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Muddy fields hamper corn harvest

Corn harvest was just getting underway when Mother Nature decided to treat the area to general rains. Now harvest is bogged down in saturated fields, and corn farmers are hoping for some warmer, drier weather so they can get their crop out of the field.

Elevator operators in the county are predicting long lines at the various legs around the county when and if the weather clears. If farmers are able to harvest unhampered this week, and the weather holds, most elevator operators expect harvest to wind down around mid-October.

"This is a critical stage for corn," said Don Graham, manager of Dimmitt Agri Industries. "The grain is ready, the stalks are beginning to deteriorate and it's too wet to harvest. The fields are extremely wet. Farmers aren't able to utilize their grain carts in the fields and when they do get machinery in, they are making deep ruts in the fields."

Graham said he scouted around the county Tuesday afternoon and noticed some fields beginning to fall down.

Most of those lucky enough to have harvested some corn have been reporting better than average yields. The crop is good quality with good test weight, and moisture is around the mid-20s range now.

"The corn we've shipped out so far has been beautiful," said Graham.

"Early yields were very good. We heard some people reporting 12,000 pounds on dry corn. Some did run into a few problems and had lower yields, but 8,000 pounds is about the lowest report I've heard."

Jarrel Sewell at Cargill Grain Division at Hart said the wet weather hasn't hurt the quality of grain, but it would be nice to see some warmer weather so fields can dry out and harvest can resume in full force.

"If it keeps raining, it'll be a while before we see producers really getting corn out of the fields. Just about everybody is having problems with mud right now," Sewell said. He said early yield reports from the Hart area have been between 10,500 and 12,500 pounds, with some even better than that.

Lee Kleman at DeBruce Grain said the longer the corn stays in the field because of this wet weather, the more problems producers will have. "Some could experience top rot and some stalks could begin to fall," Kleman said. He said harvest was just getting underway when the September rains set in, and he hasn't received a lot of corn from around Dimmitt, yet. "It's ready, it's just a matter of when things dry out."

Corn is just beginning to trickle in around Easter. Eddie Matthews at Easter Grain said he accepted the season's first load of corn on Sept. 3, then didn't

get another until Sept. 12. Like other managers, Matthews said "the rain is not letting farmers in the fields. It's just too muddy."

The wet weather may not be affecting quality, yet, but it is causing producers a problem in another area—the market.

Prices around Labor Day, just before harvest began, were above \$8 per hundredweight. By Sept. 3, the day after Labor Day, the price dipped sharply. Since then it's dropped even more. Tuesday's market price was \$5.90 per hundred. That price is still a good one for corn.

But if farmers can't harvest their crop, they can't sell it, unless they were lucky enough to get a contract at the higher price.

"Two years ago farmers would have been happy to sell for \$5 per hundred. Now we're around \$6," said Kleman. "The yields are better than average and the prices are better than average. It's very unusual to see that happen."

The \$8 price was based on "old crop" corn, according to Graham and Kleman. Producers who got an early jump on harvest were able to sell some of their corn at that old crop price.

Sewell said he expects the price to go back up, especially if an early freeze were to strike the Corn Belt.

Barreras and Perezes honored during Fiesta

Two families were honored as the "Hispanic Citizens Through the Years" at the Mexican Fiesta held in Dimmitt Saturday.

Sponsored by the Dimmitt chapter of the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), the annual celebration is held in honor of Mexico's independence from Spain.

This was the sixth annual observance of the holiday by the

Dimmitt LULAC chapter. Organizers of the event said that attendance was better than last year's event, despite the afternoon rain that disrupted some of the outdoor booths and activities.

"I think everyone enjoyed it a lot more, too," said LULAC member Henry Acevedo. "We hope to make it better and better every year."

The honored families are

Marcelina and Santos Perez Sr., and Petra Barrera and her husband, the late Cesario (Cecil) Barrera.

The Barrera Family

Cesario Barrera married Petra Perez in La Feria in 1935. The couple left there in 1949, along with five children—Abelardo Lalo, Amelia, Elodia, Benito (Benny), and Emilio—and moved to Lubbock, where Maria Ellena was born in 1949.

In 1952, the family moved to Wellington, where Roberto was born. In that same year, the family moved to Dimmitt and established their home. Gloria, Maria Antonia and Adela were all born here.

Cesario died in 1982. He had been a farm laborer.

Petra still lives in Dimmitt and all of the 10 children live here or in the surrounding area. Abelardo, Elodia, Benito, Maria Ellena, Maria Antonia, and Adela, and their families, still live here. Emilio, Gloria, and Amelia, and their families, live in Amarillo. Roberto and his family live in Bloomfield, N.M. Petra enjoys her 44 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Emilio served in the US Army during the Viet Nam conflict. Roberto served in the US Marine Corps. Benito and his wife, Amelia, both are independent business owners in Dimmitt.

"Five generations of the Barrera family are proud to serve and be a part of this very fine community," a family spokesperson said. "Mom, we thank you for the sacrifice and hardships that you and Dad endured together to keep our family united."

"We thank you for being there for

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HISPANIC CITIZENS THROUGH THE YEARS—Marcelina and Santos Perez Sr. of Dimmitt (seated) are one of the families honored by the Dimmitt chapter of League of United Latin American

Citizens at the Mexican Fiesta held Saturday. Presenting them with a plaque is LULAC officer Gloria Hernandez. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Homecoming '96 celebration slated by Nazareth students

Students in Nazareth will crown the 1996 Homecoming Spirit King and Queen tonight (Thursday) during the Homecoming Pep Rally at Swift Field.

The big pep rally is one of many events that have been staged this week for Homecoming.

Each day of the week was designated as a special dress up day by the Student Council, and the first letter of each day's specialty wear spelled out Swift.

On Monday, students observed "Switch Your Style Day," and boys dressed like girls and girls dressed like boys. Tuesday was "Wacky, Wild Nerd Day." On Wednesday, students observed "Initial Your Spirit Day" and signed each others t-shirts. Today (Thursday) has been designated as "Flaunt Your Spirit" or blue and gold day. On Friday, students will dress up for "The Best Dressed Day."

Prizes and recognition will be given to the best dressed students who wear the appropriate "theme" attire each day. Prizes will be awarded at tonight's pep rally.

The Nazareth Home and School Association will sponsor a chili sup-

per tonight (Thursday) before and after the homecoming pep rally.

The pep rally is slated to begin at 7:15 with a parade beginning in front of the band hall. It will wind through the city streets, finishing at Swift Field to kick off the Homecoming pep rally at 7:30.

Candidates for Spirit King and Queen are seniors Justin Bingham and Misti Ball, juniors Stacey Schulte and Kaci Wethington, sophomores Chris Birkenfeld and Stephanie Pena, and freshmen Cameron McLain and Cassie Birkenfeld.

The 1996 Homecoming Queen will be crowned before Friday night's football game with Hart, and the pre-game ceremony is slated to begin around 7:30. Candidates for queen are seniors Jill Ramaekers, Misti Ball and Heather Braddock. Princesses will be junior Amy Pohlmeier, sophomore Ann Wilhelm and freshman Mindi Ethridge.

At halftime of the football game, the Swift Band will name its 1996 Queen. Candidates include senior Angela Fortenberry, and sophomores Stephanie Pena, Susan Jones and Jessica Kern.

Sava captures weekly prize

Did anyone in the great state of Texas pick the Cowboys to lose to the Colts?

Dimmitt Postmaster Bill Sava didn't. But he still won last week's \$20 local cash prize in the Texas Power Points Football Contest.

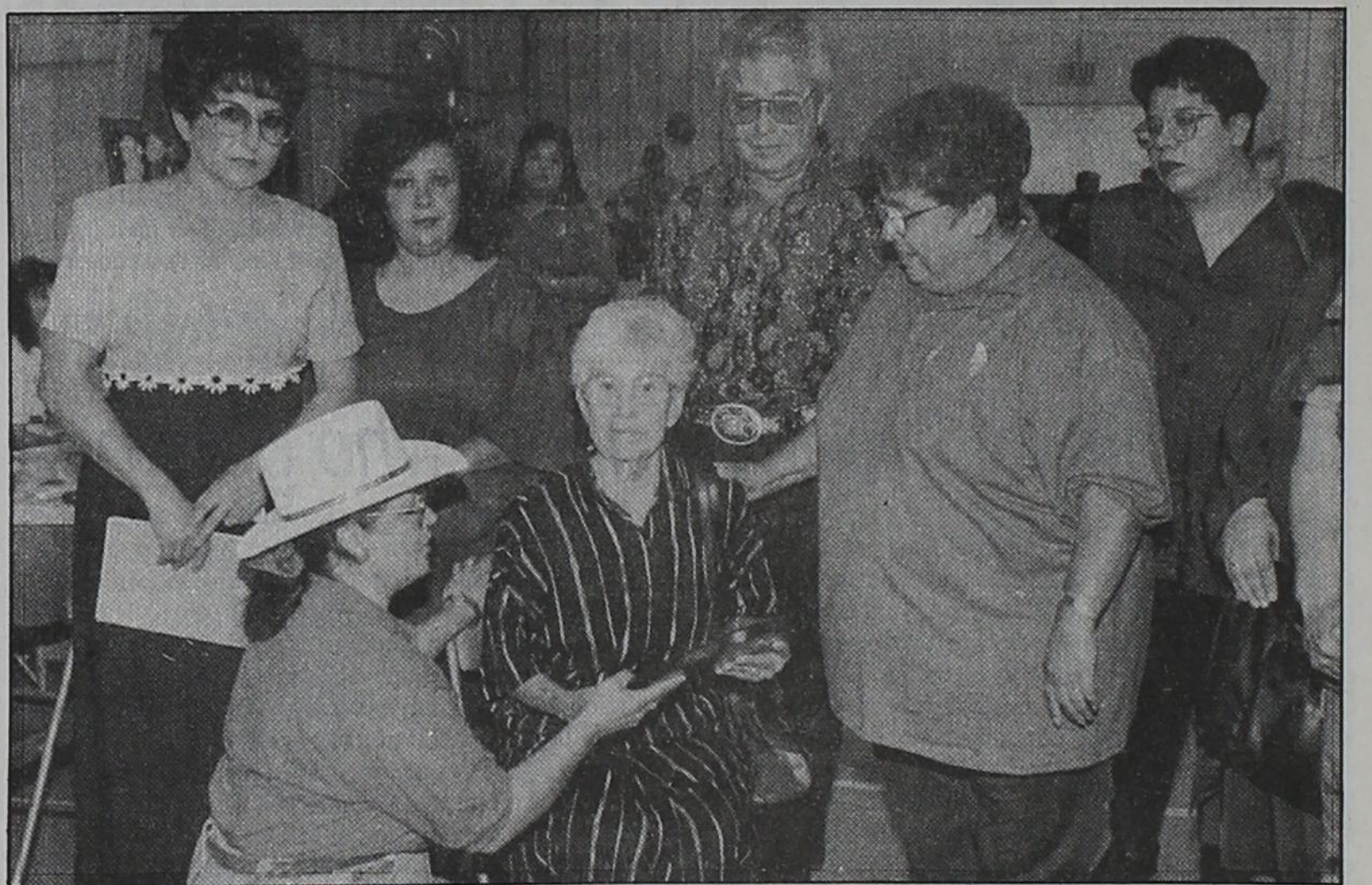
Sava scored 106 points in the Power Points tally system to emerge as the top picker of the week.

"I figured everybody's scores dropped when the Cowboys lost, so that didn't hurt my chances any," Sava said. "I'm really just glad I beat my mom. It's a lot of fun."

Hector Hernandez of Canyon, a technician for Pitney-Bowes, did pick the Indy upset of Dallas and scored 132 of a possible 136 points to win the statewide contest. As the grand prize winner, he picks up the weekly bonanza of \$1,000 in cash.

Is Hernandez worried that Texas isn't big enough to hide in after picking against the 'Boyz?

"Nah, I don't like them anyway," he retorted.



PETRA BARRERA (seated) and her husband, the late Cesario Barrera, also were honored as Hispanic Citizens Through the Years by the LULAC chapter in Dimmitt, represented by Gloria Hernandez (kneel-

ing), who presents a plaque to Petra, surrounded by family members, including (from left) Amelia Barrera, Maria Antonia Diaz, Benito Barrera, Elodia Martinez and Sally Barrera. Photo by Linda Maxwell

City begins annexation process

The Dimmitt City Council voted Monday night to begin the process of annexing three businesses into the city limits, as requested by the businesses.

All three are on SH 86 on the east side of Dimmitt. They are Dimmitt Welding & Electric, Earl's Garage, and Dimmitt Consumers. Consumers is asking for annexation of a 100-foot long strip of land that will facilitate annexation of the other two businesses, since annexed land must be on both sides of the road.

City Attorney Jack Edwards said there will have to be two public hearings and the city must develop a plan for providing city services to the property.

The council approved lowering the monthly charge to local water customers for mosquito control. It had been \$2 per month, but as of Oct. 1, it will be lowered to \$1 per month.

The council voted to accept the recommendation of the steering committee of area cities and accept a 5.3% rate hike from Energas, after the company had requested a 7.6% increase.

Bids were opened on a scraper for use in the city landfill, but a decision was tabled until city employees have a chance to see if specifications have been met. West Texas Equipment of Amarillo submitted a bid of \$67,021.57 for the city to finish paying off the scraper now on lease-purchase. They also gave a bid of \$173,862 for a new tractor/scraper.

Yellowhouse Machinery Co. of Lubbock also submitted two bids: one for a 1996 John Deere priced at \$178,965; and one for a 1994 John Deere for \$144,960.

In another matter, council members discussed how to provide for

disposal of items too big to fit in the trash dumpsters, such as old appliances and furniture.

City Manager Don Sheffy said that most other cities either charge extra for a pick-up service or completely refuse to pick up items not in the dumpster.

Weather

	High	Low	Pr.
Thursday	82	54	
Friday	74	56	.22
Saturday	69	56	
Sunday	70	55	.59
Monday	75	50	
Tuesday	77	50	
Wednesday	84	60	
September Moisture			2.42
1996 Moisture			11.55

Temperatures and moisture are recorded each day at 7 a.m. at KDHN Radio, official National Weather Service reporting station.



HART HIGH SCHOOL'S 1996 Homecoming Queen is Kandee Grossman (right) and here she accepts a bouquet of flowers from Veronica Martinez (left). Grossman was crowned Friday night during halftime of the Hart-Idalou game by Raquel Casares, president of the Hart Pep Squad. Grossman was escorted by her father, Leo Grossman, (in background). Photo by David Knox

On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Carole Dyer, Marie Perrin and Myrtle Lois Moran have returned from a two-week tour of England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland. They report the music of each country was beautiful, the history interesting and food wonderful. In the Emerald Isle, finding food with few calories and low cholesterol was as difficult as discovering a four-leaf clover.

Jacque McLeroy and her mother, Mary Small, were in Dimmitt on Sept. 5, so a few friends met them at the Pancake House for lunch and a good visit. Jacque and her mother, longtime Dimmitt residents, have moved to Lubbock and were in Dimmitt on business. Friends enjoying the visit were Ed and Betty Freeman, Cleo Forson, Edith Graef, Louise Mears and Irene Blanton.

The Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary met on Wednesday morning for a membership lunch. Mattie Seale presided over the business meeting and led the group in reciting the Auxiliary Prayer.

One new member, Heidi Thompson, was introduced. Barbara Sava gave the treasurer's report and Florene Leinen gave the secretary's report. Edna Reinart and Lucille Drerup gave some interesting reports on their trip to San Antonio where they attended the Hospital Auxiliary Convention.

Since Edna had surgery on her knee recently, she had trouble walking, so they used a wheelchair to help her everywhere. They attended several workshops, a luncheon and a banquet.

Theme for this year is "Volunteers—A Symphony of Service" and musical notes were given to each person.

At the brunch on Wednesday Mr. Sloan gave an informative and interesting talk about plans for the hospital. Several nurses were there for the meeting including Linda Rasor, Trudy Jackson, Jill McLean and Vicki Buckley.

Hostesses Mattie Seale and Irene Blanton served fruit and breakfast casserole with orange juice and coffee.

The Dimmitt Book Club met on Wednesday, Sept. 11, with Ina Cleavinger presiding over the business meeting and Doris Flynt reading the minutes.

Rosetta Bellinghausen introduced her guest reviewer, Jim Steiert, who reviewed his book, *Playas, Jewels of the Plains*. Jim lives in Hereford and works in public relations for West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative. He also is a free lance writer and professional hunting guide. *Playas* is his first book.

Jim grew up on a farm near Hart and became interested in playas when he was young. On the High Plains water is scarce, but when we have good rains, the playa lakes fill with water, that is important to the existence of life on the High Plains.

Wyman Meinzer is the photographer for the book and he lives in Benjamin. His work has appeared in

many magazines. He is author and photographer for other books including *Coyote* and *The Roadrunner*.

Maxine Tidwell and Carole Schroeder were hostesses for the social hour and they served party sandwiches, pretty decorated cookies and almond tea.

Ioma Stokes entertained her grandson, Carl Stokes of Opelika, Ala., recently. He is the son of Brooka and the late Ronnie Stokes. Carl is attending college at Auburn and was between semesters. He also visited with his aunt and family in Hart, Sue and Quincy Hawkins, Jeremy and Justin.

Emily Clingingsmith was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club and she served a delicious cherry cake. Lorann Hamilton and Virginia Crider served a lunch of barbecued chicken, baked beans, potato salad and sliced tomatoes. Dude McLauren finished with the high score and Emily was second. Others playing were Bill Thornton, Lorannell, Bernice Hill, Ben Hill, Elizabeth Huckabay, Cleo Forson, Virginia, Susie Reeves, Helen Braafladt, Neva Hickey, Ina Rae Cates, Opha Burks, Louise Mears and Alma Kenmore.

The Carlile Country Showcase with live country music, was very entertaining on Saturday night.

The Ramblin' Rascals played many songs with locals Jerry Frazier and Herb Mayfield playing with others in the band, who hailed from Lubbock and Albuquerque.

Susan Coleman sang several songs and Jerry Frazier accompanied her on one number.

Edgar Dennis recited several of his cowboy poems.

When the first number was called for the door prizes, a little boy said, "That's me!" He won a Carlile Theater cap.

Bro. Paul Kenley gave members of the First Baptist Church a special treat by singing *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* before he brought the morning message "In the Name of Jesus."

The Mexican Fiesta that was held Saturday was a huge success. There was food, music and dancing. Many

food booths, games and craft booths offered entertainment during the day. Mexican dinners were served as well as homemade ice cream, fajitas, nachos, turkey legs, popcorn, snow cones and many more goodies.

The San Patricio Ballet Folkloric Dancers of Lubbock entertained as well as cheerleaders from Dimmitt and Hart. There were gymnastics demonstrations and a tae kwon do exhibit.

Gloria Hernandez is the president of this organization and is doing a great job with the help of many. Several of the elected county officials were there for all the fun.

If anyone is bored in Dimmitt, just look around—there is usually entertainment for everyone!

Betty Freeman called to ask me to put in my column that Don and Paula Graham would be giving a report of their mission trip to Russia at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning.

The Town and Country Extension Club will meet Friday morning at 10:15 in the meeting room in the courthouse basement.

Since Kathryn and Bill Birdwell made the big league with their birthdays last week, several friends dressed for the occasion (in past fashion and hair style) to take them out to eat at the Border Line Restaurant.

Apparently Doris Lust is using a walker and Ina Cleavinger is using a cane. Carolyn Sides still owns an outfit from the "early days" and

George had his hair curled and parted.

The Wild Plum Bed and Breakfast was the replay scene of last year's birthday party for Dorothy Hopson and Elva Forrester, Deanne Clark's mother. Last Thursday, 15 ladies from Lubbock, Hart, Sudan, Dimmitt and Hereford joined together with greeting cards and lunch and stayed for table games afterwards.

