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THE BOMBING OF THE WORLD TRADE CENTER AND PENTAGON led to rumors of price gouging at the gas pumps across the United States. The fear of increased prices led to long lines (up to 50 cars long in Lockney) at local stations. Rumors spread of gas prices in Lamesa of \$3.50 and Dallas at \$4.00. The rumors were unfounded. The Governor's office was declared a state of emergency and promises to prosecute anyone responsible for the price gouging of food or gasoline.

Ronnie Smith enjoys caring for his exotic animals

Visiting the home of Ronnie and Phyllis Smith is like a trip to a petting zoo. Friendly, exotic, and colorful animals greet you at every turn--especially if you just happen to be carrying the feed bucket.

The Smiths are used to double takes as people drive by their home. Not only is their earth shelter home a unique sight on the South Plains--but the elk roaming on the Smith's property is also not a usual West Texas occurrence.

The doe elk will surprise visitors with their gentleness--but a warning from Ronnie Smith should keep you at a safe distance from the ominous looking long antlered buck.

"He is protective of his does," said Ronnie. "He is pretty friendly when his antlers are gone--but when they are growing then you have to be careful. Don't pet him on top of his head because he sees that as a challenge. Don't bend your head down either because he sees that as a challenge too."

Ronnie says that most of these lessons he has learned the hard way. "The buck has worried me a time or two."

Tall fence keep the elk in and according to Ronnie they don't challenge the fence. "They know where their food comes from--so they are happy to stay here."

"Lighthouse Electric came out and put up two telephone poles for the buck to rub his antlers on so he wouldn't keep tearing down my fence."

"Most people don't know the difference between antlers and horns. Antlers shed every year

and horns keep on growing. The antlers new growth pushes off the old growth."

According to Ronnie some people harvest the velvet off of the elk antlers. "It is supposed to be an aphrodisiac," laughs Ronnie, "but since they've invented drugs for that they probably don't need the velvet anymore."

Ronnie says he raises the elk and all the other exotic animals mostly for his own enjoyment. "My wife says I don't have anything that will make us money," laughs Ronnie.

"The doe only have one calf a year, but eventually I have to sell something off. When I sell them they usually go to a controlled hunting area or I sell them at exotic sales."

"They really aren't worth anything anymore. When the bottom fell out on the exotic sale of ostrich and emu then the bottom fell out on all exotic animals."

Even though Ronnie may not make much money off of his menagerie, it doesn't keep him from enjoying his herd of elk, fallow deer, llama, miniature donkeys, and a wide variety of birds.

The llama keep their distance until the feed bucket appears and then curious "best friends" surround you. "The llamas are very smart," said Ronnie. "You can halter break one in about 3 minutes. They are also good at keeping the coyotes away from your sheep--if you only have one llama among your sheep. If you put in two llama they will pair up and let the sheep fend for themselves."

Colorful exotic pheasants and

peacocks are also habitants of the Smith farm. Canadian geese, grey jungle fowl, chinese mandarin ducks, wood ducks, and black swans fill large bird cages.

"I used to have a lot of pheasants, but predators have eaten them," said Smith. "I believe racoons have gotten a lot of them, but I also think something bigger has carried off by peacocks. I have found parts of peacocks in the CRP across the highway and they were probably carried off by bobcats or 'long-tailed' cats."

Ronnie enjoys telling you all about his pets and says he has given tours for school children.

"All these birds have different temperments and I enjoy getting to know them," said Ronnie.

A black swan sitting close is "honking" and dipping his long neck down and along the ground. When asked if the swan is sick, Ronnie says, "No--he is mourning. His mate was killed by predators. There is no set time frame for the length of time he will mourn. It is like people--it is different for every bird. When he gets over it he will mate again."

According to Ronnie the money made off of the birds is far better than the money made from the sale of the elk or llama.

"You can't import exotic birds anymore," said Ronnie. "You will get more time in prison for smuggling in a parrot than you will for smuggling in cocaine."

A native of Floyd County, Ronnie says he started his "exotic collection" in the 60's. "I started out with 2,000 gallon tank full tropical fish.



RONNIE SMITH hand feeds his long antlered buck elk at his farm east of Floydada. The does to the right are very gentle and enjoy petting. Smith also has llama, miniature donkeys, and exotic birds.

"I advanced to show rabbits, then parrots, pheasants, exotic birds, and then other exotic animals. I have several friends that got me interested in the elk and llama. Now I just look for animals that are lower maintenance."

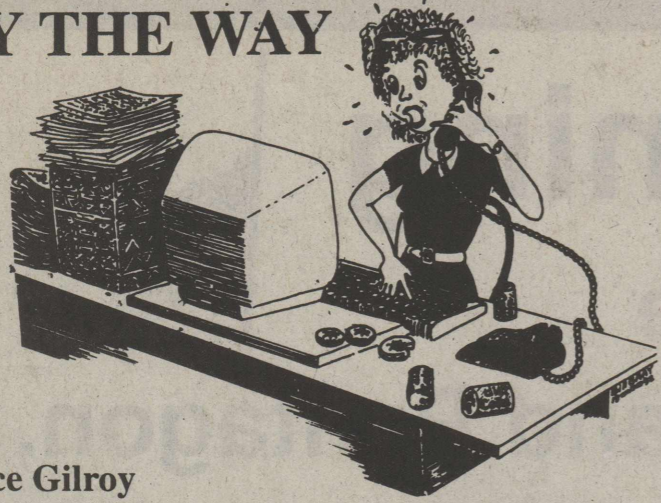
A farmer for years, Ronnie quit farming last year and is now working at the Plainview prison.

In his spare time, when he isn't working or feeding animals, Ronnie continues his work on his earth shelter home east of Floydada. "It took

me 5 years to build my home and now I am enclosing the courtyard. I'm not sure what I am going to put in the courtyard--but I'll probably put in a pond for my tropical fish. I have to build more places for my animals."

U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry will be the keynote speaker at the Floyd County Farm Bureau Annual Banquet, September 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the Unity Center. He will also hold Town Hall meetings the same day in: Dickens County, 10:30 a.m. at North Dickens County Senior Citizens Building, King County, 12:00 noon at Arb Piper Community Center in Guthrie. Cottle County, 2:30 p.m. at Paducah Community Center. Motley County, 4:00 p.m. at Motley County Senior Citizens Building in Matador.

BY THE WAY



By
Alice Gilroy

All of a sudden everything I do during a day seems so insignificant. All day Tuesday I wondered around in a fog—just like everyone else. Interviews, picture taking, and reporting all seem so trivial. Problems in Floyd County don't seem so bad anymore.

condemns the attack while his people rejoice in the streets. Just who is influencing the thoughts and actions of those citizens? Do those cheering citizens feel the same way as their leader? It doesn't appear so—or is their leader lying to us and secretly wishing he could also cheer in the streets.

