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Lighthouse sends help to Louisiana

By Larry Ogden

Four employees of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative were Gulf Coast bound last week to help rebuild power lines downed in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, a Category 4 hurricane that struck the coast of Louisiana and Mississippi early Monday. The first four volunteers are being replaced this week with 5 more.

The first volunteers included Foreman, Johnny Gourdon, Todd Williams, Tate Glasscock and Brad Jackson. The crew left Wednesday, August 31, to drive the 831 miles to Houma, Louisiana, just southwest of New Orleans. They will meet up with other crews to receive instructions and begin their restoration and repair work.

The Louisiana Statewide Association requested 300 Texas cooperative workers be available beginning as early as Tuesday morning, said Tiffin Wortham, vice president of member services/loss control for Texas Electric Cooperatives, the statewide cooperative association.

"If I were facing the situation they are facing, with power lines down and practically all my members out of power, the best thing I could hope to see would be Johnny Gourdon and his crew arriving to help," noted Lighthouse General Manager, Bill Harbin. "It's something we do as Co-op people. We help each other."

•Even before Hurricane Katrina pounded the Gulf Coast, Texas' electric cooperatives geared up for deployment to assist linemen in storm-damaged areas.

September 6 six more linemen were sent from Lighthouse to relieve the first crew.

"Six are driving down there," said Harbin. "One of them, Danny Nixon, will drive the first crew of four back. They are so tired we don't want them having to drive."

Replacing the first crew will be: Joel Evans, Larry Smith, Brent Sanders, and Grant Cage, all of Floydada, and Dickie Cloyd, of Hall County.

The crew started out in Houna, LA, which is southwest of New Orleans. The fresh crew will meet up with them in Franklinton, LA.

"They have been working 14-18 hour days, sleeping on the Co-op floor," said Harbin. "Of course, they have no running water or electricity."

"We're hoping to secure commitments from the Texas Electric Cooperative membership to supply 90-100 men and the associated equipment," Wortham said. "The greatest need will be for construction crews immediately after the storm's passing and will begin to shift to service crews within a couple of weeks."

Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, based in Floydada serves over 8,000 meters in 12 counties.



LIGHTHOUSE RELIEF WORKERS ON THE WAY TO LOUISIANA ARE: (L-R) Todd Williams, Johnny Gourdon, Brad Jackson, and Tate Glasscock. This was the first crew to leave after Hurricane Katrina. Another crew replaces them this week.

Locals asked to help with refugee housing

By Darwin Robinson

Floyd County may be receiving evacuees soon from the New Orleans hurricane aftermath, according to the Sudy Cochran, Executive Director of the Floydada Housing Authority.

Cochran told the Hesperian-Beacon, "People in Floyd County need to start thinking about taking in refugees. Any space, whether in vacant buildings or in homes, will be needed."

There are 58 units available

in the Farm Labor Camp, according to Cochran. "They will need to be 'rehabbed' before anyone can stay there," said Cochran.

Cochran has contacted FEMA already and said she will also contact the Red Cross and the Salvation Army.

"We will conduct background checks on these people," said Cochran. "If you can help with housing, linens, towels, wash cloths or blankets, call me at 983-5165."

Castillo is new Chamber Manager

By Darwin Robinson

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce has a new manager. Rachael Castillo has accepted the challenge of directing the Floydada Chamber of Commerce. Castillo replaces Iantha Smith, who resigned in August.

Castillo is also serving her third term on the FISC school board. Also, she is on her third term serving Floyd County businesses on 15 county Worksource of the South Plains.

She is a life long member of Floydada. She moved here when she was three years old in 1953. She married Aurelio Castillo in 1968. They have three married children, Marissa Reyes, Sara Segura and Jaime Castillo, all of Floydada.

Castillo recently retired from working with Texas Social Services after 23 years. Castillo is very active in the Assembly of God Church. She is a local Sunday School teacher and is the Plainview District's Director of the Assemblies of God Churches, which involves the training of Christian educators.

She helped create the local Impact Literacy Council, which

was an extension of her Sunday School class. She had an active part in the building and fund raising for the new Floyd County Library.

Castillo said, "I love Floydada. I want the chamber to be very visible. We want the chamber to represent every type of business, such as, agriculture. This includes cotton, grain, sun flower seeds and pumpkins. We are the Punkin Capital USA, but we have so more to offer, such as, the Coronado dig, the library and the museum's genealogy center."

According to Castillo, there are already 48 booth locations reserved for Punkin Day on October 8th. "Many more will be signing up right before the day arrives," said Castillo.

"We want all to know that individuals can join the Chamber of Commerce, along with businesses. We want everyone to get involved with things happening in our City. The chamber office

is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.. Come by and visit us at City Hall," said Castillo.



RACHAEL CASTILLO

End of WWII commemorated



REMEMBERING THE END OF WWII--Marine Honor Guards presented a solemn and dignified ceremony of lowering the flag to half mast and playing taps at a ceremony, in Lockney, September 2, commemorating the end of WWII. Courtesy Photo

Marine Honor Guards were part of a commemorative ceremony, in Lockney, honoring Texas veterans and the end of WWII.

The ceremony was hosted by the Texas High Plains Veterans Association in conjunction with a statewide event planned to commemorate the signing of the documents that ended WWII.

The event, was held Friday, September 2, at Lockney City Hall.

The Marine Honor Guard lowered the American Flag and played taps.

Lockney High School teacher, Sam Moore, brought brief remarks concerning the 60th anniversary of the formal surrender on the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay.

"On September 2, 1945 Japan was defeated," said Moore. "World War II was over. General Douglas MacArthur had returned as promised."

"I cannot forget the sacrifices made by the Veterans that allow me to stand before you and exercise our 1st Amendment Rights of Freedom of Speech, Assembly, and Press."

Moore stated that although MacArthur made all the news it was the veterans who made it all possible.

"We must also remember the sacrifices made at home," said Moore. "Then, as today, families have their loves ones on foreign soil to ensure that America is safe."

Dr. Carl Moman, pastor of First Baptist Church of Lockney, sang the last verse (referred to by many as 'the forgotten verse), of the Star Spangled Banner:

"Oh! thus be it ever, when freeman shall stand;

Between their loved home and the war's desolation!

Blest with victory and peace, may the heav'n rescued land; Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation.

Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just, And this be our motto: "In God is our trust."

And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave; O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

The Texas Historical Commission also hosted the main state-

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LISD Election is Saturday

An election to pick a new LISD trustee will be held in Lockney, Saturday, September 10, at the Lockney High School.

Four candidates have signed up for the vacated position which was last held by Jeff Don Terrell.

Terrell resigned when he moved out of the school district. The term will fill the unexpired term of Terrell and will expire for the newly elected trustee in May, 2006.

Candidates who have signed up for the position are: Cheryl Edwards, Kerry Gardner, Tracy Kidd and Jose Cazares Jr.

Only residents of Lockney's ISD District 2 can vote in this election.

Commissioners vote to raise property taxes

On Friday September 2, the Floyd County Commissioners Court voted unanimously, 5-0, to raise property taxes from .45300 to .48296.

The increase would cost \$29.96 on a home valued at \$100,000.

The Commissioners held two public meetings on the proposed increase. Only one citizen appeared at the meetings and voiced support for the tax increase.

In other matters commissioners approved four farm contracts: 2 miles east on CR110 & FM 97 - Grade Ranch Road - W.R. Ware; 3 miles north & 1 west of Lakeview - Bury old improvements - Jimmy McGaugh; 3 miles north of Lakeview - Bury old improvements - Leonard Alexander by Jimmy McGaugh; 3 miles north of Lockney - Fill in low areas for soil erosion purpose - Leonard Gilroy.

Palo Duro Basin Oil & Gas Update

By Tom Musser

FLOYD COUNTY: The Location has been prepared for the Tyner Texas Operating Company, K. Broseh Lease Well #1. Tyner Texas Operating Company has informed that a Drilling rig will be on location within 20 days to start drilling this well.

FLOYD COUNTY: The Location Pad and Drilling Pits have been prepared for the Basa Resources Inc., L.N. Johnson Lease Well #1.

MOTLEY COUNTY: Work is proceeding on the Vintage Petroleum Inc. M. Bursleson "60" Lease Well #1.

MOTLEY COUNTY: Drilling continues on the Tyner Texas Operating Company, R.G. Stephens Lease Well #1, making approximately 150 to 180 feet per day, as of Monday at a depth of approximately 7,600 feet.

