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# Texas "Wealthy" School **Districts Not Always Rich**

Lt. Governor Bob Bullock said school districts shows more than half las," he said. have per capita personal income below the state average.

"This pokes a hole in the idea that many so-called rich districts are per student in 1995 was \$652,669. Per filled with rich people," Bullock said. capita personal income in 1994 was He said 54 of the 91 school districts \$17,410 with a 4.01% value single subject to the state's Robin Hood family before exemptions in 1995. funding law have per capita of less The county had 270 homestead exthan \$19,716 based on the county emptions for people over 65 in 1995 census figures where the districts are and school enrollment was 969.

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ers to take a look at the state's Robin the state's \$19,716 average are: Crane, Hood provisions that require 91 Texas Iraan-Sheffield, Irion County, Sonschool districts to send tax money to ora, Terrell County, Fort Stockton, other schools.

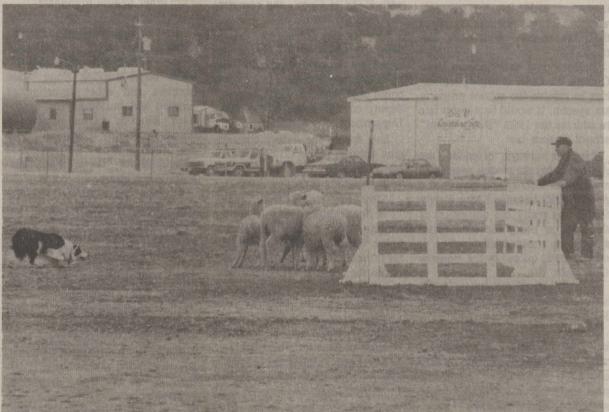
"I have never been a fan of Robin Jan. 17 that an analysis of nearly 100 Hood. School property tax relief is school districts that are required by high on the Legislature's agenda, and the "Robin Hood" law to share prop- that should go hand in hand with a erty tax money with Texas' poorer close review of school funding formu-

> "Our goal should be a formula that is fair, equitable and effective."

Crockett County's market value

These statistics are taken from "Property wealth that can come the Texas Association of School

Other area school districts subject to recapture who were included in Bullock again has urged lawmak- the 91 with per capita income less than McCamey and Rankin.



OZONA'S IVAN WEIR AND HIS DOG, JOE are penning some sheep in last Sunday's open finals of the Texas Sheep Dog Associations's Winter Olympics held in Ozona.

### **Chamber Banquet Tickets on Sale**

Ozona Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual banquet Feb. 3 in Fair Park Convention Center. The evening begins with a reception at 6:30 and dinner at 7:00.

Guest speaker for the banquet is Layton Black of Goldthwaite.

Banquet tickets are \$10 each. They may be purchased at the chamber office or from directors: Carmen Sutton, Jana Wilson, J. R. Bhakta, Rob Whitesides, Jimmy Don McCollum, Will Seahorn, Will Thompson, Richard Vargas, Belinda Wilkins or Camille Jones.

# later Resources Decline

By Dennis Clark, Manager Emerald Underground Water Conservation District



THIS TRUCK TRACTOR RIG BELONGING TO ALDERMAN-CAVE MILLING of Winters overturned Jan. 15 just north of Ozona on Hwy. 163. Driver Robert Gibbs, age 33, was not injured. Gibbs was attempting to pass a southbound Permian Basin Waste Management truck when driver Michael McCullough, age 28 of Midland turned in front of him. The DPS report indicates that no turn signal was given.

# **Trustees Plan Facility Improvements**

Board, meeting in their regular monthly session Jan. 15, approved

Assistant Superintendent Members of the Ozona School authorizing the school district's archi-The Weather

<u>Hi</u> Rain Date -0-Jan. Jan. Jan. 18 No report

(Readings are for a 24 hour period beginning at 8 a.m.) Reported by Ozona Butane Co. for the

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tect, Mr. Larry Harvey of Harvey, Programs and Facilities Committee. Green and Associates of Lubbock, to develop the plans and specifications to submit the specifications to the for board approval prior to the taking of bids for the renovation of the three science labs (biology, physical science and chemistry) in Ozona High School, the installation of erasable marker boards in all teacher classrooms at Ozona Primary, Ozona Intermediate and Ozona High School, and the installation of teacher storage cabinets at Ozona Intermediate School.

The modernization of the three science labs, the installation of chalkfree marker boards and the installation of teacher storage cabinets in classrooms at Ozona Intermediate School were all recommendations made by the Ozena Public Schools

### Correction, Please

Stories in the Jan. 8 and 15 issues of The Stockman incorrectly stated that the family of the late Ricardo Rodriguez filed a civil rights complaint with the Crockett County Sheriff's Department. The complaint, charging that Deputy Lyndon English used excessive force when he shot Rodriguez Dec. 15, was filed with the F.B.I. Bob Rodriguez, brother of Ricardo Rodriguez, told The Stockman that he personally went to the F.B.I. in San Angelo to file the complaint.

This is the proper procedure. Civil rights complaints are not filed through the sheriff's office.

Current plans are for Mr. Harvey school board for their approval sometime in March so that bids can be taken and the contract awarded in time to begin renovations at the end of this school year. Renovations are expected to be completed by the beginning of school in August.

In another maintenance related item, the trustees also voted to have Mr. Harvey develop the plans and specifications for board approval prior to the taking of bids for making Davidson Gymnasium A.D.A. (Americans with Disabilities) accessible, installing a new metal roof, and expanding the front foyer of the gym-

Davidson Gym is the last district building that is not handicapped accessible, and leaks have been prevalent in the structure, particularly where the front foyer roof connects to the main gym roof. In voting to expand the front foyer of the gym, the board directed that the gym's west front walls remain intact, thus expansion for handicapped accessibility and additional space is expected to take place to the north and south of the front entrance of the gym. No timelines for completion of this renovation have

Richardson and Marcus Sims were appointed as members of the board of (Continued on pg. 9)

our continuing drought and falling livestock prices. Although Crockett County was blessed with substantial rains in August and September, we are still well below our average rainfall. According to George Bomar, state meteorologist for the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, we can expect an additional two years of below normal rainfall. Although I hope Mr. Bomar's predictions are wrong, each of us needs to practice conservation in our water usage. The district's 27 water level monitor wells our local representatives. This is not showed an average decline for the only a job for water districts, but also third year in a row. This decline a job for each individual property amounts to almost two feet in three owner. Complacency could cause the need to monitor our water usage closely. Our water resources can be compared to a bank account - if it is not managed properly and withdrawals continue to exceed deposits, the well eventually runs dry.

Population Affects Water Supply

In 1992, Texas surpassed New York to become the second most populated state in the U.S. In the last 35 years, the state's population has doubled from 9.5 million in 1960 to approximately 19 million persons today. By the year 2050, it is predicted that the state population will have doubled again, increasing to over 36 million residents. Providing water for this many people is a problem that must be addressed now, and next to property tax reform, this is a major agenda item for the 75th Texas Legislative Session. Poised to enter a fourth year of continuous drought and the never-ending disputes over the management of the Edwards Aquifer, priority items to be addressed by our legislators will include water allocation, usage and management.

> Water Laws and the 75th Legislature

groundwater resources. He, as well as

Well, 1996 brought little relief to others in Austin, feel that the State's 150 year old common law doctrine of the "Rule of Capture" has become antiquated and needs to be changed. From a water district's view, local control through groundwater districts control through groundwater districts is a preferred means of groundwater management. Local districts are more aware of their available water resources as well as its individual needs and use Emerald U.W.C.D. plans to closely monitor all water related issues throughout the 75th Legislative Session and express our views through years, which should emphasize the loss of water use law as we know it

District Rules and Services

Lately, the district has received several inquiries as to what procedures are required to drill a new water well. If you have drilled a new well in the last four years, or are planning to drill a new well, please contact the district at 1102 Ave. I or call (915) 392-5156. Only wells that produce 25,000 gallons per day are required to be permitted, but the State Water Code stipulates that all water wells, regardless of their production capabilities, be registered with the local underground water conservation district and that the district be provided with a drilling log. The State also stipulates that all abandoned and open wells must be properly plugged or capped. These wells are not only a hazard to small children and animals, but provide a pathway for pollutants to enter our aquifers. Emerald U.W.C.D. has caps available as well as a plugging fund and will either cap or plug these wells free of charge. The district also provides free chemical and bacterial water analysis. A database is maintained on each analysis parameter providing a baseline for future refer-

Emerald U.W.C.D. would like to Lt. Governor Bob Bullock has be viewed as a service-oriented rather mentioned that major changes need to than a regulatory agency. Your tax be made in how we manage our dollars provide these services, so please feel free to utilize them.

ence if needed

### **EMT-B Class** Beginning

An EMT basic class will be held in Ozona beginning in March. The Ozona EMS service is really shorthanded, so if you have been considering becoming an EMT, now is the

To enroll, or learn more about the class, contact instructor Doug Meador at 392-5240.

### Consignments Welcome For Auction

Persons interested in consigning items to the Lions Club auction need to make arrangements soon if they need help getting large things transported. John L. Henderson and Mack Richie ask that you let them know a week in advance of the Feb. 1 auction date if items need to be picked up.

The auction begins Saturday, Feb. 1, at 10 a.m. at the 4-H Barn. Heavy equipment from the county and individuals, and many items from the school will be auctioned.

### **Travelers Fund Needs Boost**

The fund maintained by the sheriff's office to assist stranded travelers needs donations according to Sheriff Shane Fenton. Contributions from the community make it possible to help people get on their way when they are stranded in Crockett County.

Money contributed to this welfare fund is used for gasoline, food and basic necessities to assist the travel-

To contribute, please send your check for Crockett County Welfare Fund to Sheriff Shane Fenton, Box 1931, Ozona, TX 76943.



OZONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MANAGER SHARON FARMER holds one of the new Board members Wade brochures promoting the community. Sharing credit for making the brochure possible are board members J.R. Bhakta, Carmen Sutton and Jana Wilson (seated), and standing from left: Jimmy Don McCollum, Rob Whitesides, Will Thompson, Will Seahorn, Shannon Hunnicut, Belinda Wilkins and Shelly Childress. Not Photo By Scotty Moore pictured are: Richard Vargas and Camille Jones.

Marion "Pete" Stroud, age 60, of Ozona died Thursday, Jan. 16, 1997.

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday in the First Baptist Church with burial in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

Mr. Stroud was born Feb. 20. 1936, in Brookhaven, MS. He had been a resident of Ozona for 23 years and was self-employed.

Survivors include: his wife, Dean Stroud of Ozona; two daughters, Theresa Walters of El Paso and Paula Westmoreland of Ozona; three sons, Wayne Stroud of The Woodlands, Roger Stroud of Midland and Terry Gardner of Ft. Worth; two sisters, Mamie Gaston of Andrews and Ann Ford of Odessa; one brother, W. D. Stroud of Midland; 14 grandchildren and two great-granddaughters.

### **Brady Service** For Buck Knox

Former Ozona resident Clarence James (Buck) Knox, 82, died Saturday, Jan. 11, 1997, in Brady. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Jan. 14 in Heritage Funeral Home Chapel under the direction of Gaylon Morris with burial in Live Oak Cemetery.

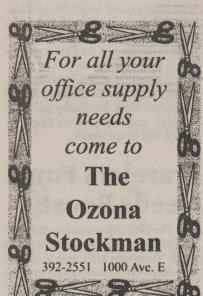
Born Oct. 27, 1914, in Mason, his parents were Noah and Martha Knox. Knox moved to Ozona with his family in the late 1940's. A bronc buster and cowboy in his youth, he worked in the oil field and as a cowboy in Crockett County. Halso vorked on the watershed project in Crockett County and followed that project on to Brady.

