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A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

In a hairy position

Melvin G. Hanks, 54, accused of stealing 92 ponytails, has been charged with theft by deception and is being held in the St. Clair (Ill.) County Jail on \$10,000 bail.

He was arrested Thursday at the 17th Street Designer's Club hair salon in Belleville, where he allegedly was on his 13th trip to collect hair.

The 92 ponytails are worth \$21,300, said Jennifer Cox, the executive director of Palm Springs, Fla.-based charity Locks of Love, which makes wigs for children who have lost their hair because of medical reasons.

Authorities said they did not know what Hanks intended to do with the hair.

Blowing in the wind

The toilet paper stuck on St. Louis streets isn't the work of teen-age pranksters.

City repair crews are using 170 rolls of toilet paper a day to help repair cracks in streets. It's used to keep sealant in place while it dries.

City officials say toilet paper has several advantages over the materials used previously — sand, and sometimes leaf mulch. It's cheaper, it doesn't clog up the sewers and it doesn't "stink" like mulch.

Three citywide crack-filling operations use so much toilet paper that it's delivered to the street division headquarters on flatbed trucks.

The use of toilet paper for street repairs began in North Dakota years ago and is now starting to spread across the country, officials said.



Drawing date: Saturday, March 9
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Estimated jackpot: \$4 million

On this date in history

March 11 — Gen. Sam Houston reaches Gonzales to take command of the Texas forces, only to learn that the Alamo has fallen (1836).

March 14 — Texas' Col. William Ward sustains a heavy Mexican attack at the Refugio Mission (1836).

Also on March 14 — Jack Ruby is found guilty of murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin of President John F. Kennedy (1964).

LOCAL WEATHER

Temperatures should be mild and skies generally sunny for the next several days, according to the National Weather Service. Winds, however, should be strong on Thursday and again Sunday. After Thursday's high of about 75, expect daytime temperatures to settle into the mid-60s through Monday. Morning lows should be close to 30, with Sunday the coolest at 27.

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Wills takes sheriff race by three votes

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

It took until after midnight to become official, but challenger Richard Wills won the Bailey County sheriff race by three votes.

The official tally was 260-257.

The incumbent, Ron Kemp, had been appointed to fill out an unexpired term. He and his wife, Andrea, left the courthouse when the unofficial count showed Wills winning.

"It's a disappointment, but life's full of those," Kemp said. "The people have a man that I think will do the best he can."

Wills, a city police officer who has not held elective office, said, "I was glad for the turnout in the Republican Party. I know that not all these people are

strong Republicans, but I'm glad they turned out for a contested race."

Should Kemp decide to seek a recount on the slim margin, records in the office of County Clerk Sherri Harrison indicate that he has five days from Election Day or two days after the canvass to do so.

Wills faces no Democratic opponent in the fall.

Unopposed candidates in the primary were Republicans Harrison, treasurer Donna Kirk and justice of the peace Herman Morrison, plus Democrats Judge Marilyn Cox, district court clerk Elaine Parker and commissioners Jerry Damron and C.E. Grant.

Voting details will be in Sunday's *Journal*.



Journal photo: Beatrice Morin
Velma Jones casts her ballot Monday in the Republican primary.

Three Way captures three spots on all-district team

By DELTON WILHITE Journal sportswriter

Three Way's Robert Rodriguez has been named District 5-A's offensive player of the year, with Anthony Furgeson and Chris Kindle joining him on the all-district team.

"Robert (Rodríguez) was one of our senior leaders, and if it was crunch time, all we had to do was spread the floor because he could take anyone off the dribble," Eagle coach Linda Pshigoda said. "He was an excellent point guard and led our team with 409 total points, 86 assists and 77 steals."

"Anthony (Furgeson), also a senior, was our big man and was second in scoring with 397 points, hauled in 237 rebounds and had 50 assists. Chris

(Kindle), a freshman, was our defensive specialist and added 220 points, 137 rebounds and 151 assists," she said.

The Eagles finished their final basketball season with a 16-9 overall record and went 6-4 in district. They missed a tie for second place and a possible trip to the post-season tournament by only one point.

After a slow start while learning a new system and a new coach, the Eagles began to jell during the pre-district tournaments.

The win over Meadow built confidence in the team and their new defense and set the stage for a winning season.

Early in the season, Three Way dropped a close game to the Kress Kangaroos. Two weeks later, the Kangaroos vis-

ited Three Way and the Eagles extracted some revenge as they got ready for the district race.

Cotton Center hammered the Eagles in their first district game; they dropped their second game to Lazbuddie by one point when they allowed a Longhorn to penetrate the lane and score as time ticked away.

The Eagles began a comeback by defeating Whitharral

for the first time in years. Maybe the most satisfying game for Pshigoda and the Eagles was the second showdown with Lazbuddie, which was in the Eagles' home gym. Three Way shot almost 80 percent from the field and scored 80 points in its final home game to even their record against the

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Lady Mule track begins with fireworks

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Muleshoe girls' track teams distinguished themselves in two track meets Saturday, athletic director David Wood said Tuesday.

The Lady Mule varsity competed at Canyon Randall, and Wood said Sara Benham tied the school record (5'6") in the high jump.

"She had just come off of basketball season with one day of

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Reading contest adds prizes

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Second-place awards have been added to the prizes to be given in the Friends of the Library read-athon fund-raiser going on through March 28, librarian Dyan Shipley said Monday.

Participants in the contest will read as much as they can and record their progress, with the grand prize being two airline tickets to anywhere Southwest Airlines flies.

The adult who reads the most wins a DVD player, and the added second prize for adults is fajitas for two at Leal's.

The high school student who reads the most will be awarded a CD player, with the added second prize a CD by the Muleshoe gospel group 184 Christ.

Funds are being raised through pledges, either by the book or by the page.

The money will continue the renovation under way at the library, and the contest aims to increase interest in the Friends.

Anyone who has not been contacted for a pledge and wishes to donate may contact any Friend of the Library or call 272-4707.



Journal photo: Beatrice Morin

Pretending it's spring

Eight-year-old José Quezada draw on the basketball court at East City Park on Tuesday.

Combest ready to conference emerging farm bill

By ROGER HALDENBY Plains Cotton Growers

House Agriculture Committee Chairman Larry Combest shared his thoughts on the farm bill Monday with attendees at the Texas Independent Ginners Association annual meeting in Fort Worth.

Combest said that although there had been overwhelming opposition to the House bill by the U.S. Department of Agriculture last October, USDA now generally supports the House version of the farm bill.

Furthermore, USDA officials indicate support for having a new bill in place for this crop year.