The cowards who were part of the bombing at the World Trade Center and Pentagon are rejoicing. Innocent civilians were bombed by people who want us to sympathize with their cause. Those who believe so strongly in that cause are willing to die for it but too cowardly to stand up and admit it publicly.

The Palestinians were giving thanks to God for the deaths of the civilians. It is something that should be ingrained on our minds forever. The Muslims say their God is the father of Abraham. So is mine. But my God is not rejoicing. Their god says murder is just. Mine does not.

Osami bin Laden is the most likely leader of this attack, however he and his followers take no responsibility. Osami kills unarmed civilians. He can't stomach a fair fight with armed soldiers. Palestinian leader Yassar Arafat

When people say Americans should be more tolerant and open minded to all religions and their teachings—remember September 11, 2001. When you are told that your God is the same as their God—remember their cheering in the streets and their praise of the god they believe is rejoicing with them.



A view from *The Lamplighter*

By Ken Towery
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In an act of terrorism unparalleled in modern American history, targets in New York and Washington were hit Tuesday morning by suicide bombers acting on orders from who knows where.

The two World Trade buildings, which collectively made up the World Trade Center, collapsed after being hit by hijacked planes.

Additionally, the fortress-like Pentagon building was damaged by still a third plane.

The loss of life, at this writing, is unknown, but we will predict the number will run into the thousands, rivaling if not exceeding the loss of life at Pearl Harbor.

It was not a question of whether we would be hit eventually. It was merely a matter of time and place. Immediate speculation focused on Osama bin Laden, the secretive Muslim activist

kicked out of Saudi Arabia years ago. He, at last reports hiding somewhere in Afghanistan, was quoted in a London newspaper three weeks ago as saying "American interests" would soon be hit, "and hit hard." While the Afghan's Taliban insist that bin Laden could not have had a part in the bombing, we were hit, and we were hit hard. The World Trade Center has become symbolic of American economic power worldwide, and it is that economic power that bin Laden reacts so strongly against. The Pentagon, of course, is seen worldwide as the symbol of American military power, and an attack on it must be seen, by America's enemies, as satisfying indeed.

We have no idea what the American government will do next, but odds are that it will be wrong. Once before,

when American interests were targeted abroad, we ended up bombing an aspirin factory in Somalia. Then one of our warships was nearly sunk in a Yemen harbor. The beat goes on. The last time the World Trade Center was targeted, those responsible were apprehended and sentenced. This time there will be no one to charge with the crime, simply because they died in the resulting inferno, along with many, many innocent people.

President Bush immediately ordered a full scale government investigation. The order for an investigation went out even as the dust began to settle and the ambulances began to haul victims to various hospitals. In our view one of the matters that ought to be investigated is why, why, why we had no knowledge of when and where the attack was to come. As we said earlier in this column, it was not a matter of whether we were going to be hit, it was only where and when.

The reason there was no question concerning "whether"? Simply because, as every school child knows, when one starts pulling chestnuts from the fire, the fingers are apt to get burned. For many decades we have pulled Israel's chestnuts from the Middle East fire. In so doing, we have made enemies of Israel's enemies and friends of Israel's friends, few as they are. Osama bin Laden takes the position, in exhortations to the faithful, that since American civilians pay the taxes that support Israel's expansionist aims in the middle east, those same civilians are legitimate targets for terrorist attacks. He has repeated that time and time again.

In our own opinion America simply has to expand and focus its own intelligence service. We spend billions of dollars each year on intelligence operations, but beginning back with former President Jimmy Carter, this country's covert intelligence operation has been downgraded to the point where it is practically useless. We have come to rely almost entirely on spy satellites, intercepts, published documents and the like, neglecting, in my own opinion, the human element that is the very soul of successful intelligence.

The President, from an undisclosed location, promises that we will hunt down and punish the perpetrators of Tuesday's attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Fine, that ought to happen. But it would be a lot better, and would have saved many American lives, to have had some idea of what was going on. We know, as well as anyone, that individual suicide attacks cannot be stopped, period. When one is mentally and emotionally prepared to give his life for a cause, there's not much that can be done about it. But with proper intelligence it is at least possible to be forewarned and reduce the casualties. It has long been obvious that America is not going to address the underlying cause of these attacks on "American interests". Our political, military and economic ties with Israel will preclude any such action. Knowing that, and knowing the likely results, we should at least spend what it takes to keep apprised of what is going on, and what is likely to go on. Anything less is national suicide.

Lockney Police Report

August 7, 2001 just after 1:00 a.m. police were dispatched to the 700 block of E. Shubert reference a domestic dispute. Upon arrival officers were told that an assault had taken place. Police arrested Veronica Lavon Thomas, 32, of Lockney for Domestic Assault and placed her in the Floyd County Jail.

August 14, police were called to the 600 block of SW 4th Street in reference a stolen car. The vehicle, a 1986 Ford Bronco, was returned early the next morning. On August 24, 2001 Stephen Brad Martin, 17, of Lockney was arrested for Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle. Also on August 29, 2001 Ramon Ascencio, 17, of Plainview was arrested for Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle in this case.

August 16, a resident of the 200 block of SW 3rd street reported to police that a bicycle was taken from the residence 11:00 p.m. and 12:00 a.m. July 8, 2001. There are several suspects.

August 19, just after 5:00 p.m. police stopped a vehicle for speeding on U.S. 70. The driver, Salvador Aguilar, 49, of Plainview was arrested for Driving While License Invalid and taken to the Floyd County Jail.

August 23, police were contacted by a resident in the 700 block of SE

4th street. The resident told police that someone had taken their bicycle while it was parked at the Lockney High School Gym during the nighttime.

August 24, police were contacted by a resident in the 600 block of SW 3rd Street that someone had entered their residence and taken several video games.

Police were contacted by a local resident watching a persons property in the 500 block of NE 2nd. The local resident told police that someone had shot out several windows to vehicle parked on the property between the 8th and 23rd of August. No Suspects in this incident at this time.

August 29, police were contacted by a resident in the 600 block of W. Wilson about someone forcibly entering their home. The suspect fled the area prior to police arriving.

August 30, police were contacted by a resident in the 800 block of E. Shubert Street about someone taking his vehicle. The vehicle was later returned by the suspect. On September 6, 2001 police arrested Stephen Brad Martin, 17, of Lockney, for unauthorized use of a vehicle involving this crime.

September 3, a resident in the 300 block of E. Bryant contacted police
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Courtroom Activities

In County Court, August 31, 2001: Salvador Aguilar, 49, of Plainview, was charged with DWI-2nd.

Michael Lee English, 29, of Plainview, was charged with DWI and Possession of Marijuana.

Charles Bryant Lorck, 41, of Shallowater, was charged with DWI. Arnulfo Reyes, 34, of Hale Center, was charged with DWI.

Delma Gomez Sanders, 37, of Floydada, was charged with DWI.

Rufino Chavarrio Solis, 27, of Plainview, was charged with DWI.

Terrance Shane Summers, 21, of Plainview was charged with Possession of Marijuana.

