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SHELLY CHILDRESS BECAME THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR of the Ozona Chamber of Commerce March 3. Photo by Linda Moore

Childress New C Of C Executive Director

Ozona Chamber of Commerce has hired interim director Shelly Childress to fill the executive director vacancy. Mrs. Childress began work in this capacity Monday, March 3.

The new executive director is excited about the job and what the chamber can do for Ozona. A membership drive to involve not only businesses, but individuals as well, is underway. The chamber is also presently updating the hunting lease list and relocation packet. These are items which are requested throughout the year.

Anative of San Angelo, she graduated from Lake View High School and earned an associate degree in applied science in business from Howard County Junior College in San Angelo. She graduated cum laude ampla et magna, was a member of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society, was named to the National Dean's List and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. She was nominated Outstanding Student of the Year in Management and was on the student advisory committee.

In addition to working with the public in retail sales she has business and management experience from previous employment at the San Angelo State School at Carlsbad and the Institute of Cognitive Development Training Residence in San Angelo.

Shelly and her husband Clay live on a ranch 30 miles south of Ozona.

She is a member of Ozona Woman's League and enjoys gardening, reading, traveling and cooking.

"Shelly has done an excellent job during the month she filled in as in-

terim director," commented the chamber's vice-chairman Rob Whitesides in announcing her selection to The Stockman.

Incumbents File In Water District, School Elections

James Owens and Larry Williams, incumbent directors of Emerald Underground Water Conservation District, have filed for re-election.

Veronica Tijerina has also filed for re-election as a member of the school board. The other school trustee whose term expires is David Bean. Mr. Bean had not filed as of noon Tuesday, March 4.

Deadline to file in both these elections is March 19. The water district office at 1102 Ave. I is the place to file in that election. Candidates for school trustee file at the administration building located at 797 Ave. D.

If there are elections, they will be held on May 3. If no one other than incumbents file, no elections are required.

Ok, Track Fans, Ready On Your Mark-Cub Relays Friday

By Neal Ulmer
Stockman Sportswriter

The weather appears to be just about right to open springs sports in Ozona. Track fans will get a treat as the 1997 Ozona Cub Relays get underway in Lion Stadium Friday afternoon, March 7, at 4 p.m. A total of four middle school teams will compete in the track meet which include Reagan County, McCamey, Iraan and Ozona. The meet will start at approxi-

mately 4 p.m. with the field events. The running events begin at 5:30 p.m.

There will be about 20 seventh grade girls, 17 seventh grade boys, 13 eighth grade girls and 20 eighth grade Ozona track athletes participating.

The coaches are in need of your help in working the events. If you are willing to help, please contact coaches Dane Vickers, Alan Phillips, or Lee Gonzales at the high school office at 392-5502.

Care Center Survey Finds Few Deficiencies

A health and/or life safety code survey conducted by the Texas Department of Human Services Feb. 10-12 found that the Crockett County Care Center was "in substantial compliance" with Federal participation requirements for nursing facilities in the Medicare and/or Medicaid program.

The deficiencies found were few and minor according to facility administrator Crystal Hargraves. The board is required to formulate a plan of correction for these deficiencies.

Deficiencies included storage of combustible material in a storage area next to a bathroom, and the corridor door was not provided with an automatic door closure. Hazardous areas are required to be separated by construction providing at least a one-hour fire resistance rating, or are protected by an automatic sprinkler system.

Doors must have at least a 3/4 hour fire protection rating.

Another deficiency listed that the 1 1/2 hour doors in the two hour fire resistive common corridor wall on the south end of the center wing was not provided with approved latching hardware.

Bedroom windowsills exceed the maximum allowable height of 36 inches above the floor in the 10 new bedrooms. The bedroom sill height is 42". A waiver may be requested on this requirement.

Portable fire extinguishers throughout the facility were mounted at a height of 5'8".

Medication error rates were found to be 14%. The facility must ensure that it is free of medication error rates of five percent or greater. Survey observations found that some medicines were given slightly earlier or

later than prescribed or before a meal when they should have been given afterward. One patient was given a tablet containing both calcium and magnesium when only calcium was ordered.

At the administrative level, the survey revealed that the required quality assessment and assurance committee had not met since March of 1996. These meetings are required quarterly to "identify issues with respect to which quality assessment and assurance activities are necessary; and develops and implements appropriate plans of action to correct identified quality deficiencies."

Ms. Hargraves was pleased that the survey showed so few deficiencies. Corrections are being made.

Survey results are public information, and a copy may be examined at the care center.

Court To Split Insurance Increase

An increase in cost of health insurance for dependents of county retirees and former employees with COBRA insurance will be split between the county and those insured, commissioners decided at a meeting Feb. 24.

Under the county's self-insured plan which began four years ago, the county has always funded the expected

claims rate and charged those insured accordingly. However, claims have been such that the county has had to pay the maximum three of those four years while being reimbursed by retirees and COBRA insured at the lower rate.

Several possibilities were discussed with splitting the difference as the solution chosen.

Former employees covered by COBRA and their families and retirees and their families will reimburse the county at the mid-point between the expected claims cost and the maximum claims cost effective March 1, 1997. Next year, the amount of the insured's portion could go to the maximum if needed, county fathers said.

Oil And Gas Again Top Money Producers For County Cooffers

By Scotty Moore

Oil and gas producers were still the top tax paying entities for the county coffers in 1996 accounting for 86.8% of the total tax bill, down .0209% over the preceding year according to Crockett County Tax Assessor Office figures.

The top fifteen tax payers in 1996, with property assessed at \$327,310,600, were: Union Pacific Resources Co. - \$67,200,110 valuation and \$1,394,583.72 tax; Union Pacific Oil & Gas - \$63,000,420 valuation and \$1,307,428.82 tax; Shell Western E & P Inc. - \$48,265,910 valuation and \$1,001,647.95 tax; Texaco Exploration & Production Inc. - \$31,644,490 valuation and \$656,708.61 tax; Enron Oil & Gas - \$28,077,450 valuation and \$582,682.90 tax; American Exploration - \$13,803,550 valuation and \$286,460.93 tax; J. Cleo Thompson (WI) - \$13,622,590 valuation and \$282,705.52 tax; Union Oil Company of California - \$10,424,050 valuation and \$216,327.18 tax; Harrison Interest Limited - \$9,735,700 valuation and \$202,042.06 tax; West Texas Utilities Company - \$9,720,360 valuation and \$201,723.71 tax; Devon Energy Corporation - \$7,785,000 valuation and \$161,559.77 tax; Sonat Exploration Company - \$7,132,080 valuation and \$148,009.92 tax; University of Texas - \$6,159,280 valuation and \$127,821.69 tax; Parker & Parsley Development LP (WI) - \$5,448,960 valuation and \$113,080.63 tax and Oasis Pipeline Company - \$5,290,650

valuation and \$109,795.27 tax.

The total assessed value for the county in 1996 was \$615,727,510. Of this total oil and gas valued property was \$534,451,478 for 86.8%.

A breakdown of other taxpayers in 1996 were Agriculture land \$31,402,103 (5.1%); Residences - \$29,554,920 (4.8%); Apartments - \$1,231,455 (.2%); Vacant lots -

\$615,727 (.1%); Ranch improvements - \$2,462,910 (.4%); Business (local) - \$14,177,460 (2.4%) and Mobile homes - \$1,231,455 (.2%).

Tax rates per \$100 valuation for the 1996 period were County - \$.751; School - \$.131 and Emerald Underground Water Dist. - \$.01427 for a total rate of \$2.07527.

FSA Office Has New Hours

The Crockett County FSA Office was recently combined with the Reagan-Upton FSA Office in Big Lake. Crockett County still has its own committee and producers, and Crockett County will continue to be served out of the Ozona office. New hours for the Ozona office will be Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please plan your business in the FSA office for one of these two days each week.

There will be times when Laurie Hale will be at training meetings or taking vacation days on Thursday and Friday, and the office will be closed. If you are making a special trip from out of town to the FSA office it is suggested that you call first to assure that she will be there.

Crockett County producers are reminded to call the FSA office in Big Lake at anytime if you have any questions. This is a toll-free call from the Ozona, Barnhart and San Angelo

exchanges. Laurie Hale is scheduled to be in Big Lake each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. She or any of the FSA personnel in Big Lake will be glad to assist you.

The livestock feed program that Crockett County has been in since April 15 ended Feb. 28. The following information needs to be turned in by the end of March:

-All feed receipts with an original signature by the dealer

-Head count changes for the month of December, January and February

-Amount and type of any feed left on hand as of Feb. 28.

In order to get payments out as quickly as possible, office hours will be extended for the month of March. The planned schedule for the Ozona office during March is March 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28.

Crockett County Does It Again At Houston Livestock Show

By Miles Dabovich
County Extension Agent-Ag

"Amazing, sensational, unbelievable, and a great year," are just a few of the comments that are being heard about the Crockett County 4-H livestock exhibitors. Folks, 1997 up to this point has been one to remember and one to put down in the record books. In Houston last week, Crockett County placed eight out of 10 lambs, and walked away with a fourth banner for the 1997 show season.

