

Amendment, CED election to be held Saturday



WHAT LANGUAGE!—Characters in an historical skit set in the old general store and post office react to the angry shouts of a character portrayed by Bill Sava (second from left). The skit will be presented as a part of the Centennial Pageant, set for performances at 2:30 p.m. Sunday and 8 p.m.

Monday in the Dimmitt High School auditorium. Tickets are on sale now at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce office, Tots and Teens, and Sheffy's Western Wear. Other players in the skit shown include (from left) Linda Maxwell, Nancy Buchanan, Don Sheffy and Amy Beck. Photo by Terri Loudder

Centennial Pageant show to open Sunday afternoon

The 1991 Castro County Harvest Days activities kick off Sunday with the opening performance of the Centennial Pageant, and activities continue throughout the week, culminating with a street dance on Saturday night, Aug. 17.

This year's celebration will incorporate the county's 100th birthday celebration into each activity.

The Centennial Pageant, a community variety show featuring local

musicians, actors, dancers and more, will be held Sunday at 2:30 p.m. and on Monday at 8 p.m. Both performances will be held at the Dimmitt High School Auditorium. Bill Sava directs the program.

Admission to the Centennial Pageant will be \$3 per person, if tickets are purchased in advance or \$4 at the door. Children 5 years old and younger will be admitted free of charge. The Chamber of Com-

merce is conducting a ticket sale contest, and the person who signs up to sell tickets, and who sells the most tickets to the pageant, will be awarded \$50 at the Monday night performance. To be eligible, individuals must sign up at the Chamber Office and they must sell at least 20 tickets to be considered. Tickets also will be on sale at Tots and Teens, Sheffy's Western Wear and at the Chamber of Commerce office.

"You won't want to miss the last performance of the Follies," said Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Delores Heller. "It promises to be one of the best ever."

The first half of the show will focus on skits depicting historical events and people in the county. Skits for the pageant were written by Sava, Terri Loudder and Linda Maxwell.

Soloists during the program include Loudder, Jerry Jansa, Don Sheffy, Jan Bryan, Tami Griffith, Sava, Susan Coleman, Jim Baker, Tori Baker and Renise Blair, along with many more.

The second half of the show will feature tribute acts focusing on activities which have taken place in the county.

The Centennial Singers also will perform during the pageant.

The county fair and annual quilt show will be open to the public from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Aug. 15 and entries in each show must be turned in at the Expo Building that day. Anyone interested in entering a quilt should contact Yvonna Hays at 647-5214; and those wishing to enter the fair should contact Carolyn Osborn or J.D. Ragland at 647-4115.

On Friday, Aug. 16, the arts and crafts show opens at 9 a.m. and will remain open until 6 p.m. The fair exhibits and quilt show also will be open.

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Weather

Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.

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Thursday	94	61	
Friday	93	62	
Saturday	96	64	
Sunday	96	60	
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Tuesday	91	59	
Wednesday	89	63	
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1991 Moisture			13.04

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Voters will go to the polls Saturday to decide the fate of two state constitutional amendments and of tax exemptions for the Castro County Education District (CED).

According to David Schaeffer, president of the Castro County Education District, voters will have to vote in two separate elections, at two different locations.

The statewide constitutional amendment and the statewide county education district elections will be conducted at the courthouse in Dimmitt from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Each voter will have to cast his or her ballot in these elections at the courthouse, then travel to their school district polling place to cast a ballot on the local level.

These polling places will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Dimmitt Independent School District voters may cast their ballots at the Dimmitt City Hall, Hart ISD voters may vote at the Hart school cafeteria, and Nazareth ISD voters may cast their ballots at the Nazareth High School Home Economics Room.

In the statewide election, voters will decide the fate of two constitutional amendments recently adopted by the 72nd State Legislature.

According to the Texas Research League, Proposition 1 would make the property tax exemption policy of the newly-created CEDs consistent with that of other taxing jurisdictions. At the same election, voters in each CED will be asked to approve (contingent on passage of the amendment) exemptions from CED taxes and taxation of non-income producing tangible personal property.

Proposition 2 would authorize the Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue up to an additional \$300 million of state general obligation bonds to replenish the college student loan program.

In addition to the constitutional amendment election, voters in the county will vote on three CED tax amendments, which are:

* 1. Additional exemption of 20% of the market value of a resident's homestead.

* 2. Additional exemption of \$10,000 of the market value of a resident's homestead for indi-

viduals who are disabled or who are 65 years of age or older.

* 3. Taxation of tangible personal property other than manufactured homes that is not held or used for production of income.

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Guest Editorial

Vote responsibly

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This editorial was written by David Schaeffer, president of the Dimmitt School Board and the Castro County Education District.)

On Saturday, Aug. 10, voters in Castro County will participate in two separate elections.

The first will be held at the courthouse and it will determine the statewide outcome of three exemptions affecting the property to be taxed by the new Castro County Education District (CED).

The second election will be held by each school district on behalf of the CED to determine the local application of the same three exemptions.

I urge each person and taxpayer in our county to vote in both elections.

In studying the issues involved in these exemptions, I would ask that each voter consider voting against Amendments 1 and 2. Also, in order to stay consistent with the current taxing policies, I would ask that you vote for Amendment 3. In coming to these recommendations, I will try to give you, as a taxpayer, some information and background.

This spring, the state passed SB 351, which creates a new taxing entity for school districts in order to reallocate tax revenues from some rich districts to poor districts. The creation of the CED was the product of that legislation. The CED is mandated by law to raise a set amount of tax revenue determined by the state, then must allocate that money to the component school districts.

Currently, the CED must allow the state mandated exemptions of 1. \$5,000 homestead exemption; 2. \$10,000 disabled or over 65 exemption; 3. \$3,000 disabled veterans; and 4. over 65 frozen levy. The exemptions you will vote on Saturday will be in addition to these current exemptions.

If the voters approve the additional exemptions for homesteads, that will force the CED to raise the tax rate to raise the same amount of tax revenue as mandated by the state. This would force the business property to be taxed at a higher level.

Please consider very carefully the responsibility that we all have as taxpayers to keep the burden equally distributed among homeowners and businesses. In order to keep Castro County economically progressive, we must protect ourselves from placing additional burdens upon our business community.

Paving list dwindles

The list of streets on the proposed assessment street paving project dwindled from 53 to 17 Monday night when the Dimmitt City Council conducted a public hearing on the project.

Mayor Wayne Collins convened the hearing before a packed City Hall at 6:35 p.m., with a standing-room-only crowd of citizens waiting to be heard. Two hours later, 36 Dimmitt streets had "bit the dust," as each of the 53 units in the proposal were considered one at a time by the council.

The council followed the same procedure with each unit, asking for any citizen who was for the project on his street, then anyone who was against the project. Dimmitt realtor Jimmy George, who was assigned by the council as the qualified land appraiser, then gave

his assessment of whether or not the paving would improve the value of the property in the unit being considered.

Mayor Collins explained at the beginning of the meeting that everyone would be given an opportunity to have paving and to speak for or against the proposal.