Governor calls for help from citizens

Austin - Gov. Rick Perry is praising the compassion of Texans and urging them to call the OneStar Foundation, the State of Texas clearinghouse for donation/volunteer information, if they have questions about how to volunteer, to help or to make non-cash donations.

"The OneStar Foundation was established to match volunteers willing to help with those in need," Perry said. "The Foundation has established 400 phone lines to take the influx of requests to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina, and they can help direct Texans' donations of non-cash items and volunteer services."

Key Contact Information:

•OneStar Foundation Hurricane Relief: 1-800-707-6768

•OneStar Foundation website: www.OneStarFoundation.org

• Red Cross: 1-800-HELPS NOW

•Salvation Army: 1-800-SAL-ARMY

"I urge members of the media to widely publicize critical contact information because a great many Texans, and people from across the country, want to help but don't know how," Perry said. "State and local agencies are being besieged with requests for help from faith-based groups, corporations, and private citizens, and the best way to direct those requests for help in an organized manner is to funnel them through the One Star Foundation."

Courtroom Activities

In County Court, September 6, 2005:

William David Geenen, 33, pled guilty to Driving While License Invalid. He was sentenced to 10 days in jail, a \$100 fine, and court costs of \$258.00 in court costs.

Francisco Garza Lamas, 28, pled guilty to DWI. He was sentenced to 180 days which was probated to 2 years, a \$600 fine,

and court costs.

In J.P. Court, Pct. #1 & #4 there were 27 traffic citations filed, and 6 commercial vehicle citations. An eviction suit was filed by Roy Garcia against Nora Caldera; A civil suit was filed by Jody Alan Barnes against Rudy Esquivel Sr.; and a Disorderly Conduct Charge was filed against Jesus Maximo Garza, 24.

A view from



The Lamplighter

By: Ken Towery

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One thing is painfully obvious in the tragedy that will go down in history books as one of the worst hurricanes ever to hit the United States:

New Orleans had no Rudy Guliano.

Rather, New Orleans had the kind of Mayor New Orleans wanted, elected, and deserved. Another Good-Time-Charlie, who could do nothing, when the chips were down, but blame somebody else. One had a reasonably difficult time discerning who bore the brunt of the mayor's blame, whether it was the Democratic Governor, one or both of the U.S. Senators, or, more likely, the Republican President. A certainty was that the Mayor of New Orleans was blameless, according to the Mayor of New Orleans.

One would think, given the way America's governing society is structured, the mayor would bear some responsibility, and perhaps assume some responsibility, for how those on the city's payroll...the firemen, the police, the countless minions who make up the political class in New Orleans...would respond to those emergencies that always loom in the background of any great city, especially a city built below sea

level that specializes in the things New Orleans specializes in.

Amid all the looting, one of the first things to surface was politics. It became perfectly clear that Mayor Ray Nagin wanted the world to know that he was Mayor of New Orleans, that he was black, and that George Bush was responsible, in some strange, convoluted way, for anything bad that happened. Any number of black people were pictured on CNN, blaming white people for not generating enough help, and blaming it all on "racism." The implication was clear. The power structure in America was white, the black people were suffering, and therefore white people were responsible. The hurricane, the flood waters, the looters, were all incidental.

Given the demands of politics, it is no wonder we saw television footage of Bush and Nagin walking along together in apparently friendly animated conversation.

Politics does indeed make strange bedfellows. Especially when television cameras are nearby

What a world of difference people can make. In next door Mississippi, where the devastation was even more pronounced, if not as financially damaging in total, a different picture emerged. The Governor, Haley Barbour, announced very early that there would be "zero tolerance" for looters. Accordingly, looting was held to a minimum. The Mississippi Governor knew, as the New Orleans mayor should have known, and no doubt did know, that among certain people there is a tendency to take anything that belongs to someone else. A normal person would be ashamed to take that which belongs to someone else, but there are people who glory in that attribute. They don't all live in New Orleans, by any means, but the Governor of Mississippi typifies one type, the Mayor of New Orleans, the other.

It can be hoped that our readers will not assume we are trying to pull George Bush's chestnuts out of the fire. We will acknowledge, quickly, that this entire episode did not demonstrate one of the President's finest hours. He was, in our opinion, late in grasping his own potential role in this matter. But he did, ultimately, rise to the occasion. That has been the pattern throughout George's career as President. He has, in our view, tended to concentrate on critical issues at too late a date, which, by its very nature, leads quite often to wrong decisions. Wrong decisions must be defended in politics, lest voters detect what can be construed as weakness. That has gotten us in middle-east problems to our nation's unhappiness, but much to the happiness of Karl Rove, Pat Robertson, Jerry Falwell and Ariel Sharon.

All that does not mean, however, that we are prepared to blame Bush when, in our view, the blame for too much water in New Orleans should be placed

Ceremony commemorates end of WWII

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wide event at the State Capitol in Austin.

Members of the Floyd County Historical Commission and Floyd County Historical Museum attended the Lockney ceremony. They included: Joyce Williams, J.D. Copeland, Don and Wilma Gowens, Henry and Olive Hinton, J.A. and Norma Welch, Janet Milam, Don and Carolyn Hardy, Nancy Marble, and Frank Potts.

World War II Veterans who were seen in the audience were: Paul Teuton, Duard Reves, Henry Hinton, and J.A. Welch.

Teuton served in North Africa and Italy with the Army.

Reves served four years in the Army Signal Corp with two of those years in the S.W. Pacific Theater.

Hinton served in New Guinea, the Philippines, and occupied Japan.

Welch was in the Army Infantry serving in Italy.

Approximately 320,000 WWII veterans live in Texas.

elsewhere. We have always thought of New Orleans as a disaster waiting to happen. In all probability the city will be rebuilt with billions of taxpayer money, and in the end the people there will face the same problems they face now. It will be a replay of the situation we face in the middle-east: billions of taxpayer

dollars will be expended in an area where the problems remain unchanged, simply because the voices of reason are stifled by the promise of free money. As long as New Orleans remains below sea level, the sea will always be a threat, no matter how high they build the levies. And periodically, that threat will be realized.

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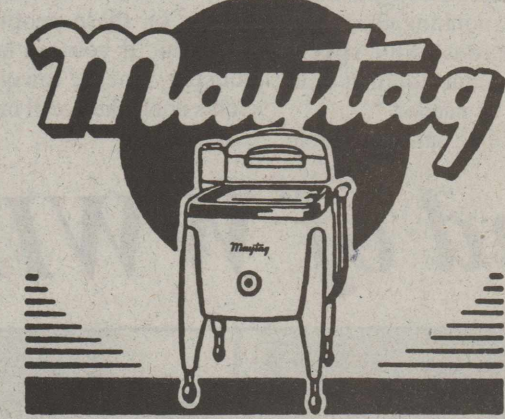
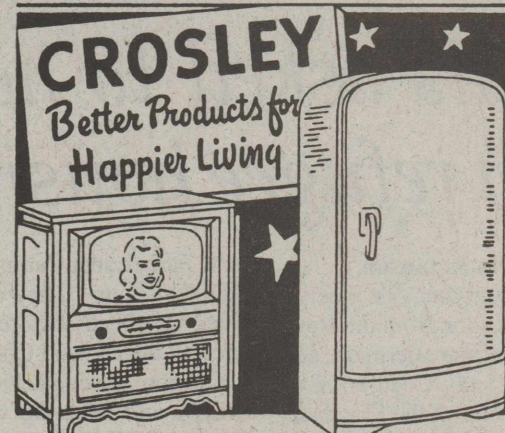
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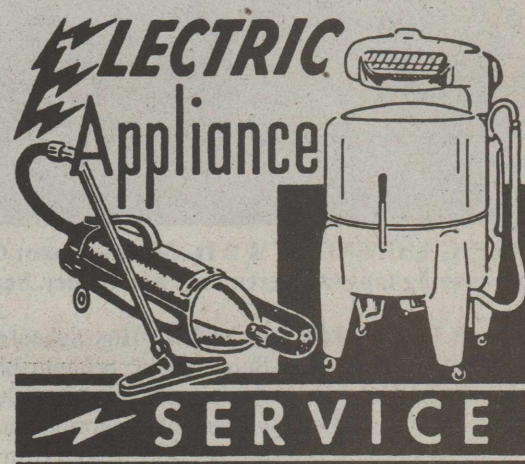
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VISITING AFTER THE WWII PROGRAM IN LOCKNEY, SEPTEMBER 2, WERE: Joyce Williams, J.D. Copeland, Olive Hinton, Henry Hinton, and Norma Welch. Paul Teuton can be seen in the background (left) with his back to the camera. Courtesy Photo

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Batthey family history recorded in civil war diary

By Alice Gilroy

Descendants of O.F. and Cornelia Batthey gathered at the Massie Activity Center, Saturday, for a family reunion and were pleased to find a collection of historical documents written by Battheys during the Civil War and during the wagon journey to Floydada in 1905.

