



**BREAKS RECORD:** Rotan speedster Fred Acorn broke both the meet record at Colorado City and the school record set by Mickey Early set by Mickey Early back in 1971. Early's record of 9.6 in the 100 yard dash

was broken in the finals when Acorn ran a 9.5. His best time last year was at the State meet in Austin when the set the Class A record in the 100 yard dash in the time of 9.8. Above, Acorn, right, wishes a fellow competitor good luck prior to smashing the record at Colorado City.

## Rotan Chamber Will Honor Six Outstanding Leaders

The Rotan Chamber of Commerce will honor a total of six outstanding Rotan residents at their annual Rotan Chamber of Commerce banquet set for late May or early June, according to Rotan Chamber President Ben Reaid.

The six individuals to be honored at the banquet include (in alphabetical order) Delila Baird, Josie Baird, Chester U. Callan, H. Govan, Wayne Harris, and Hooper Shelton. Delila and Josie Baird, both retired Rotan school

teachers, both active in historical preservation, library work and Americanism club functions will be honored for their civic work; Chester U. Callan will be honored for his unselfish dedication to the people of the Fisher County area through his practice of medicine in Rotan for over 48 years; H. Govan will be paid tribute for his unwavering support as a Rotan Yellowhammer football trainer for the past

54 years; Wayne Harris, instrumental in the establishment of the Fisher County Hospital District and active in many civic functions, will be paid tribute for his community service; and Hooper Shelton, former publisher of the Rotan Advance and current publisher of numerous area history books, will be honored at the Rotan Chamber Banquet for his civic contributions.

**Kim's Korner**  
By Kim Pease

### A Ray Of Hope

It was back in 1936 that our Texas Legislature established the Texas Unemployment Compensation Commission. Years later this commission was renamed the Texas Employment Commission... in fact it was in 1947.

One of the purposes for which the commission was formed was to operate an unemployment insurance program to assist the justifiably unemployed.

A Texas worker went to Mexico, was involved in an accident and subsequently jailed. Upon his release from jail he came back to Texas, applied for unemployment benefits and was awarded benefits without disqualification.

The Dallas Independent School District is looking at a potential loss of as much as \$650,000.00 in 1979. Some Dallas school teachers have requested and have been granted leaves of absence and those teachers that have applied for benefits have been granted them with only a two week disqualification.

In spite of the noble purpose of the Texas Employment Commission back in the 1930's and 1940's, in recent years Texas workers that have grown "tired of working" have been awarded benefits after only a three week disqualification.

In January of 1978 all employees of government were covered by the act. County, city, school district and other political subdivision employees are now covered by the act.

I suppose that a city employee currently working on the trash collection crew could decide he was tired of tossing trash and claim he was better suited to be a brain surgeon and collect benefits.

Evidently Dallas' teachers have figured out a way to "beat the system" by applying for a leave of absence then collecting benefits from the Texas Employment Commission.

It seems pretty clear to me that the Texas taxpayers are funding another "free lunch" program for people that are unemployed simply because they choose to be.

State Senator Roy Blake and Texas Representative Gib Lewis, having recognized this rip off, have set out to cut-off these undeserving benefits by introducing appropriate legislation in Austin.

Senate Bill 22 and House Bill 970, if passed, would completely deny benefits to workers who quit their jobs without good cause or who are discharged for embezzling, misappropriation of employer's property or gross misconduct. No hardship would be imposed to those individuals that are unemployed through no fault of their own.

Both bills have been approved by their respective committees and are now waiting to be heard by the full senate and House of Representatives.

You can have a voice in the passage or defeat of these bills by contacting our State Senator Ray Farabee or our Representative Walter Grubbs and letting them know your feelings on Senate Bill 22 and House Bill 70.

They are both fine men. We elected them and they are going to cast their vote the way they feel the majority of their district wants them to vote.

## Rotan Seeks \$48,000 In Past Due Taxes

The Rotan City Council met last Monday night and after considerable discussion concerning the frequent ticketing of unlicensed drivers, requested City Secretary Vann to meet with Rotan City Judge Dwayne Underhill concerning the fines assessed unlicensed drivers and the monthly reporting procedures.