"This will probably be the last time this century that we will consider an assessment paving project," he said. "Those units rejected tonight cannot be placed back on the list later for reconsideration."

Most of the opponents of the paving project spoke briefly, saying either, "We don't want it," or "We can't afford it."

One consistent proponent of the project was local property owner Harold Hyman, who spoke for paving.

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Shea Bennett is crowned Miss Hart 1991 Tuesday

Shea Bennett, daughter of Harold Bob and Ruth Bennett of Hart, was crowned as Miss Hart 1991 Tuesday night during the Miss Hart Pageant.

Brenda Campbell was mistress of ceremonies at the pageant and a "Simply Irresistible" program by children from Hart was the entertainment.

Bennett earned the title of Miss Hart over 10 other contestants including Sheila Aalbers, Debra Barefield, Erica Beanes, Kristi Davis, Mandy Davis, Traci Knox, Tanya Leibel, Christi Neinaast, Lisa Reyna and Catrina Waller.

Bennett was sponsored by the Hart branch of Hale County State Bank.

The celebration of "Hart Days" continues this week with a new

feature, the Little Dinner Theater, scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, sponsored by the Hart Golden Group. A meal of brisket, red beans, potato salad, bread, apple pie and drinks will be served in the HGG Center.

The Happy Hatters, a women's musical group from Dumas, will provide the entertainment. A limited number of tickets is available at \$10 each from any HGG board member or from Fina Vaughan.

Another new event, Chi Psi Sorority's single elimination "Blind

Volleyball Tournament," begins at 5:30 p.m. Friday at Martinez Service Station. Sheets will be hung over a volleyball net to prevent the teams from seeing each other, and water balloons are used instead of volleyballs.

Points are scored when the balloon is burst by one of the teams. The first team to get 15 points, or the team with the most points after 20 minutes of playing, will be the winner.

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HISD plans registration for 1991-92

Students who plan to attend Hart Independent School District this year will meet Tuesday to register for classes, which are scheduled to begin Aug. 19.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with the senior class and continues through 4 p.m. The seventh grade class will be the last class to register.

New teachers will report for orientation on next Thursday, Aug. 15. New faculty members are asked to report to Room 1 at 8:30 a.m. for the orientation, which will conclude at approximately 12:30 p.m.

On Aug. 16, a teacher workday has been scheduled, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and concluding at 3:30 p.m.

On Aug. 19, the first day of school, teachers should arrive at school by 7:55 a.m.



MISS HART FOR 1991 ... Shea Bennett, after she was crowned Tuesday night

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(Editor's Note: Don Nelson is spending the week recuperating from putting out the 116-page centennial edition. Today's column is written by Freda McVay, a Tech journalism professor who spent the summer working in the newspaper office.)

I used to hate going back to elementary school that first day. The teachers probably weren't any more ready than I was for the end of the vacation, because it seemed like every one of them would give that same dreaded assignment: Write a paragraph on "How I Spent My Summer Vacation."

But finally, after all these years, I actually found myself volunteering to do that same assignment, with a slight twist. You see, I spent MY summer vacation in Dimmitt, working for the newspaper, and I offered to do this column about it before I ride off into the sunset, back to Lubbock.

Although most of my life was devoted to the newspaper business, for the past 12 years I have taught journalism at Texas Tech. But when publisher Don Nelson told me about his special centennial edition, and the work that would be involved in putting it out, I offered to climb down from the old ivory tower and return to my first love—the newspaper.

And what an experience it has been! Before this summer, about all I knew about Dimmitt was that it is Kent Hance's home town, and that you host a wonderful golf tournament each year, the "Dimmitt Darlins" women's partnership, which I had played in several times.

Now, ten weeks later, I feel like I'm an expert on Dimmitt—or at least, I'd like to be. I don't think I've ever met a nicer group of people anywhere, and the few who weren't nice were at least interest-

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On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Jim and Becky Killingsworth and Alyce and Woodrow Killingsworth just returned from a "fantastic" trip to Alaska. The Killingsworths all went on an Alaskan Gulf Cruise. Becky and Jim planned the cruise to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary.

The Killingsworths all flew out of Albuquerque July 20 to Anchorage. They were shuttled from Anchorage to Whittier by train on a very scenic and informative trip to where the ship was docked. The ship they sailed on at midnight was the Fair Princess, a very popular cruise line.

Becky reports that the scenery was beautiful before the ship ever weighed anchor. From Whittier the ship sailed south through the College Fjords and Columbia Glaciers all day long. The glaciers, mountains and water all combined to create a spectacular mixture of God's creation and nature that was truly "awe-inspiring."

Jim and Becky even ate breakfast out on the chilly deck just to be sure they didn't miss anything. The second day they continued southward to Glacier Bay, famous for its ice age atmosphere of huge and magnificent glaciers.

The first city the ship docked in was Skagway. They were in port for eight hours, so that gave them plenty of time to go on a few excursions offered by the Princess.

First, they all four went on a "flight-seeing" trip. They chartered a small plane to fly over the glaciers and follow them from the sea to their origin, the mountain peaks. Becky, Jim, Woodrow and Alyce considered this one of the many highlights of their trip. The plane took them to a small community, Haines, where they were served a picnic lunch and boarded a raft to float down the Chilcot River through the Chilcot Bald Eagle Preserve. They saw approximately 50 bald eagles.

The next day the Killingsworths docked in Juneau. Alyce and Woodrow went to see the Mendenhall Glacier and Becky and Jim took a helicopter flight over the glaciers and actually landed and walked on the glacier and drank from the glacial waters. Becky reported this as simply fantastic!

Next, they docked in Ketchikan, where Alyce and Woodrow went sightseeing to the totem pole village and Becky and Jim went sport-fishing. They both caught Koho salmon and pink salmon, which the chef on the ship prepared deliciously for their dinner the following night.

The cruise continued southward, finally docking in Vancouver, Canada, a week later. They were all very impressed with the Princess cruise and the fantastic northern state of Alaska.

Rosetta and William Bellinghausen and her niece, Maria Rosaria Petraccone, spent a week in Ovalo visiting their son David and family. They took Maria Rosaria to Fort Worth to the Kimble Art Museum, Amon Carter Museum and the Omni Theater, where they were showing "The Blue Planet." They visited several sites in the Dallas area and Six Flags in Arlington.

On Friday night they celebrated

David's birthday with a dinner in Waxahachie. Saturday morning they drove to New Waverly to attend the wedding of Colby Oldham and Lisa Kaye Leonard. They visited with Jerry and Alice Ellison and Heather, of Huntsville; Arnold and Sharron Acker, Andrew and Ashley of Argyle; Eugene and Linda Oldham and boys of Plano; Rochelle Oldham and Kable of Temple; and Shorty Oldham of Dimmitt.

Sunday morning Maria Rosaria left for New Jersey and back to Pompei, Italy.