The baby shower honoring Jacob Clay Porter had gifts, gifts and more gifts. Mother Polly Bolton opened several gifts in addition to those displayed, and guests enjoyed refreshments of cookies, cream puffs, fruit and punch. Shelly Collins, along with 14 other ladies, hosted the event.

The LULAC fiesta was a big success again this year. The Expo was almost full with onlookers, entertainers, vendors and politicians. The planners and workers shared their time all week in preparing for the party.

Sunnyside with Teeny Bowden

Francis King of Amarillo, brother of Billie King, died unexpectedly in Amarillo on Sept. 11. His wife, Mary, died about two months ago. Funeral services were held in Amarillo Friday afternoon.

All of his children got to come for the services. Billie and Emma Jean and their children, Marshal and Kaye King, and Betty and Bobby Sutton of El Paso also attended.

The Suttons spent Thursday night with them.

Funeral services for Wendel Widner of Melrose were held Saturday morning. She died Thursday morning.

Verba and Ezell Sadler, Larry and Sharon Sadler, Gay Sadler and Patricia Powell of Canadian attended the funeral services.

Patricia came Friday night to go with them. She went home Sunday morning. The Widners have been friends of Ezell and Verba Sadler for over 50 years.

A.C. Green, a basketball player for the Lakers, spoke to a large crowd of teenagers at Wayland Baptist University on Tuesday evening. Gay Sadler took Tracy Damron, Lacy Louder and Latisa Reyes. Bennie Wright was a counselor and Joyce was a sponsor.

The Class of 1941 didn't have their Friday night dinner at K-Bob's

on Sept. 6, but they did have a meal together with the Early Settlers on Saturday, Sept. 7. They enjoyed visiting. Those present were Emma Jean King, Tyson Eubanks, Boyce Carter, Glenn Exter, Dorothy Sheffy and Thelma Hutcherson.

Hershel Wilson went to Lubbock for an MRI Friday morning. While in Lubbock he and Retha celebrated their anniversary.

Hazel Epperson, aunt of Retha Wilson, died in Levelland Tuesday. Hershel and Retha attended the funeral in Levelland Friday afternoon.

On Saturday, Sonya and Johnny Britton and Debbie and her friend, Leslie Mills of Lubbock and Angela Freeman of Plainview came to Hershel and Retha Wilson's for a fish fry. Retha's brother, Rob Epperson, brought their mother to the fish fry, too.

Jessica and Andrea Wilson went to church with the Wilsons Sunday morning and Andrea played the offertory for the services.

Robert Duke attended the homecoming at Springlake-Earth Friday night. On Saturday afternoon he attended the class reunions of the classes of 1945 and 1947, and the 50th reunion of the Class of 1946. They were all held together at the Wild Plum Bed and Breakfast in Olton.

We received .70 of an inch of rain Saturday.

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Dr. Leon Joplin signs a new contract with the Castro County Hospital District while Hospital Board Chairman Bill Clark looks on. The Hospital Board approved the contract at its Aug. 29 meeting.

Announcing a Renewal

We are pleased to announce the continuation of our professional relationship with Dr. Leon Joplin, who has signed a new one-year contract with the Castro County Hospital District.

Dr. Joplin has been at the Medical Center of Dimmitt ever since it opened in its present building, and prior to that he assisted Dr. B. D. Murphy with his practice for a few months.

Dr. Joplin serves the community above and beyond his professional duties. He and his wife, Pam, are active in the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt and are involved in the interdenominational youth ministry and the new Spanish-language Baptist church. Also, he is an active member of the Dimmitt Lions Club. Their daughter, Courtney, 17, is the Lions Club Sweetheart.

A native of Lubbock who grew up in Amarillo, Dr. Joplin graduated from

Tascosa High School in 1967, and received a bachelor's degree in nursing in 1985 from the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. He graduated from the Texas College of Medicine in 1992. He completed his residency in family practice medicine at McLennan County Medical Education and Research-Affiliate of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas in June 1995.

He is a member of the Osteopathic Medical Association and the American Medical Association, and is a diplomate of the American Board of Family Practice.

As a board-certified family practitioner, Dr. Joplin provides medical, surgical and obstetrical care.

His office is in the Medical Center of Dimmitt, where he is available by appointment from 9 to 5 Monday through Friday.

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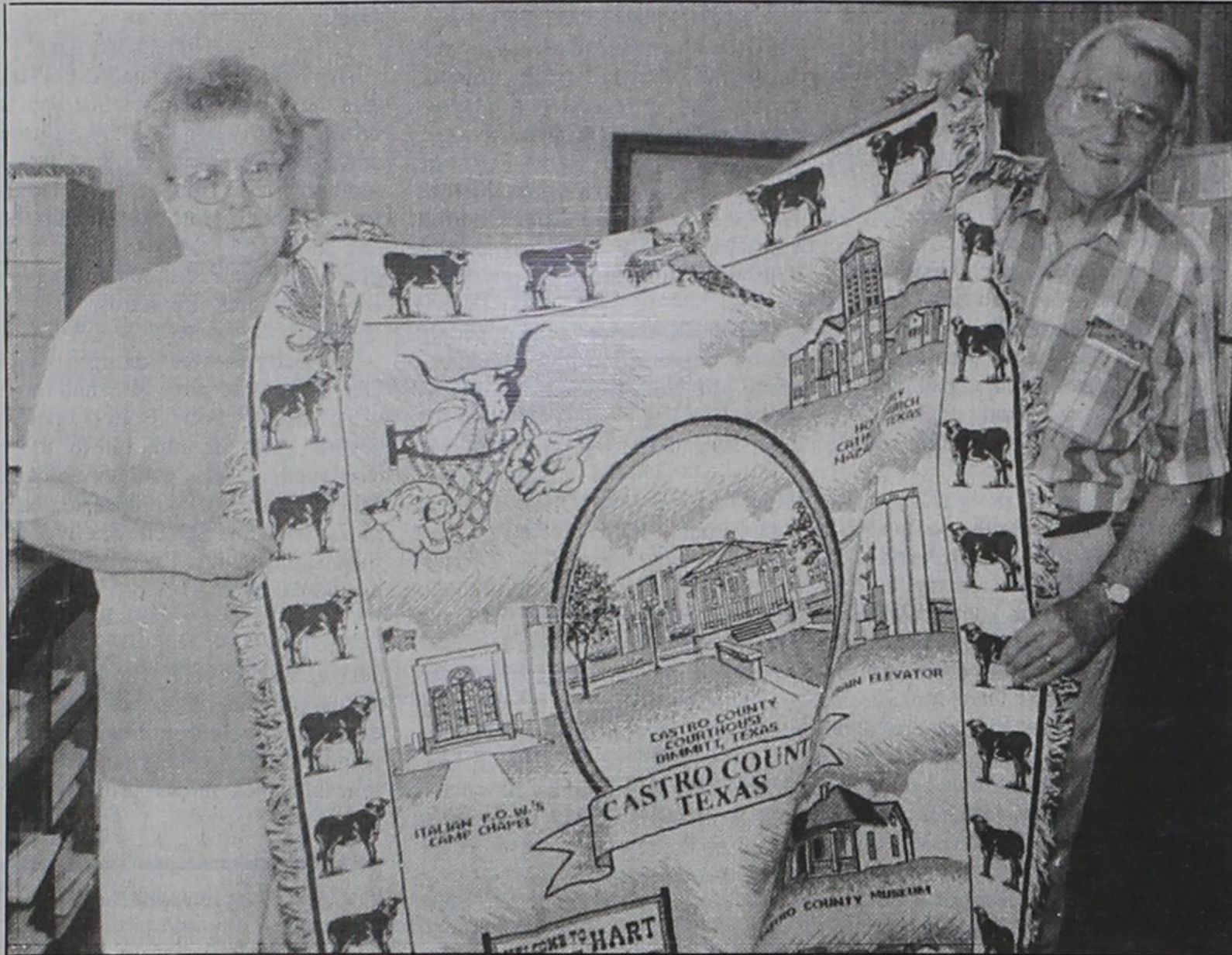
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SHE'S A WINNER—Bessie Strickland (left) of Dimmitt is the winner of the Chamber of Commerce drawing for the "Tip Your Hat" giveaway held during Harvest Days. She "tipped her hat" at the Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union and won this Castro County afghan, donated by the *Castro County News*. Making the presentation is Don Nelson, publisher of the *News*. Afghans may be ordered through the Chamber for \$45, or \$50 for mail orders. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*

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Dale Leinen is featured in documentary

Dale Leinen, son of Florene Leinen has been featured in a special publication, *Healing in the Heartland*, a story highlighting the Salvation Army's historic response to the Oklahoma City Bombing.

Leinen, president of Discovery Travel, an airlines travel agency in Oklahoma City, serves as an advisory board member with the Salvation Army.

Through his agency, he discovered the Salvation Army needed help with travel arrangements for absent family members of the victims to come and be with their families. He helped provide that travel for many family members who had to make emergency flights to Oklahoma City.

Under Leinen's direction, a formal Emergency Disaster Airlines Relations office was set up to provide travel-associated assistance at the Salvation Army's command headquarters.

The article describes in detail Leinen's work in ensuring families were able to be put into contact with their loved ones and describes him as "one of the heroes of the heartland, men and women who made a difference by their own sacrifice and service in behalf of others."



MRS. CHARLES TODD HILL
... nee Misty LaShea Maxfield

Reyes is honored

Dimmitt Middle School has recognized Kelly Reyes as student of the week in Mrs. Damron's and Mrs. Spring's rooms.

Reyes' parents are Ben and Linda Reyes.

Reyes was born June 11, 1987, in Plainview and she enjoys ice cream, tigers and science. She wants to be better at English and says her favorite book is *Way Side School*. She says attending Dimmitt Middle School makes her feel grown up. When she grows up she wants to be a teacher. She admires her sister, Alicia. In her free time she enjoys spending time with friends.

GED Classes start Tuesday

GED and ESL classes for adults will be held at Dimmitt High School starting Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Rm. 18.

A cooperative project between the Region XVI Service Center and DISD, the classes are being offered at no cost.

The basic education classes are intended to help prepare adults to take the GED exam.

For more information, contact Sue Summers at 647-3105.

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Yes, Sunday, Sept. 22
they will be 716 years old!
Happy Special Birthdays to Amy-21, Katie-15,
Uncle Bob-? and Rusty-16.

Hill and Maxfield wed Saturday in Nazareth

Charles Todd Hill and Misty Maxfield exchanged wedding vows Saturday afternoon in a formal, double-ring ceremony at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth.

Father Jerry Stein, pastor, and Ted Wilson of Amherst officiated at the nuptial service.

The bride is the daughter of Darlene Maxfield of Amherst. Parents of the groom are Charley and Beverly Hill of Nazareth.

Maid of honor was Shala KLoiber of Lubbock. Bridesmaids were Aimee Schmucker of Lubbock, Jonessa Brockman of Lazbuddie, Traci Scholl of Wichita Falls, Lee Ann Bryant of Anton and Shelly Fitzgearld of Rankin.

Best man was Charley Hill of Nazareth, father of the groom. Groomsmen included Chris Schmucker of Lubbock, Cory Hoelting of Tulia, Kevin Scholl of Wichita Falls, Craig Huseman of Nazareth and Kenny Kern of Zachery, La. Junior groomsmen were Jeremy Maxfield of Littlefield.

Ushers were Lynn Pulliman of Amarillo, Michael Bryant of Anton,

Kyle Maxfield of Amherst and Bob Boker of Hereford.

Scripture readers included Tina Cowan and Wade Hoelting of Austin.

Candlelighters were Ashley and Chad Russell of Lubbock.

Guests were registered by Nichole Maxfield of Midland.

The couple are enjoying a wedding cruise to the Bahamas and will establish their new home in Lubbock.

The bride is a graduate of Amherst High School and the Methodist School of Nursing. She is employed at Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

The groom graduated from Nazareth High School and Texas Tech University and he works at Grinnell Manufacturing.

Senior parents meeting is set

Parents of seniors at Dimmitt High School are urged to attend a workshop Oct. 1 at 7:30 p.m. at the high school library.

DHS Counselor Sue Summers will speak on choosing a post-secondary school, admissions policies and procedures, and entrance exams.

"Everyone is invited to attend, and parents of seniors, especially, need this information," Summers said.

FHA plans fiesta supper

The Dimmitt High School FHA will hold a fiesta supper on Friday, Sept. 27, prior to the Bobcats homecoming football game.

Tickets may be purchased at the door will be \$4 for adults and \$3 for students 11 and under. Take outs will be available.

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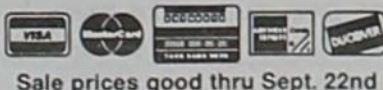
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Mr. and Mrs. Brian Stewart establish home in Lubbock

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Wade Stewart are home in Lubbock after a wedding trip to New Orleans, La.

The couple exchanged wedding vows on June 22 at St. Mary's Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Freeport. Father Reginald Petras officiated at the service, assisted by Deacon Wallace Shaw.

The bride is the former Jill Renee Wagner, daughter of Charles and Margaret Wagner of Lake Jackson and granddaughter of Mrs. Sid Wagner and Ms. Gille Reaux of Freeport. The groom is the son of Pete and Darla Stewart of Dimmitt and the grandson of Mrs. Sarah Stewart of Enid, Okla.

Selected music during the prelude was provided by Brazos Brass Quintet, featuring Jerry Crummel, Terry Crummel, John Bernzen, Kurt Ruthstrom and Bill Hutchison. The St. Mary's Folk Group, under the leadership of guitarist and vocalist Jimmy Salinas, along with guitarist James Saccomanno and vocalists Marilyn Saccomanno, Allen Faulk, Karen Faulk, Larry Fansher, Jean Fansher and Beth Imperatore, provided music for the mass. Selections included *I Have Loved You, All That We Have, Anyone Who Eats This Bread, Only a Shadow, Like a Seal On Your Heart, Melchizedek Alleluia and Rondeau from Sinfonies de Fanfare*. A euphonium solo of *The Lord's Prayer* was played by Will Scott.

The bride carried a linen handkerchief, that was a gift from her mother. She also wore a ruby solitaire ring that belonged to the groom's maternal grandmother, Lois Brotherton. The bride and groom each wore a penny in a shoe which had been minted in the year they were born.

Matron of honor was Laura Garmon of Houston. Maid of honor was Jenni Wagner, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Connie Reaux and Melissa Reaux of Houston, cousins of the bride; and Lettie Ortiz of Lubbock. Junior bridesmaids were Jerica Wagner, sister of the bride, and Danielle Clark, both of Lake Jackson.

Best man was Paul Sikes of Midland. Groomsman were Will Scott and Steven Garcia, both of Lubbock; Jimmie Exline of Lockney; and Chad Wagner of Lake Jackson, brother of the bride.

Flower girl was Amy Bruce of Freeport, cousin of the bride. Christopher Eggleston of Burleson, cousin of the groom, served as ring bearer.

The ring bearer's pillow and the bride's garter were crocheted by the



MR. AND MRS. BRIAN WADE STEWART
... She's the former Jill Renee Wagner

bride's mother.

Ushers were Joey Paul of Aledo, Mark Eggleston of Burleson and Kenneth Gardner of Arlington, cousin of the groom.

Altar servers were Joseph, Julie and Grace Salinas. Program attendant was Leslie Saccomanno. Offeratory gifts were brought to the altar by Christy, Jimmy, Aaron and Kristen Park.

A reception and dance followed the wedding in the church's parish hall. Catering the reception was Mary Anguiano. Members of the houseparty were Tara Larson, Stephanie Simecek, Kristi Sikes, Heather Broussard, Linda Saccomanno, Pat Broussard and Carol Ramsey.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Brazosport High School. She graduated from Texas Tech University in 1995 with a bachelor's degree in music performance with teacher certification. She is employed as a teaching assistant at Texas Tech University and is pursuing her master's degree.

The groom is a 1989 graduate of Dimmitt High School. He graduated from Texas Tech University in 1993 with a bachelor's degree in music. He is currently high school and junior high band director at Lockney High School.

Special guests included the bride's godparents, Jimmy and Mary Reaux of Houston; the groom's aunt,

Brenda Gardner of Morton; his sister, Pam Rowe of Plains; his uncle, Gene Reaux; his aunt and uncle, Kenneth and Pat Stewart of Wichita, Kan.; his aunt, Joyce Fuller of Arlington; Kenneth and Dolores Gardner, Kristin, Kalli and Kenzie of Arlington, Mark and Kayla Eggleston, Christopher and Eric of Burleson, cousins of the groom; and Frank Ables of Wichita, Cynthia Jones of Morton, James and Rhonda Killough, Laverne Rudd of Edna, and Sid, Sharon and Melissa Wagner of Houston.

The parents of the groom hosted the rehearsal dinner at the On The River Restaurant in Freeport.



OUT OF TOWN

Kyle and Kelley Yates of Arlington are the proud parents of a baby boy, Joshua Lee, who was born Sunday in Arlington. He weighed 7 lbs., 5 ozs., and was 20 inches long. He has one big sister, Alanna Renee, 12. Grandparents are Bill and Dee Brisco of Dimmitt, Chris Perry of Arlington and Jim and Mary Perry of Brownwood.

Kevin and Shelly Petty of Seagraves are the proud parents of a son, Grant Taylor Petty, who was born Sept. 10 at 8:04 a.m. at Lubbock Methodist Hospital. He weighed 6 lbs., 2 ozs., and was 20-1/2 inches long. Grandparents are Dorothy Nutt of Dimmitt, Jean Petty of Tulia and Dan and Sandra Petty of Grand Junction, Colo. Great-grandparents are Ruby Wilson of Ropes, Ellie Nutt of Plainview, R.O. and Allena Nelson of Leila Lake and Tommie Sue Nisbett of Dimmitt.

Deaf Smith Museum plans special show

The Deaf Smith County Historical Society will have a special showing of "Plains of Light, Fields of Vision" Sunday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Deaf Smith County Historical Museum in Hereford.

The exhibit of photographs depicting life in the Texas Panhandle in the early days will be on display at the museum until Sept. 30.

Regular museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, but the museum will open its doors Sunday for this special program.

For more information about the program contact Donna Brockman, executive director of the museum, at (806) 363-7070.