The council also plans a joint meeting with the Housing Authority Board for the purpose of attempting to convince the powers to be, to increase the charge for using the Rotan Community Center. In the reports filed for January-March, the council noted that the Community Center deficit amounted to \$1,242.00. This deficit sparked a motion by Councilman Tankersley, and seconded by Councilman McClain, that a request for a \$50.00 a month pay increase from Jo Tankersley, Community Center manager, be tabled until after the joint meeting.

In other action the council approved a raise of \$160.00 a month to Patrolman Moon, Patrolman Pack and Chief LaFever during the period that the police force works

with only three personnel.

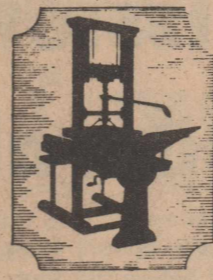
The City of Rotan is making a list of all delinquent taxes to be turned over to City Attorney Norman Arnett for attempted collection. According to Vann, there are approximately \$43,000 in back taxes due the city.

Roland Ray appeared before the council requesting permission to install a cattle guard at the dump ground to keep his cattle from exiting his pasture and getting loose on the highway through the dump ground opening. The council did not take any action on the request, but authorized Vann to work out a solution suitable to Ray and the City of Rotan.

The following councilmen were assigned commission duties by Rotan Mayor Lester Sescil. Police and Fire Commission, Clyde South, Rodney Tankersley, and Lester Sescil; Streets and Alleys, J.A. McClain, South and Dorothy Lomax; Water, Sewer and Garbage Commission, Lomax, South and Jim Nowlin; Park, Pool, Golf and Cemetery, Tankersley, Lomax and McClain, and Administration, Sescil, Tankersley, and Nowlin.



**GOING TO REGIONAL:** Left to right, Tammy Stephens and Jill Wright will compete in regional tennis play from Roby.



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## 18% Of The Vote Goes To Write-Ins Maberry, Copeland Top List For Hospital Board Post

Fisher County voters returned incumbent Glenn Copeland back to the Fisher County Hospital Board and gave a resounding call to new-comer Albert Maberry as the second board member in

last Saturday's election. Maberry led the county in the total number of votes received after carrying both Rotan and Roby by a large margin. He polled a total of 416 votes to win a two-year seat on

the board. Children as well as adults in get arthritis. Prompt and proper treatments are necessary to prevent some of the complications of arthritis. A skit was presented by Beatrice Hargrove, doctor; Bill Cleveland, nurse; Ardell

Ardell Floyd, Laura Lee Hudnall, Florene Young, Velma Wallace, Elizabeth Bigham, Icie Hughes, Viola Hendon, Romie Kersh, Beatrice Hargrove and Hazel Aldridge.

F.C. Hospital	Copeland	Reed	Maberry	Duke	Morrow	Callan	Williams
Rotan	160	82	162	120	99	93	2
Roby	81	103	171	35	20	18	0
Hobbs	40	11	27	41	11	13	0
McCaulley	7	58	56	2	2	2	0
Totals	278	254	416	198	132	126	2

## Houston Named New Rotan Board Leader

The members of the Rotan School Board voted to accept a bid of \$3,600 for lights and fixtures at the tennis court at last Monday night's meeting, according to Superintendent Tom Harkey. The \$3,600 bid is for all new lights and poles, if some of the poles being replaced at the football field are used at the tennis court, the bid price would be substantially reduced.

Newly elected board members Ernest Ragan and Leo Long were sworn in and board members organized the board by electing new officers.

Former board president Bobby Smith asked that he not be considered for another office on the board. After some discussion, the board elected Allan Houston as president, Bobby Gruben as vice president and Dr. Jerry Marshall as secretary.

The board discussed at length the nepotism law and how it related to the Rotan School in light of the recent interest stimulated in Sweetwater. It was the board's opinion that the Rotan School was not affected by the nepotism law in any way, according to Harkey, however, he added, the board was awaiting a decision by the Attorney General on several pending cases for future reference.

The board adopted the 1979-80 school calendar and set school to start for all students on Tuesday, September 4, the day after Labor Day. Teachers will report for in-service training on August 28, 29 and 30th.

The board accepted the resignation of Vo-Ag teacher Ronnie Teichelman

and girl's coach Sonny Barnes.

The board voted to employ Rhonda Coan for the remainder of the 1979 school year to replace Mrs. David Hudnall in teaching her 4th grade class. Mrs. Hudnall has been granted a leave of absence.

