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Homeowners Should Check Roofs For Proper Venting

Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department encourages area homeowners to be sure that vents to gas water heaters and gas heating systems are hooked up and vented correctly after getting a new roof installed on their homes.

Homeowners should look into the roof space to make sure pipes are going out through the roof. If unsure, call any plumber to check the vents.

Weather

| Date | High | Low | Precip. |
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| June 3 | 105 | 71 | |
| June 4 | 96 | 65 | |
| June 5 | 75 | 55 | |
| June 6 | 77 | 50 | |
| June 7 | 72 | 52 | .15" |
| June 8 | 96 | 69 | |
| June 9 | 98 | 64 | |

Precip. for 1998 to date: 4.09"
This time last year to date: 15.56"

Woodwork...

by Dalton

SOME TIME ago, I received the following intriguing, but undocumented, story from a guy I know in South Texas. When I first started reading it, I was a bit puzzled as to where the story was going. But it really was pretty interesting. I tried to find out if the story was all (or even partly) true, but never could find out. I even checked out my 1998 Grolier's Encyclopedia, but learned nothing.

Anyway, I think it's worth repeating, even if somebody just made it all up. It sounds like a Paul Harvey "rest of the story" thing. Here it is:

Of all tales of the supernatural, this one is perhaps the best documented, the most disturbing and the most difficult to explain:

The Princess of Amen-Ra lived some 1,500 years before Christ. When she died, she was laid in an ornate wooden coffin and buried deep in a vault to Luxor, on the banks of the Nile. In the late 1890s, four rich young Englishmen visiting the excavations at Luxor were invited to buy an exquisitely fashioned mummy case containing the remains of the Princess of Amen-Ra. They drew lots. The man who won paid several thousand pounds and had the coffin taken to his hotel. A few hours later, he was seen walking out towards the desert. He never returned.

The next day, one of the remaining three men was accidentally shot by an Egyptian servant. His arm was so severely wounded that it had to be amputated. The third man in the foursome found on his return home that the bank holding his entire savings had failed. The fourth man suffered a severe illness, lost his job and was reduced to selling matches in the street.

Nevertheless, the coffin reached England (accompanied by other misfortunes along the way), where it was bought by a London businessman. After three of his family members were injured in a road accident and his house damaged by fire, the businessman donated it to the British Museum. As the coffin was being unloaded from a truck in the museum courtyard, the truck suddenly went into reverse and struck a passer-by. Then as the casket was being lifted up the stairs by two workmen, one fell and broke his leg. The other, apparently in perfect health, died unaccountably two days later.

Once the Princess was installed in the Egyptian Room, trouble really started. The museum's night watchmen frequently heard frantic hammering and sobbing which seemed to come from the coffin. Other exhibits in the room were sometimes hurled about at night. One watchman died on duty, causing the other watchmen to want to quit their jobs.

Cleaners refused to go near the Princess, too. When a visitor derisively flicked a dust cloth at the face painted on the coffin, his child died of measles soon afterwards. Finally, the authorities had the mummy carried down to the basement, figuring it could do no harm there.

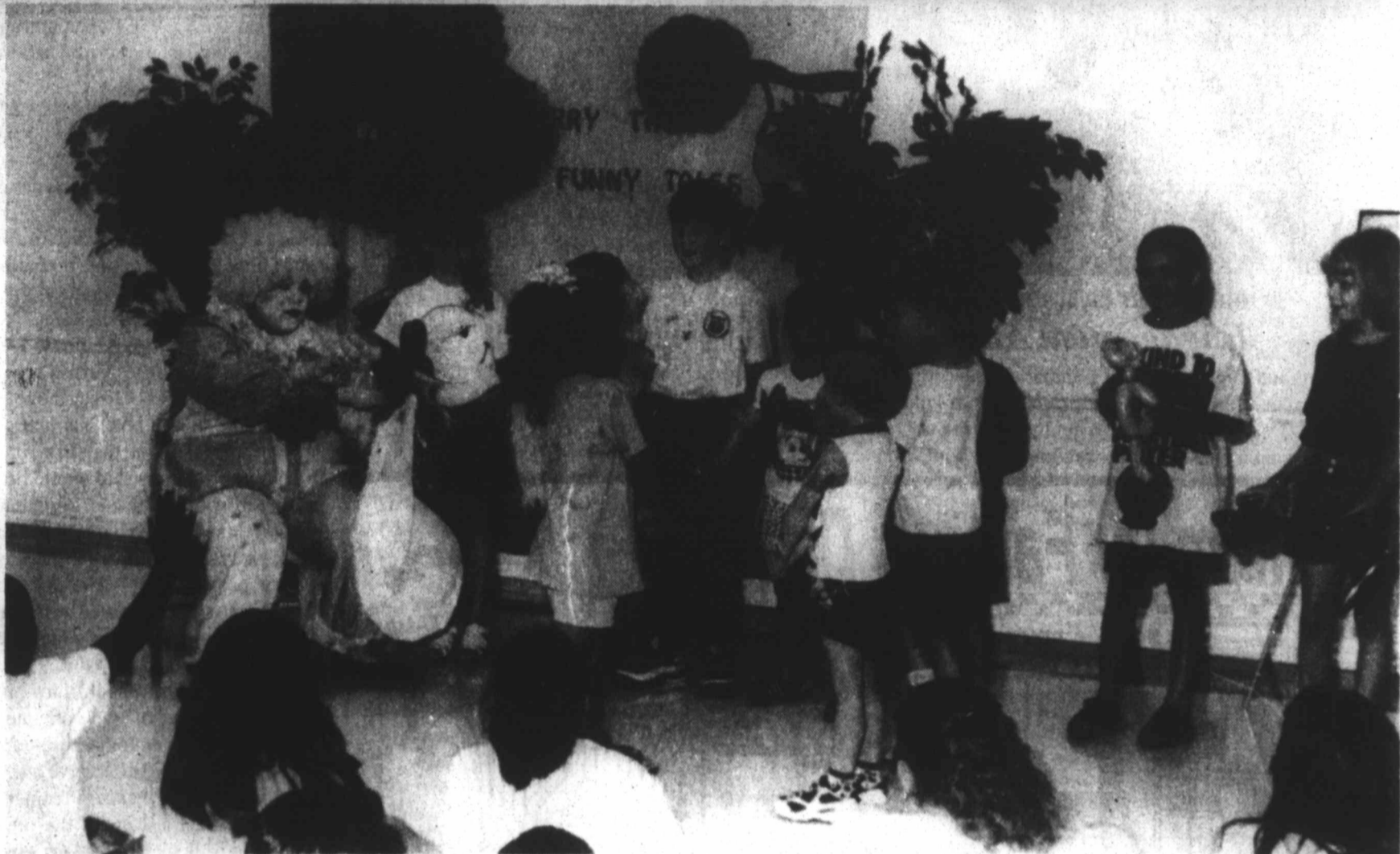
Within a week, one of the helpers was seriously ill, and the supervisor of the move was found dead at his desk. By now, the newspaper had heard of the events. A photographer took a picture of the mummy case and when he developed it, the painting on the coffin appeared to be a horrifying human face. The photographer reportedly went home, locked his bedroom door and shot himself. Soon after that, the museum sold the mummy to a private collector. After more misfortune and even deaths, the owner banished it to the attic.