Kimberly Bean was in the spotlight this time by receiving a banner and a beautiful Houston Livestock Show trophy for exhibiting the champion finewool lamb of the show. Kimberly's lightweight entry beat out 113 others in that weight class and held on to beat the middle and heavy weights for breed champion honors. Judge Larry Shell of Glenco, OK, said that out of 1427 lambs that showed up at Rosenberg, the light weight fine-

wools were by far the toughest class with the most quality. Kimberly's lamb sold for \$20,000 of which she is guaranteed \$10,000.

Kimberly was not the only winner, as seven other Crockett County 4-H'ers earned the hard to get privilege of exhibiting their lambs in Houston after the sift in Rosenberg. Only the top 300 lambs make the sale at Houston after showing in Rosenberg. After they make it through Rosenberg, they are guaranteed a spot and \$1,000.

Those placing finewools were: G. L. Bunker - 11th place heavy wt.; Rachel Murr - 13th place middle wt.; Lauren Wilkins - 15th place heavy wt.; Chase Clark - 21st place light wt., his third major placing this year.

Placing crossbreds were: Ty Allen - 19th place middle wt.; Kristin Bunker - 23rd place light wt.; and Mason Wilkins - 12th place light wt. Others exhibiting lambs were Mark Childress and Amy Laughlin.

At Brenham, the mother-daugh-

ter team of Cyndie and Ashlee Worley exhibited barrows the first day for Crockett County and were joined by Dennis and Cade Clark on the second day. Crockett County exhibited seven barrows at Brenham and was able to place two. The odds of placing barrows is about like the lottery. Around 4,000 head of barrows showed up at Brenham, and only the top 600 receive premium money. I would say that Crockett County has as good a percentage as anybody in the swine show. Gage Crawford received 15th for her light weight Hampshire, while Cade Clark received 27th for his middle weight Hampshire barrow. Others with barrow entries were: Ashlee Worley, Wesley Bean, Kimberly Bean, G. L. Bunker and Lyndsie Crawford. Ashlee Worley also had a steer entry.

Houston was great for Crockett County 4-H this year. I thank all the parents and leaders for their help and all of the supporters of this club.



MEMBERS OF MRS. ROSARIO SANCHEZ ESL CLASS received certificates for completing the money management class of the Better Living for Texans program. The program is conducted by Tedra Ulmer CEA-FCS and Myra Tambunga, program assistant. Pictured are: (l. to r.) Rosario Sanchez, ESL instructor; Yolanda Rocha, Carmen Morales, Mario Hernandez, Gloria Vargas and Myra Tambunga, program assistant. Not pictured are: Maria Cruz Martinez, Jose Luis Sarabia, Eliberto Onate, Gloria Onate, Jose Dionisio Martinez, Fidencio Martinez and Lidia Damian.

Service Held For Father Of Mrs. Shelton

H. B. "Bill" Smith of San Angelo died Saturday, March 1, 1997, in Shannon Medical Center. He was 83. Funeral service was March 4 at Johnson's Funeral Home with Scooter McCurdy, pastor of Glen Meadows Baptist, officiating. Graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 5, in Laurel Land Cemetery in Fort Worth.

Mr. Smith was born Oct. 18, 1913, to Isaac and Minnie Smith in Sonora. He served in the U. S. Navy during World War II. He was an independent service station operator in Sonora, and was a member of the Dee Ora Masonic Lodge for more than 50 years. He has been a longtime resident of San Angelo and a member of the Baptist church. Survivors include his wife, Sally Ethel Smith of San Angelo; two sons, Robert Smith of Tyler and Dick Street of Sonora; one daughter, Elsbeth Shelton of Ozona; four stepchildren, Zonita Thompson of Fort Worth, Barbara Bowker of Austin, La Roy Easter and Larry Easter, both of Granbury; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Ben Richardson Service Held In Dunn

Ben F. Richardson died Monday, Feb. 24, 1997, at his residence at Crockett Heights. He was 63.

Graveside service was held Thursday in Dunn Cemetery in Dunn with arrangements by Preddy Funeral Home.

Mr. Richardson was born May 14, 1933, in Snyder and had been a resident of Ozona for 11 years.

Survivors include three daughters, Patty Johnson of Arlington, Dixie Terral of Joshua and Elizabeth Bates of Aurora, CO; a sister, Nancy Peacock of Purcell, OK; two brothers, E. J. Richardson of Snyder and Eddie Richardson of Salt Lake City, Utah; one sister-in-law, Eddie Jo Richardson of Snyder; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, George Richardson Jr. and his wife, Carroll Richardson.

State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS
By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer said last week Texas' compulsory insurance law is not working because about one-fourth of all drivers are uninsured.

Speaking to a Senate committee, Bomer suggested that the state could pass a law that would require insurance companies to communicate with the Department of Public Safety "and let them know when an insurance policy is written and when it is canceled." Then, he said, computers could be used to make sure drivers have valid policies.

Many drivers buy fake insurance cards to get their automobile license tags and inspections, while others buy policies and cancel them as soon as they get their license tags or driver's licenses, Bomer said.

While Bomer was voicing his concerns about uninsured motorists before the Senate Nominations Committee, the House Insurance Committee heard testimony on bills that would:

- Automatically jail drivers who are caught without insurance for six days and subject them to stiffer court penalties;
- Increase the fine for uninsured motorists; and
- Limit the right of uninsured motorists to sue.

Another bill favored by much of the insurance industry would eliminate the requirement that all drivers

carry insurance. The industry has voiced support for a no-fault insurance system where drivers involved in accidents are compensated by their own companies.

Bomer, who favors a no-fault system, said the compulsory insurance law has been troubled because it is not liked by insurance companies and drivers who opt to go without insurance.

Judicial Elections Criticized
Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Tom Phillips criticized the way judges are elected in Texas, because, he said, it erodes confidence in the justice system.

Phillips, a Republican, also said he is concerned that so few minorities are elected to the bench. Last week, in his State of the Judiciary Address to the Senate and House members representing three judicial committees, Phillips said, "Sadly, the results of these races are determined far more by party strength than by the individual merit of the candidates."

Phillips urged the lawmakers to draft legislation that would allow the governor to appoint judges, and then let voters decide whether a judge should retain office.

Furthermore, Phillips said, the perception outside of Texas is that justice is for sale, because of money that gushes into election campaigns. Citing campaign reports, Phillips said \$50 million was spent on Texas appellate court races from 1988 to 1994.

Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, said he would push for judicial election reform.

"Black and brown people in Texas go into a courtroom looking for justice and the only black thing they see is the color of the robe and the only brown thing they see is the wood paneling," Ellis was quoted by *The Dallas Morning News*.

Loan Program Introduced
A home improvement loan program for low-income families was introduced last week by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

The program combines private and public money to provide \$13.3 million for loans to low-income families who live in cities under 50,000 population. Half of the money is earmarked for colonias — the subdivisions near the border with Mexico that don't have water and sewer services. The 20-year loans, at 6.99 percent interest, are capped at \$25,000.

Bivins' Tenure Bill Passes
The Texas Senate passed a bill filed by Education Committee Chairman Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, that would require state colleges and universities to evaluate tenured faculty and administrators at least every six years.

Tenure is a status that is awarded to those who show excellence in teaching and research. A tenured professor cannot be fired without due cause.

Opponents say tenured professors already face annual reviews. Bivins' bill tightens those reviews, which have been regarded as "slack" by some university officials. The legislation addresses complaints Bivins has received from parents, students and faculty about professors who coast after earning tenure.

Other Capital Highlights
■ State Sen. Drew Nixon, R-Carhart, publicly apologized three days after being charged Feb. 18 with soliciting prostitution on Austin's South Congress Avenue. Nixon offered no excuses for his behavior, but said he had no plans to resign from public office. He returned to work Feb. 24.

■ The state Senate voted 31-0 to exempt the University of Texas' plan to expand its football stadium from a law protecting the state Capitol. A deck under construction on the stadium's east side would block views of the Capitol from the plaza of the Lyndon B. Johnson Library on the UT campus. Other Capitol-view-obstructing expansions are planned.

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Jimmy Diaz Service March 1

Santiago H. "Jimmy" Diaz died Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1977, in a San Antonio hospital. He was 50.

Funeral service was held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Templo Bautista Jerusalem with burial in Lima Cemetery.

Mr. Diaz was born Aug. 13, 1946, in Ozona and was a lifetime resident. He was a Marine veteran of the Vietnam War and a sheep shearing contractor.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Diaz of Ozona; his mother, Rosa H. Diaz of Ozona; three stepsons, Felix Rivera, Isidro Rivera and Bobby Rivera, all of Galveston; three stepdaughters, Charlen Salazar of Ozona, Gena Montemayor and Selma Marie Rivera, both of Galveston; a brother, Pablo H. Diaz of Las Vegas; two sisters, Lucia Bitner of El Paso and Enemencia Flores of Ozona; and 13 grandchildren.