### Rotan FFA Donkey Game

The Rotan FFA will sponsor a donkey basketball game at the Rotan old gym on Tuesday, April 17, at 7:00 p.m.

Band parents will sponsor a concession stand.

### County Girls Softball Clean Up

The Fisher County girls softball association will have a clean up day April 12, at 5:15 at the field.

Parents and others interested in the softball program are encouraged to help in the clean up day.

### Community Sunrise Service

The Rotan Ministerial Alliance invites you to join them in their annual Community Easter Worship Service this Easter Sunday. Ministers of Rotan will lead the worship service with special music by Sharon Murdoch.

This year the First United Methodist Church is the host of the Easter service with the pastor Rev. Johnny T. Robertson bringing the morning message. The public is cordially invited to attend the 7:00 a.m. worship service.

## WATER SAVINGS



**REGIONAL TRACK:** These Rotan High girls track members will participate in Regional competition. Left to right, back row, Alternate, Vickie Moore, mile relay; Tammy Whitefield, mile relay, 440 relay; Tina McCombs, 440 relay, 100 yd. dash, mile relay, triple jump; Ann Gentry, alternate, 440 relay. Front row, Katy Lopez, mile run; Blanche Gentry, 440 relay, mile relay; Ginger Duke, mile and 440 relay.



**ROBY REGIONAL TRACK:** These Roby track girls will compete in Regional competition. Left to right, back row, DeeDee Faught, mile relay, 400 meter run; Kristi West, mile relay, 800 relay; Tina Hataway, 800 m. relay, 400 relay; Sylvia Gaona, 800 relay, 400 relay, Paula Terry, 400 meter relay. Front row, Tana Mauldin, 80 hurdles; Mary Nell Clayton, triple jump, mile relay, 800 relay, 400 relay; Debbie Stuart, mile run; Lisa Hoodenpyle, mile relay, 800 relay, 80 hurdles.



**UIL REGIONAL FROM ROBY:** These Roby students will compete in Regional UIL events. Left to right, Darlene Herron, spelling; John Morgeson, number sense and persuasive speaking; Sara Carreon, shorthand; and Lois Ann Cauble, prose.



**REGIONAL UIL EVENTS:** These Rotan students will compete in Regional UIL events in Odessa. Left to right, back row, Terri Mullins, poetry interpretation; Ricky LeBleu, slide rule; Linda Hinson, ready writing, and spelling. Front, Lorie West, shorthand.

# Rotan Jr. High Girls Take 5th At District

The Rotan junior high girls track team took fifth in the District track meet last Thursday at Abilene. Winning second place in the mile relay team were Elisa Carrillo, Dana Nowlin, Joyce Harkey, Kellie Pease with a time of 4:41.84. Third place winner in the 400 meter run was Joyce Harkey with a time of 69.09. Also in third place in the 800 meter relay were Elisa Carrillo, Dana Nowlin, Jonie Steele and Joyce Harkey. Fourth place in the 400 meter run was Kellie Pease with a time of 69.62. Fifth place winners were: Kellie Pease in the discus throw and the 400

meter relay team of Elisa Carrillo, Dana Nowlin, Jonie Steel and Kellie Pease, with a time of 57.33; also Robin Joplin in the 1200 meter run with a time of 4:48.99. Sixth place winners were Jodie Lawlis and Jerilyn Marshall in the triple jump. Rotan had a score of 46 points. Members of the junior high track team are Elisa Carrillo, LaDonna Eaton, DeAnn Harbin, Joyce Harkey, Jodie Lawlis, Jerilyn Marshall, Kellie Pease, Robin Harris, Kristi Holt, Robin Joplin, Dana Nowlin, Jonie Steele, Jenice Weatherman, and Dilana Long.



COMMUNITY LUNCHEON MARCH 28 AT LEISURE LODGE.

# Knight, Elected Rural Electric President

Dalton (D.L.) Knight, manager of the Bossier Rural Electric Membership Corp., has been elected president of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association at the organization's annual meeting in Houston last month. Knight began his 33 year association with rural electrification at Mid-West Electric Cooperative in Roby as what he described as a "flunky" back in 1946. He advanced to the position of assistant manager at Mid-West at age 24 and later became one of the youngest Co-op managers in the United States when he was named

manager of the Dickens Electric Co-op in Spur in 1954. Knight moved to Bossier City in 1964 when he assumed his present position as manager of the Bossier Rural Electric Membership Corp. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Knight of San Angelo and Mrs. Knight (Irene) is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allen of Rotan.