A well-known authority on the occult, Madame Helena Blavatsky, visited the premises. Upon entry, she was seized with a shivering fit and searched the house for the source of "an evil influence of incredible intensity." She finally came to the attic and found the mummy case. "Can you exorcise this evil spirit?" asked the owner. She replied, "There is no such thing as exorcism. Evil remains evil forever. Nothing can be done about it. I implore you to get rid of this evil as soon as possible."

But no British museum would take the mummy. The fact that about 20 people had met with misfortune, disaster or death from handling the casket, in barely 10 years, was now well known. Eventually, a hardheaded American archaeologist (who dismissed the happenings as quirks of circumstance) paid a handsome price for the mummy and arranged for its removal to New York. In April 1912, the new owner escorted its treasure aboard a sparkling new White Star liner about to make its maiden voyage to New York. On the night of April 14, amid scenes of unprecedented horror, the Princess of Amen-Ra accompanied 1,500 passengers to their deaths at the bottom of the Atlantic.

The name of the ship was *Titanic*.

THE LEADFOOT on Lockwood says "I drive way too fast to worry about cholesterol."



BUBBLES READS TO CHILDREN - Bubbles The Clown delighted children at the City/County Library Monday morning, reading a story about Noah and the Ark, complete with balloon animals and audience participation. The Reading Club, open to children who will be in kindergarten through sixth grade, meets every Monday in June from 9-10 a.m. at the library, located inside the Life Enrichment Center at 1717 Main Street in Tahoka. Fun activities are also a part of the Reading Club, and all area children are invited to participate. (LCN PHOTO)



QUILT TO BE RAFFLED - This pinwheel quilt, done in shades of blue, will be given away at the July 4th Celebration at the Lynn County Pioneer Senior Citizens Center. Showing the quilt is center director Kathy Long (left) and Trudy Schuknecht, who made and donated the quilt for the drawing. Chances (\$1) are currently being sold at the Senior Citizens Center, at Wilson City Hall, and by many of the sewing circle members of the center. All proceeds will benefit the center.

Live Entertainment And More Planned For July 4th Event Here

There will be live entertainment, a horseshoe tournament, a volleyball tournament, games, booths, auction, and more at the July 4th Celebration sponsored by the Lynn County Pioneer Senior Citizens Center. All proceeds from the event will benefit the center, which serves all senior citizens in the county.

Tahoka Boy Scouts and Lynn County 4-H members are currently selling tickets for the evening barbeque meal at the July 4th event, and \$1 chances for a TV and quilt raffle are also being sold at the Senior Citizens Center and by various individuals.

The TV, as well as a VCR which is being donated for the auction, are on display at Furniture Ole' in Tahoka, and the quilt, which was made and donated by Trudy Schuknecht, is on display at First National Bank of Tahoka.

An auction in the evening is hoped to be the big fundraiser of the day, and auction items are still being accepted at the center for the event.

Call Center Director Kathy Long at 998-5264 for more information, or to donate items.

Scheduled for afternoon entertainment will be live music from a band partially comprised of local residents, including Dalton Wood and Marv Gregory, both of Tahoka, as well as Bob Kern of Slaton, and Billie Miles and Glenda Blaylock of Stanton. Later in the afternoon, David Sharrock of Tahoka is scheduled to sing.

The Ballet Folkloricos will perform during the day, and there will be volleyball and horseshoe tournaments as well. The family event will also offer fun things for kids to do, with train rides and a jumping room, as well as a dunking booth and ice cream booth. One booth will feature Home Interiors candles for sale.

"We're excited about our July 4th Celebration, and invite all area residents to come out and enjoy the day, celebrate the Fourth, and support your local senior citizens center," said Mrs. Long.

Three Accidents Cause Injuries In Lynn County

Three traffic accidents were reported on Lynn County roads during the last week, with injuries listed in all three, but none was believed critical.

On Saturday near New Home a Honda motorcycle driven by Donald Hancock, 61, of New Home struck a dog and overturned, resulting in a broken ankle to the driver. Hancock was taken to Lubbock Methodist Hospital for treatment.

Earlier that day a 1991 GMC Suburban pulling an Airstream trailer was involved in an accident on US 87 a mile north of Poka-Lambro, about 13 miles north of Tahoka. The trailer overturned, and a couple reportedly in their 70s, George Edgar Hoop and Edith Hoop of San Antonio, were treated at Lynn County Hospital.

On Wednesday, June 3, a 1989 Ford pickup driven by Florentino Luera of O'Donnell and a 1995 Kenworth semi-truck driven by Margaret Brown of Midland, and a John Deere tractor driven by Marcelo Puente of O'Donnell were involved in wreck north of O'Donnell on US 87. All three vehicles were travelling south at the time. Luera was treated and released at Lynn County Hospital.

Tahoka Police and other officers surrounded a residence in east Tahoka last Thursday evening where they

negotiated with a 25-year-old man who had barricaded himself inside and reportedly was threatening to kill a relative. After about an hour the man came out of the house and was arrested and jailed for terroristic threats.

Sandra Norene Creech of Tahoka reported Tuesday that her Buick Century car had been damaged by some sort of chemical poured on the paint, with damage estimated at \$800.

A district court grand jury was convened Wednesday, when proceedings were underway at press time.

In jail during the week were three persons for judgment and sentencing for driving while intoxicated, three persons held for charges for Dawson, Ector and Collin Counties, and others held on these charges: terroristic threat, burglary, application to revoke probation on assault charges (for Garza County), burglary of a vehicle plus prohibited weapon, driving under the influence of marijuana, alcohol violation by a minor, assault causing bodily injury to a family member, and DWI 3rd or more.

Two Man Low Ball Tournament Planned

T-Bar Country Club in Tahoka has scheduled a two man low ball tournament for June 27-28. Entry fees are \$135 per team including cart and mulligans. Tee times are 8 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

To enter, call T-Bar at 998-5305. Deadline to enter is 5 p.m. June 26.

Sweet Street To Host VBS

The theme for this year's Vacation Bible School at Sweet Street Baptist Church in Tahoka is "Cactus Caravan". The caravan will take place June 22-26 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day.

"The travelers, ages 4-years (must be four by Sept. 1, 1997) through sixth grade will gain insight into the richness of life in the deserts of the world," said Denise Long, the "Caravan Guide." "More importantly, they will learn about the abundant life found in Jesus Christ," she added.

For further information or to reserve a place, call Denise Long at 998-5310.

Eleven-Year-Old Gets Hole In One

Matthew Qualls, 11-year-old son of Marquita Scott of Tahoka and Steve Qualls of Denison, scored his first hole-in-one on Monday at the T-Bar Country Club in Tahoka. He used a six iron on the 127-yard hole number three.

Michael Qualls witnessed his brother's ace.

