Silva, Coty Garza
August 13: Matt Workman, Joe Michael Garcia, Ben Schuster, Lisa Garcia, Connie Duenas, Modesta Perales, Ralph Bencomo

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

August 7: Ronnie and Treena Aston
August 8: Byron and Patsy Ford
August 9: Greg and Jackie Odom
August 10: Edward and Joyce Marks
August 11: Brad and Shari Smith
August 12: Don and Ethelyn Vernon, Clinton and Belinda Stephan
August 13: Richard and Peggy Wiley

Lockney FFA students attend State meeting

by Lori Smith

Over 5,500 FFA members and guests gathered July 15-18 in the Amarillo Civic Center for the 58th annual Texas Future Farmers of America Convention.

Six members of the Lockney chapter attended the event. Making the trip were Robert Wofford, Clay Adrian, Raetta Starnes, Boyd Jackson, Loretta Turner and Lori Smith along with Randall Robbins, advisor.

The voting delegates were alternated among the group so that everyone had a chance to vote.

The state sweetheart was elected Wednesday night also the announcement of the winning talent team. Both winners were representing Area VI. The convention ended as state president Aaron Alejandro of Boys Ranch-

Area I handed the gavel to newly elected president also from Area I Bruce Cobb of Lubbock Cooper.

Area I has set a record for having state presidents elected from the same area for two consecutive years.

The 1987 convention will reconvene July 15 in Fort Worth.

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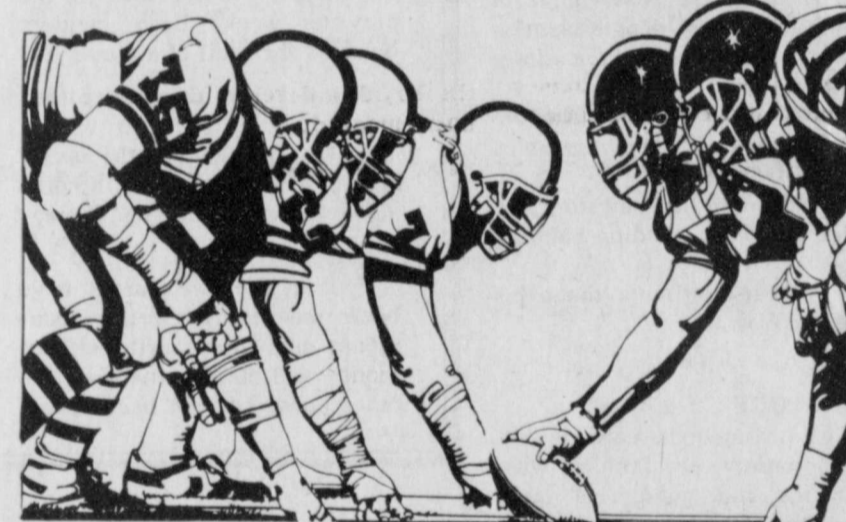
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1986 Lockney football schedule

Varsity
Sept. 5: Ralls, here, 8:00
Sept. 12: Petersburg, there, 8:00
Sept. 19: Seagraves, here, 8:00
Sept. 26: Floydada, there, 8:00
Oct. 3: Muleshoe, here, 8:00
Oct. 10: Springlake-Earth, there, 7:30
Oct. 17: Hart, here, 7:30
Oct. 24: Hale Center, there, 7:30
Oct. 31: Olton, here, 7:30
Nov. 7: Abernathy, there, 7:30

Eighth Grade
Sept. 4: Open
Sept. 11: Petersburg, here, 6:15
Sept. 18: Seagraves, there, 6:15
Sept. 25: Floydada, there, 6:15
Oct. 2: Muleshoe, there, 6:15
Oct. 9: Springlake-Earth, here, 6:15
Oct. 16: Hart, there, 6:15
Oct. 23: Hale Center, here, 6:15
Oct. 30: Olton, there, 6:15
Nov. 6: Abernathy, here, 6:15