The employees of American Fructose held a company picnic and barbeque on Saturday at Ruskin Club. They had bingo for everyone and swimming and tennis. Other adult activities were washer toss, horseshoe throwing, which was finally won by Gary Thompson, plant manager, and Richard Stahl.

In the "Dessert Contest" Tami Griffith won first place with her Texas cheesecake, and she won first place in the Ladies "Putting Contest" as well. Joe Bob Sanders won first place in the men's "putting contest." They enjoyed "golf" and "chipping" contests as well. All the children received a gift for the day.

The Thursday Bridge Club was hosted by Susie Reeves. They met at the Senior Citizens Center for lunch and a day of bridge. Johnnie Vannoy won high score, and Dude McLauren won second high. Others playing were Neva Hickey, Emily Clingsmith, Ina Rae Cates, Louise Mears, Virginia Crider, Cleo Forson, Oleda Schumacher, Helen Braafladt, Edith Graef, Mary Small, Dugan Butler, Elizabeth Huckabay and Ferne Dickey.

Susie Reeves visited her daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Larry Powell, in Dumas last week.

Joyce and Woody Richard went to Dallas to visit her daughter, Dee Dee, and her husband, Tony Saunders, recently.

Four members from First Baptist Church in Dimmitt had the opportunity to minister in inner-city New Orleans with the children who are growing up in severe conditions. The Rev. Paul Kenley, Barbara and Nikki, and Holly Wise were joined by Robin Carlton of Abilene for the New Orleans trip.

The girls are "Acteans," and this was a mission assignment to work with little black children. They gave a report on their week Sunday evening and showed a film on their work. Barbara reported they had an average of 20 children a day, pre-school through second grade. They met in a park, but worked through the Baptist Friendship House in New Orleans. They had planned to have Bible stories, handcrafts, and things that we have in our Vacation Bible Schools, but these children could not concentrate and could not be trusted to use scissors and that sort of handwork. The older children always came around and interfered. The small children loved the girls as they dressed as clowns and performed, and they liked the puppets. All the children needed love. Holly reported they were dis-

couraged the first day because things didn't go as they had planned and the children didn't cooperate. The kids opened the fire hydrants, so everyone played in the water. Nikki said the children were unruly, but they did hold a lot of the kids because they needed love. They did make Fruit Loop necklaces and colored pictures, and they liked to jump rope. Nikki liked the twin girls, Kathy and Kathleen, who were beautiful children. Brother Paul said a 10-year-old boy sang a song, "You are a fat boy and you will never be back." It is a different world and some of the children will never see adulthood. It was a new experience for them, but they helped a missionary keep her park program going!

Kristin Vaughan from Dallas spent a week in Dimmitt with her grandparents, Charles and Betty Vaughan and Mary Edna Hendrix, and her aunt and family, Sherri and Mike Wilkerson and Kevin Baldrige. A friend, Alice Broggan from Arlington, had been to Seattle, Wash., to visit her son, Greg, and came back through Dimmitt, so she stayed a couple of days and Kristin returned home with her. They enjoyed picking peaches, blackeyed peas, beans, squash, cucumbers and corn to take home with them.

Susie Reeves' great grandson, Robert Clayton, son of Shan and Melissa Powell of Belton, celebrated his first birthday with a party recently. Shan is a paramedic and Melissa is an RN.

Margell Powell entertained relatives last week, her son and family, Kenny and Lucy Powell and Kenny Jr., from Weslaco.

Ruby Ramsey's granddaughter, Becky Andrews from Lubbock, spent the weekend with her and attended her class reunion. John and Yvonne Pitts from El Paso visited Ruby as well. They all visited other relatives in Dimmitt, Oleda Hance, Phoebe Clayborn and Martha Rhynes.

Out-of-town visitors at the museum last week were Kama Meyers from Lubbock, who was visiting the Hubbles; Mr. and Mrs. Liggett from Lakewood, Colo.; Jaine White from Louisiana; Flo Shufflin from Amarillo; Pat Ragliese from Hereford; Rachal, Kelly, Jonnee and Mykell Neely from Oklahoma, who were visiting Doris Neely; and Kristin Vaughan from Dallas and Alice Boggan from Arlington.

Kenn Justice is in Baylor Medical Center, Collins Room 470, 3500 Gaston Ave., Dallas, 75246.

Geneva Dennis is in Midland Memorial Hospital. Send cards to 3313 Dengar, Midland, 79703.



JUST LOOK—Charles Lee and his wife, Christine, portrayed by Jerry Jansa and Terri Louder, admire the view from the Carter ranch in one of the historical skits that will be enacted as part of

this year's Follies production, set for 2:30 p.m. Sunday and 8 p.m. Monday. Tickets may be purchased at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, Tots and Teens or Sheffy's Western Wear.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Sunnyside By Teeny Bowden, 647-5703

James and Joan Norrell and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. K.R. Norrell of Levelland, returned home Saturday afternoon after attending funeral services for Ronald Snider, the husband of his only sister, Brenda. They had gone to spend a week or so with them recently because he was not doing well. They came home and had been back only six days when he died. They turned around and went back.

Wanda and Ricky Lawless of Levelland are the parents of a baby girl, Hether Kay, who was born on Aug. 1. She weighed 8 lbs., 12 oz. and was 21 inches long.

Gale and Verna came in from Glorieta just in time for church Wednesday night. They attended a conference, and reported it was good.

The nice slow rain we were blessed with recently has caused the parsonage to leak, so Don and Mike Fry, assisted by son, Stephen, started re-shingling the roof last Thursday.

Don and Lupina Fry will be moving to Oklahoma, where both have jobs lined up.

Ezell and Verba Sadler left Wednesday for Hubbard Creek Lake to prepare for the Henslee Reunion. It is the last scheduled reunion of the year. Embree Roy and Willie Mae Sadler, Gale and Verna Sadler and some other family members attended.

Ezell and Verba Sadler had planned to take a long trip with their cousins, Hollis and Marcie

Lee Buchanan, when the reunion was over.

Teeny Bowden and Madge Robb have been selling and dispensing copies of the new history books from an office west of Cowsett Abstract and Title Co. They will have more help during Hart Days and other activities as the events are scheduled.

Teeny Bowden took Goldie Bowden Thompson to the Bowden Reunion at Vernon on Sunday.

They traveled to the reunion and back home on Sunday and it made for a long, but fun day.



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Hart Days

Part of the wonderful flavor of diversity we enjoy in Castro County comes from each separate community's special celebrations, and this Centennial Year has lent an extra air of festiveness.

Hart Days events have already gotten underway, with a carnival, beauty pageants, and sing-along.

The Hart Golden Group is selling tickets at \$10 each for the Little Dinner Theater, set for tonight (Thursday) at 8 p.m. at the Golden Group Building. The meal will include brisket, red beans, potato salad, bread, apple pie and drinks. Entertainment will be provided by the Happy Hatters, a women's musical group from Dumas.

The blind volleyball tournament will be held Friday, beginning at 5:30 p.m. behind Butch Martinez' service station in Hart. Sponsored by the Chi Psi sorority, the tournament will be rather unusual in that teams will not be able to see each other, and water balloons will be used instead of a volleyball.