Regarding the Senate version of the farm bill, passed less than a month ago, he

expressed strong concern as to how much money is going to be spent in each title.

"The CBO (Congressional Budget Office) score on the Senate bill has complicated our challenge (to conference the bill)," he said. "It would never have passed the Senate with the current score." (A scoring by the Congressional Budget Office has revealed that the Senate bill exceeds the overall budget spending cap by more than \$6 billion.)

Combest added that the Senate has created substantial regional and commodity differences with their payment limit scheme.

He reiterated his resolve not to sacrifice a good farm bill just to get one. He criticized the Senate saying "They have added

several titles that are beyond the jurisdiction of the Agriculture Committee. Nine other committees are now involved.

"If you ask me if we will have this bill in time for this year, I don't know, but we're going to try," he said.

The House-Senate conference committee charged with reconciling differences between the two bills was scheduled to have its first meeting on Wednesday.

Combest is to chair that conference.

However, Congress is beginning a two-week Easter break on March 22.

"There is a window of opportunity, but with each day that window gets smaller," Combest said.

AROUND MULESHOE

Motorcycle rally returning

The Muleshoe Roadriders' 20th annual motorcyclist rally is scheduled for March 22-23 at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Pre-registration is \$10 for singles and \$20 for couples. At the door, registration is \$12 for singles and \$24 for couples.

The event begins with a light show inside the Coliseum at 9 p.m. March 22. On March 23, there will be a poker run with the first bike out at 8 a.m. and the last at noon.

Field events and games start at 1 p.m., the bike show is at 3 p.m. and the parade at 4:30 p.m.

The awards presentation begins at 5 p.m.

Vendors should contact Robin Dickerson at 272-4143.

More information on the event is available by calling Danny Dickerson at 272-4143 or Albert Ramirez at 272-3818, or by e-mailing dannyd@fivearea.com.

Babe Ruth League signup set

Muleshoe Area Babe Ruth League signups are scheduled for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 16 at Williams Athletics. Players ages 13 to 15 as of Aug. 1 are eligible.

Entry fee is \$40 per player, and a certified birth certificate is required at registration.

More information is available by calling Joe Flores at 272-3480.

Lazbuddie Shoot-Out scheduled

The parents of Lazbuddie High School seniors have scheduled a 3-on-3 basketball festival for April 12-13 in the high school gymnasium.

The entry fee per four-member team is \$50. There will be elementary, junior high, high school, adult and coed (two men, two women) divisions.

The entry deadline is April 3.

Play begins at 4 p.m. Friday and resumes at 8 a.m. Saturday.

More information is available by contacting the school at 965-2152 or P.O. Box 9, Lazbuddie 79053; Debbie Weir at 965-2302; or Sarah Black at 965-2149.

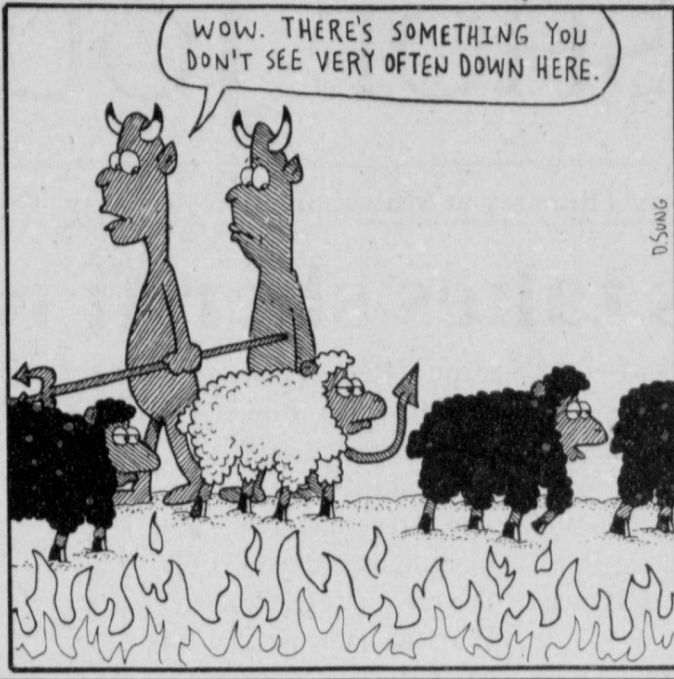
Public calendar

March 14 — Noon to 1 p.m. Soup and Sandwich Luncheon at 16th and D Church of Christ. Cost: voluntary donation. Topic: Ray Vander Laan video about Jesus' choices on the Mount of Olives.

March 15 — 7:30 p.m. "Mortgage Relief Seminar" at First Assembly of God, 521 S. First. Information: 272-3017.

Aminals

By David Sung



Also on March 15 — Deadline to apply to seek the position of alternate board member for South Plains Community Action Association. Contact Janie Posadas or Leonor Arrieta at the office, 804 W. American Blvd.

March 16 — 9 a.m. "Mortgage Relief Seminar" at First Assembly of God, 521 S. First. Information: 272-3017.

March 19 — Mammograms at South Plains Healthcare Providers, 208 W. Second St., provided enough people pre-register; call (800) 377-4673.

Also on March 19 — 5:30-7:30 p.m. Second signup for Muleshoe Little League, at Watson Junior High gymnasium. Players must be 6 by July 31 and be no older than 12 on July 31. Parents must present birth certificate and \$25 registration fee for each child. Information: Leslie Kerby, 272-5153.

March 24 — 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Easter luncheon at Lazbuddie school to benefit senior class. Menu: turkey and dressing with all the trimmings. Price: \$6.50 regular, \$5 for a "lite" plate. Information or delivery: 965-2130.

March 27 — 11:22 a.m. to 12:22 p.m., served according to the usual class schedule. Easter dinner at Three Way school. Menu: turkey and dressing with all the trimmings. Price: \$2.

April 1 — Mammograms at Muleshoe Area Medical Center, if enough people sign up. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health. Reservations: (800) 377-4673.

The deadline for items to appear in *Around Muleshoe* is 5 p.m. Monday for Thursday's editions and 5 p.m. Thursday for Sunday's editions.

Antique tractor show scheduled

PLAINVIEW — The Texas Plains Two-Cylinder Club's 10th annual antique tractor show is scheduled for March 23-24 in Plainview's Ollie Liner Center.

This is the area's largest show of its kind, with displays of antique tractors, antique farm equipment, other farm-related antiques and some novelty items.

A parade is scheduled for each day, a children's pedal tractor pull is set for Saturday afternoon, and arts and crafts booths will be open. There is no cost, but donations will be accepted.

