

Rotan Boys Win First Season Game In Hawley

The Rotan varsity boys team won their first game of the season on December 30 when they defeated the Hawley B team by a score of 54 to 44.

Blake Hale was high point individual with 23 points, he was followed by Donny Mullins with 11, Mark Henderson with 10, and Cle Don Coffman with 6. Gary Don Harkey and Brian Goodwin each had 2 points in the victory.

Allan Houston, Anthony Yanez and Larry Ramirez are members of the varsity team but did not score in the season's first win.

Rotan led at the end of the first quarter by a score of 17 to 6 and increased the lead to 33 to 24 at halftime.

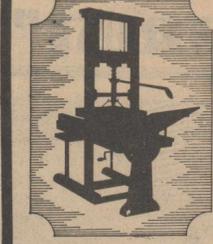
Rotan faced the Hawley

varsity team on New Year's Eve and lost 30 to 86. Cle Don Coffman had 10 points, Brian Goodwin had 7, while Blake Hale and Mark Henderson each had 5 points. Anthony Yanez had 3 points.

On January 1, Munday defeated the Hammers 77 to 15. Blake Hale was high with 6 points, Coffman had 3 while Henderson, Goodwin and Yanez had 2 points each.

Sonya Leverton Named To All Tourney Team

Sonya Leverton, senior defensive guard on the Rotan Yellowhammer girls basketball team, was named to the



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COUNTY JUNIOR STOCK SHOW IN ROBY SATURDAY

The annual Fisher County Livestock Show will be held Saturday, January 8, at 9:30 a.m. at the Fair Grounds in Roby, according to Richard Spencer, County Extension Agent.

All animals must be on the

grounds by 9:00 a.m. January 8 but may be brought in Friday if the individual so desires.

The judging order will be swine, sheep and cattle.

The General Superintendent of the show will be

Rudolph Martinez, Assistant General Superintendent is Billy Henderson. Tom Harkey will serve as Beef Cattle Superintendent; his assistants are Mike Herron and Billy Henderson. Gene Terry will serve as Sheep Superintendent. He will be assisted by Jerry Upshaw and Freddie Stuart. Bruce Cox will head the Swine Division. He will be assisted by Allen Hull and Lester Greenway. Allen Hull is in charge of the Broiler Department. Wayne Harris is the Finance Chairman for the show; Freddie Stuart heads the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

The Roby FHA Chapter and the Fisher County Young

Farmers have improved the facilities greatly this year. The Fisher County Young Farmers are again sponsoring the Showmanship Trophies.

Approximate entry numbers for the show include 96 market hogs, 57 lambs, 57

steers and 14 heifers.

The judge for the show will be Richard Smith, Hermeleigh Vo-Ag teacher.

The show will have the highest amount of prize money ever with the money also being awarded to champion animals.

Sheriff's Department Raids Marijuana Party

Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts and Deputy Randall King rang in the new year by "busting" a marijuana smoking party at a residence 7 miles southwest of Roby in Fisher County.

Counts and King were joined by A.E. (Bus) Rollans; Albert Hataway, Texas Highway Patrol; Frank Conard and R.J. Tindal of the Nolan County Sheriff's Department; Jim Blackley of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission; and Dale Pearce of the Texas Department of Wildlife in making the New Year's Eve raid.

According to Counts, he drove to the residence to serve some civil papers when he noticed approximately 15 cars parked at the residence.

When Counts and the other law enforcement officers raided the home there were approximately 35 to 40 men and women present. An extremely large assortment of marijuana smoking paraphernalia including smoking pipes, marijuana sifters, baggies, water pipes, rollers, etc. was confiscated by Counts and King.

Two of those in the house were arrested for possession

of marijuana. Robert E. Wallis, 20, of Sweetwater and Ricky M. Newman, 23, of Roby, were both arrested for possession of marijuana and released on \$1,000.00 bond.

George J. Donnelly, age 19, of Sweetwater, was arrested for possession of methamphetamines and released on \$2,500.00 bond.

Randall L. Borders, 19, of Sweetwater, was arrested for using profane and abusive language and released on \$300.00 bond.

The incident began to unfold at 11:20 p.m. Friday, December 31, 1976.

A trial date for the four people arrested has not been set at press time.

all tournament team for the second time this season, last weekend.

She competed in the Hawley tournament, where the Rotan varsity girls finished third and was called for the honor the second time.

She had a total of 48 ball advances on defense for the three tournament games. Her high game was against the Hawley varsity when she had 23 advances.

In addition to being the tournament team leader in advances she had a total of 9 steal and 9 rebounds.



Sonya Leverton

Bonnie Duke Named 1976 Texas Ginner Of Year

Bonnie Duke, manager of the Farmers Gin in Rotan for the past five seasons, was recently notified that she was selected as the Texas Cotton Ginners' Association "Outstanding Ginner of the Year for 1976".

The selection committee, acting for the board of directors to the TCGA made the selection. "Based on your achievements at the Farmers Gin in Rotan, and your dedication to the improvement of the ginning business", according to the letter informing Mrs. Duke of the coveted award.

The Texas Cotton Ginners' Association will present the Horace Hayden Memorial plaque at the association's annual meeting in Dallas on February 25.

By being named as the Texas Ginner of the Year, Mrs. Duke will now be nominated for National Ginner of the Year.

"This is certainly a big honor for me...one that was made possible because of the Farmers Gin great board of directors, efficient and loyal employees and best customers in the world", said Mrs. Duke.

She is planning to make the trip to the annual meeting in February and is in hopes that some of the Farmers Gin directors will also want to be present to see

their manager receive the award.

"We'll gin around 7,000 bales this season", said the Texas Ginner of the Year, "which is the highest since I've been manager...last year we ginned around 6,400 bales".

Eighteen In County To Make Race Decisions

There are approximately 18 non-paying elected tasks up for grabs within the next few months as voters in Rotan, Roby, Hobbs and McCaulley will elect school board members, city council members and representatives to the Fisher County Hospital Board.

Fisher County Hospital Board members having terms expiring this year are Wendell Morrow and Allan Houston. Board members whose terms expire in 1978 are Ralph Ammons, Kirmitt Terry and Rudolph Martinez. The hospital board election will be held on Saturday, April 1, 1977.

Rotan and Roby residents will be voting on the mayor's seat in both communities as well as members to the respective city councils.

At Rotan the term of Mayor James Springer expires as well as terms of councilmen Lester Sencil, Arvin White and Lawrence Bredemeyer.

At Roby, Mayor Cecil King has a term expiring this year as do the two council members Jimmy Hayes and Archie Rivers.

Rotan School Board President Charlie Joe Helms has a

term expiring this year as does board members Bobby Smith and Bobby Gruben. Other members of the Rotan board are Dr. Jerry Marshall, Ernest Ragan, Allan Houston and Louie Hayes.

The Roby School Board President Jerry Hoodenpile also has a term expiring as does Roby Board member Rex Hall. Other board members are Bunny Terry and John Matthies with terms expiring in 1978 and Roy Herron, Joe DeLosSantos and Mike Terry with terms expiring in 1979.

At Hobbs the terms of James Ratliff, Mickey Templeton and Howard Gordon all expire in 1977. Other Hobbs board members are Sim Groves, Jackie Wayne Etheredge, Odell Rains and Gary Nettleton.

At McCaulley the seven board members are E.T. Gibson, President; K.R. VanDenman, Secretary; Cecil Williams, Marion Reed, Julius Decker, Jerry Jeffrey and Billy Wayne Jeffrey. A list of those that have terms expiring this year will be run in a later edition.

McCaulley Consolidation Election Saturday Jan. 15

The consolidation election for the residents of the Hamlin and McCaulley School Districts is scheduled for Saturday, January 15, at respective schools.

The Hamlin Independent School District could gain \$7,088,000.00 in valuation from the McCaulley School District if the consolidation receives voter approval in

both districts. It is almost guaranteed passing in Hamlin. They would be out very few dollars in comparison to the income from additional taxes.

The passage in McCaulley is not such a sure bet. Residents of the McCaulley District would increase their school taxes 35% over what they are currently paying

with all things remaining the same.

Hamlin is involved in a fairly extensive building program with the construction of a new middle school (junior high) and large gymnasium.

Absentee voting began on December 27th and will continue through January 11th.

John Waddell Purchases Rotan Dairy Queen

Mr. and Mrs. B.J. Waddell, former owners of the Dairy Queen at Rotan, announced the sale of the establishment to their son and former local manager, John Waddell.

The sale took place on January 1. John Waddell was the manager of the Rotan Dairy Queen when it opened in March 1976. In the latter part of 1976 he left the Rotan location to become manager of the Anson Dairy Queen.

He has been associated with managing and working in Dairy Queen eating establishments since 1967 when his parents operated a Dairy Queen in Deere Park, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. B.J. Waddell continue to own and operate the locations in Anson, Cross Plains, Hamlin and Knox City. They also own franchises in Aspermont, Munday, and Spur and could construct Dairy

Queens in those towns in 1977.

John Waddell and Margaret Bailey of Abilene plan to announce their engagement in the near future.

"There will not be any drastic changes in the operation of the Rotan Dairy Queen", said Waddell. "We intend on providing good service and good food", said Waddell.

Mrs. Frances Ruark will serve as assistant manager under the new owner.



John Waddell

Western Texas Spring Classes For Rotan

Registration for spring semester classes at the Rotan Extension Center of Western Texas College is scheduled from 6:30-8 p.m. on January 11 at the High School Library. Classes will begin on January 19.