Robert Villa, 33, of Lubbock, was charged with DWI.

Daniel Zavala, 38, of Plainview, was charged with DWI.

Tony Zuniga, 29, of Lockney, was charged with Assault/family violence.

Please pray for those who those who have lost loved ones in the bombing and for the rescue and medical personnel.

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Combs addresses ag issues

By Darwin Robinson

Texas Agricultural Commissioner Susan Combs conducted a noon Town Hall Farmers/Ranchers Forum last Thursday, September 6th, at the Floyd County Unity Center in Muncy. This was one of many town hall meetings Combs is conducting throughout Texas during September and October.

Combs spoke to more than fifty Floyd County farmers, ranchers, and business leaders from the surrounding area and towns.

Combs said, "This (last) legislative session was very interesting and very significant for rural Texans. Because of the redistricting which we will face this fall, everybody in the legislature admits we will have to deal with rural Texans immediately."

"This legislation dealt with rural economical development, water, and several things I think will be of use to you. On the federal level, September 13th, Congress is going to debate the Farm Bill (which came) out of the House Ag Committee. This is going to be an interesting process and I hope all of you will pay attention to it," Combs added.

Combs continued, "Rural Texas is under stress. Agriculture is under stress. All rural businesses are under stress. We must practice rural economic development in ranching and farming for our kids to have any economic future."

"Whether you live in the Panhandle, El Paso, San Antonio, or in the Valley near Mexico, water is on your mind all the time. Whether you use water to irrigate or just to flush the toilet, you have to be thinking about water."

"Water is the key to the success of any small community. And I urge you, and everyone wherever I go, to pay attention to your local water situation. Pay attention to your local Underground Water Conservation District. If you don't have water, then you don't have a future," Combs told the attentive audience.

Combs explained the need for Texans to diversify in their need to survive these hard times. Combs said, "167 million tourists came to Texas last year just to look. People will pay to look at your butterflies, your pet rocks, your flowers, your birds, or to hunt on your property."

"Twelve million of these tourists just come to look at old historical buildings and ruins. They spend an average of \$114 per day on hotels, motels, and bed and breakfast rooms."

"We are not abandoning cotton, corn, or sorghum, but you can add to your income some 10, 15, or 20 percent in these other areas," Combs concluded in her introductory remarks.

One audience member asked, "How do we keep our water here?" Combs replied, "You must govern the drilling for water on the local level."

When asked, what was the best way to promote rural ag development and help farmers make money, Combs replied, "They tell us every \$1 of profit from farming or ranching will roll over \$4 to the local community, and eventually roll over \$9 overall. This is from buying gas, food, fertilizer, and other products at the local level."

"The strength of the American dollar has a big effect on our ability to get into foreign markets. It is not good. When you have other countries who devalue their currencies, such as Australia or Canada, then they can kill us on their products and produce, such as tomatoes and certain other specialty items."

"The WTO (World Trade Organization) is spending about \$60 billion dollars a year supporting their farmers (with payments), while we (America) spend about \$19 billion on the same thing. That is a 3 to 1 ratio," Combs explained.

"This upcoming Farm Bill is very important to this issue. President Bush recently stated that he was born in Texas, raised in Texas, and hopes to die in Texas, and that he is very concerned with the Farm Bill. He considers it a national security issue, if we cannot feed ourselves," Combs said.

South Plains farmer Don Marble asked, "What about our foreign imports and the textile mills going out of business, leaving over 600,000 textile employees out of work?"

Combs replied, "Our imports, for example food products, are because we want everything in season, nine months a year, for our school systems. It is a challenge to keep fresh produce on hand for this and the border crossings, both ways, are being shut down and opened on a daily basis."

"I have heard there is a yarn and textile mill that may process Mohair coming to West Texas. It costs over \$50 million to build such a plant. We cannot offer that kind of money on a 3 percent loan," Combs added.

Combs was questioned concerning seed, cattle, and meat research contracts being given to foreign countries and the length of time it takes to get a new type of seed approved.

Combs replied that she believes public tax dollars should fund public research, but she had recently heard of a cotton research project that had already been sold off to another country. She also said Australia had received funding for research in the cattle industry. Concerning the length of time to get research products back, Combs said, "It is like medicine, it takes forever to get a product approved and sent to market."

To a question concerning 65 percent of our food being imported and only 2 percent being inspected, Combs said, "I do not agree with that statement, because the USA is the number one provider of the world's food supply. However, we do want 'country of origin' labeling, and I am promoting 'state of origin' labeling. We want everything labeled, including beef."

Concerning Texas Capital Funds for rural development, Combs said, "Some applications were awarded last December. There is \$3.75 million available, \$900,000 has been sent out, leaving \$2.8 million available to those who apply under Rule No. 1."

Combs said that the state probably would not get involved in loaning money to farmers or ranchers like the local banks, because of the risks involved. Combs said she believed the Ag lending situation would possibly turn around by January, 2003.

Combs concluded the meeting by encouraging all present to phone and write letters to their representatives in Washington, D.C. "You cannot be silent," said Combs.

Combs said anyone could contact her on her website address at www.scombs@agr.state.tx.us.

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AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER SUSAN COMBS SPEAKS AT MUNCY-The Floyd County Unity Center hosted a noon Farmer/Rancher Forum, Thursday, September 6. This was one of many brief local forums held around Texas by Ag Commissioner Combs last week. (see related story) Staff Photo

Floydada Scout Hut gets new look

Members and parents of Floydada Boy Scout Troop 357 were up early Labor Day, Monday, September 3, 2001. Over 250 flags were flying at residences by 7:30 a.m. After enjoying breakfast burritos they went to work again. This time it was workday at "the hut." They hoed, mowed, swept, mopped, painted, repaired, scrubbed, boxed up and threw away. Twenty-two people worked more than five hours getting the hut ready for the coming year.

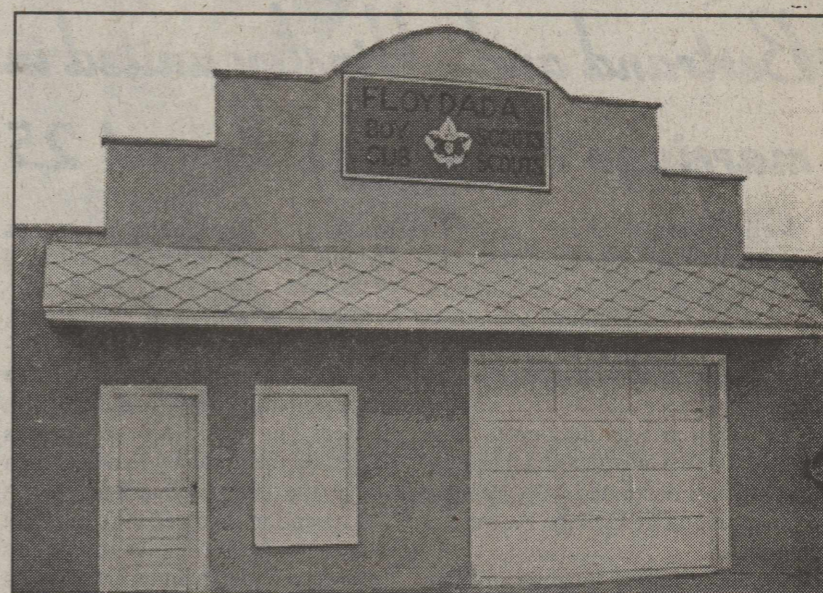
An outside sign, painted by Judy Schacht, was hung on the building. The sign has the scout emblem, troop and pack numbers and it looks great. Thanks Judy! In the near future a light will be installed so the sign can be seen and enjoyed after dark.