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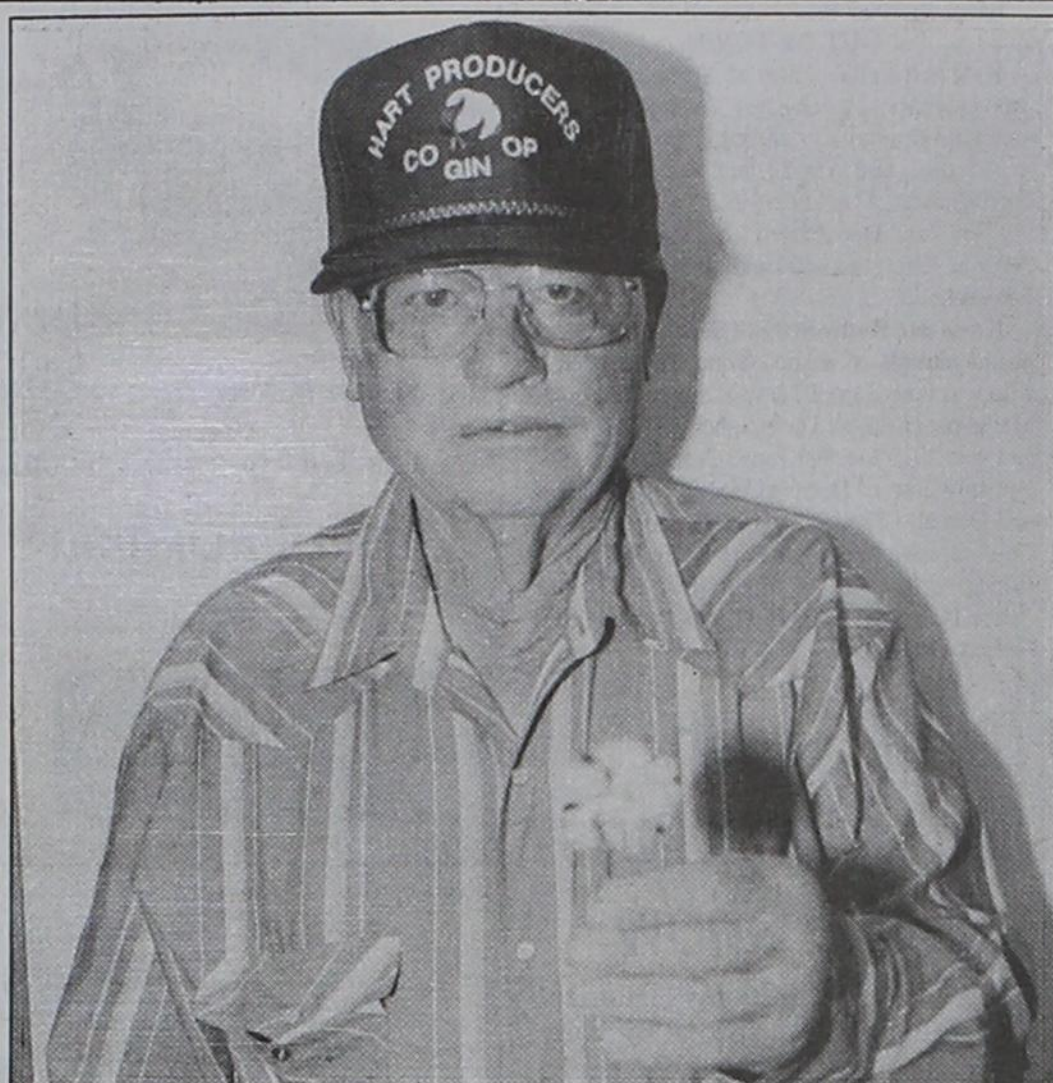
Dimmitt FFA will hold its annual "slave sale" Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. in the Dimmitt High School auditorium.

FFA members who have offered to donate their time and agree to be "auctioned" off Tuesday are Mikel Atchley, Amanda Annen, Laura Bradford, Travis Crow, Ashley Davis, Chris Davis, Joey Flores, Ysela Gonzales, Derik Harkins, Ryan Harkins, Cory Hopson, Jimmy Ivey, Asia Kirby, Blu Kropp, Errin Kropp, Wesley Mays, Jay McCormick, Jana Nelson, Raymond Powers, Tonya Powers, Jeremy Simpson, Aaron Wilcox, Kaci Schulte, Cody Brockman, Dominic Abalos, Russell Rickert, Tyson Traylor and Chad Ewing.

Each member will be auctioned off to the highest bidder, and the person winning the bid on an individual will receive the services of that individual for eight hours.

Anyone who would like to phone in a bid should call Jerry Mathis at 647-3105.

Money raised from the sale will help Dimmitt FFA members with expenses of attending district and state meetings and other student activities.



SIX-LOCK BOLL—Kenneth Heard shows off a six-lock boll of cotton he plucked from a stalk at his farm southeast of Nazareth earlier this week. Heard said the stalk from which he picked this boll also had bolls with three, four and five locks. Heard said he planted the Paymaster 145 variety around May 10. He prewatered the crop, and has watered it once since it was planted. He plans to gin his cotton at Hart Producers Co-op Gin, but doesn't expect to begin stripping the cotton for another 30 days. Heard, who has been raising cotton in Castro County for 50 years, says this is the first six-lock boll he's ever seen. Photo by Anne Acker

Class of '76 sets reunion

The Dimmitt High School Class of 1976 will hold its 20-year reunion Sept. 27-28 as a part of the DHS Homecoming activities.

The only cost of the reunion will be the \$20 per couple or \$15 per single to attend the reunion dance Sept. 28 at the Country Club of Dimmitt. No RSVP is required.

Plans include attending the Homecoming Pep Rally Sept. 27 at 3 p.m., the FHA pre-game supper, and the Homecoming game against Muleshoe, with visitation scheduled for after the game at the Country Club of Dimmitt.

Also, on Sept. 28, there will be a golf scramble at 11 a.m. at the country club, weather permitting. It will be followed by informal visitation and a dinner at 6:30 p.m. at The Borderline Restaurant, followed by the dance.

Those attending will need to purchase their own tickets for the FHA supper and the football game, as well as their own golf and meal on Sept. 28.

Reunion organizers advise calling and ordering in advance for the Sept. 28 meal, 647-4785.

Minding Your Own Business

By DON TAYLOR

The Selling Relationship



My column mailbox brings some refreshing common sense almost every week. Readers often pass along bad experiences they've had with businesses. Sometimes they write to applaud exceptional service.

I enjoy reading all the mail. However, because of the volume I'm unable to answer each letter. I save all of your appropriate thoughts in topical files for future column ideas. When you see a column on consumer service it's usually a composite from the experience of

many folks.

However, today's column is the result of a single letter from a Texas truck driver. In his note he told me he was in the market for a new pickup. He had visited several dealerships and was uncomfortable with the quality and appearance of sales professionals who came out to greet him.

"A couple of them looked like bums," he said. "You can put a bum in a white shirt and tie, but you still have a hairy bum with earrings." The reader went on to describe the rudeness of having to put up with secondhand cigarette smoke, pushy attitudes and general ignorance of the product they were selling.

Here is a gem of wisdom he shared with me in the last paragraph of his letter: "What are the owners of the business places thinking of? I will buy a pickup when I find a salesperson I would not mind inviting into my home."

Truth and Respect

I personally feel that the successful selling relationship hasn't changed too much over the years. You must build a relationship on trust and respect. Here are some tips for anyone in business on building trust and gaining the respect of those you serve.

♦ **Know your product or service well.** Today's customers are smarter and have more access to information than ever before. Whether you're selling cars, computers or cowboy boots, know your product.

♦ **Take time to know your customer.** One of the best ways to learn about folks is to ask a lot of questions. It may take a little longer to make the sale, but you will please your customer and make your relationship more secure.

♦ **Always tell the truth.** You may lose a sale now and then, but you won't lose your customer in the long run. Many folks will take their business elsewhere if they catch you in a lie.

♦ **Sell the benefits, not the features.** Customers really just have one question: What do we get for our money? Tell them. Show them. The value is the benefits and advantages you give them.

♦ **Help your customers determine their needs.** A few knowledgeable questions during the selling process may help you direct your customers toward perfect choices. You can base your product suggestions on knowledge.

♦ **Never argue with a customer.** You may be right, and you be able to prove it. However, all too often you may win the argument but lose the customer.

♦ **Follow up after the sale.** Several months ago I bought a car. No one could find the owner's manual, so the salesperson promised to send it to me. Every couple of months I'd get a package or note from the salesperson. I enjoyed the gifts and thank-you notes, but later I had to write a letter to get my manual.

♦ **Keep your promises.** The best way I know to kill repeat business is to forget or ignore what you promised. In the example above, the \$10 manual might have cost a future \$20,000 sale. You never know.

♦ **Be polite, friendly and well groomed.** Yes, if you're going to be successful in sales, you really do have to be the kind of person folks would be comfortable inviting to their home.

Don Taylor is the co-author of *Up Against the Wal-Marts*. You may write to him in care of Minding Your Own Business, P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

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Pesticide applicators should prepare for audit of CEUs

Commercial pesticide applicators should prepare for an audit of their continuing education units (CEUs) after problems were found with some renewals.

"The goal behind self-certification was to make the process easier for licensees and to create less paperwork for everyone," said Texas Ag Commissioner Rick Perry. "However, we've gotten some renewals where applicators failed to include information about the courses they took."

Perry said the Texas Dept. of Agriculture (TDA) hopes to clear up any uncertainties about how to self-certify.

This is the first year that all pesticide applicators are to self-certify their continuing education units. Commercial applicators must renew their licenses each year and give five CEUs before they can renew.

Licenses contain a chart on the back to record CEU credits. That same chart is on their renewal form. Applicators receive a certificate when they complete a continuing education course and are required to keep them for a year following license renewal. TDA will check those certificates to verify CEUs.

TDA will audit all commercial applicator CEUs each year and will randomly audit non-commercial and private applicators. Non-commercial applicators, usually government employees, must renew annually and

earn five CEUs. Private applicator licenses are good for five years and applicators must earn 15 CEUs during that period. At the beginning of last year, TDA provided private applicators with their current CEU total, and applicators are required to self-certify from that point until their license comes up for renewal.

"We realize these changes can get confusing," Perry said. "Anyone who is unclear about their renewal status should call us. We don't want applicators to get to the point of renewing, find out they are short of CEUs and be out of business until they meet the requirements. We expect self-certification to relieve this problem because applicators should always know how many credits they have. When you take a course, immediately write it on your license or on whatever record keeping system you use."

"We firmly believe that continuing education keeps our applicators up to date on the latest pesticide information and regulation changes. We have seen fewer pesticide complaints since implementing the continuing education requirement. We know most farmers, ranchers and business people would rather manage their own concerns and that's what self-certification is about," Perry said.

For more information on pesticide licenses or self-certification, contact the Worker Protection and Applicator Certification and Training program at (512) 463-7622 or 1-800-TELL-TDA.

Dr. W.J. Hill speaks at roundtable meeting

W.J. Hill, DVM, of Dimmitt recently participated in a roundtable discussion with nine other veterinarians from across the Southern and Central Plains.

Held in Denver, and sponsored by Pfizer Animal Health, the roundtable focused on key parasite control issues facing these practitioners' cow-calf producers, stocker operators and feedlot managers. Veterinarians were invited to participate based on their interest in parasitology.

"Dr. Tom Craig from Texas A&M

University, a cattle parasitology expert, provided both an update and new information on cattle parasite control," said Larry Hollis, DVM, a Pfizer senior technical services veterinarian. "A lot of notes were taken as veterinarians prepared to take this information home and apply it in their practices. And, of course, we had tremendous discussions as individual veterinarians shared their experiences and perspectives on controlling parasites."

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Cerestar promotes Maureen Callahan

Maureen A. Callahan has been promoted to director of national accounts for Cerestar USA Inc., Processed Foods in Hammond, Ind., according to Kevin F. Weber, vice president of sales.

Callahan will be responsible for sales in Cerestar USA's major food accounts in the United States. Previously, she was a senior account manager for the company under its former name, American Maize Products Co. She has been with the company since 1989.

Callahan received a bachelor of science degree in dietetics and chemistry from the University of Illinois. She also holds a master of business administration degree in finance from North Central College in Naperville, Ill.

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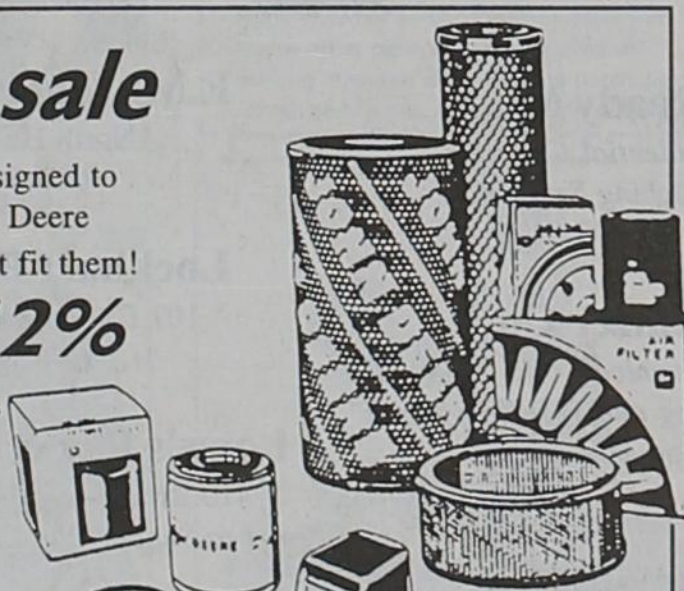
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Sticky cotton problem associated with aphids

Producers looking forward to a jump in new-crop cotton prices received help with release of the US Dept. of Agriculture's Sept. 11 crop report.

The September report, which detailed 1996 crop estimates for all commodities, showed a sharp decline in Upland cotton production of almost 700,000 bales. Production figures for the Texas High Plains were left unchanged.

Total Upland cotton production for the United States was estimated at 17.326 million bales, down from the August estimate of 18.001 million bales.

In other figures released by USDA, no changes were made to either planted or expected harvested acreage. Supply and demand numbers estimated a reduction of cotton ending stocks of 400,000 bales resulting from a combination of lower production, increased domestic usage and lower export sales.

December futures rose the 300 point daily limit following the release of the report, but has shown little movement through the end of the week.

The return of mild daytime temperatures and cloudy skies could create problems for High Plains producers needing warm sunny weather to put the finishing touches on the 1996 crop.

"We could definitely use another two to three weeks of warm, sunny days to get this crop ready for harvest," said PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson.

Producers hoping for an extension of a Section 18 exemption for the best available weapon to use against potentially devastating late-season aphid infestations had their wishes granted.

According to information received last week, the Section 18 exemption in place for Furadan 4F has been extended until Sept. 30. Also revised were treatment thresholds that will allow the use of Furadan 4F on cotton.

The previous Section 18 exemption was scheduled to expire Sunday.

New treatment thresholds specify that for fields with 5% open bolls, Furadan 4F can be used when aphids reach a population of 15 per leaf using the same sampling plan used for other aphid counts. Producers will still be limited to two applications of Furadan 4F under the Section 18. If two applications have already been made, then no more will be allowed, regardless of the latest extension.

"It is very important that cotton producers remember that they are limited to just two Furadan applications under this Section 18 exemption," said Lubbock County Extension Agent Mark Brown.

Producers who have questions about the use of Furadan 4F can contact their County Extension Agent or Dr. Jim Leser at the Texas Agricultural Research and Extension Center north of Lubbock.

Worth Jones's bull is featured in Angus report

Worth Jones of Dimmitt owns one bull listed in the 1996 Fall Sire Evaluation Report published by the American Angus Association.

Issued in both the spring and fall, the new report features the latest performance information available on more than 4,800 sires.

The information is in the form of Expected Progeny Differences (EPDs). It is compiled from Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) submitted by breeders to the American Angus Association.

EPDs are excellent indicators of the genetic merit animals have for specific traits, said John Crouch, director of performance programs for the American Angus Association. When using EPDs with high accuracy values, cattle producers can depend on EPDs for predicting performance.

Traits in which EPDs are available include birth weight, weaning weight, milk, yearling weight and height, mature daughter weight and height and scrotal circumference as well as carcass traits including carcass weight, marbling, rib eye area, external fat thickness and percent retail product.

A small quantity of cotton produced in the High Plains area in 1995 had a sticky problem associated with late season aphid infestations.

Contamination from the few sticky bales produced on the High Plains last year caused severe damage to the quality reputation of West Texas cotton with textile mills.

The affected amount could have been as little as 5% of total bales produced. Sticky cotton doesn't cause a problem during the ginning process, but does cause considerable trouble in textile mills.

Most, if not all, of the sticky cotton was produced on limited production fields—fields that had insufficient moisture to prevent premature cutout. Heavy September rains caused a major regrowth in those fields, which attracted and supported late season aphid infestation development. These aphids excreted excess sugar-water on the open bolls waiting for a killing freeze. There were no further rains to wash off this sugar-water, even though it only takes about a quarter of an inch to

accomplish the wash.

Sticky cotton is difficult to detect until it adheres to machine surfaces in the textile mill. Therefore, sticky cotton was shipped, undetected, to mills along with uncontaminated cotton. Sticky cotton also collects fine soil particles that caused excessive wear and the need for more frequent replacement of certain machine parts at the mill. The bottom line was that sticky cotton caused a severe disruption in the manufacturing process and a substantial loss of money in the textile mills.

Word of the sticky cotton problem quickly spread among mills around the world so that the only ones that may not fully appreciate the problem is the cotton producer. There is now an understandable reluctance on the part of many mills to buy the 1996 crop without some sort of assurances that there will be no sticky cotton problem. Any old crop cotton from this area has already been discounted by at least 10¢.

To counteract the bad publicity from last year's problem, the West Texas Sticky Cotton Committee was formed several months ago. The group notified concerned mills that producers in the High Plains area are now aware of the problem and are working to ensure that the problem doesn't occur again.

The committee has been involved in developing information, which is available from Extension agents, about termination of dryland and limited irrigation cotton. The timely use of harvest-aid chemicals in limited yield potential situations is being promoted as a sound economic practice for many reasons other than avoidance of sticky cotton, should late season aphid problems redevelop.

Guidelines have been developed in California for managing late season aphid infestations to avoid sugar-water problems on open cotton. The threshold for this situation is 10 aphids per leaf, once cotton is 5% open. This is a very proactive treatment regimen and doesn't factor in the chance for a sugar-water cleansing rain or for the frequent occurrence of aphid infestation "crashes" once cotton opens. The 5% open cotton window may be aggressive

for this area.

Studies found the use of harvest aids also has boosted quality by lowering leaf trash and allowing prompt harvest before stalk deterioration results in bark discounts. Recent research also shows a consistent increase in quality from the use of harvest aids compared with leaving the crop for a killing freeze.

For more information contact the Texas Agricultural Extension Service or Farm Service Agency office.

Ranch management seminar scheduled

Ranch Management Consultants will offer a half-day Survival Seminar in Amarillo Oct. 5, at a cost of \$20 for the first enrollee and \$10 for each additional person from the same organization.

The meeting is designed for ranchers who want to know what can be done to survive the difficult conditions currently facing cattle producers.

Dr. Stan Parsons of RMC believes that the current low cycle in beef prices, combined with an all-time high in grain prices and the forecast of a four-year drought, is likely to have a devastating effect on many livestock producers across the nation.

"These are steps we can take to ensure that the drought has as little effect on the land as possible; much that we can do to improve the economic scene; and even some steps to get up to \$100 more a head for animals we sell," Parsons said. "In only a few hours, we can't offer complete solutions in detail, but we can make those ranchers who are serious about staying in business aware that much can be done to alleviate the situation."

To register for the seminar or for more information, contact Elaine Kelly at RMC, Inc., at 505-898-7417.



Farmers should use licensed grain warehouse

The Texas Dept. of Agriculture is encouraging farmers to make sure they are using a grain storage facility that is licensed by TDA to ensure safe handling of their harvested crop.

According to Texas Ag Commissioner Rick Perry many new turnrow dealers are popping up all over the state and they are not required to be licensed, insured or bonded in the state of Texas.

Perry said warehouses licensed with TDA insure grain for losses caused by fire, tornado, lightning, wind storm, cyclone or internal explosion at the full market price.

TDA inspects all of the warehouses licensed with the agency to make sure grain is where it's supposed to be until it's sold, according to Perry.