Seventh Grade
Sept. 4: Open
Sept. 11: Petersburg, here, 5:00
Sept. 18: Seagraves, there, 5:00
Sept. 25: Floydada, there, 5:00
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Scrimmages: 6:00 p.m.
August 22 at Roosevelt
August 28 New Deal at Lockney

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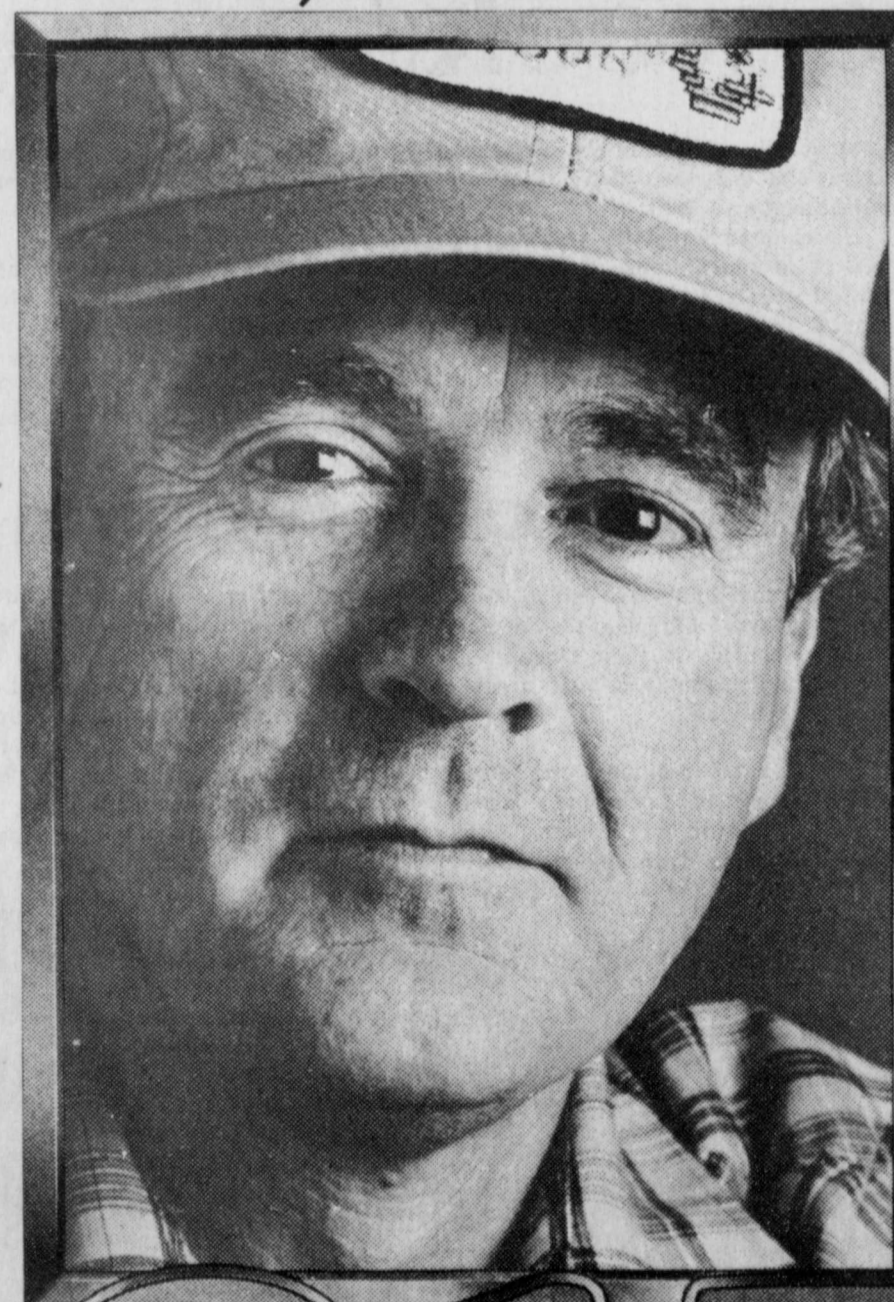
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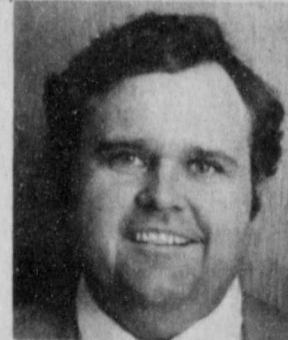