Michael Gilliland designed and printed a mural that was hung on the inside of the building. Various flags were hung on the other walls in the building. Very soon another sign by Michael will be hung outside in the circle where the old Consumers sign was. Michael is a very talented young man and we appreciate him sharing his talents with us.

We would also like to thank Uncle's Convenience Store for donating ice for our water and soft drinks.

Monday afternoon it was back to the streets to pick up flags at residences. Those who worked or helped with flags were Adolfo Chavarria, Judy

Griggs, June McGaugh, Darla Chappell, Jimmy McGaugh, Jerry Chappell, Curtis Emert, Bobby Gilliland, J.C. Chappell, James Espinoza, Justin Chavarria, A.J. Pitts, Wade Hill, Jay McGaugh, Cheryl Wilson, B.J. Chappell, Robbie Odom, Derrick Griggs, Barbara Gilliland, Brian Odom, Kenny Griggs and Brandon Gilliland.



FLOYDADA SCOUT HUT GETS NEW LOOK--The Floydada Boy Scout building has been revamped with a new sign by Judy Schacht and a mural by Michael Gilliland and flags. See related story.

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MRS. CHAD HINSLEY
(nee Kelli Bertrand)

Bertrand and Hinsley united in marriage ceremony August 25

Kelli Lynn Bertrand and Chad Hinsley were united in marriage Saturday, August 25, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Floydada. Wyndell Horn, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiated.

The church was decorated with greenery and white bows on the pews. Candelabras decorated with greenery were arranged by College Flowers of Lubbock.

The bride is the daughter of Glen Bertrand and Debbie Bertrand, both of Floydada. Grandparents are Helen Bertrand, Frankie White, and Austin and Dovie Holmes, all of Floydada.

The groom is the son of Michael and Linda Hinsley of Floydada. Grandparents are Wynell Hinsley and Wanda Williams, all of Floydada.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride selected a gown made of bridal white satin. The dress was overlaid throughout with tulle and embroidered with a floral pattern. The floral pattern is accented with clear beads and small pearls. The two-piece look of the dress gave a slimming look the waistline. The halter top neckline gave the gown a fresh, soft look. The gown fell into an A-line skirt and carried a chapel length train. The bride carried red Cleopatra roses accented with small white roses.

"Something old" was a ring belonging to a great-grandmother tied inside the wedding dress. "Something new" was her wedding attire. "Something borrowed" was a pearl necklace, earrings, and bracelet belonging to aunt of the bride, Cindy Bertrand. The bride wore a blue garter for "something blue".

The groom was attired in a full black tuxedo with red vest.

Serving as Maid of Honor was Salina Elliott of Floydada. Bridesmaid was Amber Robbins of Canyon. She wore a black satin A-line skirt with black tulle neckline.

Best man was Justin Marble of Floydada. Skeeter Smith of Matador, served as groomsman. They wore black tuxedos with black vests.

Flower girl was Hallie Bertrand, cousin of the bride, of Floydada. Haden Lipham, nephew of the groom, of Floydada, served as ring bearer. Candlelighters were Elizabeth Bertrand, cousin of the bride of Floydada, and Mason Lipham, nephew of the groom, of Floydada.

Ushering guests were Troy Johnson of Floydada and Frankie Maldonado

of Lubbock. Registering guests was Cynthia Martinez of Floydada, friend of the bride.

Musical selections of "The Rose", "Forever is as Far as I'll Go", and "Father, Just Sit with Me Awhile," were vocalized by Randy and Meredith Miller. The wedding march was played on the organ by Penny Ogden and on the piano by Sue Reeves.

A reception followed the ceremony at the church. Serving at the bride's table were Tamarah Smith and Monica Smith of Floydada, and Micha Marble of Lubbock. The table featured a four-tier white cake decorated with red Cleopatra roses.

Serving at the groom's table was Angie Lipham of Floydada and Amy Speyrer of Lubbock. The groom's table held a chocolate cake with chocolate covered strawberries. A large multi-colored arrangement accented both the bride and groom's table.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted August 24, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. by Mike and Linda Hinsley at Rockin R Steakhouse.

A bridal shower was held in the home of Robin Nixon of Floydada on July 7, 2001. Hostesses were Barbara Anderson, Jan Beedy, Connie Bertrand, Stacey Burge, Rebecca Burns, Sherese Covington, Judy Dunlap, Mary Emert, Tonya Evans, Penny Golightly, Donna Grundy, Beverly Harrison, Brenda Heflin, Donna Henderson, Duffy Hinkle, Pam Holmes, Connie Hurt, Connie Johnson, Jodie McGuire, Robin Nixon, Sue Reeves, Becky Ross, Dixie Smith, Sherri Smith, Zahn Turner, Ilda Vasquez, Hope Warren, Jill Warren, Kelly Williams and Margie Womack.

Afternoon a honeymoon to Concan, Texas, the couple will reside in Floydada. The bride is attending Wayland Baptist University majoring in Technology. The groom is employed by Hinsley Farms.

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Floyd County Lifestyles

Floydada Senior Citizen News

By: Margarette Word

The center is open Monday through Friday. If you are 60 years or older this center is for you. Lunch is served starting at 11:30 a.m. Come and eat a reasonable priced meal and visit with your friends. Please call the center at 983-2032 by 10 a.m. if you plan to eat lunch.

I'm writing this news on Monday, September 10. I am enjoying the whole day. The weather is wonderful and my son Greg and his family are here to pick up their dog, Lady Bug. They left her here while they went to Colorado for a few days. We've had a wonderful time visiting. They will leave Tuesday, September 11 for Granbury.

I didn't get to go to the center very much this past week, so I don't have a lot of news.

We've had some visitors this past week. Doris Tinsley came with Ernestine Gilly Tuesday, September 3; Thursday, Frank Webb of Kingsville visited and ate lunch. He use to be manager of Piggly Wiggly several years ago. He was on his way to Almagordo, New Mexico. Also on Thursday, Reverend Charlie Stice of Tahoka was a visitor of J.V. and Joyce Martin.

Sally and Pete Salazar have been eating with for some time now. We are always glad when we have new people come and enjoy the center.