The schedule of classes planned for the spring semester is as follows: Accounting 232, 6:30-9:20

Thurs.; Business 131, 6:30-9:20, Mon.; Gov. 232, 6:30-9:20, Wed.; Math 135, 6:30-9:20, Thur. and Psychology 232, 6:30-9:20 Tues.

Persons wishing further information about the classes may contact Mrs. Pat Hamric, coordinator of the Rotan center, at her office or call her there at 735-3041, or

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Dr. J. Frank Johnson Pioneer Doctor Succumbs

Dr. J. Frank Johnson, 76, of Rotan died at 9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 24, in the Fisher County Hospital. Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 26, at the First Baptist Church, Rotan.

The Rev. Fred Thomas, pastor, officiated. Burial was in the Rotan Cemetery.

Born Dec. 10, 1900, in Midway, Ala., he married Annie Laurie May July 24, 1928, in Hamlin. He received a degree in pharmacy from the University of Oklahoma before he went on to take his medical degree. The Texas State Board of Pharmacy recently awarded him a Citation of Achievement for 50 years of devoted service.

Dr. Johnson received his medical degree from Baylor University in 1940. His internship was at Gallinger Municipal Hospital in Washington, D.C. He spent his entire medical career in Rotan as a partner in the Callan Hospital and Clinic. His early practice included house calls to surrounding farms and ranches.

Dr. Johnson was a member of the Texas Medical Association, the American Medical Association, the Colorado Basin Medical Society and other medical groups. He was also a member of the First Baptist Church and of the Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife; two brothers, W. Theodore of Hamlin and Dr. Robert H. Johnson of Fairhope, Ala.; two sisters, Carrie Johnson of San Antonio and Janie Mae Johnson of Sioux Falls, S.D.; and two nephews.

Pallbearers were Dr. C.U. Callan, Dr. B. LeBleu, Dr. C.M. Callan, Roger Smith, Bart Strayhorn, Joe Dale Burk, George McDonald and J.D. Burk. Honorary pallbearers were Cleburne Murdock, J.O. Roberts, Ray Brown, Wayne Porter, and members of his Sunday school class.



Bonnie Duke

Roby Parents Of Kindergarten Pupils Register

The Roby Kindergarten teachers, Mrs. LoVelle Stuart and Mrs. Mary Townsend would like for the parents of all Roby Kindergarten age pupils to bring the birth certificates to school any time Friday, January 7, in order that they may complete registration and be ready to begin classes on Monday morning.

The school already has a list of pupils, parents and birthdays; but must see a copy of the birth certificate as proof of age before the child may be entered in the register.

The Rotan girls varsity team participated in the Hawley tournament over the New Year's Holiday and came home with a respectable third place finish.

The girls opened against the Hawley junior varsity on December 29 with a 55 to 37 win. In that game Ginger Duke had 16 points and Melody Walker had 16 ball advances.

On New Year's Eve, the girls lost to the Hawley varsity by a score of 64 to 80. Charee Smith had 4 steals in that game while Sonya Leverton had 23 advances.

On New Year's Day the girls beat Trent 55 to 35. Blanch Gentry had 15 ball advances, Charee Smith had 17 points, 4 rebounds and 6 assists, while Jill Hill had 4

ball advances in that contest.

In the opening game against the Hawley junior varsity, Susie McKinney had 14 points; Carol Byrd 6; Charee Smith 5; Ginger Duke 16; and Blanch Gentry 12. Defensive ball advances in that game went to Melody Walker with a high of 16, while Donna Smith had 6, Sonya Leverton 13, Patti Williams 5, Kim Copeland 5 and Jill Hill 3.

In the 64 to 80 loss to the Hawley varsity Susie McKinney had 18 points; Charee Smith 9; Ginger Duke 27; Blanch Gentry 2; Jamie Strickland 6; and Cheryl Jones 2. Sonya Leverton led in ball advances with 23, and Hill had 10 while Donna Smith, Blanch Gentry and Melody Walker had 4 each.

Coach Sonny Barnes indicated that the New Year's Eve game was lost at the free throw line. Rotan had 16 of 15 while Hawley had 30 of 43 at the line.

In the final game Ginger Duke led the Trent victory with 22 points, Susie McKinney had 2 points, Carol Byrd 10, Charee Smith 17, and Blanch Gentry 4. In ball advances Gentry had 16, Leverton 12, Walker 8, and Hill 4.

The Rotan varsity girls are 12-6 for the season and 2-1 in district play. Munday is 0-3; Knox City 1-2; Hamlin 3-0; Crowell 3-0 and Haskell 1-2. Head coach Sonny Barnes said, "Rotan still has a chance to win district, because I believe every team will lose at least one game in

district play. Crowell and Hamlin have not lost a district game yet, but they have not played each other. If we continue to improve and get ready for each game one at a time, there is sure a good possibility to win a district championship this year." "Just having a winning season is not much of a goal for the girls team, but a goal of winning the district championship would result in a much better season", concluded Barnes.

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the office of the registrar at WTC in Snyder. College credits earned in extension centers are transferrable to other colleges and universities.

Students who do not register on Tuesday night will be required to register in the office of the registrar on the WTC campus in Snyder. Students unable to register on Tuesday night should contact Mrs. Hamric before Tuesday so it will be known how many students will be in

each class.

Students at extension centers may earn the Associate of Arts degree by following a prescribed two-year course. Students at the Rotan center will be required to take some courses on the Snyder campus.

Veterans who are eligible for VA educational benefits may contact Dan Dever, Veterans Outreach Coordinator at WTC, for information about applying for these benefits.

Farmers Union Leader Praises Jimmy Carter

The President of Texas Farmers Union, Jay Naman, praised President-elect Jimmy Carter's appointment of Congressman Bob Bergland as Secretary of Agriculture under the new administration. "His selection is consistent with Governor Carter's pledge to appoint a working farmer and we are pleased that he is one who has been consistent with the policy of Farmers Union," said Naman. "Mr. Bergland's experience in Congress with the administration of farm programs will undoubtedly make it easier for him to be effective in this most important post."

Bergland is a friend of Vice President Walter Mondale and operates a 600-acre grain and grass seed farm in Minnesota. He has been a member of the House Agriculture Committee and was Agriculture Department administrator of price supports, production control and storage programs in the Midwest in the 1960's. He is a believer in farm price supports, backed by stockpiling if necessary, and has blasted former Secretary Earl Butz's laissez faire policy of a free market system.

TFU President Naman says, "Bergland is no newcomer to Farmers Union. He has been close to the Minnesota Farmers Union and has given general support to the programs advocated by Farmers Union. He has a voting record consistent with the Farmers Union stand on issues in general."

"We wish him well and know he will be an asset to the Carter administration and the nation's farmers and ranchers as a whole."

The Texas Farmers Union is a general farm organization representing almost 8,000 farmers and ranchers in the state. They meet for their annual convention in Amarillo January 21 and 22. The state convention is then

followed by the national convention to be held this year in San Antonio Mary 5-9. The National Farmers Union has extended an invitation to Bergland to speak at the San Antonio convention.

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Please submit your bid on or before this date and time. Any and all bids may be accepted or rejected.

Fisher County Commissioner Court, Roby, Texas. 45-2tc

Mr. and Mrs. Hill G. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Smith, Lewisville, visited Mrs. Worth Smith in Rotan during the Christmas Holidays.

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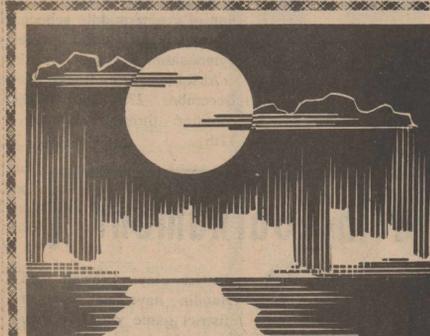
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Worship-11:00 a.m.



Time on our hands ...

Sunday Luke 2:1-20
Monday Matthew 1:18-25
Tuesday Matthew 2:1-12
Wednesday Psalms 71:16-24
Thursday Psalms 43:1-5
Friday Romans 12:9-21
Saturday Romans 15:1-13

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... is an expression often associated with leisure, with having nothing special to do. But in a larger sense LIFE is having time on our hands. A day is a span of hours. What we do with those hours can make it a busy day or a wasted day, a good day or an evil day. And a year is a span of days. What we do with the days can determine the kind of year it will be. One of the best of New Year Resolutions is this: To learn to know better the God who has given us Time ... and to share that knowledge of God with a rising generation who may make of their years more than we have made of our own. Your church can help you and your family make this a Happy New Year!

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CLUB OFFICERS: Eddie Gibson, left, Tarleton State University senior from McCaulley, has been elected parliamentarian of the Tarleton Agri-Business Club for the spring semester. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E.T. Gibson.

Other officers are James Davidson, Georgetown, vice president; Bradley Cockrum, Georgetown, president; and Roy Watters, Goldthwaite, reporter.

Arthritis Foundation Awards Fellowships

Five Scientists in Texas are receiving national research fellowship awards from The Arthritis Foundation during fiscal 1976-1977. It was announced by Darold P. Barnam, President, West Texas Chapter of the Foundation.

The Texas scientists are sharing more than \$900,000 awarded this year by The Arthritis Foundation to a total of 70 men and women engaged in trying to solve the mystery of arthritis, the nation's number one crippling disease.

Fellows from Texas are, Dr. Phillip Cohen, who is investigating Cellular Studies in Rheumatic Disease; Dr. Fred D. Finkelman, investigating Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, Lymphocyte; Dr. Eric R. Hurd conducting studies in Felty's Syndrome, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Systemic Lupus Erythematosus and NZB Mice; and Dr. Peter E. Lipsky, Investigating Immune Mechanisms in Rheumatic Disease. All four scientists are conducting their research at

the University of Texas Health Science Center in Dallas.