Ila Marie Batthey Warren, of Floydada, started the process of gathering history of the family and Janice Davidson, of Amarillo, became a partner in recording the history.

"We started with a 1932 book from my father, Charlie Batthey," said Marie.

"Marie had all kinds of loose papers," said Janice. I started putting it together and it just got deeper and deeper."

O.F. and Cornelia Batthey were some of the very early settlers in Floyd County, having arrived here in 1905.

O.F.'s son, Charlie Batthey, recorded their travels to Floyd County, and the diary is still a family keepsake.

It appears the writing knack may have been passed down to Charlie by his grandfather, Richard Morey Batthey. Richard also recorded history with his journal of his time in the Union Army during the Civil War.

The Civil War journal was recently found among the personal effects of Lorene Newberry, Richard Batthey's great granddaughter.

"Lorene is now in a Care Center," said Marie Warren. "Her daughter DeAnne Newberry was cleaning out some things and found the journal. Now this journal will also be a part of the Batthey history papers."

The Civil War papers told the story of Richard Batthey's time in the 23rd Regiment of Indiana Volunteers.

Drafted in 1864, Batthey was in the Army for 6 months and received his discharge paper July 23, 1865.

Entering the Army near the end of the War, Batthey told of train rides, marches, and troop transportation by steamers.

"We camped three miles from Nashville depot," wrote Batthey. "Loading onto 12 steamers bound for Pittsburgh, New York, and Savannah."

"Stopped in town of Smithland at the mouth of the Cumberland and took in 600 bushels of coal. Set up the proud waters of the Ohio and saw Illinois for the first time... Went to shore to get bread, butter, and cheese..."

Another entry... "Just two months ago today I left the shores

of Indiana bound for Dixie and today I set foot again on hoosier soil."

In Lewisville, Louisiana Batthey told of soldiers suffering from the cold and snow--especially the soldiers traveling on the top deck of the steamers.

In Cincinnati, Ohio Batthey wrote, "Got presents from businessmen--gloves, thread, tobacco, paper and envelopes, cakes, candy, etc."

Batthey told of a "splendid vessel" in Baltimore--the steamer, "New York". "It was the largest vessel of the fleet".

His daily weather report included the conditions of a frozen Annapolis harbor and his awful trip aboard a small boat called the "Alliance".

"If we ever live to get out of this vessel alive we shall surely be lucky".

His descriptive detail of cold, wind, and high seas could make a reader standing on land seasick.

"We watch the vessel descend into a great basin amid the waves and the next moment mounts high on the pinnacle of a mighty wave, from where we could see all around us on every side far over the top of a thousand foaming billows and again the next instant plunged downward into the deep boiling abyss where the roaring waves on every side were high above the hull of the vessel... Nearly every soldier on board is seasick."

Batthey docked in North Carolina and marched to Newburn and told of his first taste of oysters.

A date of 23rd reads, "reported that Sherman has taken Columbia and Charleston."

He records his hardest work as a 15 mile march towards Kingston in 3/4 of a day.

We marched through "rain, mud, water, creeks, swamps,

loaded down with overcoat, blanket, 3 days ration, and 70 rounds of cartridge, and oil blanket and dog tent. I was so sore through my back and breast and shoulder that I could not get a long breath until after midnight. Many threw away their overcoats, blankets, knapsacks, and ammunition."

Batthey told of skirmishes and camping close to "Rebs".

Camping close to Kingston the troops were joined by General Sherman. In the march for Raleigh the troops heard of the surrender of Lee's army to Grant. "There was tremendous cheering".

"Marching into Raleigh (3 months after leaving Dalton) the cheering had all been done up for the advance corps that entered on

the 14th and none was left for us."

On the 17th, Batthey wrote, "heard today that Lincoln had been assassinated. Hope it is only a grapevine dispatch."

On the 22nd, Batthey wrote of official word of Johnson's (a notorious rebel) surrender. "The whole camp was frantic with joy. Old North Carolina was shook to its foundation with thunderous cheers. Cheers upon cheers rent the air for 2 hours. Bands played. Rockets fired as well as hundreds of muskets."

Batthey recounted beautiful farm land, and a statue of the "immortal" Washington in Richmond, Virginia.

When passing through Fredricksburg, Batthey wrote, "We passed through the City of Fredricksburg just in the middle of the day in the middle of the month. The city is small, quite narrow, and lies lengthwise with the river. The houses nearly all bear the marks of canon shot and musketry and a great many of the brick houses are entirely demolished. The city is well adorned with the jewels of treason. Shame has set its mark."

Arriving in the Capital of the United States, Batthey wrote of camping along the Potomac and viewing the "proud edifice of the nation."

They marched across the Potomac bridge, marched through the city and stacked their arms.

"The capital exceeded in beauty and size what I expected to see."

While in the nation's capital, Batthey recounts the anger from the soldiers of half rations and no pay.

"Soldiers are all mad to think they are used so shamefully right here in the Capital of the Union, where everything is plenty. Government will neither give proper amount of rations, nor any money whereby we can buy us a little something to eat. It is a shame and disgrace for the government to use poor soldiers thus."

Batthey's journal does continue with descriptions of the monuments in the Capital City and of his travels home.

Forty one years later, Richard Morey Batthey's son, O.F. Batthey would set out with his family to Floyd County.

O.F. Batthey's son, Charley, recorded these travels.

The journey to the Panhandle began in Waverly, Texas in Montgomery County in November and December 1905. The trip was made by O.F., 46, and Cornelia Batthey, 45, and their eight children and two in-laws.



BATTHEY GRANDCHILDREN--The grandchildren of O.F. and Cornelia Batthey in attendance at the Batthey reunion were: (l-r) Kenneth Willis, Faye Bertrand, Charlene Alldredge, David Batthey, and Marie Warren. O.F. and Cornelia Batthey came to Floyd County in 1905 in a covered wagon.

Charley was married to Carrie Heaton, Cinda was married to Arthur Pratt. The others were Bert, Fred, Linda, David, Lloyd, and Nina.

Charley was 22 and Nina, the youngest, was 4.

Charley's diary was later recorded by his daughter, Ila Marie Batthey Warren.

November 11, 1905 the family left their homes and friends "in the piney woods and bound for the plains for west Texas. We left the old home at 10:00 a.m. we had lived there for 10 years."

Camping in Huntsville Charley recorded, "we camped near a gambling house and they gambled most of the night".

This diary also told of cold and wet weather and muddy roads making traveling difficult.

On the 3rd day of travels, Charley wrote, "I shipped my walking cultivator which lessened my load 544 lbs. Got some feed and chuck and started on our journey for Anderson City--45 miles.

November 14 told of their failing efforts to buy corn. Charley told of his wife, Carrie (who is pregnant) being tired of traveling.

November 15 Charley wrote, "This is the first day Carrie has laid on the bed all day while traveling. When we got to Willihio she was asleep and work up just before we left town, so I had the joke on her... Camped a mile west of Willihio by a pond of wiggletails and Carried strained what she drank.

Purchases along the trip included corn for 50¢ a bushel, oats for 40¢ per bushel, and a pound of pecans for 8¢.

December 1st, the group was approached by a party that offered them \$1.00 per 100 (cotton picking), pasture for the horses and a house to move into.

The Battheys decided to keep moving as they were 82 miles from the Caprock.

"Drove through the prairie and brush. Shot several rabbits

but they all fell into dog holes."

The "pulls" were getting steeper for the Battheys in December and teams had to be doubled.

Wolfs were howling and Charley recorded the family being "kinder out of sorts".

December 6th, the family "started up the cap on to the beautiful level plains of Floydada. Got there at sunset, drove to John Owens free wagon yard and got some hay and feed."

Two weeks after arriving, December 20, 1905, Carrie gave birth to a baby girl, Lila May. She died in 1910 of diphtheria.

All the children of O.F. and Cornelia are deceased.

Surviving grandchildren still living in Floyd County are Ila Marie Warren, Charlene Alldredge, Faye Bertrand, David Batthey, Kenneth Willis, and until recently, Lorene Newberry.