Social Security Rep. Visits Ozona March 19

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his March visit to Ozona. He will be at the conference room in the courthouse annex Wednesday, March 19, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at that time.

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Mr. And Mrs. Jones Honored On 60th Wedding Anniversary

Dempster and Esther Kate Jones were honored on the 60th anniversary of their wedding Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1997, by their daughters Pamela Acton and Shelley Conner, and their husbands, Earl and Tom.

An evening meal was enjoyed at the Circle Bar Truck Corral Restaurant Dining Room. Tables were laid with white linen, and the head table was centered with an arrangement of a dozen yellow roses given to Esther Kate from Dempster and a yellow candle.

Another table held things of the past: the wedding book, the cake top ornament, the marriage certificate, the bride's picture and a framed family tree. Playing softly was recorded music furnished by Robin Conner. Still another table had the 60th wedding cake and wine.

Family pictures were taken around the lighted fireplace.

The wedding 60 years ago was Feb. 27, 1937, in the Ozona Methodist Church, which is now the Crockett County Annex Building.

Junior bridesmaid was Mary Alice (Toots) Smith Williams, a cousin. Bridesmaids were Willie V. Coose Baggett and Eda Schneemann Robinson. Cousin Vickie Pierce Miller was maid of honor, and matron of honor was Dorothy Henderson Pierce, the bride's sister-in-law. Tommy Smith Chandler, another cousin, sang *Because and I Love You Truly* to piano accompaniment by Mrs. V. I. Pierce. Best man was Ralph S. Jones.

Dempster's brother. Groomsmen were: Rip Ward, Sidney Millspaugh Jr., Eugene Miller, James Baggett, Forster Rust, Bill Allison and J. S. (Pie) Pierce III, brother of the bride.

Clara Louise Ransom Dobson, niece of the bridegroom, served at the tea and reception.

The couple's wedding trip was to Mexico City. They celebrated their 60th anniversary in San Antonio.

Out of town family guests attending the anniversary party were: Fred and Clara Dobson of Van Court and their daughter and her husband, Clara Louise (Weezie) and Burton Latham of Paint Rock, Mrs. Jack M. Ransom of San Angelo, Johnny and Alice Louise Moore of Sweetwater and family friends, Kenneth and Beverly Mauldin of Sonora.

In-town family guests present were: grandchildren Marty Acton, Bobbie and her husband, Billy Dell Renfro, and their daughter, Kelbie Renfro, Tommy Conner and Robin Conner. Also attending were Fred and Jan Van Shoubrouek, Joe S. Pierce IV and Jeri Lynn Morrison, William Pierce, Joey and Luann Pierce and daughters Laura, Marie and Rebecca, Erby and Janie Chandler, Bill and Susie Black, Jess Marley and Charla Wooten, and Sooner and Terri Williams and daughters Kelly and Stella, Raleigh and Jean Conner, parents of Tom Conner.

Aaron Renfro of Round Rock was unable to attend due to school.

Engagement Party Honors Miss Childress, Mr. Harrison

An engagement party honoring Julie Childress and Matthew Harrison was hosted by Ozona friends in College Station Feb. 22. The bride-elect's colors of navy and ecru were used throughout the party room where hors d'oeuvres and drinks were served.

Approximately 100 people attended the semi-formal party held at The Women's Club of Bryan. Among the guests were parents of the couple,

Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Childress of Ozona and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harrison of El Paso.

Hosting the party were: Mr. and Mrs. Cuatro Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Upham, Dr. and Mrs. Gary Vannoy, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Sutton, Jennifer Davidson, Travis Davidson, Casey Upham, Chad Upham, Whitney Vannoy, JoLynn Vannoy, Cody Sutton and Stefny Sutton.

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March 7 - Betty Allen, Esmi Barrera, Ky Montgomery, Rojelio Longoria, Danny Moran, Rachel King, Francisco Borrego, Margie Carroll, Joe Esparza, Aaron Pearl

March 8 - Julie Vargas, Irma Tambunga, Marie Pierce, Alexandria Bean, Elma P. Ybarra, Olga Gonzales, Paul Vargas, Kim Tambunga, Martha Sewell, Anthony Tambunga

March 9 - Pon Seahorn, Sandra Childress, Jeannine Henderson, Rosie Ramirez, Phillip Young, Cherrie Davis, Greg Stuart, Kelsey Vargas, Matthew Garza

March 10 - Jolissa Payne, Perry Hubbard, Dean Fierro, Gerald Ortiz, Maria Tollett, Joe Perez Sr., Tina Elizondo, Robin Tambunga, Ann Mayo, Ryan Bean

March 11 - Emily Moore, Gary Buck Mitchell, Amelia Tambunga, Robin Myers, Susan Pullen

It's A Girl

Katelynn Nicole Lopez arrived Feb. 20, 1997, at 5:55 p.m. in Shannon Women's and Children's Hospital in San Angelo. She weighed eight pounds and was 20 inches long at birth.

Her happy parents are Jaime and Vicki Lopez.

The baby's grandparents are Bub and Carol Burson of Kerrville and Andres and Elva Lopez of Garden City. Great-grandparents are: Esequia Lopez of Uvalde, Tito Aguilar of Kerrville and Lois Sherrod of San Angelo. She is also welcomed by numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

It's A Girl

Bobbie Tebbetts and Jerry Reed are the parents of a daughter, Tanya Marie, born Feb. 11, 1997, at Shannon Women and Children's Hospital in San Angelo. The baby arrived weighing nine pounds, five and one-half ounces and was 21 inches long at birth.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Reed of Ozona and Sylvia and Marvin Morris of Gunnison, CO.

Welcoming her home are: Jesse, Tina, Travis, Jimmy, Joshua, Marcus and Stacy.

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Miss Childress, Mr. Harrison Plan September Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Childress III announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Ann, to Mr. Matthew Harrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harrison of El Paso.

Julie, a 1993 graduate of Ozona High School, is an agricultural development major at Texas A&M University at College Station. Matt is a 1993 graduate of Coronado High School in El Paso and is a senior electrical engi-

neer major at Texas A&M University. They will both graduate in August of 1997.

Plans are being made for September wedding at the First Baptist Church in Ozona.

Julie is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Childress of Ozona and Mrs. Grady Ellis and the late Grady Ellis of O'Brien.

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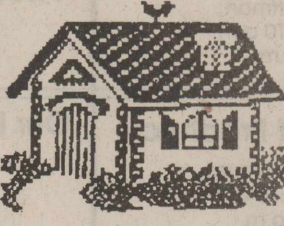
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Museum Notes From Mary

The Black History Appreciation Gathering held Sunday, March 2, was all it was promised to be - outstanding and very informative. The 20 guests from Ozona, Iraan and San Angelo, representing the teaching and medical professions, area ranchers, Fort Concho, San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts and the Pecos County Historical Commission, were treated to a book review by Len Hillman. "Freedom on the Border" was written by Kevin Mulroy, who is director of the research center at the Gene Autry Western Heritage Museum in Los Angeles. His research was extensive, and the list of notes and bibliography printed in the back of the book covers 55 pages. His area of expertise is maroon communities in the Americas, relations between blacks and Indians, and ethnic identity in small-scale societies.

This book is arranged chronologically, and Len took us from 1513, when Ponce De Leon landed near modern-day Jacksonville, FL, through the ensuing years of fighting for freedom and dignity that the Seminoles endured. He explained the term "maroons" to be a group of runaways who were neither black nor Indian, but brown like folks from Jamaica. The black Seminoles were the Negroes who closely associated with the Seminole Indians. These three groups remained separate entities, Len explained, keeping their own religion, culture and basic language, while affiliating with each other, and they all took on the name of Seminole. Each group had its own lifestyle so separate villages were maintained, with close bonds of unity. There was very little inter-marriage, and when it did occur, the new family was automatically a part of the wife's people. If a black man married an Indian woman, they were considered Indian, likewise, if an Indian man married a black woman, they were considered black.

As Len explained their tribulations, it was apparent these folks had to find a new place to settle, away from Florida, as others kept trying to capture the blacks and maroons for slaves, as well as subdue the Indians. The three groups fought for and beside each other, finally settling in Nacimiento and Muzquiz, Mexico, and

Brackettville and Fort Clark, Texas. Some moved to Oklahoma, some to Del Rio, and on to Ozona. Area ranchers recognized some of the names found throughout the book, which were John Horse, Billy Bowlegs, Ben July, William Wilson, Sam Washington, Charles Daniels, John Kibbets, John Ward, Isaac Payne and Pompey Factor. There are descendants of the Isaac Payne and Charles Daniels families today in Ozona, and they share a legacy of which to be proud. In 1981, a great reunion was held in Brackettville, bringing together the descendants of the three groups who had long been separated. Miss Charles Emily Wilson was the "tribal historian", and is one of the last Seminoles to have been born in the maroon village on the Fort Clark reservation. A former school teacher for more than 40 years, she is a community leader there.

Lieutenant John Lapham Bullis once said of three Seminole scouts, "As to my men, they are brave and trustworthy, and each worthy of a medal." They rescued Bullis, who had lost his horse after being outnumbered by Comanches during a scuffle along the Pecos River on April 25, 1875. All three scouts received the coveted U.S. Congressional Medal of Honor.