City-County Library

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**BRADY GREER and JENNIFER WALLS
Engagement Announced**

Tom and Cindy Walls of Tahoka announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Walls, to Brady Greer, son of James and Marianne Greer of Erick, Oklahoma. Brady is currently stationed at Ft. Hood Texas. The couple will exchange wedding vows sometime next summer.

**Senior League Baseball
Now In First Season**

The first season of Senior League Baseball is now underway in Tahoka, with games taking place at the high school baseball park. Tahoka has two teams, Royal and Navy who take on teams from Post, Slaton, and Wilson. Players range in age from 13 to 15 years old.

The league has eight games left at home, and invites everyone to come out and support the players in their inaugural year.

The remaining home schedule is as follows: June 11 - Tahoka Royal v Slaton Sonic; June 12 - Tahoka Royal v Slaton Chance; June 13 - Tahoka Royal v Tahoka Navy; June 16 - Tahoka Navy v Post White Sox; June 18 - Wilson v Tahoka Navy; June 19 - Post Braves v Tahoka Royal; June 20 - Slaton Sadler v Tahoka Royal; and June 23 - Tahoka Royal v Wilson. All games begin at 7 p.m.

Ultimately, the bond of all companionship, whether in marriage or friendship, is conversation.

—Oscar Wilde
De Profundis

**Insurance, Other
Requests Okayed
By Commissioners**

Lynn County Commissioners met in routine session Monday morning, approving several requests from county offices, paying monthly bills, and approving life and dental insurance for employees who waive medical insurance.

Commissioner Mike Braddock made a motion for the county to pay life and dental insurance for employees who request this care and who have waived the medical insurance, not to exceed \$218.69 per month, and all four commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Bill Schoemann, the new Lynn County Probation Officer who has recently taken office since the retirement of Jeri Akard, presented two requests which were approved by the court. Permission was given for two new phone lines for the probation office, and for a sliding glass for a payment window at the office.

Sheriff's Deputy Jerry Dee Franklin met with the court on behalf of the Sheriff's Office to ask the court to support the Inmate Reimbursement Legislation in the form of a resolution, which is said would help curb the spiraling costs of inmate incarceration to taxpayers throughout the state, and commissioners voted unanimously for the resolution.

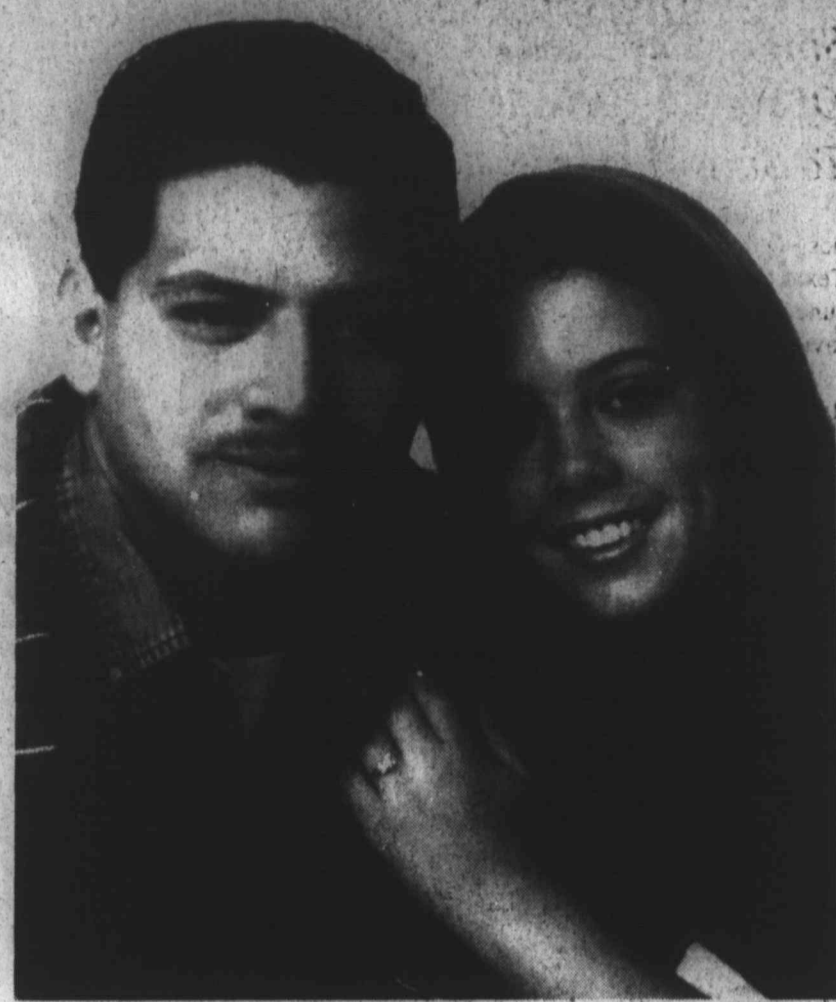
Discussion was tabled on testing for all employees driving county vehicles.

District Clerk Sandra Laws informed the court of two computers which her office no longer uses, and commissioners agreed to give one to the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1 office for their use, with the other computer to be offered to any other county office that can use it.

Todd Henry, a member of the Lynn County Storm Spotters organization, informed the court of that organization's objectives and asked permission to use the repeater tower if the group was granted a new frequency by the FCC for their transmissions while they are storm-spotting. Commissioners postponed that decision, however, until further information from Sheriff Charles Smith.

Bills were read and approved as presented.

Judge J.F. Brandon presided at the meeting, with all four commissioners present, including J.T. Miller, Sandy Cox-Kizer, Don Morton and Mike Braddock, as well as other county officials.



**MARCUS ANTHONY VERGARA and JESSICA DION CRESWELL
Couple Announce Engagement**

Brenda and John Ewerz of Decatur, and Terry Creswell of Slaton, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jessica Dion Creswell, to Marcus Anthony Vergara, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Guzman of Wilson.

Both graduates of Wilson High School, Miss Creswell is a 1998 graduate of Texas Tech University with a degree in Elementary Education. Vergara is an Education major at South Plains College, and is employed by Discount Tire Co., in Lubbock.

The couple plans to marry on June 27, in the First Christian Church in Lubbock.

Miss Creswell is the granddaughter of Lorain Crowson Ahrens of Wilson, and Sadie V. Creswell of Slaton. Vergara is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Abelino Hernandez of Wilson.



Earthquakes and floods covered Olympia, the city where the ancient Greek Olympic games were held, with 20 feet of earth. In 1829 a French expedition began excavations and by 1879, the city's center was once more uncovered.

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Singing Women Of West Texas To Sing Here

First Baptist Church, Tahoka, is hosting the Singing Women of West Texas in concert on Sunday evening, June 14, at 6:00 p.m. The public is invited.

Following the concert, area residents are invited to a fellowship for J.G. and Earlyne Womack, who are moving to San Angelo. Friends are invited to attend.