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Lockney Co-op posts profit for 1985

Stockholders of the Lockney Cooperative Gin gathered Friday, August 1, in the Lockney Elementary Cafetorium for the twenty-ninth annual stockholders meeting and learned that for the second year in a row the Co-op showed a profit.

Presenting the audit report to the stockholders present was Hal Sandefur of Sandefur and Swindle accounts of Lubbock. He reported that the net profit for the 1985 year totaled \$101,506.71 which is down from the \$450,289.50 profit for the 1984 year.

Sandefur reported that for the past three years the Co-op has had no long term debt and that the debt owed from the sale of the feedlot was paid to the Co-op during the 1985 year. At the time the feedlot was sold the note to Mexia Corporation was for eight years but the note has been paid off.

Sandefur also reported that Co-op stockholders were paid \$84,046.98 in dividends for the 1985 year. These dividends were handed out during the meeting.

Delton Stone was called on to present the manager's report. Stone said "due to the farm crunch we had a little short on profits this year. We had a loss in the gin department this year. That was due in part to the fact that we ginned only about 65 per cent of the bales in 1985 that we had ginned in 1984. However farmers can expect a seed adjustment check and a dividend check from the compress in October."

"We will continue to strive to do the best possible job for our customers and stockholders and try to make money, if someone can turn the farm economy around," said Stone.

He also commented that the fertilizer department is continuing to struggle but it is getting better.

Stone told the stockholders that there is a bright point coming for the elevator department. "In about three weeks we expect to have everything in line and all the information to enable farmers to put their crops in loans right at our office. You will not have to go to the ASCS office to handle crop loan papers we will have everything in our office."

Following the manager's report George Taylor was called on to report the nominations for the board of directors.

The committee had selected James Morris to run against Paul Schacht and

Bobby Cox to run against Sterling Cummings in the board election this year. When the voting was completed Charles Huffman announced that Schacht and Cummings had been re-elected to their seats on the board.

Also members of the nominating committee for next year were selected. They include Nathan Johnson, A.L. Bigham, Ray Gant, Hansel Sanders and Jerry Ford.

In June the board of directors of the Lockney Co-op had selected four young men to attend the Texas Institute of Cooperative Education Conference in Lubbock. Attending the conference were Matt Mitchell, Trent Gant, Ronnie Ford and Gary Bigham. Bigham had agreed to speak to the stockholders about the event.

He commented, "we learned a lot of things in a short three day meeting. What a Co-op is, how it works, how to start one, and how to finance a Co-op were just a few of the subjects that were covered the first day. The second day we toured the denim mill, an electric coop, the compress, PCCA, and the oil mill. The third day we had a question and answer session about the conference and those conducting the session had lots of questions to answer."

Bigham also said, "Thanks to the board and the members of the Co-op for giving me the opportunity to attend the meeting. I learned a lot and now have a better understanding of the Co-op."

Paul Schacht called on manager Delton Stone to discuss a matter with the stockholders that the board has been talking about for the last two years.

Stone said, "The board has been discussing a junior board member for the past two years. At the meetings and conferences that we attend each year others report the success they have with junior board members and the output that these junior members give to their boards. We would like to add a junior board member for the next year to the board on a trial basis. This junior board member would attend all the meetings, he would be a common stockholder but would not vote. He would be called on to voice his opinions on the board decisions and if there are no objections the board will select the first junior board member."