Like many families, the Batthey history is a record of U.S., Texas, and Floyd County history. The cousins are now trying to make sure the history stays intact.

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THE RAZZLE DAZZLE CHAPTER of the Red Hat Society hosted a 4th year Birthday Celebration of their chapter's organization at the First Baptist Church in Floydada, on Thursday, September 1. Chapters from all over the South Plains were in attendance and enjoyed food, door prizes, and entertainment from Ted and Jody Wilson, of Borger. Staff Photo

Red Hat Society celebrates

By Elaine McNeill

They started coming early, those ladies dressed in purple with red hats, some in twos, but most in cars of four or more, until the activity center of the First Baptist Church (already decorated with balloons, red hats, boas, pearls and more) was a sea of red and purple. The occasion was our own Razzle Dazzle Red Hat Society's fourth birthday.

Approximately one hundred ladies attended the luncheon, comprising the nine Red Hat Chapters represented. They came from Matador, Littlefield, Levelland, Memphis, Olton, O'Donnell, Tahoka and Tulia. Our Razzle Dazzle chapter is comprised of ladies from Floydada, Lockney, South Plains, Plainview, Tulia and Lubbock.

Razzle Dazzle Queen Mother Virginia Taylor greeted the guests and introduced Floyd County Judge, Bill Hardin, who welcomed the ladies to Floydada and to The First Baptist Church. Judge Hardin said that he had originally thought about telling

the group of visiting ladies to have fun and enjoy themselves, but it was quite evident by the laughter and socializing that they were already enjoying themselves! Chamber of Commerce Manager, Iantha Smith, also extended a welcome to all and invited them back to upcoming events, including Pumpkin Days.

After a lovely catered lunch and door prizes, an unusual and uplifting part of the celebration was presented by Jodi and Ted Wilson of Borger, formerly of Petersburg. They presented a light hearted selection of songs (some written by Jodi) for occasions such as these. Through their songs and humorous reflections of life experiences, Ted and Jodi's form of ministry inspired the ladies to embrace life and spread their love and laughter.

No birthday celebration is complete without a cake and a happy birthday wish set to music or song. On this day, the Razzle Dazzle Red Hatters had both! A beautiful three tiered cake was the center of attention while all

one hundred ladies played "Happy Birthday", on their kazoos (the official Red Hat musical instrument).

Before each Red Hat chapter departed, Queen Mother Virginia shared some of the events of the past summer, including the Best of Show trophy won for an original hat creation at the Red Hat convention in Muleshoe; reminded the group of upcoming events of interest and accepted invitations from the visiting Red Hatters for celebrations or special dates in their respective chapters. In closing, Queen Mother Virginia expressed thanks from all the Razzle Dazzle members to everyone who attended and making this celebration so special. She also hinted to the ladies, that this celebration might become an annual affair, which was greeted by an explosive round of applause.

Hostesses for the birthday celebration were: Doris McLain, Molly Stinger, Charlene Hendrix, Anita Whitfill, Lodema Thomas, Elaine McNeill, Virginia Taylor and Oleta Wilson.



Floyd County Lifestyles



Lockney Senior Citizen News

By Vera Jo Bybee

I hope all of you enjoyed Labor Day. It was a nice quiet day here, just like another Sunday.

I want to thank the staff at Floydada's 900 AM radio station. My daughter Dara who lives at Plano and R.L. Knox of Marble Falls both said the reception was real good over KFLP.net.

The Horns played Childress, a ranked team, and we gave them a run for their money. We got beat, but nothing for Childress to brag about. We play another ranked team this Friday at Post. Playing all these good teams makes us get really ready for District.

I also sent them the Booster club's web page address, lockneyboosters.com.

They went to that address and clicked on varsity and pulled up the program with all the players' numbers and individual pictures. They then clicked on the picture and made it big, so they could see what all the players look like. Thank you Booster Club for setting up this web page. I heard Coach Schumacher had a lot to do with it.

Last week I saw Bobby Jones at the ballgame. He was on crutches because he is recuperating from a hip replacement.

I also saw Barbara Mathis sitting in her car at the game. This was her first time out since her knee replacement surgery.

Last Thursday the Razzle Dazzle Red Hat Society had their first Fall luncheon in Floydada's First Baptist Church, celebrating their 4th birthday. Over a hun-

dred guests and members attended. Guests from Societies all over this area were invited.

Judge Hardin and wife Roberta were special guests. Judge Hardin gave the welcoming speech. Entertainment was provided by Jody Wilson and her husband, Ted.

The meal was catered by "Lucy and Ethel" of Claytonville. A birthday cake made by our own Charline Hendrix was enjoyed by all. Thanks goes to our Queen Mother Virginia Taylor and her hostesses who made this day such a success.

Jimmy and Teresa Stennett attended Jimmy's Hale Center class of 1943 62nd class reunion in Plainview. Saturday they met at the Holiday Inn attending a Veteran's program. They were also entertained with a puppet show by one of the alumni, Bea Cocharo's husband Rocky.

On Sunday they ate lunch at the Country Club and then went for coffee at their son Gary and wife Debbie's home. A real good time was had by all.

Dennis Carter was back in the hospital for a few days last week for an infected leg following his open heart surgery. He is home now and feeling much better.

Menu Sept 12-16

Monday-Meatloaf
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Troop #259 has flag retiring ceremony

Lockney Boy Scout Troop #259 will be having a flag retiring ceremony on Monday, September 12, 2005 at 8:00 p.m. behind the Scout Hut in Lockney (across from Dairy Queen).

The public is invited to attend. You may also bring any flags you have that need to be retired to the Scout Hut at this time, or you can get them to Scoutmaster Danny Huggins anytime before or after the ceremony.

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Happy Wenda Kay's 60th Birthday

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Muse News

By Carolyn Hardy

The Floyd County Historical Museum will host a book signing on Monday, September 19, at 5:00 p.m., for Richard Flint and his wife Shirley Cushing Flint. "Documents of the Coronado Expedition, 1539-1542" is the name of their latest publication. The book can be purchased at the museum. The Flints, historians and Spanish paleographers, are among the foremost authorities on the Coronado Expedition. They have published many articles as well as three previous books. Their previous books can be purchased at the Museum as well as their latest book. Those who have already purchased a book should bring it to the book signing to be autographed.

At 6:00 p.m., they will speak on, "What They Never Told You About the Coronado Expedition." Thorough examination of the sixteenth century documentary sources reveals that the expedition was very large and was not an army in any modern sense. Its membership was not entirely or even predominantly Spanish. Almost no one on the expedition possessed metal armor. The idea for the expedition originated in the New World not in Spain. The expedition was not, in a literal sense, looking for gold.

Please make plans to attend the book signing and hear Richard and Shirley speak about the Coronado Expedition. While at the Museum visitors can view the Spanish artifacts from the Jimmy Owens Site in Blanco Canyon.

Plans are being made for the annual "Punkin Day" Celebration on Saturday, October 8, in

Floydada. The Museum will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Volunteers will be helping children make a rope that they will take home.

The Plains Veteran's Organization under the direction of Ed Marks of Lockney held a very impressive ceremony at Lockney City Hall Friday morning, September 2. The event commemorated the signing of the documents that ended World War II. Several members of the Museum Board of Directors and the Floyd County Historical Commission attended. This was a very significant day in the lives of our WWII veterans.

The Museum has had many visitors in the last two weeks. Dr. Rose Sims and husband Jim Sims from The Valleys, Florida came in last Tuesday. Dr. Sims, a Methodist minister, had spoken in Lubbock at a conference. They were driving home and were taking their time to let the storm Katrina pass. She left two books she has written.

Visitors have come from California and New Mexico to use our research materials. They had Floyd County connections and found a lot of useful information. Researchers cannot believe the amount of information available in the Mary Lou Bollman History and Genealogy Center. Anyone who would like to begin working on their family history is very welcome at the Museum. They can get copies of blank family group sheets and blank pedigree charts.

Recent memorials received by the Museum were given in memory of: Barbara Covington and Olin Lyles.

Batthey family holds reunion

Descendants of the O.F. and Cornelia Batthey family met Saturday, September 3, in the Massie Activity Center for their reunion.

The family came to Floydada in 1905. The noon meal was catered by the Jerry Batthey family of Triple T.