Also on Friday, the Fun Pet Show will be at 5:30 p.m. at the bank parking lot, and the Kids Games will be at 6:30 p.m. at the football field.

Saturday's parade theme, "County and Country," will reflect not only the centennial year, but also the renewed patriotism spreading through the US since the Gulf War. Hart pioneers Everett and Bea Cole will be honored in the parade, which will start at 10 a.m. Judging of entries will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday on Ave A.

Other Saturday events will include a bake sale and hospitality room sponsored by the Good Neighbor Club, beginning at 9 a.m. in the city hall; the Zealot Club's sale of homemade ice cream at the announcer's stand after the parade; and Chi Psi's Cow Patty Bingo on the east bank parking lot, also after the parade.

Those famous Lionsburgers will be sold by the Lions Club both Friday and Saturday, complemented by homemade pie sold by the United Methodist Women.

Other activities that will extend to both Friday and Saturday will be the Lions' horseshoe tournament and the Fire Department's bingo games.

The community of Hart has a lot to be proud of and plenty of reason to celebrate, and they heartily invite all to join them in their special observance.


We salute the Hart Days Committee and all those who have worked so hard to put together a memorable celebration!

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Nazareth

By Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669

The descendents of August (Gus) Brockman and Frank (Page) Brockman, hosted the first-ever family reunion for the family Saturday and Sunday in the Nazareth Community Hall.

Martin Stephen Brockman, was born Westerholz, Germany in 1834 and he came to America with his parents, Bernard (Von Brockman) and Katherine Stapel Brockman in 1842, rather than be conscripted into the Kaisers Elite Guard.

The family story tells that Katherine remembered watching Napoleon's army marching toward Moscow in 1812.

Martin and Mary Brockman landed in New Arbor, traveled up the Mississippi River and settled on a farm near St. Paul, Iowa.

After Bernard's death in 1875, the family moved out to Nebraska to farm.

The descendents of the family gathered Saturday and after a noon meal, the clan was welcomed by Nazareth Mayor Ralph Brockman. Vic Brockman of Midland, master of ceremonies, gave a history of the Frank Brockman family. Jerome Brockman followed, presenting a history of the August Brockman family.

Many amusing stories were remembered of life during the prohibition and depression eras.

Special recognition was given to George and Mary Brockman, the oldest member (87 years old) and for having been married the longest (67 years); to Steven Birkenfeld, the youngest child (six weeks old); to those with the most grandchildren, the Norbert and Evelyn Brockman of Lawrence, Neb.; to Jerry and Nellie Wilhelm for having the most children; and to Jo Hanson of Jupiter, Fla., who traveled the farthest.

More than 300 people attended, representing eight of the 12 children born to Martin and Mary Buchanan. They came from nine states. About 20 of these came from Nebraska. The day was spent sharing pictures and stories, visiting and playing games. They enjoyed supper and dancing later in the evening.

On Sunday, a mass honoring the deceased members of the family was read at Holy Family Church.

The Frank Brockmans had nine children and seven are still living. Of these, George, who is the oldest child and is 87 years old, was at the reunion along with his two children, Robert Brockman and Ormaline Artho. Sister Jane Frances Brockman of New Blaine, Ark., also attended. Martha Woods was unable to attend because she has undergone surgery recently and was home recuperating. Mattie Swirczyinski, a daughter who recently moved back to Nazareth, was there with all but one of her children including Kenneth, Dick, Mary Beth, Jeanne and Nick. A daughter, Sue, was prevented from being there because one of her children was in a boating accident.

Ernest had one daughter, Shirley, who was present. Arnold had six of his seven children present including Ralph, Arthur, Monica, Dale, Joyce and Virgil.

Naomi had been home for vacation earlier.

Victor was present along with both of his children, Belinda and Jay.

Many enjoyed the men's Class D Softball Tournament this weekend at the Nazareth Community Center.

Teams from Dimmitt, Kress, Tullia, Canyon and Nazareth participated and Tullia won the tournament by beating the Naz X's team in the finals. Third place went to the Nazareth Longnecks.

This week the mixed tournament will be held.

The tournaments are the major fundraisers for the Community Center and the money raised from entry fees and the concession stand benefits everyone by helping pay the ballpark expenses and upkeep.

The annual Suds and Sounds outdoor concert and dance, sponsored by the Nazareth Rough Riders and Knights of Columbus, will be held Saturday at the Nazareth Community Center from 4 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Proceeds will benefit programs for the hearing impaired. Admission will be \$10 per person.

To mark the county's centennial celebration, there will be performances showing the evolution of music here, from the fiddle-playing of the early settlers to the current country and rock and roll sounds. Bands appearing will be Moon Dogs of Hereford, Slow Motion and Shy Boy, both of Amarillo, Melody Six and the Nazareth Rough Riders.

The headliner will be Les Taylor, a former lead singer with the band Exile.

The concession stand will offer barbecued sandwiches, soft drinks and snacks throughout the performances.

A 25th wedding anniversary was celebrated Saturday evening for Francis and Connie Backus in Hereford. Their children, Bob, Larry, Russell, Wade and Glenn and his wife, Kendra, were hosts for the occasion.

The evening began with a mass at St. Anthony's Catholic Church; then relatives and friends of the couple gathered at the Backus home for an evening of fun and visiting.

After opening gifts, everyone enjoyed plenty of delicious food and an anniversary cake.

Those attending from Nazareth were Helen Backus, Arnold and Catherine Huseman, Hubert, Joan, Ron and Marlon Backus, Lester Backus and his fiancée Karen Yule, Derwin and Vera Huseman, Cecil and Lenora Braddock, Dale and Marlene Acker, Darryl and Jode Huseman, Leonard, Alvina, Mark and Roger Gerber, Mick and Jane Gerber, Joel and Mary Beth Gerber, Lawrence Schmucker, Ray and Mary Lou Schmucker and Ralph and Evelyn Albracht. Many other friends and relatives from Hereford and Amarillo were present.

Adeline Pohlmeier spent several days last week in High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo while undergoing tests. She is recuperating at the home of her daughter, Arlene Williams, in Amarillo.

Bethel 4-H Club attends TEXAS drama

The Bethel 4-H Club held its regular monthly meeting on July 16 and enjoyed a trip to the musical drama TEXAS, at Palo Duro Canyon State Park.

Club member Tori Baker was commended for encouraging 25 members and their families to attend the meeting and show.

The Harvest Days Committee will be contacting club members in an effort to plan the club's float for the parade.

The newly-elected club officers will attend a training meeting and planning session for the new year, which begins in August.

Mary Lou and Melinda Schmucker, Doyle, LaDawn and Taylor Schulte, Carrie Wethington and Robin Schulte recently drove to Cincinnati, Ohio, where Melinda, Carrie and Robin played in the National AAU Basketball Tournament. The girls team won three games and lost two. While there they visited the Precious Moments Chapel in Missouri and enjoyed several Cincinnati Reds baseball games.