There was no discussion on the matter so the board will select the junior board member by placing the names of those eligible in a hat and drawing the name of the new junior board member.

Attending the annual meeting were 170 stockholders, their families, special guests and employees. They were treated to a steak finger and fried chicken dinner catered by Danny's Fins and Hens of Lubbock.

Door prizes were awarded to winners. The door prizes included 15-100 per cent cotton towel sets and the winners of the towel sets were then included in the drawings for the large door prizes.

Winning a five piece Samsonite table and chair set was Lloyd Lee Widener, an Elgin clock was presented to Buster Terrell, Gleyann Earle Cummings won a bug light, Durward Jack won a \$400 gift certificate for fertilizer and chemicals from the Co-op and winning a four-piece luggage set was Margie Ferguson.



A MESSAGE FROM THIS NEWSPAPER AND THE DPS TROOPERS

Frank Stovall family hold reunion in Ruidoso

The family of Frank and Lula Stovall held a family reunion this past weekend in Ruidoso, New Mexico. There were 57 family members present.

In attendance were: Dr. and Mrs. Joe Williams (Aileen) from Roswell, New Mexico; Mrs. Marvin Gilbert (Polly), Lockney; Mrs. Lindsey Vincel (Virgin-

Descendants of the late J.W. Jackson of Floyd County gathered Friday, Saturday and Sunday in the Holiday Inn in Amarillo for the annual reunion. Over 100 family members and guests attended.

Present were the four surviving children: E.M. "Son" and Faye Jackson of Floydada, Bernice and Willis Reynolds of Lockney, Floyd and Carolyn Jackson of Lockney and Bennie and H.G. Sprawls of Lubbock. Unable to attend was a daughter-in-law, Ava Jackson of Sweetwater.

Guests present were Lena Walberg of Happy, Dese Carp, James and Nonie Hartwell, Sonny Johnson, Kim Johnson, Ed Stuart, Lynne Regal, all of Amarillo; Cheryl Estes and B.J. Hand of Canyon; Jerry Slemmons of Granbury, Mike Beasley of San Angelo; and Mary Lou Bollman of Lockney.

Cousins of J.W. Jackson present were Howard and Frances Davis, Jamie, Jill and Diana Davis, Mary George Howard, all of Wolfe City; Dwayne and Denise Lillard, David and Jennifer of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Grandchildren, great- and great-grandchildren attending were the following:

J.Q. and Bobby Jackson of Quanah; Jerre and Brad Huckabee, Diane and Blake Harper, Bryan Huckabee, Denise and Leif Johnson and Roy, Ted and Vickie Rhodes, Jana Sue Phillips, Nicole and Kristi, all of Albuquerque, New Mexico; Tom and Kathy Sprawls, Kelly and Tanner, Randy Reynolds, Rhonda and Kenneth Bownds, all of Lubbock; Ted and Betty Bruce and Julie of Childress; Bo and Janie Baughman and Jami, Scott and Betsy Baughman and Brooke, all of Canyon; Jake and Sue Wofford, Scooter, Dandi and Gabi of Atlanta, Georgia; Nicole Wofford of San Angelo; Terri Baughman of Granbury; Keith and Gayle Jackson and Boyd, Wade Jackson, Rusty and Laura Wilson, Callie and Marc, Aaron and Karen

Wichita Falls, along with 12 grandchildren with their families. There were 16 great-grandchildren and two great-grand-grandchildren.

Medford, Oregon; Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Shoemaker (Dorothy), Abilene; and Dr. and Mrs. D.C. Sullivan (Janell),

Wilson and Kirk, Dwight and Sidney Jackson, all of Lockney; Jack and Carol Sprawls, Scott, Melissa and Ashley of Carrollton; Jim and Bob Ann Rossi, Jami Rossi and Tony Rossi, Castle Rock, Colorado; Joe Childers of Temple; Judy Nusz, Mildred Carroll, Kent and Norma Carroll and Casey, Larry and Cathie Carroll and Brad, all of Amarillo; Gerald and Anne Norton of Farwell; Jim and Beth Reynolds of Crosbyton.