The Seminoles had been people without a country for a long time and had to prove themselves again and again. Our hats are off to those individuals whose search for acceptance led them to Mexico and Texas, and "Freedom on the Border".

Cowboy Camp Meeting March 10-11

There will be a cowboy camp meeting at the Circle Bar RV Park Monday and Tuesday, March 10-11 beginning at 7 p.m. each evening.

Conducting the meeting will be Rodeo Cowboy Ministries' Glenn and Ann Smith of Post. Everyone is invited to attend.

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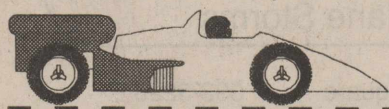
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- Wednesday, March 12
Chicken Breast With Rice, Carrot And Raisin Salad, Green Beans, Bread, Dessert
- Thursday, March 13
Ham And Cheese Sandwich, Potato Chips, Pork And Beans, Lettuce, Tomato And Onion, Dessert
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THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH'S NEW PASTOR is Rev. Hector DeLaCruz (center). He is pictured with: (l. to r.) his wife Martha, grandson Victor and son Elias.

Photo by Linda Moore

New Pastor At Apostolic Church

The Apostolic Church's new pastor, Rev. Hector De La Cruz, comes to Ozona from San Marcos. He began his duties at the church here Feb. 1.

Rev. De La Cruz has been a minister since 1987 and is a native of Guerrero, Coah., Mexico. The pastor and his wife, Martha, are the parents of four children. Their youngest son, Elias, age 14, plays the drums. One daughter, Alma L. De La Cruz, remained in San Marcos where she attends high school.

Hector Jr., his wife Amanda and daughter Lizzeta, also live in San Marcos. Mireya and her husband, Victor Valadez, make their home in Austin where he is also a minister. Mireya and Victor are the parents of

two boys, Jacob and Victor.

All the children and grandchildren were to be in Ozona last weekend for a late birthday celebration for Rev. De La Cruz whose birthday was Feb. 18.

The pastor is looking forward to "working hard with the community and bringing people to Jesus."

Rev. De La Cruz said he likes the church members here and how they received him. "The congregation is small, but they are all good people," he said.

Everyone is welcome to attend services. Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. and worship at 5 p.m. on Sunday. Thursday evening services are at 7:30 p.m.

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Miller Promoted At ONB

Della Miller has been promoted to assistant cashier at Ozona National Bank. The promotion was announced by the board effective Feb. 18.

Mrs. Miller has been an employee of the bank since December of 1990, beginning as a bookkeeper. She has also worked in proof, central information file, as a teller and as back up on computers and check imaging.

Duties as assistant cashier include supervising the proof department, Fedline, Pulse, credit cards and electronic data processing.

"I'm very excited about it," she said of the promotion. I'm looking forward to working with everyone - our ONB family."

Renee Pearl will be Mrs. Miller's

supervisor. "I'm looking forward to that. She is very knowledgeable and will teach me the things I don't know," she said.

Della Miller moved to Ozona from her hometown of Iraan in 1986. She has been a member of the fire department and EMS for 10 years and is certified as an EMT-Intermediate. She also serves on the Child Welfare Board.

She is married to Tommy Miller and is the daughter of Tommy and Dolly Gibbs of Iraan. Della's children are Robert Gentry who makes his home with wife Caroline in Lubbock and Kelli who is married to Gary Price and lives in Iraan. The Prices are the parents of "my wonderful grandson, Jasper", said Della.

4-H Range Judging to Start

The 4-H Range Judging and Plant ID practice will begin soon. A schedule for regular weekly practice sessions was planned at the recent organizational meeting. All 4-H members who signed up for the range judging and plant ID were mailed a postcard announcing the meeting date.

If you wish to participate, but are not enrolled in 4-H or simply did not sign up for the project, it's not too late. Call the County Extension Office immediately at 392-2721, and you will

be included in the project. If you are not a current 4-H member but wish to participate, come by the Extension Office at 1301 Ave. AA and sign up.

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Working Faith

by Dennis J. Prutow

"Faith working through love" (Galatians 5:6) is essential for the Christian. Over the long haul, you ought to be able to look back over your life and see significant change has taken place. How you live is evidence of the faith you have in your heart. Jesus puts it this way, "You will know them by their fruits. Grapes are not gathered from thorn bushes nor figs from thistles, are they?" (Matthew 7:16).

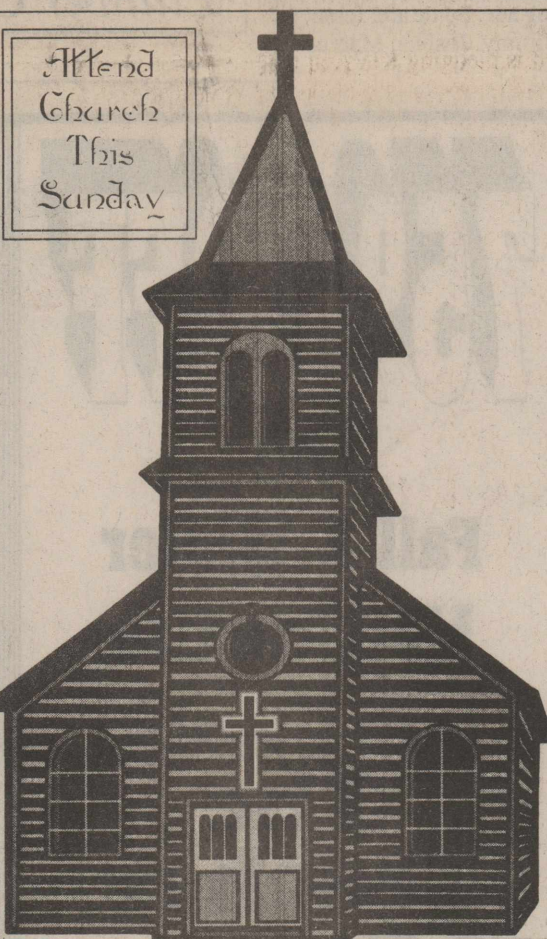
We identify Christians by their fruit, by how they live. Good deeds confirm position as follows:

Faith >> Justification [Right standing with God] + Works

Hebrew 12:14 confirms this. "Pursue peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no one will see the Lord."

As a believer, if you want to see Christ when He comes again, you must pursue sanctification. Sanctification is the process of dying more and more to sin and living more and more for Christ. The word "pursue" is often translated "persecute" in the New Testament. It is a strong word. We must throw ourselves into the process of sanctification.

Faith worthy of the name is always accompanied by good deeds. By this the children of God and the children of the devil are obvious: anyone who does not practice righteousness is not of God" (1 John 3:10).



First Baptist Church Rev. Bill Fuller Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 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.	Ozona United Methodist Church Rev. James Carter Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Mt. Zion Baptist Church Rev. Norvell Allen Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m.	Faith Lutheran Church Rev. Charles Huffman Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m.	Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church Rev. Sergio Arellano Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
Templo Bautista Jerusalem Pastor Miguel Arjon Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.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.	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.
Calvary Baptist Church Rev. Daniel C. Fleming Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. & Sun. Worship: 7 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.	Apostolic Church Rev. Hector De La Cruz Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 5 p.m. Thur. Service: 7:30 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.	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.	Attend Church

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Extension Connection

By Tedra Ulmer, County Extension Agent
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What's the Leading Cause of Death Among Women

Most women would answer breast cancer - as a matter of fact, 40 percent of women surveyed recently gave that answer - but it's not true.

In fact, heart disease is not only the leading cause of death in females, but it kills more women than all forms of cancer plus accidents combined. In addition, the leading cause of cancer death in women is now lung cancer due to smoking.

The incidence of heart disease in women goes up dramatically after menopause - equalling and even exceeding men's rates. During old age, women's incidence gradually goes down to be equal to men again.

Women are more likely to die with their first heart attack and are less likely to be diagnosed with heart disease early enough to do anything much about it. One reason is because women's symptoms of heart attack are different from men's. Not only do most women not know this, but even a great number of primary care physicians aren't aware of that fact, according to recent studies.

The classic men's symptoms are crushing chest pain and pain radiating down the left arm. Women's symptoms include nausea, faintness and shortness of breath - all likely to be dismissed as "imaginary" by physicians.

Estrogen has been found to lower the incidence of heart disease in post-menopausal women. As a matter of fact, women's incidence of heart disease tends to be 10 times lower with estrogen use, according to four long-term studies. Except in cases of women who are being treated for estrogen-

dependent type cancers like breast cancer, most women can and probably should take estrogen. To reduce the incidence of cancer of the lining of the uterus, women who still have a uterus should take a combination of estrogen and progesterone. This can be done by taking a combination pill that will prevent monthly bleeding. A recent study showed that women still received the heart benefits without increased incidence of cancer in the uterine lining.

The main thing most of us need to think about with our families is reducing the probability of cancer - and an estimated 60 percent of cancers are preventable.