The Singing Women of West Texas are scheduled on concert tour this summer in Germany - Austria - Switzerland, June 26 through July 9. The tour will include performances at: International Baptist Church, Frankfurt; Faith Baptist Church, Kaiserslautern; International Baptist Church, Munich; Monastery, Melk; International Baptist Church, Salzburg and The European Baptist Assembly, Interlaken. Opportunities for sight seeing will be available in Kolbenburg, Blue Danube River tour, Murren, and Zurich.

Barbara Becknal and Gerald Deane Wood of Tahoka are members of the group and will be participating in the tour along with their spouses. Donna Chambers from Trinity Baptist Church of Lubbock is director of the singing women group and Lisa Gentry of Westview Baptist Church in Slaton is accompanist/historian.



SINGING WOMEN OF WEST TEXAS TO PERFORM HERE—The Singing Women of West Texas will present a concert at the First Baptist Church of Tahoka, Sunday evening, June 14, at 6 p.m.

Hail-Resistant Roofs Qualify For Discounts

Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer has ordered insurers to give homeowners insurance discounts of up to 35 percent for hail-resistant roofs installed on or after February 17, 1998. Texas is the first state to require such discounts. Discounts of up to 46 percent will be available for dwelling/extended coverage policies.

Homeowners who installed hail-resistant roofs prior to Feb. 17 will be eligible for optional discounts. Insurance companies may require homeowners who purchase hail-resistant roofs and receive the mandatory discounts to accept endorsements on their policy that exclude coverage for cosmetic damage. Cosmetic damage is defined as hail damage that alters the physical appearance of the roof covering but does not result in damage that allows penetration of water through the roof covering or fail to perform its intended function to keep out the elements over an extended period of time.

Because of the possible exclusion of cosmetic damage which would not be a covered loss, consumers need to weigh the cost of purchasing a hail-resistant roof and the premium discounts versus the loss of cosmetic damage in the homeowners policy.

Premium discounts will be given for all roofs that pass Underwriters Laboratories test criteria under UL Standard 2218. The premium discounts will be offered for roof coverings classified one through four with a Class 4 roof covering offering the best hail protection and the highest

discount. Homeowners will be eligible for homeowner discounts as high as 35 percent depending on the area of the state where they live.

Homeowners in Lynn County are in territory 18 and roofs that qualify under class 1 will receive a 9% discount, class 2 - 17%; class 3 - 26%; and class 4 - 35% discounts. If the roof is covered under a dwelling/extended coverage insurance policy, discounts in territory 18 are 13% for class 1; 20% for class 2; 33% for class 3 and 46% for class 4.

To qualify, roof covering materials must undergo impact resistance tests developed by Underwriters Laboratories. The shingles must be packaged with information that shows the brand name, the year of manufacture, the fact that they passed UL Standard 2218 and their classification numbers. By Jan. 1, 1999, each shingle must show this information.

Homeowners who plan to install new hail-resistant roofs should deal with reputable roofing contractors and ask for roof coverings that have passed the UL Standard 2218 tests. In order to receive insurance discounts for these types of roofs, homeowners must get completed certification forms filled out by their roofer.

Homeowners can contact the Texas Department of Insurance by phone at 1-800-252-3439 or check the TDI Website at www.tdi.state.tx.us and should also contact their insurance companies to verify the discounts they will receive for installing new roofs.

Handley, Mensch Make Dean's List

Two Tahoka area students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, are listed on the Dean's List for the Spring semester at the University.

Those listed include Erica L. Handley, a Pre-pharmacy major; and Hans E. Mensch, a Business major, both from Tahoka.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

Obituaries

Noma Scott

Noma Iru Scott, 86, of Slaton died Thursday, June 4, 1998, in Slaton Care Center.

Her body was donated to science.

She was born Aug. 11, 1911, in Rising Star. She attended Rising Star High School, Abilene Christian College and North Texas State Teachers College in Denton.

She was a schoolteacher at Rising Star and Weatherford. She worked as a home demonstrator in Plains.

Survivors include a brother, Lemuel Scott of Tahoka; and a sister, Laverne Gentle of Sanger.

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Albert Castro

Services for Albert Castro, 70, of Lubbock were at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 30, 1998, in Iglesia Bautista Templo with the Rev. Epi Salazar officiating. The Rev. Ed Sena assisted.

Burial was in Terrace Cemetery in Post under direction of Calvillo Funeral Home of Lubbock.


Castro died Friday, May 29, 1998, at his residence.

He moved to Lubbock from New Home in 1961. He retired from Farm Pac.

Survivors include four brothers, J.L. and Abel, both of Lubbock, Isaac of New Home, and Barney Jr. of Rogers, Ark; eight sisters, Juanita Martinez, Esther Ibarra, Carmen Castro, Vic Castro, Lupe Castro and Rebecca Silva, all of Lubbock, Anna Vaca of Wilton and Martha Sanchez of Grand Prairie.

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Music Achievement Award Winners for the Division of Music at Wayland Baptist University include Susan Draper of Tahoka, Piano, Senior Award.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milt Draper of Tahoka.

Ten music majors competed for the annual awards which are the result of competitive auditions before the music faculty. Academic Grade Point Averages are also factored into the final results of this competition. Scholarships won by the three winners will be awarded in the 1998-99 academic year.

Two Tahoka Women Graduate From Tech

More than 2,000 students at Texas Tech University received Degrees during 1998 spring commencement exercises.

Among the graduates were Betty Stennett and Darla Willis, both of Tahoka.

Mrs. Stennett received a Master of Education in Instructional Technology, while Ms. Willis earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science.

You know what charm is: a way of getting the answer yes without having asked a clear question.
—Albert Camus
The Fall

Texas Golf Pass Makes Great Gift

On sale now — and a great Father's Day gift — the new Texas Golf Pass offers free green fees at 255 participating courses throughout Texas. Courses in the West Texas area include: Country Club of Dimmitt, Tule Lake Golf Course, T-Bar County Club in Tahoka, Littlefield Country Club, Levelland Country Club, Farwell Country Club, Olton Recreational Golf Course, Morton Country Club, Sundown Municipal Golf Course, Friona Country Club Inc., and Yoakum County Golf Course. In addition to these courses, there are also many more participating locations throughout West Texas, and the rest of the state.

The cost of the 1998 Texas Golf Pass is \$35 and will benefit the cancer research, education, and patient services programs of the American Cancer Society. So, not only is the Texas Golf Pass a good gift, but it's a good investment in the fight against cancer.

For more information, or to order the 1998 Texas Golf Pass call 1-800-ACS-2345.

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The American Cancer Society is focusing on Father's Day as an opportunity to urge men age 50 and over to learn about prostate cancer and get annual physical examinations. This public awareness campaign focuses on the importance of awareness and informed decision-making, and will coincide with Father's Day, a time when families are focused on the well-being of the men in their lives.

The American Cancer Society recommends that health care providers follow the following early detection guideline:

Both Prostate-Specific Antigen (PSA) blood test and Digital Rectal Examination (DRE) of the prostate gland should be offered annually, beginning at age 50 years, to men who have at least a 10-year life expectancy, and to younger men who are at high risk. Information should be provided to patients regarding potential risks and benefits of intervention.