Dr. Donald A. Person is investigating the possible Viral Etiology of Rheumatoid Arthritis at the Department of Medicine, Baylor College, Houston.

"The Foundation's Fellowship program celebrates its 25th anniversary this year", Barnam said, "and its dividends are impressive". Thirty of the nation's medical school rheumatology departments are headed by Arthritis Foundation fellows, and one alumnus, Dr. Baruch S. Blumberg has been awarded the 1976 Nobel Prize in Medicine and Physiology.

"Three years ago the fellowship program was extended to the allied health profession, whose contributions as a part of the medical team are vital to the total care of the arthritis sufferer", Barnam said.

The Arthritis Foundation is the voluntary, non-governmental agency seeking the

cause, prevention and cure to the many forms of arthritis. More than 125,000

arthritis sufferers live in the area served by the West Texas Chapter.

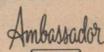
Rotan JV Girls Up Season Record to 11-2

The Rotan Junior Varsity girls defeated the Loraine JV girls by a score of 96-34 Dec. 28th to give them a season record of 11-2. Their only loss was at the hands of Hamlin on two separate occasions.

Cindy Williams was high point girl with 34 points. She was closely followed by Jamie Strickland with 33 and Cheryl Jones with 28 points. Regina Pearson had one point.

Defensively, Remona Pearson had 18 ball advances; Tina McCombs had 17 and Carmen Sparks had 11. Monika Stucki had 5 ball advances and 5 steals. Renee Underwood had 3 rebounds and one ball advance. Cindy Williams was the top rebounder with 7 in the Loraine win.

Coach Sonny Barnes was pleased with the fact that the forwards are learning to play defense. They are turning around and getting the ball back before the opposing guards can get it down court.

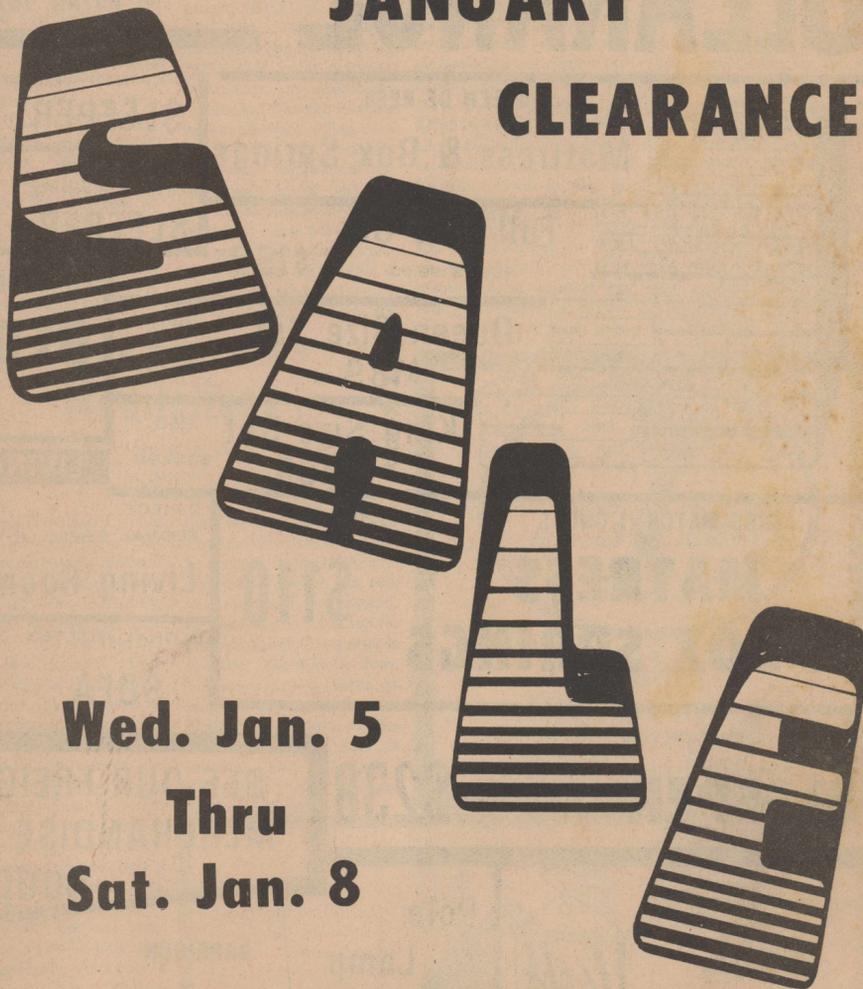


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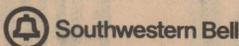
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TEXAS FAIR RESERVE CHAMPION: Blake Hale, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ross Hale of Rotan, showed his 17 month old Angus to Reserve Grand Champion honors at the State Fair of Texas in Dallas recently. Breeder was Jim Strain and Son of the Halfmoon Ranch. Blake is in his second year as a 4-H member participating in the show circuit.

The Reserve Grand Champion was purchased for \$1,100 by El Chico Restaurant.



If your children have a pet, or if you're thinking about getting a pet for your child, you'll be interested in a new program that has been developed by the Bureau of Veterinary Public Health of the Texas Department of Health Resources. The purpose of the program is to teach children how to care for their pets.

Dr. William Bilderback, director of the state's Zoonosis Control Program, explained that the pet care project is intended for children in the second grade. He said, "This is something we have never had the capability of doing, and it's something that most of us have dreamed about in the past, but now it's a reality."

The program is designed around a single classroom lesson, using a filmstrip with a pre-recorded narration. A coloring booklet reinforces the major concepts in the lesson, and each participating child received a second booklet to take home.

The educational materials were developed by the Pet Food Institute, the trade association of pet food manufacturers, and the Orange County (Calif.) Veterinary Medical Association Women's Auxiliary. Additional printed materials, including a Teacher's Guide, have been prepared and reproduced by the Texas Dept. of Health Resources. A Spanish-language version of the filmstrip, phonograph record, and printed materials is being developed now and should be available next Spring.

Bilderback said, "We do have some marvelous educational programs for adults, but this never seems to quite to do the job, and we've failed in the past to have educational materials that reach to the real 'education point'." He stressed the

importance of teaching pet care at an early age so that children will have a base on which to build "the fundamentals of environmental responsibility and pet ownership."

The educational materials will be available to teachers through the twenty Regional Education Service Centers. In addition, the women's auxiliaries of the local veterinary medical associations in many communities will put on the program in the local schools. Also, a veterinarian in each of the ten Texas Public Health Regions will be available to present the program.

The content of the program stresses the importance of providing a suitable shelter for a pet, the pet's nutritional and grooming needs, and rudimentary pet training. The theme, "a pet is a very special friend", emphasizes the child's responsibility toward the pet.

Although most people

regard pet care as a "common-sense matter", Bilderback pointed out that children don't know how to care for their pets unless they are taught. The problem is particularly acute in the cities, where pets can't fend for themselves and thus are entirely dependent on their owners for both physical and emotional needs. Veterinarians and public health officials see and hear about instances of pet abuse and mistreatment daily.

Pets that don't receive proper care can become the victims of a variety of diseases, many of which are transmissible to humans. That's why the state public health agency has become involved in the pet care project; zoonosis control is the science of controlling diseases that are transmitted by animals to humans.

Bilderback also commented on a subject that is not specifically included in the school program: the proper

selection of a pet. He said, "The basis for selecting a good pet is, first of all, stay away from the exotics." Exotic animals—that is, animals which have not been domesticated—usually cannot be cared for properly in the home, he said. "The exotic pet may be a beautiful conversation piece," he added, but wild animals also are the greatest source of diseases and animal behavior problems. Furthermore, Bilderback said, "if it were a (suitable pet in the first place, we would already have it in our homes."

Other than avoiding exotic pets, Bilderback said the selection of a good pet is purely a matter of personal choice with consideration given to the environment in which the pet will be kept (for example, not trying to keep a large dog in a small city apartment) and the kind of association the individual wishes to have with the pet. Information about the

school program on pet care may be obtained by writing to Dr. Bilderback at the Texas Department of Health Resources, Austin, Texas 78756.



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Federal Land Bank Reduces Interest Rates

E.J. Richardson, Jr. Manager of the Federal Land Bank Association in Roby, announced today that The Federal Land Bank of Houston will reduce the interest billing rate on variable rate loans to 8 percent. This reduction will be effective on January 1,

1977, and will affect \$980 million in variable rate loans to 17,100 Texas farmers and ranchers. This billing rate change will be effective on both farm loans and rural residence loans.

The variable rate loan was introduced by the Houston Bank in July, 1969 and allows the rate to fluctuate with variations in the money market. Improvements in the money market have made this billing reduction possible. Mr. Richardson stated, "This action is in keeping with the Land Bank's policy to provide farmers and ranchers credit at the lowest possible cost consistent with

sound business practices".

The Federal Land Bank of Houston makes long-term real estate loans on farm and ranch land and rural residences throughout Texas and now has \$1.2 billion in loans outstanding. The local Association makes and services loans in Fisher, Nolan, and Taylor Counties. Officers and directors of the Association are E.J. Richardson, Jr., Manager; John Scott Lanford, Assistant Manager; Lorene C. Stuart, Office Assistant; Elmer Jordan, T.O. Massey, Ray H. Boothe, W.S. Etheredge, Jr., J.T. Watts and Stergil K. Moore, Directors.

Tree, Shrub Planting Time Now

Although most people shun the outdoors when cold weather arrives, that's the best time to add winter hardy trees and shrubs to the home landscape, says a Texas Agricultural Extension Service landscape horticulturist.