Behaviors that reduce the probability of cancer include:

- Not smoking
- Maintaining normal weight
- Eating 25 grams of fiber daily
- Eating five servings of fruits and vegetables daily

- Limiting alcohol consumption to no more than two drinks daily
- Limiting smoked, salt-cured and nitrate-cured foods.

Next week, information on one of the most devastating chronic diseases in our country in terms of lives, productivity and dollars lost - diabetes.

For more information on diet, nutrition and health, contact Tedra Ulmer at 392-2721. Educational programs and information provided by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages, regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, national origin or disability.



MEMBERS OF THE LEVI'S AND LACE SQUARE DANCE CLUB visited the Star Promenaders of San Angelo club recently. It is customary in Square Dance Circles to 'capture' another club's banner by bringing a full square or more to a regular dance. To recover the banner a full square must return the visit. Pictured with the banner are: (l. to r.) Raul and Maria De La Rosa, Otis and Myra Nester, Jim and Sue Caldwell and J.D. and Pauline Brown. Some of the Ozona dancers are selling tickets on a 1997 Dodge Ram pickup truck to be given away at the 35th Annual Texas State Federation Square & Round Dance Festival June 7 in Amarillo.

Scholastic Honor Earned By Meador

Doug Meador has been named a distinguished student at Tarleton State University in Stephenville. This distinction is one of the highest honors Tarleton State University confers on students.

Meador achieved this recognition by earning a 3.60 grade point average for the fall semester. A mathematics major at Tarleton, Meador is a 1995 graduate of Ozona High School. He is the son of Doug and Barbara Meador.

Upham Pledges At McMurry

Casey Upham of Ozona is one of the 120 students at McMurry University who has recently joined a social club and is participating in pledging activities.

Upham is pledging KIVA at the Abilene university. He is the son of Elizabeth and Randy Upham of Ozona and an environmental science major. He is also on the university golf team.

McMurry University is a four-year liberal arts institution. Affiliated with the Northwest Texas and New Mexico Conferences of the United Methodist Church, McMurry offers its students educational opportunities through 45 majors and eight pre-professional sequences.

Midland Craft Show March 8-9

The eighth annual Midland Arts and Crafts Expo will be held March 8 and 9 in the Midland Center in downtown Midland. More than 100 exhibitors will fill the foyer and main exhibit hall with original art and hand-crafted items.

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by Billie Malone

We've had mist and drizzle from the sky; however, not enough to measure, it seems.

This reporter interviewed personnel with the Texas Highway Department in Iran just before press time. Michael McGinnis and Ramon Prieto gave me the latest data on the road construction in Sheffield, and farther out on Highway 349.

The widened highway will extend six miles out of town. Contrary to speculation and rumor, this does not include the highway from the Terrell County line. Also, it was thought by some that this stretch of highway to the Sanderson turn off would be straightened, as well as the curve in

eight mile hill.

I learned from the highway department technicians that this work will possibly be done by a construction company at some time in the future. There will be more on this as time passes, and I will be interviewing Glen Larums, district public relations director for the Texas Highway Department in Odessa.

There are no visitors to speak of, no parties this week, and Sheffield citizens, as well as those in surrounding territories are either "rounding up" or shearing; also those who have completed the task are too tired or not "in the frame of mind" to talk about company and festive occasions.

Card of Thanks

We would like to express our most sincere thanks to everyone that gave their prayers, phone calls, and the food that was brought after we got home. A special thanks to our family and friends for their strength and love and their special prayers.

Our thanks to Phil Coley for making a quick decision to transfer Tom and another special thanks to the ambulance crew: Beverly Preddy, Larry Glosson and driver Tommy Miller for making a prompt and safe transfer

Tom & Hazel Allen

Card of Thanks

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all our family, friends, and neighbors who offered us much appreciated support during our loss of our brother Jimmy Diaz.

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Crockett County Public Library News

By Louise Ledoux

Membership Drive

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The 'Friends' support the library with volunteer service, activities programming and fundraising coordination. You can choose to be an active member and volunteer at the library or at events, or you can become an associate member and simply support the library with your annual dues.

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Business members are very special to the library, and to show our appreciation, a bookmark for each business supporter is designed and distributed to everyone checking out books. With the new Internet access at the library, we also hope to recognize our Business 'Friends' on the library web site provided by the Concho Valley Council of Governments.

Some of our faithful annual members include the Ozona Stockman,

Knox Floor Covering, the Hitchin' Post Steak House, Ozona National Bank, Sonora-Ozona Oil, Riggs Ranch, West Texas Utilities and The Teacher Store. Newer members are the Crockett County National Bank, the Baggett Companies, Westerman Drug, Brown Furniture, Upham Insurance, Crockett Automotive, Hubbard Body Shop, Tedford Jewelry, Circle Bar Cable TV, Maness Texaco, B&C Automotive, South Texas Lumber Co., and Lilly Construction. Our most recent members include Ulmer Photography, A Family Affair, Freddy Funeral Home, Pioneer I V Cynthia's Beauty Shop, De La Rosa Plumbing, Ozona Veterinary Clinic, Hillcrest Restaurant, Cervantez Texaco, Baskets & More, Ozona Butane, Town & Country Village Market and DeHoyos Law Office. There are many more important business supporters who can't all be listed here.

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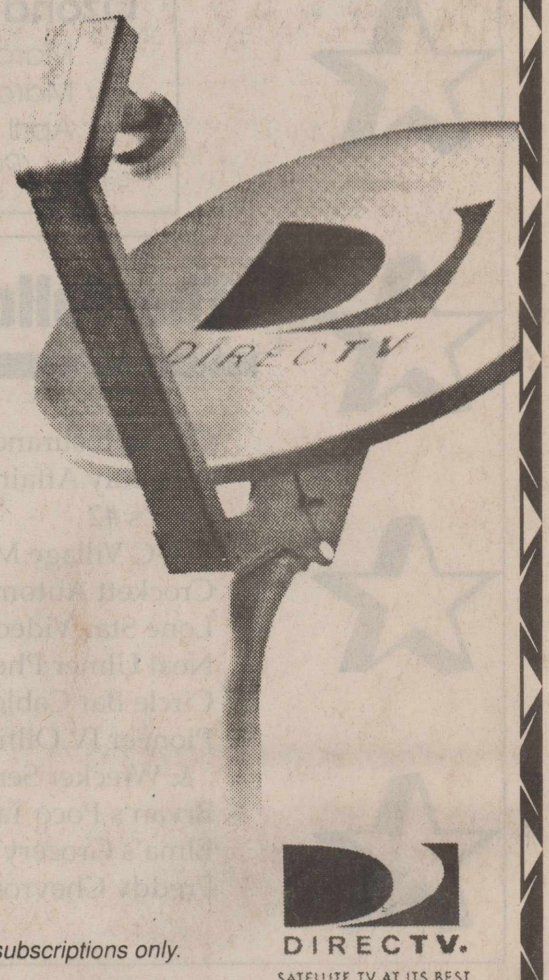
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1997 Spring Sports

Golf Team Takes Second Place In Big Lake Tourney

Neal Ulmer,
Stockman Sportswriter

The Ozona Lion Golf Team hit their way into a second place finish in the Reagan County Golf Tournament held Feb. 28. Jason Stuart was a second place medalist and led the Lions with a 77.

Colorado City took the first place trophy in last Friday's tournament shooting a 326 on 18 holes. Ozona placed second with a 331 and Alpine placed third with a 339. Eight other teams competed in the tournament ranging from Class A schools to Class 3A schools. Places four through eleven are as follows with their scores: 4 Crane 345, 5 Rocksprings 345, 6 Big Lake A 352, 7 Sonora 359, 8 Iraan 376, 9 Greenwood 378, 10 Big Lake B 406, and 11 Irion County with a 411.

"They are improving," said Ozona High golf coach Brent Pool. "We need to get down to three teams to repeat at regionals. The boys will be playing in San Angelo this weekend at the San Angelo Country Club on Friday and at the Riverside course on Saturday. The girls will play in Sonora on Saturday."

Taking the first place medalist was Colorado City's Cody Carpenter, who shot a 76. Stuart from Ozona was second with a 77 and Ozona's Charlie Branch tied for third with a 79.

Other Ozona scores include Seth Webster with an 85, Cody Hunnicutt 90, and Justin Browne 90.

Ozona has a total of eight girls and 16 boys competing in their high school golf program. Each week the OHS golfers compete to qualify for the next meet. He takes the top five to the meet.



Ozona Middle School Tennis Schedule

March 8	Sonora Tournament
March 29	Eldorado Tournament
April 19	District Tournament (Ozona)

(Dual matches will be scheduled throughout the season to help us prepare for tournaments.)