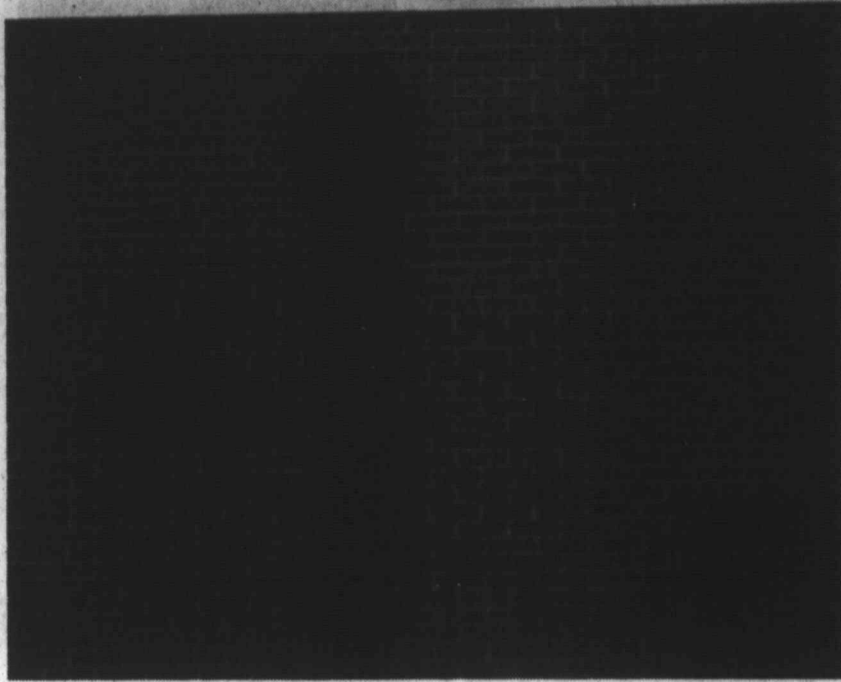
"11,900 Texas men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year, and 2,500 will die from this disease," stated San Antonio oncologist Greg Guzley, MD FACP, Chair of the

American Cancer Society's Prostate Cancer Committee in Texas. "We must increase our efforts to help people understand how they can take an active role in the fight against prostate cancer."

The awareness campaign of the American Cancer Society is designed to provide unbiased information about all aspects of prostate cancer including early detection and treatment, as well as to support advocacy efforts to increase national funding for prostate cancer research.

Information on risk factors, questions you should ask your physician, treatment options, and family and patient support groups, is available 24 hours a day by calling the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345, and by going to the American Cancer Society's Texas website at www.acs-tx.org.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service.



UP ON THE ROOFTOP - Tahoka Elementary Principal Ronald Roberts gives a wave from the roof of the elementary building during the last week of school, where he perched for several hours one day, fulfilling his students' wishes as they waved to him from the playground. Roberts told his students he would sit on the roof if they reached a certain number of points in the Accelerated Reading program, which students attained the last week of school.

Cotton News

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

LUBBOCK, Friday, June 5, 1998

By Shawn Wade

Two down and one to go is the latest word on passage of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998.

Final passage of the Conference Report by the House of Representatives June 4 means only the President's signature is needed to guarantee funding for the Federal Crop Insurance program over the next five years and to infuse some \$600 million into agricultural research programs and initiatives.

House approval came following a second effort by a minority of House Republicans to strip the bill of provisions regarding the Food Stamp Program for legal immigrants. A good sign for agriculture is that the majority of House Republicans and Democrats supported the Bill and voted for its approval.

A large round of thanks is due to area Congressmen Larry Combest and Charles Stenholm. Combest and Stenholm worked diligently to ensure agriculture's interests were not pushed aside and that much needed federal dollars continue to support producer interests.

Overall the Bill will provide about \$600 million for agricultural research programs and another \$600 million or so to support the Federal Crop Insurance program over the next 5 years.

LUBBOCK, Friday, June 5, 1998

By Shawn Wade

Although hoping to receive a final decision on proposed changes to loss adjustment procedures for upland cotton, Plains Cotton Growers officials have so far been told only that a deviation in adjusting procedures is being considered. Official notice of the decision could come as early as today, but is likely to be released June 8 or 9.

USDA officials were meeting today to go over the issue and determine whether to reissue a deviation allowing claim adjustments on drought affected acreage to commence within 7 days following the final planting date for the crop.

In most cases High Plains cotton producers are required to plant by either June 5 or June 10 depending on the county.

Granting of the deviation will mean that producers will not be required to wait 25 days before receiving an adjustment on this year's crop.

This issue is not likely to go away. PCG will be doing additional work prior to sales closing dates for the 1999 crop year to seek permanent changes and offset any potentially harmful results.

LUBBOCK, Friday, June 5, 1998

By Shawn Wade

High Plains cotton producers, researchers and Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. representatives are set to participate in two very important meetings the week of June 8.

The first is Cotton Incorporated's 11th EFS (Engineered Fiber Selection) System Conference June 8-10 in Memphis, TN. The second, June 10-12, is the biennial Universal Standards Conference also in Memphis.

Participants in the Universal Standards Conference will make the very important determination of what USDA cotton grading standards will be for the next two years. Participants examine and select cotton samples that will be used as the official USDA standard for determining color and trash grades for cotton classed in the United States.

Also a number of recommendations could also be made to USDA regarding different aspects of the USDA grading process.

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El Nino Rains Cause Problems For Bell Missionary Family In Tanzania

(Editor's Note: Terry Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lindell Bell of Tahoka, and his wife Twylia and three children, are missionaries in Tanzania, Africa. Periodically, *The Lynn County News* receives a newsletter from the Bell Family, as follows.)

El Nino
The arrival of 1998 brought with it a very short reprieve in unusually heavy rains caused by "El Nino". The entire month of December '97 was rain, rain, and more rain. The elders in the villages said that they can never remember a time from the past that compares to the rainfall of this season. The one and only main overland transportation route that connects western Tanzania to eastern Tanzania had been severed due to washed-out bridges, as well as a north-south route between Mwanza, Tanzania and Kenya. Therefore, in Shinyanga itself, some supplies were becoming scarce and those things that were still available were becoming more expensive. These problems did not greatly affect us personally, but the local people were definitely having problems especially with food. The price of corn, their main staple, had doubled and eventually tripled at the height of the shortage.

We were due to travel to Iringa (southeastern Tanzania) for a meeting of the mission in mid-January. The next court appearance in Kenya had been scheduled for late January. We were faced with the question of how to combine these two trips and how to get there with all the road closures. Although travel by air was possible, other pressing needs necessitated travel overland if at all possible. Finally, just before our leave date, the road to Kenya was opened up and so we set off for a four day trip the long way around through Kenya. We were able to see many examples of how "El Nino" had contributed to destruction of the road system in Tanzania as well as severely eroded large areas of cropland and mountainous areas. We eventually returned home three weeks later.