"Texas weather allows trees and shrubs to set out good root systems in the colder months," points out Dr. William Welch. "This allows the plants set out in the fall and winter to better withstand summer drought than those set out in the spring."

The main concern when setting out trees and shrubs in the winter is to keep them watered to avoid damage during freezing weather. This is especially true for evergreens which have a tendency to dry out or contract leaf burn, warn Welch.

The horticulturist also suggests that newly planted trees and shrubs be staked firmly to prevent damage from high winds.

"New plants should not be fertilized until after the first growing season. A good mulch of hay, dried grass clippings or leaves will help protect the root system from extreme temperature change and will help retain moisture explains the horticulturist."

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Dr. William C. Welch, landscape horticulturist with the Texas Agriculture Extension Service, advises a cool location for poinsettias, chrysanthemums or azaleas. It is important to keep the plants out of drafts and away from heating sources.

"Since Christmas plants usually come from a greenhouse where they get plenty of water, frequent watering is necessary in the home, usually every other day",

advises Welch. "Since over-watering is possible, use a good planting media or a container with a hole in the bottom to allow proper drainage".

"All new plants need a good light source," says the horticulturist. "The best light is by a window, but artificial light will do. A plant can be damaged by placing it in direct sunlight or too near a glass window."

Some gift plants can be transplanted for prolonged beauty in the spring, notes Welch. Chrysanthemums are among the best plants for surviving the greenhouse-to-garden shock.

W.T.C. Offers New Physical Educ. Course

A new course in physical education, HPE 112-14, will be offered at Western Texas College during the spring semester, it was announced by Dr. Sid Simpson, athletic director and division chairman of Health and Physical Education.

The one-hour activity course entitled "Dimensions of Movement" will meet from 1-2:30 p.m. on Tuesday

and Thursday. A co-educational offering, the course will include instruction in carriage, charm, poise, make up techniques for women and grooming for male students. This portion, approximately 9-12 clock hours, will be taught by Mrs. Roy (Gay) Idom. Approximately 25-30 clock hours in dance movements will be under the instruction of Mrs. Elaine

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Hello, I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We did at our home. I didn't make any New Year resolutions though, because somehow they never get carried out.

There have been several people here in the hospital: **Glenda Fields** has been in Stamford Hospital for several days; **Carl Martin** is in Fisher Co. Hospital; **Ivin Martin** has recently returned home after having surgery at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock; **Mrs. Ova L. Deen** is in Stamford Hospital recovering from a fall she received in her home last week. As of this writing we haven't heard any reports of the x-rays that were made. **Bell Bishop** is recuperating at home from recent surgery she had at Hendrick Hospital in Abilene. **Mrs. Cecil Alexander**, a former Robyite, is in Hendrick Hospital recovering from recent surgery, her room number is C205. **Jeff Simmons**, who has been a patient in Stamford Hospital for several days, was transferred to Hendrick Hospital for tests. **MR. O.T. Sanders** is in the Fisher County Hospital. **Louie Hayes** is in the Fisher County Hospital.

I hope all of these people who are sick are soon up and about. Our prayers are with you.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Whitaker of Eules, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Burk of Wolfforth, Buddy Parson and Luther, Paul and Ruby Burk of Stamford were all at the home of Mr. and

Mrs. J.W. Burk for the Christmas holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnes spent Christmas in Wichita Falls with their son Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Barnes and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Robertson of Winters and Trean and Jackie Cobb of Sunray spent New Years with Mr. and Mrs. Ross Woolsey.

Ada Jo Brashears traveled to Lockhart to be with her mother, Ruby Foreman, for the Christmas Holidays. Pam Foreman of Schertz returned home with Ada Jo for a few days.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Burk for Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Burk, Kullena nd Keden of Artesia, New Mexico.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Bill Gladson. Mrs. Frankie Young, Tray and Robin of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. James Carter and boys of Rotan spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Smith.

Congratulations to **Audrey Duncan** for being on the Honor Roll at Angelo State University. Audrey is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alford Carey.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dwalyn Parker during Christmas were their children, Larry and Vicki Markham of Oklahoma City, and Jimmy, Shirley and Jennifer Parker of Denver, Colorado.

Annie Bruce has just returned home from Kingsville where she has been visiting her daughter and family, Martha Meyers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Donham, Todd and Shawn traveled to the Houston area for the Christmas holidays to visit with his sisters and their families. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pope, Donna, Randy and Ann of Splendora and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny McKelvey and Amber of Pasadena.

Visiting in the homes of C.C. Farmer and Mr. and Mrs. John Matthies during Christmas were Joyce, Randy and Julie Howard of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Terry, Robert, Kenneth, James, Clifton and Clay Smith have just returned home from a week-and-half trip to the South where they spent Christmas and New Year. They first went to Del Rio touring the Amstead Land and Dam. They went to Falcon Lake where they were met by Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Terry and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Claxton. From there they all traveled to Port Isabell where they spent two nights touring the lighthouse that is over 200 years old. At Harlingen they went through the Confederate Air Force, from World War II. On their way back they came through Waco and spent the night with Wynelle's sister, Denver and Loretta Price and family. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Murff traveled to Pittsburg, Texas

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Weather

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Dec.76	Prec.	Hi	Lo
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Wed22		52	27
Thur23		55	21
Fri24		63	30
Sat 25		45	34
Sun26		65	26
Mon27		72	43
Tue28		64	43
Wed29		65	34
Thur30		56	27
Fri 31	37	10	
Jan. 77			
Sat. 1		30	16
Sun. 2		44	24
Mon. 3		67	28
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1975.....24.60			
1976.....20.86			

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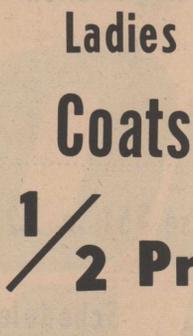


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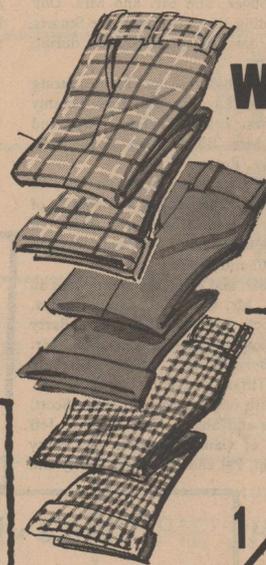
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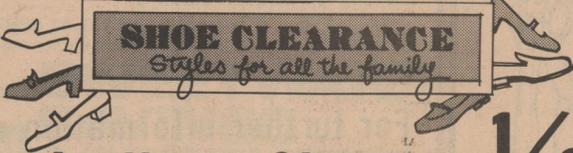
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where they spent from Thursday, Dec. 30, to Monday, Jan. 3, visiting her mother and family.

Mrs. John Palmer had all her children for Christmas dinner. Niles and Kathy Palmer stopped to visit on their trip from Green Forrest, Ark. to their home in San Diego, Calif. where they are in school.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Puckett and family of Comanche, Mr. and Mrs. Malcom Young and family and Mr. and Mrs. Lee David Mitchell and sons, all of Lubbock, visited Mr. and Mrs. Horace Mitchell during the Christmas holidays. They had Christmas Day dinner at the home of Mrs. J.D. Mitchell. Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Scherwitz during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cotton of Abilene, Dr. Larry Scherwitz and Debra Kestler of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Scherwitz and boys, and Mr. and Mrs. Juan Parsons and Amy of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Gibson and family of Salina, Kansas have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. Sparks of Rotan.

Dr. and Mrs. Bob Holston, Michelle, Robbie and Jeremie of Amarillo spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mitchell. They had Christmas Day dinner with Mrs. J.D. Mitchell.

Spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Upshaw were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Early and family, Donna and Jackie Simpson, Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Polk and family, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Upshaw and family.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Mr. O.E. Hanna of the Palava community.

The youth of Sardis Baptist Church traveled to Sweetwater New Years Day to try their hand at bowling and skating. The youth ages 9-12 to go skaing were Todd Donham, Trevor Dickson, Gharon Stuart, Mrs. Carole Stuart, Mrs. Buella Dickson and Clifford Rowland of Carrollton. The older youth from age 12 and up to go bowling were Belynda and Debra Stuart, Carol and Mary Barrington, Tina Hataway, Laura Dickson, Terry Foster, Pat Cleveland, Tommie Jack Stuart, Ken Foster, Bro. Henry Dickson and Zac Stuart of Carrollton. They all met afterwards at the Dairy Queen.

Spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Pete Driver were her mother, Mrs. Ruby Clark, of Dallas, and Frank and John Clark of Abilene.

Jim McWhirter of Dallas visited his mother, Mrs. Willa McWhirter, during the holidays.

Spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. M.E. Doyle were Doc, Jo Ann, Wendy and Shad Hardin of Victoria, Curtis, Sandy, Deborah Doyle of Wichita Falls, and Robert, Judy and Shanna Doyle of Rotan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Driver and family of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Driver and family of Midland, and Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Parkham of Noodle all spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Driver.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey McWhirter and family of Dallas visited in the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell McWhirter.

Happy Birthday wishes go to Pat Cleveland, Dec. 30, Terry Owens Jan. 1 and Barry Stuart, Jan. 4.

Happy Anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Monty Neighbors Dec. 32, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Holik Jan. 1.

Visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Goforth and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Goforth were their cousins Vernon McDaniel of Wichita Falls, and Robert McDaniel of Muenster, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gilbert of Corpus Christi visited relatives in Roby during the Christmas Holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Stuart are sporting around in a new Grand Prix.