Irene King, our director, has been in the hospital since Labor Day. I understand she was dismissed from UMC Sunday, September 9.

A birthday party was held on Sunday evening, September 9 celebrating Irene Wexler's 92nd birthday in the home of Edna Patton. Friends present were Jo Payne, Estelle Warren, Deota Odom, Estelle Gilbreath, Edna Patton and the honoree, Irene Wexler.

Thank you for remembering the center when you need to make a memorial donation.

In memory of Grace Jarrett by Francis Gunter, Tony and Cecelle Jones, Tom and Jerry Pearson, Gene and Nancy Lawson, Bill and Norma Feuerbacher.

In memory of Alma Rape by Carol Reese, Gene and Nancy Lawson.

In memory of Lyndell Roberts by Carol Reese.

In memory of Grady Dunavant by John Redding.

Thought for the Week: The beautiful thing about learning is that nobody can take it away from you. (B.B. King)



MRS. CARLOS PERALES
(nee Amy Kathryn Tillet)

Tillet and Perales marry September 1

Amy Kathryn Tillet and Carlos A. Perales exchanged wedding vows Saturday afternoon, September 1, 2001 at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church of Danville, Kansas with the Rev. Michael Peltzer, pastor, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Marilyn and Douglas Tillet of Allen and the granddaughter of Frances Tillet of Church Falls, Virginia and Albert Drouhard Jr. of Harper, Kansas.

Perales is the son of Jose Perales of Lockney and Arnold Perales Sr. of Plainview. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Juan Villarreal and Modesta Perales, all of Lockney.

Nancy Tillet of Allen, the bride's sister, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Angela Tillet of Fritch, the bride's sister-in-law; Jackie Lemons of Allen, the bride's cousin, and Carrie Hogan of McKinney. Mary Neises, the bride's cousin, was flower girl and Danny Martinez of Plainview was ring bearer.

Christopher Magonigal of Lubbock was Best Man. Groomsmen were Arnold Perales Jr. of Lockney, the groom's brother, Rowdy Boggs of Amarillo and Shannon Veal of Phoenix, Arizona. Serving as usher was Chris Guerrero of Lubbock, the groom's cousin.

Musical selections were presented by Kay Troyer, organist, and Diana Miller, vocalist.

A reception was held in the parish hall.

After a Caribbean cruise, the couple will reside in Allen. The bride is a 1995 graduate of Allen High School and a 2000 graduate of Texas Tech University. She is a network analyst for Arch Wireless.

Perales is a 1996 graduate of Lockney High School and attended Texas Tech. He is a manager for Wal Mart.

A rehearsal dinner was given by the groom's parents at the Harper Citizens Building and was catered by Partners Restaurant.

A miscellaneous shower was given by the bridesmaids in the home of Nancy Tillet.

Look Who's New!

HENDRICKS

Austin Spencer Hendricks is proud to announce the birth of his baby sister, Kaylee Anne, born Wednesday, August 15, 2001 at 1:15 p.m. She weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces and was 18 inches long.

Austin and Kaylee are the children of Aaron and Kori Hendricks of Olton.

Grandparents are Chick and Ilene Christopher of Lubbock and Buddy and Barbara Hendricks of Floydada.

Great-grandmothers are Margie Hendricks and Alice Cornelius both of Alice, Texas.

HOLT

Kent and Donna Holt of Silverton are parents of a daughter, Amanda Beth. She was born September 1, 2001 in W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney.

She weighed 7 pounds, 11 1/2 ounces and was 21 inches long. She has a sister, Maci.

Grandparents are Wanda Moats of Lockney and Rex and Theta Holt of Silverton.

Have a blessed day!

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Notice Of Annual Meeting

Floyd County Farm Bureau

Annual Meeting

Saturday September 15, 2001
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LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By: Gene Newton

Another beautiful week has gone by at the center. Thursday night was a very good potluck meal which everyone enjoyed.

Claude Brown came home last Monday, but did return to the hospital in Lubbock. We hope he is improving.

Our cook's daughter, Estella, had her tonsils removed last Thursday in Lubbock. She went back to school Monday. We hope she is doing fine.

Arvie Newton is still improving daily. He had company over the weekend. Visiting were sister Lou and Travis Arnold of Dallas, sister Irene Fox from Sulphur Springs and brother and wife Vern and Ella Newton from Castlerock, Colorado. Also visiting was his niece and husband, Bonnie and Edgar Hartley and daughter from Hereford; nephew Norman and Velma Singer from Tulia, Aunt Beth Newton from Lubbock with her daughter and husband, Mrs. Ethlyn Garnett and two grandchildren.

We enjoyed it all. May God bless you all. Thank you neighbors for mowing yards and all the kind deeds you do.

Menu for Sept. 17 - 21

- Monday:** Beef fajitas
- Tuesday:** Spaghetti and garlic bread
- Wednesday:** Chicken fried steak
- Thursday:** Salmon patties
- Friday:** Roast beef

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Proclamation

Constitution Week September 17 - 23, 2001

WHEREAS: September 17, 2001 marks the two hundred thirteenth anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

WHEREAS: It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary, and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion, and

WHEREAS: Public law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week,

NOW, THEREFORE I, Gary Marr, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Lockney (in the state of Texas) do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23 as

CONSTITUTION WEEK

and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties, remembering that lost rights may never be regained. **IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Lockney to be affixed this 10th day of September of the year of our Lord two thousand and one.



(L-R) Vera Jo Bybee and Mayor Gary Marr Sign Proclamation



MRS. RYAN BURNS
(nee Jordan Leigh Hartman)

Hartman and Burns unite

Jordan Leigh Hartman and Michael Ryan Burns were joined in marriage on September 1, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel at Chestnut Square in McKinney. The historical chapel was built in 1909. Jerry Wade Copeland, of Victory Baptist Church of Seagoville, brother-in-law of the groom, officiated the ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Dr. and Mrs. William T. Hartman of McKinney. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hartman of Cleburn and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wells of Richardson.

Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Burns of Floydada. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Burns and the late Marie Baxter, all of Floydada.

The church was decorated with Crepe Myrtles flowering with bouquets of pink, periwinkle and red flowers.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a long formal white

gown with a matching veil. She carried a bouquet of red roses.

The groom was attired in a black tuxedo.

Jennifer Breisch, of Plano, served as Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Kristi Eft of Carrollton and Amanda Gibson of Fort Collins, Colorado. They were attired in long navy two-piece gowns. They carried bouquets of roses accented in pink, periwinkle and red.

Serving as groomsmen were Brad Emert and Scott Kinghorn, both of Lubbock, and Chris Carter of Houston. They were attired in black tuxedos. Ushering guests was brother of the bride, Drew Hartman.

The bride was presented to the musical selection of "Water Music" by Handel. Musicians were John Wynn and Lea Marshall and soloist Gary Rurap of Dallas.