Mrs. Peter (Jane) Nagy, Peter, Tisza and Stephen left July 26 for their new home in Reston, Virginia, after spending two weeks with Jane's parents, Bill and Marlene Whitfill. Another Whitfill daughter, Jill of Dallas, came for a five-day visit to see Jane and the triplets who will be six years old in August. Time also was spent with Jane's grandmother, Eva Whitfill of Lockney, and another sister, Judy and Jim FitzGerald and children of Plainview.

The Nagys have returned to the United States after a two-year tour of duty with the U.S. State Department in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. They will make their home in Reston while Peter attends a training school in nearby Washington, D.C.

Rusty and Tish Whitfill of Norman, Oklahoma, were recent visitors with Rusty's grandmother, Eva Whitfill. They were accompanied by Rusty's parents, Ben and Pat Whitfill of Silverton.

Roy and Martha Porter entertained their grandchildren, Lex Frazier and Justin Porter of Tahoka, Eric, Travis and Misty Rudd of Littlefield, for a week recently.

Larry and Sandy Adrian, Erin and Clay, attended a family reunion recently

at Ceta Canyon campground near Happy.

Fred and Virginia Byrd of Lockney and their daughters, Mary Ann Bobbitt of Wichita Falls and Carolyn and John Simpson, Kendall and Corey of Lubbock, attended a Byrd family reunion this past weekend at Lake Texahoma.

Sol and Geneva Barclay, Jean and Arvie Newton were at White River Lake Sunday and visited there with a niece, Doyleene Poole and friend Ronnie Black, both of Lubbock.

Jerry Billington, Tara and Tonya of Lampasas visited recently with his parents, Willie and Orville Billington; and with his brother, Tommy and Belynda Billington and Pepper.

Another recent visitor with Willie Billington was her brother, Everett Brown of Burlington.

Lockney High School Student Council officers Rusty Teeter, president; Steven Cates, vice president; Lisa Terrell, secretary, and Johnny Silva, treasurer, attended a recent Student Council five-day workshop on the campus of Angelo State University at San Angelo. Their sponsor for the trip was Trenea Aston.

Katy and Gene Handley and Kathy of Wenatchee, Washington, are to leave for home today after a visit here with their parents, Harmon and Ann Handley and Katherine and Charles Ball.

Katy and Gene and Kathy accompanied his sister, Elizabeth Litsch of Altus, Oklahoma, and their parents, Harmon and Ann, this past weekend to Doss (near Fredericksburg) to attend a family reunion. Katy and Gene's son, Gary of San Antonio, met them at the reunion. Also there was Elizabeth's son, Kelly and Lisa Litsch and Katrina of Amarillo.

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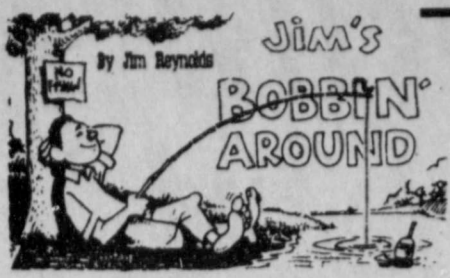
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What a mess. It's like a foreign language, full of color and shades of meaning . . . and totally confusing to a visitor. Just because we know what we mean, we shouldn't assume that everyone else does! — Jimmie Taylor in Paducah Post

DELAYED — AGAIN

The Abilene Reporter-News asked a very good question on their editorial page, "Why is Ted Bundy alive?" Bundy was convicted of killing two sorority sisters at Florida State and was sentenced to die. He also was convicted of killing a 12-year-old girl.