Visiting with Mrs. Lillian Perkins during Christmas were Roy and Minta Eury of St. Louis, Mo. and Jack and Laverne Hughes of Lewisville, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Palmer, Steve Cheryl and Scott of Houston visited during the holidays in Roby with P.D. Park, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Bill Park and Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Pope.

Congratulations to Terry and Debra Younggren on the birth of their son Tracey Mitchell.

Mona Simmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Simmons, of Ft. Leonardwood, Mo. is home on a 12 day leave.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Morton and family of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Terry Breeden and family of Abilene spent Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Allen Morton and Donald.

Spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Stuart and Jordan were Mrs. Lon Austin and Roger of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Meixner of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Ode Levens. Mrs. Ausin is spending this week with the Stuarts. Jordan saw all his grandparents and great-parents during Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morris had in her home during Christmas Mr. and Mrs. James Lay, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Lay and Julie, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Holiday, Tonya and Tommie, Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gruben of Houston, Mike Roberts and Brian Cave, Rotan.

Visiting in the home of Mrs. Emma Moore during Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Neil Moore and family of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Winky Moore and family of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Moore of Las Vegas, Kenny, Cindy, Jake and Dawn of Mineral Wells.

Spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Coy Stuart were all their children and families, Mr. and Mrs. James Sartar, Jimmy and David of Lubbock, Landon, Bryan, Zac, Barry Stuart, Melba Rowland, Clifford and Stacy of Carrollton, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Stuart, Belynda, Deb, Sharon, Mr. and Mrs. don Stuart, Gary and Tiffany of Eastland.

Mrs. Eula Feagan had with her during Christmas Scott, and Dianne Feagan, Sheree and Shana, Ted, Debbie, Jeff and Mandy, Clay Feagan of Gainville, Don and Betty Bruner, Merle, Betty Griggin, Pat and Joh, Mike, Betty and

Funeral Service

Billy Gladson

Billy Gladson, 40, of Rotan died at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 28, in Fisher County Hospital after a brief illness. Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 30, at the Rotan Church of Christ.

Charles Lindley, minister, officiated. Burial was in the Snyder City Cemetery, directed by Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Born Dec. 27, 1936, in Snyder, he moved to Fisher County in 1937 as a child. He was a partner in the Bill and Gene's TV Repair Service in Rotan. He was a member of

the Rotan Church of Christ and an honorary member of the Rotan Fire Dept. He was a member of the Aspermont Gun Club.

Survivors include his mother, Bonnie Gladson of Rotan; his stepfather, Gene Gladson of Rotan; a stepsister, Mrs. John Smallwood of Rotan; his stepbrother, Ronnie Gladson of Atlanta, Ga.; and his grandmother, Mrs. E.E. Neal of Snyder.

Pallbearers were Jerry Dycus, Dewayne Lee, Jack Cadenhead, Bennie Reaid, Doyce Waddell and Jimmy Waddell.

Orval E. Hanna

Orval E. Hanna, 70, a Longworth farmer died at 5:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31, at the Fisher County Hospital in Rotan after a brief illness.

Services were held at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 2, at Weathersbee Chapel in Rotan. Rev. Sam Callaway, pastor of Longworth Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was in Longworth Cemetery.

Born May 27, 1906, at Arkansas, he came to Fisher County as a child. He married Vura Owens in 1927, at Sweetwater. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Clara Edwards of Monahans; a son, Marlin of Buras, La.; five sisters, Sabra Peebles of Roby, Ada Williams of Sweetwater, Oma Lytle of Morton, Dora Holder of San Diego, Calif. and Mealia Brunson of Texas City; two brothers, Willie Hanna of Longworth and Clead Hanna of San Antonio; five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were Royce Williams, Reeves Black, Bert Killingsworth, Dub Landers, Ray Smith, and Glendol Ammons.

Mrs. B.F. Campbell

Mrs. B.F. Campbell, 89, of Rotan died at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 26, in Fisher County Hospital.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 28, in Weathersbee Funeral Home Chapel in Rotan. The Rev. J.R. Church officiated.

Graveside services were held at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Lubbock City Cemetery.

Born Isabell McCuchan, June 6, 1887, in Hood County, she married B.F. Campbell in November, 1902 in Erath County. He died on Dec. 7, 1960. She moved to Rotan in 1916 and had lived here until 1942, when she

moved to Lubbock. She lived there until 1964. She returned to Rotan in 1967 from Snyder. She was a member of the Nazarene Church.

Survivors include four daughters, Farris Locke of Seagraves, Loveta Ashley of Lubbock, Vera Bennett of Rotan and Cleo Bostic of Abilene; three sons, Wallace of Rotan and Loyd and Paul, both of Lubbock; a sister, Jennie Hawkins of Grand Prairie; 20 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and 7 great-great-grandchildren. Grandsons were pallbearers.

Medicare Deductible Increases In January

The Medicare hospital insurance deductible will be \$124 starting January 1, 1977, according to M. Glyn Hammons, social security district manager in Abilene.

"A Medicare patient who goes into a hospital and starts a benefit period after December 31 will be responsible for the first \$124 of covered hospital expenses", Hammons said.

The 1976 deductible was \$104. Under the Medicare law, the amount of the deductible is tied to the average cost of one's stay in a hospital.

"The increase to \$124 for 1977 is a result of a review of hospital costs during 1975", Hammons said. "However, the \$104 deductible remains in effect throughout any benefit period that started in 1976 even if the period of hospitalization continues into 1977."

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Kathy King Leads Scoring In Hawley

The Roby B team suffered only its second loss of the season to Hawley by a 23-32 score. Leading scorer for Roby was Kathy King with 16 points, followed by Sue Hall with 4 points and Jackie

Shipp with 3 points. Defensively, fine performances were turned in by Lois Ann Cauble, Donna Hataway, Kathy Deaton, Sylvia Gaona, Vickie Shipp, Jan Wright and Linda Hoodenpyle.

Roby Girls Lose To Throckmorton 46-50

The Roby High School girls B team lost to Throckmorton by the score of 46-50. Leading scoring for Roby was Cheryl Terry with 28 points, followed by Cindy King with 16

points and Penny Coker 2 points. Fine defensive efforts were turned in by Rhonda Welch, Kim Faught, Tina Horton, Susan Matthies and Lois Ann Cauble.

Shelley Boyd Scores 25 For Roby B Team

The Roby High School girls B team took a 45-35 win over Throckmorton during the Christmas break. Leading the scoring for Roby was Shelley Boyd with 25 points, followed by Kathy King with 10 points and Jackie Shipp with 10 points. Other

forwards seeing action were Michele Cox and Sue Hall.

Defensively, Roby was led by Lois Ann Cauble, Donna Hataway, Sylvia Gaona, Kathy Deaton, Vickie Shipp, Jan Wright and Linda Hoodenpyle.



FOLLOWING TWO years of pre-professional studies, David Lee Markham of Rotan has been admitted to the Southwestern State University School of Pharmacy at Weatherford, Oklahoma. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Markham, he will receive the bachelor of science in pharmacy degree after successfully completing the school's three-year professional curriculum.

County Schools Lunch Menu



ROBY
Jan. 10-14, 1977

Monday: Beef & Spaghetti Sauce, Buttered Corn, Green Beans, Fruit, Hot Rolls, Butter, Milk.

Tuesday: Hamburger Steak with Gravy, Baked Potato, Green Salad, Cookie, Milk, Bread.

Wednesday: Chili Beans, French Fries, Carrot Sticks, Green Pepper, Cookie, Corn Bread, Milk.

Thursday: Corn Dog, Cream Potatoes, Blackeyed Peas, Krispie Square, Milk, Bread.

Friday: Hamburger, Potato Chips, Lettuce, Tomato, Brownie, Milk.

Golden Haven Home News

The First Baptist Church, Roby, came Sunday to have their monthly worship services. The First Methodist Church will come January 9, at 3 p.m.

The Fisher County Singing Group will come Tuesday, Jan. 28, at 7:30 p.m. We are all looking forward to it.

We are proud to have a new resident with us. Mr. Thomas H. Moore was admitted to our home December 15. He was born Dec. 2, 1885 in Callahan County, is a retired farmer and a member of the Pentecostal Church.

Out of town visitors this week were Buddy Bryant from Amarillo visiting his wife, Gladys; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Waddell from Pasadena and Mr. and Mrs. Rube Waddell and son from Sweetwater visited with Sam Lambert; Mrs. T.C. Jenkins of Sylvester visited her mother, Mae Reidenbach; Rev. Cecil Tune and Mr. and Mrs. John Leach, Rotan, visited Maebell Ogden; Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Neves from Snyder and their grandson from Odessa visited Clara Neves, Mrs. Richard Melton from Ft. Arthur and Horace Henry from Ranger visited Mrs. Pearl Henry, Joe Dooley, Ruidosa, and Helen Weems, Crosbyton, visited Mrs. Bettis; Mrs. Joe Overton and Dan Overton, Weatherford, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Hamlin, Arnold Neely, Rotan, and Jimmy Gruben from Dallas visited with Mr. and Mrs. Rollie R. Henry; and visited Mr. Gruben was his grandson, Jimmy Gruben from Dallas.

Feature resident this month is Mrs. Floy McCright. Mrs. McCright was born November 19, 1899. She was admitted to our home April 30, 1972 from Sylvester. She is a widow and a member of the Church of Christ.

Hope everyone has a very good new year. See you next week.

Card of Thanks

A special thanks to the fire boys. May God bless each of you.

Mrs. Claud Bagwell

Sgt. F. Garza Arrives For A.F. Training

Air Force Sergeant Francisco Garza Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garza Sr. of Brady, has arrived for duty at Lackland AFB, Tex.