He was a retired street superintendent for the City of Brady, and after retiring, he became an accomplished gardener.

Mr. Knox was a member of the First Baptist Church, and over the years he had performed music along with friends at nursing care centers.

Survivors include his children: Betty Meyer of Rochelle, Clarence James (Jamie) Knox Jr. and his wife, Mary Lou, of Ozona; Yvonne L. McCain and her husband, Murray, of Snyder; Marilyn J. Abbott of Brady, and Beverly Dennis and her husband, Ethan, of Christoval; a sister, Idell Eralnson of Brady; 10 grandchildren, including James Knox of Groesbeck; Cathy English, Bobby Knox, Tracey Preddy and Peggy Logan, all of Ozona; and 19 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Naomi; and infant son, Jerry Tol, and his parents.







By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock said the state Legislature, which convened Jan. 14, may change the law that requires wealthy school districts to share their tax revenue with poor dis-

Bullock said that because Gov. George W. Bush is urging legislators to reform the school property tax system, it would be appropriate to address the 1993 "Robin Hood" school finance law.

"It has always offended me somewhat to take money away from a wealthier district and give it to a poor district because I have always felt it was really the obligation of the state to bring the (education) system up instead of leveling it out," he was quoted by the Houston

About 100 of the state's 1,000 school districts have to share their local revenue.

Bullock had said it would be hard to lower school taxes without opening the debate on how education dollars are spent and thus endanger the school finance system's delicate balance.

But last week, in a meeting with reporters, he said the system may be repealed because "a number of senators and House members have been extremely critical of the school finance system we have today, specifically Robin Hood, and this will be their opportunity."

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Bullock, a Democrat who presides over the Senate, said that if the new (16-14) Republican majority in the Senate wants to change the system, "they're going to have the opportunity to do it with no roadblock, certainly, from me."

Senate rules require a two-thirds vote to pass legislation.

Lottery Director Is Fired

The Texas Lottery Commission last week fired Nora Linares, who has been director of the Texas Lottery since its founding in 1991.

The commission voted 3-0 to dismiss Linares, without stating an official reason, after an ethics investigation revealed that her close friend, Mike Moeller, earned \$30,000 in 1992-93 from a contract with GTECH Corp., the company that runs the lottery.

Moeller is serving a federal prison sentence on bribery allegations that accused him of trading state and federal contracts for campaign contributions while he was a deputy commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Last spring the lottery commission voted to renew GTECH's contract to run the lottery for five years without taking bids.

After the vote, Linares said, "I've done nothing that justifies the actions taken by this commission today. When the dust settles and the air is cleared and everything comes out in the open, I will be cleared."

Linares' lawyer, Buck Wood, said there is no evidence that Linares ever gave GTECH any favorable treatment or benefits because of Moeller's contract.

Wood also accused Texas Lottery Commission Chairwoman Harriet Miers, a Republican, of stirring up the ethics controversy to get rid of Linares, a Democratic activist, the Chronicle reported.

The commission named Zoann Attwood, the lottery's deputy director since 1992, to serve as interim acting director. Attwood is former director of the Montana Lot-

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Special Elections to Fill Seats

Two vacancies in the Texas Legislature will be filled by special elections to be held Jan. 28, two weeks after the 75th Texas Legislature convenes.

One vacancy was created when state Sen. Jim Turner, D-Crockett, was elected to Congress. The second vacancy resulted when state Rep. Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, notified Gov. Bush he was resigning from office to run for the seat vacated by Turner.

Also running for the seat Turner had held since 1991 is Democrat Mary Moore of Bryan, a certified public accountant and the daughterin-law of former state Sen. Bill Moore, D-Bryan.

Other Capital Highlights

■ Attorney General Dan Morales advised several hundred state employees who work in two state office buildings to take a day off while bomb-sniffing dogs, state troopers and other investigators combed the buildings for explosives. Morales' office received a threat apparently connected with his dispute with the so-called "Republic of Texas," an antigovernment group.

Gov. Bush appointed John Hill, former chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court, to the threemember Texas Lottery Commission on Jan. 3. Hill, who formerly served as Texas attorney general, joined Lottery Commission Chairwoman Miers and commissioner Anthony Sadberry on Jan. 7 in voting to fire Linares.

■ The three-member Texas Railroad Commission elected Commissioner Charles Matthews as chairman on a 3-0 vote. Matthews, a former mayor of Garland, was elected to the commission in 1994. As chairman, he succeeds Carol Keeton Rylander, who remains a commissioner. Rylander and Matthews, as well as Commissioner Barry Williamson, are Republicans. The TRC regulates the state's oil and gas production in-

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### **Extension Connection**

By Tedra Ulmer, County Extension Agent "Texas Agricultural Extension Service"

### Take-out Foods: Handle With Care

the freezing, nasty weather outside, two-minute stand time for more thorstaying indoors becomes more appeal- ough heating. ing. It's so simple to just cuddle up with a hot cup of tea, a good book and order some yummy pizza or other immediately and hold food at 40 F or convenience food to be delivered.

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However, if take-out convenience foods aren't cared for properly, they can cause some real "inconveniences" like food-borne illness

Some convenience foods are hot, and some are cold. Most are consumed immediately. There are times, however, when take-out foods are purchased to eat at a later time - or we have leftovers which need to be stored safely for future use. It's important to remember that take-out foods are perishable and can cause illness when mishandled.

Basic food safety rules apply. To keep hot food safe, hold it above 140 F. Cold foods must be stored in the refrigerator at 40 F or below.

If you're eating within two hours and the food is fresh and hot when you pick it up, you're safe. If you're not eating within two hours, just keeping the food "warm" isn't good enough. Harmful bacteria love temperatures between 40 F and 140 F. If keeping food hot, set the oven temperature high enough to keep the food at 140 or above. Check the internal temperature of food with a meat thermometer. Covering with foil will help keep food moist. You can also keep food hot with chafing dishes or slowcookers that have been preheated.

It's not a good idea to keep food hot longer than two hours. Instead, place food in shallow containers, dividing large quantities. Cover loosely and refrigerate immediately.

Reheat thoroughly to a temperature of 165 For until hot and steaming. In the microwave oven, cover food

Baby, it's coooold outside! With and rotate so it heats evenly. Allow a

Is the food cold when you order it? Keep it that way. Refrigerate

Never leave food at room temperature more than two hours. Discard food that's been left out in those conditions. For temperatures over 90 F, discard after one hour.

Deli platters are extremely popular for entertaining - keep food cold on a buffet table by nesting dishes in bowls of ice. Use small platters of food, and replace with fresh platters, rather than adding fresh food to a dish that already had food on it.

It is safe to freeze leftover takeout. Wrap tightly for best quality. Cooked meat or poultry can be stored 3-6 months in the freezer, fried chicken for four months, deli sliced luncheon meats for 1-2 months, and deli convenience foods for 3-4 months. Remember that salads made with mayonnaise don't freeze well. Foods kept longer than the recommended items are usually safe, but are usually dried out and develop off-flavors.

For short-term storage in the refrigerator, cooked meat or poultry, including fried chicken, can be stored below 40 F for 3-4 days, as can pizza. Deli-prepared convenience foods such as salads can be stored 3-5 days, and luncheon meats can be stored 3-5 days. Foods stored longer may begin to spoil and become unsafe to eat.

For more information on foods, nutrition or safety, contact the Crockett County Extension Office at 392-2721. Educational information provided by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service is available to all pertional origin or disability.

level, race, color, sex, religion, na- Janet Thompson and Adrienne Cook. Cook and Laurie Hale. chips, dip and a delicious holiday cake. They all exchanged secret sister gifts and they all had three guesses to guess

Party Held In December

"Grupo Rodeo" to Perform

The Ozona Community Center is Convention Center with Tejano re-

"This center has been a place of a.m. Starting Jan. 20, tickets may be

The community center will spon- Mrs. Morrow. "This is for a good

sor a dance Jan. 25, at Fair Park cause, so come on out, enjoy the music,

Leslie Wilson Inducted

Into Alpha Chi Sorority

Leslie Wilson, a Tarleton State ice. Founded in 1922, the society has

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Objectives of Alpha Chi are to Outstanding National Chapter.

scholarship and those elements of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Fatout of Ozona.

**Sorority Country Christmas** 

Membership in Alpha Chi is lim- the country, and Tarleton's chapter is

The former Ozona resident is a ducted.

graduate of Permian High School and

senior classes who excel academically.

Grade point averages must be 3.60 or

promote and to recognize superior

character that make for effective serv-

home of Morris and Betty King. On

Everyone was served sandwiches,

The dance is from 9 p.m. until 1

A concession stand will be open

Jimmy Ortiz or Donna Morrow. Tick-

for your convenience. "We hope each

and every one of you will join us," said

and have a good time. See you there."

than 255,000 students have been in-

of 1968. There are seven regions across

parts of Texas and New Mexico.

The Texas Alpha Kappa Chapter

The Texas Alpha Kappa Chapter

Mrs. Wilson is the daughter of

at Tarleton was recently named as

sponsoring a dance to raise money for cording artist\EMI Records "Grupo

education for many of us in the past, purchased in advance for \$10.00 from

says Donna Morrow. "We want to ets will be sold at the door for \$12.00.

the center. The community center has Rodeo" from San Antonio.

In Ozona Jan. 25

been a part of Ozona since 1938.

and for many of our children now,"

continue to teach, educate, and care

for our children today, tomorrow, and

years to come."

scholarship society.

YOUR NEWS! The Ozona Stockman

In December, Alpha Alpha Mu also drew names for their new 1997 had a Country Christmas Party at the secret sister.

Guests were: Kristy Ellis, Tonya the drive out to their home everyone Bullard, Tonya Poindexter, Patricia enjoyed a hot cider made by Robin Sutton, Shawna Newton, Robin Bryne, sons regardless of socioeconomic Brynes. Hostesses for the evening were Dana Cowen, Rhonda Shaw, Priscilla

WE WANT

...from the "SHEFFIELD

CORNER"

by Billie Malone

that had 1 1/2 to 2 inches of ice, and Church in Ozona. water troughs had 6 to 10 inches of ice.

It is a cold, tough and sometimes next to impossible task to break into ice this thick in order for livestock to To Dean's List

One rancher reported a 6 foot block of ice in an 8 foot deep metal water tank. He and his family were without running water in their home for several days.

Giles and Mae Holmes had as their guests his sister, Jettie Rae Winston, and her husband, Malloy, from Brownwood. Alex and Yolanda Rivera from San Angelo also visited the Holmes this past weekend.

Rev. and Mrs. Jerry Fortune of Sheffield were recent guests of Dr. and Mrs. S. Nelson Lanham of Austin. A "celebration service" was held Sun-

The weather is the big news from day, Jan. 5, 1997, in the Beacon Ridge Sheffield and the surrounding area so Baptist Church to honor Dr. Lanham's far this year. According to several 50 years in the ministry. The afterlocal ranchers, the severe temperature noon program of the celebration inchanges were caused by the wind. The cluded a chalk art presentation by Rev. wind chill factor dropped tempera- Fortune entitled "Crossing Over". Dr. tures 16 degrees to as much as 3 and 4 Lanham and his wife, Frances, were joined by a large number of his former There were frozen stock tanks church members of First Baptist

# **Bryson Named**

Robert Bryson Jr. has been named to the Dean's Honor List for the fall semester at Sul Ross State University in Alpine. The honor was announced by David L. Cockrum, Ph.D., vicepresident for Academic and Student

Criteria for selection include enrolling as an undergraduate student in Sul Ross State University for at least 12 semester hours and achieving a grade point average of at least 3.30 during the semester.

Bryson ended the semester with a grade point average of 3.47.