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practice," he said. "If this is any indication, it looks to be a promising year for Sara in several events," he added.

In the first year for girls' pole vault, Jodi Hawkins won the event at Randall with 7'3", "setting the standard for girls' pole vaulters

in the Panhandle," he said. With the varsity team at Randall, the junior varsity Lady Mules participated in a varsity meet at Friona and won it.

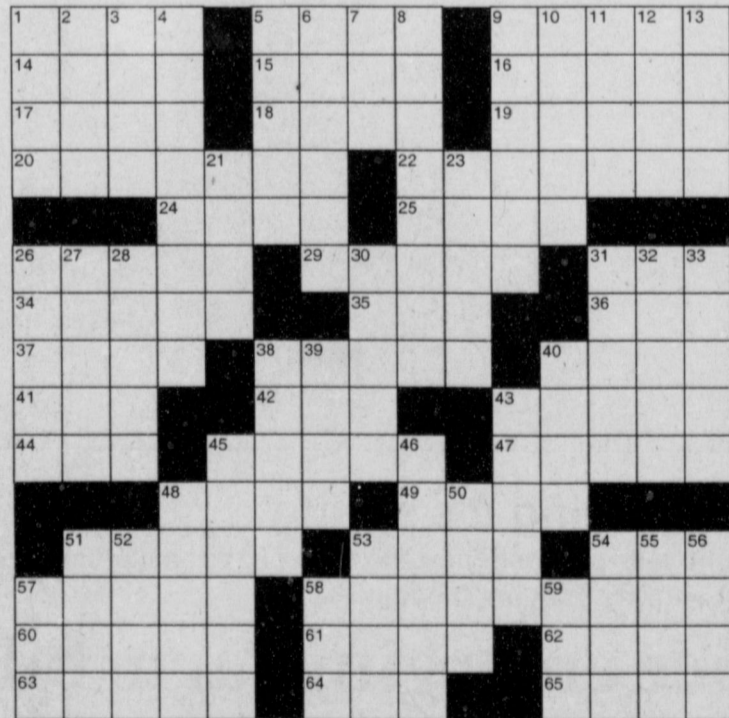
Look for details of both meets in Sunday's Journal, with the entire season of girls' track to follow.

EAGLES

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Longhorns. Pshigoda concluded with, "All in all the kids had fun this year, and they never seemed to mind that I was a woman. They knew I only wanted to make them better and they wanted to learn — so it was really a pretty easy job."

JUST FOR FUN



5. Adjoin
6. Enfold
7. Heard often in Las Vegas
8. South American nation
9. "Dragnet" character
10. Auriculated
11. Sixth month of Jewish calendar
12. Position
13. Ran, run
21. Directions
23. Resist
26. Multitude
27. Segregated
28. A country in East Africa
30. Commencement
31. Keep up
32. Anoral
33. Trapped
38. Subarctic forests
39. Edible roots
40. Harelike rodent of Argentina
43. Speech
45. Falling star
46. Role models
48. Artiodactyl
50. Antelopes
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55. Winged
56. Philippine Island
57. Discharged
58. Raincoat
59. Central Standard Time

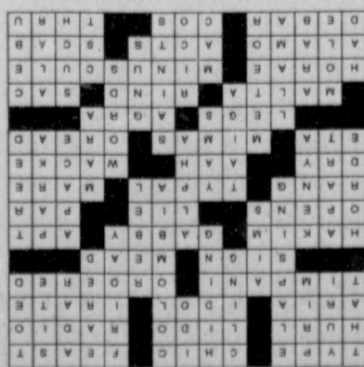
Clues ACROSS

1. Express by writing
5. Fashionable
9. Dinner
14. Throw
15. Venice beach
16. Medium
17. Song
18. Paragon
19. Angry
20. Kettle drums
22. Inflicted
24. Indication
25. Brew
26. Muslim wise man
29. Voluble
31. Intelligent
34. Turns
35. Mislead
36. Golf score
37. Encircled
38. Representative
40. Equid
41. Cold

Clues DOWN

42. Express pleasure
43. Poorly sorted sandstone
44. The 7th letter of the Greek alphabet
45. A satellite of Saturn
47. Mountain nymph (Greek)
48. Supports
49. North-central Indian city
51. Its capital is Valletta
53. Tissue
54. Pouch
57. Greek goddesses of the seasons
58. Tiny
60. "1836 siege" of U.S.
61. Behaves
62. Blackleg
63. Prevent
64. Lettuce
65. Beginning to end, abbr.
1. Which
2. First man to orbit the earth
3. Rigidly formal
4. Going on

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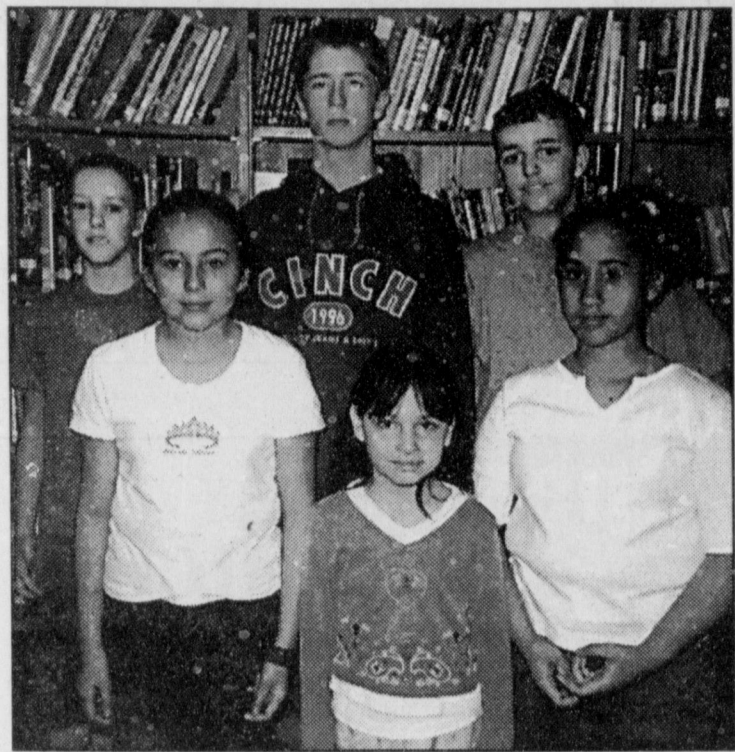
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Winning spellers

Senior winners in the Lazbuddie spelling bee held March 6 were (back row, from left) Bryce Haney, third; Wesley Welch, second; and Daniel Hefner, first. Junior winners were (front row, from left) Lydia Campos, third; Josephine Garcia, second; and Leticia Mendoza, first. Winners advanced to the Parmer County bee, and potentially on through the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee. Other participants at Lazbuddie were Lakota Goe, Savannah Sain, Darin Ivy, Frankie Rodríguez, Brenda García, Jacie Anstead, Brittney Schacher, Regina Mata, Chelsea Nichols, Erica Derma, Aaron Chávez and Sergio Cuevas.