The heavy rains have also caused a few other problems. Construction on the training center here at the farm was virtually stopped for a time period because of a shortage of cement. Also, one mud-brick house in which the students will stay succumbed to the rains, thus it will be necessary to rebuild that structure later this year. Crop production has had its ups and downs. In the beginning it appeared that this would be a bumper crop year for the people, and in some areas this will hold true. But reports are beginning to come in from many areas

stating that again there will be a food shortage because either there was too much water or the insect and bird population has multiplied greatly and have destroyed the once abundant crops. Indeed, life is very difficult for these people.

The rains have created ideal breeding conditions for mosquitoes, which in turn increased malaria. The people are constantly battling this sickness day in and day out. Cholera became epidemic in some areas. Hundreds and hundreds of mud-brick homes fell down. Some people were swept away by raging waters as they tried to cross rivers that had new depths and forces unfamiliar to them.

It may seem as though you have been reading world news from a major newspaper about world wide disasters. Although this news is not encouraging thankfully there is another type of news that is good. The Lord told us that these things would come to pass but yet his Word will abide forever. People are hearing his Word and are accepting it. Even today, a discussion ensued with two young men who live in a somewhat distant village concerning the need for someone to come and affirm the presentation of the Gospel to the villagers and help them set the spiritual foundation for a new church. All of this came about as the result of one of these young men visiting another Baptist church in Shinyanga, himself being saved, and the Holy Spirit filling him with the desire to return to his village to tell the Good News.

The Bell Children

Another person very near and dear to us who accepted the Lord as his Savior is our six year old son, Lance. On March 30th of this year, Lance wanted to have a son-to-parents talk about how he could ask Jesus into his heart. Although he has been pondering this decision for some time, he finally understood enough to realize that he was ready. His older sister, Amanda, was baptized on the Sunday before Christmas this past December. Our plastic, car-top carryall served as the baptismal and murky water was brought from the nearby river to facilitate a complete "dunking" of those that were baptized that day by a visiting pastor named Barnaba. Amanda definitely has a unique memory to share of being...buried with Christ through baptism into death...and raised...to walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). There is but yet one in the family whom the Lord will need to draw to himself, but she still has some growing to do in order to better understand how very much the Lord loves her.

Jaree is still a petite girl, at 17 months old she still wears some 6-9 months clothes and only a size 3 shoe. Recently, she has been annoyed by what appears to be chickenpox. If it is so, the African variety tends to hang on longer and causes more skin irritations. As we write the spots are subsiding and she looks much better after taking her antibiotics.

Nursing, Teaching, Sewing, and Learning

Twylia continues to sharpen her teaching skills as she homeschools Amanda and Lance. She occasionally serves as a "nurse" for those who have various cuts and sores which need minor treatment. Cross-stitching and sewing manage to work its

way into her busy schedule every so often. An opportunity to attend the ladies Bible study once a week at our village church enable Twylia to work on her language skills and to build relationships with the Baptist women in the area.

Training Center

Terry has been trying to stay closer to the project these past few months in order make much needed repairs and to develop its effectiveness as a teaching and witnessing tool in the community. Progress is slow, but evident. The training center is nearing the completion stage in the formal construction of the facilities, but there are still many things to be done before it can be opened for students. It is apparent now that a formal one-year term of instruction will not be possible before furlough next May, therefore this time will be used to properly complete all phases of construction as well as bring the farm up to standard to serve as the "laboratory". Terry is leading a group of 10 students from six Baptist churches in a discipleship study that if formatted from the "Survival Kit" used in the States. At the completion of this study, hopefully the students will begin their own groups in their own churches in order to disciple others. He is also teaching a Sunday School class at the church we normally attend.

The reorganization that is occurring within the International Mission Board is filtering all the way down to us. Presently we are grouping ourselves into teams which will focus on particular people groups. Naturally we will become the Sukuma people group team and our team is composed of these families: Terry and Delena Jones, Terry and Twylia Bell, and Kevin and Sonya Bames. We believe the Lord will provide us with one or two more families to increase our team's effectiveness and expertise in order to work among the largest tribe

(5 million) in Tanzania. Could the Lord be asking you to be one of those families?

Prayer and Opportunity

We close with a very big thank you for your prayers during the last several months. The Lord is answering those prayers in many different ways. Although the court trial is not officially over, we have been given a tremendous peace and confidence that He is going to bring it to completion in accordance with His will and for His glory. Please pray for the Jim Lay family who experienced a similar accident in March resulting in the death of a Kenyan. They are new on the field and still in language school.

We also thank you for your continued financial support in many and varied ways, but especially through the Cooperative Program and Lottie Moon offering. Please remember that your giving is not some obligation or tax write-off, but it is an opportunity to enable someone else to spend eternity in heaven with you.

Although specific prayer requests have not been listed, please pray about those things that the Holy Spirit burdens you to pray about. Special Note: We truly would not have been able to fair well these past few months without your prayer support.

New Court Date

We have been informed that the next court hearing is scheduled for May 19 in Nairobi. Pray for Terry as he will be driving alone on May 16 and 17. Pray for our lawyer, Mr. Gatonye and for the Judge, Mrs. J. Lessit. Also pray for Charles Orange, fellow Tanzania missionary, who may be testifying in Terry's behalf.

Pray for the Baptist Mission of Tanzania. For various reasons that have not been clearly understood yet, our mission along with 14 other Christian organizations and 8 Muslim groups are being told that their registration will be revoked by the government if just cause is found. This would mean all Baptist missionaries would have to leave the country.

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Area Students Make Honors Lists At Tech

More than 3,600 Texas Tech University undergraduate students qualified for academic honors lists at the end of the spring semester.

Students on the President's List earned a 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork. Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

Lynn County students making Dean's List were: Lynn Rash and Darla Willis of Tahoka; and Adelle Aul and Kary Durham, both of Rt. 1, Wilson.

Making the President's List were: Jason Ray Marshall of Wilson; and Jayson Scott Boydston, Miranda Stice, and Kelly Wells, all of Tahoka.



TEKELL RETIRING—Tahoka ISD Business Manager Loretta Tekell (center) was honored with a retirement reception Saturday, May 23, where school staff presented her with a Bill Craig bronze sculpture. She is shown with Business Manager trainee Ken Eudy (left) and Superintendent David Hutton. Mrs. Tekell was Business Manager for the district for 20 years.

Great Finds On The Internet

by *Louis Monier*
(NAPS)—Why animals do not need to wear glasses (or even contact lenses).

Famous mistakes inventors have made—and why those mistakes turned into real inventions.

How to design your own cat! Sound interesting? These are just a few of the facts the American Library Association found on the 750 Internet sites it recommends for families. I found the entire list of these sites when I entered the words "great sites" in the AltaVista search engine.

You may know about the Internet, but most Americans are still just becoming familiar with using it to search for information. It is a great pleasure to see that when Americans first go "online," their fears about technology



Louis Monier

quickly turn to appreciation. Suddenly they see how the Internet can enrich their family lives in ways not even imagined a few short years ago.