# **Bobbie Bryson Update**

Jan. 15, 1997

Bobbie returned from Memphis with her blood counts extremely low this time, and then attempted to take chemo in San Antonio the following

and (she) was unable to take chemo. This week Bobbie went on to San An- us Antonio in the blizzard of the year. We knew we had to get there in order once again they have been answered. to see the doctor and to get lab tests Lives were lost because of the ice done on her blood.

The DPS had shut the interstate harm. down at Comfort, Texas, and understood our situation. He gave us a and her safe return to a normal life. passable route back through Kerrville We purchased a new vehicle in Feb.

Bobbie's counts finally came up, have 71,000 miles on it. and she was given her regular dose of Vencristene. The return trip took eight from health care providers for Bobbie, hours from one side of the bar ditches and your prayers have kept us safe on

Bobbie wanted so much to return bless. in order to make the game against Wall. But she missed the game because she thought due to the weather it would be canceled, and the bus left

Bobbie will be returning to school, and to basketball practice. For all that called we certainly appreciate your calls. A special thanks to Mary Harris and Christi Pridemore for their daily calls and concern for her health, and Rev. Charles Huffman for his many visits and family prayers for us.

They all seem to know just how really sick Bobbie is, even though Bobbie always says she feels fine. Last weeks news of the damage done to her legs by the Chemo Vicristene was devastating to all of us, and we now know her battle to get back to normal will be harder than we real-

> Katy Cameron bride-elect of James Oliver

Linda Mendoza bride-elect of Damon Colvin

Mrs. Steve Marshall Jodi Wilson

have made selections at

South Texas Lumber Co.

But Bobbie is a fighter, and she may not be 100 percent this year in basketball, but watch out, golfers. Bobbie won't give up...the doctors are all amazed at her determination.

We think she will amaze us all some day. Thank you again for the Her counts were extremely low many cards, letters, and phone calls. These are what keeps the fight in all of

> Thanks for the prayers, because storm, but again we were spared any

Please keep praying for Bobbie and Bandera then on to San Antonio. right before her diagnosis, and now

Most of these miles were to and the highway. Thank you all and God

Robert and Maida

### League Program **Features Wines**

who the 1996 secret sister was. They

Members of Ozona Woman's League met Jan. 8 at the Circle Bar dining room with nostesses Shannon Hunnicutt, Tammy Kaczmarynski and Barbie Myers.

The program on wine making and tasting was given by Leonard Garcia of the St. Genevieve Winery at Fort

Attending were: Vickie Black, Jane Chandler, Becky Childress, Heatherly Childress, Jodie Childress, Shelly Childress, Jodie Dabovich, Jeannine Henderson, Donna Herring, Karen Huffman, Peggy Logan, Sally Oglesby, Cori Seahorn, Nikki Sewell, Vicki Stokes, Kathy Vickers and Belinda Wilkins.

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A rerun of "The Ozona Story" as gleaned from the files of The Ozona Stockman

**NEWS REEL** JAN. 18, 1968

News Reel

Ozona National Bank will move from the home it has occupied for more than sixty years and will open for business in its elegant new quarters on the south side of the square next door to the Stockman office, next Monday morning.

News Reel

Leonard D. Boyd, retired Air Force sergeant and longtime resident of Ozona, announced his candidacy this week for the office of County Commissioner from Precinct 3.

News Reel

The Annual Ozona FFA Commercial Livestock Show was one of the finest yet, with livestock grading higher than ever before, Jim Davee, local vocational agriculture teacher dorado tournament last weekend. declared.

News Reel

Ted Lewis, owner and operator of Lewis Drive-N Grocery, this week announced his candidacy for County Commissioner of Precinct 3.

News Reel

Mrs. W. T. (Mildred) Goodson, an Ozona resident 49 years, this week announced her candidacy for County Commissioner for Precinct 3, the post now held by Rusty Smith, who is seeking re-election.

News Reel

Bill Black, young Crockett County ranchman, this week pitched his hat into the political arena of the county with his announcement as a candidate for County Commissioner ill. from Precinct 2.

News Reel

A contest developed in the Precinct 2 County Commissioners race this week when Mrs. Rex Halydier, who is presently serving out the term of her deceased husband, announced that she would run for the post on her own.

News Reel

tained the 42-Club at the Civic Center Thursday night.

News Reel

The Texas Highway Commission today approved a route for Interstate Highway 10 through Crockett County, from the Pecos County line to the Combread, Dessert Sutton County line.

News Reel

Jack A. Lock of Ozona is one of a record 817 students applying for midterm graduation at Texas A&M University. Lock, who resides in Ozona, is seeking a Ph. D. degree in mechanical engineering at Texas A&M.

News Reel

Dr. William M. Curl, a brother of Dr. R. F. Curl, pastor of the Ozona Methodist Church, died Tuesday in Amarillo, according to word received here yesterday.

> News Reel Funeral services for Joe D. Davee,

79, father of Jack Davee of Ozona, were held Monday afternoon in Brownwood.

> **NEWS REEL** JAN. 19, 1939

News Reel Mrs. J. A. Marley escaped injury Wednesday afternoon when a pickup she was driving overturned about eight miles south of Ozona.

News Reel

First aid team from Ozona troop months later. No. 53 won first place in a contest held in Sonora Sunday afternoon. Mem- praise Lanham as a scriptural expert bers of the team were Gene Tyre, who loves talking about the Bible. He Charles McDonald, Leslie Nance, Jr., says the biggest difference between and Henry Patrick.

News Reel

The Ozona Lions basketball team Beacher Montgomery and Howard Lemons, both Ozona cagers, were chosen on the all-tournament team.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Johnigan are the parents of a daughter born Monday in a San Angelo hospital.

News Reel

Charles Williams and Kirby Moore escaped injury Sunday night when the Williams car, a new Chevrolet, overturned a few miles this side of San Angelo on the Mertzon road. The car was badly damaged.

News Reel

Mrs. Fleet Coates and son, John, are in Gale, Texas, at the bedside of Mrs. Coates' mother, who is seriously

### Meals On Wheels Menu

Monday, Jan. 27 Swiss Steak with Rice, Honeyed Carrots, Bread, Dessert Tuesday, Jan. 28

Baked Pork Chops, Applesauce, Mr. and Mrs. Hack Leath enter- Black-eyed Peas, Cornbread, Dessert Wednesday, Jan. 29 Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes,

> Green Beans, Bread, Dessert Thursday, Jan. 30 Tuna Casserole, Pickled Beets,

Bread, Dessert Friday, Jan. 30

Beef Stew, Macaroni Salad,

<sup>6</sup>Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you

in due time. <sup>7</sup>Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you.

1 Peter 5: 6-7

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Cafeteria Menu

Salad, Pineapple and Milk

Beans, Pear Half, Texas Toast and Milk and Milk Cookie and Milk

Cobbler and Milk

Potatoes, Coleslaw, Rolls and Milk

Fast Food Menu

Jan. 27... Pizza, Nachos, Apple & Carrot Jan. 27... Corn Dog, Nachos, Apple & Carrot Salad, Pineapple and Milk Jan. 28... Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Baked Jan. 28... Tacos, Lattuce & Tomato, Pear Half

Jan. 29... Chick Burger, Salad, Tator Tots. Jan. 29... Ham & Cheese, Sandwich, Salad, Tator Tots, Cookie and Milk Jan. 30... Soft Burrito, Salad, Corn, Peach Jan. 30... Steakburger, Salad, French Fries,

Peach Cobbler and Milk Jan. 31...Chicken Strips, Gravy, Creamed Jan. 31...Cheeseburger, Salad, Tator Tots and

Breakfast Menu

(Everyday we have Toast, Muffin, Milk and Juice)

Plus: Jan. 27... Sausage & Biscuit or Cold Cereal

Jan. 28... Beef & Bean Burrito or Cold Cereal or Cream of Wheat Jan. 29... Sausage & Egg Burrito or Cold Cereal

Jan. 30... French Toast or Cold Cereal Jan. 31... Bacon & Egg Burrito or Cold Cereal

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### Rev. Nelson Lanham Honored On 50 Years As Pastor

Ozona minister of First Baptist church attendance. Church, was honored at his church in South Austin Jan. 5 for 50 years in the con Ridge Baptist Church for 12 years. positions on many issues. ministry. A special morning service, luncheon and afternoon program celebrated Lanham's half-century as a

Nelson Lanham gave his first sermon at 17 in his home church, Lubbock's Central Baptist. Since that proud beginning, he has given thousands of sermons, evangelized in India, Mexico and Brazil and served churches in five states.

Sharing the highs and lows of his pastorates is his wife, Frances. The couple met in college and married six

Colleagues and parishioners

### Happy Birthday

Jan. 22 - Jo Ann Campbell, grabbed the championship at the El- Thelma Janes, David Lee, John Bohannon, Dena Webb, Wesley Bishop, Jessica Fuller, Ramon Hernandez, Jenny Tollett, Eudelia Ramirez, Rebecca Phillips, Maggie Rodriguez, Federico T. Fierro

Jan. 23 - Brent Moore, S. L. White, Leroy Adcock, Tico Rodriquez, Adrienne Bendele, Darrell Caldera, Emilio Porras, Javier Elizondo, Dora Martinez, Marilyn Moran, Abel Lara, Milly

Jan. 24 - Sue Spoonts, Tom Anderson, Stephen Humphrey, Anthony Villarreal II, Mike Maskill, Melissa Lacy, Mary Perez, Roman Castaneda, Farrah Schalek

Jan. 25 - Judy Pridemore, Tammy Bunger, Melvin White, Kim Galindo, Maria Rogers, Manuelita Tobar, Sylvia Castillo Jan. 26 - Cathy Carson, Christo-

pher Hayes, Robin Delgado, Maria Jan. 27 - Brandon Payne, Eric

Fierro Sr., Frances Baker, Sylvia Palacio, Tony Castillo, Brandon Marmolejo, Samantha De La Garza Jan. 28 - Desiree M. Galan, Keith

Miller, David Hernandez, Joe Hughes, Jo Ann Fenton, Lisa DeHoyos, Sabrina De La Garza

Rev. Nelson Lanham, former now and 50 years ago is a decline in imprisonment of a grandson who had

Rev. Lanham has pastored Bea-

The church has a membership of approximately 120 and average Sunday attendance ranging between 50 and

Dale Gore, executive director of himself in the church sanctuary. the Austin Baptist Association, praises Lanham for remaining faithful to a small, struggling church. Gore also son's life. says it is rare for a pastor to serve 50 years and continue working. Church deacon Ruben Olivo said

that several years ago Lanham never complained when he took a pay cut because the church's lack of growth had put it in a financial bind. Before going to Austin, Bro.

Lanham pastored First Baptist Church of Ozona for 12 years. He has also served churches in Louisiana, Mississippi, Pennsylvania and Florida. Rev. Lanham says he has mel-

lowed through the years, changing from coming down harder on church members to finding that it is better to help people face problems and recognize that all are sinners in need of help and compassion.

The pastor's most difficult crisis,

numerous personal problems, caused him to rethink many of his earlier

His grandson was severely injured when three police officers shot him in an attempt to subdue him after the young man threatened to kill

Deacon Olivo credits Lanham's faith and prayers for saving the grand-

Lanham discovered that true Christianity doesn't come with labels Mrs. Marilyn Pfeister. A former muwhen he was comforted by a Catholic priest while at the hospital with his grandson and says that he intends to preach that kind of Christianity as long as he has a place to preach.