He was to have been executed last Wednesday, but on Tuesday a federal judge in Florida granted him a 24-hour stay so his attorneys could file one more appeal.

On Wednesday that court indefinitely blocked his execution. The court postponed the execution pending the hearing of the appeal in "at least two months."

This was not the first stay of execution for Bundy and others like him. The court system has gotten so clouded with appeals of death sentences since the reinstatement of the death penalty 10 years ago that there are still few executions.

It was also ironic that in the same issue of the newspaper, only three

pages later, that a headline read, "2 Australians hanged on drug charges." The two were executed in Malaysia as part of their strong stance against drug trafficking.

The two were caught smuggling heroin out of the country on November 9, 1983 and executed less than three years later.

One would have to go back to the early days of the West to find such swift justice in this country.

No one wants to see an innocent person executed and death is a harsh punishment for drug smuggling. But if this country is to have the death penalty, and more than 50 percent of all Americans favor it today, it must be carried out to be effective.

Last minute stays of execution must stop and justice must be carried out. The court system must begin to consider the victim's and their survivors' rights to see justice served.

Probably not by chance, the Monday Berry's World cartoon on the editorial page showed a judge handing down a sentence in which he said, "I am going to make an example of you. Therefore, I'm sentencing you to two slaps on the wrist."

The sad part is that in many cases the two slaps will be appealed and they will never be administered. — Rick Craig in Hamlin Herald

INVITING TROUBLE

Persons who leave their keys or valuables in their vehicles are inviting trouble. It's an open invitation, in fact.

We've heard of that happening right here in Lockney, and we've read about similar incidents in area newspapers. It may be a new fad, but vehicles with keys left inside and/or valuable left

unlocked autos are disappearing!

It's sad that things aren't the way they used to be, whereby one felt perfectly safe — particularly in his/her hometown — leaving a vehicle unlocked and usually with the keys inside. Times have changed.

In Crosby County, twice within the past two weeks, cars have been stolen because they were left unattended with keys in the ignition switch. One was parked in front of a business, the other near the owner's residence.

Purses reportedly have been taken from vehicles in Lockney.

Jog your memory when leaving your car. It is not worth the gamble to do otherwise.

WHY AM I ARRESTED?

The drunk was very indignant about being arrested. Staggering up to the desk of the sergeant he said: "What I want to know is why I'm arrested."

The sergeant barked back, "You were brought in for drinking."

"Well, that's different," the drunk responded. "That's great...let's get started." —Wendell Tooley in Tullia Herald

BLESSED BE THE READERS

It's been around a time or two but we like this little goody, which holds plenty of truth in the eyes of newspaper people:

"Blessed are they who do not expect the editor to know everything...who tell him whenever an interesting event occurs...for they shall have a better newspaper."

"Blessed are they who get their copy in early, for they shall occupy a warm spot in the editor's heart and will be sure of seeing to it that their items get

into print correctly.

"Blessed is the woman who sends in a written account of a party or a wedding, for she shall see the details and names of her guests in print as she sent them in.

"Blessed are those readers who pay their subscriptions promptly when they expire, so that the publisher can pay his bills when they are due. (This goes for advertisers, too.)

"Blessed are they who do not think they could run a newspaper better than the editor does...yes, thrice blessed are they, because there are so few of them in the community."

This is especially true for us because we experience all or virtually all of the abovementioned weekly. Blessed also are the advertisers, for they make newspapers possible, and readers, for whom it's all done.

EXCUSES, EXCUSES

Can you imagine the stories some of the insurance agents receive from certain policy holders? Here are just a few — all are actual statements found on insurance forms filled out by drivers — of the excuses:

Coming home, I drove into the wrong house and collided with a tree I don't have.

"The other car collided with mine without given warning of its intention.

"I thought the window was down, but I found out it was up when I put my head through it.

"I collided with a stationary truck coming the other way.

"A truck backed through my windshield into my wife's face.