A reception was hosted at Heard-Craig Auditorium by the bride's par-

ents. Decorations consisted of Crepe Myrtle trees and mixed bouquets. A catered buffet dinner was served accompanied by a band and dancing. The groom's table featured cheese cake with toppings.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by parents of the groom on August 31 at 8:30 p.m. at The Prison Restaurant.

A miscellaneous shower was hosted by friends of the bride in Carrollton, on August 4. A lingerie shower was held August 15 by bridal attendants and college friends of McKinney. A get-acquainted shower will be hosted by friends of the groom at a later date.

After a wedding trip to Playa Del Carmen, Mexico, the couple will reside in McKinney. The bride is employed at Howell Home Furnishings as a design consultant. She attended Texas Tech University. The groom is employed by the City of Plano as a police officer. He attended Texas Tech and Sam Houston University.

Firefighters attend school

Preston Belt and David Gamble, volunteer firemen of Lockney and Silverton Volunteer Fire Department attended the 72nd Annual Municipal Firemen's Training School July 22-27. The school was attended by nearly 2,000 students, representing about 750 cities from more than 25 states.

Fireman chose courses at the school from a list including Fire Fighting, Fire Prevention, Fire Department Officer Development, Fire Service Rescue Practices, Specialized Fire Protection and Public Safety Emergency Service Dispatcher.

Firemen Belt and Gamble were sponsored by Floyd County Farm Bureau and Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies by contributing toward the cost of the school. Since volunteer firemen are interested in attending this school to help do a better job for fire fighting and fire prevention, 125 County Farm Bureaus and the Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies in the statewide program have sponsored 125 firemen at the school.



ERIN ELIZABETH NICKEL AND JUSTIN ALAN SCARTH

Nickel and Scarth

Drs. Allen and Susan Nickel of Temple are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin Elizabeth to Justin Alan Scarth, son of Pat and Janet Scarth of Amarillo. Grandparents of the bridegroom of Elvis and Esther Parker of Amarillo.

The bride-elect attended Temple High School in Temple, Texas. She is a graduate of Texas A&M University with a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and Sociology. She also attended the University of Texas in Austin working on a Masters Degree in Social Work.

The bridegroom attended Randall High School in Amarillo. He is a graduate of Texas A&M University with a degree in Civil Engineering. He is employed by Brandt Engineers of Amarillo.

The couple plan a January 5, 2002 ceremony in Oak Park United Methodist Church in Temple.

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Cruz, Helms, and Ramirez claim prize \$\$\$

The second week of the Football Contest became a very close race for 1st Place. First Place goes to Raul Cruz of Lockney. He missed 3 games. He garners the first place check of \$25.

There were 3 entries that missed 4 games. They were Tyler Helms, Martin Ramirez and Joe Luis Ramirez, all of Floydada.

The first tie-breaker between Lockney and Sundown was used, but all three entries chose Lockney to win. (Sundown won 21-14). So the second tie-breaker came into play and all three entries picked Floydada to win.

Tyler Helms picked Floydada to win with a final total score of 55, which was 9 points off the final score of 64. He claims the second place check of \$15.

Martin Ramirez claims the third place check of \$10, as he picked Floydada to win in the tiebreaker with a final total score of 35, which was 29 points off the final score of 64.

Joe Luis Ramirez gets honorable mention as he picked Floydada to win, but was 36 points off the final total score of 64.

Other honorable mention goes to two entries missing 5 games. They were Robert delaFuente and Sammy Bradley, both of Floydada.

Missing 6 games were Franklin Harris, Edward Sanchez, of Floydada, and Lance Terrell and Omar Burleson, of Lockney.

There were 10 entries that missed 7 games; 6 entries missed 8 games; 11 missed 9 games; 8 missed 10 games; two entries missed 11 games; 2 missed 15 games; and 1 missed 18 games.

There were two entries that **DID NOT** have games circled on the entry form. **BE SURE** and mark your choices on the entry form, or they **WILL NOT** be counted.

There were 59 total entries.

LOCKNEY LONGHORNS FOUGHT HARD-The Lockney defense is shown stopping the run last Friday night against the Sundown Roughnecks. Lockney plays Tahoka at 7:30 p.m. this Friday in Lockney. **Staff Photo**

Longhorns fall in tough fight with Sundown

The Lockney Longhorns traveled to Sundown to avenge a tough loss in last year's contest, in which Lockney struggled. Things looked quite a bit different this year. The Longhorns seemed to dominate the Roughnecks most of last Friday night's contest. It appeared that Lockney would even the score.

Lockney received the opening kickoff and quickly established themselves, driving 70 yards and using 2:32 off of the game clock. The touchdown drive was the result of two big plays, a pass from Ben Sherman to Chad Johnson good for 30 yards and a run up the left side by Ullis Martinez for the 34-yard score. The point after was good giving the Longhorns a 7-0 lead.

Sundown started on their own 35 yard-line following a return by tailback Willis Hogan. The Roughnecks' first drive was actually only one play. Quarterback Cody Palmer passed to Jimmy Cruz for a 65-yard score. The point after attempt by Willis Hogan was good. The score was 7-7 after 3:01 of play.

Mark Ford had a couple of good runs on the Longhorns next possession. He had runs of 8 and 15 yards. The Horns marched as far as the Sundown 37-yard line before they fumbled the ball. However, the Longhorns held the Roughnecks to three and out on Sundown's next possession.

On Lockney's third possession of the game, they moved the ball effectively on the ground with runs by Ullis Martinez, Michael Rodriguez, Mark Ford and quarterback Ben Sherman. An illegal procedure penalty eventually forced the Longhorns to punt. Mark Ford's punt traveled 42 yards before Jimmy Cruz returned it for fourteen yards.

Later, Sundown took over with 4:14 left in the first quarter. The Roughnecks moved the ball nine yards on three plays to the Longhorn 45-yard line. They decided to go for the first down on fourth and one. Willis Hogan broke loose on the left side for a touchdown. The point after was no good. Sundown led 13-7 with 2:11 left in the first half.

Though the score remained 13-7 for the third quarter, Lockney scored on a drive that started late in the third quarter covering 69 yards and using 12 plays. Most of the yards came on

runs by Ullis Martinez and Mark Ford. Ben Sherman had a completed pass to Jarred Lambert on a fourth and five situation that was good for eight yards and the first down. Ben Sherman kept the ball on an option and took the Longhorns to the Sundown five-yard line and a first down. The score came on a four-yard run by Mark Ford. The extra-point kick by Jesus Rios was good. The Longhorns took the lead 14-13.

With 3:02 left in the ballgame, Sundown went to the air. Starting on their own 20-yard line, Sundown completed a twelve-yard pass to Jimmy Cruz and a thirteen-yard strike to Willis Hogan before scoring on a 38-yard pass to Hogan. Another completion to Jimmy Cruz for the two-point conversion put Sundown on top, 21-14.