Among those in Austin to share Rev. Lanham's special day Jan. 5 were: Mrs. Bud Coates, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Worthington and Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Storms, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Dorris, Mrs. Lowell Littleton, Mrs. T. J. Bailey, Mrs. Pleas Childress, Mrs. Huey Ingram and Mrs. Audrey Glynn of Ozona. From Sheffield and participating in the program were Rev. and Mrs. Jerry Fortune. Former Ozona residents now in Austin who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Burger and sic-youth minister with the Ozona First Baptist Church and his wife, Mike and Judy Jeffries, also attended. They are now houseparents at the Texas Baptist Children's Home in Round Rock.

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To my mother on her birthday... On Super Bowl Sunday my mother celebrates 50 years of magnificence. Cathy Carson was born on Jan. 26, 1947 in Austin, TX. I quote her when saying, "This birthday will be memorable." It's Really





Yes, Good News

By Dennis J. Prutow

The gospel is good news about Jesus Christ. It speaks to us about the forgiveness of our sins. Yes, we are all sinners. "There is no distinction; for all have sinned" (Romans 3:22-23).

This is bad news. We all deserve punishment for our sins. Death is the punishment for sin. "For the wages (payment) of sin is death" (Romans The ultimate death is spiritual

death, "the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and the glory of His power" (2 Thessalonians 1:9) The Good News is that Jesus

Christ died on the cross to pay the

penalty due to others for their sins.

Through faith in Chirst's sacrifice, you receive forgiveness for your sins. This means you need never fear

death. This really is good news. You see, for those who follow Christ, death becomes the gateway to heaven. Jesus told His disciples, "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places; if it were not so I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you to myself; that where I am, there you may be also (John 14:2-3).

Do you recognize your sin? Do you trust Jesus Christ? Do you have real hope, the hope of heaven?

Ozona United

**Methodist Church** 

Rev. James Carter

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Worship: 11:00 a.m. Templo Siloe

Assembly of God Church

First	Baptist	Church
Rev. Bill Fuller		
Sund	day School:	9:45 a.m.
Wo	rship: 11 a.r	n. 6 p.m.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Rev. Norvell Allen

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Worship: 11 a.m.

Templo Bautista

Jerusalem

Pastor Miguel Arjon Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church

Rev. Daniel C. Fleming Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Worship: 11 a.m.

Wed. & Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.

Harvest Time Christian Center

Rev. Lewis A. Franklin

Sun. Christian Ed.: 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Praise & Worship: 6:00 p.m.

Wed.: Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

Ozona Church of Christ Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church Rev. Charles Huffman, Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m.

Church of God of Prophecy

Pastor Lupe Domoniquez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 4:30 p.m. Tues. & Thurs.: 6:00 p.m.

Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida

Pastor Alec Rivera Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. service: 7:00 p.m.

Iglesia de Cristo

Sr. Manuel Suchil Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 10:50 a.m. & 5 p.m Wed.: Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. Sat.: Teen Bible Class: 7 p.m.

Rev. Sergio Arrellano Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 7 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rev. Bill DuBuisson

Rev. Ray Gallagher Mass: 11:15, Sun., 7 p.m., Sat., 8:30 a.m. M.W.T.F.

**Apostolic Church** Rev. Filiberto Prieto Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 5 p.m.

Tue. & Thur. Service: 7:30 p.m.

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Photo by Susan Calloway

# Wes Texas Weather Modification Association

Completes First Year of Rain Enhancement

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thing about the p-sistent dry weather by forming an orgaization earlier this year to promote thuse of cloud seeding. The West Tex: Weather Modifispring of 1996 to pr in place a multiyear, rainfall-enharement program in a 7.2-million ac area of West Texas, between SanAngelo and the Pecos River. Countieparticipating in the 5-month cloud-seding effort included Crockett, Glascock, Irion, How much of the abnormally large Reagan, Schleicher, Strling, Sutton and Upton.

Seeding operations of underway on May 27 and conclude nearly four months later, on September 24, 1996. The seeding involved the placement of silver iodide (AgI) in growing cumulus clouds on the vege of beg thunderstorms. The seeding was achieved through the doloyment of pressurized twin-engine ircraft (a Beech Duke and a Cessna 340). Both aircraft were equipped wth racks containing ejectable flares, and the Cessna with AgI-acetone burners, to permit seeding to be accomplished from both cloud-base and at chud-top level. A third aircraft (Piper Seneca) was deployed as a cloud-base seeder for several weeks in the late summer. The meterologist in charge used a Cband weather radar unit, with computers, to track and document cloud development. Flight operations were conducted out of the San Angelo and Midland airports, though during the latter half of the summer, all equipment and personnel were situated at Mathis Field in San Angelo.

The association's contractor. Weather Modification Inc. of Fargo, ND, conducted 130 operational flights for cloud seeding and reconnaissance on 74 days during the summer of 1996. There was at least one flight performed on 61 percent of the days over the "target" area. A total of 2,001 ejectable flares was expended during the summer, while the number of end-burning

(fixed) flares of AgI and special in at least several years. The follwing article is from the "hygroscopic" flares totaled 216 and December 16 issue of the Weather 55, respectively. The acetone generaing, nearly all of Crockett, Glasscock, Modification Newsletter edited by tors were burned for 30 hours, 59

June and August were the two With a cripling drought poised most active months for cloud-seeding to enter its foun year, eight West operations within the association's 8-Texas counties ecided to do some- county target area. Forty-four flights were carried out in June, while in August 40 flights involving all three aircraft occurred. However, more seeding material was dispersed in cation Association as created in the August (809 flares) than in June (520 flares). In July, 22 flights were conducted during which 385 flares were ceived, at his ranch in the northern consumed.

The severe-to-extreme drought was substantially dented, if not broken, during the late summer of 1996. association's target area can be attributed to the cloud seeding cannot yet be documented. What is not in doubt is that much of the target area collected

During the five months of seed-Irion, Reagan and Upton Counties received above-normal rainfall. Indeed, the southern half of Irion, and portions of Glasscock County, observed over 140 percent of the usual, seasonal rainfall. Rainfall along the Pecos River in Crockett and Upton Counties was also exceptionally higher than normal. Whitley Ranch, in Irion County, measured 22.75 inches of rain during the five months ending in September, while Buck Owens reportion of Crockett County, 23.30 inches of rainfall.

August was, by far, the wettest month of the season. Several locations in Irion County, including Tullos rainfall totals observed in much of the Ranch (9.55) and Elkins Ranch (9.4), received rains 3 or 4 times heavier than normal. Eugene Yostin Glasscock County measured 7.47 inches in August, and Mike Womack in Crockfar more rain than had been observed ett County caught 7.30 inches.



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From Your Family And Friends

### Memorials, Events Honor McMullan

All news, classified and display ads must be in by 5:00 P.M. MONDAY for Wednesday

publication in the Stockman.

The Shawn McMullan Memorial Match held in Odessa Jan. 7 not only honored the late Iraan roper, but also was held for scholarship purposes for the NIRA Wrangler Rodeo Team.

Stran T. Smith of Tell won the match calfroping with Rusty Sewalt of Comstock. The Sandhills Hereford, Quarter Horse Show and PRCA Rodeo and Odessa Wrangler NIRA featured the special event in the Ector County Coliseum. The roping was in conjunction with a Pro-Am team roping between Tee Woolman, Rich Skelton, Matt Tyler and Kory Koontz.

Many area and professional ropers were featured in a short-go round at the 5th Annual Sandhills Invitational Team and Match Roping sponsored by Permian Basin Ford.

McMullan's mother and sister, Glenda and Mecca McMullan of Iraan, were in Las Vegas, NV, in December to accept some special awards that were given in honor of Shawn. On Dec. 6, the Wrangler Sports Chiro-

practic Program gave special marbled awards and certificates to their doctors who worked the PRCA rodeo circuits and attended the cowboys. A calf roping picture of Shawn was etched on the plaque.

Dr. Bob Allen of Washington, a close friend of McMullan's, presented the McMullan family with his own personal marbled award.

The name of the program has been changed to Prosport Chiropractic, and the emblem of the program worn by the doctors and cowboys on their hats and caps was designed by

On Dec. 8, McMullan honored was among those PRCA cowboys who died during 1996.

At the final performance of the National Finals Rodeo Dec. 15, the McMullan family was given a water color roping portrait of Shawn and his horse, Jelly Bean. The award was presented by Coors as McMullan had been voted Original Coors Fans Rodeo Cowboy.

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LADY LION JULIE PEREZ is determined to take the ball away from a Roscoe Plowgirl in a District 8-2A game held in Ozona last Friday night. The Ladies are undefeated in district with a 7-0 record and 22-1 overall.

Photo by Neal Ulmer

right in the game with 14 points and

first district win and saw to the best of

their abilities they would not lose this

district game. The Blizzards scored 22

points in the fourth with VanZandt

getting 11 of those. Jon Sanchez scored

17, which was enough to beat the

know what quit means," he said.

Blizzards 67-64.

pulled within eight at 50-42.

# Lions Defeat Blizzards, JV Loses

By Neal Ulmer Stockman Sportswriter

Another great game, another new year, and it looks real good for the Ozona Lions. The Winters Blizzards blew into Davidson Gym Jan. 4, and they blew right back out as the Ozona Lions beat the Blizzards 67-64 in an on to a 37-28 halftime lead. exciting District 8-2A contest. The Lions roared loudly as they took their second district win with no losses and improved their season record to 6-13.

"Our kids deserved to win, and that was exciting," said Coach Ronnie

The JV Lions ran into a cold, blue wall, that is, the Winters JV Blizzards, falling 52-48 in an earlier game.

The Ozona Lions came through again, not only at the end of the game,

but the beginning as well. They scored more for a total of 13. Winters stayed 22 points with Justin Browne scoring five and Brian Badillo four to the Blizzards' 14 points in the first period.

Browne scored five more in the second, and his teammates added 10, but the Blizzards nipped the Lions' heels with 14. Ozona managed to hold

Coach Casey knew the second half could be different as he said, "I knew at halftime it wasn't near over with. We were playing good, but they were going to come back. That was according to their scouting report, and that's what they did."

Fans who stayed for the boys' game definitely got their money's worth, especially in the second half. Browne dumped in another five points

The JV Lions won their second

game of the season as they defeated

McCamey's JV 36-24 in an earlier

game. Ozona jumped out to an early

lead, scoring nine points in the first

and held McCamey to five in the first

with Ross Crawford making six to

Ross Crawford led the Lions with

Tebbetts, and Chad Myers with two

each. Also assisting in the game were

Mark Childress, Ryan Bean, Matt

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Castaneda, and Eric Williams.

final period.

The Lions added another nine in

in the third, and teammates added eight the Lions were Jon Sanchez with 12, Laughlin getting two rebounds and Brian Badillo 9, Anthony Ortiz 7, Bobby Cervantez and Steven Marti-

and Jason Stuart and Lando Peña- with Sessom getting five rebounds Alfaro two points each. Michael Nicks and two assists and McWilliams with also played in the game. Jason Stuart and Brian Badillo made three each, and Jon Sanchez, Anthony but came up short on the scoreboard as Ortiz, and Michael Nicks scored two they fell to the Winters JV Blizzards

each. Others playing included Peter 52-48 in an earlier game. Their season Rodriquez and Lando Pena-Alfaro. record is now 1-14. Coaching the Ozona JV, Coach Casey said, "I thought we played

under control. We did some crazy things two or three times that cost us on transition.' Winters blew in and took to the

boards early, scoring 14 points to the ing up the basket as Angela Branch Lions' eight in the first period. Ozona bounced back in the second period, scoring 16 points to the Blizzards' 12 points to pull within two at halftime

Both teams had a very difficult time scoring in the third quarter. The Blizzards made seven points and the Both teams increased the tempo Lions' three, now trailing by six 33edged out McCamey 12 points to 11

The final quarter was exciting to say the least. Each team picked up its maintain a 30-20 lead going into the shooting, played some defense and battled for control of the game. In the Instead of increasing the tempoin end, Ozona was out shot by Winters the final period, both teams became 19 points to 11 points, taking a 52-48 win. Winters' A. Newton scored 13 points to lead his team in scoring.