Rio Farms celebrates 60th birthday

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL WESLACO — Rio Farms, one of the country's unique farming operations, quietly celebrated its 60th anniversary last month. It was an unusual social experiment and, despite its evolution over the years, remains distinctive. On Dec. 7, 1941, Pearl Harbor Day, Rio Farms Inc. was chartered as a "charitable and benevolent institution of applied agriculture" in the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas.

This new farming operation would have no owners or stockholders, only a board of directors. All the money it made would be "plowed" back into the business. The purpose was to help low-income farm families learn how to farm and live more efficiently. Each tenant family could stay up to five years learning the latest farming methods on the 80 to 120 acres assigned to them.

It was a radically new idea, but the U.S. government approved it. Some 26,000 acres were bought in Hidalgo and Willacy counties with \$1.3 million borrowed on a 50-year note from the Farm Security Administration.

Headquarters were built in Monte Alto, north of Weslaco, where they remain.

Newly arrived tenants were not given money, only an opportunity. If after one year they showed no improvement, they were asked to leave. But if successful, they were given the chance to save the money they earned, then move on to a farm of their own.

Husbands worked the land while the wives were taught homemaking and community involvement skills. Family clinics were set up, and children were encouraged to live wholesome lives and participate in 4-H.

The venture was highly successful; the original 50-year loan was paid off in only two years. More than 900 families made the suc-

cessful transition from tenant farms to farms or businesses of their own.

"Some of the Valley's most productive farmers of the 1940s, '50s and '60s got their start right here at Rio Farms as tenant trainees," said Dale Murden, general manager and executive vice president of the operation. But by 1972, the times had changed and Rio Farms was forced to change, too. It was legally converted from a charitable, benevolent institution to one of agricultural research and demonstration.

Gone were the days of 100 families on small tracts.

Today Rio Farms has only 14 tenants who keep 80 percent of what they produce; Rio Farms invests the remaining 20 percent on land improvement, facilities and research projects.

While its focus is on scientific research, Murden says Rio Farms still helps young, ambitious farmers who only need a helping hand. But as with most farms, making ends meet at Rio Farms is difficult.

Operating expenses are high and commodity prices are now lower than what Murden's grandfather earned for his crops back in his day, he said.

"It also takes more land to farm successfully," said Murden. "You can't farm on 100 or 200 acres anymore. Today, you'll find farmers who argue that 1,500 acres aren't enough. And it's not easy finding young people willing to farm anymore. So it's a constant juggling act."

Murden and a researcher, Andy Scott, oversee the many on-farm research and demonstration projects.

Research is conducted on traditional Valley crops, but Murden says Rio Farms also researches crops not investigated by state and federal agencies — crops that give farmers options and new ways to stay in business.

"We don't think one crop can do everything for ev-

Golf tournament to benefit Tech Turf students

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL LUBBOCK — The 2002 Tech Turf Classic is looking for a few good sponsors and more than a few golf enthusiasts.

Texas Tech University's Tech Turfgrass Association has scheduled its annual golf tournament for 9 a.m. April 13 at Meadowbrook Golf Complex in Mackenzie Park.

Proceeds go toward student travel to the Turf Bowl competition and scholarships.

According to Michael Maurer, assistant professor of turfgrass science in Texas Tech's Department of Plant and Soil Science, most of the students in the association are majoring in turfgrass management.

"The career goal of the majority of these students is to be a superintendent at a golf course," Maurer said. "The experience of running a golf tournament not only gives

them related experience, but the proceeds assist them in traveling to turfgrass competitions around the country to better hone their skills and knowledge."

Maurer stressed that one of the integral parts of running a benefit tournament is to gather sponsorships. Hole sponsorships are available for \$200, but there are greater sponsorship levels that Maurer and his students would like to fill.

Hole sponsors will receive a personalized sign and a complimentary two-person team entry. The regular entry fee is \$100 per team, which includes green fee, cart rental, practice balls, gift pack and "a great time," according to Maurer.

With the new Jerry S. Rawls — Red Raider Golf Course being built at Fourth Street and Indiana Avenue, Maurer said the students are

getting a first-hand look at what it takes to build and maintain a world-class course. The students will take field trips to the course periodically to see the different stages of construction.

More information on the tournament is available by calling (806)742-2838. Downloadable sponsorship and entry forms are available at www.pssc.ttu.edu/techturf/.

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Dry winds mean moisture loss for plants

By RONN SMITH
Editor

I guess I'm ready to give up and admit that we live in windy country.

In gardening terms, that means if your yard includes broadleaf evergreens (holly might be the most likely) from damper climates, you need to give up and spray them with an anti-desiccant.

These products simply coat the leaves to cut down on moisture loss on dry, windy days.

They're generally available at the most complete garden centers, and the improved performance of your hollies should convince you that it's worth a few minutes of your time.

Of course, the old standbys like nandina and pyracantha are tough enough to do without a spraying, but I think barberries benefit.

Well, the extremely warm weather followed by some 8-degree and 7-degree nights certainly made an ugly mess of some wood hyacinths.

Out of 150 or so, it appears that at least 100 of them froze to the ground — including the growth bud. They're now a brown, mushy mess.

Has any reader had experience with spring bulbs freezing like this? I'm wondering if they'll be able to form a new growth bud or if they're just done for.



One thing I neglected in the recent discussions on pinksqueak (*Bergenia cordifolia*): It is a magnet for rabbits.

I was reminded of this when I learned the hard way that two more common perennials are irresistible to the little varmints.

I have definitely lost the first crop of flowers on pincushion flowers (*Scabiosa caucasica*) this spring, and the sea pinks (*Armeria maritima*) may or may not be able to bloom.

I'm feeling very warm and cuddly about bunnies right now.

The spring songbird migration has begun, although it's likely to be skimpy on the High Plains if we don't get some rain within the next couple of weeks.

On Feb. 10, though, a mountain bluebird and a hermit thrush were seen at Muleshoe National Wildlife Refuge.

Keep a lookout!

As I've said before, fall may be the best time for planting most trees and shrubs but magnolias are

spring-only projects.