On their return, they stopped in Mayfield, Ken., to visit the Johnny Schmucker family. Kim and their two children came home with them and spent 10 days visiting their family and friends in Olton and Nazareth. Johnny came this past weekend to take his family back to Kentucky. While here he really enjoyed playing softball in the Nazareth tournament with his old teammates.

Alcohol, drug abuse programs are available

The Amarillo Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse is available for assistance in educational programs, counseling (individual and group), needs assessments, and school prevention programs.

The council is funded by the Texas Commission on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

The Amarillo CADA may be contacted at 374-6688, 2500 West 8th Street, Amarillo, 79106.

Smith is honored

Ralph Smith, retired band director of Dimmitt High School, was recently installed in the Texas Bandmasters Hall of Fame.

The ceremonies were held during the annual convention of the Texas Bandmasters Association meeting in San Antonio.

In his 31 years at Dimmitt High School, Smith's bands garnered 28 sweepstakes trophies, appeared on national television and in more than two dozen festivals in several states. He has been president and national board member of Phi Beta Mu, a bandmasters' fraternity. He has authored nine books on marching bands and is the designer of marching grid layout sheets now published and widely used. He is a 20-year member of the University Interscholastic League State Music Advisory Committee and was its chairman in 1977 and 1978.

The Texas Bandmasters Hall of Fame is sponsored by Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Mu. To be eligible for consideration, a director must have produced and maintained an outstanding and consistent band program in the Texas public schools as well as having enjoyed a long and successful career. Hall of Fame members must be over the age of 65 and retired from active teaching. This recognition also is granted posthumously to deceased directors.

The Texas Bandmasters Hall of Fame is housed in the state headquarters of the Texas Music Educators Association in Austin. Pictures of all elected members are displayed and portfolios outlining the accomplishments of each director are maintained in files which are available for viewing as well as research. The files also contain recordings of each director's bands. Since Phi Beta Mu initiated the Hall of Fame in 1975, only 52 directors have been so honored. A standing committee of the fraternity accepts nominations once a year



WELCOME HOME—A welcome home reception was held Monday night for Brad Murdock (right) and his wife Pam. Brad is home after serving in Saudi Arabia and Operation Heart Shield held a

reception to honor him Monday night at the Church of Christ in Dimmitt. He is the son of Bob and Wanda Murdock of Dimmitt.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Dimmitt women attend Methodist conference

Mildred Bradford, Shirley Wise and Margaret Parsons, all of Dimmitt, represented the First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt recently at the Northwest Texas Conference Mission Education Event, which was held at South Plains College in Levelland.

Worship, study, sharing and fellowship were included in the con-

ference and the studies for 1991-92 are "The Gospel of John," "Japan," and "Living Values/Changing Times."

In the "Gospel of John," the women encountered the living Christ as the source of their life and the grounds of their faith. The leaders of this study were Rev. Ron Henderson of Dallas and Mary Lou Blakeman of Mandeville, La. In "Japan," they reflected on the similarities and differences in their attempt to live the cultural realities of history, family, community and nation. The leaders were Leora Trice of Dallas and Ruth Prudents of New York City. In "Living Values/Changing Times," the women

were drawn to the profound truth of their faith and to commit their lives daily by living the values in changing times. Barbara Inne of Leslie, Ark., was the leader of the study.

Special activities for children were provided and led by Madeline Boadle of Big Spring.

Regina Henley of Childress served as dean of the school, with Peggy Wright of Floydada serving as assistant dean.

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Sports

2-a-day workouts to begin Monday

High school two-a-day workouts are scheduled to begin in Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Monday as the 1991-92 football year gets underway.

Players will report Monday morning and will work on conditioning and other areas, then will don pads for the first time at the end of next week, signaling the beginning of full-strength workouts.

Bobcats

In Dimmitt, players will report for two-a-days Monday morning at 7:30. The second workout of the day will begin at 5 p.m.

The Bobcats will work out from 8 to 10 a.m., then from 5 to 7 p.m., each day, according to first-year head coach Bill Rogers.

"We'll hit the field at 8 and try to get our work done and be off the field in two hours," Rogers said. "I don't want to work the kids so hard they get burned out and exhausted. For the first four days we'll work out at 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., and then we'll issue pads on Friday, Aug. 16. By Aug. 19 we'll be working out full strength."

"The kids are excited and ready to go," said Rogers. "During our scrimmages and non-district games, we'll be looking at some of our young kids and get them some playing time. You may have a sleeper on the sidelines and never know it. He just needs a chance."

Tennis tourney included among Hart Days events

Twenty players participated in the progressive mixed doubles tennis scramble Monday in Hart as part of the Hart Days celebration going on this week.

Winners were Cindy Davis and Adam Arano, high-point totals; and Zenita Rowland and Terry Pittman, second. Two women tied for third, Beverly Hill of Nazareth and Nita Hooper of Tulia, along with Danny Wilhelm of Hart.

In the junior division Monday morning a singles tournament was held for elementary age children. Jared Aven won first place, Billy Don Cannon was second, and Brandon Stroebel won third.

Proceeds from the tournament went to the Hart school's tennis athletic budget.

The Cats will scrimmage Morton in Dimmitt at 6 p.m. on Aug. 23. The second scrimmage will be at Shallowater on Aug. 30, with kickoff slated for 6 p.m.

Rogers added that the annual "Meet the Bobcat Night" has been slated for 7 p.m. on Aug. 24.

Rogers said the Cats will play the same schedule they did last year and Brownfield and Denver City will be tough opponents in the early season. He added that Friona will be tough, also.

"We're optimistic about the season. We may not have some of the biggest players around, and we may not have a lot of bursting speed, but that's not what this game's all about. You get 11 players out there playing with a lot of heart and desire and they're going to give you all they've got. That's what it takes."

The Harris Poll picks the Bobcats to finish third in District 2-AAA, behind Tulia and Littlefield. The Cats power rating is the same as it was at the end of the 1990-91 season—159, and Harris says "Dimmitt will be in for as much success as last year's 7-3 team." He goes on to add that the Bobcats should have a chance at the playoffs this year.

Longhorns

Hart football players received equipment last Wednesday and they will hold their first workout of the year Monday at 6 p.m.

Hart Coach Alan Cherry said he won't hold two workouts each day, just one, and it will be from 6 to 8:30 p.m. each day.

Cherry said he feels like his team has a chance to be successful this year, but they are young and inexperienced.

"We graduated a lot of kids with a lot of talent, but we have some good young players coming up. We expect about 44 kids to report for workouts Monday," Cherry said.

He said the team had good spring and off-season practices, and they were optimistic for the season.

However, the schedule promises to be tough for the young Longhorns. The pre-district lineup includes a couple of teams Cherry says will be tough—Nazareth and Farwell. And he

said the competition doesn't get any easier when district rolls around, especially with the state-ranked Abernathy Antelopes on the schedule. Olton and Shallowater also should be tough, he added.