So I devote this column to the family and weekly reader. Let me share with you some of the wonders my family finds on the AltaVista Search Engine...the research tool I helped invent.

Fun for the Family
Now about those great sites from the American Library Association. Each of these is a wholesome site parents and children can enjoy visiting together. Just go to the Internet address: <http://www.ala.org/parents/page/greatideas>. A great panoply of wonders awaits you.

There is, believe it or not, a link to a site which tells children how to convince their parents to buy them a lizard (all in fun). Another site tells the visitor how to be interactive with a snake. Yet another will blow you away...it's all about *Windmills and Whirligigs*. If you are "underwhelmed" by the wind, go to the *Whelmers* site—it's full of great science experiments.

You get the idea. It's fun and knowledge for the family. There are sites about rainbows, dragonflies, cows and optical illusions. There is even a site that will tell you the "exact time," at least according to the U.S. Naval Observatory. So set your clocks and get going. There's lots of family entertainment on the Internet.

(Louis Monier can be found on the Internet at <http://www.altavista.digital.com>) You can email comments to avgreatfinds@altavista.net

Summer Safety With Wireless Phones

(NAPS)—You see them everywhere: glove compartments, purses, briefcases. They're walking down the street, sitting in traffic, and lying on the beach or by the pool.

They're wireless phones, and despite their widespread use for a variety of reasons, from convenience to business, they all have one use in common—SAFETY.

As you begin preparing for vacations and outdoor activities this summer, knowing how to use a wireless phone in the event of an emergency is just as important as having one. Following are some tips from Bell Atlantic Mobile for using your cell phone as your personal safety net.

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Check your battery. If your cell phone is reserved for emergency use, be sure to check and charge the battery before taking a road trip. You may even want to bring along a spare battery or keep a lighter adapter in your car.

Carry it always. A cell phone is a safety net for you and others. Use your cell phone to report highway accidents and aggressive drivers, when you're lost or broken down, or to call for first aid when bike riding, in-line skating, or swimming in a neighbor's backyard pool.

Know your cell phone number. Whether you have to give it out to emergency personnel, the babysitter, or a teenager to check in, knowing they can reach you will give you peace of mind.

When behind the wheel, use common sense. Safe driving is your first responsibility.

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Hearing To Gather Public Comment On Regional Water Management Plan

Lynn County residents are invited to offer comments about the content of the proposed Llano Estacado Regional Water Management Plan at a public hearing to be held June 18 at 7 p.m. in the Plains Cotton Cooperative Association (PCCA) office auditorium, 301 E. 50th Street, in Lubbock.

As part of the provisions of Senate Bill 1 passed during the 75th Texas Legislature, the Texas Water Development Board in Austin (TWDB) divided the state into 16 regional water planning areas. In February 1998, the TWDB appointed an initial coordinating committee for each region to begin developing regional water plans that identify both short-term and long-term water supply needs and recommend water management strategies to address them.

The initial coordinating committee, now known as the Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Group, is made up of area citizens representing the 11 water user groups as defined by the TWDB. These water user groups include the public sector, county governments, municipalities, industries, agriculture, environmental issues, small business, electric generating utilities, river authorities, water districts, and water utilities.

"The regional water planning group is required by law to hold at least one public hearing prior to the development of the scope of work to gather public input about issues that should be addressed or considered in the regional water management plan," said A. Wayne Wyatt of Lubbock, chairman of the Llano Estacado Regional Water Management Plan. "This public meeting will give area residents an opportunity to comment on the direction to be taken concerning the conservation and preservation of the region's surface and ground water resources. It is their input that will help shape regional water supply management for the next 50 years."

Persons unable to attend the hearing may offer written comments to Mr. Wyatt at the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 office in Lubbock.

The Llano Estacado Regional Water Management Plan area is made up of 21 counties in the southern High Plains region consisting of Bailey, Briscoe, Castro, Crosby, Cochran, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Floyd, Gaines, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Parmer, Swisher, Terry, and Yoakum.

Planning group members and the water user interest groups they represent are Dr. Lloyd Urban of Lubbock, public sector; Judge Dallas Brewer of Plains, county government; Bruce Blalack of Lubbock, Ches Carthel of Plainview, Jerry Webster of Tahoka, and Mayor Bob Josseland of Hereford, municipalities; Steve Perry of Lubbock, industries; Dr. John Abernathy of Lubbock, S.M. True Jr. of Plainview, Johnny Anzaldua of Lamesa, and Delaine Baucum of Seminole, agriculture; Jim Steiert of Hereford, environmental issues; Don McElroy of Muleshoe, small business; Bill Harbin of Floydada, electric generating utilities; Harold "Bo" Brown of Lubbock, livestock; John Garland of Waco, river authorities; A. Wayne Wyatt of Lubbock, Lee Arrington of Brownfield, and Kent Satterwhite of Sanford, water districts; and Henry Rieff of Cotton Center, water utilities.

Additional information concerning the Llano Estacado Regional Water Management Plan and/or the upcoming public hearing is available by contacting the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock, TX 79405-199 or by calling (806) 762-0181. The Water District may be reached by e-mail at hpwd@hpwd.com or at info@hpwd.hpwd.com

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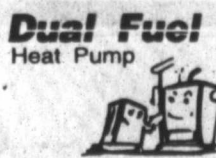
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Wilson Volunteer Fire Department Tip of the Week: More tips for childcare providers: 1) Keep space heaters at least three feet away from combustible items such as furniture, paper and especially children; 2) If keeping children in their parent's home, cook only with permission from the children's parents. Set a timer to remind you to turn everything off; 3) when you cook, turn the pot handles so they don't stick out over the edge of the stove. This will prevent dangerous spills of hot food or liquid; 4) Never put anything in a microwave oven unless you are absolutely sure it is safe. Paper, glass and microwave-proof earthenware are safe. Never put metals, including aluminum foil, in a microwave.

The pastor of Wilson's First Baptist Church has accepted a call from the First Baptist Church of Shattuck, Oklahoma. Rev. Kenny Platte and his family came to Wilson in the summer of 1993 and rap-

idly became a welcome addition to the community. Rev. Platte was involved with a crusade mission team that went to Russia in 1995. This trip was part of a larger team of 100 people directed by the "International Crusades Ministry."
Rev. Platte served in the nursing home ministries in both Tahoka and Slaton. He was chairman of the Continuing Education Committee of the Lubbock Baptist Association, and was currently serving on the Religious Steering Committee of Wayland Baptist University, Lubbock campus.

He was awarded the 1996 Wilson Lions Club "Citizen of the Year." He has previously pastored at the Salem Baptist Church in Big Spring and the First Baptist Church of Dora, N.M. His family has been active in the Wilson community with his children participating in many high school activities, and his wife Gail, has been the high-school secretary for some time.

Rev. Platte's final Sunday in the Wilson pulpit will be June 14. Church members have planned a come and go reception for the Platte family that Sunday evening beginning at 7 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. All area residents are invited to attend.