Present from the Charley Batthey family were: Marie Warren, Bob & Charlene Alldredge, Don and Hope Warren and Becky and Mary; Joyce Owens, all of Floydada; James Owens, Jason and Mandy Owens and baby of Amarillo; Steve Alldredge and Stacie of Plains; Tommy and Karen Klein & Kinsey, Lee and Mary Batthey and Cory; Evalene Castleberry, Spencer and Mary Lou Stubbs, all of Lubbock; C.W. Batthey, of Victoria, Patsy Langdon, of Victoria; and Laverne Harrell, of Hobbs.

From the Bert Family: Will-

iams and Faye Bertrand, Randy and Connie Bertrand, Jill Warren, Jerry and Pat Batthey, all of Floydada; Alvin and Evelyn Batthey of Paris, Texas; and Jerry and Abby Batthey, Tyler, Tanner and TyAnne.

From the Cinda (Batthey) Pratt family: A.C. and Beth Pratt of Floydada; Frances Graves of Lockney; Kathy Burley of Lubbock; Darrell and Sandra Barton and Maribeth of Albuquerque; and Orvel Lamb of Ralls.

From the Fred Batthey family: E.W. and Janice Davidson of Amarillo.

From the Linda (Batthey) Peel family: Barbara Mason of Friona.

From the David Batthey family: David and Lee Batthey of Floydada.

From the Nina (Batthey) Willis family: Kenneth and Barbara Willis of Floydada.

McCulley elected new President of Plainview Community Concerts

By Bill Deardorf

Because of area involvement and the capabilities of Jane McCulley of Floydada, Mrs. McCulley has been elected the new President of Plainview Community Concerts.

Jane McCulley has been active in the Floydada First Baptist Church, particularly in music, but also in teaching. She worked in the dental office until Dr. Andrew McCulley's death in 1988. She has been a Girl Scout Leader, a member of the 1950 Study Club, the Great Books Club, the Girl Scout District Committee, and a charter mem-

ber of the Singing Women of West Texas. Jane continues as a season ticket holder for the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra, the Plainview Symphony Orchestra, the Lubbock Broadway Shows and the Plainview Community Concerts.

The Plainview Community Concerts Board thanks Floydada for sending this volunteer worker and gracious lady to Plainview. The Board is also grateful for the work of volunteer, Margarette Word of Floydada and for the ticket holders and business firms who support Plainview Community Concerts.

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Slaton rallies to defeat Whirlwinds in tough battle

By Bill Gray
Slaton's Kevin Kilmer tossed touchdown passes of 17 and 56 yards in the fourth quarter to pace the Tigers to a 48-21 victory over Floydada last Friday at Wester Field. Kilmer completed 9-of-16 passes, with one interception, for 150 yards and four touchdowns as the Tigers avenged last year's 28-22 loss to the Whirlwinds.

The Tigers improved to 1-1 for the season, and will host Olton in their home-opener tomorrow night. The 'Winds, who are still looking for their first win of the year, are idle this week.

The Whirlwinds played about as well as a team can play in the first half -- especially for only the second outing of the year. However, the visitors scored 27 unanswered points in the final two periods to break a 21-all halftime tie. Jacob Reddy put the Whirlwinds on the board in the game's third play. The lanky senior picked off a Kilmer pass at the Tiger 34-yard line and breezed untouched to the Slaton end zone for Floydada's first touchdown of 2005. Brandon Rainwater connected on his first-ever conversion as the Whirlwinds took command in the first minute of the opening period.

Slaton responded with a 69-yard, 11-play drive to knot the score at 7-all at the 6:50 mark of the quarter.

The Tigers were aided in their scoring drive with a pass interference call against Floydada which put Slaton in position for Shan McDaniel's touchdown from the 3-yard line. Following the ensuing kickoff, the Whirlwinds struck back quickly. On first down at his own 34-yard line, Jacob Reddy took a lateral from Payte Beedy and threw a 61-yard halfback-pass to Dustin Ochoa - who had slipped behind the Slaton secondary.

The play carried to the Tigers'

5-yard line, setting up Reddy's second score of the opening minutes. Rainwater added the conversion to vault the 'Winds to a 7-point lead.

The momentum again shifted back to the visitors. Kilmer capped a 61-yard drive with a 28-yard completion to Quillan Williams and a 6-yard scoring strike to J R Mendez. Trower's kick missed the mark, giving the Whirlwinds a 14-13 lead at the end of the first quarter. Slaton opened the second period with an 8-play, 63-yard scoring thrust.

At one point during this drive, Floydada defender Tate Jones registered five consecutive tackles, but the Tiger offense continued to roll behind Kilmer's pinpoint passing. The Slaton senior found Wes Bloxom all alone in the end zone for a 28-yard score. He then threw to Michael Trower for the 2-pointer to move the Tigers back on top at 21-14.

The Whirlwinds controlled the next six minutes of the second quarter with a 13-play, 67-yard march. Paul Marmolejo picked up a key first down with a 19-yard run (his longest from scrimmage this year). Beedy capped the drive with a nice 13-yard scoring toss over the middle to Marmolejo and Rainwater's conversion knotted the score at 21-all. Slaton's next possession was held in check by a very stingy Floydada defense -- led by Blake Greer, Buck Foster, Trey Helms, Tyler Chesshir and Tate Jones. Floydada's depth on defense was certainly affected by the absence of Lance Terrell, who should be back in the lineup in two weeks.

The defense played well, at times, but mistakes, costly penalties and turnovers continued to haunt the Whirlwinds.

Slaton was forced into its only punt of the game, in the final ticks of the half, and the 49-yard boot gave the 'Winds one last opportunity. With time running out,

Taylor Beedy rambled for 25 yards - his longest gainer of the year.

If there was any doubt as to which team came out with momentum to open the second half, it was quickly determined on the first play from scrimmage. Disaster struck on Floydada's first play from its own 35. Paul Marmolejo was jammed in the backfield by several Slaton defenders. Marmolejo's forward progress appeared to have been stopped, but the play continued.

Slaton's J R Mendez stripped the ball at the 30-yard line and scampered into the end zone. Despite numerous protests, the play was allowed to stand.

The Tigers continued to roll with a 3-play, 45-yard scoring thrust. Quillan Williams carried the final 15 yards and Trower's conversion kick extended the lead to 35-21. Slaton opened the final period with a 17-yard scoring pass from Kilmer to Mo Coronado. With less than five minutes remaining in the contest, Kilmer completed his bombardment with a 56-yard aerial to Jacob Perez.

Slaton is a vastly improved club from a year ago. They have already matched last year's victory total after two weeks. With fifteen seniors bringing a veteran backfield and a lot of talent and experience, they have reasons to believe that they will be a factor in the tough District 5-2A race. The Whirlwinds will have an open week to regroup, and, in some cases to get well, before resuming action at Lubbock Cooper on September 16.

Floydada	Game Stats	Slaton
8	First Downs	21
108	Rushing Yds	227
97	Passing Yds	150
205	Total Yds	377
5-8-0	Comp/Att/Inc	9-16-1
5-33-0	Punts/Avg	1-49-0
2-2	Fumbles/Lost	0-0
3-20	Penalties/Yds	3-21
20:41	Time of Poss	27:19



COMING AROUND-Whirlwind Jacob Reddy #21 is shown coming around the corner in their game last Friday night against the Slaton Tigers. Floydada lost 48-21. Photo by Jim Covington

Floydada Baseball Association news

The Floydada Baseball Association is sponsoring baseball on Sundays.

The Baseball Association wants to provide a time for the children to work with local Little League coaches to improve their skills. They will be working on defensive drills, batting and pitching.

This program is for 7 year olds and older. Pitching is for the 9 years and older.

The Association will meet every Sunday from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. or 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. depending on the Dallas Cowboy game.

There is no cost. If you have any questions call Laura Farris: 983-3761.

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September 11 & 25, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.;
October 2, 9, and 23, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.;
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The Whirlwinds have an open week this week!

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Vasquez, Graham and Wilson win football contest

The winners in the second week of the Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest were Lucio Vasquez, H. G. Graham and Dwayne Wilson.

Vasquez, of Floydada will receive the first place check of \$25. He missed only 5 games.

H. G. Graham, of Lockney and Dwayne Wilson, of Floydada both missed 6 games each. But on the tie-breaker game between Floydada and Slaton, Graham picked Slaton to win by a total score of 64 (only 5 points off the final total score of 69). Wilson picked Floydada to win with a total score of 36.

Graham will receive the second place check of \$15 and Wilson will be receiving the third place check of \$10.