So if you've dreamed of having one (or more), this is the time to think about it. You needn't limit yourself to the evergreen southern magnolia (as beautiful as these are): Many of the soulangeana and other hybrids can thrive here, and have unworldly flower colors.

Just make sure you don't let your new magnolia get too dry for the first few summers. You need to mix a third or so of organic material (composted) into the soil of the planting hole.

Some protection from our drying winds would seem to be in order for the early spring-flowering types (which would be most of the readily available ones).

It would seem logical that the southern magnolias would require a windbreak for their huge evergreen leaves, but you see them around in all sorts of yard situations, so apparently they're tough enough. I'd still prefer getting one started in a more sheltered site, though.

At the same time, good air circulation probably helps keep from losing flower buds to early-spring frosts after the trees have begun to grow.

If you can find a copy of *Magnolias: A Gardener's Guide* by Jim Gardiner, you can get a good idea of the growth habits of various magnolias. Most

books concentrate on close-up photos of individual magnolia blooms, but this one has a lot of whole-tree pictures.

At the back of the book, there are many lists of the varieties with narrow upright growth or broad spreading growth, scented flowers or white flowers or pink flowers or whatever you like.

Gardiner's list for alkaline soils includes, besides the familiar *Magnolia x soulangeana* and the southern magnolia (*Magnolia grandiflora*), quite a few you might not know but would want to check out:

M. acuminata, *M. acuminata* subspecies *subcordata*, *M. delavayi*, *M. denudata*, *M. fraseri*, *M. kobus*, *M x loebneri*, *M. obovata* and *M. x veitchii*.

While many mail-order catalogs feature two or three types of magnolias, there is no other like Gossler Farms Nursery (1200 Weaver Road, Springfield, Ore. 97479).

While I have not counted them, I've read that Gossler Farms offers 500 kinds of magnolias. The catalog is a real trip, I can tell you.

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Wildlife collection tops 1 million

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL COLLEGE STATION —Did you know that not all bats dine on mosquitoes? That there's been only one recorded sighting in the western North Atlantic of a shark previously known only in the Madeira Islands and Brazil?

The answers are at the Texas Cooperative Wildlife Collection, established in 1937, where fruit bats and sharks are only two of about 1 million individual animals preserved. (Some bats prefer fruit, and the 13-foot shark was found in the Gulf of Mexico.)

The specimens are used at Texas A&M and other institutions for research and teaching—but, curator John McEachran said, the facility is a museum of natural history that dates back to early Texas settlement.

The collection was founded by the late William B. Davis, former wildlife and fisheries sciences department chair, for teaching and researching vertebrates.

It now has five Texas A&M University faculty curators and two full-time associate curators.

McEachran said Davis came from a long line of natural historians and delighted in training students, especially through summer trips south of Mexico City, to collect vertebrates.

"Those were inexpensive trips. They ate what they caught and lived off the

land," he said. "We still have the specimens they brought back."

Since then, scientists studying across Texas and beyond have brought specimens for future researchers and the public to see.

Even threatened or endangered species, such as mosquito fishes and pupfishes and the Houston toad, can be viewed there.

Here's a sampling of what the collection offers:

• **Reptiles and amphibians:** More than 82,000 specimens, about 45,000 of which are from Texas, collected since the 1940s. A checklist of the reptiles and amphibians of each Texas county is maintained on the collection's website.

• **Fish:** About 26,000 lots totaling more than 350,000 specimens from around the world, including freshwater specimens from Texas, the southern United States and northern and central Mexico, as well as large collections of marine fishes from the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea.

• **Mammals:** About 56,000 specimens largely from the southwestern United States, Mexico and Central America. Most were collected within the past 55 years, but some specimens date to the early 1900s. The collection's mammal division contains 20 species listed as "endangered" and seven species listed as "threatened."

• **Birds:** More than 13,400 specimens from 49 countries, primarily Texas (66 percent) and Mexico (24 percent). An estimated 5,000 photographs, slides and video tapes documenting birds in Texas are archived.

Some 1,075 people visit the collection annually, and the curators and students working with the collection also give talks at grade schools, as well as workshops and presentations at club and professional society meetings.

The collection is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., but visitors are asked to call (979) 845-5783 before scheduling a trip.

The collection's website is wfscnet.tamu.edu/tcwc/tcwc.htm.

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This year's contestant will appear in the March 31 edition of the Bailey County Journal. A panel of unbiased judges will pick the most attractive picture to be the 2001 Cutest Baby. All baby pictures will be printed in this Easter edition of the paper. Babies need not be born in this area.

Bring your favorite photo along with \$12 to the Muleshoe Journal office at 304 W. 2nd Street, Monday-Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or mail the coupon below along with your child's photo and \$12 to Cutest Baby Contest, c/o Muleshoe Journal, P.O. Box 449, Muleshoe, Texas 79347. You may pick up your baby's picture during office hours after Monday, April 1, 2002. Arrangements must be made to return photos by mail.

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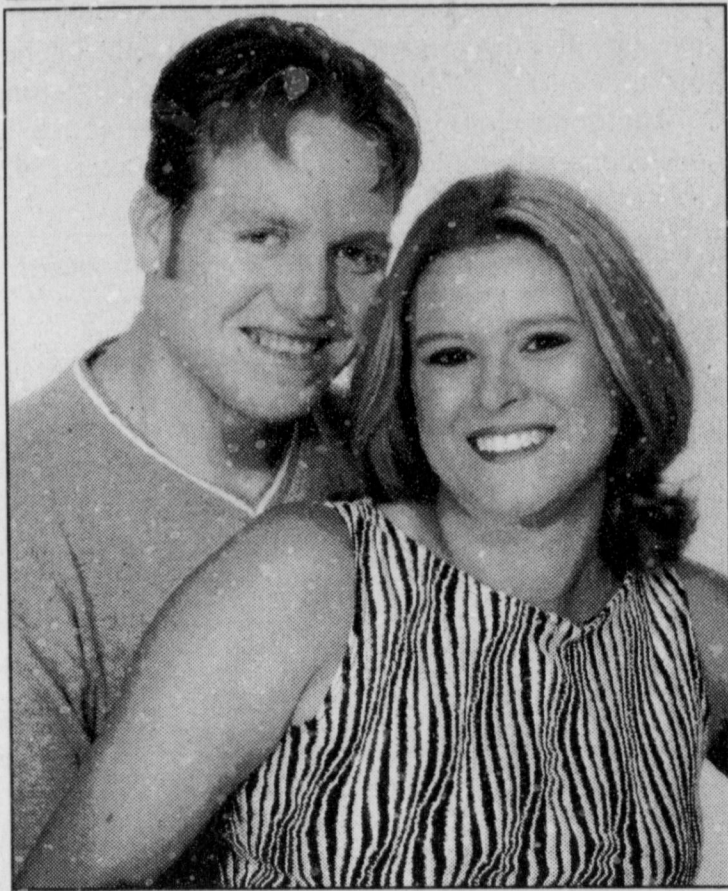
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MESSENGER-SHELTON

Jay and Sally Messenger of Muleshoe announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Amanda, to Phillip Shelton of Abernathy, son of Hobert and Pat Shelton. The bride-elect is a graduate of Muleshoe High School and is a senior nursing student at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha fraternity and Rho Lambda Honor Society. The prospective groom is a graduate of Abernathy High School and has a bachelor's degree in business administration from West Texas A&M. He is a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and Alpha Chi Honor Society. The wedding is scheduled for 7 p.m. June 8 at the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe. A reception will follow in the garden of Robert and Barbara Finney.