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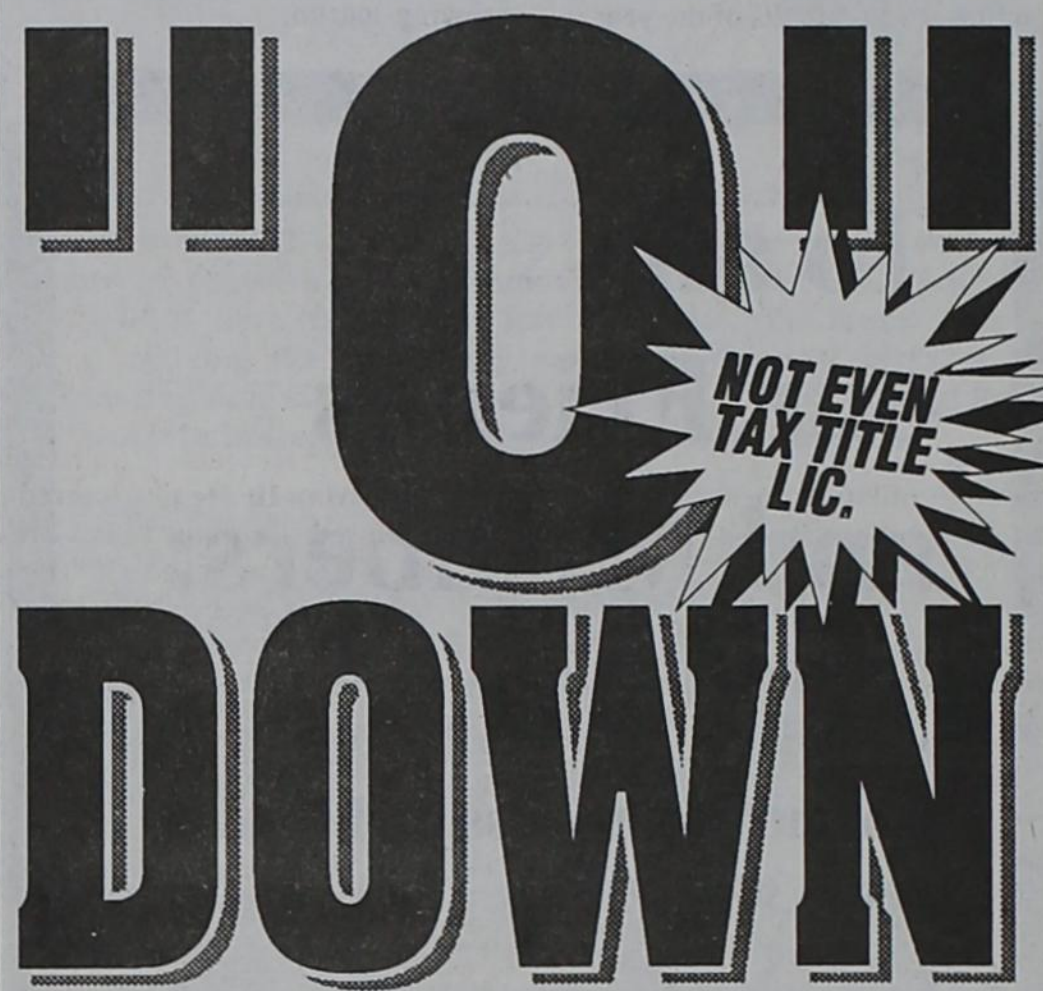
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Rains mixed blessing to High Plains cotton

Almost two weeks of cool, cloudy, rainy weather is proving to be a mixed blessing to the Texas High Plains cotton crop. About a third of the 3.5 million acres annually planted in the area was lost to drought, blowing sand and bad weather as the season began.

The widespread, soaking rains of late August and early September have provided enough moisture for the surviving 2.25 million acres of cotton to mature without moisture stress. In August and the first week of September, the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Lubbock recorded 6.2 inches of rainfall, almost equalling the 6.89 inches received in the first seven months of the year.

But lower temperatures and cloudy skies accompanying the rain are threatening delays in crop and fiber maturity. The first few days of September saw High Plains temperatures in the 70s and mid-80s in the daytime and dropping into the 50s and 60s at night.

"This crop has excellent yield capability, but needs above average temperatures and reduced insect pressure to realize its full potential," said Dr. Jane Dever, cotton geneticist who is coordinator for the AgriPartners program of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

AgriPartners field technicians assist county Extension agents in monitoring the crop throughout the growing season.

Some earlier planted irrigated fields are just beginning to open their bolls, Dever said. Across the High Plains, less than 2% of bolls were open at the end of August, she reported.

"Although prospects look promising for an average yield of 1 to 1-1/4 bales an acre, the unseasonably cool and cloudy weather, insect pressure and possible increased vegetative growth following the rains are cause for concern about final boll set and boll weight," said Dever.

The rains and cool weather made it difficult to scout fields and treat pest infestations on a timely basis, said Dr. James Leser, Extension Service cotton entomologist.

The weather provided almost ideal conditions for aphid population buildup and beneficials failed to curb these increases.

"Aphids do very well once temperatures drop into the 80s, and the reduction in light intensity accompanying the cloudy weather has also favored aphid increases," he explained.

Leser said that in addition to aphids, "beet armyworms have flourished and boll weevils have really become a headache in some fields."

He added that boll weevils have been found in Randall County, just south of Amarillo.

Continued cold temperatures will result in heat unit accumulations approaching only five a day, which will slow plant development and fiber maturing. That cold could also slow down insect development, though.

Dr. Carl Anderson, Extension Service cotton economist and marketing specialist at College Station, said the crop in the Lubbock area is expected to produce about 2.5 million bales.

"The rest of the state, where we have slightly more than two million acres, will make a half-bale an acre on the average, resulting in about a million bales," Anderson said.

"We're about a million bales less than we were a year ago, but we planted 1.2 million acres less, as well," Anderson added.



A GOOD CROWD turned out for the premiere of the Carlile Country Showcase at the Carlile Theater Saturday in Dimmitt, which featured music by the Ramblin' Rascals, a blue grass group that includes

Dimmitt residents Jerry Frazier (far left) and Herb Mayfield (far right). Susan Sandvik, owner of the Carlile, said another showcase is set for Oct. 12.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

Holy Family Church in Nazareth has been invited to join in a nationwide tribute to Pope John Paul II on the occasion of his Golden Jubilee of Ordination to the Priesthood. He was ordained on November 1, 1946.

Over 100 people attended the adult Christian formation sessions last week. The sessions were interesting and educational, and hopefully will continue to be so.

Meta Stork was honored on her 99th birthday Monday evening, Sept. 9, with a cake and ice cream party at the home of Virgil and Vi Pohlmeier in Tulia. She has lived in the Pohlmeier home for 3-1/2 years. Family members attending were Florene Leinen of Dimmitt, Evelyn Hill of Lubbock, and LeRoy and Dorothy Pohlmeier, Denny and Dolores Heimann and Virgie Gerber, all of Nazareth. She enjoyed receiving many cards from family and friends, and also some of her grandchildren who stopped by to visit.

Congratulations to Cory and Kimberly Hoelting of Nazareth on the birth of a baby girl, Madison Mikael, on Sept. 11 at Mangold Hospital in Lockney. She weighed in at 8 lbs., 9 ozs. Grandparents are Jim and Sandee Hoelting of Nazareth, Charlotte and Leonard Fields of

Amarillo and Dale and Ray Morris of Canadian. Great-grandmothers are Wilma Gibbs of Wellington and Virgie Gerber of Nazareth. Great-great-grandmother is Meta Stork of Tulia.

Many friends and family members attended the wedding ceremony uniting Todd Hill and Misty Maxfield on Saturday afternoon in Holy Family Catholic Church with Father Jerry Stein, pastor of Holy Family Catholic Church; and Rev. Ted Wilson, pastor of the Methodist Church in Amherst, officiating. A reception and dance followed at the Nazareth Community Hall.

Mary Gerber was honored with a

brunch Sunday morning at the home of Vincent and Toby Gerber. Most of her family were there to help her celebrate her 86th birthday.

Prayers are asked for C.B. Wilhelm, who has been transferred to Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt from an Amarillo hospital, where he had hip surgery.

Lucy Leinen has been transferred to Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt after being in St. Anthony's Hospital in Dimmitt for several weeks.

Odie Schulte is home to recuperate after having knee surgery.

We hope they will all be well soon.

Sunnyside Fire Dept. is recipient of fire aid

The Sunnyside Volunteer Fire Dept. recently qualified to receive for a 6x6 flatbed truck, courtesy of the Texas Forest Service.

The state forest resource and rural firefighting agency obtained the vehicle as Federal Excess Personal Property equipment and transferred it to the rural fire department at no cost.

Other types of free equipment may be available to rural firefighting organizations, depending on the equipment that has been released through the excess property program.

Fifty percent cost sharing aid up to \$5,000 is also available to qualified departments towards the purchase of trucks and slip-on pumping units through the Rural Community Fire Protection program. This federal-state cooperatively funded program is administered by the Texas Forest Service. County or multi-county radio systems also may qualify for \$5,000 in cost-sharing aid through the fire program. In addition, the

rural fire protection program cost shares the purchase of dry hydrants, which can provide water sources for rural firefighting efforts.

Aid requests from fire departments greatly outnumber the number of vehicles and the amount of cost-sharing aid available, so equipment and funding is made available on a prioritized basis.

Over 3,100 trucks, slip on pumping units, dry hydrants and other fire apparatus have been placed with rural fire departments and firefighting associations with cooperative fire program aid since the program's inception in 1973. In 1995 rural fire department purchases of discount-priced firefighter clothing, tools and water handling accessories through the state forestry agency's Fire Safe program topped the \$3 million mark.

Detailed information on equipment and cost-sharing for rural fire departments is available from the Fire Control Dept., Texas Forest Service, P.O. Box 310, Lufkin, 75902-0310; phone (409) 639-8100.

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Building a Better Dimmitt



Gary's Engine & Machine employees include: (from left) Gary Williams, owner; Cindy Pigg, bookkeeping; Bill Chitty, mechanic; Randy Moore, mechanic; Robert Ward, shop foreman; Adam Sanchez, parts runner; and Todd West, mechanic.

After training at a Ford dealership, Gary Williams decided to go into business for himself in 1983, when he started Gary's Engine & Machine in Dimmitt at 207 SE Third. He offers all types of automotive repairs, except for alignment, brake work, and body work, and carries a complete line of retail auto parts. Irrigation engine repair work is another service offered. Business hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, with emergency calls accepted after hours on irrigation engines.

Also coming from training with Ford dealerships are his two longest-term employees, Robert Ward, who is the shop foreman, and Randy Moore, mechanic. The establishment's reputation for good work brought an increase in business, leading to expansion of the building in 1986 and the addition of two employees. The crew includes two more mechanics, Todd West and Bill Chitty, along with Adam Sanchez, parts runner, and Cindy Pigg, bookkeeping. Gary's wife, Teresa, also helps part-time with bookkeeping.

"Most of our business comes from farmers," Gary said. "We rely on agriculture, just like ev-

eryone else in this town. About 80% of our customers are from Castro County, while the remaining 20% are from the surrounding area. I have stayed here in Dimmitt because I like the people, and we have many loyal customers who recommend us to other people."

Gary said he and his employees still take special training courses "nearly every year" to keep up with changes and innovations in automotive repairs.

"Our business supports the community as a member of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce. We contribute to Kids, Inc. sports, as well as a wide range of school activities, all the way from year books to booster clubs—for Dimmitt, Nazareth and other surrounding towns. We also support the junior livestock show, and 4-H activities," Gary said. "We are proud to be a part of this community."

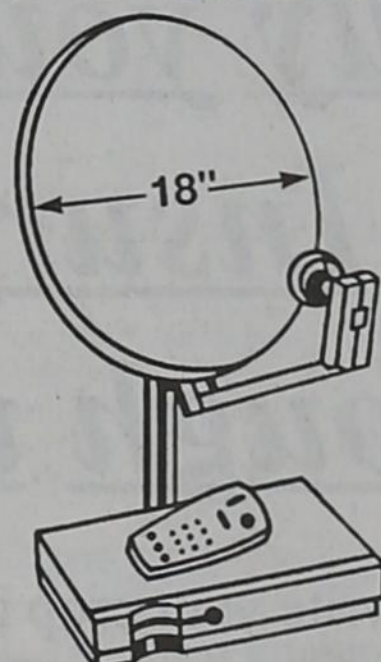
Gary and Teresa have two children, Colby, 12, a sixth grader at Dimmitt Middle School, and Britany, 8, a third grader at Richardson Elementary School. The family belongs to Dimmitt's First United Methodist Church.

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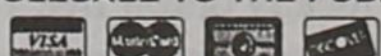
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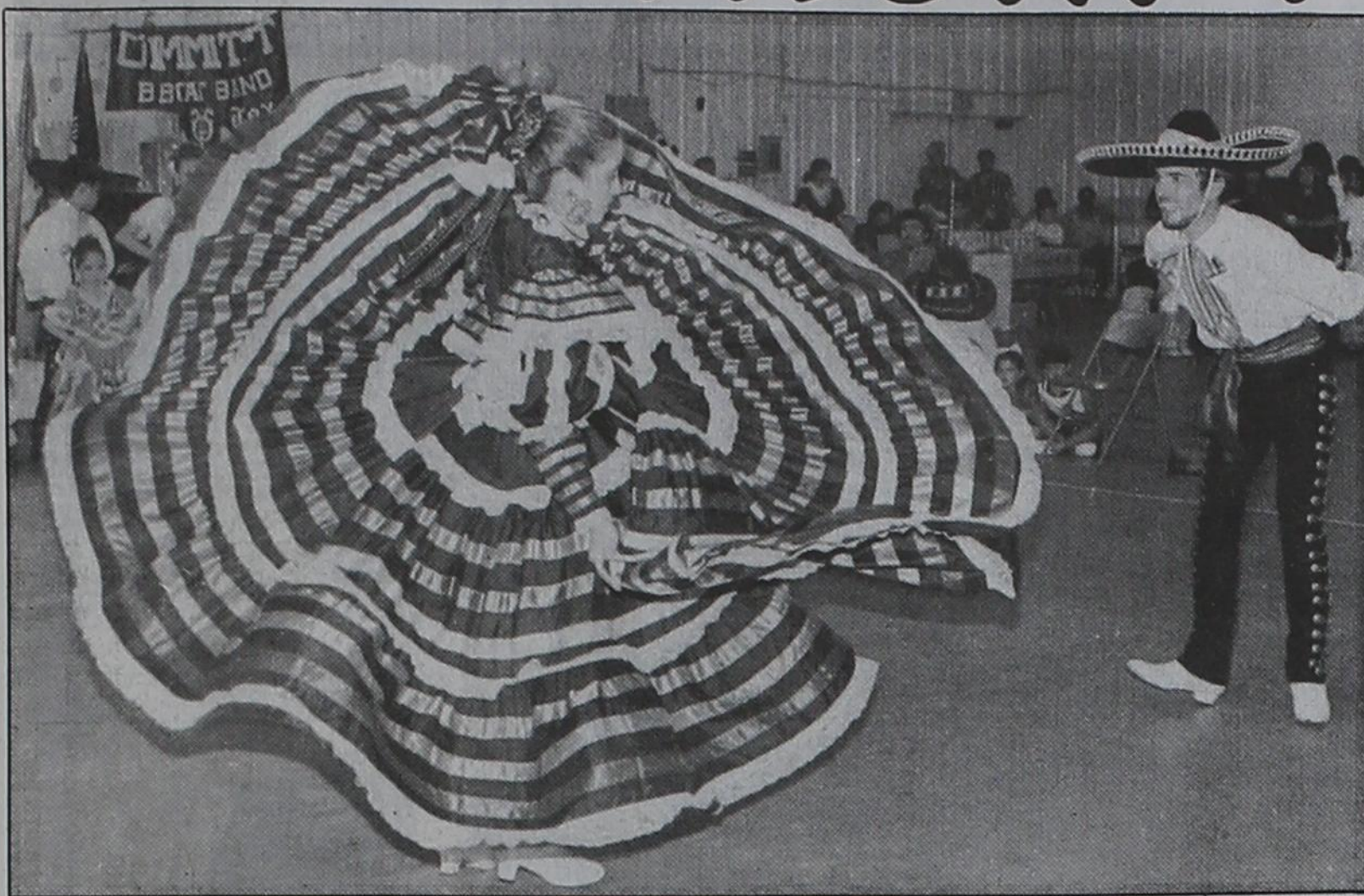
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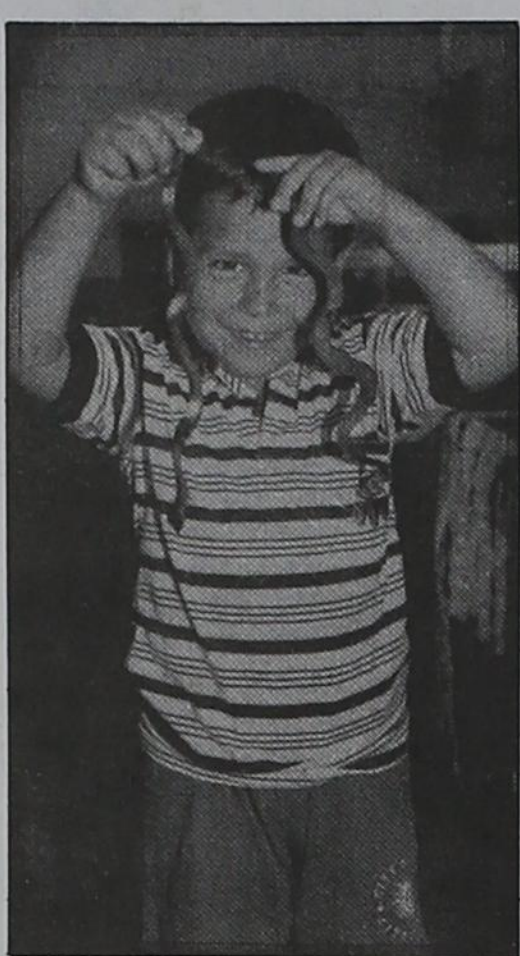
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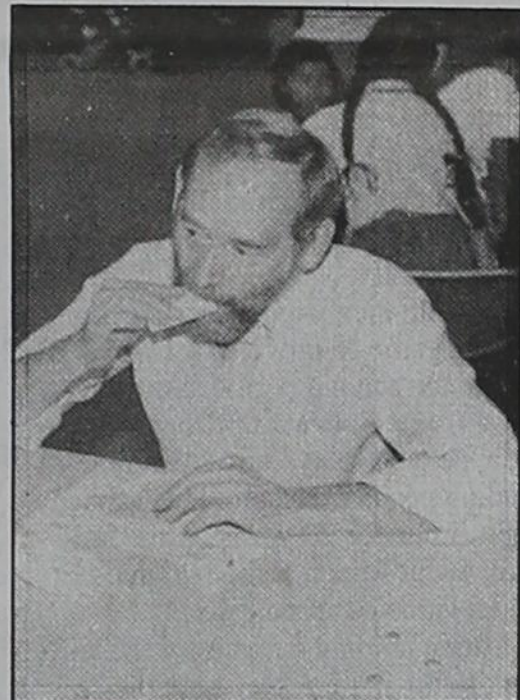
DOING SOME SERIOUS FISHING—Amanda Lopez, 3, of Dimmitt, gets a lift from fishing booth operator Jesse Campos.