Honorable mention goes to the entries missing only 7 games each. They were: Franklin Harris of Floydada, Donnie Bybee, Shayla Brewer, Dahlen McCarter and Ricky Ascencio, all of Lockney and Keith Marricle of Muncy.

There were 8 entries missing 8 games each; 14 entries missing 9 games; 5 entries missing 10 games; 3 entries missing 11 games; 2 entries missing 12 games and 2 entries missing 13 games. We had a total of 43 entries turned in this week.

Please be sure and mark the winner in the tie-breaker games. We still had a couple of entries that did not circle the winner. Good luck in this week's contest!

FLOYDADA NIGHT AT LUBBOCK COTTON KINGS

Floydada night at the Lubbock Cotton Kings will be October 29th.

A special section will be reserved for the Floydada guests. Discounted tickets are now available at \$10.00 each. Call the Floydada Chamber for more information, 983-3434.

WHIRLWIND BOOSTER CLUB

The Whirlwind Booster Club will be meeting on Monday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m. to watch game film at the field house.



CLAY WARE WINS 2005 STATE 4-H HORSE SHOW CHAMPION ROPER SADDLE-Floyd County Extension Agent J.D. Ragland is shown presenting the award. Courtesy Photo

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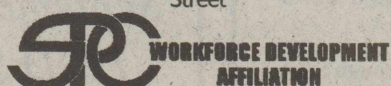
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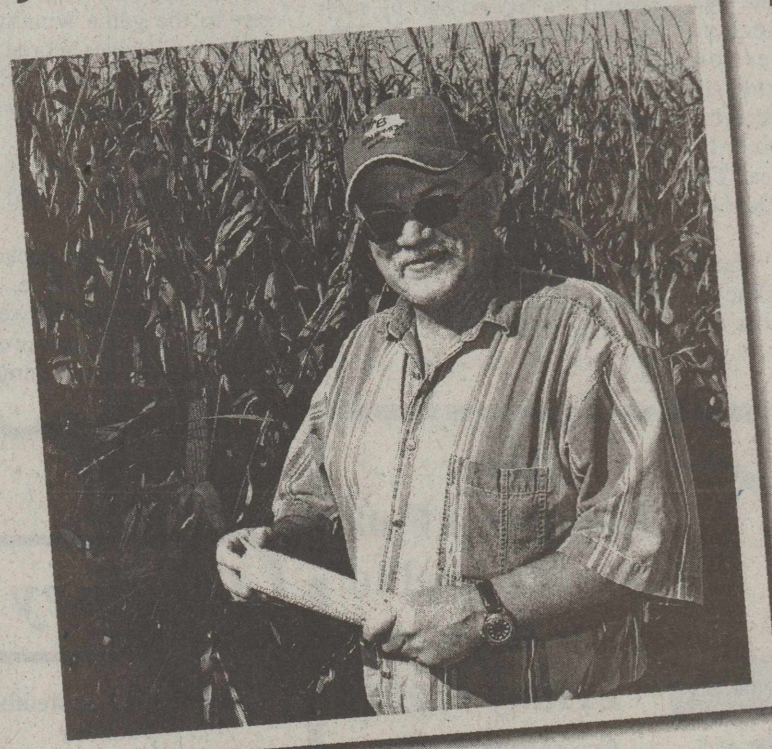
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Longhorns fall short to high ranked Childress Bobcats

By Brannon Rogers

The Lockney Longhorns fell short on their bid to upset the #16 ranked Childress Bobcats.

Childress (coming off a 40-27 victory over 3A favorite Borger) was a 28 point favorite over the Longhorns. It was a hard fought game that came down to the last few seconds. The major battle of the night was for field position. Childress maintained a slight advantage by starting most of their drives near midfield.

Lockney's opening drive ended in a punt which gave the Bobcats the ball at their 45 yard line. Childress then drove to Lockney's 10 yard line behind the legs of QB Sawyer Vest. A stout defensive stand forced Childress to try a 25 yard field goal. The try was no good.

On the next play, Blaine Hall connected with his twin brother Brandon for a 25 yard completion. Lockney however, could not convert on the next three downs and was forced to punt. A high spiral by Tyler Kidd was mishandled by Childress and was recovered by Lockney. Unfortunately, a holding call on Lockney wiped out the play. Lockney lined up to punt again when the snap went over Kidd's head. Kidd managed to retrieve the ball and get the punt off. Childress again started with good field position.

The Bobcats methodically drove to Lockney's 10 yard line again. But, Brance Wilson came up with a sack for an 11 yard loss. On 4th and goal from the 25 yard line, Sawyer Vest connected with his receiver to the five. A vicious hit by safety Jon Sherman, knocked the ball loose and was intercepted by Brandon Hall to end another Childress scoring threat.

The first quarter ended in a 0-0 tie. In the second quarter, Lockney punted to Childress for the third time. The Bobcats again drive into the redzone. This time Longhorn Rion Aufill came up with a sack on Vest. Sawyer Vest came up limping and never returned to the game with an apparent ankle sprain. Immediately, his backup attempted a pass only to be sacked by Aufill as well. This time Childress made good on a field goal attempt to make the score 3-0 with 7:58 left in the second quarter.

The unbelievably quick Childress defense gave the Longhorns fits all night. After another punt, Childress started another possession at midfield. However, Lockney's ability to be physically dominant matched Childress' quickness. Lockney linebacker Taylor Brock nailed Childress tailback Dixon which caused a fumble. Brance Wilson was on the spot and came up with the fumble recovery.

Using the shotgun offense (yes, Coach Joe is still calling plays), Lockney ripped off several big plays to take the lead. Blaine Hall connected with Dahlen McCarter for a 10 yard completion. Then, Wes Davis and John Vasquez broke through for 10 yard gains. Hall dropped back for another pass that threaded several defenders before the ball found its way to McCarter, was tipped up, and finally pulled down by McCarter for a 25 yard pass completion. That reception set up a five yard TD run by Vasquez. The extra point attempt was no good making the score 6-3 with 4:02 left before halftime.

Once again, Childress started their next possession near midfield due to a kickoff return

by Dixon. They proceeded to drive on the Longhorns until they found themselves in a 3rd and 23 situation at the Childress 43. Backup QB Nephi Tipa then dropped back for a deep pass up the Childress sideline and found a receiver that made a great catch over the top of a Longhorn defender for a 43 yard TD. The half ended with Childress holding a slight 10-6 advantage.

The second half opened with a long, time consuming drive by the Bobcats that ended in a touchdown making the score 17-6 with 5:37 remaining in the third quarter.

Lockney, desperately needing a touchdown of their own, went to the air. Blaine Hall found Brandon Hall in the flats. Hall spun away from the Childress defender and raced 47 yards up the sidelines for Lockney's answer. The Horns went for two but were turned away making the score 17-12 in the 3rd quarter.

In the fourth quarter, neither team could get anything going offensively. Both teams traded punts or stalled out on downs for six straight possessions.

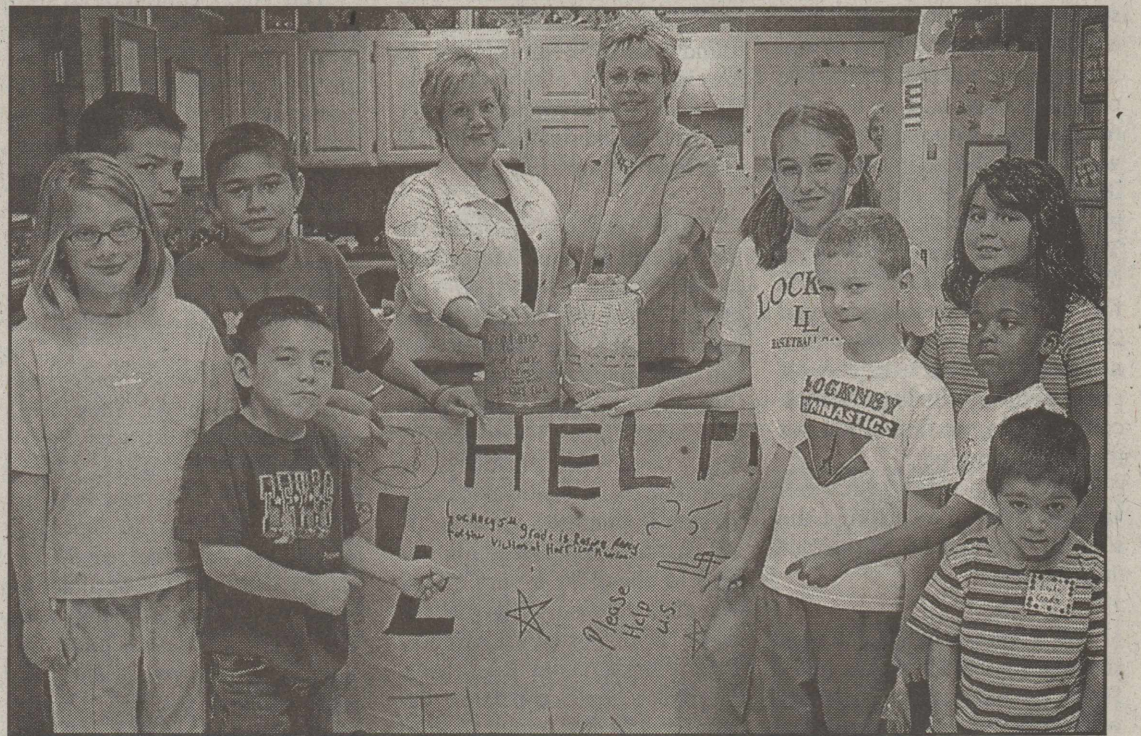
With time running out, and Lockney trailing by five, Childress maintained possession of the ball. The Longhorns were out of time outs. With less than a minute to go in the game Childress proceeded to try to score. Dixon punched in a late TD from the seven yard line to finish all scoring. The final score was 23-12.