'CREATIVE LIVING'

Information on free-motion quilting and the care and packing of wedding gowns will be the topics on "Creative Living" at 1 p.m. March 19 and at 3 p.m. March 23. (All times are Central.)

"Creative Living" airs on public broadcasting station KENW-TV from Eastern New Mexico University in Portales.

Patsy Shields of Sellersburg, Ind., representing Sulky of America, will demonstrate how to use free-motion techniques to do what is called thread painting, as well as show how to make dimensional flowers and spun lace.

Evelyn Kennedy of Sewtique in Groton, Conn., will show how to remove stains from a wedding gown and then how to correctly pack it to preserve its beauty.

Information on fun ways for get-togethers and cooking salmon will be featured at 10:30 p.m. March 19 and 1 p.m. March 21.

Deborah Durham of Los Angeles, a spokesperson for

Hewlett-Packard, will show how to take a nostalgic look at families and friends through the years as we prepare various projects for the reunion or get-together. She will use the computer, scanner, printer and digital camera to make placemats, invitations, banners and lots more fun items.

Tamsen Salvador of San Francisco, a representative of the British Columbia Farmed Salmon Institute, will explain how to have salmon for dinner without reservations.

"Creative Living" is produced and hosted by Sheryl Borden of Portales.

The show is carried on more than 118 PBS stations in the United States, Canada, Guam and Puerto Rico and is distributed by Westlink of Albuquerque.

Views can request copies of materials offered on the show by sending a first-class stamp for each handout, along with name, address and booklets requested, to "Creative Living" Requests, c/o KENW-TV, 52 Broadcast Center, Portales 88130.

HERITAGE FOUNDATION

The Muleshoe Heritage Foundation board met March 4 in the Muleshoe Depot. Members present were Wells Hall, Vivian White, Jean Allison, Lonnie Adrian, Magann Rennels, Jim Allison, Kristy Price, Ladene Spears, Sammy Simpson, Walter Marie Boness and Dan Throckmorton. Hall, the president, led the business meeting and White, the treasurer, gave the financial statement.

Adrian updated the board on the Tour de Muleshoe bike ride. He said the brochures are nearly completed and will soon go out. Businesses that have agreed to help sponsor the bike ride this year are Leal's Restaurant, Muleshoe State Bank, United Supermarket, First Bank, Five Area Telephone Cooperative and Bamert Seed Co.

Adrian said the best way to get riders was to have a ride that the cyclists enjoy. He said the Heritage Center's dinner after the ride is a very good idea. He said good rest stops also are important, and he sug-

gested perhaps a competition among rest-stop sponsors to make the rest stops more fun for the riders.

Several board members said the Heritage Center's alarm system has been going off when there is no danger. It was agreed that Throckmorton and Jim Allison will work on this.

Hall said the computer model for possible center expansion is nearing completion and will be ready for showing soon.

A possible memorial display at the center for longtime board member Jack Hicks was discussed. Hall appointed Throckmorton and Jim Allison to present a plan to board members at the next meeting.

White reported that the Thrift Shop had to have repairs on the new door. She said she has ordered two new American flags for the center.

Jim Allison is developing a computer model of the Heritage Center's vision and goals. He will have this completed for the next meeting.

Losing weight can help with sleep problems

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
HOUSTON—Expanding waistlines are causing many Americans to lose sleep.

Chronic obstructive sleep apnea, not visions of doughnuts, is keeping people awake. Obesity in the upper body, especially in the neck, can narrow the airways leading to the lungs, resulting in heavy snoring, pauses in breathing and frequent interruptions of sleep.

"Most of our overweight patients say they snore excessively and don't sleep well," said Dr. Peter Jones, an associate professor of medicine at Baylor College of Medicine and medical director of weight management at Methodist Wellness Services at Methodist Healthcare Systems.

Patients in Methodist's weight-management programs need to lose 50 or more pounds. After losing weight, many report that their sleep improves.

"Losing weight can be an

important part of treatment for patients who have sleep apnea," said Dr. Max Hirshkowitz, associate of psychiatry and director of the Baylor Sleep Disorders Center at the Houston Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

"Even a 10 percent weight loss can reduce the number of times most patients stop breathing during the night," he said.

Hirshkowitz recommends a thorough evaluation by a sleep expert to determine the cause of the sleep apnea and to plan individual therapy. Other treatments include continuous positive airway pressure, a procedure in which the patient wears an air pressure mask over the nose during sleep, dental appliances and surgery.

People with sleep apnea often feel very sleepy during the day and their concentration and daytime performance suffer.

Other common symptoms

include depression, irritability, sexual dysfunction, learning and memory difficulties, and falling asleep while at work, on the phone or driving.

Untreated sleep apnea patients are more than three times as likely to have automobile accidents than the general public according to the National Sleep Foundation. An estimated 50 percent of sleep apnea patients have high blood

pressure. Risk for heart attack and stroke may also increase in those with sleep apnea.

The Muleshoe Journal wishes to apologize to Jerry Damron for the poor quality of his ad photo in Sunday's edition of the paper. The Journal always strives to present the public with the best photo reproduction possible. In this instance, there were reproduction problems at the location where our paper is printed.

A note of thanks to our many supporters & friends... Words cannot express our gratitude or describe the many blessings in our life. The album release for 184 CHRIST was a success because of the efforts of so many people, including:

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Winner at Houston

Taking reserve champion shorthorn steer at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo on Feb. 27 was Marlie Black (second from right) of Muleshoe. Shown with her (left to right) are Curtis Preston, Joe Behrens, Brenda Black, Rex Black and Brady Black.

Baylor highlights needs of uninsured

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
HOUSTON — Together with academic health centers across the nation, Baylor College of Medicine joined community partners and civic leaders to highlight the need for expanding health-care access.