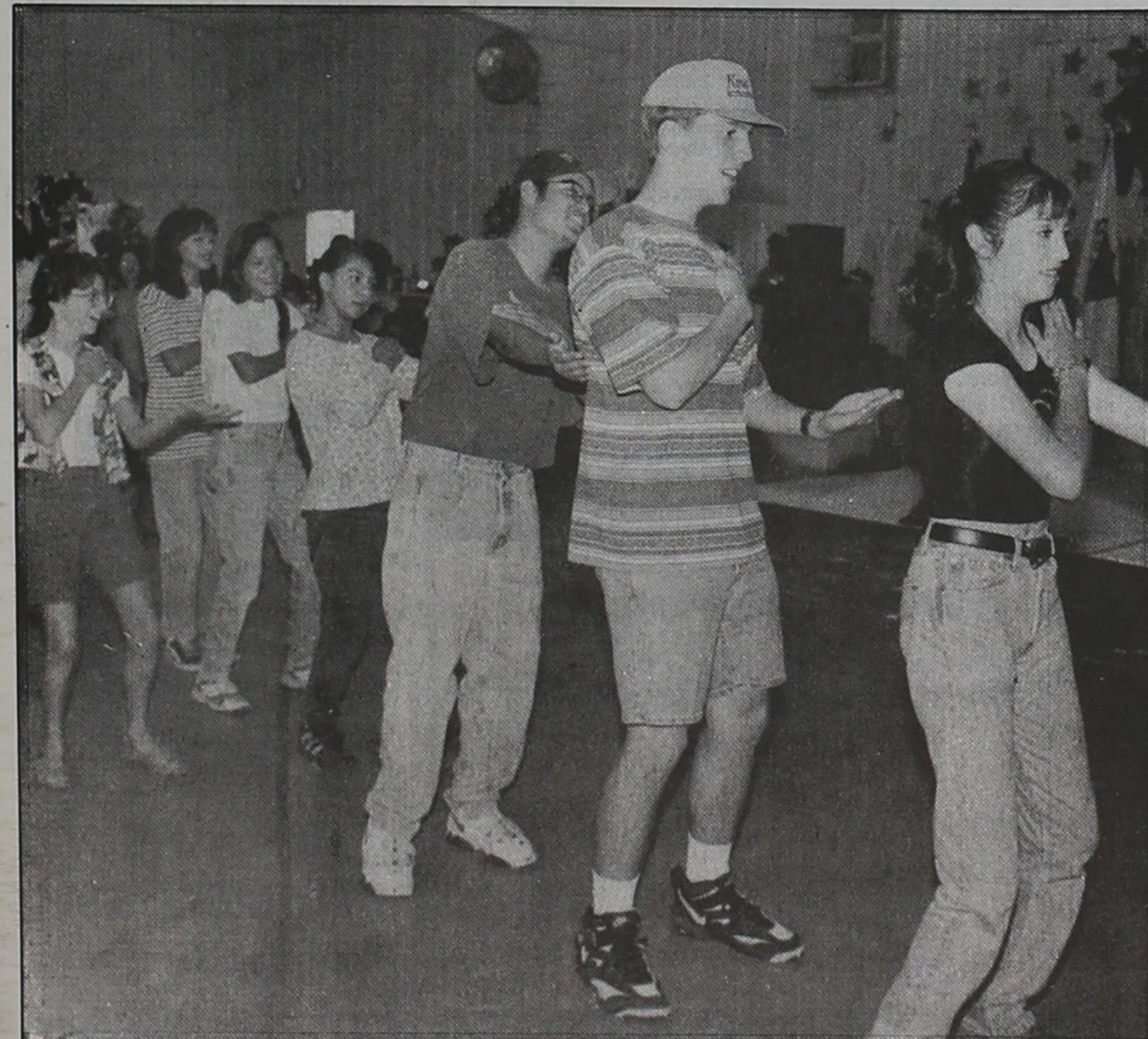
SNAKES ALIVE!—Gabriel Calderon, 4, son of Ronnie and Mary Calderon of Dimmitt, bought his rubber snakes at one of the many booths at the Fiesta.



THE RING TOSS was one of the game booths at the Mexican Fiesta in Dimmitt Saturday. (From Left) Johnny Flores watches his son, Jonathan, 8, try his luck, as Isidro Rodriguez watches.



ABLE TO APPRECIATE GOOD FOOD—Dimmitt's school cafeteria supervisor Charles Ketchum enjoys some of the ethnic cuisine offered at the Fiesta in Dimmitt Saturday. Many food booths offered a wide variety of treats during the celebration.



DANCING THE POPULAR 'MACARENA' DURING THE FESTIVAL SATURDAY
... Older youths challenged younger kids in keeping up with the motions and music.

More about Honorees . . .

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us during the good times, as well as the bad. For doing without so you could meet our needs. Most of all, we thank you for letting us be ourselves. We love you for the unconditional love that you give us.

The Perez Family

Santos Perez Sr., 83, of Dimmitt was born in Melvin and worked on his father's farm. That was where he met Marcelina, who was born in Del Rio. The pair married in November of 1935 in Melvin, and moved to Locketville, where Santos worked at a gin for Thomas Davis. Davis moved the family to the Easter community in Castro County, where Santos was employed at the Easter Gin.

In later years, Santos worked for different farmers in Castro County, and the family moved into Dimmitt in 1968, remaining here ever since.

Santos retired from farm work in 1975 after suffering a stroke.

The couple have four children who are still living: Betty Gonzales of Amarillo, Janie Ramirez of Hart, Jose Roberto Perez of Milford, Ohio, and Santos Jr. of Dimmitt. They also have 22 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

"While Mom and Dad were not able to get an education when they grew up, they always told us how important an education was," a family spokesperson said. "Dad always said for us to get a good education so we would not have to work as hard as he did.

"We would like to thank Mom and Dad for everything they did for us, and to tell them we love them very much."



WHY COME IN out of the rain when you have a really cool umbrella hat to keep you dry? Krystal Martinez, 9, daughter of David and Rosa Martinez of Dimmitt, bought hers at the Fiesta Saturday and made use of it during the showers that fell in the afternoon.



PRESENTING THE COLORS—A group of veterans and armed forces members performed a flag presentation to open the celebration Saturday. Participating were (from right) Jerry Gonzales, rifle bearer; Jimmy Flores, carrying the POW flag; and Emilio Barrera, carrying the Mexican-American flag. Others were Joe Alvarez, with the US flag; Ricky Enriquez, rifle bearer; and Gerald Barrios, with the Texas flag.



OH, LOOK, THEY GOT THE COACH!—Victor Cardona laughs at Dimmitt High School assistant football coach Gus Ortiz as he is "locked up" in one of the booths at the Mexican Fiesta held Saturday in Dimmitt at the Expo Building. Handling the keys is Santos Mirelez of the Spanish Assembly of God Church, which sponsored the "jail" as a fund-raiser.



TAKING A SPIN AROUND THE DANCE FLOOR
... A large crowd enjoyed the "street dance" even after the rain moved it inside.

Photos by Linda Maxwell



A POPULAR BOOTH AT THE FIESTA SATURDAY IN DIMMITT
... Sports card "roulette" operated by Luis Acevedo.

Sports



Bobcats rough up Sundown for 24-13 win

By JOHN BROOKS
It was Friday the 13th, and luck indeed played a role as Dimmitt dumped Sundown, 24-13, Friday at Bobcat Stadium.

For once, the good luck was on the Bobcats' side, while Sundown had a couple of bad breaks that led to a rough night for the Roughnecks.

Three Dimmitt touchdowns came on passes by Derek Buckley—the only three passes he completed on the night. His only other pass was caught, but by a Sundown defender.

Sundown's passing game was very ineffective. Roughnecks quarterback Jason (there's a Friday the 13th name for you) Holdman completed just seven of 22 throws, had two picked off and seven others knocked down or deflected by Bobcat defenders.

Sundown, which brought seven starters back each way from a regional qualifying squad in 1995, fell to 0-2, while the Bobcats are now 1-1.

"Our secondary was great," said Dimmitt coach Bruce Dollar. "The first week, these guys had never played on Friday night. This week we executed our game plan very well. We had four secondary people and three linebackers who covered their zones and broke to the ball. Their quarterback had to move and go somewhere else a lot of times

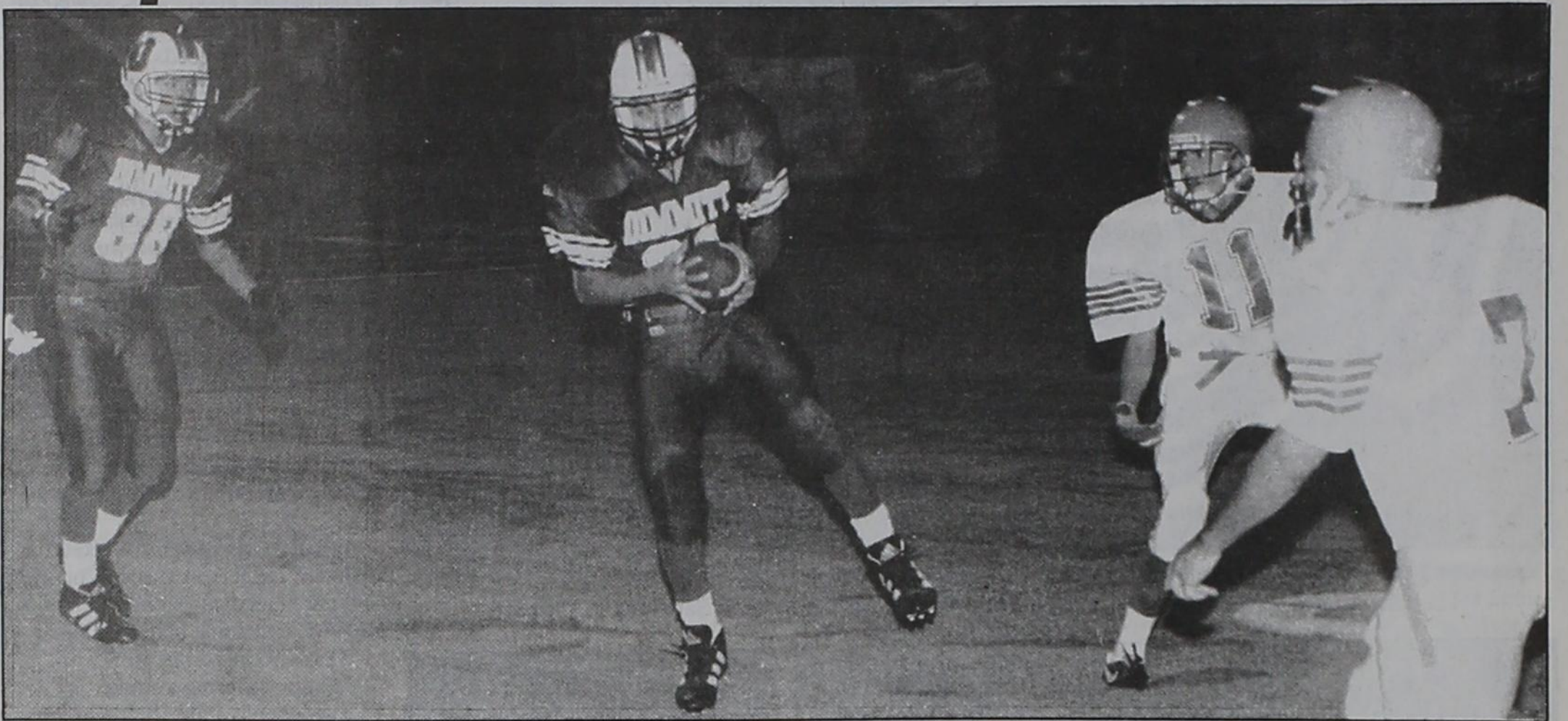
because of our defensive line. They had a good quarterback—he could throw 100 miles."

Buckley might not throw 100 miles, but he put one pass in the air for about 55 yards from where he was standing for a 56-yard touchdown pass to Casey Smith for Dimmitt's first TD of the season.

After the teams traded punts, and Dimmitt established a punishing ground game that ate up the clock throughout the contest, the Bobcats began their first scoring drive at the Bobcat 20. Beau Hill, who ended up with 120 yards on 30 carries. "That's a lot to ask of a player," Dollar said, picked up 20 yards on the drive as the Bobcats moved to the Sundown 44.

Facing third-and-five, Buckley dropped back and found Smith behind the Sundown secondary. Buckley hit Smith on stride over the shoulder at the Sundown 15 and Smith raced into the end zone. Serge Linskyi hit the first of his three PAT kicks to give Dimmitt a 7-0 lead with 3:45 to go in the first quarter.

The Bobcats again stopped Sundown and forced a punt. Dimmitt could go nowhere, and the snap to punter Zack Matthews sailed over his head. He batted the ball around before finally picking it up and running out of bounds at the Dimmitt 13.



TOUCHDOWN!—Dimmitt's Oscar Rueda gathers in a pass in the end zone from Derek Buckley for the Bobcats' third touchdown against the Sundown Roughnecks in the home opener here Friday night. At left is Dimmitt's Eric Soldevilla (88). Sundown defenders in

On the first play, Holdman took the snap, took a couple of steps to his left, then cut to his right on a counter trap. He broke through the line, then scooted into the end zone for an

apparent touchdown that would have made the score 7-6.

But, Friday the 13th isn't noted for its good luck, and certainly won't be remembered that way by Roughnecks players, coaches and fans. An inadvertent whistle was blown by the line judge (the official on the line opposite the field from the chains). That negated the play, and the ball was marked back at the 13.

Sundown's coaches raced onto the field demanding an explanation, while the Roughnecks' fans, who filled most of the visitor's bleachers, were still hooting about the call long after the game was over.

"It was a tough break, but it happened and there's not a thing we could do about it," said a gracious Sundown coach Benny Granger after the game. "We had plenty of chances after that to score, including that same possession."

Instead, Sundown mustered only a yard. Two passes were incomplete, and the third was intercepted by the Bobcats in the end zone to quell the threat. Smith intercepted the pass, and almost broke free for another score before he was tackled at the Dimmitt 44.

Dimmitt then went into a churning ground game to move to a 14-0 lead late in the second period. Starting at the 44, the Bobcats ran the ball on their next 14 plays and overcame a holding penalty to score. Hill carried eight times for 29 yards, while halfback Oscar Rueda picked up another seven yards on three carries.

After a holding call moved the ball back to the 33, Buckley kept the ball on second down and ran 28 yards to the 5. Hill carried down to the 1 on first down, then was stopped at the line on second down.

On third down, Buckley floated to his right and found Rueda alone in the end zone for the score. Linskyi added the PAT to give Dimmitt a 14-0 lead with 3:50 to go in the half.

Sundown again tried to get on the board, but the Bobcat defense held at the 20. The Roughnecks had moved briskly from their own 28, picking up four first downs and converting a fourth-and-seven situation at the Dimmitt 25. However, Holdman couldn't connect on four straight passes, with two of his throws knocked down by Bobcat defenders. Dimmitt went to the dressing room with its 14-0 lead intact.

Receiving the second half's opening kick, Dimmitt almost broke the return for a score before being stopped at its 47. Keeping the ball on

photo are Gary Serna (11) and Jacob Garcia (7). Serge Linskyi's extra-point kick after this TD made it 21-0 in the third quarter, and the Bobcats went on to win, 24-13. The Bobcats threw only four passes, and three of them were for touchdowns. Photo by Carter Townsend

the ground again, the Bobcats moved to the Sundown 3 in nine plays. Halfback Matthews carried four times for 42 yards, including a 30-yard carry to the Sundown 6. Hill had the other four carries for nine yards.

On third-and-goal from the 3, Buckley rolled to his left. Somehow he threaded the ball between the upraised arms of defender Boo Carlile and into the hands of Rueda in the back of the end zone. Linskyi added another PAT to give Dimmitt a 21-0 lead with 8:13 to play in the third quarter.

The Bobcat defense sent the Roughnecks out in three plays on Sundown's next two possessions, but Buckley was intercepted as the Bobcats were moving from midfield.

Sundown set up at the Bobcat 37. The Roughnecks picked up 23 yards on second down on a Holdman run, then moved to the Bobcat 3. After losing three yards on third down, Holdman hit wideout Steve Ewerz for a six-yard score with 8:52 to play. The PAT made it 21-7.

"We only threw the ball four times all night, but three of them were very successful," Dollar said. "Sometimes

you have to throw just for effect, and we did that very well. Later on we might have a game where we have to throw it a lot more, but we are throwing well for effect right now."

Sundown recovered an onside kick, aided by having three players obviously offside on the play. The Bobcats, however, held them. On the second play of the next possession, Dimmitt lost a fumble. Setting up shop at the Bobcat 48, Sundown picked up three first downs before Amado Caldera stopped the drive with an interception. The Bobcats couldn't move, and Sundown rushed 10 men at punter Matthews. The punt was blocked and eventually downed at the Dimmitt 4.

On the first play, Holdman ran in for the score, but the PAT kick was wide left, leaving Dimmitt ahead 21-13 with 3:26 to play.

Sundown had earlier recovered an onside kick, but Travis Crow smothered the second try to give the Bobcats the ball at the Dimmitt 48.

Buckley, playing with a pulled groin muscle and an Ace bandage tight around the injury, disdained the pain and raced 37 yards before he was pulled down at the Sundown 12.

The Bobcats gained just a yard on three rushes. On fourth down at the Sundown 7, Linskyi nailed a 24-yard field goal with 1:31 to play to give Dimmitt its 11-point final cushion.

"Serge's field goal put us over the hump," Dollar said. "He had plenty of time to kick and there was no leakage through the line. Not every player gets to play every play, but our special teams put us over the edge this week. We scored six points with our kicking team. Every player on our team is important, and we hope they all take their roles seriously and make the plays."

"We got them down 21-0 and they made some plays. They blocked a punt and recovered a fumble, but we regained our poise and made the plays we had to make. Our kids realize we have to have all three phases of the game, rushing, passing and kicking, to be successful."

"We really dominated them in time of possession. That's a key, because when you have the ball they can't score. We have to get better every week, but we beat a team that was 10-2 last year."

"Our kids are starting to realize they genuinely care for each other, and when you genuinely do that you take care of your teammates."

Bobcats 24, Sundown 13

	SUN	DMT
First Downs	12	15
Yards Rushing	82	234
Yards Passing	44	60
Total Yards	124	294
Passes C/A	5/22	3/4
Interceptions by	1	2
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	5-2
Punts-Avg	4-40	2-41
Penalties-Yards	4-20	9-79

Sundown	0	0	0	13	—	13
Dimmitt	7	7	7	3	—	24

First Quarter:
DIMMITT—Casey Smith 56 pass from Derek Buckley (Serge Linskyi kick)
Second Quarter:
DIMMITT—Oscar Rueda 1 pass from Buckley (Linskyi kick)
Third Quarter:
DIMMITT—Rueda 3 pass from Buckley (Linskyi kick)
Fourth Quarter:
SUNDOWN—Steve Ewerz 5 pass from Jason Holdman (Damon Edgett kick)
SUNDOWN—Holdman 4 run (kick failed)
DIMMITT—Linskyi 24 FG