"A pedestrian hit me and went under my car.

"The guy was all over the road. I had to swerve a number of times before I hit him.

"I pulled away from the side of the road, glanced at my mother-in-law and headed over the embankment.

"In my attempt to kill a fly, I drove into a telephone pole.

"I had been shopping for plants all day and was on my way home. As I reached my intersection, a hedge sprang up, obscuring my vision and I did not see the other car.

"I had been driving for 40 years when I fell asleep at the wheel and had an accident.

"I was on my way to the doctor with rear end trouble when my universal joint gave way causing me to have an accident.

"As I approached the intersection a sign suddenly appeared in a place where no sign had ever appeared before. I was unable to stop in time to avoid the accident.

"To avoid hitting the bumper of the car in front, I struck the pedestrian.

"My car was legally parked as it backed into the other car.

"An invisible car came out of nowhere and struck my car and vanished.

"I told the police that I was not injured but on removing my hat, I found that I had a fractured skull.

"I was sure the old fellow would never make it to the other side of the road when I struck him.

"The pedestrian had no idea which direction to run so I ran over him.

"I saw a slow moving, sad faced old gentleman as he bounced off the roof of my car.

"The indirect cause of the accident was a little guy in a small car with a big mouth.

"I was thrown from my car as it left the road. I was later found in a ditch by some cows.

"The telephone pole was approaching. I was attempting to swerve out of its way when it struck my front end."

MONSTER

On a totally different tack, I am scared and appalled at the menace in our society, and the prevalence of a monster right in our own school and community. I am, of course, talking about the killer drugs which seem to be becoming more popular, though God only knows why, than even marijuana was a few years ago.

I don't care whether or not you think it is a problem here (and I've heard numerous citizens say, "Oh, this is a quiet little town and we don't have that kind of a problem")—and we do have the problem, and it's not getting any better.

I'm speaking specifically of the drug that used to be considered a rich man's drug—cocaine, and the even newer 'Crack'—cocaine cut with baking soda. A deadly combination. And yes, we do have it here.

Rambler is privy by reason of marriage, to a lot of information, which is often about things I don't want to hear, about people I don't want to hear about. It makes me sad that so many of our young folks, seemingly intelligent and full of potential, are willing to mess up their minds and their lives ignoring the deaths and warnings, blithely thinking nothing can touch them and going merrily on their way, spending their parent's last dime and breaking their hearts by 'doing' drugs. You will never convince me that there is anything good about it. Jimmie Taylor—Paducah Post

Western Cotton Conference to examine consumer needs

Producing, harvesting and ginning cotton fiber that meets the needs of various buyers will be the focus of discussion by industry leaders during the annual Western Cotton Production Conference, Aug. 12-14 in Lubbock.

More than 300 cotton industry leaders from Arizona, California, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas are expected for the sessions at the Holiday Inn Civic Center, 801 Avenue Q. They will include producers, ginners, research scientists, Extension educators, agency officials and business representatives, said Dr. James R. Supak, cotton agronomist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. He is conference coordinator.

The program will open at 9:30 a.m. Aug. 12.

A review of the world economic and market situation for cotton will open the discussions. Dean Ethridge, National Cotton Council economist, is to report the world production and consumption outlook. Prospects for "marketing our way out of the economic problem" will be examined by Rudi Schiedt, president of Hohenberg Brothers Cotton Co., Memphis, Tenn.

The situation for cottonseed and cottonseed products will be reviewed by Clemon Montgomery, Austin, Texas Cottonseed Crushers Assn. An update on federal farm programs will be presented by Charles Bragg, producer representative on the National Cotton Council, Memphis, Tenn. Robroy Fisher, producer from Glen Allan, Miss., and Andy Jordan, National Cotton Council director of technical services, Memphis, will discuss the funding outlook for cotton research and extension work.

The next day and a half will focus upon producing what the customer needs and managing the crop for yield and quality to meet those needs.