Sgt. Garza, a military training instructor with a unit of the Air Training Command, previously served at Kelly AFB, Tex.

He is a graduate of Brady High School. The sergeant's wife, Dolores, is the daughter of Jesus Romero of Rotan.

Western Texas College announces Spring Registration

On-Campus Registration	January 17-18, 1977
Rotan Extension Registration	January 11, 1977 6:30-8:00 pm
	Rotan High School Library
Classes Begin	January 19, 1977
Cost	1 course \$51 / 2 courses \$57 / 3 courses \$74

Schedule of Classes

ROTAN
ACADEMIC CREDIT COURSES
SPRING, 1977

Course Title	Class Time	Days	Bldg/Room	Instructor
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION				
ACC 232-50 Prin. of Accounting	6:30- 9:20	Th	2	Staff (950)
BUS 131-50 Intro. to Business	6:30- 9:20	Mon	1	Staff (951)
GOVERNMENT				
GOV 232-50 State & Local Gov.	6:30- 9:20	Wed	1	Staff (955)
MATHEMATICS				
MTH 135-50 Modern Math I	6:30- 9:20	Th	1	Staff (960)
PSYCHOLOGY				
PSY 232-50 Child Growth & Dev.	6:30- 9:20	Tue	2	Staff (965)

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Mrs. Ronnie Floyd

Jeana Sue Thomas And Ronnie Floyd United

Jeana Sue Thomas of Rotan and Ronnie Wayne Floyd of Yoakum exchanged wedding vows December 31 at 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church, Rotan. Parents of the couple are Rev. and Mrs. Fred Thomas, Rotan, and Mr. and Mrs. John F. Floyd, Sr. of Yoakum. The double-ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Fred Thomas, father of the bride, and Freddy Thomas, brother of the bride.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a floor length gown of white taffeta overlaid with organza and accented with Alencon lace. The bodice featured sheer long sleeves and a stand-up collar. The chapel length veil of bridal illusion fell from a Juliet headpiece of Alencon lace. The gown and veil were accented by roses and seed pearls. The brides bouquet was of cymbidium orchids, gladioli and greenery. A gold wedding band tied in the bouquet belonged to the bride's great-grandmother.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Buddy Strickland of Robert Lee. Bridesmaids were Miss Ginny Gage of Anchorage, Alaska, Miss Luara Pearson of Belton, Miss Consuelo Riza of Cleburn.

The brides attendants wore floor length blue knit A-line gowns with sheer blue capes trimmed in white fur. They wore white fur headpieces and carried bouquets of white fur and artificial blue blowers made by the mother of the bride.

Rice bags were handed out by Tracy Floyd of Yoakum, niece of the bridegroom.

Best Man was Johnny Floyd Jr. of Yoakum, brother of the bridegroom. Grooms-men were Bobby Broyles of Cisco, Mike Newman of Brownwood, and Kyle Averitt of Austin. Ushers were Freddy Thomas, Gale Schneider, David McLarry and Doug McLarry.

Organist was Kay Kennedy and pianist was Mrs. Mac Weathersbee. Soloist, Ginny Gage sang "The Lord's Prayer", "Oh, How He Loves You and Me", and "Gentle Shepherd".

Following the ceremony a reception was hosted by the parents of the bride in Fellowship Hall. The U-

shaped serving table was trimmed in blue with handmade flower centerpiece. The table held the cross-shaped white bride's cake, double ring groom's cake, silver coffee service and white punch.

Following a wedding trip to San Antonio, the couple will make their home in Brownwood. The bride is a graduate of Rotan High School and Howard Payne University. The bridegroom is a graduate of Yoakum High School and is a senior at Howard Payne University. He is pastor of First Baptist Church, Cherokee.

Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Hamlin Board of Education makes the following response to questions asked concerning the upcoming election to consolidate the Hamlin and McCaulley Independent School Districts:

Should the voters of Hamlin and McCaulley Independent School Districts vote for consolidation the Hamlin Board of Education would permit student transfers in and out of the Hamlin District.

Regarding that property now located in the McCaulley Independent School District, should consolidation pass and any property owners desire their property in another existing district, the Hamlin Board would not oppose de-annexation of

such property so that it might be annexed by the other existing district. Of course, such action must comply with the laws that require that the property involved, be it single tracts or blocks of land owned by several persons, be contiguous to or adjoining the district to which it is annexed.

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Leisure Lodge News

By Ima Berry

Because of so many wonderful friends and relatives, we all had a wonderful Christmas. Would like to thank each of you personally, but since that is impossible we would like to mention each group.

Thanks to the group of 4-H girls that made and brought the beautiful Christmas cookies. They were delicious.

Gifts and wonderful pies furnished by people of the Church of Christ, Cross Roads Baptist Church for lovely lap robes and gifts. First United Methodist Church for gifts. Fireman's Auxiliary for the lovely gifts, V.F.W. Auxiliary for the bags of fruit; everyone really enjoyed them. Summers Pharmacy for the boxes of candy for each resident; the Clinic Pharmacy for candy for the staff, also the Gruben family gave the staff candy.

We would like to thank every group that brought us entertainment during the holidays. We really appreciated each of you. You made our Christmas complete with music and carols.

We would also like to give a special thank you to our Santa, fine job, C.M.

We've enjoyed lots of company. Will try to give our out of town guests. Visiting the Crawfords were Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ratliff and Sherry of Paris, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Boen, Denise and Ricky of Odessa, Elaine Boen of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Carter, Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. F.O. Crawford of Odessa.

Mrs. Hale's granddaughter, Carolyn visited her. May Day's niece Alice Bigham of Abilene visited her.

Visiting Myrtle Huckaby was her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Huckaby of New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Cleveland of Brownwood visited Maudie Moize. Helen Warner's guests were Dewey Holden of Abilene, Mrs. W.J. Patterson and two friends of Peacock.

Visiting Mrs. Nancy White were her two grandsons of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Fred White and family and Mr. and Mrs. Mike White. Visiting the Tom Simmons was their son, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Simmons of Ft. Worth and Grandson, Rev. and Mrs. Billy Simmons and family of Pecos.

Visiting Mrs. Beadie hull were Mr. and Mrs. Lou Feucht, Jody and David of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Goodwin and Brent of Seymour, Jacque Butler of Dallas and Mrs. Woodrow McDaniel of Snyder.

Visiting the Geo. McBeths were Mr. and Mrs. James Cobb of Robstown, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Tounget, Jacob of Great Falls, Montana, Mr. and Mrs. Armal Tounget and Joan and Craig of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Hull, Christi and Jason of Roby, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Scifres, Claud and Cheryl of Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Baker, Neal and Cheryl of Hamlin, Mrs. Jerry Dean of Roby, Mrs. Gary

Nelson of Kermit, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Ribble, Rhonda, Karen, Lisa and Eric of Weatherford, Mrs. Frankie Klepper of College Station, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Bagwell, Kerry, Craig, Lou and Jamie of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carter, Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Delman McBeth of Santa Fe, New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Hicks of McCaulley, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie McBeth of Snyder, Mrs. Susan Carven of Knox City and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Greenlee of Abilene.

Again, let us give a special thanks to everyone who participated in our Christmas activities. See you next week.

Meditations
Rotan Ministerial Alliance
John Hoorman, St. Joseph's Catholic Church

Several years ago a young friend of mine who was taking some courses at one of our leading educational institutions told me of one of the common sayings on the campus: "If you haven't tried it, don't knock it". Only a hedonist who believes that pleasure is the only norm of morality would subscribe to such a philosophy. But as often is the case, there is a grain of truth there somewhere, that we simply cannot understand a way of life without living it ourselves. As we can easily see, only a happily married person can really know of the joys of married life. Likewise, only the chaste can be judges of the chaste life. And only a person who has LIVED a Christian life can really understand the Christian life. To an outsider many Christian ideas make little sense, but one who has LIVED a Christian life, sees them as very true and helpful. For example, a Christian is convinced of his own sinfulness. Yet his life is not sad but filled with joyful hope. A Christian knows that he often sins and very likely will sin many more times before he dies, and still he continues to strive to rise above sin. At the end of the year he looks back on his failures, but he also looks forward to a better new year. The Christian believes that "where sin has abounded grace abounds still more" and that "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me". And so even as he looks back in regret and repentance on his failures and sins in 1976, he looks forward to make his resolu-

tions for a better 1977. The Christian does not quit when he sees his failures, when he sees he as broken his new year resolution, but instead, he rekindles his efforts. He knows that only the quitter is the loser. He may be down but he is never beaten as long as he strives to rise again and return to his resolutions. "The Lord is merciful and forgiving". "The Lord raises up those that are cast down."

Annual Social Security Report

If your yearly earnings from employment and/or self-employment are more than \$2760 in 1976, you are not age 72 in all months of the year, and you receive some Social Security benefits during the year, you are required by law to file an Annual Report of Earnings with the Social Security Administration by April 15, 1977. This is a separate report from any income tax return filed with the Internal Revenue Service. Filing a tax return with IRS does not meet the requirement for filing with Social Security. You may or may not receive a reporting Form SSA-777 in the mail from Social Security. If you do not receive a form by the end of January 1977, and you know you are

required to file, call your nearest Social Security Office.