Individual statistics
Rushing—Beau Hill 30-120; Zack Matthews 9-56; Derek Buckley 10-52; Oscar Rueda 6-6.
Passing—Derek Buckley 3/4, 60, 3 Tds.
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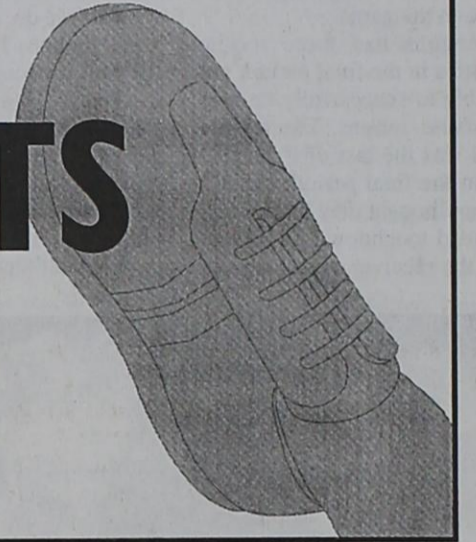
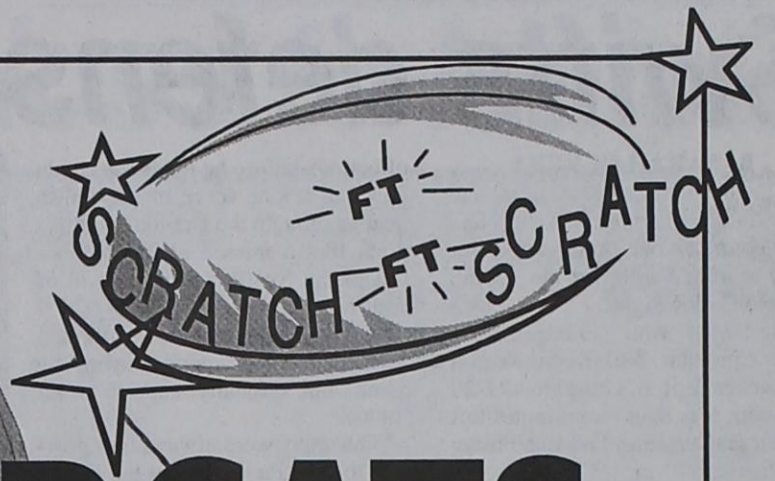
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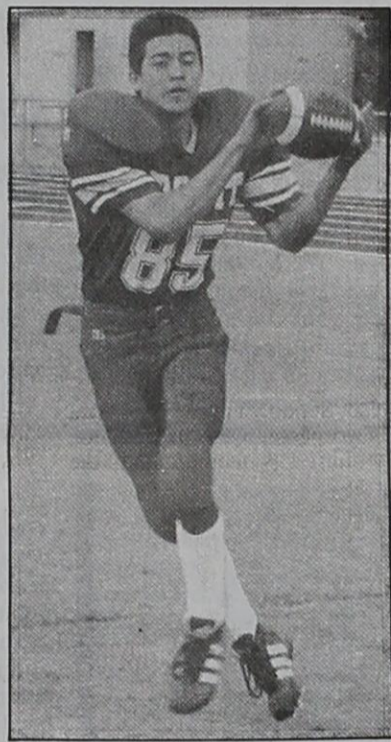
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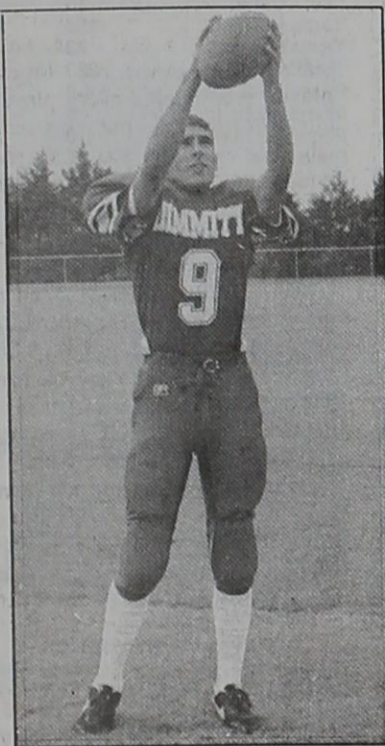
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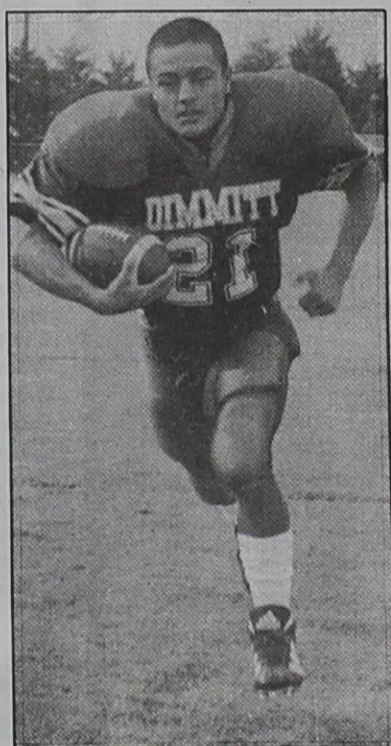
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Schedule & Scores

VARSITY

Bobcats 0, Lockney 13			
Bobcats 24, Sundown 13			
Sept. 20	Canadian	Here	8:00
Sept. 27	Mulshoe* (Homecoming)	Here	7:30
Oct. 4	Sanford-Fritch*	There	7:30
Oct. 11	Dalhart*	There	7:30
Oct. 18	Tulia* (Parents Night)	Here	7:30
Oct. 25	Friona*	There	7:30
Nov. 1	River Road*	Here	7:30
Nov. 9	Perryton*	There	1:30
Season Record: 1-1			

FRESHMEN

Bobcats 26, Lockney 8			
Bobcats 26, Friona 0			
Sept. 26	Mulshoe*	There	5:30
Oct. 3	Sanford Fritch*	Here	5:30
Oct. 10	Dalhart*	Here	5:30
Oct. 17	Tulia*	There	5:30
Oct. 24	Mulshoe*	Here	5:30
Oct. 31	River Road*	There	5:30
Nov. 7	Friona*	Here	5:30
Season Record: 2-0			

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8th Grade 6, Sundown 26; 7th Grade 12, Sundown 0			
Sept. 19	Oilton	Here	5:00-6:30
Sept. 26	Mulshoe*	Here	5:00-6:30
Oct. 3	Open		
Oct. 8	Tulia*	There	5:00-6:30
Oct. 15	Friona*	There	5:00-6:30
Oct. 22	Mulshoe*	There	5:00-6:30
Nov. 29	Tulia*	Here	5:00-6:30
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Swifts defense holds for one-point win

By SARAH OLVERA
A Paducah missed extra point and short field goal which was short and wide secured a one-point victory for the Nazareth Swifts for the second straight Friday night.

The Swifts, who had edged Lubbock Christian 7-6 in the season opener on Sept. 6, clung to a 21-20 lead with less than two minutes left in their game against Paducah Friday night.

And the Dragons were threatening to score. But three incomplete pass plays forced Paducah to attempt a field goal with just under two minutes remaining. The kick wasn't even close to splitting the uprights and after that it was a matter of running out the last minute-and-a-half on the clock for the Swifts to improve to 2-0.

Three key offensive mistakes late in the game by Paducah made the difference in the game.

The Dragons had three scoring opportunities in the final period, but were unable to successfully cash in on any of the options. The missed field goal was the last of Paducah's chances in the final period. Earlier, the Dragons thought they had scored the go-ahead touchdown on a deep pass, but the receiver was ruled out

of bounds before he made the catch. Paducah's lone score in the fourth quarter brought the Dragons within a point, but a missed extra point allowed the Swifts a slim margin of control.

The Nazareth defense struggled with Paducah's speed during the game, but basically kept it under control.

"Our guys were always in a position to stop Paducah, but they were faster than we were and got away from us a couple of times," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "The guys managed to stop them and keep them from gaining a lot of yards on consecutive plays."

The game was guaranteed to be long and hard from the beginning. Nazareth attempted an onside kick to open the game, but the Dragons recovered with excellent field position.

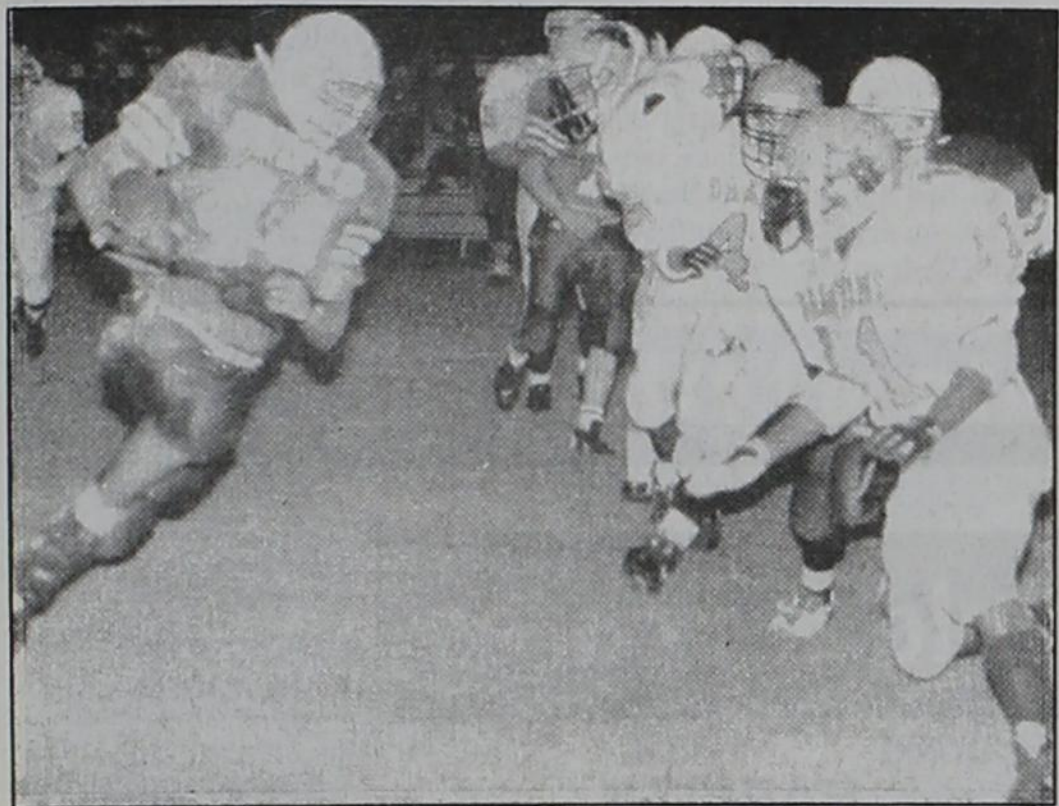
It didn't do the Dragons a lot of good, though. They didn't hold onto the ball for long. Four minutes into the game Matthew Kern forced Paducah's speedy back Clearance Thomas to fumble, and James Wilhite recovered for the Swifts. But the Swifts couldn't move the chains and were forced to punt.

Paducah's next series didn't last



NAZARETH'S JOSH MERRITT (15, on the ground with the ball in center of photo) gives the Swifts a first and goal from the 3-yard line with a strong second effort Friday night at Swift Field. Nazareth and Paducah were tied at 14 when Nazareth mounted this drive, which was capped off by a 2-yard touchdown run by Coby Schacher. Nazareth went on to claim

a 21-20 victory. Opening up the hole for Merritt are Cody Annen (72), Malcom Jones (50) and Derrick Schacher (56). In the background is quarterback Nathan Hoelting (12). Dragon defenders in on the play include Bubbah Harrison (51), James McGruder (5), Kristin James (5), Brad Blount (77) and DeWayne Anguiano (75).
Photo by Anne Acker



FIRST DOWN EFFORT—Nazareth's Coby Schacher (44) races around the right side and gains a first down at Paducah's 44-yard line before he was stopped by Dragon defenders Clearance Thomas (42) and Glendale Hurd (11). Schacher led the Swifts in rushing with 69 yards and scored two touchdowns. Nazareth staved off a Paducah threat late in the fourth quarter to claim a 21-20 victory and improve to 2-0 on the season.

Photo by Anne Acker

much longer than its first, and this possession, too, was spoiled by the Swifts defense. This time it was Nathan Hoelting stealing the ball, intercepting a deep pass with 4:02 left in the first quarter.

Nazareth was threatening to score as the quarter ended, and just two minutes and five plays into the second stanza they made good on that threat.

Tailback Coby Schacher picked up 10 yards to the Paducah 12, then gained another six yards when the Dragons were flagged for a personal foul on the play and the ball was moved half the distance to the goal line.

Then three plays later, facing a fourth-and-one, Nazareth got on the board. Schacher, following a Swift offensive line that handled the much bigger Dragon line all night, found a hole and snuck in for a 1-yard score. Cody Annen's extra point was true for a 7-0 Nazareth lead.

It didn't take long for Paducah to mount a comeback drive of its own, though.

The Dragons took five minutes off the clock in the second quarter, driving 62 yards in 12 plays, with Glendale Hurd capping off the drive with a 7-yard touchdown run. Thomas booted the PAT to tie the game with 5:21 left in the first half.

The second half started just like the first, only this time it was Paducah attempting the onside. The Dragons recovered again.

Four plays later, Paducah was forced to punt after failing to convert a third-and-12 play.

Nazareth couldn't move the ball, though, and the next big scoring threat was Paducah's.

With just under six minutes left in the third, Paducah's Jason Poteet found running room and raced 31 yards to give the Dragons a 14-7 lead after Thomas's extra point with 5:12 left in the third.

The Swifts didn't let that worry them. Over the next five minutes the Swifts mounted a scoring drive of their own. Crucial third-down plays were converted and Nazareth moved into scoring range near the end of the quarter. Then as time expired in the quarter, Hoelting crossed the end zone for six points on a 6-yard quarterback keeper. Annen kicked the extra point to tie the game at 14 with one quarter left to play.

"Our 11-play drive in the third quarter really made the difference," said Price. "We fell behind, but we were able to keep the momentum up and score. That says a lot about the guys' determination and character."

Paducah came back with another time-consuming drive that looked to

be successful when quarterback Eric Rekieta found Jonathan Walker in the end zone—but Walker was out of the end zone. No touchdown and Nazareth got the ball back on the fourth-and-six failure with 9:43 left in the game.

The Swifts wasted little time in establishing their rushing attack on this series, driving 55 yards downfield before Schacher put his team on top for good with a 2-yard run with 5:04 left to play. Annen's kick made it 21-14.

The Dragons answered that touchdown just two minutes later when Walker caught a 33-yard pass from Rekieta and outran Swift defenders for the score. But Thomas's third extra point attempt of the night was wide, leaving the Dragons lagging by one.

With just under two minutes left in

the game, Nazareth found itself facing a fourth-and-one situation. The Swifts elected to go for the first, and Hoelting plunged up the middle on a quarterback keeper, but was stopped just inches shy of the first.

The Dragons went to the air after that and worked deep into Swift territory.

Rekieta found a teammate in the end zone and fired the ball, but Barry Hoelting was there to deflect the pass, preventing the go-ahead score. With 1:29 left and facing a fourth-and-10 situation, Paducah sent Thomas to the field for the 30-yard field goal attempt. It didn't work.

"I think he just popped his head up to check on the pressure and he just lost his concentration. He missed it (field goal) badly," said Price.

Price was pleased with his offense's performance this week.

"We did really well handling their line when we had the ball. We were able to punch a hole in their line and take four or five yards they would give us, then we'd sneak in and pick up a pass or two. We established our running game enough that the play action worked," Price said.

Nazareth finished with 229 yards offense, led by Schacher, who rushed 22 times for 69 yards and two TDs. Justin Bingham was the leading receiver, catching two passes for 38 yards. Nathan Hoelting was accurate on 50% of his passes (4 of 8).

Nazareth's leading tacklers were Bingham and Matthew Kern, each with eight take downs; and Josh Merritt, who was in on seven tackles.

Paducah finished the game with 303 total yards offense.

Frosh Bobcats shut out Friona

The Dimmitt Freshman Bobcats improved to 2-0 last Thursday with a big 26-0 shut out over Friona.

Dimmitt's offense scored a touchdown in each quarter while its defense allowed the Chieftains nothing. Dimmitt got on the board in the first quarter after the Bobcats defense forced a Friona turnover. Daniel Flores picked off a Friona pass to give Dimmitt possession. Fredrick Traylor capped off a 65-yard scoring drive with a 3-yard touchdown scamper to put the Cats up 6-0. The two-point conversion run failed.

Then in the second quarter Justin Sutton broke free from Friona's defense and raced 25 yards to paydirt. Traylor ran in the two-point conversion to make it 14-0, Bobcats, at intermission.

In the third quarter Traylor found another hole in Friona's defense and this time the TD was a 30-yard effort. The conversion was stopped shy of the end zone, but Dimmitt was still in control, 20-0.

Sutton recovered a Friona fumble on the five yard line in the fourth quarter to set up Dimmitt's final score. On the next play he threw a touchdown pass to Taylor Matthews for the final 26-0 score.

Offensive standouts included James Jackson, Shane Furr, Gabriel Marrufo, Michael Penney, Armondo Castaneda and Zach Morgan, who all blocked well, according to Coach Cory Lynch.

"The kids gave a great effort and coaches were very proud of each and every one," said Lynch.

Swifts 21, Paducah 20

	NAZ	PAD
First Downs	15	13
Yards Rushing	156	224
Yards Passing	73	79
Total Yards	229	303
Passing Att.-Comp.	4-8	3-12
Interceptions	0	1
Fumbles Lost	1-0	2-1
Punts-Avg.	4-37	3-31
Penalties-Yards	3-20	9-95

Nazareth	0	7	7	7	—	21
Paducah	0	7	7	6	—	20

SCORING

Second Quarter:
NAZ—Coby Schacher 1 run (Cody Annen kick)
PAD—Glendale Hurd 7 run (Clearance Thomas kick)
Third Quarter:
PAD—Jason Poteet 31 run (Thomas kick)
NAZ—Nathan Hoelting 6 run (Annen kick)
Fourth Quarter:
NAZ—Schacher 2 run (Annen kick)
PAD—Jason Walker 33 pass from Eric Rekieta (kick failed)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—NAZ: Coby Schacher 22-69, Josh Merritt 11-44, Matthew Kern, 7-27, Nathan Hoelting 7-15.
Passing—NAZ: Nathan Hoelting 4 of 8 for 73 yards
Receiving—NAZ: Barry Hoelting 2-35; Justin Bingham 2-38

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Turnovers plague Horns in loss to Idalou

The Hart Longhorns handled the pigskin like it was a greased pig Friday night.

The Longhorns fumbled the ball away seven times Friday night, according to Coach Blair Brown.

You might chalk the series of fumbles up to Friday the 13th rotten luck, or maybe nerves about playing one of the best teams in the area, or just aggressive defensive play by the Idalou Wildcats.

Hart had problems Friday night and Idalou cashed in on the Longhorns' miscues to claim a 32-7 victory, spoiling Hart's Homecoming.

"Three of Idalou's touchdowns came off of our fumbles," said Brown. "We would stop them and get the ball back, but then we'd fumble and they'd get the ball on our 20. Or we'd fumble the kickoff return on the two and they'd take over and score again. We just didn't hold onto the football. We missed a lot of opportunities."

Brown added that Hart had returned a kickoff deep into Idalou territory near the 6-yard line early in the game, but had that touchdown called back because of a penalty. "Instead of being on their 6, we wound up on our 10. We just made too many mistakes."

Clay Stephenson scored four Idalou touchdowns, gaining 138 yards on 12 carries. He scored on runs of eight, three and four yards and hauled in a 38-yard touchdown pass from Trevor Farmer.

Hart's lone touchdown came in the

second quarter, when J.J. Finch barreled into the end zone from two yards out. He was the leading Hart rusher with 159 yards, including a 28-yard effort on the first play of the game.

"We found a lot of things we need to work on in this game," said Brown. "But it was good for us. It'll make us tougher down the road. I was proud of our kids. They never quit fighting. They showed a lot of class and character."

The game was closer than the final 32-7 score indicated. Idalou was up 7-0 after the first quarter, getting their touchdown on an 8-yard run by Stephenson.

Finch's touchdown and Lucas Anzaldua's extra point tied the game at seven, and it looked like that would be the score at halftime.

But with six seconds left in the first half, Farmer found Stephenson for the 38-yard long bomb and put the Wildcats up by seven going into the locker room.

Stephenson added a three-yard TD jaunt in the third quarter, then teammate Bryan Bigham tucked away a 23-yard touchdown pass from Farmer to put Idalou in control, 26-7, with one quarter left to play.

Stephenson added his final rushing touchdown, a 4-yard effort, to seal the victory in the final stanza.

In addition to Finch's 159 yards on the ground, Hart got 45 yards on seven totes from Armondo Minjarez.

Quarterback Sergio Martinez completed 5 of 13 passes for 47 yards, and two of those completions were to Matt Huerta.

Hart ground out 237 yards total offense while allowing Idalou 350 yards. Idalou also won the first down battle, 20-16.

"This was a good game for us," said Brown. "Idalou's a great team. They're big, fast and physical. They'll be a playoff team, I have no doubt about that. I think they were one of the best teams in the area in our classification."