Lockney struck quickly regaining possession with 1:07 on the game clock. Ben Sherman hit Chas Westbrook for a 36-yard completion. It looked as though Lockney might score when the Roughnecks, on their own six-yard line, intercepted the ball.

Cody Palmer ran a quarterback sneak on first and ten on the Sundown six with 50 seconds remaining on the clock. He fumbled the ball and Lockney recovered on the twelve-yard line.

Lockney had 44 seconds and at least four downs to score. That wouldn't be when the ball was intercepted on first down and returned to the 49-yard line. Sundown ran out the clock and the final score was Sundown 21 and Lockney 14.

The final minute of the game saw three turnovers on three consecutive plays. Though Lockney didn't win, they controlled the game. The Horns had many things to be proud of including the play of Landon Shumacher and Matt McPherson who received high marks for their performances.

GAME STATISTICS

Lockney	Sundown
7 of 15 3rd Down Conversions	1 of 8 4th Down Conversions
1 of 4 First Downs	9
49-213 Rushes-Yards	27-122
81 Passing Yards	150
294 Total Yards	272
10-4-2 Comp-Att-Int	14-7-0
4-32.3 Punts-Average	5-35.6
0-0 Fumbles-Lost	0-0
6-45 Penalties-Yards	4-22
20 Return Yards	76
27.43 Possession Time	20.17

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**Lockney Longhorn Parents Night
Friday, September 14, 2001
Lockney vs. Tahoka**

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SUPER SAYS

The 'Horns are playing at home this week!!

Lets go out Friday night at 7:30 and watch the 'Horns beat the Tahoka Bulldogs



FLOYD COUNTY 4-H'ERS COMPETE IN JUNIOR FASHION SHOW-Ten of the nineteen 4-H'ers qualify for the District contest set for Saturday, September 22 at the Texas Tech University College of Human Sciences. All contestants are eligible to model at the South Plains Fair Fashion Follies to be held September 22 at 2 p.m. Participants included: (front row, l-r) Heather Brock, Jill Bramlet, Senee' Foster, Segayle Foster, Abigail Miller, Cheyann Powell, Pee Wee participant Sarah Jo Miller; (middle row seated, l-r) Kaylie Nutt, Emily Prayor, Laci Nixon, Cancy Cabler; (back row standing, l-r) Allison Griggs, Elizabeth Ibarra, Tara Hughes, Jesalyn Bradley, Kami Keaton, Katie Beth Crossland, Kayla Kelley, Makenzie Schwertner, Evan Johnson.

Photo by Melissa Long

4-H Fashion Show in Lockney

4-H Fashion Carnival was the theme of the Junior 4-H Fashion Show held Tuesday, September 4 at the Lockney Elementary School with the Lockney 4-H club serving as hosts.

Nineteen junior 4-H'ers and one Pee Wee 4-H'er constructed or purchased garments and completed interviews for the competition.

First place winners will participate in a competitive event on the Texas Tech University campus September 22 and then all participants will take part in the 4-H Fashion Follies at the South Plains Fair beginning at 2 p.m.

Winners in their respective categories included:

Junior I Construction Casual: 1st,

Segayle Foster; 2nd, Allison Griggs. Construction Dressy: 1st, Cheyann Powell.

Junior I Construction Specialty: 1st, Emily Prayor.

Junior I Embellished & Recycled: 1st, Jill Bramlet; 2nd, Evan Johnson; Participation, Abigail Miller and Senee' Foster.

Junior I Buying Casual: 1st, Laci Nixon; 2nd, Heather Brock; Participation, Makenzie Schwertner, Tara Hughes and Elizabeth Ibarra.

Junior I Buying Dressy: 1st, Kaylie Nutt.

Junior I Buying Specialty: 1st, Cancy Cabler.

Junior II Construction Casual: 1st,

Katie Beth Crossland. Junior II Construction Dressy: 1st, Kayla Kelley; 2nd, Jesalyn Bradley.

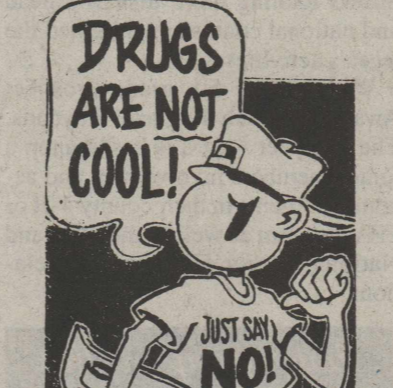
Junior II Buying Casual: 1st, Kami Keaton.

Best Interview Awards were sponsored by Molly Long and were presented to Construction, Katie Beth Crossland; Buying, Kami Keaton; and Recycled & Embellished, Jill Bramlet.

Best Model Awards were sponsored by Rusty and Kami Keaton and were presented to Junior I Tara Hughes and Junior II Kayla Kelley.

A hat parade was coordinated by Katie and Kayla Kelley and Tasha Powell served as chairman for the event.

Attention!! Your child needs your support in school!



Lockney School Menu

September 17 - 21

Monday:
Breakfast - Breakfast pizza or cereal, toast, juice, milk, jelly
Lunch - Sloppy Joe on bun or PBJ sandwich, tator tots, corn on cob, applesauce, milk

Tuesday:
Breakfast - Ham or cereal, toast, juice, milk, jelly
Lunch - Baked chicken or ham, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, peach halves, hot roll, milk

Wednesday:
Breakfast - Waffle sticks or cereal, toast, juice, milk, jelly

Thursday:
Breakfast - Cinnamon toast or cereal, toast, juice, milk, jelly
Lunch - Chili cheese backed potato or grilled cheese, green beans, salad, Italian bread, pineapple, milk

Friday:
Breakfast - Cinnamon roll or cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch - Hamburger or ham and cheese, French fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, milk, pineapple w/gelatin.

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by Edward G. Marks

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Farm bill faces obstacles

By Shawn Wade
The road to the next farm Bill is developing some pretty serious looking potholes. Fortunately, most supporters of the House Agriculture Committee's effort to craft the next Farm Bill aren't ready to throw in the towel just yet.

Discussions earlier in the week the increasing press coverage of a shrinking Federal Budget surplus has many considering Congress's ability to pass any type of meaningful Agriculture policy reform this year. That's the bad news.

The good news is the fact that so far the House of Representatives leadership appears to be sticking to its budget agreement based on the last official budget projections completed last April.

A recent meeting between members of the House leadership, Ag Committee Chairman Larry Combest and Budget Committee Chairman Jim Nussle resulted in agreement to stick by the promises made earlier in the year. That agreement supported agriculture programs with an additional \$73 Billion in spending authority from 2002-2011.

Supporters of H.R. 2646, The Farm Security Act of 2001, intend to present a strong case that proposed level of funding is necessary to properly address the serious financial state of the U.S. Ag sector.

They will also point out that the healing of Ag in related industries is

also important because it would prevent further harm to the precarious U.S. economic situation.

Arguments for the House Ag Committee's Bill include the fact that it provides a 'safety net' that is much more stable and predictable and more responsive Sept. 14 to volatile price and income swings than current policy.