The information you furnish about your work and earnings is used to determine if you were paid the correct amount of benefits for 1976 and are set up for correct payment in 1977. If your annual report shows we owe you money, a check will be mailed to you. Under the annual earnings test for 1976, you can earn up to \$2760 for the year and still get all your benefits. Only \$1 can be withheld from your Social Security benefits for each \$2 earned over \$2760. Also no matter how much you earn, you can receive a full month's benefit for any month you did not earn over \$230 gross wages and did not render substantial services

in self-employment. If you have questions about whether or not an Annual report is required, telephone the local Social Security Office. In Abilene the number is 698-1360.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Younggren of Brownfield are the proud parents of a baby boy born December 19, at 9:44 a.m. in Brownfield General Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 6 ozs. and is named Tracy Mitchell. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Murray Simmons of Roby and Mr. and Mrs. David Younggren of Liberal, Kans. Paternal great-grandmothers are Mrs. Guy Lyttle of Salina, Kans. and Mrs. Hugo Younggren of Council Grove, Kansas.

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Hustlin' Round Hobbs

By Mrs Jimmy Walker

Hobbs, Texas 735-2840

Hope that everyone had a nice holiday and let me wish all of you a very Happy New Year. We have sure been having some cold weather, haven't we? But most of the cotton is at the gins now, and lots of farmers have their land looking real good. Due to no paper last week, have got double news and some folks really had a crowd for Christmas.

Visiting with **Bro. and Mrs. Dutch Parks** and family over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hale, Kirk, Danny and Janna Lynn all from San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Rogers, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Bucy all from Odessa. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Rowe from Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Rogers, Jr. and David from Orlando, Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Parks from San Diego, Calif. and Mrs. E.B. Dennis of Snyder, sister of Mrs. Dutch Parks. Bro. and Mrs. Dutch Parks attended Christmas Day dinner Saturday with relatives and loved ones in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Graham of Roscoe.

We had the biggest crowd ever at Church on Sunday, Dec. 26, with lots of visitors. Our special songs were sung by W.A. Rogers, Jr. of Orlando, Fla., and Mrs. E.B. Dennis of Snyder played the piano. Larry Parks of San Diego, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Parks brought the Sunday morning message.

A beautiful Bible was presented to the Church in memory of **Lester Hardin** on Sunday, Dec. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Boydston and family from Mesquite spent the Christmas holidays with **Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boydston**. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Boydston and Carlena spent New Years with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boydston.

Gloria and Rosemary Martinez from Fort Worth, Mrs. Veronica White from Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Warren and family and Mr. and Mrs. Gil Warren and family all from Snyder spent the Christmas holidays with their parents **Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Martinez**.

The **Phillips and Porter** families spent Christmas Eve night with supper and the tree with **Mr. and Mrs. Josh Phillips**. Also visiting them were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Marks and family from Rotan, Mrs. J.W. Porter and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hyer and family. Mr. and Mrs. Ron Burtis from Liberal, Kansas visited with them all on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Etheredge and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Windle Barrett and family from Snyder all ate Christmas Eve supper and had the tree with **Mr. and Mrs. Sam Etheredge**. Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Etheredge and boys went to Roby for Christmas Day and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Lealon Wilburn. Also there were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilburn and family from Roby, and the James Sherrill family from Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Etheredge and boys attended the Hawley Basketball Tournament Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The Hobbs girls and boys both played in this tournament. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Etheredge also attended the tournament, also Mrs. Eula Mae Hull and Reva Jo. A large number of the Hobbs fans also attended the Hawley tournament.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cave really had a big crowd for Christmas, 32 in all. They were from Alvin, Odessa, Abilene and the remainder of the Cave families, from around this area. Some of their visitors stayed until Monday. This week-end Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cave went to Fort Worth and Dallas and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Abernathy.

Visiting with **Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Kincaid** for the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Neal Hyer and family from Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Windle Kincaid from Rotan, Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson from Rotan, Mr. and Mrs. Les McCombs, Ben Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Carter and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Kincaid all from Deere Park. The Carters and Ronnie Kincaids divided their time visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Windle Kincaid in Rotan and with J.D. and Lucy. Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Kincaid also spent part of their holiday with the Roy Eatons in Roby. Visiting with the Kincaids and all their company on Sunday were Mrs. Nita Hinds and her son Kevin from Midland, Debbie McGaha from Odessa and Mr. and Mrs. Lisbon Letz from Old Glory. Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Kincaid Friday were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hyer and family from Hereford. Nash Miers visited with them Saturday morning, and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Neves and grandson from Snyder visited with them Saturday evening.

Visiting Christmas Eve and Christmas Day with the **Jimmy Walkers** and Melody were Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Gruben, Gregg and Evette, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gruben, Donnie Carl and Carye. Joining them Christmas Day was Reid Cave from Rotan and Mrs. Ola Mae Myers from Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Cave enjoyed Christmas this year as all of their children but Jackie got to be with them. Spending Christmas with them Mr. and Mrs. Billy Carter and boys from Brownwood, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Looney and Ellen from Tampa, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Don Cave and family from Farmington, New Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. Looney and Ellen stayed through New Years, and while here Mrs. Looney (Barbara Cave) got together with Mrs. Nita Hinds of Odessa and Maryanne Hyer from Andrews. Am sure they all had a good visit, as its been a long time since they had all been together. Mrs. Vida Boyer ate Christmas dinner with the J.C. Caves and their company.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Williams from Tyler and Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Williams from Lubbock spent the Christmas holidays with **Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Williams**. Mrs. Williams has been talking to Dalhart and her brother is still very sick, but was able to remain at home for the holidays.

Visitors in the home of **Mrs. Bea Hardin** for Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Hardin, Mrs. Pam Baker and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hardin and Wes, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Keen, Shawn and Iona all from Rotan, also Mr. and Mrs. Randal Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Hardin, Wendy and Shad from Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Hardin, Vicky and Todd from Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hardin and four children from Corpus Christi, also Mrs. Joe Helman from Corpus. Joining them all for Christmas dinner was Mrs. Lucille Puryear, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Roberson, Mrs. Peggy Morrow, Mike and Monte visited with them all Christmas Eve. Sunday Gerald Adams and son from Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Blount and two children from Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. G.A. Caine and daughter from Midland visited with the Hardins. James and Jay Hardin from Abilene spent the week visiting with Bea, and Thursday night Mr. and Mrs. Gene Leathers and baby from Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Leon McCoskin and baby from Odessa, Marge Peters from Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Keen and Shawn from Rotan all visited with Bea.

Am sure that I missed lots of folks who were here visiting, but if you will call me I will put it in the next weeks paper. Once again, Happy New Year to everyone. See you next Thursday.

Lion Country

Coach: Walter Holik

The girls played some real fine basketball the first and second games of the Jayton Tournament. We shot 63 percent from the field in the first game against Spur. From the free throw line we shot 63 percent also. The

guards did a real fine job of stopping the Spur offense, despite a good post girl on the Spur team.

In the second game against Aspermont we shot 46 percent from the field and 59 percent from the free

throw line. This was down from the Spur game, but with a good defense these percentages will win games. Aspermont had a real fine post girl and we covered her up good. But she was strong enough to get us in foul trouble and this almost hurt us.

In the final game we had trouble hitting the bucket right from the start. When we got behind, it seemed we just never could catch up. We stayed from 10-14 points behind during the whole game, despite our poor shooting and poor defense.

We were very proud to win second in this tournament and the girls are really ready to get after district competition this week. We meet Highland in our first game and the girls are rarin' for a win.

Rotan Police Bust Three For Marijuana

Rotan Police made another arrest for possession of marijuana over the holiday season.

Patrolman Tom Jones stopped a 1970 black and maroon 2-door, Chevrolet at approximately 10:00 p.m. December 27, 1976 at the intersection of Snyder and

Lincoln Streets in Rotan, and arrested three individuals.

The driver of the car, William B. Froust, 17, of Lubbock and David Jacka, 17, of Lubbock, were arrested for possession of marijuana and minor in possession of alcohol.

A third 16-year old individual was also arrested. He was a resident of Lubbock.

Time Moves On For A.E. Rollans Counts Sheriff

At one second after midnight on Friday, December 31, 1976, Mickey Counts officially became the new Fisher County Sheriff. He and former Sheriff A.E. (Bus) Rollans began and ended their careers respectively making a marijuana bust at a home in the southwest part of Fisher County.

When Counts, Rollans and new Fisher County Deputy Randall King pulled up to the house it was 11:20 p.m. Friday, December 31, 1976, and Rollans was still officially the sheriff.

When the trio departed the home, well past midnight, Rollans was a private citizen and Counts was officially the Fisher County Sheriff.

In addition to arresting two for possession of marijuana, Sheriff Counts indicated that county law enforcement officials arrested a total of 7 for driving while intoxicated in Fisher County over the four-day Christmas holiday period, while only one was arrested for DWI over the New Year holiday period.

Card of Thanks

To my many friends for all remembrances while I was in the hospital, from the depth of my heart thank you.

Clarice Kelly

Rotan Varsity Wins At Loraine, 75-58

The Rotan varsity defeated the Loraine varsity by a score of 75 to 58 on December 28 as the Hammerettes narrowed the count to 11 district games, as they begin their march toward the district crown.

Ginger Duke was high point girl with 25 points. She was followed by Blanch Gentry with 24, Susie McKinney and Jamie Strickland 13 each.

Jill Hill led the defensive team in ball advances with 19. Sonya Leverton followed with 12 while Melody Walker had 7.

Coach Barnes asked for the continued support of parents and fans as the team begins the count-down in district play. "Demanding and encouraging a district championship by parents and fans will surely help players obtain that goal", said Barnes.

Sul Ross State Extension At Snyder Campus

Seven graduate level courses are planned for the spring semester at the Western Texas College extension center of Sul Ross State University.