"People between the ages of 19 and 64 who are not completely disabled are extremely vulnerable because they are not covered by any health-insurance program, no matter how poor they are," said Dr. Arthur Garson, senior vice president and dean of academic operations at Baylor. "We need to take serious action to fix this problem."

Garson, state Rep. Garnet Coleman and Allegra Melillo, a Baylor student and founder of a student-run homeless clinic, spoke recently at Palmer Way Station in Houston to draw attention to the Association of Academic Health Centers' campaign, "Why Not Everyone? It's Time To Take Action on the Uninsured."

Landscape conferences scheduled

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
LUBBOCK — West Texans can learn more about landscape plant health and waterwise irrigation strategies at landscape conferences planned for Amarillo and Lubbock this month.

"Our first conference is March 26 at Texas A&M's Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Amarillo . . . at 6500 Amarillo Boulevard West," said Harold Kaufman, Extension plant pathologist at Lubbock.

The second is March 27 at the Lubbock center three miles north of Lubbock International Airport and half a mile east of Interstate 27 on FM 1294, he added.

Both conferences will begin with registration over coffee and doughnuts from 8 a.m. to 8:25 a.m. and last until 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Registration cost is \$20 per person, sent with a check payable to Extension Account 240101, to Kaufman at Texas Cooperative Extension, Route 2, Box 213-AA, Lubbock 79403.

Palmer Way Station is an outreach program of Palmer Memorial Episcopal Church that offers the homeless breakfast, medical care from a Baylor nurse practitioner and other vital services.

The Association of Academic Health Centers' goal is to decrease the number of uninsured individuals by 5 million each year. Nationwide, about 39 million Americans do not have health insurance, and the number continues to increase.

Baylor is helping expand access to health care through its partnership with Healthcare for the Homeless Houston, a community organization that gives free care to the homeless.

Healthcare for the Homeless Houston facilitates these services at the Palmer Way Station,

in clinics at SEARCH, Lord of the Streets, the Open Door Mission and Star of Hope Men's Development Center, and through the organization's street outreach program.

Medical students from Baylor and the University of Texas Health Science Center operate Houston Outreach Medicine, Education, and Social Services (or HOMES), a student-run free homeless clinic program established in 2000.

Both national and local studies indicate that between 34 percent and 50 percent of homeless people have identified illness and/or health related conditions as a primary factor leading to their homelessness. According to a 1996 survey conducted by the University of Houston School of Public Policy and the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County, more than

South Plains' Job Fair is April 2

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL
Companies from as far away as Minnesota are signing up to participate in South Plains College's annual Job Fair in Levelland on April 2.

The event is set for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Sundown Room of the Student Center and is open to current or former SPC students.

A representative of Xcel Energy's Minnesota base will provide information on jobs available with the firm in Texas and New Mexico, said Maria López-Strong, technical counselor and job fair coordinator.

Government, medical and law enforcement

agencies also have signed up. Additional companies or students that would like to be a part of the job fair can contact Lopez-Strong beginning March 18 at (806) 894-9611, ext. 2562.

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1642 head of cattle, 159 hogs and 587 sheep and goats for a total of 2,389 animals were sold at the March 9th sale. Market steady on all classes with good demand and active bidding. Packer cows & Bulls showed 1-2 dollars increase from sale last week.

The Muleshoe Cattle Market is brought to you each week by Muleshoe Livestock Auction, located east of Muleshoe on U.S. 84. Muleshoe Livestock conducts sales every Saturday, beginning with hogs, sheep and goats at 10 a.m. and cattle following at approximately noon.

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Causey Dairy, Rogers, NM	12	Hol. Bulls	168 lbs.	at \$114.00
Cross Calf Ranch, Pampa	8	Hol. Bulls	191 lbs.	at \$114.00
Ft. Worth & Co., Las Vegas, NV	28	Hol. Bulls	228 lbs.	at \$105.00
Schaap Dairy, Portales, NM	23	Hol. Bulls	304 lbs.	at \$92.00
Nolberto Nevarez, Denver City	2	Hol. Bulls	365 lbs.	at \$85.50
Dudley Ray Offield, Littlefield		Char. Bull	285 lbs.	at \$128.00
Alkali Cattle, Portales, NM		Char. Bull	330 lbs.	at \$119.00
FM Farms, Brownfield	10	YWF Strs	354 lbs.	at \$120.00
Henry Batenhorst, Hereford	6	Mxd. Strs	396 lbs.	at \$113.00
Secondar Strategies, Littlefield		Bik. Str	410 lbs.	at \$111.00
John Thiessen, Seminole	2	Mxd. Strs	455 lbs.	at \$109.00
Walking J Farms, Muleshoe	9	Red Strs	537 lbs.	at \$91.50
Lewis Farm & Ranch, Morton	2	Char. Bulls	545 lbs.	at \$89.00
7C Cattle, Bovina	50	Char. Strs	700 lbs.	at \$84.25
7C Cattle, Bovina	15	Char. Strs	772 lbs.	at \$77.75
7C Cattle, Bovina	19	Char. Strs	847 lbs.	at \$75.25
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Tom Jinks, Muleshoe	10	Mxd. Hfrs	630 lbs.	at \$80.50
Marvin Bone, Earth	6	Mxd. Hfrs	578 lbs.	at \$88.50
Marvin Bone, Earth	3	Mxd. Hfrs	770 lbs.	at \$74.00
John Thiessen, Seminole	5	Red Hfrs	603 lbs.	at \$83.75
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Norris Conklin, Muleshoe		RMF Cow	1120 lbs.	at \$51.00
Danny Inge, Portales, NM		Bik. Cow	1095 lbs.	at \$48.00
Jarrold Seales, Anton		Char. Cow	1335 lbs.	at \$49.50
Rick Houston, Abernathy		Bik. Cow	1005 lbs.	at \$47.75
Greg Byers, Littlefield		Char. Cow	1210 lbs.	at \$48.00
Brian Boehning, Earth	2	Hol. Cows	1415 lbs.	at \$48.50
Prairie View Dairy, Muleshoe	2	Hol. Cows	1493 lbs.	at \$47.00
Miguel Arbaria, Portales, NM	2	Hol. Cows	1220 lbs.	at \$45.00
Monte Paxton, Tatum, NM		Char. Bull	1690 lbs.	at \$58.50
Secondar Strategies, Littlefield		Bik. Bull	1515 lbs.	at \$60.25

Hard freezes hurt crops in Texas' Winter Garden

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL COLLEGE STATION — Winter Garden farmers west of San Antonio are estimating that the hard freezes of Feb. 27 and March 4 will cost them millions of dollars, Texas Cooperative Extension reports.