'The last two minutes, those kids (Ozona) played real hard, which was some of their best all year long," Coach Casey said.

Ross Crawford led the Lions in scoring with 14 points. Also scoring were Armando Flores with 11, Matt Castaneda 10, Brad Sullivan 7 and Jomie Tebbetts, Chad Myers and Ryan Bean with two each. Also playing were Ben Forehand and Mark Chil-

### **Lions Harassed By Badgers 61-54**

By Neal Ulmer, Stockman Sportswriter

The cold and icy weather didn't stop the Ozona Lions as they traveled to McCamey to play the Badgers in a Also offering support was Eric Ra-Jan. 7 non-district game. The Lions mos. played well, but were harassed by the Badgers and were defeated 61-54. The Lions fell to a 6-15 record.

The Ozona JV Lions defeated the McCamey JV Badgers 36-24 in an earlier game. Ozona's JV improved their record to 2-16.

Both varsity teams jumped right period. in and went to work with Steven Martinez scoring eight points and the second and held the Badgers to Bobby Cervantez scoring four of the four for a 18-9 halftime lead. Lions' 12 points. With the Badgers' quickness, they notched 15 points to of the game in the third quarter. Ozona take a 15-12 quarter lead.

Ozona outscored McCamey 14 points to 13 in the second quarter with Martinez and Cervantez making four each. Great effort by the Lions allowed them to pull within two, 28-26 at halftime.

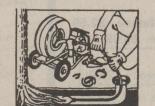
somewhat subdued. The Lions scored McCamey stepped it up in the six and played good defense, holding third with good shooting for 21 points. the Badgers to pick up a 36-24 victory. Armando Flores scored five points, Justin Browne added four points of the Lions' 13, but they could not keep 15 points. Others scoring were: Brad up with the Badgers as McCamey Sullivan 6, Ben Forehand 5, Glenn extended their lead by 10 at 49-39. Sutton 4, and Seth Webster, Jomie

In the final period, Cervantez scored four of his team's 15 points, and the Lions continued their persistence. McCamey's offense persevered, as Kelsey Folger scored eight of his total of 20 points to lead his team to a 61-54 win.

Martinez led the Lions in scoring with 14 points. He was followed by Bobby Cervantez with 12, Justin Browne made nine including one 3pointer, Armando Flores scored seven,

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# Lady Lions Down Queens 61-18

By Neal Ulmer Stockman Sportswriter

Fans found out very fast who was queen for the day as the Ozona Ladv Lions easily disposed of the Forsan Queens 61-18 in a District 8-2A game held Jan. 2 in Ozona. The Ladies continue to hold on to first place in district with a 3-0 record and an 18-1 overall record.

"I thought we played excellent defense for four quarters, and that is what got us the lead, especially in the first half," said Ozona's coach Dickie

The first quarter may not have been a high scoring quarter, but the Ladies did come out on top, scoring nine points to the Queens' four points.

Ozona stepped it up in the second period with Amber Tarr scoring four of their 12 points. Good defense by the Ladies held the Queens to four points, increasing their margin at half to 21-8.

A person would have thought that the Ladies were given a shot in the arm to improve their shooting in the second half. Tarr scored nine points, and Shelly Sullivan seven out of a team total of 20 in the third. They held the Queens to only two points to expand their lead to 41-10.

The final period was just as good for the Ladies with them scoring an additional 20 points. Several players Ozona worked very hard in this came off the bench with Amy Laughlin, Julie Perez, Megan Tambunga and Lauren Wilkins getting two points each. Tarradded eight and Leslie Avila scored six for another 20-point quarter and a 61-18 win. Forsan's N. four points and was assisted by his Johnson scored six points to lead her teammates with 13 more for a total of team.

Tarr had another excellent game, scoring 23 points, three assists, seven Coach Casey was very respective steals, two blocked shots and eight of the Blizzards' team and their coach. rebounds. Shelly Sullivan scored 12 They are well-coached and don't points, had three assists, three steals, one blocked shot and five rebounds. Browne scored 19 points, includ- Leslie Avila and Amy Laughlin scored ing five 2-pointers, two 3-pointers and six each, with Avila getting one steal, 3-of-5 free throws. Also scoring for one assist and two rebounds and one assist.

Stormi Sessom and Amber nez with six each, Peter Rodriquez 4 McWilliams each made four points one steal and one rebound. Megan The Ozona JV Lions played hard Tambunga, Julie Perez and Lauren Wilkins scored two points each. Perez had four assists and one rebound, also. Autumn McWilliams had three rebounds and one steal.

The Ozona JV Lady Lions had JV Queens 48-6 in an earlier game. 16 points and held the Queens to only Their season record improved to 15-4 and their district record to 3-0.

Ozona wasted little time in heat-



Plowboy looks on in a District 8-2A game held Jan. 17 in Dayson Gym. The Lions defeated the Plowboys 58-41 for their fourth district w with one loss. Phorby Neal Ulmer

period. The Ladies scored their low of

The Lady Lions looked nearly flawless in the second half if you look at the score. Branch made four of Ozona's 13 points in the third, and once again they held up the defensive pressure to keep Forsan from scoring for a 32-4 lead.

Forsan did not have a chance, as the Lady Lions continued their unendlittle difficulty in defeating the Forsan ing shooting and defense. They scored two points for a 48-6 victory.

Branch led the Ladies in scoring

scored seven of their 11 points while with 16 points. Shewas closely folholding the Queens to four in the first lowed by Diana Illison with 15, Ammie Avila 8, Kala Turland 4, Traci eight points in the second, but held the Screws 3 and Screy Mendez two Queens scoreless for a 19-4 halftime points. Also playing were Stephanie Franco, Jessica vila, Araceli Tijerina, Haley Holda and Donika MartiFlan

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### Ozona Middle School Box Scores

Neal Ulmer, Stockman Sportswriter

Ozona 7th Cubs 49, Eldorado 7th Eagles 26 Monday, Jan. 13, 1997 Davidson

Eldorado 43910-26 Ozona 11 15 6 17-49 Record 7-

Scoring: Steven Tarr 11, Rob Madris 11, Dustin Faught 10, Juan Garcia 6, Josh Tambunga 3, Chad Flanagan 2, Leon Garcia 2, Chase Adams 2, and Gerald Avila 2.

Coach Dane Vickers said, "Everybody played well, everybody scored, everybody played tough defense. These kids really will make your neck sore! It was a total team effort. I didn't even need to coach them this game!"

Ozona 8th B Cubs 10, Eldorado 8th B Eagles 4

Monday, Jan. 13, 1997 Davidson

Scoring: Chris O'Bryan 3, Ray Ramos 3, Joe Tobar 2, and Jed Roane 2. Others playing: Jeff Mendez, David Arjon, Gerald Elizondo, Jimmy Nowell, and Wade Maness. Record 3-

> **MCCAMEY SEVENTH GRADE TOURNAMENT**

Ozona 7th Cubs 14, Sonora 7th Colts 28

Thursday, Jan. 16, 1997 Mc-Camey Tourney (first game) Sonora 12 4 6 6-28

Ozona 2066—14 Record 5-5

Scoring: Chris Kennedy 5, Kyle Richardson 2, R. J. Fierro 2, Chet Stuart 1, and Able Rodriquez 1. Others playing: Martin Sanchez, Hayes

Worthington, and Shane Albers. Coach Dane Vickers said, "There will be better days ahead! Wait till

Ozona 7th Cubs 22, Reagan County 7th Owls 20

Saturday, Jan. 18, 1997 Mc-Camey Tourney (second game)

Reagan County 11 4 2 3—20 Ozona 2929-22

Scoring: Chris Kennedy 11, Kyle Richardson 4, Hayes Worthington 3, Carlos Salazar 2, and Eliberto Onate

2. Others playing: Martin Sanchez,

Luis Cruz, R.J. Fierro and Chet Stuart. Coach Dane Vickers said, "Sometimes everyone plays well, everything works and the kids amaze not only me, but themselves also. A great win!"

Ozona 7th Cubs 24, Crane 7th Golden Cranes 38

Saturday, Jan. 18, 1997 McCamey tourney (consolation game) Crane 10 16 10 2-38

Ozona 10 5 7 2-24 Record 6-6 Scoring: Chet Stuart 11, Chris Kennedy 6, Luis Cruz 3, Martin Sanchez 2, and Hayes Worthington 2. Others playing: Kyle Richardson, Eliberto Onate, Carlos Salazar, and R.

Coach Dane Vickers said, "We stayed with them for a while, but their pressure was the difference in the

### Ozona High School Box Scores

Neal Ulmer, Stockman Sportswriter

Ozona JV B Lions 59, Christoval JV B Cougars 33

Monday, Dec. 16, 1996 Davidson

Christoval 8 10 8 7—33 Ozona 18 19 12 10-59

Scoring: Matt Castaneda 14, Ken game) Sessom 10, Randell Borrego 9, Cole Wadsworth 7, Casey Jamerson 4, Jimmy Talmantez 4, Ryan Bean 4, Matt Graner 3, Ray Galindo 2, and Clay Richardson 2. Others playing: Seth Webster and Eric Williams.

Coach David Delgado said, "We haven't played in over a week. The kids were very anxious and played real hard. We played very aggressive defense, which led to a lot of easy baskets. I was pleased that everybody contributed to the game."

Menard Silvermine Tournament

Ozona JV B Lions 38, Mason Punchers 76

Thursday, Jan. 2, 1997 (first game)

Mason 23 14 31 8—76

Ozona 9 10 6 13—38 Scoring: Glenn Sutton 26, Seth Webster 5, Eric Williams 4, Jimmy Talmantez 3, and Eric Ramos 2. Oth-

indo, and Matt Graner.

ers playing: Casey Jamerson, Donnie

Bullard, Cole Wadsworth, Ray Gal-

Coach David Delgado said about the Mason and Novice games, "We were out matched, but we played hard. We worked on some things that we thought would make us better."

Ozona JV B Lions 19, Novice Hornets 72

Friday, Jan. 3, 1997 (second

Novice 23 15 15 19—72 Ozona 6229-19

Scoring: Glen Sutton 8, Donnie Bullard 7, Casey Jamerson 2, and Cole Wadsworth 2. Others playing: Eric Williams, Seth Webster, Eric Ramos, Jimmy Talmantez, Ray Galindo and Matt Graner.

JV Yellowjackets 45

Saturday, Jan. 4, 1997 (third

Menard 12 7 20 6-45

Ozona 15 8 16 12-51 Scoring: Glenn Sutton 22, Eric Ramos 12, Donnie Bullard 9, Seth Webster 4, Casey Jamerson 2, and Ray Galindo 2. Others playing: Eric Williams, Cole Wadsworth, Jimmy

Talmantez, and Matt Graner. Coach David Delgado said, "We played someone our caliber. We played well and were able to win a close game. Glenn Sutton played well. Donnie Bullard played well for his first game and Seth Webster handled the ball well."

### Card of Thanks

We would like to express our deepest gratitude for the love, prayers and support we have received throughout this past month. Your concern has not gone unnoticed or unappreciated. A very special thanks to the EMS crews, Emergency Room personnel and Dr. Sims. We also wish to thank all the local law enforcement for your professionalism. We ask for continued prayers for everyone involved. Lyndon and Laurie English

### Card of Thanks

Thank you for your thoughtfulness at the death of our beloved Mother, Grandmother, and Great-Grandmother, Mabel Harrell Chandler. Your kind words, lovely cards and letters, floral tributes, calls and memorials all served to remind us of what wonderful friends you are.