Horns 7, Idalou 32

	HART	IDALOU
First Downs	16	20
Yards Rushing	193	289
Yards Passing	44	61
Total Yards	237	350
Passing Att.-Comp.	5-13	2-5
Interceptions	0	0
Punts-Avg.	5-41	3-40
Penalties-Yards	8-45	6-65

Hart	0	7	0	0	—	7
Idalou	7	7	12	6	—	32

SCORING

First Quarter:
IDALOU—Clay Stephenson 8 run (kick good)

Second Quarter:
HART—J.J. Finch 2 run (Lucas Anzaldua kick)
IDALOU—Stephenson 38 pass from Trevor Farmer (kick good)

Third Quarter:
IDALOU—Stephenson 3 run (run failed)
IDALOU—Bryan Bigham 23 pass from Farmer (kick failed)

Fourth Quarter:
IDALOU—Stephenson 4 run (pass failed)



HART'S RODOLPHO GONZALES (12) throws a perfect block against an Idalou tackler, freeing teammate Gerardo Holguin (45) on a kickoff return Friday night in Hart. Holguin's long kickoff return deep into Idalou territory was called back on a Hart penalty. That play described how Hart's game went Friday. Numerous fumbles and penal-

ties kept Hart buried all night and gave Idalou excellent field position. The Wildcats scored touchdowns off of three of Hart's fumbles and posted a 32-7 victory over the host Longhorns. The loss dropped Hart to 1-1 on the season while Idalou improved to 2-0.

Photo by David Knox

Horns, Swifts to tangle Friday

The annual cross-county matchup between the Longhorns and Swifts will be Friday night when Hart travels to Nazareth in Week 3 of the 1996 football season.

The Swifts will be celebrating their Homecoming this week. Kick-off will be at 8 p.m. at Swift Field.

Nazareth enters the game with a 2-0 mark by virtue of two one-point victories. The Swifts beat Lubbock Christian, 7-6, in the season opener; then edged Paducah Friday, 21-20.

Hart sports a 1-1 record, boasting a big 27-8 victory over Morton in Week 1, but suffering a disappointing 32-7 loss to Idalou Friday.

Hart had problems holding onto the pigskin against Idalou, and Coach Blair Brown said if his team is going to be successful, that's the first problem the Horns have to fix.

"We have got to cut out our fumbles and penalties," Brown said. "We can't make those mistakes again. Ball control is the key for us. We've got to get first downs because we don't have a lot of team speed we can use to break long ones."

Nazareth has been battling the injury bug since pre-season, but Coach Rick Price hopes to have most of his players back in action this week. One question mark is tailback Coby Schacher, who injured his hand against Paducah, but he managed to play the entire game.

"Nazareth is a good team," said Brown. "They have a lot of character. They've had two one-point victories in their last two games, and that says something. They've been getting beat in the yardage category, but they still find a way to win. Their coach does a good job of preparing them for games. We can't take anything for granted."

Brown said the Swifts are "dangerous on offense," and he describes Schacher as a "good, big, strong back."

Price says Hart has improved a lot this year, and adds that the score against Idalou was deceiving because three of Idalou's touchdowns came after Hart turnovers deep in-

side Longhorn territory. "Hart moved the ball just fine against Idalou," Price said. "They're a good team. Their offense is a little different this year—it's more run oriented and they do it well. Their passing game is not as strong, but quarterback Sergio Martinez does

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throw well." Price said his main worry is stopping tailback J.J. Finch, who has torn up opposing defenses so far. "Finch is big, fast and he runs real hard," Price said. He added that Armondo Minjarez also can be dangerous, along with Martinez.

The Longhorns are a big team, listing 12 players at over 200 pounds on their roster, including Finch.

Nazareth has four players topping the 200-pound mark, Schacher included, but the Swifts make up for their lack of size with quickness.

Both teams have good defenses, and starting lineups filled with veteran players.

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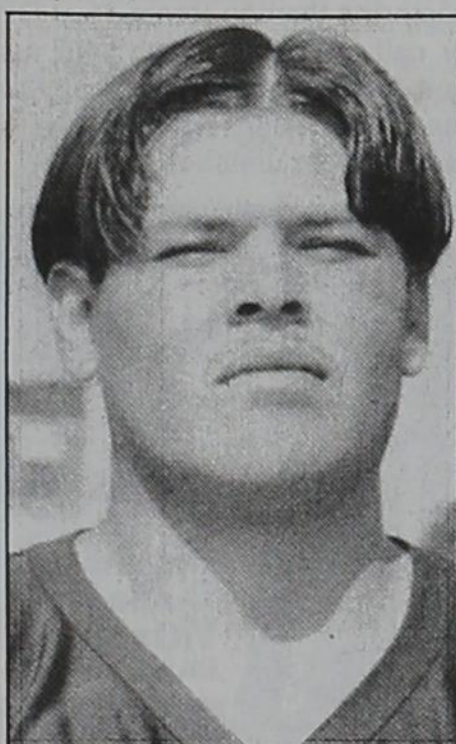
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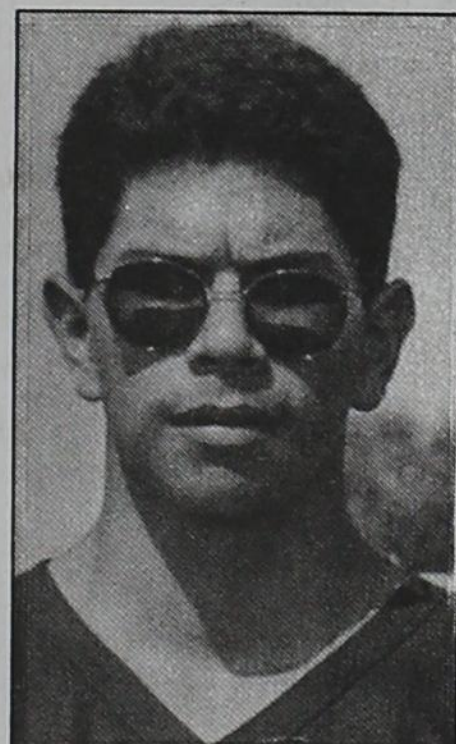
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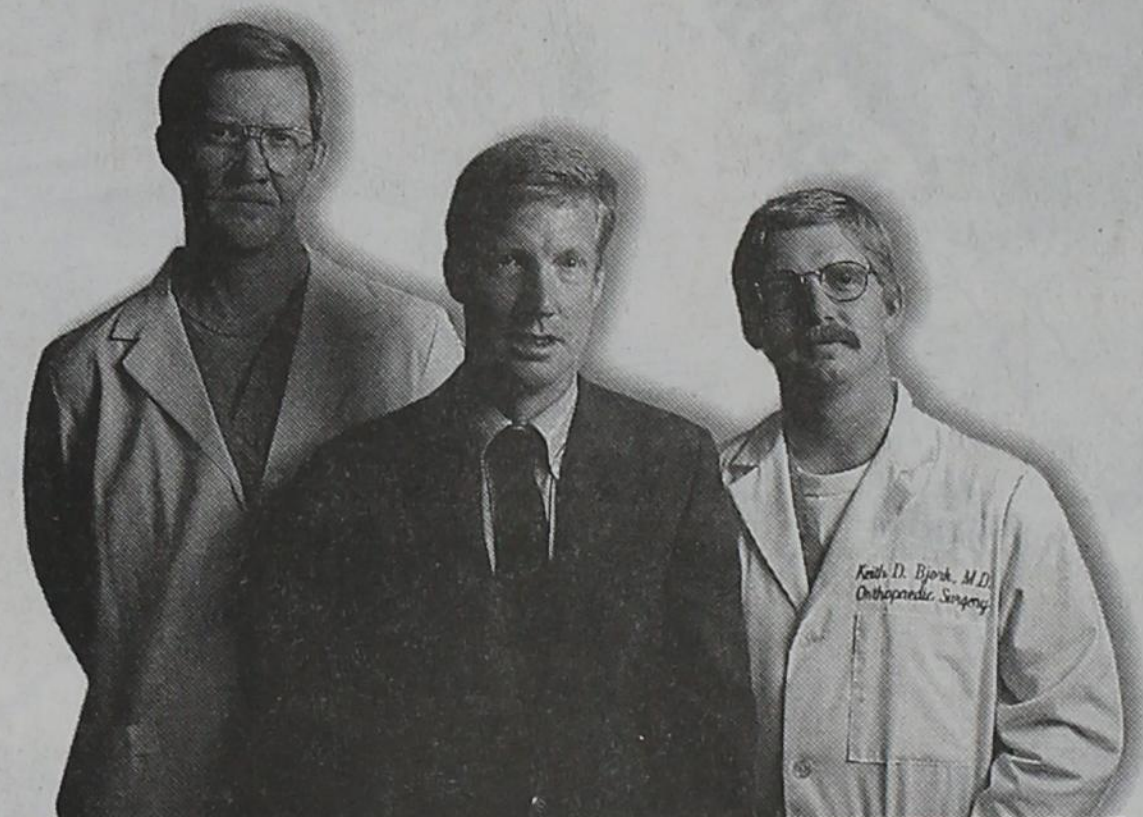
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Cross country

Bobbies take silver in Plainview meet

The Dimmitt Bobbies finished second in the Plainview Invitational Cross Country Meet Saturday, opening their 1996 season with a strong showing.

The Bobbies were second behind Sundown, which finished with 35 total points. Dimmitt had 56. The Hart Lady Horns took third with 66 points and the Nazareth Swiftettes followed in fourth with 96.

In the boys' division, the Hart Longhorns didn't place as a team, but Eric Montemayor finished fifth in a strong effort with a time of 17:19 in the three-mile race.

The Bobbies were paced by Carol Summers, who finished ninth in 12:54.80. The only other Bobbie to finish in the top 20 was Amy Matthews, who placed 20th in 13:16.66. Other Dimmitt runners competing included Taryn Hays, Stephanie Hinojosa, Sandra Torres, Jessica Flores and Lindsey Welch.

For the Lady Horns, Isela Minjarez led her team, and county runners, with a best finish of eighth in 12:52.10. Teammate Lisa Rincon was 13th in 13:05.63. Just missing out on a medal was Tylene Garcia, who placed 21st with a time of 13:15. Rounding out Hart's top seven were Nicky Burres, 31st, 13:27; Valerie Key, 66th, 13:59; Veronica Gonzales, 113th, 14:29; and Veronica Guerrero, 126th, 14:45.

Tanya Wethington of Nazareth completed the girls' race in 12:56.93 to lead the Swiftettes. Nazareth also received good performances from Tiffany Schmucker, 22nd; Trina Johnson, 40th; Misti Ball, 55th; Kira Ball, 68th; Jayme Schmucker, 72nd; and Lynsey Hoelting, 97th.

In addition to Montemayor, Hart had several other runners in the boys' division. They include Roberto

Yebara, 43rd, 19:17; Angel Pantoja, 63rd, 20:06; Michael Garcia, 79th, 21:32; and Tony Ayala, 90th, 23:12.

In the junior varsity division, Dimmitt girls were second with 50 points while Nazareth was fourth with 63.

TTU offers special rate for tickets

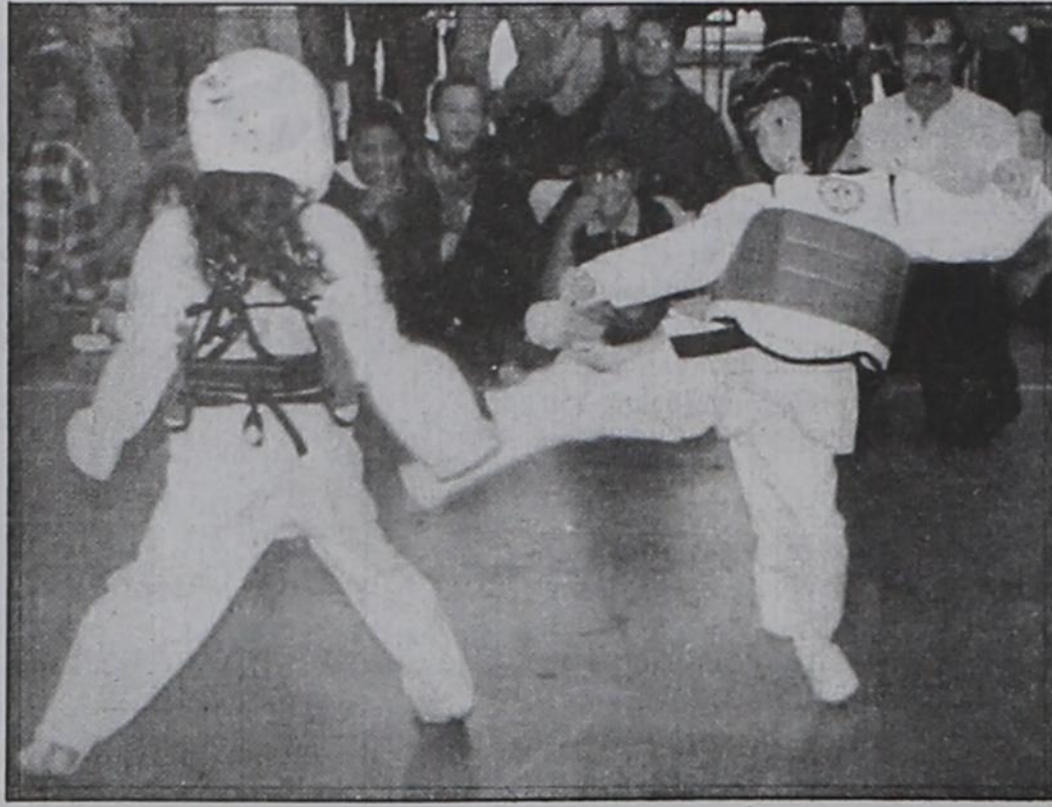
The Committee for Champions at Texas Tech University is challenging Dimmitt residents to purchase tickets for three home Texas Tech football games this season.

Texas Tech is offering a group discount rate for the Utah State game on Sept. 28 at 6:30 p.m. and the Southwestern Louisiana game on Nov. 16 at 1 p.m. The game against Baylor is Texas Tech's homecoming and the group tickets are sold out. Game times are subject to change for television.

With the purchase of 1-19 tickets, the price of each ticket in sections 102 or 108 is \$15. If 20 or more tickets are purchased, the cost of the tickets is \$10 each. The discount rate is part of the Committee for Champions' plan to include Dimmitt in the promotion of Texas Tech football.

"The Committee For Champions is committed to making Texas Tech athletics the biggest attraction in West Texas," said co-chairman Danny Koch.

For more information about ticket sales or to purchase tickets, call the Texas Tech ticket office at (806) 742-4412.



SPARRING—Tae Kwon Do students of Loopy Crox of Hereford gave a demonstration during the Mexican Fiesta Saturday in Dimmitt. Here, Carmen Pena (left) squares off with Brad Miller, the only 5-year-old holder of a black belt in Texas.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Cooks take championship flight in Dandies and Darlings tourney

Cliff and Jeri Lou Cook of Dimmitt claimed the championship of the Senior Dandies and Darlings Golf Tournament with a score of 104 this weekend at Country Club of Dimmitt.

The two combined with scores of 34 and 70 to take top honors in the annual tournament. Finishing second in the Championship Flight were Buddy and Janie Blue of Grayford.

Other flight winners included Jim and Kathy Gowdy of Amarillo and Darrell and Joy Blasingame of Lorenzo, who tied for first in the First Flight with 106; Jimmy and Jackie Bennett of Lubbock, first in the Second Flight with 114; Don and Shirley Cornett of Dimmitt, first in the Third Flight with 112; and Doc and Sue Bowman of Littlefield, first in the Fourth Flight with 126.

Here are complete results from the tournament.

Championship Flight: 1. Cliff and Jeri Cook of Dimmitt, 34-70-104; 2. Buddy and Janie Blue of

Grayford, 35-72-107; 3. (tie) Jobey Claborn and Mozelle Lilley of Dimmitt and Richard and Connie Jesko of Clayton, N.M., 35-73-108.

First Flight: 1. (tie) Jim and Kathy Gowdy of Amarillo and Darrell and Joy Blasingame of Lorenzo, 36-70-106; 3. (tie) Gary and Judy Bowe of Lubbock and Ken and Carolyn Stubbs of Granbury, 36-71-107.

Second Flight: 1. Jimmy and Jackie Bennett of Lubbock, 39-75-114; 2. Jack and Sue Kirkland of Farwell, 40-76-116; 3. Jerry and Carolyn Watts of Dimmitt, 40-78-118.

Third Flight: 1. Don and Shirley Cornett of Dimmitt, 41-71-112; 2. Allan and Betty McClure of Dimmitt, 42-74-116; 3. Doyle and Doris Ford of Farwell, 42-76-118.

Fourth Flight: 1. Doc and Sue Bowman of Littlefield, 43-83-126; 2. Doc and Colleen Weaver of Hereford, 45-92-137; 3. Ronnie and June Parker of Dimmitt, 47-91-138.

Bobcats to challenge strong Canadian team

A strong Canadian team comes to Dimmitt for the first time in many years to face the Bobcats this Friday.

The only other time the teams met, Dimmitt whipped the Wildcats 28-7 in the 1950 bi-district game.

Canadian has been to the playoffs nine times since, including seven times since 1986. The Wildcats went 8-2-1 last year and advanced to the area game, where they lost 14-13 to Dimmitt's opponent last Friday, Sundown.

Canadian squeaked out a 7-5 win last week over Panhandle, but throttled Gruver 32-6 in week one for a 2-0 mark. Its defense has four starters back, including tackle Sean Pate (6-3, 250, senior), end Cecilio Sanchez (5-8, 150, senior) and back Richard Blanco (5-11, 165, senior).

Linebackers Caleb Farrar (6-0, 170, senior) and Taylor Tubb (5-10, 185, junior) are also counted on by coach David Flowers.

The 5-3 defense is the first alignment of that type the Bobcats have faced this year. It could cut down on the rushes up the middle that were so successful for the Bobcats against Sundown.

Then again, Dimmitt coaches feel fullback Beau Hill may be able to turn that four-yard-per-carry average into a higher count as the sophomore gains more experience.

The compacted middle could also open up more room for halfbacks Oscar Rueda and Zack Matthews.

"I've coached against teams from Canadian for the past 15 years, including all these playoff teams," said Dimmitt coach Bruce Dollar. "They are going to be very sound on offense and defense. They are going to be big, bigger than us. They have a very solid football program—their junior varsity has only lost two games in two years—and they are sound in everything they do."

Dollar said quarterback Kevin Zenor "is outstanding." The 6-3, 200 lb. senior completed 43 of 112 throws last year for 688 yards and five scores.

Sanchez was a starting running back in the multiple formation offense last year, but broke his leg in a season-opening 20-0 win over

Sanford-Fritch and missed the rest of the season on offense.

Joining Sanchez in the backfield are Ty Dickinson, Brandon Flowers and Tubb. They all get plenty of time on the field.

Back at receivers are split end Richard Blanco, who caught 12 balls for 248 yards last year, and tight ends Logan Coffee and Albert Lusby.

For the Bobcats, quarterback Stuart Sutton should be ready to go. Sutton hyperextended his elbow two weeks ago just before the Abernathy scrimmage. He has sat out the first two games of the season. Just as Sutton is getting ready to return, Derek Buckley, who started at signal-caller the first two weeks, is recovering from a pulled groin muscle.

"He played the whole game hurt," Dollar said of the sophomore. "He said he was okay, and he did what he had to do for us to win."

Jaime Lafuente suffered a hyperextended knee, but could be ready to go Friday.

Rodeo results are announced

Results from the "Rough Stock and Barrel Blowout" rodeo exhibition held in Dimmitt during Harvest Days were announced recently.

Participants in the rough stock events were all members of the Military Rodeo Cowboys Association, and earned points toward their standings at the World Finals rodeo competition set for January in Nevada.

During Friday's competition, winners included R.J. McCaslin, Marine, bareback, 61 points; and Cheryl Tietz, barrels, 21,805 seconds.

Saturday's winners included Mike Schoenhoff, US Air Force, bareback, 62 points; McCaslin, saddle broncs, 63 points; Robin Wilhoit, barrels, 21,351 seconds; and John Burns, USAF, in two chute dogging events, with times of 26.275 seconds and 3.994 seconds.

The bulls were "declared the winners" in the bull riding events from Friday and Saturday, and the horses won the saddle bronc event Friday night, with no riders scoring.

In the wild cow milking, the team of J&J Taxidermy won the overall championship after taking top honors both nights of the rodeo.