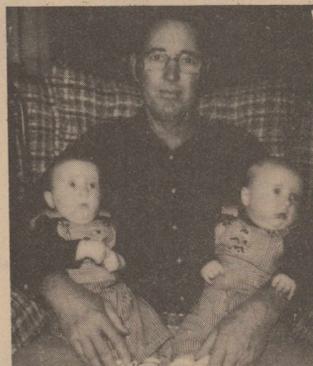
Registration will be held in the WTC Administration Building during regular office hours from Jan. 10 to 14th, with classes beginning on Jan. 17. A representative from Sul Ross will be at WTC for consultation from 6:30-8 p.m. on Jan. 12.

Courses on the schedule are Education 5307, Education 5313, Education 6307, Education 6308, Education 7309, History 5310, and Sociology 5303. Fees are \$68

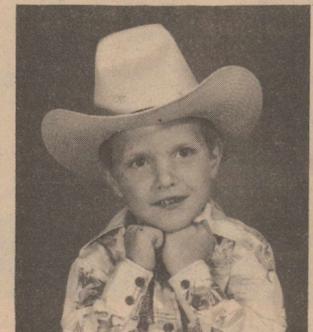
for three semester hours or \$86 for six hours.

Persons wishing additional information may contact Mrs. Mary Pinston, Sul Ross coordinator, at WTC by calling 573-0012.

Grandparents' Corner



Coby, left, and Bryce, right, Moore are the 4-month old twin sons of Bob and Kay Moore. Grandparents are Kyle and Rose Moore of Roby.



Shawn Clark is the 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Clark of Pecos. Shawn has ten grandparents who are: Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Morgan, Roby; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clark, Pecos. His great-grandparents are Mrs. Ollie G. Shipp, Rotan; Mrs. Rosia B. Morgan, Snyder; Mrs. Unica Clark, and Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Hugh, Pecos. His great-great-grandmother is Mrs. B.M. Hugh of Pecos.

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The Calvary Baptist Church came for their monthly worship service last Sunday. This Sunday, Jan. 9, the Cross Roads Baptist Church will come.

We're glad to welcome a new resident to our home, Mrs. Ruth E. Webb, from Roby. Mrs. Webb was born Sep. 8, 1892 in Texas and was admitted to our home Dec. 30, 1976.

Happy Birthday to Mrs. Lillie Whitfield, January 11.

Mrs. Annie Owen is in the Fisher County Hospital where she was to undergo hip surgery Wednesday morning.

Our out of town visitor's were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Villabos and sons from El Paso visited her mother, Beulah Moffett; Mrs. Otis Brown, Roby and Virginia Eaton, Sweetwater, visited Florence Hale; Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Milwee, Buchanan Dam, visited Nora Millwee; Mrs. Lauderdale, Jayton, visited Mr. Brown; Dr. and Mrs. F.E. Tutt, Houston, visited Nannie Williamson; Lulline Blount's son, John H. Thomas and Eric, Richmond, Va., visited her; Mr. and Mrs. James M. Cobb of Robstown, Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Meadows and triplet grandsons, James, David and Steven Tompkins from Dayton, Dorothy Elliff, Tullia and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Scifres, Claud and Cheryl from Hamlin visited Mr. J.M. Cobb; Mr. and Mrs. Don Terrell and sons of San Antonio, visited Lillie Terrell.

Lucille Biers, Sweetwater, visited Homer Lawlis and Mrs. Moffett; Mrs. Holom, San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Holcomb, Clyde, visited Eva Stephens; and visiting with H.G. Rogers were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rogers of Ft. Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Balantac, Debra, Charlotte, Tanya, from Richmond, Va. and Mr. and Mrs. George Daveport, Robin, Donny and Tommy from Corpus Christi.

Hope everyone had a very happy new year. Come see us.

Card of Thanks

I would like to take this means of saying thank you to the wonderful people of Rotan who helped in many ways at the time of my accident and stay in the hospital. A very special thank you goes out to the Fireboys, Mr. Vann, Mrs. Alta Hinson and the wonderful ambulance service given. I could not have received any more special treatment by our doctors and the whole nursing staff or their wonderful service and consideration.

I also enjoyed the visits of Bro. Thomas and all the other visitors, especially the prayers said for me. It means so much to have such wonderful friends, may God Bless each and everyone.

Dorothy Lomax

Card of Thanks

I want to offer my thanks to all our friends for the food, flowers, cards and many acts of kindness shown my wife and I during her illness and since her recent passing.

Words seem inadequate to express the true appreciation for the understanding and prayers that have been passed our way.

May God bless each of you.

Jack Daniel

Card of Thanks

We the children of W.E. (Emory) Keener wish to express our deepest appreciation to all our friends and relatives for easing our grief with visits, food, flowers, and many kind expressions of sympathy shown us during the loss of our Father.

Brokie Bruner.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Warren had their children visiting during Christmas. Those here were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones and family of Lovington, New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hendrix and family of Harker Heights, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Klett and boys of Ft. Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Warren and family of Granbury, Ester, Becky and Paul Warren of Whitney visited from Monday thru Wednesday.

Mrs. Carl Wiley had all her children at home during Christmas, then she traveled to Dallas for the New Year holiday.

Allan Goforth of Van Nuys, Calif. visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Goforth during the Christmas and New Year holidays, returning home Sunday.

Charles McKimney visited with his mother Mrs. J.L. McKimney last week, returning to California Sunday. Charles had been in Singapore for several weeks before his

trip home.

Cindy Mash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Mash, lost her trailer home in a fire just before the Christmas holidays. She was able to save only a few items.

Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Mehaffey, Christopher and Patrick

of Spring, Tex. visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Palmer and Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Mehaffey during Christmas.

"How much better the world would be if people would let opportunity do all the knocking".

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Mr. and Mrs. Horace Arrington, Rotan, have just returned from Georgia where they visited their son Dalton Arrington for two weeks. Kevin Arrington, son of Dalton, also made the trip.

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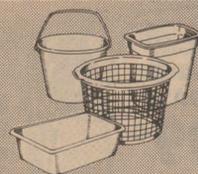


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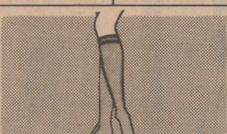
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Donald Bynum In Training

Mr. and Mrs. Kike Beauchamp of Rotan spent the Christmas Holidays with their daughter and family, Major (Ret.) and Mrs. Donald K. Bynum, Sr. of Lawton, Oklahoma. Mrs. Bynum is the former Marcelle Weems of Rotan.

Grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Beauchamp present were Lucinda Marcell, a sophomore at Cameron University, Lawton; Cecil Glen Bynu, senior at Tulsa University, Tulsa; Lavonne Marlis Bynum; Mr. and Mrs. Michael Keith Bynu, a senior at Cameron University; Dr. and Mrs. Donald K. Bynum, Jr. of Durham, North Carolina. Dr. Bynum is now

in his first year of Residence Surgical training at Duke University Medical Center in Durham. He will undergo one and one-half more years of general surgical training and then four years of speciality training in orthopedic surgery. Donald is a graduate of Baylor University and a past June graduate of the Medical School at University of Texas, Houston. Also present was another grandmother, Mrs. L.O. Bynum of Snyder.



Donald Bynum

Lone Star Gas Wants Increase

Lone Star Gas Company's Manager, F.C. Grevelle, today filed an application for a rate increase to provide the company an 8% rate of return.

Grevelle said Lone Star's distribution system serving Rotan earned a 3.19% rate of return in 1975 and that \$19,758.00 is required to correct the utility's revenue deficiency. He explained that Lone Star has experienced increased costs of operation due to the current inflation, an unrecovered costs of purchased gas which substantially eroded utility earnings.

In June of last year, the Railroad Commission authorized Lone Star to recover 85% of its increase in the average cost of gas (above a base of .72 cents) from residential and commercial deliveries at the city gate. During the fourteen months ended August 1976, Lone Star has unrecovered gas costs of \$14.2 million for gas delivered at the city gate for residential and commercial customers.

"These costs result from the rapidly rising gas prices during the last few years. For example, our average cost of gas climbed from 18 cents per thousand cubic feet in 1971 to \$1.03 in June of this year, a 472% increase. Utility earnings declined from \$23.3 million in 1971 to \$13.1 million in 1975, or 44%" Grevelle said.

The company's application would raise the average residential customer's bill about \$1.07 per month, based on 8 MCF (thousand cubic feet) consumption.

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COUNTY AGENT NEWS

Cattle lice infestations are heavier and a greater burden for cattle during a prolonged cold winter. Lice populations begin to increase in the fall with the drop to cooler temperatures. These populations reach their peak in early spring.

Lice infested cattle will begin to rub due to the irritation often resulting in hair loss, raw skin and bruises. Heavily infested animals do not respond properly to feed and are more susceptible to diseases.

Calves may be stunted and fail to grow properly until lice are controlled.

Insecticides for lice control may be applied as a spray, pour on or a dip. Two applications with an interval of 10-14 days between applications may be necessary. New animals should be treated before being introduced into a treated herd.

Self-treatment devices such as dust bags, back rubbers and chain oilers can afford effective control but must be established during

the fall while lice populations are still light.

When using an insecticide for lice control read and follow the directions on the label carefully. Be sure to observe any waiting period between application and slaughter. Additional information on cattle live and their control is available at your county Extension office.

A new leaflet now available at the County Extension Office spells out the details about the change in seed

Rotan Advance-Roby Star Record certification labeling which becomes effective January 1.

The leaflet is appropriately titled "Seed Certification--The Meaning Has Changed But the Value Is Still There".

The leaflet briefly outlines what is involved in the new certification standards, how the standards vary from the past, and why the changes were made. Commonly asked questions about the change in seed certification standards are also listed along with answers that should give producers the information they need.

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