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### **Bulldogs Take Bite Out Of Lions**

By Neal Ulmer Stockman Sportswriter

The Ozona Lions were definitely caught by surprise as the Coahoma Bulldogs took a big hunk out of the Lions' confidence. The Bulldogs defeated the Lions 82-44 in a District 8-2A game held in Ozona Jan. 10. The Lions fall to a 2-1 district record and 6-

The JV Lions had their problems as well, losing 58-45 to the Coahoma JV in an earlier game. Their overall record is 2-16, and their district record

Lion coach Ronnie Casey said, "They (Coahoma) are well coached. They played real well as a team."

It didn't take long for the Bulldogs to take the wind out of Ozona's sail, as they scored 21 points to Ozona's seven in the first quarter. Ozona put up a lot of shots, but somehow, they failed to go in.

Brian Badillo gave the Lions some spark in the second period by scoring six of their seven points. Ozona turnovers hurt the Lions quite a bit as they had 16 in the first half, along with shooting 4 of 24.

Coahoma could not seem to miss any shots in the first half, shooting Eric Williams and Chad Myers. 55% from the field. They made eight of their first 10 shots and came back in the second period, scoring 17 more points for a 38-15 halftime lead.

We shot the ball better than we had in a while," said Coahoma coach Kim Nichols. "We hit some shots early; we made a couple of threes, and that forced their defense to stretch out."

The Lions scored more points in the second half, but so did the Bulldogs. Steven Martinez scored eight of Ozona's 15 points in the third quarter. The Bulldogs scored even more with 21 to stretch their lead to 64-30.

Both teams played rather evenly in the final period, with Ozona scoring 14 points and the Bulldogs 18 points. Even though the Lions made only 7of-17 free throws, Justin Browne went ever hope to have. 4-of-4 in the fourth period.

The Coahoma Bulldogs prevailed with an 82-44 win over the Lions. They were led by guard Josh Collum with 13 points.

floor: It looked like we had a lid on our others who do. basket and they had a big hole. We ran all sorts of defenses and could not stop them," said Coach Casey.

Ozona was led by Brian Badillo with 11 points. He was closely followed by Steven Martinez with 10. Justin Browne had four, Peter Rodriguez and Anthony Ortiz scored five each, Lando Peña-Alfaro made three and Jason Stuart and Jon Sanchez made Ozona JV B Lions 51, Menard one free throw each. Michael Nicks

and Armando Flores also played. The JV Lions seemed to have their difficulties, too. They lost 58-45 to the Coahoma JV Bulldogs. Ozona had two players in double figures, but the team was still not quite up to par.

Both teams played fairly even in the first quarter with Ross Crawford scoring seven of the Lions' 17 points. Coahoma stood firm and shot well. scoring 18 points to take a one-point

Ozona had some trouble with their

shooting in the second period, making 10 points. Coahoma increased their lead by scoring an additional 13 points for a 31-27 halftime lead. The Lions faltered some in the

third, scoring eight points, but so did the Bulldogs with 10 points to hold a 41-34 lead.

Coahoma bounced back in the final quarter, scoring 17 points while Ozona played hard to get 10 points. Coahoma's Bennett scored 17 points

to lead his team to a 58-45 victory. Crawford let the Lions with 17 points, including two 3-pointers. Ben Forehand made four 3-pointers and one 2-pointer for 14 points. Also scoring were Glenn Sutton and Matt Castaneda with six each, and Brad Sullivan with two points. Adding their efforts to the game were Seth Webster, Mark Childress, Jomie Tebbetts,

### Letter to the Editor

This is to let you folks know how fortunate I think you are to have Phil Coley move to Ozona to serve you, and serve he does. It is our loss and

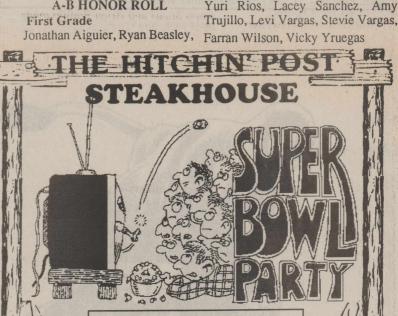
We as a small town, were so lucky to have him for the 6 years he was here, and really feel the loss. He is the most compassionate doctor one could

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> Next is Velda. His wife, who works right by his side - she cares about the patients as much as he does. They aren't just professional people. They are your friends.

Since Phil left he has called papoints, Bobby Cervantez scored two, tients personally to see how they are progressing. Talk about follow up! Enough already! I miss him very much, but I am happy for you.

Mary Ann Davis-Glenrock, WY





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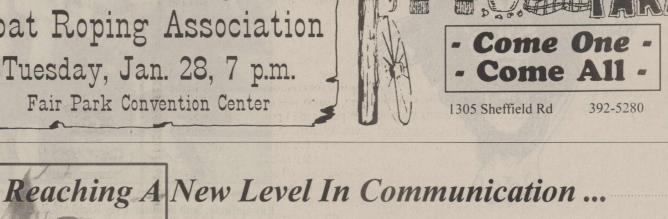
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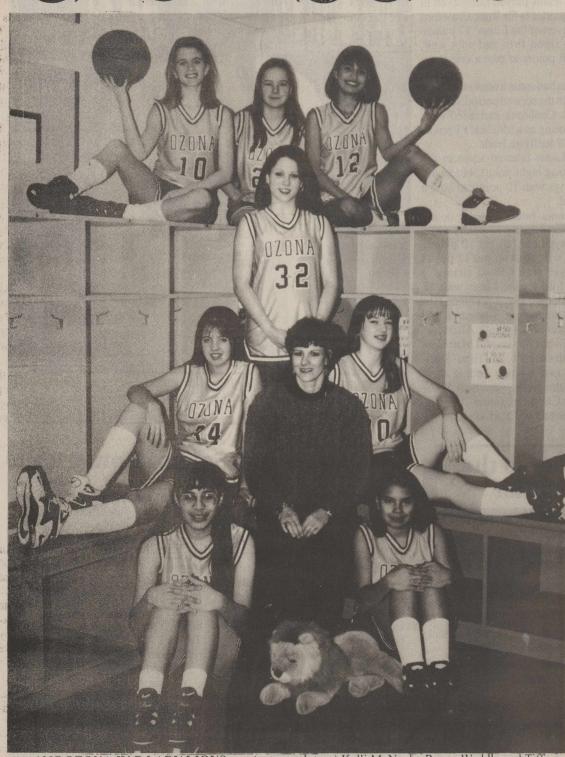


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# Lady Lions Tear Up Bulldogs 63-31

By Neal Ulmer, Stockman Sportswriter

The Coahoma Lady Bulldogs 8-2A game held in Davidson Gym said. Jan. 10. The Bulldogs did not know and never looked back.

an earlier game. They improved their 47-27. season record to 17-4 and district record to 5-0.

to keep us in the games."

scoring 18 points, 12 of which were Bulldogs. made by Amber Tarr. Ozona's de-

The Lady Bulldogs managed seven, but still trailed at the end of the first half 37-13.

"Coahoma did pretty much what started looking for their doghouse we expected them to do. They're pretty when the Ozona Lady Lions de-much a guard oriented team and don't scended upon them 63-31 in a District go to their post players," Coach Faught

The Ladies slipped up some in the what hit them as the Ladies (20-1 third as only Tarr scored six points and overall, 5-0 district) took an early lead Amber McWilliams four for 10 Ozona points. Coahoma's 5'9" junior, Tara The Ozona JV Lady Lions had Sterling, scored five of their 14 points. some difficulty in defeating the With Ozona's huge lead earlier, they Coahoma JV Lady Bulldogs 39-24 in still dominated at the end of the third

The Bulldogs shot plenty of times, but Ozona was there defensively, "Overall, it was one of our better getting a total of 15 defensive rebounds games since before Christmas. We in the game and 11 steals. It was shot the ball better since before Christ-Ozona's defense that practically mas," said Lady Lion coach Dickie stopped Coahoma in their tracks. The Faught about the varsity game. "We Lady Bulldogs scored four points, have been playing real good defense while Sessom made five and Autumn McWilliams four of their team's 16 to Ozona sized up their opponent in put the Lady Bulldogs away 63-31. the first quarter and went to work, Sterling scored 11 points to lead the

Amber Tarr led the Ladies in fense pretty well shut down Coahoma's scoring with 18 points. She also had offense, allowing only six points eightrebounds and assists, two blocked shots, and five steals. Shelly Sullivan A nearly identical quarter oc- scored 12 points, had four rebounds curred in the second period with Shelly and blocked shots, three assists, and Sullivan scoring seven points and one steal. Stormi Sessom had 11 points Stormi Sessom four of their team's 19. and three rebounds; Autumn McWil-

liams had eight points, four rebounds and one assist; Amber McWilliams four points., three assists, and one steal; Leslie Avila and Juli Hall with three points each; and Megan Tambunga and Amy Laughlin with two points each. Julie Perez made two assists and steals and one blocked shot. Lauren Wilkins also played.

The Ozona JV Lady Lions opened the evening earlier with a 39-24 win over the Coahoma JV Lady Bulldogs. They appeared a little hesitant at first with Diana Ellison scoring six of their nine points to Coahoma's total of six

Coahoma outscored Ozona five to two points in the second period to tie the game 11-11 at the half.

Angela Branch and Ellison perked up the Lady Lions in the third, scoring seven and six, respectively, of their total 14. On the other hand, Coahoma had trouble shooting with Parsons scoring six points for them, and they trailed 25-17 after three quarters.

Good shooting by the Lions with Branch making five of 14 Ozona points gave the Ladies a 39-24 victory. Parsons led the Coahoma team with nine

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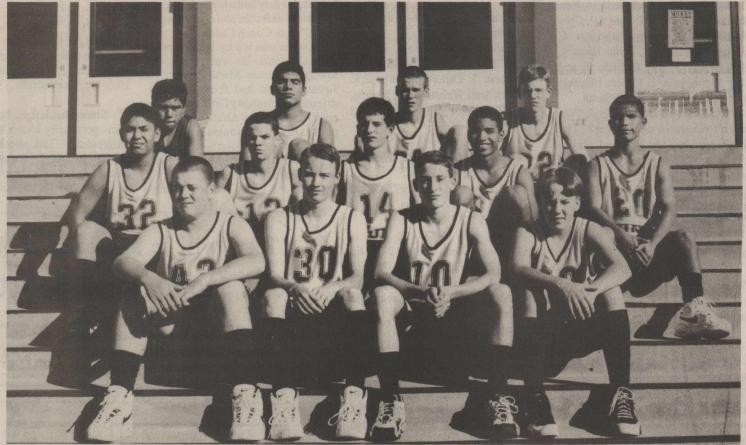
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Leading Ozona in scoring was Ellison with 16 points. Others scoring included Angela Branch with 14, Kayla Turland 5, Stephanie Franco 2, and Traci Screws with one point.





1997 OZONA JV-B LIONS are: (bottom row, l. to r.) Ryan Bean, Eric Williams, Casey Jamerson and Matt Graner. Middle row: (l. to r.) Ray Galindo, Seth Webster, Clay Richardson, Ken Sessom and Randall Borrego. Top row: (l. to r.) Jimmy Talamantez, Matt Castaneda, Byron Beasley and Cole Wadsworth.