The House Bill provides support at a level that bridges the gap left by current policy, which has partially addressed the situation through a combination of fixed and supplemental payments.

Key to the effort to get a new farm program in place for the 2002 growing season will be passage by the House next week and then a willingness by the Senate to pull together a package in the coming weeks.

The quest to initiate the next Farm Bill is made rougher by the political turbulence being created by possibly lower budget surplus projections in the future.

It is important that agriculture as a whole pull together to support the legislation under consideration in the House. It is also important that agriculture groups strongly encourage the Senate to move quickly to approve its own version of farm policy.

Without strong support, encouragement and quick action in both Houses of Congress, the ability to provide strong 'safety net' for U.S. agriculture in 2002 could be lost.

Calendar of Events
Sept. 14: Yoakum County Crop Tour
Sept. 19: West Texas Ag Chemical Institute Conference, Lubbock Mem. Civic Center
Sept. 20: Terry County Crop Tour. Contact Terry County TCE office

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West Texas Ag. Conference planned for September 19th

By Tim W. McAlavy
West Texas agriculture producers and agribusiness people can update their chemical use and application skills, and learn more about biotechnology, wellhead protection, conservation tillage and pest control Sept. 19 at the 49th annual West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Conference in the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

On-site registration over coffee and donuts begins at 7 a.m. and costs \$70 per person.

The morning conference session runs from 8 a.m. to noon, and will include presentations on equipment and application techniques for conservation tillage, and how a Section 18 and 24C happen. Morning keynote speakers include: Dan Baker; Jim Smart,

USDA, Weslaco; and Charlie Thomas, director of pesticide programs with the Texas Department of Agriculture.

More than 500 producers, chemical dealers and agribusiness people are expected to attend.

Participants can earn up to six continuing education units (CEUs) required by the Texas Department of Agriculture for certification of commercial and non-commercial pesticide applicators, or as many as six CCA education units. Four and one-half of these CEU's are also approved by the New Mexico Department of Agriculture.

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Floyd County Ag. tour set

By J.D. Ragland
The Floyd County Agricultural Committee and the Texas Cooperative Extension Service is sponsoring the annual Floyd County Ag Tour on Wednesday, September 19, 2001. Producers will need to meet at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center in Muncy at 8:00 a.m. for registration and to load the bus. Three tour stops will be featured this year:

8:45 - 9:30 a.m. Tour Stop 1: Steve Lloyd Farm, Guar Production (located 4 miles north of Floydada on FM 207). Dr. Calvin Trostle, TAEX Agronomist will discuss Guar production and alternative crops for the South Plains.

9:45 - 10:45 a.m. Tour Stop 2: Winfield Davenport, Mesquite Control Demonstration (located at a pasture 1/4 mile west of Floydada on FM 784). This machine removes mesquites and is equipped with a chemical treatment set up as well.

11:15 - 12:00 Tour Stop 3: Brian Teeple Farm, Cotton Varieties (located 4 miles north of Sandhill on FM 378). Eight varieties will be viewed. Dr. Randy Boman, TAEX Cotton Specialist will provide variety and harvest aid information. Also, Dr. Jim Leser, TAEX Entomologist will review insect highlights.

At 12:30 p.m. we will reconvene at the Unity Center for lunch and awards presentation. During lunch a Dairy Farm Development program will be presented by Tim Pierce, S.P.A.G. representative along with Phillip Glasson of Lockney. We will conclude at 1:30 p.m. Producers will have an opportunity to receive door prizes as well as obtaining three (3) CEU's. Although it's not mandatory your RSVP will be helpful in meal planning. Please do so by noon, Tuesday, September 18 to the County Extension Office, 806-983-4912.

2001 cotton harvest guide now available

By Shawn Wade
The Texas Cooperative Extension (TCE) service has released the "2001 High Plains and Northern Rolling Plains Cotton Harvest-Aide Guide".

The guide provides much of the information necessary for producers to begin the process of making harvest aide decisions for the 2001 crop. The guide is available online through a link included in the last issue of "Focus on Entomology" dated September 7, 2001 at this location: <http://Lubbock.tamu.edu/ipm/AgWeb/newsletters/Focus2001/>

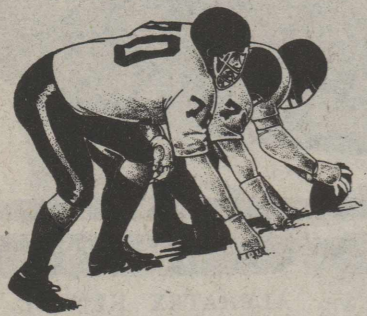
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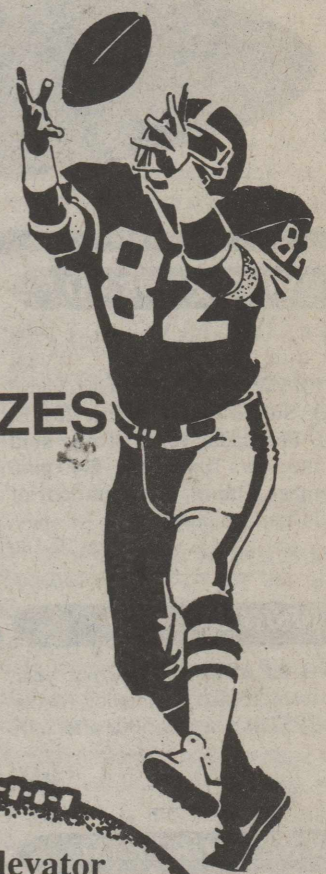


Weekly winners will be announced in the next week's issue of the Hesperian-Beacon & prize checks will be mailed to the address on their entry form.

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CONTEST RULES

Any subscriber or purchaser age 7 or older is eligible to enter this contest. Only one entry per week per person.

To play, circle on the official entry form, the numbers of the teams you believe will win this week's games. To indicate a tie, circle the numbers of both teams playing the game. Also write a guess of the combined total points to be scored by the two teams listed in each of the tie-breaker footballs.

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada or Lockney no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. No photocopies will be accepted and no mail entries will be considered.

Three cash prizes are awarded each week. In the event of ties (the same number of correct games equal scores on tie-breakers) prizes will be combined and shared by those tied. The tie-breaker scores will be used only to break a tie on the number of games correct.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and depositing it at a Hesperian-Beacon office before 5:00 p.m. on Friday.

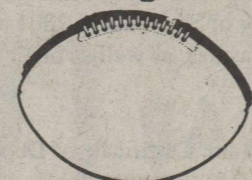
Entries limited to one per person per week. Weekly winners are limited to one household.

Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest Official Entry Form

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Floydada vs. Seagraves



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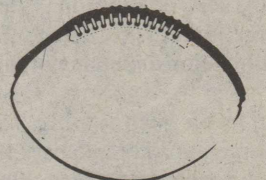
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