Come support the Longhorns as the take on another state ranked team Friday night at 7:30 in Post.

Lockney	Game Stats	Childress
14	First Downs	16
113	Yds Rushing	174
144	Yds Passing	120
257	Total Yards	294



OVER THE TOP-Longhorn Jon Sherman #7 is shown going over the top of several Childress Bobcats at last Friday's game. Lockney lost 40-27. Staff Photo



LOCKNEY ELEMENTARY COLLECTS FOR HURRICANE VICTIMS---shown with their "flood buckets" are (l to r) Bobby Joe Nunez, Kennedy Hallmark, Erik Cortez, Jonathan Rodriguez, Principal JeanAnne Williams, Secretary Barbara Carthel, Lindsay Stewart, Jake Moore, Anna Hernandez, Jaden Rosales and Luke Gonzales. The Elementary School is raising money for the hurricane Katrina relief effort. All Lockney Elementary students will be bringing their change to add to the "flood buckets" at school. They will have canisters at all the businesses in town where people can donate their change. The canisters will be there until this Friday. For their part in helping with this project, the third graders are collecting quarters in film containers which are labeled "Quarters for Katrina victims." Each container holds \$7.50 when full. The money collected will be added to the same collection bin. The High School and Junior High Student Councils are also making donations to the Elementary School's fund.

Lockney JV Football Report

Lockney JV 22 - Childress 9th 16

The Lockney Longhorn JV squad pushed their season record to 2-0 by defeating the Childress Bobcats 22-16. The Horns used heart and determination to obtain this win.

The game started off with Lockney forcing a punt that was blocked by Alston Becker. Lockney's first possession started on Childress' 15 yard line. It ended when Kyler Ellison hit Dimitri Cortez in the corner of the endzone for the go ahead TD making the score 6-0. The two point conversion failed.

The second quarter found Childress driving to Lockney's 15 yard-line. A pass across the middle was intercepted by the

Horn's Zachary Gonzales in the back of the endzone. Gonzales returned the interception to the 50 yard line. However, Lockney fumbled the ball right back to the Bobcats.

On the very next play, Childress broke down the sidelines to go ahead 8-6. Childress opened the second half by scoring a quick touchdown, and the Horns found themselves down 16-6 with most of the third quarter expired. But, Lockney decided to put together a drive of their own.

Riding key blocks by Alston Becker and Brett Johnson, the Horns punched in a touchdown from Jr. Contreras. Asa Cole converted the two point conver-

sion drawing the Horns closer 16-14. After forcing a Childress punt, the Longhorns started their final drive from the 5 yard line with less than five minutes remaining in the game.

The Horns converted several third and fourth downs along the way to the game winning TD. Zachary Gonzales scored the final touchdown, and Kyler Ellison hit Jonathan Coleman for the two point conversion.

With only 47 seconds left in the game, the Horns held on for the victory.

Come support the Lockney JV tonight @ 5:00 at home. There will also be a game between the Childress 9th and Roosevelt 9th following Lockney's game.

The Lockney High School Library is continuing their "Tabs for Kids" collection of aluminum tabs. The tabs go to the Ronald McDonald House to help kids with cancer and their families. The public as well as the students are encouraged to collect the tabs. Last year the Library collected 17 gallons of tabs!

LOCKNEY ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

The Lockney Athletic Booster Club will meet on Monday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m. There will be a supper at 6:30.

LOCKNEY BAND BOOSTERS

The Lockney Band Boosters will meet on September 13th at 6:00 p.m. in the band hall.

Longhorn Band to have 1st March-a-thon this Saturday

The Lockney Longhorn Band will have their very first March-a-thon on Saturday, September 10th through the streets of Lockney.

The march-a-thon will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will cover a 6 mile route through most parts of Lockney. It will conclude at approximately 11:30am.

Parents, friends and community members are encouraged to make a pledge with one or more Longhorn Band members. You may call the band room at 652-4940 if you would like to find a band member to sponsor.

The pledge will be for 50 cents a mile or for \$1.00 per mile. Students will use these pledge funds to help cover their expenses to the Zia Marching Band

Fiesta in Albuquerque, NM on October 15th.

The Band will be stopping at many places along the march-a-thon route to present short concerts.

"We hope that many people will come out into their front yards and help encourage the Band members and enjoy the music," said Band Director Rob Lovett.

The Lockney Band Boosters are planning on having a hamburger cookout and homemade ice cream for the band members and their families at the Youth Activity Center at the conclusion of the march-a-thon.

"This should be a fun event for the band members and the citizens of Lockney," said Lovett.

Hey, Longhorn Fans Let's travel to Post Friday night to watch the Longhorns take on the Post Antelopes at 7:30

Lockney School Menu

September 12-September 16 Monday

Breakfast-Donut or cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Pig in the blanket or tuna sandwich, tossed salad, corn, applesauce, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast-Sausage biscuit or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Cheeseburger pocket or corn dog, tossed salad, pinto beans, fruited gelatin, cornbread, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast-Pancakes or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Chicken spaghetti or ham and cheese, tossed salad, green beans, peaches, hot rolls, milk

Thursday

Breakfast-Scrambled eggs or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Pizza or burrito, tossed salad, pears, milk

Friday

Breakfast-Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Hamburger or PBJ sandwich, lettuce and tomatoes, potato round, orange halves, milk

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2005 Floyd County Ag Tour September 20th

The 2005 Floyd County Ag Tour will be held on Tuesday, September 20.

Registration will get underway at 8 a.m. at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center in Muncy. At 8:15 a.m. A Water Project overview will be presented by program Director - Ricky Kellison.

This year's tour will feature three stops. Tour stop 1 will be held at the Jeff Don Terrell Farm (At intersection of 378 & Hwy 70 go 2.3 miles west. Then take County Road 67, 1/2 mile north). The stop will focus on Integrated Crop/Forage Livestock System.

Jim Bordovsky, TCA will present methods of irrigation and its efficiency. Also, Dr. Calvin Trostle will discuss various forages and their potential production. Dr. Vivian Allen, Texas Tech, will highlight the importance of crop rotation as it relates to grazing for livestock system.

Tour Stop 2 will also be on the Jeff Don Terrell Farm Drip Irrigated Cotton just a mile north of Tour Stop 1. This stop will feature Dr. Randy Boman, TCA Cotton Specialist will discuss cotton production under a drip irrigation system. Also Scott Orr

with High Plains Underground Water District will present information on the different instruments being used to measure irrigation water and its output.

Tour Stop 3 will be on the Bernie Ford Farm located (1.4 miles west of the Unity Center on FM 786). This stop will feature No-Till Dryland Cotton Production. Dr. Randy Boman & Dr. Calvin Trostle will discuss various elements of the No-Till system.

At 11:30 a.m. a lunch will be served at the Unity Center where Senator Robert Duncan will give his address to the group. Following lunch Ag Programs will be presented to both Floydada and Lockney 3rd thru 5th grade students.