Ozona High School Track Schedule

March 8	Eldorado	Boys, JV Boys, Girls
March 15	Ozona	Boys, JV Boys, Girls
March 20	Iraan	Girls
March 21 & 22	San Angelo	Boys
March 27	Iraan	Boys, JV Boys, Girls
April 4	Sonora	Boys, JV Boys, Girls
April 11	District (Ozona)	Boys, JV Boys, Girls
April 18	Regional Qualifiers Meet	Girls
April 25 & 26	Regional (Abilene)	Boys, Girls
May 9 & 10	State (Austin)	Boys, Girls

Ozona High School Golf Schedule

March 7 & 8	San Angelo	Boys
March 8	Sonora	Girls
March 15	Sonora	Boys
March 19	Ozona	Boys, Girls
March 26	Coahoma (Big Spring)	Boys, Girls
April 1	District (Baird)	Boys, Girls
April 9	District (San Angelo Riverside)	Boys, Girls
April 21 & 22	Regional (Baird)	Boys, Girls
May 5 & 6	State (Austin)	Boys, Girls

Ozona High School Baseball Schedule

March 7	Crane	There	5:00 p.m.
March 14	Sterling City	Here	4:00 p.m.
March 18	Brackettville	There	4:00 p.m.
March 20 & 22	Alpine Tournament		TBA
March 25	Ft. Stockton J.V.	Here	5:30 p.m.
March 28	Ft. Stockton J.V.	There	5:00 p.m.
April 1	Eldorado*	Here	5:00 p.m.
April 4	Wall*	There	5:00 p.m.
April 8	Coahoma*	There	5:00 p.m.
April 14	Del Rio J.V.	Here	5:00 p.m.
April 18	Winters*	There	5:00 p.m.
April 22	Eldorado*	There	5:00 p.m.
April 25	Del Rio J.V.	There	5:00 p.m.
April 29	Wall*	Here	5:00 p.m.
May 2	Coahoma*	Here	5:00 p.m.
May 9	Winters*	Here	5:00 p.m.

*District Games

Ozona High School Tennis Schedule

March 7 & 8	Reagan County	Boys, Girls
March 14 & 15	Eldorado	Boys, Girls
March 21 - 22	Junction	Boys, Girls
March 28 - 29	Mason	Boys, Girls
April 3 & 7	District (Eldorado)	Boys, Girls
April 25 & 26	Regional (Abilene)	Boys, Girls

Ozona Middle School Track Schedule

March 7	Ozona Cub Relays
March 21	Sonora
March 27	Ozona Tri-Meet
April 4	District (Ozona)

45th Annual Ozona Relays Scheduled For March 15

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The 45th Annual Ozona Relays will get underway on Saturday, March 15 in Lion Stadium. The field events will start at 9 a.m., the running prelims will start at 11:30 a.m. with the 3200 meter run, and the finals will begin at 4:30 p.m. with the presentation of the awards to follow at the conclusion of the finals.

This year, as in the past, there will be three different divisions: varsity girls, varsity boys, and junior varsity boys. Medals will be awarded to the first three places in the girl's and boy's divisions. A first place and runner-up trophy will be awarded in each division. Also, a first place trophy will be awarded to the winner of each relay event in all divisions.

A total of 16 teams will compete in this year's relays. Teams entered in to this year's meet are as follows: Sonora, Wall, Sanderson, Junction, McCamey, Water Valley, Crane, Comstock, Alpine, Pecos, Rocksprings, Fort Stockton, Kermit, Marathon, Miles and Ozona.

Ozona has always been known to run off a successful track meet in allowing all athletes to have their utmost performance. In order for this to happen, we are soliciting your help, again. As in years past, we feel we have the best qualified track people around the area. As tradition has it, the track coordinators will have Ozona Relay caps for the workers and a meal provided by the Ozona Athletic Booster Club.

"We feel this will be another successful season for the Ozona tracksters and hope you will be a part of it by officiating our track meet," said boys' track coach Pete Maldonado.

The Ozona school system has been working to replace the old wooden bleachers with new aluminum ones, only they are not here. Please bring your lawn chairs.

If you are willing to help with the meet, please contact Coach Pete Maldonado at school 392-5501 ext. #218, home 392-3802 or (915) 226-3571 or Coach Alan Phillips, the head girls' track coach at 392-5501 or at home 392-2085. Please inform them if you will be able to help.

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Crockett County Sheriff's Report

SO
2-25-97 - 3-3-97
ARRESTS:
 2-27-97... Joseph Paul Allesandra, age 18, of College Station arrested by DPS officer on charges of expired driver's license and no liability insurance. He pled guilty in JP Court and was released after laying out his fine.
 2-27-97...Omerno Ramon Flores, age 36, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a warrant for child support from Tarrant County. Subject was released on bond.
 2-28-97...Johnny Manuel Lombardo, age 28, of San Angelo was arrested by sheriff's deputy on charges of public intoxication and making alcohol available to a minor. He pled guilty in JP Court and was released after paying fines.
 2-28-97...Laramie Allen Cambell, age 19, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on charges of possession of marijuana under two ounces and driving while intoxicated, first offense. He remains in custody.
 2-28-97...Eleasi Estrada, age 18, of Anaheim, CA, was arrested by DPS officer on charges of expired driver's license and no liability insurance. He pled guilty in JP Court and was released after paying fines.
 2-28-97...Richard Ramirez Gonzales, age 17, of Ozona was arrested by DPS officer on charges of fail to yield right of way (stop sign) and possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was released after posting bond and paying fine.
 3-1-97...Terry Lynn Milan, age 35, of Houston was arrested by DPS officer on charges of speeding, expired registration, also on a warrant from Waller County. He pled guilty in JP Court and was released after paying fines. Also paid fines on the warrant.
 3-3-97...Joe Dan Dockery, age 21, of Andrews was arrested in Andrews County on a Crockett County warrant for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle/motion for adjudication of guilt and was transported to Crockett County by sheriff's deputy.
 3-3-97...David Andrew Bushong, age 23, of Reston, VA, was arrested by DPS officer on charges of no driver's license and speeding. He remains in custody.

one had taken a firearm out of a vehicle.
 2-26-97...A report of an assault was taken at sheriff's office by deputy. Complainant reported that he was assaulted by two male subjects at a local convenience store.
 2-28-97...A report of a burglary of a habitation was taken at Santa Rosa Street by sheriff's deputy. Complainant reported that someone had entered his residence without permission and stolen a large amount of cash and jewelry.
ACTIVITY LOG:
 2-25-97-3-3-97
 2-25-97
 Met with complainant at a local residence reference a stolen firearm. Took offense report. Courtesy transport was given to a subject from local truck stop to bus station.
 2-26-97
 Met with complainant at sheriff's office reference an assault. Took offense report.
 Report of a possible drunk driver on I-10 headed east toward Ozona. Unit set up at Lancaster exit. Vehicle never showed up.
 Report of kids on go-carts north of town. Deputy located the kids and talked to one of the parents.
 Welfare/gas was given to traveler going west.
 Gas drive off from a local convenience store. Description of vehicle was beige crew cab pickup with red letters WC on it headed south on Hwy. 163. Unable to locate vehicle.
 2-27-97
 Theft of property reported by two hitchhikers at a local convenience store. Vehicle was located by DPS. Property was recovered. No charges filed by hitchhikers.
 Animal control called out to 1205 Ave. E reference dogs that were running loose.
 2-28-97
 Deputies were sent to a local residence reference a male subject who was trying to get into this residence by force. Complainant did not file charges. Deputies advised subject to leave.
 Deputies arrested two male subjects on Hwy. 163 south on charges of driving while intoxicated and possession of marijuana.
 Report of a burglary of a residence on Santa Rosa Street. Deputy took offense report.
 Theft of gas from Iran. Blue/green Grand Am. Unable to locate vehicle.
 Report of a missing juvenile female. She was located at Sonora. Everything OK.
 Report of a suspicious vehicle parked at a local business. Vehicle had already left.
 Loud party call at a residence on Walnut Street. Owner was advised to shut party down. March 3, 1997
 Report of an alarm at a local business north on Hwy. 163. Building, everything OK.
 Met with complainant at local apartment reference someone had been partying in the apartment. No one was at the apartment. Also complainant wanted deputy to look for 11-year-old daughter who had left with a male subject in a tan/white pickup. Unable to locate vehicle.
 Met with complainant at local business reference damage to an 18 wheeler rig.
 Deputy escorted hitchhiker to west county line.
 Funeral escort provided by deputies.
 Report of an illegal alien at Midway lane. Subject was checked out and had proof of alien card. Subject kept walking north toward Bamhart.