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# Commissioners Sign For Federal Program

Fisher County Commissioners signed an agreement with representatives of the Texas Highway Department last Monday allowing the department to survey county roads and figure estimates on a new federal program to replace obsolete bridges in Fisher County. The new federal bridge replacement program, scheduled to last for the next 7 years, is an 80 percent-20 percent cost sharing program. The federal government paying 80 percent and Fisher County paying 20 percent. James Wright, resident engineer with the Texas Highway Department in Hamlin, and Bernie Cumbie, manager of the highway department unit in Roby, made the presentation to the Fisher County Commissioners.

To begin the program, Wright asked the court to select one bridge in the county that could be targeted for replacement. This bridge will be surveyed and an estimate submitted for consideration in replacement. The Commissioners agreed last Monday to each select one bridge within their precinct then make an attempt to pin-point the bridge that was in need of replacement first. In other action, Ted Evans of Godsey-Evans John Deere in Abilene, met with the commissioners and informed them of a new grader blade that is available for maintainers and passed out current catalogues on new road equipment.

Judge Marshal Bennett informed the court that Geneva Chandler had completed a course in Justice of The Peace training at South West Texas State University on March 11-16 and also informed the court of a request by Fisher County Hospital Administrator Perry Hunsaker asking the commissioners to set the tax rate for next year. The court agreed that the new tax rate could not be set until the current budget was up for review.

Fisher County tax assessor-collector Robert Buck appeared before the court asking their opinion of compiling a delinquent tax roll. The anticipated cost of compiling the roll is expected to be approximately \$10,000.00. After some discussion the commissioners agreed to postpone any action on the roll until next year.

The commissioners approved the final draft of the first quarter 1979 Fisher County Quarterly Report and discussed the possibility of establishing a Fisher County Health Officer. Judge Bennett was to compile further information on the health officer and present it to the court in May. The commissioners gave Frank Herrington, a resi-

dent of Roby and farmer in the Palava area, an audience last Monday morning to air a disagreement concerning the dumping some dirt on his land by members of Blackie Ford's road crew in Precinct 1. Herrington had some terrace work done on his Palava farm and dumped some dirt in the bar ditch. Precinct 1 road hands, according to Herrington, put the dirt back on Herrington's place in order to keep the bar ditch free to carry water. Herrington and Ford were told by Judge Bennett that "you're going to have to get together and work this thing out". In final action, Commissioner Jimmy Wright, inquired concerning the

status of the hanger being constructed by Randy Murphree at the Fisher County Airport and the court discussed purchasing a soft drink vending machine for the coffee room.

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## Rotan Girls Place 2nd In District Meet

The Rotan high school girls track team took second place at the ACU track meet last Thursday in Abilene.

Placing first in the 400 meter relay were Tina McCombs, Tammy Whitefield, Blanche Gentry and

Ginger Duke with a time of 50.74, setting a new school record. First in the mile relay was Tina McCombs, Tammy Whitefield, Blanche Gentry and Ginger Duke with a time of 4:11.46. In the mile run, taking first, was Katy

Lopez with a time of 6:14.73, and first in the 100 yard dash was Tina McCombs with a time of 12.17.

Second place winners were Tina McCombs in the triple jump with a jump of 33.10 and Tina in the long

jump with 15 feet, 5 inches.

Third place winner was Ann Gentry with a jump of 4 ft. 10 inches in the high jump, setting a school record.

Fourth place winners were Ann Gentry in the 400 meter dash with a time of 65.46; the 800 meter relay team of Ginger Duke, Ann Gentry, Tammy Whitefield and Blanche Gentry with a time of 1:52.81; and Blanche Gentry in the broad jump with a distance of 14 ft. 11 1/4 inches.

Fifth place winner was Blanche Gentry in the shot with a throw of 32 ft. 1/2 inches.

Placing in sixth place were Ann Gentry in the triple jump with a jump of 31 ft. 5 1/4 inches, and Anita Underhill in the 800 meter run.