Don Bell, Wolforth producer and a director of Cotton Incorporated, will report activities of the CI task force working to reduce bark content in harvested fiber.

A panel of scientists and producers will discuss ways to meet fiber quality needs of textile mills. Mill needs are to be related by Frank Werber, national program leader for textiles and fibers with USDA-Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Md.

Dr. John Gannaway, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station cotton breeder at Lubbock, will present the breeder's view. The producer and breeder's viewpoint will be given by Claude Hill, producer from Dexter, N.M. John Price, head of open end spinning research at the Textile Research Center, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, is to discuss fiber quality evaluation.

Needs of the ultimate consumer will be considered in a report by Becky Saunders, Texas Agricultural Extension Service clothing specialist at Amarillo. She will present results of a survey of adult Texans regarding their preferences in apparel fabrics.

Ginning methods and requirements for the current market are to be examined by a panel.

Effect of planting seed quality on yield and lint quality will be reviewed by Dr. Norman Hopper, associate professor of plant science at Texas Tech. Reasons for declining yields on the High Plains will be examined by Dr. Don Ethridge, professor of agricultural economics at Texas Tech.

Weed and insect pest control, use of computers, advances in irrigation and harvesting, timely crop termination and the "farming systems" approach to minimizing inputs and maximizing outputs also will be presented.

Rules and techniques for marketing cotton under current federal farm programs will be explained by Dr. Carl Anderson, Extension cotton marketing economist, College Station.

Conference participants also will have an opportunity to tour the American Cotton Growers' denim mill at Littlefield, the textile research center at Texas Tech, the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center and other points of interest.

Planned fertilization may cut wheat costs

Most wheat farmers are faced with the old situation of low prices for their crop, but some good news may be just around the corner, says a specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Some proposed government-sponsored export programs could increase wheat prices in the near future. This, coupled with substantially lower fertilizer prices this year, offer two possible bright spots for farmers planning their 1986-87 wheat crops, says Dr. Michael Hickey, Extension soil chemist.

"A carefully planned fertilization program, capitalizing on the lower fertilizer prices, could reduce production costs substantially," Hickey says.

The crop in fertilizer prices can have a major effect on the cost of wheat production, explains Hickey, who heads the Extension soil testing laboratory in Lubbock. In West Texas, prices for anhydrous ammonia have dropped to

about eight cents a pound and phosphorous prices are 18 to 20 cents a pound, he notes.

"These price reductions, which appear to be caused by the reduction in petroleum prices and a current fertilizer oversupply, could result in a substantial saving per acre," Hickey says.

To take maximum advantage, Hickey urges growers to have their soils tested. Since wheat is a multipurpose crop, a soil test can provide a solid basis for planning nutrient applications that will maximize grain yields and use by livestock, he explains.

"Knowing what nutrients are in the soil will allow farmers to make full use of residual nutrients and not spend money unnecessarily," he says.

Hickey suggests a "moving average" approach to planning yield goals. "Pick your highest yield of the last five years and fertilize to target that yield," he says. Using this approach, growers can take advantage of favorable conditions

Old issue explains wheat contracts

In answer to inquiry, we have received information from George E. Farrell, chief of the Wheat Section of the AAA, that the last payment on 1933-35 wheat contracts will be paid in the early summer of 1936 and the parity payment for 1935 will be not less than 33 cents per bushel on the farm allotment; this being two cents per bushel more than was paid in 1933 and 1934.

Of the 33 cents allowed for 1935, 20 cents per bushel has already been paid in contract signers as first 1935 payment

and the national and county expense will be deducted from the 13 cent balance. The net amount to be paid producers will be probably between 9 and 10 cents per bushel of farm allotment.

The work of preparing and checking applications is still in progress and we expect to finish this work and deliver all applications to State Grain Board by January 10, 1936. — A. H. Kreis, secretary (The Floyd County Plainsman, December 1935)

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