Agency assist at intersection of Hwys 137/190. DPS units and Big Lake units on scene.
 Citizen reported a dog that was bothering her dog. Unable to contact animal control. Dog was brought to sheriff's office and put up in outside pen.
 Courtesy transport called in by clinic for truck driver who was involved in accident.
 Report of kids throwing rocks at entrance ramp to I-10 on eastbound lane. Unable to locate anyone. Checked both sides of I-10.
 3-2-97
 Met complainant at a local residence reference broken windows.
 Deputy recovered a bicycle from a local residence that had been found by citizen.
 Assist on medical call reference a subject who had been in an oilfield rig accident. Subject was brought in by personal vehicle. Deputy met vehicle at Pandale 1-10 entrance.
 Vehicle traffic stop. Deputies conducted a field sobriety test on a male subject and was released. Beer was poured out.
 Courtesy transport of a subject who had been involved in a traffic accident from hospital to Hubbard's. Subject needed items from his vehicle.
 Citizen reported three possible illegal aliens. Deputy checked them out and they were turned over to Border Patrol.
 Welfare at truckstop/pit stop. Subject was brought in as a sleeper.
 3-3-97
 Report of a suspicious person at a residence on Blas Street. Deputies walked around the residence. Everything OK.
 Report of an alarm going off at the Ozona Heritage Building. Deputy checked it out. There was some kind of meeting going on at the building. Everything OK.
 Loud music call at a local trailer park on Ave. J. Subject was advised to turn it down.
 Alarm at local trash company. Big door was unsecured. No one was around. Deputy and key carrier checked it out. Building secure. Everything OK.
 Met complainant at Ave. I reference a report of a vehicle running by this residence at a high rate of speed. Also ran stop sign. Black/silver pickup. Unable to locate vehicle.

Basketball Coaches Needed by OYBL

By Neal Ulmer
 Stockman Sportswriter
 Do you have a dream of coaching a basketball team, or are you willing to work with an Ozona youth basketball team? If so, then you are asked to be in classroom 111 in the high school at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 6. There is a great need for coaches as there are approximately 213 youth who have signed up to play.
 The Ozona Youth Basketball League's drawing to determine teams will be held at that time. The coaches will notify the youngsters as to whose team they are on and about practices.
 Due to spring break and the late start of the youth basketball league, the coordinators are not sure when the first week of practice will begin or exactly when the games will start.

4-H Sewing Project Two Sentenced In District Court Begins March 5

As a reminder for the 4-H'ers in the clothing project, a kickoff meeting will be held today, Wednesday, March 5th, immediately after school in the County Extension Office Conference Room.
 4-H members will construct items out of placemats and towels. Members need to bring one octagonal placemat approximately 12 by 17 inches, and one regular hand towel which is fringed on the ends.
 The towels will be used to make walker caddies for Care Center residents. Basic sewing skills will be taught in the construction of the bags.
 If members were not able to obtain placemats or towels, they should still attend the meeting to begin their clothing project. There will be other activities to do. The meeting should last about 1 hour.
 All 4-H members signed up in the project were sent a sheet with information about the meeting. If you did not receive the information, contact the County Extension Office at 392-2721.
 Also, there is a packet of forms and information for the fashion show which was handed out to leaders at the orientation meeting on February 17th. All 4-H'ers planning to be in the fashion show need that information immediately before sewing or buying a garment. It is available at the County Extension Office.
 For more information, call Tedra Ulmer, County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences at 392-2721, or come by the office, located at 1301 Avenue AA next to the Fair Park Convention Center.

Jesse Borrego Rodriguez pled guilty to a charge of escape in district court held here Feb. 21. Judge Royal Hart presided.
 Rodriguez, who escaped from Crockett County Jail, was sentenced to 10 years in the Texas Department of Corrections, sentence suspended. He was fined \$1,000 and ordered to pay court costs of \$124.50.
 A charge of aggravated kidnapping was dismissed as he had pled guilty to the escape charge. Also dismissed was a motion to revoke probation on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
 Jesse Daniel Caldera pled guilty to charges of intoxication manslaughter in the Aug. 15, 1995, motor vehicle deaths of Enrique Bautista Longoria and Santos Borrego Longoria. He was sentenced to eight years in the Texas Department of Corrections, fined \$1,000 and ordered to pay court costs of \$175.50. His driver's license was also suspended for two years.

County Court Dispositions

FEBRUARY 26, 1997
 Cause 3571 Luis C. Rodriguez, driving while intoxicated; conviction - credit for time served in lieu of court costs and fine
 Cause 3562 Mario Alfonso Flores, driving while license suspended; charge reduced to Class C misdemeanor - credit for time served in lieu of fine and court costs
 Cause 3284 Nino Castillo Tambunga, assault/bodily injury - state's motion to dismiss granted
 Cause 3163 Randall Anderson Gouge, driving while intoxicated - state's motion to revoke probation granted
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The Newsreel

NEWS REEL
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News Reel

Funeral services for Frank Mills, 74, father of Crockett County Sheriff Billy Mills, were held Sunday afternoon from Stevens Memorial Chapel in Coleman with Rev. Jim Hancock, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Ozona, conducting services. Burial was in Coleman City Cemetery.

News Reel

The Ozona Lions swept to a surprisingly easy win in the 16th Annual Ozona Invitational Track Meet last Saturday at Lion Stadium as they used their overall team depth to compile 117 points.

News Reel

The Ozona Lion Band won first place in both concert and sight reading in class A at the Brady Band Festival this past weekend. The event was Brady's 20th annual festival, making it one of the oldest continuing band festivals in the state.

News Reel

Funeral services were held Monday in Arlington for Dr. Joe Glenn Rape, 50, a former Ozona resident, who died suddenly at his home in Arlington Saturday morning.

News Reel

Mrs. Bailey Post, Mrs. Hanson Clark, Mrs. Glenn Sutton, Mrs. Charles Williams and Mrs. Larry Arledge attended the district garden club meeting in Abilene Tuesday and Wednesday.

News Reel

Ray Boyd, part owner and manager of the Village Drug, and Bill Lewter, local oilfield employee, were for positions on the school board before the filing deadline yesterday.

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News Reel

Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Tandy honored several of Mrs. Tandy's relatives, who are visiting them, with a Mexican supper at their home last Friday evening.

News Reel

Mrs. A. O. Fields was hostess to Las Amigas Club at her home Friday afternoon. Mrs. Beeler Brown held high score.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Jones, former Ozonians now residing at Alpine, were Ozona visitors this week.

News Reel

Mrs. Charles E. Davidson, Jr., was hostess to members of the Sunflower Bridge Club at her home Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Massie West took high score prize for the club, Mrs. Doug Kirby was awarded guest high and Mrs. W. E. Friend, Jr., low.

News Reel

Mrs. T. A. Kincaid, who was stricken with a heart attack in San Angelo last week, is reported much improved this week.

News Reel

Mrs. Evert White and Supt. C. S. Denham were guest speakers for the annual Ozona High School press club banquet Wednesday night. Jeff Fussell, retiring editor, turned over his quill to Miles Pierce, newly elected editor of the Lion's Roar.

News Reel

Mrs. Clark Barton and daughter, Mrs. August Sagert, of San Antonio are here for a visit with Mrs. Barton's mother, Mrs. W. F. Coates.

News Reel

Monroe Baggett is still ill at his home with an attack of bronchitis.

News Reel

Rev. Horace Busby spoke to the student body of Ozona High School Tuesday morning.

OHS Tennis Teams Gain Experience In Irion Co.

Neal Ulmer,
Stockman Sportswriter

Experience! Experience! Experience! The Ozona High School Tennis teams are getting some needed experience to prepare them for a chance in the state tennis tournament. The Ozona teams played in the Irion County Invitational Tennis Tournament held Feb. 21 and 22 in Mertzon.

Ozona High tennis coach Rick Bachman, took six girls and six boys to the tennis tournament in Mertzon. "This was a good match for us and a good start for the season. Most of our players were able to play four matches, which was what we needed right now. Tournaments, such as this one, are invaluable as far as players getting experience," he said.

Teams playing in the tournament included Reagan County, Reagan County JV, Eldorado, Sonora, Wall, Mason JV, Irion County, and Ozona.

Winning the girls singles division was Angela Mayfield from Sonora. Representing Ozona in this division were freshmen Cara Green and Shelly Cornett. Green defeated Denay Hooten from Mason 4-6, 6-4, 6-2. In

her second match, she lost to Ashley Brockman from Sonora, lost her third match to Sara Mayfield from Big Lake, (formerly from Ozona), and lost her fourth match to Stephanie Tausch from Mason to place eighth in the tournament. Cornett lost to Tatsch in her first match, lost to Kristi Stevenson from Big Lake, and defeated Hooten from Mason 6-3, 6-4 for 15th place.

In the boys' singles division, junior Rob Hamon and freshman Mack Lindsey represented Ozona. D. J. Rainey from Irion County won the boys singles division. Hamon placed thirteenth and Lindsey fourteenth. Hamon lost to Gene Dolan from Big Lake 3-6, 6-4, 7-5, lost to Cody Goetz from Big Lake 0-6, 6-1, 7-6, (10-8), defeated Jeremy Traynor from Mason 6-2, 6-2 and defeated teammate Lindsey 6-0, 6-0. Lindsey lost to Joey Reyes from Big Lake in his second match, received a bye in the third and was defeated by teammate Rob Hamon.

Winning the girls' doubles division was the team of Key and Burge from Sonora. Ozona had two teams representing them, which were sophomores Erin Barber and Courtney Cameron and sophomore Pat Garza and freshman Allison Preddy. Cameron and Barber placed fourteenth and Garza and Preddy placed fifteenth. Cameron and Barber lost to Atkinson and Ellis from Wall 6-1, 6-1 in their first match. They lost to Rankin and Flores 6-2, 6-2 in their second match and defeated Warringer and Bottello from Big Lake 7-6, 6-4. The team of Garza and Preddy lost to Trujillo and Graves from Big Lake 6-1, 6-0 in their first match, lost to Webb and Rachley from Irion County 6-0, 6-3, but defeated Warringer and Bottello from Big Lake 6-2, 6-3.