The first and second place winners will go to Regional at Odessa, May 20 and 21st. Scoring in district were: Roscoe 103, district winner; Rotan 102, Jim Ned 99, Hamlin 89, Albany 56, Baird 50 and Hawley 28.

Regional qualifiers meet will be in Graham, Friday, April 13. Field events will begin at 1:00 p.m. and the running events at 2:00 p.m.

Members of the girls track team are Katy Lopez, Ginger Duke, Tammy Whitefield, Blanche Gentry, Tina McCombs, Ann Gentry, Pat Acorn, Anita Underhill, and Vickie Moore.

### grandparent's corner



Jennifer Lynn Underhill, age 4 months, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Underhill of Rotan. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Scoggin of Big Spring and Trudie Underhill of Rotan.

## Rotan Police Investigating Shooting

Rotan Police investigated a shooting last week involving a 19-year old Rotan resident, according to Police chief Charles LeFever.

Law enforcement personnel received a call of a disturbance at 412 Stonewall Street in Rotan and when investigating found that Otila Almanza of 402

Sherman Street had filed an aggravated assault charge with Judge Ernest Roberts against 19-year old Ciprano Almanza, Jr. of Rotan.

Ciprano Almanza, Jr. later filed on Thomas Almanza for assault with intent to do bodily harm, according to LeFever. Both are under \$500.00 bond.

Police received a second

call informing them that Thomas Almanza had been shot at in the vicinity of the Calvary Baptist Church by unknown people in a blue Mustang. After investigating the second incident police personnel found between 6 and 8 bullet holes in the church building. The incident is under investigation by the Rotan Police Department.



WIN FIRST AT SAN ANGELO: These Fisher County 4-H members won first place in livestock judging at San Angelo. Left to right, front row, Ricky Spencer, Britt Stuart. Back row, Gary Don Harkey and Mike Morrow.

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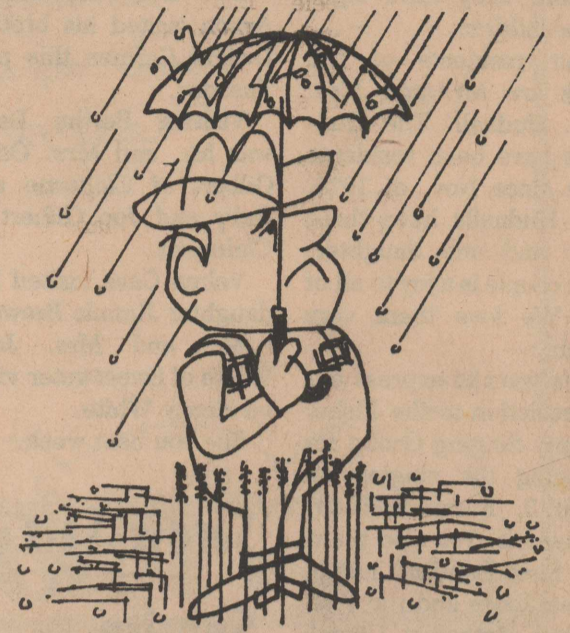
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## Leisure Lodge Report

By Ima Berry

Leisure Lodge welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Adams to our home. We are all very happy to have the Adamases with us.

We would like to feature our employee of the week, Mrs. J.E. Van Loon. Marie is over the kitchen staff and turns out some fabulous meals. Marie has been working here several years. She and J.E. have three children, they are Howard and Larry both of Garland, and Mrs. Butch (Carolyn) Rogers of Arlington. They have eight grandchildren.

Our residents of the week are Mr. and Mrs. G.A. Hudnall. The Hudnalls have been residents here since Nov. of 1975. The Hudnalls have three sons and one daughter. This couple is a joy to all of us. We love them very much.

We want to express our appreciation to the Fisher County Singing Group for bringing the singing on April 3. Everyone really enjoyed it. We also thank the First Baptist Church, Overa Jones and the First United Methodist Church for all their services they bring us.

Visiting Rose Hall was her niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. James Harbin of Snyder. Rose reports that the Harbins took her to Holiday On Ice a couple of weeks ago. She really enjoyed it too.

The R.T. Shipp's daughter, Mrs. John Hayes and son Prentiss of Pecos, visited over the weekend. They all went to Sweetwater on Sunday and visited another daughter Ida Daniels. Reported a very good day.

Odell Crawford of Odessa and Doris Floyd of Midland visited their dad Bud Crawford last week.