Area residents are reminded of the dog and cat clinic scheduled for this Saturday, June 13, at Wilson City Hall. Those bringing their pets are reminded that the animals need to be leashed when brought to the side door of City Hall. The clinic will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and there will be a minimal charge for the shots.

Tickets are still available from any fire department member for the raffle to be held sometime close to July 4. The department is raffling off two rifles and ladies prizes will be available. For information, contact Lester Gicklhorn or Kelly Livingston.

WISD Board To Meet Tonight

The Wilson Independent School District Board of Trustees will meet tonight (Thursday) to discuss the following agenda items: accounts payable; contract with the Education Service Center for English as a Second Language (ESL) and Adult Education; authorize school bus purchase; school board training hours; contract with Metrocountry Special Services; dental insurance; overnight trip to A&M; authorize signatures on elementary and high school funds; and personnel.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."

TO: Ronald J. Evans, Defendant, Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Original Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 13th day of July, A.D., 1998, before the Honorable 106th Judicial District Court of Lynn County, Texas at the Court House of said County in Tahoka, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 30th day of September A.D., 1997, in this case, numbered 97-09-05602 on the docket of said court, and styled, Karen W. Thompson et vir. O.L. Thompson, Jr., Plaintiff. VS Gilvin-Terrill, Inc. and Ronald J. Evans, Defendant.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: Karen W. Thompson et vir. O.L. Thompson, Jr. are Plaintiffs and Gilvin-Terrill, Inc. and Ronald J. Evans are Defendants.
A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Injuries from a motor vehicle collision and the Alleged negligence of both Defendants as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.
The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.
Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Tahoka, Texas, this 1st day of June A.D. 1998.

Delivered This 1 day of June 1998
Charles Smith, Sheriff
Lynn County
/s/ Miguel Reyna, Jr., Deputy

Attest:
Sandra Laws, Clerk
District Court, Lynn County, Texas
/s/ Lonneta Hudgens, Deputy.
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The O'Donnell I.S.D. will accept sealed bids until 2:00 p.m. (CDT), July 2, 1998, for fuel, oil, and related supplies for the 1998-99 school year. The words "Bid, Fuel Supplies" shall appear on the envelope of each sealed bid. O'Donnell I.S.D. reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any or all technicalities, and to accept the bid which will best serve the needs of the school district. All bids will be opened on July 2, 1998, at 2:00 p.m. in the business/tax collector's office, 501 5th Street, O'Donnell, Texas.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The O'Donnell I.S.D. will accept sealed bids until 2:00 p.m. (CDT), August 5, 1998, for property and liability insurance and employee health insurance for the 1998-99 school year. The words "Bid, Property Insurance" or "Bid, Health Insurance" shall appear on the envelope of each sealed bid. The O'Donnell I.S.D. reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any or all technicalities, and accept the proposal which will best meet the needs of the District. All bids will be opened on August 5, 1998, at 2:00 p.m. in the business/tax collector's office, 501 5th Street, O'Donnell, Texas.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The O'Donnell I.S.D. will accept sealed bids until 11:00 a.m. (CDT), June 26, 1998, for the purchase, lease, or lease purchase of new or used school buses, vans, and pickups. Specifications may be picked up at the superintendent's office, 501 5th Street, O'Donnell, Texas. Bid specifications will be mailed by written or telephone request (806-428-3241). O'Donnell I.S.D. reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any or all technicalities, and to accept the bid which will best serve the needs of the school district. All bids will be opened on June 26, 1998, at 11:00 a.m. in the business/tax collector's office, 501 5th Street, O'Donnell, Texas.

EYE-Q

Aging Process Takes A Toll On Vision

(NAPS)—Next to heart disease and arthritis, impaired vision is the most common health problem affecting older Americans, according to Dr. Daniel Bintz, an optometrist and Advisory Council member of the Better Vision Institute.

Key warning signs of vision problems include hazy or blurred vision, increased glare, recurring pain in or around the eyes, double vision, flashes of light, halos around lights, and sensitivity to light.

In particular, night driving and other evening activities dependent upon vision can become more difficult—even dangerous—as an individual ages, warns Dr. Paula Newsome, an optometrist and consultant for the BVI.

Diminished night vision is generally the result of a reduction of light into the eye. One contributing factor is age. Dr. Bintz explains that as the eye ages, the pupil does not dilate as wide as it once could, thus limiting incoming light. He also notes there are more serious conditions that can reduce your night vision, such as cataracts and glaucoma.

If you notice any of these problems, visit your eyecare professional immediately, recommends Dr. Bintz.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The O'Donnell I.S.D. will accept sealed bids until 11:00 a.m. (CDT), June 29, 1998, for the 1998-99 school year for the following items: (1) consumable and non-consumable paper goods, (2) cleaning supplies, (3) audio visual equipment, (4) classroom furniture, (5) activity supplies and equipment (football, basketball, track and band instruments), (6) teaching supplies and materials, (7) school bus barn and storage areas, (8) paving/parking areas, (9) replacing roof on Junior High gym, football concession and storage building, (10) technology labs, equipment and software, (11) milk and other dairy products, (12) roof replacements for school houses. One or all bid packets will be mailed by written or telephone request (806-428-3241). Please specify each packet requested. Each bid must be marked by the number identifying the item. O'Donnell I.S.D. reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any or all technicalities, and to accept the bid which will best serve the needs of the school district. All bids will be opened on June 29, 1998, at 11:00 a.m. in the business/tax collector's office, 501 5th Street, O'Donnell, Texas.

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'Summer Fun' Photos Wanted

During the summer months, the Lynn County News is seeking photographs from our area readers depicting summer activities—whether it's the kids running through the sprinkler, or your dog plopped down in the wading pool, or the whole family at some vacation fun spot—we want your picture! Candid snapshots of summer fun are what we are looking for—show us how your family is enjoying the summer months.

Just bring it by the News Office or mail it to P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, Texas 79373, and we'll run it (at no charge!) as space is available under our "Summer Fun" heading. If you'll send a self-addressed stamped envelope we'll mail your photo back to you, or you may pick it up at the News Office after it appears in the paper.

A Little Town

A little town is where you don't have to guess who your enemies are. Your friends will tell you.

A little town is the only place on earth where people past middle age are called by their first names when they saunter down the street.

A little town is where everybody knows everybody else's car by sight and also where and when it goes.

A little town is where you can get the wrong phone number and you can talk 15 minutes anyway.

A little town is where the ratio of good people to bad people is something like 100 to one. That's nice to remember.

A little town is where it is hard for anybody to walk for exercise because it takes too long to stop and explain to people in cars who stop, honk and offer you a ride.

A little town is where city folks say there is nothing to do, but those who live there don't have enough nights in the week to make all the meetings and social functions.

A little town is where everyone becomes a "neighbor" in time of need.

A little town is where those same businessmen dig deep many times to help countless fund-raising projects.

A little town is where it's nice to be rearing a family.

A little town is where you don't have to lock your door every time you leave the house.

A little town is where many teenagers say there's nothing to do... and then are surprised to learn their big city friends are saying the same thing.

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