The Longhorns will scrimmage New Deal at home on Aug. 22 and then will scrimmage Tulia at Hart on Aug. 29. The first game is scheduled for Sept. 6, when the Horns travel to Anton.

After earning a post-season berth last year, the Longhorns graduated a lot of talent and Harris' poll says they should be weaker this year and has the team picked fourth in District 3-AA.

Needless to say, Abernathy is picked to win the district and Olton and Shallowater are expected to battle it out for second. But don't count Cherry's Longhorns out. They'll be right in there battling for a playoff spot.

Swifts

In Nazareth, athletes will report for two-a-days Monday at 7:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., under the guidance of second-year head coach Rick Price.

The Swifts will convene for the two workouts on Mondays through Fridays and each workout is scheduled to run from 2 to 2-1/2 hours.

The first scrimmage will be at home against Highland Park either Aug. 23 or 24; and the second one will be held at Lorenzo on Aug. 29 or 30.

The Swifts open the regular season schedule Sept. 6 when they travel to Lubbock Christian High School. Game time is set for 8 p.m.

During this year's two-a-day workouts, the Swifts will focus on implementing a new defense and will build on the offense they started last year and coaches hope this year they will make a return trip to the playoffs.

"I feel like we could be a pretty competitive team if we stay healthy and if everybody gets in there and does what they're supposed to do," said Price. "Our district is pretty wide open. No one team stands out and I feel like anybody can win it. It's just going to be a

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matter of who gets the breaks and who stays healthy.

Price said he feels like his team's major strength this year will be using a balanced offense utilizing both a running and passing attack.

He said there are a few question marks about who will fill in some of the holes on the lines, but he does expect some of the boys to come through for the team.

Harris picks the Swifts to

finish fourth in District 5-A, but adds that the district title will be up for grabs and any two of five teams including Farwell, Bovina, Happy, Nazareth and Vega, could claim the top spots and advance to the playoffs.

Watts, Jennings win Dandies, Darlins meet

Jerry Watts of Dimmitt teamed with Mona Jennings of Wheeler to take first place in the Championship Flight of the annual Dandies and Darlins golf tournament Sunday at the Castro County Recreation Center.

Watts and Jennings carded a 125 in the two-day scramble with a comfortable six-stroke lead over second place winners Terry Widick and Bettye Butler of Dimmitt. Club member Cliff Cook of Amarillo and Cathy Wilson of Canyon shot 133 for a third-place finish.

In the First Flight Lubbockites Bill Shipman and Karen Shipman took first place with a 133. Brett West and Tiffi West of Hereford finished at 136 for second place, and Max Goforth and Pat Goforth of Hereford won third place with a 138.

Bobby Angeley of Dimmitt and Sally Miller of Canyon won first place in the Second Flight with a 141. A three-way tie for second place went to Eddie Gipson and Evelyn Richardson of Vega, Gilbert Schulte and Jo Beth Bates of Dimmitt, and Terry Swart and Deanna Swart of Sudan, all with 144.

Dimmitt's Don and Shirley Cornett carded a 142 in the Third Flight to take first. Rex Wells and Sue Beene of Friona won second with 148, and Tad and Cindy Cornett of Dimmitt won third with 149.

In the fourth flight, Max Carver of Hereford and Joyce Rickerd of Dimmitt shot 156 to take first place honors. Donny and Melissa Car-

penter of Dimmitt came in at 157 for second place, and Woogie

Wohlgemuth and Bobbie George took third place with a 159.



DANDIES AND DARLINS—Jim Bradford, left, and Jo Beth Bates, right, get some tips on chipping from Mozelle Lilley as they all prepared for the annual Dandies and Darlins partnership scramble Saturday and Sunday at Castro County Recreation Center. Bradford was teamed with Kelly Proffitt, and Lilley was paired with Truman Touchstone. Bates and her partner, Gilbert Schulte managed a second-place tie in the Second Flight.

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SIMPLY IRRESISTIBLE — Hart youngsters, ranging in age from 4 to 6, perform patriotic musical numbers during the 1991 Miss Hart

Pageant Tuesday night. The pageant and Simply Irresistible program were held in conjunction with the Hart Days '91 events. *Photo by Deana McLain*

More about

Shea Bennett . . .

(Continued from page 1)
The Fun Pet Show also begins at 5:30 p.m. Friday at the bank parking lot. The annual Kids Games, sponsored by Xi Mu Iota, is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. at the football field.

Saturday's highlight will be the annual parade at 10 a.m., featuring honored pioneers Everett and Bea Cole. Judging will begin at 9 a.m. on Ave. A, as entries compete in six divisions. Trophies and ribbons will be awarded for best float, bicycle, antique car, antique farm equipment, "walking people" and riding club.

"County and Country," theme of this year's parade, will reflect the centennial year of Castro County as well as the renewed patriotism in the U.S. since the Gulf War. Deadline for entries is Friday, and interested persons may phone 938-2143.

After the parade, the Zealot Club will sell homemade ice cream at the announcer's stand, the Lions Club will sponsor a horseshoe tournament, and Chi Psi will have Cow Patty Bingo on the east bank parking lot.

Throughout the day Saturday the Arts and Crafts Show will be going on, starting at 8 a.m. in the old Hart Lumber building, and the 4-H club will sponsor an antique exhibit in *The Hart Beat* news office. Paul Brooks will display a portion of his antique collection, including toy tractors and Aladdin Lamps. Admission will be a donation to the 4-

H club.
The Lions Club will be selling its famous Lionsburgers Friday and Saturday, and the United Methodist Church Women will sell homemade pie. At 9 a.m. Saturday the Good Neighbor Club will have a bake sale and hospitality room at City Hall.
The Hart Fire Department will sponsor bingo games both Friday and Saturday, and the E & B Funtime carnival is set up off Broadway throughout the week.



MISS CONGENIALITY of the 1991 Miss Hart Pageant is Sheila Aalbers, daughter of Gerald and Joan Aalbers of Hart. She was sponsored in the pageant by Hart Producers Co-op Gin. The pageant, which was held Tuesday night, kicked off the Hart Days '91 festivities, which will conclude this weekend with a full-day schedule of events on Saturday. *Photo by Deana McLain*

Obituaries

Martin Cardenas

Martin Cardenas, 47, of Dimmitt, died July 29 at the Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

Graveside services were held in Crystal City on July 31.

He was born in Crystal City and had lived in Dimmitt since 1976. Survivors include his wife, An-

nice Cardenas of Dimmitt; a son, Martin Cardenas Jr. of the home; a daughter, Palmida Cardenas of Bridgeport, Minn.; his mother, Ramona Gomez of Crystal City; three sisters, Patricia Gomez of Richmond, Lucy Gomez of Miami, Fla., and Grace Gomez of Crystal City; two brothers, Pedro Gomez of Miami, and Gerry Gomez of Crystal City.

Rhonda LaNette Walthall Frazier

Rhonda LaNette Walthall Frazier, 35, died last Thursday, Aug. 1, in Mangum, Okla.