Winning the boys doubles division was the team of Leija and Luxton from Big Lake. Ozona was represented by two teams consisting of junior Byron Beasley and sophomore Mitchell Martinez and the team of Harrell Hodges and Eric Garza, both sophomores.

Beasley and Martinez received a bye the first round. They defeated

Webb and Dusek from Wall 6-7, 6-2, 6-3 in the second match. They lost to Leija and Luxton from Big Lake 7-6, 6-0 in the third match. They lost to the team of Bowers and Routh from Sonora 6-2, 5-7, 6-3 for fourth place.

The Ozona team of Hodges and Garza lost to Williams and Kohutek

from Big Lake 6-1, 4-6, 6-4 in their first match. They defeated the team of Yanez and Rivero 1-6, 6-0, 6-3 in their second match. They lost to Klingelheffer and Williams from Mason 6-2, 6-3 defeated Smith and George from Big Lake 6-4, 6-3 for eleventh place.

"The majority of our players were junior varsity placers and this provided an excellent opportunity for them to participate against stiff competition. Overall, I was very pleased with the way we performed both on and off the court," said Coach Bachman.

Conservation Reserve Program Sign-Up Underway

"The 15th Conservation Reserve Program sign-up will be March 3 through March 28," announced County Executive Director Jim Bob Solsbery of the Farm Service Agency (formerly the ASCS Office) in Crockett County. "FSA will be sending out a newsletter with details about eligibility requirements prior to March 3. FSA and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) are working together to provide assistance to interested individuals," Mr. Solsbery added.

Stephen Zuberbueller, district conservationist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, explained, "The eligibility requirements are site specific for every farm. Rental rates are based on soil productivity, land value, and cropping history. Bid caps will be made for each county, but are not known at this time," continued Mr. Zuberbueller.

According to both FSA and NRCS, priority areas have been designated at the national level and within each state to better address conservation and environmental issues in a planned and coordinated manner. Priority areas in Texas include all of Bexar, Callahan, Deaf Smith, Fisher, Floyd, Garza, Haskell, Jones, Kent,

Medina, Nolan, Randall, Scurry, Stonewall, Swisher, Taylor and Uvalde counties. Texas priority areas also include portions of Armstrong, Borden, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Crosby, Dickens, Gray, Hale, Hutchinson, Lubbock, Motley, Oldham, Parmer, Potter and Roberts counties. Another important priority area in Texas is a 1,000 foot strip along the Rio Grande in Cameron, Hidalgo and Starr counties.

Land enrolled into a CRP high priority area does not have to meet any other land eligibility criteria.

"Enrollment in a CRP high priority area, however, does not mean a producer will automatically be accepted into the program," cautioned Mr. Solsbery. "Other requirements must still be met before an application is accepted."

"The 15th CRP also considers environmental benefits such as the protection of wildlife habitat, wetlands, and streams," explained Mr. Zuber-

bueler. "Locations are site specific and must meet specific criteria to be approved."

Both Mr. Solsbery and Mr. Zuberbueller stated they were working closely together to make the 15th CRP sign-up as easy as possible for producers in Crockett County. Interested persons should call the FSA office in Big Lake for an appointment at telephone number 884-3753. The telephone number for the NRCS office in Ozona is 392-2301.

Esta informacion tambien se encuentra disponible en Espanol. Por favor comuniquese con la oficina de Servicios para la Conservacion de los Recursos Naturales (USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service) al telefono (817)298-1214, estamos para servirle.

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4-H Shooting Sports Begins On Monday

The 4-H Shooting Sports program will begin on Monday, March 10. Classes are tentatively scheduled as follows: High School-Monday at 6:00 p.m.; 6th, 7th and 8th grades-Tuesday at 8:00 p.m.; 3rd grade-Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.; 4th grade-Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.; 5th grade-Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. The classes will be held at the 4-H shooting range inside the 4-H Barn.

If a student cannot attend at the time scheduled for their grade, they may attend another class which is convenient until the project is organized. It may be necessary to change the schedule after the project gets started.

If you wish to participate but did not sign up for Shooting Sports when you enrolled in 4-H, call the Extension Office and sign up. If you are not a 4-H member but wish to participate, come by the Extension Office at 1301 Ave. AA and fill out an enrollment form. 4-H is open to all youth between the ages of 9 (or enrolled in 3rd grade) and 19. Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, sex, color, religion, disability or national origin.

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

District 7C Rule 37/38 Case No. 0214525
Date of Issuance: February 21, 1997

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant, LOUIS DREYFUS NATURAL GAS CORP, 14000 QUAIL SPRINGS PARKWAY STE 600, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73134, has made application for a spacing and density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rules 37 and 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code Sections 3.37 and 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line and distance between wells requirement and to the density of the subject field(s) to amend Well No. 7402, McMullen Ranch "B" Lease, 160 Acres, Sec. 5, Blk. N, TC RR CO Survey, A-2890, Sawyer (Canyon), Whitehead (Strawn) and Wildcat Field(s), Crockett County, being 14 miles in a southeast direction from Ozona, Texas. The location of this well is as follows:

321' from the north line and 2081' from the east line of lease.
1670' from the north line and 560' from the west line of survey.

Field rules for the wildcat field are 467/1200, 40 acres.
Field rules for the Sawyer (Canyon) field are 500/1000, 320/40 acres.
Field rules for the Whitehead (Strawn) field are 933/1320, 320/160 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9400 feet. PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Rules 37 (h) (2) (A) and 38, this application may be granted without hearing if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator of lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Terye D. Bryant, Land Technician, at (405) 749-5287. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6748.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST FILL OUT, SIGN AND MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE AUSTIN OFFICE OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS THE ENCLOSED NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST. A COPY OF THE INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST ALSO BE MAILED OR DELIVERED ON THE SAME DATE TO APPLICANT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ABOVE. THIS INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY April 7, 1997. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED WITHOUT HEARING.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION.

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The following abandoned vehicles will be sold at public auction on Monday, March 10, 1997 at 10:00 A.M.

The vehicle will be auctioned at Pioneer IV Impound Yard Highway 163 South Ozona, Texas.

#1 1984 Chrysler, California License # KUR565, VIN: 1C3BC55E4EG118766.

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#4 Ford Van, Nevada License # 062 FEH VIN: E25GQ84276.

#5 Ford Fairmont Station Wagon, no License # VIN: 9K941112722.

#6 Blue pickup bed home made trailer, no license, no VIN.

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The vehicle will be auctioned at Hubbard Wrecker Service at 907 Sheffield Road, Ozona, Texas.

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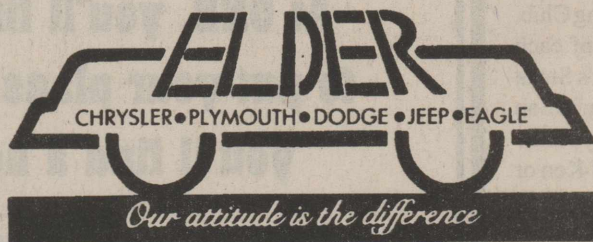
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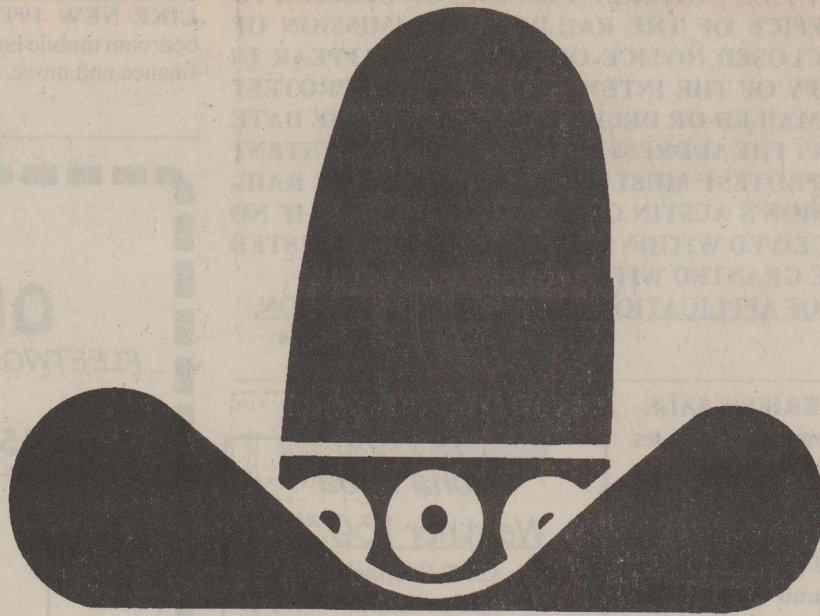
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