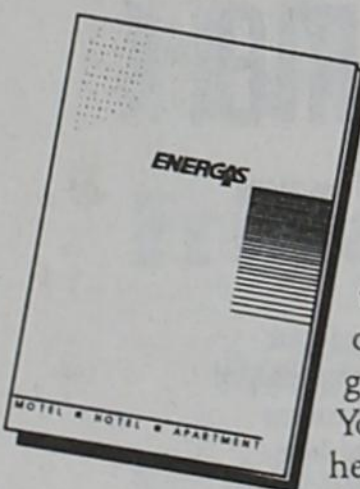
Three other teams entered, including the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept., the Dimmitt Police Dept., and "Clev's Team."

David Hollars of Plainview was named a winner in the calf scramble.

No entries were received in the team roping.

A feature of the rodeo was a special tribute to long-time local rodeo participant and supporter, the late Freddie Hamilton of Dimmitt. A riderless horse was led in the opening procession in his honor.

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Your water heater or furnace is probably in a closet all by itself. And that's the way it should stay. As tempting as it may be, don't use the space around a water heater or furnace for storage. Even

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Obituaries

Marion Barlow

Services for Marion Barlow, 84, of Earth, brother of longtime Dimmitt postal carrier Shorty Barlow, were held Saturday afternoon at the Earth First Baptist Church with Rev. Bobby Broyles officiating. Burial followed in Earth Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home.

Mr. Barlow died last Thursday, Sept. 12, at Lamb County Health Center.

He was born Nov. 9, 1911, in Frederick, Okla. He moved to Earth from Burkburnett in 1929. He was a member of the Earth First Baptist Church, Earth Senior Citizens and the Littlefield Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include a daughter, Doris Coursey of Lubbock; four brothers, J.D. Barlow of Littlefield, T.C. Barlow of Amarillo, and J.J. Barlow, Shorty Barlow, both of Earth; three sisters, Lois Lemons and Louise Galloway, both of Burkburnett, and Juanita McMullen of Huffman; two grandchildren; and two step-grandchildren.

Ralph A. Brown

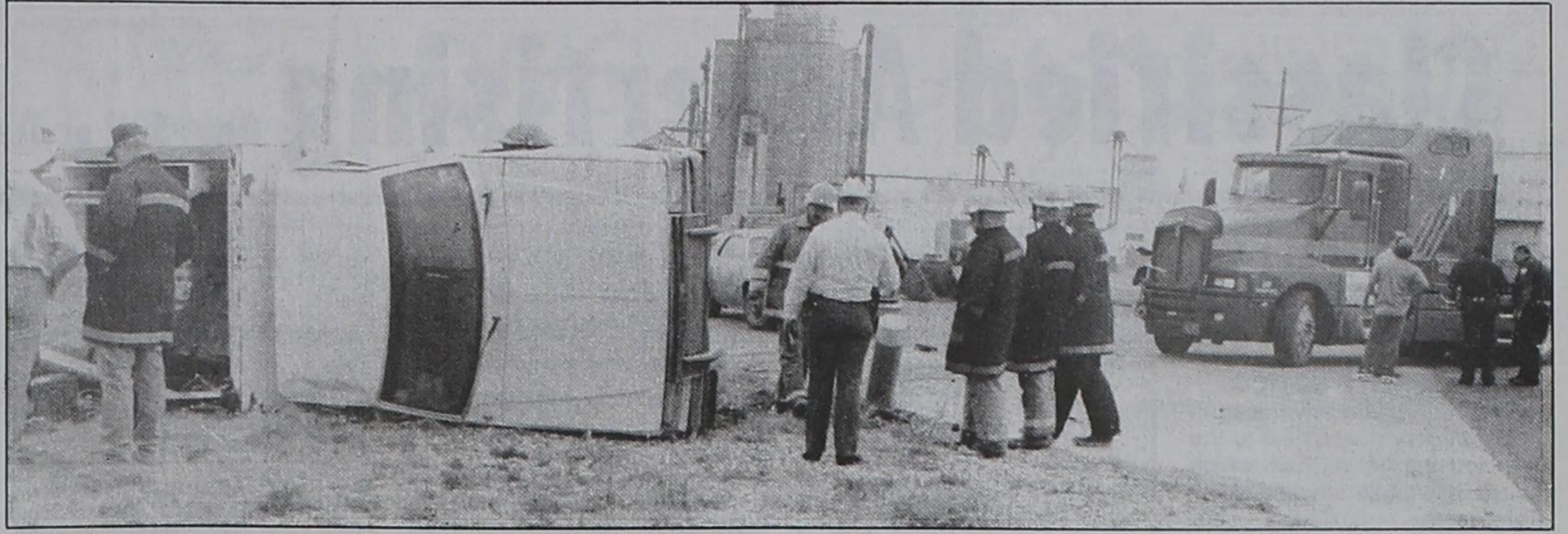
Ralph A. Brown, 90, of Plainview, father of Marie Sammann of Dimmitt, died at 10:10 p.m. on Monday at Methodist Hospital of Plainview.

Services will be held today (Thursday) at 10 a.m. at Lemons Memorial Chapel in Plainview with Rev. Rush Coffman, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Edmonson, officiating. Burial followed in Parklawn Memorial Gardens in Plainview under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home.

Mr. Brown was born Feb. 19, 1906, in Wingate. He married Hettie Frances Morrison on Sept. 6, 1924, in Hale County. She died Nov. 1, 1992 in Hale County.

He moved to the Prairie Chapel Community in Floyd County in 1907 and attended Prairie Chapel Schools. After his marriage he lived in the Providence Community where he farmed. In 1948 he moved to Ruidoso, N.M., where he owned and operated Brown Air Service. He flew for the Forest Service and ranchers. He retired in 1974 and did charter work. He moved to Plainview in 1974. He was a member of the International Flying Farmers and the Edmonson Baptist Church.

Survivors include five daughters including Otero Scheele of Lockney, Maxine Rigler of Austin, Sammann, Shirley Burrows of Van Buren, Mo., and Patsy Haley of Socorro, N.M.; two sisters, Evelyn Lesley of Hereford and Helen Ruth Dickason of El Paso; 19 grandchildren; 46 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.



TWO TICKETS, NO INJURIES—According to Dept. of Public Safety reports, no injuries were reported in this accident Friday morning just north of the Dimmitt city limits on US 385. David Dodd, 46, of Missouri, was driving south in a truck tractor-trailer rig and attempted to make a right turn into a private drive. Roy Schilling also was driving south in

his 1989 Ford pickup and attempted to pass the truck on the right. Dodd was ticketed for turning when unsafe, and Schilling was ticketed for illegally passing on the right. Damage to the truck was rated moderate, while the pickup had heavy damage to the right front quarter.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Diapause spraying contracts awarded

Preparations are well underway for the start of the 1996 High Plains Enhanced Boll Weevil Diapause Control Program. Aerial spray contracts were awarded Sept. 9 for each of the five operational zones in the program.

Successful bidders were J.R. Davis Flying Service of Seminole for

the Seminole, Lamesa and Big Spring units; Payne Flying Service of Katy for the Brownfield unit; and Kubecka Operating Co. of Seminole for the Floydada unit.

Aerial contractors will report Monday for final inspections of aircraft and equipment, with spraying to begin next Thursday. The five contracts awarded will utilize a total

of 23 fully-equipped aircraft.

Roger Haldenby, boll weevil program coordinator for Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., said response from those interested in bidding was outstanding.

"All of the resources are now in place to conduct a full and complete 1996 spray program," Haldenby said. "The ball is now in the produc-

ers' hands, since our only limiting factor is going to be whether or not adequate funding is in place to complete all the scheduled operations.

"Assessments continue to be received and we encourage everyone to send their assessments in so that we can get on and do the job you tell us needs to be done—killing boll weevils."

Police Calls

On Sept. 9, it was reported to Sheriff's deputies that someone had broken into the superintendent's office at Nazareth High School, damaging doors and door frames. Investigation is continuing.

Raul Jackson of Dimmitt told police Sept. 10 that someone siphoned gas out of his vehicle.

An incident of disorderly conduct was reported to police Sept. 11 when some suspects got into a fight at Dimmitt Middle School.

An incident of assault/family violence was reported to police Sunday night. A 17-year-old Dimmitt woman told police that someone punched her in the eye and slapped her in the face.

Charges of driving while intoxicated, third offense, were listed against a 27-year-old Hereford man after he was stopped Saturday evening.

A security light at Dimmitt Market was broken out. The damage was reported Friday.

On Sept. 10, Hart Chief of Police Wayne Johnson arrested a 19-year-old Hart man on charges of Class A assault.

A 21-year-old Dimmitt man was charged with DWI, first offense, early Saturday, and a 19-year-old man was charged with public intoxication.

A Hart man, age 32, was charged with DWI, first offense, early Saturday.

A Kansas City, Mo. man, age 20, was arrested for no driver's license and no insurance.

Charges of assault/family violence were listed against a 41-year-old Dimmitt man late Sunday.

Ted Givens Herring of Plainview told deputies Sept. 14 a vehicle passed him on SH 194 southeast of Hart, causing a piece of gravel to break one of the windows of his vehicle.

Eight people were picked up on outstanding warrants.

Two accidents were reported on Sept. 9.

That morning, an unknown vehicle struck a 1977 Cadillac belonging to Van Carroll Hopson while it was parked, unattended, in the 500 block of Southwest Fourth. Damage to the vehicle was rated light, and no injuries were reported.

That afternoon, an accident happened in the parking lot of the Town & Country Store. A 1987 Cadillac driven by Lillian Irene Cameron had a collision with a truck tractor-trailer rig. No injuries were reported. Damage was moderate to the car and light to the truck.



FASCINATION—Calee Gilbreath looks intently at Dimmitt High School Cheerleader Crystal Stevens as she directs a session at the Cheerleading School held Saturday at the high school, and sponsored by the cheerleaders. Helping lead the session is Cheerleader Amy Garcia. Those who completed the school will demonstrate what they learned during halftime of the football game Friday, when the varsity Bobcats meet the Canadian Wildcats.

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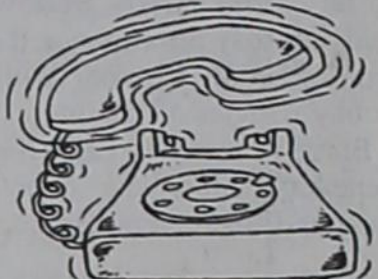
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- Household goods for sale
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20-Help Wanted

TAKING APPLICATIONS for RN, LVN and CNA. Come by Hereford Care Center, 231 Kingwood, Hereford, Texas. 20-12-12c

TRUCK DRIVERS WANTED

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20-Help Wanted

21-Wanted, Misc.

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22-Notices

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24-Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the many volunteers and participants in the Castro County Harvest Days 1996. There were so many activities and it took so many to pull them all off successfully.

The week started with a Labor Day Picnic. We had great food thanks to the combined efforts of the Kiwanis Club, the Lions Club, LULAC, and the Chamber, and great music provided by local talent, coordinated by Susan Coleman.

The next event was on Tuesday, with our Canterbury Villa reception, coordinated by Deanne Clark and Jerry Lilly. There were many volunteers and visitors at the nursing home singing, laughing and entertaining residents.

Then on Thursday, the Chamber and Castro County Sheriff's Dept., hosted the go-cart, three- and four-wheeler training and obstacle course. This was loads of fun, but still took quite a few volunteers.

Finally, Saturday rolled around. It rained. But still the Lions Club organized the parade for us, and many, many volunteers worked together to create a great day for our county. We had a fun Pet Show with Carole Dyer, Cheryl Pybus and W.J. Hill organizing the event.

And it rained again. But still we took a chance and had the street dance featuring a great band, Show 'Nuff. This took volunteers, too. Max Ellison was the greatest.

And it rained and rained and rained. We all thank God for the rains—all three of them.

The Chamber would like to thank each and every volunteer who helped with Harvest Days. You worked hard for the Chamber, for Dimmitt and for Castro County. No one person could have done everything that we all accomplished this past week together. You know who you are, and we couldn't have done it without you. We appreciate you.

DIMMITT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 24-24-11c

25-Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

The City of Dimmitt will be selling the following vehicles and will be accepting sealed bids for a 1989 Ford Crown Victoria and a 1968 IHC Truck with no bed. Vehicles may be seen at the Dept. of Public Works, 217 East Jones. Bids may be submitted to City Manager Don Sheffy, PO Box 146, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, and will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 23, 1996. The City of Dimmitt reserves the right to accept or deny any and all bids. 25-24-11c

20-Help Wanted

What's cooking?

In Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for Sept. 19-27.

DIMMITT
Preschool-First Grade Lunch
THURSDAY: Chicken and noodles, potatoes au grain, peaches, assorted muffins and lowfat milk.
FRIDAY: Fajitas with sauted onions, Mexipinto beans, pears, Arroz Mexicano and lowfat milk.
MONDAY: Chicken fillet strips, country rice dressing, applesauce, hot rolls and milk.
TUESDAY: Hamburger on a roll, French fries, hamburger salad, pears and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Grilled cheese with a bowl of soup, scalloped corn, cucumber and tomato salad, orange wedges and milk.
THURSDAY: Nachos with cheese and peppers, refried beans, watermelon, Arroz Mexicano and milk.
FRIDAY: Baked cajun fish, baked potatoes, pineapple sunset salad, cornbread and milk.
Grades 2-12 Lunch
THURSDAY: Choice of chicken and noodles, ham and cheese sandwich or beef enchiladas; potatoes au gratin, potato chips or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, guacamole salad or peaches; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls, Arroz Mexicano, crackers or tortilla chips; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
FRIDAY: Choice of fish burger, roast turkey or fajitas with sauted onions; whole new potatoes or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, coleslaw or pears; cornbread, hot wheat rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
MONDAY: Choice of chicken fillet strips, peanut butter and jelly sandwich or chicken taco with hot sauce; hash brown potatoes, country rice dressing or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, applesauce or jellied applesauce; assorted muffins, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, corn tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
TUESDAY: Choice of hamburger on a roll, tuna and noodles or beef and bean burrito with chili; French fries, apple slices with cinnamon or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, hamburger salad or pears; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
WEDNESDAY: Choice of grilled cheese with a bowl of soup, beef stir fry or green enchilada casserole; scalloped corn, Chinese-style vegetables or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, raw spinach salad or cucumber and tomato salad; cornbread, wheat rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
THURSDAY: Choice of hot dog on a bun with cheese, macaroni, cheese and ham casserole or nachos with cheese and peppers; potato chips, mixed vegetables or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, coleslaw or watermelon; assorted muffins, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
FRIDAY: Choice of baked cajun fish, Chinese plate or New Mexican enchiladas; baked potatoes, Chinese-style vegetables or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, pineapple sunset salad or tomato slices; cornbread, cheese rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

HART
Elementary School Lunch
THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket, beef enchilada, fresh, assorted fruit, salad with ranch dressing, gelatin dessert, corn, apricots, vanilla ice cream and milk.
FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket, nachos with ground beef, dill pickles, fresh, assorted fruit, gelatin dessert, vanilla ice cream, ginger cookies and milk.
MONDAY: Steak fingers, rolls, green beans, mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, banana pudding and milk.
TUESDAY: Steak fingers, rolls, green beans, fresh fruit, gelatin dessert, mashed potatoes and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Lasagna with ground beef, rolls, salad, fresh fruit, green beans, gelatin dessert and milk.
THURSDAY: Hot dog on a bun, dill pickles, peaches, fresh fruit, peanut butter bars and milk.
FRIDAY: Nachos with ground beef, dill pickles, peaches, fresh assorted fruit, peanut butter bars and milk.

Nazareth
THURSDAY: *Fried chicken with roll or corn dogs, salad, potatoes and gravy, fruit cocktail, peaches and milk
FRIDAY: *Spaghetti with roll or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, corn, pears, fruit and milk.
MONDAY: *Chili dogs or baked potato, salad, corn, pineapple, orange and milk.
TUESDAY: *Chalupas or pizza, salad, vegetarian beans, peaches, orange and milk.
WEDNESDAY: *Hamburger or sandwich, French fries, lettuce, green beans, pears, brownies and milk.
THURSDAY: *Soft tacos or corn dogs, salad, corn, peach cobbler, pineapple and milk.
FRIDAY: *Roast beef with bread or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, potatoes and gravy, fruit cocktail, pudding and milk.

DHS students gear up for Homecoming 1996

Dimmitt High School will hold its Homecoming activities next week, culminating in the varsity football game against Muleshoe Friday at 7:30 p.m., followed by the Homecoming Dance.

Students are encouraged to wear the school colors and observe special days each day next week. Monday will be "Switch Day," Tuesday will be "Twin Day (Make the Mules See Double)," Wednesday will be "Grease Day ('50s theme)," Thursday will be "Bad Hair Day," and Friday will be "Dress-Up Day."

On Tuesday, students will hold elections for Flame King and Queen and for Homecoming Queen.

The annual "Pinning Ceremony" will be held Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. at Bobcat Stadium. Each football player from the freshman and varsity teams will be recognized.

Also, the Flame King and Queen

will be crowned. Candidates are seniors Oscar Rueda and Lindsey Garza, juniors Stuart Sutton and Christina Longoria, sophomores Jaime Lafuente and Jessica Flores, and freshmen Fredrick Traylor and Juanita Vasquez.

Next Thursday, a "Junior Olympics" will be held, starting at 1 p.m. at the high school. It involves "fun" games, with teams of high school students volunteering to compete.

On Sept. 27, the Homecoming Pep Rally will start at 3 p.m. in the high school gym. The Homecoming Queen will be crowned. Candidates are seniors Carrie Bradley, Summer McLean and Andrea Mondragon. Also, the Homecoming court will be honored. Members of the court are freshman Carol Summers, sophomore Brenda Arce and junior Nancy Flores. Also, the Honor Class will

be recognized—the DHS Class of 1976.

The FHA Homecoming Supper will begin serving "Fiesta" at 5 p.m. at the high school cafeteria, continuing up until game time.

The Homecoming Queen also will be honored at halftime of the varsity football game. The Homecoming Dance will be held at the Expo Building as soon as the game is over.

Also following the game, there will be visitation for the Class of 1976 at the Country Club of Dimmitt.

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These figures from the National Safety Council for 1994 (the latest year for which complete statistics are available) prove that FARMING IS ONE OF THE MOST DANGEROUS JOBS IN THE WORLD. The death rate for farm workers is almost five times the average of all American industries combined.

This is National Farm Safety Week. This special week was established to promote farm safety and to educate farmers, ranchers, their families and hired hands about workplace safety.

The campaign is having some positive results. Preliminary statistics indicate that the number of deaths caused by farm-related accidents has declined slightly in the last two years, mainly because of more safety features designed into new farm machinery and increased awareness by farm workers.

We must make our farms safer. We can do it by educating ourselves and others, by being more aware of safety hazards, by observing recommended precautions, and by following the Farm Safety Tips that are printed here.



Farm Safety Tips From the National Safety Council

- * **Work in teams**, so someone can call or go for help if there is an accident.
- * **Install roll-over bars** on any tractors that don't have them. (Tractor overturns account for 55% of tractor-related farm accidents and a large portion of farm fatalities.)
- * **Keep an eye on children.** Any children who operate equipment should be well-trained.
- * **Construct fences** around farm ponds and manure pits.
- * **Wear protective equipment**—goggles, hard hats and other safety equipment—when necessary or recommended.
- * **Lock up** your chemicals.
- * **Avoid loose clothing** that can get caught in moving parts.
- * **Drink lots of fluids** and take breaks when it's hot outside.
- * **Take special care** when driving a tractor or other heavy farm machine on the road. As the population grows, so does the incidence of tractor-commuter encounters on rural highways.
- * **Make sure** hired hands and temporary farm workers are adequately trained for farm jobs.

*Farmers, be careful out there—
your friends don't want to lose you!*

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