Services were held Saturday morning in Greer Funeral Home in Mangum with Coy Potter of Yukon, Okla., her great-uncle and a Church of Christ minister, officiating.

Graveside services were held at Castro Memorial Gardens in Dimmitt with Benny Baker, Fourth and Bedford Street Church of Christ minister, officiating.

She was born March 9, 1956, in Dimmitt to Georgia and Ronnie Walthall. She married Garland Frazier.

Survivors include a daughter, Jamie Frazier; two sons, Jack and Brad Frazier, both of Aztec, N.M.; her mother, Georgia Derrick of Seguin; her grandmother, Edith Adams of Mangum; a brother, Jack Walthall of Emory; a sister, Dolores Sheward of Mangum. She also was the granddaughter of Edith Adams and the late R.C. Adams, former Dimmitt residents.

CENTENNIAL NOTEBOOK

THE BIG PARADES are rapidly approaching. The Hart Days Parade will be Saturday at 10 a.m., followed a week later by the Centennial Parade in Dimmitt Aug. 17. If you plan to have an entry in the Hart Days Parade, phone 938-2143 by Friday. And if you plan to enter the Centennial Parade, notify the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce office at 647-2524.

LAST MINUTE DETAILS will necessitate a lot of work to ready the sets, props and costumes for the Centennial Pageant, and volunteers are welcome. Just call the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce at 647-2524 if you can help. Performances will be Sunday and Monday, with dress rehearsal Friday at 7 p.m. in the Dimmitt High School Auditorium.

CENTENNIAL PLAZA AND GAZEBO chairman Robert Hawkins has announced that all of the brickwork on the plaza has been completed. He added that a work party will be held Saturday, starting around 8 or 8:30 a.m., to paint the railings around the gazebo. Benches will be installed later after the painting is completed. The structure will be dedicated Aug. 17.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING of the Centennial Commission has been called for Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 7 p.m. in the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce office. All members are encouraged to attend.

THE CENTENNIAL COMMISSION needs one or two volunteers to sell Centennial souvenirs at the County Fair Friday and Saturday, Aug. 16 and 17. Also, volunteers are needed to help with the hamburger lunch and registration at the Antique Car Show in Dimmitt Aug. 17 after the parade. If you can serve, please call the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce office, 647-2524.

We want to offer a CENTENNIAL THANK YOU

big enough to cover everyone who helped make our beautiful Centennial Edition such a great success.

We say thanks to all the people who brought in their family stories and precious family and historical photos; to those who lent us yearbooks and scrapbooks; to those who consented to interviews, and who provided information for our historical features; and to those who allowed us to feature them in our "Notables" section.

We especially want to thank all the advertisers who made it possible. Without their willingness to be a part of this project, it would have been meager coverage indeed for such a notable event in the history of our county.

Castro County has much to be proud of, and since its rich history has covered so many areas of endeavor, there were some things we had to leave out because of space and time requirements, but not because we did not deem them to be important.

Of course, we have already noticed a few typographical errors and we apologize for any inconvenience they may have caused.

As you read and re-read your copy of our Centennial Edition, we hope it brings you the same feelings we experienced in producing it—a feeling of connection with the past and hope for the future—a true feeling of accomplishment just to be a part of this great county and its 100-year history.

Again, we say thank you to our readers, our citizens, and our advertisers for your support.

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**Special Election (Eleccion Especial)
Castro County Education District
(Distrito Educativo del Condado de Castro)
August 10, 1991 (10 de Agosto de 1991)**

SAMPLE BALLOT (BOLETA DE MUESTRA)

**COUNTY EDUCATION DISTRICT PROPOSITIONS
(PROPOSICIONES DEL DISTRITO EDUCATIVO DEL CONDADO)**

INSTRUCTION NOTE: (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION:)
Place an "X" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote. (Marque con una "X" el cuadro al lado de la frase que indica la manera en que quiere usted votar.)

- NO. 1
 - FOR (A FAVOR DE) The exemption of 20 percent of the market value of the residence homestead from ad valorem taxation in the Castro County Education District (La exencion del 20 por ciento del precio en plaza del hogar residencial, de impuestos al valor, en el Distrito Educativo del Condado de Castro)
 - AGAINST (EN CONTRA DE)
- NO. 2
 - FOR (A FAVOR DE) The exemption of \$10,000 of the market value of the residence homestead of an individual who is disabled and of \$10,000 of the market value of the residence homestead of an individual who is 65 or older from ad valorem taxation in the Castro County Education District (La exencion de \$10,000 del precio en plaza del hogar residencial de personas incapacitadas, y de \$10,000 del precio en plaza del hogar residencial de personas de 65 o mas anos de edad, de impuestos al valor, en el Distrito Educativo del Condado de Castro)
 - AGAINST (EN CONTRA DE)
- NO. 3
 - FOR (A FAVOR DE) The taxation of all tangible personal property, other than manufactured homes, in the Castro County Education District, that is not held or used for the production of income. (Recaudacion de impuestos a todos los bienes personales tangibles, con excepcion de viviendas fabricadas, en el Distrito Educativo del Condado de Castro, cuando dichos bienes no se posean ni se utilicen para producir ingresos)
 - AGAINST (EN CONTRA DE)

**SPECIAL ELECTION (ELECCION ESPECIAL)
(CONDADO DE CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS
AUGUST 10, 1991 (10 de Agosto de 1991)**

SAMPLE BALLOT (BOLETA DE MUESTRA)

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS (ENMIENDAS PROPUESTAS A LA CONSTITUCION)

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- No. 1
 - FOR (A FAVOR DE) "The constitutional amendment to allow the voters of a county education district to adopt certain exemptions from the district's ad valorem taxation for residence homesteads and to provide for the taxation of certain tangible personal property." ("Enmienda constitucional que autorice a los votantes de los distritos escolares a nivel de condado, a adoptar ciertas exenciones de la tributación al valor (ad valorem) en dicho distrito a los hogares residenciales, y a disponer la recaudación de impuestos a ciertos bienes personales tangibles.")
 - AGAINST (EN CONTRA DE)
- No. 2
 - FOR (A FAVOR DE) "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds to provide educational loans to students." ("Enmienda constitucional que disponga la emisión de bonos con garantía del gobierno destinados a proporcionar préstamos educativos a estudiantes.")
 - AGAINST (EN CONTRA DE)

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ing! Journalists are always grateful for either one.

My first surprise when I got here was to meet this wonderful, zany and very professional group known as the staff of the Castro County News.. Linda, Anne, Paula, Deana, Danette and, of course, Don Nelson, whom I already knew to be one of the most respected community journalists in the Southwest. I should have known he would have a staff that would also be a credit to the profession, and to the town.

My next encounter was with that dedicated group of fanatics (better known as "golfers") who hang around the Castro County Recreation Association. Pro Bill Glenn and wife, Jan, LGA president Jo Beth Bates, Mozelle Lilley, and dozens of others have been not only helpful, but also downright fun, in all of my dealings with them, trying to get information or pictures. I'm going to miss Jan, especially, when a tournament is going on, wandering around muttering, "This place is a zoo...it's just a zoo."