All producers planning to attend must RSVP through the Extension Office by 5 p.m., September 15 at (806)983-4912. Producers will also be able to receive 3 CEU's as well as door prizes throughout the day. Please don't forget to RSVP. Meals will only be guaranteed for those that RSVP. For more information contact the Floyd County Extension Office.

Forage silage can equal corn silage & save water

Cattle can munch more efficiently if producers are willing to look at sorghum forages and silages, two Texas A&M University System specialists said.

Stocker cattle grazing systems, confined cattle feeding and a budding dairy industry create a growing demand for quality silage traditionally met with corn silage.

Dr. Brent Bean, agronomist with Texas Cooperative Extension and Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, and Dr. Ted McCollum, Extension beef cattle specialist, say five years of trials show forage sorghums can help meet the need for high quality silage.

And they can meet that need while saving precious irrigation water.

"The potential for replacing corn with forage sorghum exists with the recent development of productive, high-quality forage sorghum varieties," Bean said.

Producers can get the same tonnage of forage sorghum as corn and use at least 25 percent less water, he said. Also, the quality of certain sorghum varieties equal that of corn and the fuel costs are less to grow forage sor-

ghum, Bean said.

McCollum agreed producers can utilize forage sorghum in their cropping program.

The key consideration, however, will be for producers to be paid according to the value of the crop.

"The old conventional method of saying forage sorghums are worth less than corn silage is not necessarily true," McCollum said.

In feed quality trials, he said, corn silage has been replaced with forage sorghum without lowering the rate of gain or the feed efficiency.

Both Bean and McCollum warned there is more variability in sorghum than corn, so it is more important for producers to study variety trials to fit the production needs they have.

More than 80 sorghum varieties are growing next to corn in trials at the Experiment Station's James Bush Research Farm north of Bushland.

Results of these trials will be posted at the end of the season. Earlier trial results can be found at <http://amarillo.tamu.edu/programs/agronomy/publications>

Cotton Market Weekly

A service provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

Cotton futures on the New York Board of Trade closed at a three-week high Tuesday on active speculative buying as uncertainty regarding crop damage from Hurricane Katrina in the Memphis Territory and Southeast spurred the advance. Toward the end of the week, traders concentrated more on technical factors while damage reports from the week's adverse weather continued to trickle into the news.

Clear skies and rising temperatures returned to much of the Memphis Territory late in the week, and producers throughout the region were waiting to see how the cotton would respond. Reports were widespread of plants bent to the ground by Hurricane Katrina from the southern Mississippi Delta to west Tennessee. The potential for boll rot is great if plants fail to recover to a standing position. However, the forecast for temperatures of 80 to 90 degrees in the area will be constructive.

Early reports from southern Mississippi and northeast Louisiana indicate cotton there has sustained the greatest damage and prospective loss reported thus far. Some fields already had been defoliated, but where bolls were open and plants still were standing, a shortage of diesel fuel may prevent the commencement of the harvest. Additionally, local authorities reportedly have asked ginners to temporarily delay the start of ginning season in order to save electricity for those in greater need further south.

In addition to the tragic human toll that Hurricane Katrina has inflicted upon the gulf coast, a number of other longer term factors will remain in place to hinder the cotton market. Last season, exporters struggled to physically get onboard the amount of cotton USDA predicted would be exported. Now,

with two ports unable to operate, it will be even more difficult to get cotton out of the country. As shipping schedules begin to be reprioritized due to relief and rebuilding efforts, transport problems likely will affect more than the two currently closed ports. Observers believe dock space undoubtedly will be displaced in every port within 500 miles of New Orleans.

Meanwhile, a severe hailstorm across the Texas High Plains now appears to have severely damaged cotton on approximately 100,000 acres. Regional observers indicated the prospective cotton loss, based on current assessments of yield potential for the area, could range from 100,000 to 200,000 bales. However, market analysts have noted that the large supply of U.S. cotton could well make up for all of the weather damages incurred in the country over the past week.

USDA reported this week that net export sales of U.S. cotton totaled 211,500 bales in the week ended Aug. 25, 48 percent less than the previous week. The major buyer was China with smaller quantities to Turkey, Mexico, and Brazil. Sales of 13,500 bales for delivery in 2006-07 were for Mexico.

Export shipments of 227,100 bales were 29 percent less than the previous week and 44 percent less than the four-week average. Primary destinations included China, Turkey, Mexico, and Indonesia.

In the spot cotton market, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas in the week ended September 1 totaled 14,241 bales compared to the previous week when 5,761 bales were traded. Average prices received by producers in the most recent week ranged from 38.49 to 42.37 cents per pound compared to 35.72 to 39.84 cents per pound the previous week.

Patronage cash return reaches new high

By Emily Blaut
The Board of Directors of Great Plains Ag Credit has declared a \$1.376 million cash patronage payment to its stockholder owners and borrowers. The distribution is the highest of record for the lending cooperative and is more than double last years' distribution, according to Dennis Anthony, the Board Vice-Chairman from Friona.

Since the 2000 year, \$8.3 million of GPAC earnings have been allocated to members and \$3.6 million in cash distributions have been paid. Anthony added, "The

patronage allocation program, which defrays interest costs, is a strong cooperative benefit to producers."

GPAC provides short-term loans through its Production Credit Association and real estate loans through its Federal Land Bank Association throughout the region, and is headquartered in Amarillo. GPAC has loan assets of approximately \$250 million.

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Floyd County Ag Tour
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TOUR AGENDA

8:15 Overview Presentation Floyd/Hale Water Conservation Project - **Ricky Kellison**

8:45 Load busses and leave for tour.

9:00 - 9:30 **Tour Stop 1** - Jeff Don Terrell Farm
Site Topics: Irrigated Crop/Forage Livestock System - Site Speaker: **Jim Bordovsky, Dr. Calvin Trostle, TCE Agonomist, Dr. Vivian Allen, Texas Tech University.**

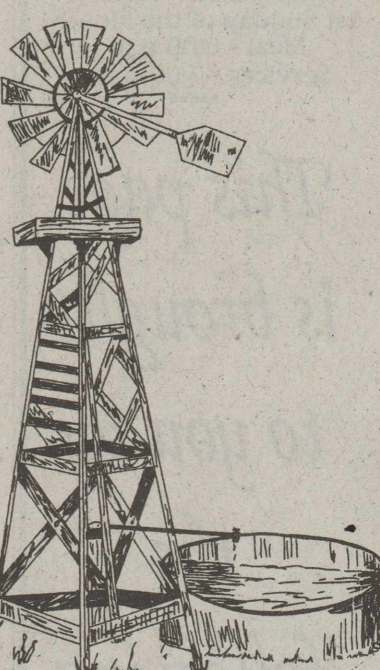
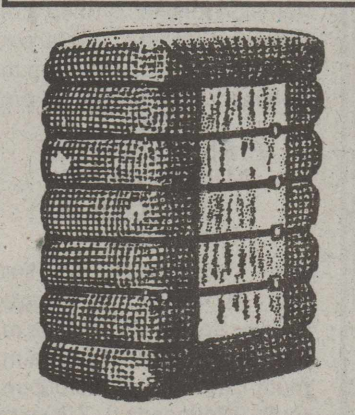
9:30 - 10:00 **Tour Stop 2** - Jeff Don Terrell Farm
Site Topics: Drip Irrigation Cotton.
Site Speakers: **Scott Orr, High Plains Underground Water District, Dr. Randy Boman, TCE Agronomist - Cotton.**

10:30 - 11:00 **Tour Stop 3** Burnie Ford Farm - *Site Topics; No-till Dryland Cotton.* Site Speakers: **Dr. Randy Boman & Dr. Calvin Trostle.**

11:30 LUNCH & Senator Robert Duncan's Address.

1:30 - 2:30 Floydada & Lockney 3rd thru 5th Grade Student Ag Programs. **3 CEU'S PROVIDED**

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7. Tulia
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Lighthouse Electric Coop
9. Sundown
10. Crosbyton

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11. Paducah
12. Kress

Clark Pharmacy
13. Roosevelt
14. New Deal

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16. Abernathy

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17. Brownwood
18. Abilene

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20. Littlefield

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22. Seagraves

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23. Valley
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Tie Breakers

Lockney vs Post

circle winner and write total combined score in football

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

To play, circle the number of the teams you believe will win on the official entry form. 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 games.

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada or Lockney no later than 5 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries will not be accepted.

Three cash prizes are awarded each week. In the event of ties (the same number of correct games and equal scores on the tie breakers), prizes will be combined and shared equally 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 p.m. on Friday.

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