Betty Tankersley of Blackwell, her daughter, Patricia of San Angelo and Vida Alsbrook of Loraine visited the Gaines Smiths and Mary Brice last week.

Three of May Day's nieces visited her last week. They were Alice Bigham, Mrs. Weldon Eisenhower of Abilene and Mary Allyn of Tuscola.

Inez Purser of Merkel visited her mother Maud Gruben on Sunday.

Jack Barker of Roby visited Mary Lee Barker.

Mr. Dee Carmen of Anson visited his brother Dwight Carmen this past Tuesday.

Visiting Bertha Davis was Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gilbert of Cleburne and Ruby and Joe Gilbert of Clairmont.

Velma Cave visited her daughter Jimmie Brewer.

Mr. and Mrs. John White of Sweetwater visited Nancy White.

See you next week.

## Sardis Sets Sunrise Service

Sardis Baptist Church will conduct Easter Sunrise Services Sunday, April 15, under the brush arbor on the church grounds. The services will begin at 6 a.m. Breakfast will be served at the church fellowship hall after the Sunrise Services.

Everyone attending is asked to bring breakfast food for their family which will be prepared at the church. The public is invited and encouraged to attend, according to Henry Dickson, pastor.

## Two Break Record At Rotan

Rotan seniors Fred Acorn and David Posey both smashed school records last Saturday at the Colorado City relays. Acorn broke an 8 year record formerly held by Mickey Early at Rotan in the 100 yard dash. Early's time of 9.6 was shattered

when Fred Acorn darted to a 9.5 finish in the 100 during the Colorado City finals.

Posey broke his own record, set just one week ago, in the pole vault. Posey finished second in the pole vault with a lead of 12 ft. 6 inches, breaking

his shortlived record of 12 ft. 1 inch.

Byron Weathersbee finished 5th in the pole vault with a leap of 11 ft.

Blake Hale topped all local competition in the shot and discus competition with tosses of 43 ft. and 112 ft. respectively. Mark Henderson had a shot and discus distance of 38 and 109 ft. and Bobby Swafford had a 36 ft. shot toss. Willie Hayes had a discus throw of 100 feet.

Fred Acorn was 4th at the meet in the broad jump with a leap of 21-5; Cecil Turner jumped 17-1.

In the finals competition Byron Weathersbee was 5th with a time of 24.46 in the 200 meter dash and Kip Pease was 4th with a time of 24.45. David Thornton had a time of 24.94 in the preliminaries.

The 440 relay team finished 2nd at the meet with a time of 44.28. That team is made up of Cecil Turner, Fred Acorn, Kip Pease and Byron Weathersbee.

The 1600 meter relay team was 5th at the meet with a total time of 3:38.12. That team and their times on their legs

## Senators Passed Law On Criminal Cases

Senators passed legislation that would allow intermediate courts of civil appeal to handle criminal cases as well. During his address to the Legislature, Greenhill, suggested such a move in an attempt to deal with the backlog of cases facing the criminal appellate courts.

While mortgage money around the state appears to be drying up and with fewer and fewer consumers being able to withstand the financial burden of becoming a homeowner, the Senate gave its tentative approval this week to legislation creating a state housing authority. Voters will be asked to approve the money needed (\$200 million in state-backed bonds) to fund such an agency.

Fort-two states have some kind of housing authority financed by taxpayers. This issue of a state housing authority has rattled around the Capitol since 1971 when then Sen. Barbara Jordan filed a bill to create such an arm of state government.

And finally, this rather unsettling piece of news: tax assessor-collectors from around Dallas said in a seminar this week held in Arlington that tax

relief legislation already passed in the House would be costly to administer and might spark another tax revolt in 1982. Tax assessor-collectors at the seminar said too many people were being exempted from the tax rolls and that too many wealthy landowners were getting tax breaks they didn't deserve. Inevitably, the assessor-collectors said, the middle-income homeowner would be the hardest hit.

"I don't believe the Legislature, and large, was aware of what they were putting before the people," said one assessor-collector of the tax-relief amendment approved by voters last November.

## Rotan Places 4th In U.I.L. Meet

Rotan placed 4th in the UIL high school division March 30 in Rotan. Other participating teams were Roscoe with 207 points, Hawley 113, Baird 104, Rotan 82, Albany 38, Jim Ned 38, and Hamlin 33 points.