The freeze caused light to heavy damage to onions, cabbage, spinach, peaches, lettuce, wheat and oats, said Joe Peña, Extension economist.

"We estimate in the neighborhood of a \$10 million to \$15 million loss," Peña said. "That is just taking the approximate number of acres of cabbage and onions that were severely hit, and some wheat. It was record-low cold weather for March, and there were also record-low temperatures for last week."

Temperatures were below 27 degrees Feb. 27 and stayed down for 10 to 12 hours, Peña said. The region was hit again March 4 with temperatures down to 16 degrees, but that happened much later during the night.

Therefore, whatever crops were struggling and barely hanging on from the February freeze probably were done in by the later one, Peña said.

"I was in one onion field and it was gone, yet I was

in another field next door to it and it was not so gone," Peña said. "So we don't know, nobody knows, the extent of the damage."

First, it is not known exactly how many acres were planted in the Winter Garden, which includes Uvalde, Medina, Kinney and Bandera counties, Peña said.

Secondly, producers don't know if the crops are actually dead or if they will snap out after a while, he said.

"All we know is that the young cabbage and anything else young did not survive," Peña said. "So that means the cabbage for April-May harvest is almost completely gone. Also we

know that the growing tips of spinach are dead."

This will make the harvesting process very difficult because a machine doesn't know what is dead and what is alive, he said.

"The wheat growing tip is showing signs that it was frozen, but we don't know if it is dead yet or not," Peña said right after the freeze. "Damaged wheat tends to tiller, meaning it puts out lateral shoots, and therefore the yields will be down — but how much down we don't know yet."

About 400,000 acres of wheat is planted in this region.

Most of the spinach had already been harvested, so losses are not as great for

that crop.

The area grows some potatoes as well, but they are more protected because they grow underground.

"We plant onions in the fall but don't harvest them until May or June because they are very vulnerable," Peña said. "They're going to lose a lot of onions. We have 3,000 acres of onions, and I bet we're going to lose 1,500 acres at least."

Peña said the freezing of these crops is just like the freezing that occurs in a backyard garden. When do you know that it's all gone? Just about now — two to three weeks after the freeze.

Some fields will be abandoned, and some will be planted in cucumbers, for

example, which could be harvested in May, Peña said.

Now producers are focusing on the warm-season crops of corn, sorghum, hay and cotton.

Bob Robinson, district Extension director in Amarillo, said single-digit lows for several days caused some concern about possible freeze damage to area wheat.

It appears that only leaf tissue was damaged, since the growing point is still below ground, where it is protected from freezing temperatures, he said.

Panhandle-South Plains soil moisture continues to be short, with dryland wheat declining from lack

of moisture. Greenbugs continue to be a problem.

Strong winds and very dry conditions make the fire danger high.

Supplemental feeding of livestock continues, especially on the South Plains.

Randy Upshaw, district Extension director in Dallas, said record-setting temperatures have delayed forage production, but the cold weather also took a toll on harmful insects.

Terry Lockamy, district Extension director in Weslaco, said cold weather delayed some planting in the Rio Grande Valley.

Growers of sensitive crops seem to have dodged frost or freeze damage, he said.

OBITUARIES

NETTIE QUESENBERRY

Services were held Monday at the Primitive Baptist Church for Nettie Quesenberry, 99, of Muleshoe. Elder Wayne Venable, Elder Glen Williams and Stanton Quesenberry officiated. Burial was in Sudan Cemetery.

Ellis Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Mrs. Quesenberry was born March 7, 1903, in Montague County, Texas. She died Friday at Park View Nursing Home.

She married Lawrence Quesenberry on Dec. 31, 1921, at Odell, Texas. He

died July 3, 1964.

She moved to Muleshoe on Jan. 16, 1926, from Frederick, Okla. She was a homemaker and a member of the Primitive Baptist Church.

Mrs. Quesenberry is survived by two sons, Eugene Quesenberry of Amarillo and Bobby Quesenberry of San Antonio; two daughters, Anna B. Lane of Maple and Nadine Macha of Littlefield; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Park View Nursing Home (1100 W.

Avenue J, Muleshoe 79347) or Vista Care Hospice (4418 Olton Road, Plainview 79072).

CLAY HUDSON

Services were held Wednesday at the First Baptist Church of Morton for Clay Hudson, 80, of Morton. The Revs. Danny Jackson and Paul Lively officiated. Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery.

Ellis Funeral Home of Morton handled arrangements.

Mr. Hudson was born Sept. 15, 1921, in Carthage, Texas. He died Sunday in

San Angelo.

He married Opal Chapman on Dec. 13, 1941, in Seminole.

He was a retired oilfield pumper for Fullerton Oil Co. and moved to Morton in 1998 from San Angelo. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Morton.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

Mr. Hudson is survived by his wife; two daughters and sons-in-law, Rhonda and Gary Shrum and Cheryl and Benson Wilde, all of San Angelo; three sisters, Myrtle Patton of Plains, Reba Sawyer of Morton and

Arlene Smith of Midland; a brother, Russell Hudson of Morton; four grandchildren, Ashley Shrum, Chris Shrum, Lisa Ritter and Jan Wilde, all of San Angelo; and a great-grandchild, Haley Palmore of San Angelo.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Elbert Hudson, J.L. Hudson, Roy Hudson and Ervin Hudson, and two sisters, Audry Stovall and Ruby Goodman.

The family suggests memorials to Hospice of San Angelo or a favorite charity.

Journal Classifieds

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March 14, 2002

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary for the ESTATE OF RUTH BATES, deceased, were issued on the 8th day of March, A.D., 2002 in Cause No. 2276, pending in the County Court of Bailey County, Texas, To BUFORD EUGENE BATES, JR.

The residence of BUFORD EUGENE BATES, JR. is in Larimer County, Colorado. The address of such individual is: Buford Eugene Bates, Jr. c/o Curtis R. Wilkinson, Attorney P.O. Box 946 Littlefield, Texas 79339 All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and manner prescribed by law.

Dated this the 8th day of March, A.D., 2002. Curtis R. Wilkinson, Attorney P.O. Box 946 Littlefield, Texas 79339 Phone: 806-385-6007 State Bar No. 21492000. Published in the Muleshoe Journal March 14, 2002.

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Monday 5 pm for Thursday's issue.
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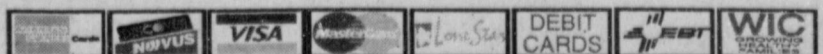
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