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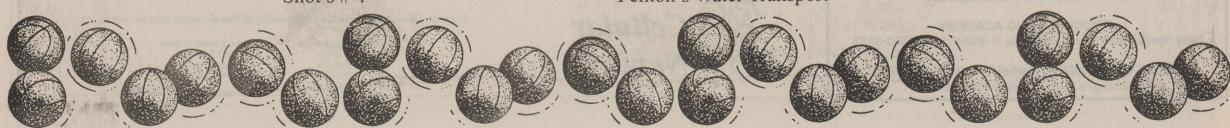
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system needs a fix. But some folks in Washington seem perfectly happy with the status quo and are fighting any Cattlemen's change in the current system. It's the same old song and dance—they don't Meeting in want things to change because that would strip them of their power and Sonora Feb. 19

Several plans are out there and we need to take a careful look at all of them. One plan talked about a lot these days calls for a consumption tax. Sonora at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will Proponents of this plan like it because follow a Dutch treat dinner. it's simple. A consumption tax basically taxes all of on what we buy, not tor, will be there to inform and update how much we make. The idea is that a all members and guests on what can be consumption tax, such as a national sales tax, would eliminate the current system, and free Americans from having the government whittle away at their monthly paycheck and then handing over a large chunk of their salaries to Uncle Sam each April.

The flat tax would tax each family's income at the same rate, after a substantial family deduction is taken. There are still a lot of questions about each plan, but we should at least take a look.

There are other options on how to overhaul the whole tax system. One way to begin the process of tax reform would be to start smaller. For instance, a \$500 per child tax credit and capital gains tax cut would be a big help to many hard-working families and small businesses in Texas. A new system could also bring much needed relief to

Beware. Your brand new 1996 family farms, ranches and small busi-Federal Income Tax forms will be nesses by doing away with the federal

A complete turn-around of the of filing and paying your taxes can tax code isn't going to happen overnight. The last Congress made impor-When it requires a volume's worth tant progress on the tax front. This ing American families do not have to the IRS, this Congress is jumping headwaste their valuable time and money first into the problem of developing a solution to the tax crisis. It's going to Most Americans agree that they take a while, but, in the end, a simpler, pay too much in taxes and that our tax more common sence tax system will be worth the wait.

The Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas will hold its midwinter meeting Wednesday, Feb. 19, at the Sutton County Steakhouse in

Charles Carter, legislative direcexpected from this legislative session.

All members and interested persons are urged and welcomed to attend this meeting. If you have any questions, call the home office at 512-836-1321 or chairman Johnston Holekamp at 915-387-3621.

### Another plan calls for a flat tax. Social Security Rep. To Visit

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his February visit to Ozona. He will be at the conference room, courthouse annex in Ozona on Wednesday, Feb. 19, from 1:00 to

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at the time.

### Windbreaks **Provide** Protection

On a farm or ranch, homestead windbreaks determine where the production land ends and the homestead or "yard" begins. In Crockett County, such windbreaks establish more than a living boundary, they also provide protection for the residence.

Homestead windbreaks, when planted 100 feet from the home, block the hot dry winds of summer and the cold gusts of winter, which in some regions may also involve snow. Such protection increases the heating and cooling efficiency of the residence, according to Robert Fewin, TFS area forester, Lubbock. Multiple row breaks also add natural beauty, privacy and value to a homestead, and act as a sound barrier to highway or farm road

To ensure maximum performance, Fewin recommends a four-row farmstead windbreak; an outside shrub row, providing low density protection; two interior evergreen rows, supplying year-round security; and an inside tall deciduous row, extending the zone of protection.

Within a homestead windbreak, each row and its species play a unique and yet concerted role in the life and effectiveness of the break. In regions where snow drifting is a concern, a north side shrub row planted 40 feet from the main windbreak, be it of nanking cherry or aromatic sumac, will prevent snow accumulation. And for landowners desiring wildlife, the shrubs produces fruit, cover and browse which will attract and sustain wildlife populations.

The interior evergreen rows, the backbone of windbreaks, create yearround surveillance and foliage for up to 75 years or more. The deciduous tree row which produces a tall barrier quicker than the evergreens, provides earlier protection and also extends the maximum zone of protection on the

To create a farmstead windbreak in the spring of 1997, seedlings produced by the TFS West Texas Nursery can be ordered now through participating Soil and Water Conservation Districts. For more information, contact your local district at 392-2301 or the TFS WTN at (806)746-5801.



### New Tax Law Gives Homemakers a Fair Deal

anuary 1, 1997, marks a happy day for 10 million hard-working single-income American couples, who beginning that day will enjoy retirement savings equity and be able to accumulate their nest egg on an equal footing with two-income couples.

The Homemaker IRA proposal I first introduced in the Senate in 1993 finally passed and became law last year, effective Jan 1, 1997.

This provision allows homemakers to make IRA contributions, up to \$2,000, regardless of whether they work outside the home.

In other words, the Homemaker IRA allows non-wage earning spouses to make savings contributions at the same rate that wage-earning spouses are allowed to make. It will significantly affect the way millions of Americans save for

I wrote this legislation starting from the basic premise that work done inside the home -- running the home, caring for children -- is every bit as important to the strength of our society as any work performed outside Jan. 22, 1997 -- the Ozona Stockman -- Page 9

the home anywhere in the country.

But until the Homemaker IRA became law, the tax code did not reflect that long-held American value. The old law limited a non-working spouse's contribution to \$250 a year, or \$2,250 for a one-income couple. This was a "gender gap," and it was a "family gap" as well.

The idea behind IRAs is to enable and encourage Americans to set aside money for their retirement security. Single-income couples have the same retirement needs as two-income couples. Everyone should be allowed to save, on an equal basis, for their retirement years. The law must be as impartial as we can make it. No one, especially not homemakers, should be at a disadvantage.

How big of a difference will the new law make in the financial security of a typical couple who takes advantage of its savings provisions? Setting aside an extra \$1,750 in an IRA each year for 30 years (assuming a modest 6 percent rate of return) would result in \$150,000 of additional retirement savings -- a significant asset.

A couple should not overlook IRAs as a part of retirement planning. Over a working lifetime, a nest egg can build from \$350,000 to as high as \$400,000 depending on the investment return. This \$2,000 per person per year accrues tax free into a real benefit.

Such reform was critical to the long-term financial security of women. Women live longer than men and earn less money. They become divorced or widowed. They leave the workforce to bear children and care for their families. As a result, they typically begin saving for retirement later than men and save less.

Unfortunately, families retiring today will not see the benefit of this legislation. But 25 years from now, I hope countless married, widowed or divorced homemakers will be able to avoid living under near-poverty conditions because of this new law.

We have made the tax code a much more even-handed instrument. Homemakers finally are getting a fair deal.

### **Texas Senate Review**

Texas Legislature convened at 12:00 noon marking a historic event in Texas history. For the first time in 125 years, the Republican party holds the majority in the Texas Senate with 16 Republican members.

The first order of business was the swearing-in ceremonies of newly elected senators and officers by Chief Justice Thomas Phillips of the Texas Supreme Court. New members of the Senate are Troy Fraser of Horseshoe Bay, Eliot Shapleigh of El Paso, Robert Duncan of Lubbock, Jon Lindsay of Houston and John J. Carona of Dallas. Laredo State Senator Judith Zaffirini was sworn in as president pro tempore of the Senate for the 75th Legislative Session. Hailed by her peers as a legislator with an impeccable service record and a sincere dedication for public service, Zaffirini is the first hispanic female and only the fifth woman to hold this position. "It is a

Senate, our belief and our support in the seniority system, and in Senatorial courtesy..." - Senator Judith Zaffirini.

On Wednesday, Jan. 15, the Senate's Criminal Justice Committee gave top priority to Senate Bill (SB) 97, known as the stalking bill. Prior legislation regarding stalking was declared unconstitutional by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. The current bill, sponsored by Fort Worth Senator Mike Moncrief, has been given "emergency" status by Governor Bush to pass something we can do... It (the Legislathrough the Legislature due to the fact ture) has the tools to accomplish and that Texas is one of only two states with no stalking laws.

Texas Senate convened to discuss the law." several resolutions. The senators voted unanimously in support of Senate Resolution (SR) Five sponsored by Senator Rodney Ellis of Houston and Senator Royce West of Dallas which commemorates the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King. The Senate also

On Tuesday, Jan. 14, the 75th the greatest traditions of the Texas passed a resolution sponsored by Senator Carlos F. Truan of Corpus Christi that recognized Betty King for 20 years of service as secretary of the Texas Senate and 50 years of state

On Thursday, Jan. 16, the Senate unanimously passed SB 97, the stalking bill. The bill was co-sponsored by all 30 of the senators and the 29 members present voted in favor of the bill. During a press conference, Senator Moncrief commented, "This is to do so in a timely fashion, to send this bill to the governor's desk for his At 11 a.m. on Wednesday, the signature and to immediately become

> If it is to be. it is up to me. -William H Johnson



### \*Trustees

(Continued from pg. 1)

directors of the Crockett County Appraisal District, and the trustees also voted to allow the district to participate in the Lions Club auction of surplus equipment that will be held on Feb. 1. The board also voted to set the date and time of their February regular meeting on Feb. 17, 1997, and they received from Supt. Larry Taylor plaques of recognition for their service to the district. January has been proclaimed by Gov. George Bush as Texas School Board Recognition Month.

Members went into executive session at approximately 9 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel (approval of a teacher's resignation, review of all district personnel and their 1996-97 assignments by campus, and discussion and approval of the superintendent's contract). Emerging out of executive session shortly after midnight, they voted to approve the resignation of Alicia Munoz, English as a Second Language teacher at Ozona Primary and Intermediate School. Mrs. Munoz resigned in order to accept a teaching position in Odessa.

Trustees also voted to extend the contract of Supt. Larry Taylor through the 1999-2000 school year.

The school board's December meeting that was held on Tuesday, Dec. 17, was a relatively short one, due to the upcoming Christmas-New Years holidays. The members approved an update to the school district's policy manuals, heard a report from Supt. Larry Taylor regarding the district's effectiveness and compliance monitoring visit by the Texas Education Agency that took place on Nov. 18-22 and a report on the progress of the district's teleconferencing center

that will be located in the lower floor of the Ozona High School Library, and approved the annual audit report for the 1995-96 school year as prepared by the accounting firm of Eckert, Ingum, Tinkler, Oliphant and Featherston, L.L.P. Certified Accountants of San Angelo.

Following discussion of the future technology needs of the school district, the trustees voted to approve the taking of applications for a district technology coordinator. The district plans to network each school campus, network each school campus together with the central office, provide Internet access to all teachers and students, and install additional computers and computer laboratories.

The district technology coordinator will: (1) facilitate the efficient operation of the district's technology and provide technological services to the district; (2) direct and manage the technology operations of the district for instruction and data collection and technology affairs of the district including computer technology (microcomputer, notebooks, local area networks and wide area networks), telecommunications technology (distance learning, satellite communications, modems and facsimile transmissions), learning technology (CD-ROM and laser disc), administrative technology (student data retrieval and databases for selected groups), and instructional technology (multimedia presentations, desktop publishing, desktop video editing, Internet accessing and interactive television); and (3) provide managerial direction and coordination of technology under school board policy guidelines and the district's

## **Texas Beef Council Releases Annual** Report On Beef Checkoff

Investments by Texas beef producers in checkoff activities conducted within the state, nation and world in fiscal year '96 are highlighted in the recently published Texas Beef Council (TBC) annual report, says Chaunce Thompson of Breckenridge, TBC chairman

result," Thompson said.

"Texas producers will see from this annual report that TBC has con- helped move 1 million additional ducted cost-effective programs with accountability that have provided value to consumers and cattle produc- Rib. ers alike."