Terri Mullins placed first in poetry interpretation. Linda Hinson placed first in ready writing. Lorri West was first in short-hand and second place was captured by Terri Mullins.

Rickey LeBleu took a first in slide rule with Linda Hinson placing second in spelling and Laura Gruben as an alternate in number sense.

A 1.75 liter bottle (59.2 fluid ounces) for distilled spirits is less than one-half gallon (64 fluid ounces) reports a family resource management specialist of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

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## Jr. High Participates In Coahoma Meet

The Rotan seventh and eighth grade boys track teams traveled to Coahoma for a track meet. The seventh grade boys placed second with a total of 88 points, and the eighth grade boys placed fourth with a total of 59 points.

In the 100 meter dash, Troy Daniels placed first with a time of 12.81. He also had a first in the 200 meter with a tie of 26.22 and a first in the broad jump with a jump of 16-11½. Greg Gruben placed fifth in the 63 meter intermediate hurdles with a time of 12.29.

Edngate Adkins placed sixth in the 300 meter dash with a time of 46.55 and placed first in the high jump with a leap of 4-6. Eli

Turner placed third in the 1200 meter run with a time of 4:12.61. Ortego placed fifth in the shot put with a throw of 34-7½ and Martinez placed third in the pole vault with 7-6.

Roger Hooper picked up three first places; first in the 100 meter with a time of 11.92, first in the 200 meter with a time of 24.91 and a first in the high jump with a leap of 5-2. Hooper also placed second in the broad jump with a distance of 17-2¾. Elia Huit took a first in the 300 meter dash with a time of 39.42.

The results of the Double Mountain Relays in Aspermont are: Troy Daniels, second in the 100 yard dash with a time of 11.4; Elia Huit, second in the 200 meter with a time of 24.2 and first in the 400 meter with a time of 55.5 and fifth place in the long jump; David Gauna placed fifth in the discus.



RECENT WINNERS: The above six players were the champions in the women's division of the recent Rotan Young Farmers Volleyball tournament. Left to right, Reva Jo Hull, Bessy Stevens, Becca Frierson, Sue Braheh, Judy Streety, and Judy Mauldin.



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## Book Club To Hold Last Meeting

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The guest speaker will be Dr. J. Wilkes Berry of Lubbock.

## Roa Promoted To Air Force Sergeant

Tiburcio L. Roa, Jr. of Rotan was recently promoted to United States Air Force Sergeant at March Air Force Base, Calif.

He is a telephone installer/equipment repairman and attached to the Headquarters Communications Group of the Strategic Air Command.

## Special Service Set For April 12th

First Baptist Church of Roby will have a special family sandwich supper and a special observance of the Lord's Supper Thursday night, April 12, at 7:00 p.m. A group from Hardin Simmons University will be present to present a drama on the "Last Ten Days of the Life of Christ".

Everyone attending is asked to bring sandwiches and the drinks will be furnished, according to Don Jeffrey, pastor.

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## Easter Program Set In Roby

St. John Missionary Baptist Church of Roby will be having Sunrise Services Easter morning and breakfast will be served. Pastor is Rev. James Carrington.

There will be an Easter program at 3:00 Sunday afternoon and an Easter egg hunt will be had following the program.



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"Home Help Care, Inc., P. O. Box 15122, Austin, Texas 78761, Represented by H. J. Blanchard, 613 Brown Building, 708 Colorado, Austin, Texas 78701 (THFC File #AS79-0322-025) is scheduled to appear at a hearing at 9:00 a.m. on June 4, 1979, in the offices of the Texas Health Facilities Commission, 1600 West 38th Street, Suite 305, Jefferson Building, Austin, Texas, to present evidence in support of the application for a Certificate of Need to provide skilled nursing care, physical therapy, medical social services, home health aides, occupational therapy, speech therapy, respiratory therapy, diabetic education, and nutrition counseling to residents of Scurry, Mitchell, Nolan, Taylor, Sterling, Coke, Rannels, Reagan, Irion, Tom Green, Concho, McCulloch, Schleicher, Menard, Mason, Crockett, Sutton, Kimble, Jones and Fisher Counties out of a parent office in San Angelo and a branch office in Abilene. The Commission proposes to render a decision on the application on June 21, 1979.