Covering some of your local governments was also quite an experience. Actually, it's difficult sometimes for a newcomer to figure out what is going on, but, again, everyone I dealt with was courteous and helpful.

I did feel a little guilty about

former superintendent Robert Ryan. I had only covered one school board meeting, when Robert suddenly resigned and went to Seminole. I hope it wasn't anything I wrote. But David Schaeffer and all the school people have been cooperative and informative, and I appreciate them.

Same goes for Mayor Wayne Collins, Don Sheffy and the other council members, Reeford Burrous, Jo Hamilton and gang, as well as Delores Heller at the Chamber. It's very impressive to a "city slicker" to see the professionalism and spirit of cooperation they bring into governing your city.

The County Court House has been an area of particular interest to me, because of all the activity going on outside as well as inside as you prepared for the centennial celebration and plaza dedication. I only covered one County Commissioners meeting, and everyone was very nice — to me, that is, not necessarily to each other.

Most of all, I liked the ordinary people—and some not-so-ordinary — I encountered throughout the town: Postmaster Bill Sava; gazebo designer extraordinaire Robert Hawkins; Robert and Virgie Cozby, who lost their home in a fire I helped cover my first day on the job; Ruby Lee and her family over

at The Place, who kept me (too well) fed this summer; Jimmy Chapman, our daily visitor; next-door-neighbor Jerry Matthews; Johnny Stanford, who came to my rescue one hot afternoon when I stupidly locked my keys in the car; Bobby George; Judge Polly Simpson; and dozens of others who helped make my brief encounter with Dimmitt one of the best experiences I've ever had.

I'm going back to the ivory tower now, and resume "stamping out ignorance" in Tech's School of Mass Communications.

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CPS asks for help

Local volunteers are taking up part of the load for Child Protective Services workers of the Texas Dept. of Human Services, but additional help is always needed.

Volunteers are needed to act as a big brother, big sister, or a sponsoring family. Help is also needed with filing and other office work.

Donations that would be helpful include money, clothing, furniture or storage room for these items.

Emergency items often needed include disposable diapers, cloth diapers for babies with sensitive skin, infant clothing, and shoes.

Minimal food storage would also be a big help, according to the local group, for times when persons are found without food, and occasionally transportation is needed for sick persons who need to go to the doctor.

Those interested in volunteering or making donations may contact local CPS board member Clara Patton at 647-4115. Local case-worker for the CPS is Donna Stump.



A GROWTH AND EXPANSION AWARD is presented to Billy Henderson (fifth from left) by Dimmitt Mayor Wayne Collins (sixth from left) last Thursday at Henderson Ceramics, which is housed with Henderson TV and Appliance. On hand for

the ceremony was Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Delores Heller, Jory Russell, Gary Huffhines, Ann Henderson, Billy Henderson, Collins and Max Newman.

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Paving list . . .

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ing a section of Dulin Street from N.E. 7th to N.E. 8th.

"That area has been blighted, and leaving out streets is not the answer," Hyman said. "The only way we can begin to improve the area is to pave the streets."

George said that in his opinion paving would not increase the property value, and the mayor pointed out that this is the main criterion for the assessment procedure. The council voted the unit out over Hyman's objection.

"I guess it's a matter of which comes first, the chicken or the egg," Hyman admitted. "People aren't going to build in there until it's paved."

By 8 p.m. only a handful of citizens remained in the room, as the council moved routinely through the list. At the end of the hearing the council voted to reconsider two of the units, Belsher from S.E. 4th to the railroad, and Lee from S.E. 4th to S.E. 5th.

In spite of George's recommendation that the value would be

improved, the council voted to take Belsher out. The Lee St. section was reconsidered and included in the final list because of its connection to a previously approved section of Lee.

The street units remaining on the list are as follows:

Wheat, from the city limits to N.W. 2nd.; Allen from N.W. 7th to the OTD (original town of Dimmitt); Dulin from N.W. 6th to N.W. 5th; Dulin from N.W. 4th to existing paving; N.E. 4th from Andrews to Halsell; Andrews from N.W. 3rd to N.W. 2nd; Etter from N.W. 10th to Westhaven addition; Bedford from N.W. 10th to Westhaven addition; N.E. 8th from Bedford to Halsell; Grant from S.W. 5th to S.W. 4th; Stinson from S.E. 4th to S.E. 5th; Belsher from W.E. 3rd to S.E. 4th; Lee from S.E. 5th to S.E. 6th; Locust from N.W. 3rd to Wagona addition; Bean from Front to S.W. 6th; Cleveland from S.W. 3rd to S.W. 2nd; and Lee from S.E. 4th to S.E. 5th.

The hearing and action on the proposed units were the only items on the agenda. Mayor Collins adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.



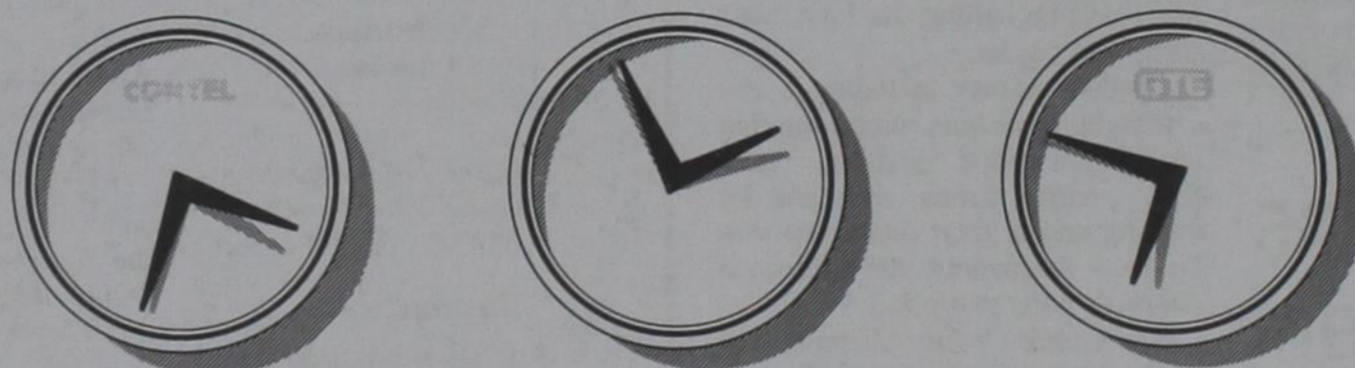
THIS OLD LAND—has been a family treasure since 1879 when Dr. William F. Stephenson's (left) great-grandfather, James Patton Higgins bought the section, which lies three miles south of Dimmitt, from the railroad company. Standing with Ste-

phenson are his wife, Betty and their daughters, Nancy Raymond and Margie Stephenson. Raymond lives in Atlanta, Ga. and the Stephensons live in Cincinnati, Ohio. Donald Wright and his sons farm the land today.

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