One side of this year's annual increased ground beef summer sales report lists highlights of projects conby five percent in Houston and four ducted by TBC in Texas to strengthen percent in Dallas.

beef's position in the marketplace. from Oct. 1, 1995, to Sept. 30, 1996. The other side of the report lists naover the same period by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association meeting that provided producers with (NCBA) and the U.S. Meat Export valuable information on how their Federation (USMEF).

tion state, received \$13,206,527 in tion. checkoff dollars (96 percent of which came from Texas producers) and Texas are in accordance with the na-

Board as its 50 percent share of all checkoff dollars collected. Of the dends to producers through the beef remaining 50-cent share, Texas sent checkoff program.' \$2.5 million to NCBA, all of which helped fund additional national beef able to producers through their county promotion, education and research extension agents and auction markets.

remaining funds left in reserve at the direction of the TBC board. Here are some highlights of what these checkoff dollars helped fund in the last fis-

A close working relationship between TBC and the Texas affiliates of the American Heart Association "TBC's board of directors man- and American Cancer Society, which dates that all programs conducted by contributed to the 14 percent increase TBC's staff with checkoff dollars be in physicians nationwide who recomhighly measurable as to the intended mended beef two to three times per

> A partnership with HEB that pounds of shoulder clods through a new cut called the Texas-Style Short

> A partnership with Wendy's that

Bringing the number one cook-The report covers the fiscal year ing personality in Mexico on a tour of

Texas beef in cooperation with USMEF. The resulting Mexican media tional and international activities also coverage provided the industry an conducted with beef checkoff dollars estimated publicity value of \$500,000. An interactive satellite town hall

checkoff dollars are spent. A total of The annual report shows that 98 percent of participants called the Texas, the number one cattle popula- program a useful source of informa-

"All programs that we conduct in \$208,468 in interest and other income. tional plan," Thompson said. "This TBC sent \$6,276,231 to the Beef year's annual report signifies how this state-national relationship pays divi-

The annual report will be avail-Annual reports also can be requested TBC programs operated on ap- by writing or calling TBC at 8708 proximately \$2.8 million with the RanchRoad 620 N., Austin, TX 78726; (512) 335-2333.

# Crockett County Sheriff's Report

ARRESTS: 1-14-97 - 1-20-97 1-16-97...Eric Torgerg Nordmark, age 29, of Austin was arrested

on warrants from Travis County. Subject remains in Crockett County Jail at this time.

1-18-97...Allen Spencer Parsell, age 58, of San Antonio was transferred by DPS trooper on warrants

from Crockett County J.P. Subject remains in Crockett County Jail. 1-19-97...Eugenio Reyes Ramos Jr., age 20, of Ozona was arrested on a charge of aggravated kidnapping.

transported to Crockett County Jail. 1-20-97...Randy Machado Ramos, age 34, of Ozona was arrested on a charge of assault. He pled not guilty and was released on bond.

Subject was arrested in Del Rio and

### **INCIDENTS:**

1-15-97...A telephone harassment report was taken at a residence on told to leave. Willow Street. Complainant was given a GTE request form.

1-16-97...A theft report was taken at Crockett County Sheriff's Office. Complainant advised that someone took her TV from her residence without her consent.

1-16-97...A report of an unattended death was taken at CSI Baggett Ranch compressor station.

1-16-97...An assault report was taken at Crockett County Sheriff's Office. Complainant advised that a local male assaulted him at a local

1-17-97...An abandoned vehicle on Hwy. 190 approximately 45 miles west of Ozona was reported by a Department of Transportation employee. The vehicle was impounded by a local wrecker.

1-17-97...A terroristic threat report was taken at Crockett County Sheriff's Office. Complainant advised that a local male threatened him on Martinez Street.

1-18-97...An assault report was taken. Complainant advised that a local male subject had assaulted him at a local convenience store.

1-19-97...An aggravated kidnapping was reported on Piedra Street. Complainant advised that a local male subject broke into their residence and took a female by force. Male subject was arrested in Del Rio and transported to the Crockett County Jail.

### ACTIVITY LOG: 1-14-97 - 1 locations, and 3 distributorships. The

1-14-97...Sheriff's deputies kept watch on hazardous road conditions throughout the

Request received to check welfare on an elderly male on 12th Street. Deputies checked the male out who was living in a camper. He was in good health.

El Paso Sheriff's Department requested assistance in housing five female inmates while roads were closed. Inmates were housed at the

county jail.

Deputies assisted the fire department with an oil truck on fire at Taylor Box Road. Sheriff's Department provided funeral

escort at Ave. C to Baptist Church and Ceme-1-15-97...A report of a family disturbance at Ave. G. The disturbance was settled without

A report of a light on inside the Cub Scout Hut was investigated. A light had been left on, but the building was found secured.

The Sheriff's Department assisted DPS with a vehicle accident on Hwy. 163 north. Gas welfare assistance was given to a

Sheriff's Department responded to a bank alarm on Ave. E and 12th Street. Bank was

Deputies met with a complainant on Piedra Street. Complaint was involving a civil matter. A telephone harassment complaint was taken by the sheriff's department and an offense

A domestic dispute was reported on Wil-

low Street. The disagreement was resolved

due to disagreement of same persons earlier in

Deputies followed a vehicle en route to the hospital with an overdose victim from 1-16-97...Report of missing 357 rifle. Complainant did not want to file report at this

time. Just wanted sheriff's office notified in case someone found rifle. Deputy met with complainant on Santa Rosa Street and took offense report of Class C

Gas drive off. Deputies unable to respond to gas drive off because of a call of unattended death south on Hwy. 163 at the same time. The sheriff's department assisted on an

accident, 18-wheeler hitting a cow - on Hwy. Welfare concern on 16th Street. Subject was given number to call. Everything was okay. Deputies met with complainant at Crock-

ett County Sheriff's Office and took offense report of Assault, Class C. 1-17-97...Report of local subjects being loud inside a convenience store. Subjects were

Report of a disturbance on 11th Street. Unknown if charges will be filed.

Report of a vehicle hot-rodding on Ave. E. Vehicle was not located.

Report of smoke by subject using wood heater. Deputies talked to subject. Deputies met with complainant and took

offense report of terroristic threat. Report of abandoned vehicle 45 miles west of town on Hwy. 190.

Report of subject yelling and cussing inside a local business. Unknown if charges will be

Welfare subject given gas. Report of kids playing with fire near a

dumpster on Ave. M. Report of a fight on Willow and Peach Street. Subjects were told to go home.

Report of kids at Crockett Heights near old buildings. Deputy spoke with kids and told

them to stay clear. No trespassing. 1-18-97...Report of a missing juvenile girl on 1-17-97 at 1700. Deputies located juvenile on 1-18-97 at 0219 and released her to her

parents at the sheriff's office. Report that a 14-year-old juvenile boy was out with friends and was not home. The deputies looked for juvenile and were unable to

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Report from local convenience store that A report of a female threatening another a suspicious male had been dropped off. Subject was from San Angelo and had been left in Ozona. The subject was intoxicated, but was allowed to wait for his girlfriend to pick him up.

Report of person from San Angelo resting deputy to go with him to pick up his kids from his ex-wife who lives in Ozona. Deputy informed subject that it was a civil

Deputy brought in sleeper from mile marker 338. Subject was wandering in and out of traffic. Deputy found subject in the pasture by a fire. Fire was put out.

Deputy met with complainant at Crockett County Sheriff's Office. Deputy took offense report of Assault, Class C.

Report of a black pickup hot-rodding in an area of War Admiral and Man O'War. Deputy unable to locate vehicle at this time. Report of kids throwing rocks at a resi-

dence on Largo Street. Complainant requested deputy keep closer watch at night. 1-19-97...Report of a loud party on Walnut Street involving minors. The party was

located and shut down by the deputies. Report of a truck on fire 25 miles north on 137. No one seen at location. Fire department and wrecker were called out. Driver of vehicle

was from Odessa. Report of aggravated kidnapping of a local

Deputy met with complainant on Largo Street. Unknown at this time if charges will be

filed on damage to a vehicle. Transported a local male subject from Del Rio Sheriff's Department to Crockett County Sheriff's Department on Warrant #F-97-002 Aggravated Kidnapping.

Deputy met with complainant having problems with her juvenile on Santa Rosa Street Agency assist on accident in front of

Shannon Ranch headquarters on Hwy. 190. 1-20-97...Report of shots fired at a truck driver on I-10. Deputies met with complainant

at truck stop Deputy picked up two warrants from J.P. Office on two local subjects. Report that Central Tex. Auto Recovery

was in town to repossess a vehicle. Report of stranded motorist at mile marker 341. Requested that deputy give battery jump

on 1-21-97. J.P. Office recalled one warrant. Other subject turned himself in and plead not guilty in the Justice of the Peace Court. He was released

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### Texas Monthly Oil **And Gas Statistics**

**DECEMBER PERMITS** TO DRILL

The Texas Railroad Commission issued a total of 1,051 original drilling permits in December compared to 919 in December, 1995. The December total included 855 permits to drill new oil and gas wells, 38 to re-enter existing well bores, and 158 for re-comple-

So far in 1996, there have been 12,669 drilling permits issued compared to 11,244 recorded during the same period in 1995.

Permits issued in December included 402 oil, 252 gas, 348 oil and gas, 37 injection and 10 other permits.

### **DECEMBER OIL AND GAS** COMPLETIONS

In December, operators reported 248 oil, 349 gas, 18 injection and two other completions, compared to 390 oil, 287 gas, and 31 injection and other completions during the same month of last year.

Total well completions for 1996 year-to-date is 8,544, up from 8,483 recorded during the same period in

Operators reported 531 holes

plugged and 123 dry holes in December, compared to 1,038 holes plugged and 213 dry holes reported the same period last year.

### OCTOBER CRUDE OIL **PRODUCTION**

Texas preliminary October, 1996 crude oil production averaged 1,311,788 barrels daily, down from the 1,365,635 barrels daily average of October, 1995.

The preliminary Texas crude oil production figure for October, 1996 is 40,665,398 barrels, a decrease from the 42,332,995 barrels reported during October, 1995.

Production in Crockett County for this period was 274,396 barrels.

### **OCTOBER NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION**

Texas oil and gas wells produced 458,999,285 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) of gas based upon preliminary production figures for October, 1996, down from the October, 1995 preliminary gas production total of 460,436,058 Mcf.

Texas gas production in October came from 159,427 oil, and 48,889 gas wells.

Crockett County accounted for o med and of the October total on 11,037,062 Mef of the O



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**ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS-**The Grockett County Consolidated Common School District (Ozona Public Schools) is now accepting applications for a district technology coordinator and a ESL teacher grades kindergarten through five) for the 1996-97 school year. Interested applicants for the district technology coordinator position must review and prior to applying. Copies of the technology coordinator job description and applications for both positions are available by contacting superintendeut Larry Taylor at 915-392-5501. deadline for submitting applications is january 31, 1997.

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Texas Water Code, as amended. To get his or her name on the ballot for the election, a person must sign and submit an application to the board or 10 qualified voters of the District can sign an applicaion to get a person's name on the ballot. The application must be filed with the board at least 45 days prior to the election. Applications can be obtained from the district office. 3c49

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Crockett County Judge will receive applications from area Banking Institutions for a Depository for Crockett County and Crockett County Consoliated Common School District. Applications will be received until 11:00 A.M., February 10, 1997, at which time applications will be reviewed and selected by the Crockett County Commissioners Court at the County Courthouse. The term of Depository will be from March 1, 1997 through February 28, 1999. For further details regarding the application and selection of the Depository, contact John Stokes, County

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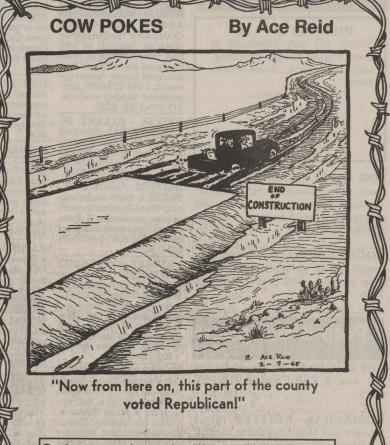
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