A request to become a party to the application may be made by filing a sworn affidavit with the Commission using the format prescribed by Commission Rule no later than 5:00 p.m., May 14, 1979, and by forwarding a copy by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the applicant and all other parties."

Note: If no request to become a party or petition for hearing is timely filed with the Commission, the Commission may proceed without a hearing on the application for a Certificate of Need at any time after May 14, 1979, upon written request by the applicant.

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## Rotan Public Library To Open April 28

The Rotan Public Library is the recipient of the J. Frank Dobie Library Trust Award of \$2,000.00 for the purchase of books. The Award was announced at the Texas Library Association Conference in San Antonio on April 5. The Award is based on community support in terms of leadership, active library board, friends groups, local tax support, significant volunteer help, and an experienced staff as well as need.

In applying for the award, Board Chairman Mrs. Wayne Harris and Mrs. Jimmy D. Hale, Librarian, emphasized the generosity and enthusiasm of the community. Books of lasting value, such as histories and works of literature and Southwestern literature were stated as planned purchases. In accepting the Award, Mrs. Hale stated that a selection list would be provided to the Committee.

The Awards Committee seeks deserving libraries each year in order to make a real impact on the quality of library service in small towns and cities and to honor the memory of that great Texan, J. Frank Dobie, who said "the great reason for reading books and valuing libraries is to have life more abundantly... (and) the immortal residue of the human race lies in books."

There were 38 applicants for the Award. There were four other \$2000.00 awards granted of the \$10,000.00 trust, but no other library in the Big Country.

The Rotan Public Library building, formerly a part of the Callan Hospital,

was donated by Dr. Chester U. Callan.

The Board has set April 28 as an opening date, but the grand opening will be later in the summer, according to Mrs. Hale.

## New Rotan Councilman

Clyde South, a relatively new resident of the City of Rotan, but with close ties to the Rotan area for several years, polled the lion's share of the votes in last Saturday's Rotan City Council election.

Rodney Tankersley, running for a second term on the council, polled a total of 230 votes to come in second place behind the leader Clyde South with 269.

South and Tankersley will be joined by third place finisher Dorothy Lomax on the new Rotan City Council. Lomax captured 206 votes in the election.

Rodney Denton, seeking a second term on the council, failed in his bid for re-election after falling 20 votes behind Lomax. He captured 186 votes.

Rotan Mayor Lester Sencil, unopposed for his bid for a second term, received 283 votes.

## Cemetery Association To Meet

The McCaulley Cemetery Association meeting will be held Wednesday, April 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Building.

Everyone is urged to attend.



**DISTRICT CHAIRMAN:** Britt Stuart was elected chairman of the District III 4-H Council Spring Retreat. He will represent 22 counties in this district on the Texas 4-H Council. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Stuart, Roby.

## Weather

From the Record of FRED BYERLY Rotan Weather Observer

Apr 79	Prec.	Hi	Lo
Tue.3		65	42
Wed.4		68	30
Thur.5		80	37
Fri.6		81	48
Sat.7		79	50
Sun.8		78	56
Mon.9	.11	74	44
Total	.11		

Precipitation to date:  
1978 ..... 2.78  
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## Spring Art Show To Be In April

The Palette and Brush Club met Monday, April 2, at the Willie Wiredhand Room of the Midwest Electric Coop. Special guest artist was Mr. Sherwood Suter from McMurry in Abilene.

Following the meeting, plans were discussed for the Spring Art Show to be held April 22.

## Fyffe Has Accepted Position In Roby

Rickey Fyffe has accepted the call of the First Baptist Church in Roby for fulltime Associate Pastor and Youth Director in charge of youth and children for the summer of

1979. Fyffe is a junior student at Hardin Simmons University in Abilene. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover L. Fyffe now living in Bethioux, Wilaya D'Oran, Algeria.

Fyffe graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in Midland and is studying for a bachelor of arts degree with a major in Bible and minor in psychology.

## Voters Elect Three Board Candidates

Roby Independent School District voters, picking from a slate of four candidates, elected three candidates to serve two-year terms on the board of trustees.

The top vote total went to Roy Herron with 166 votes, Leonard Mitchell was second with 161, and Scott Feagan was third with 127 votes.

Melvin Thomson received 90 votes in his unsuccessful bid for a seat on the school board.

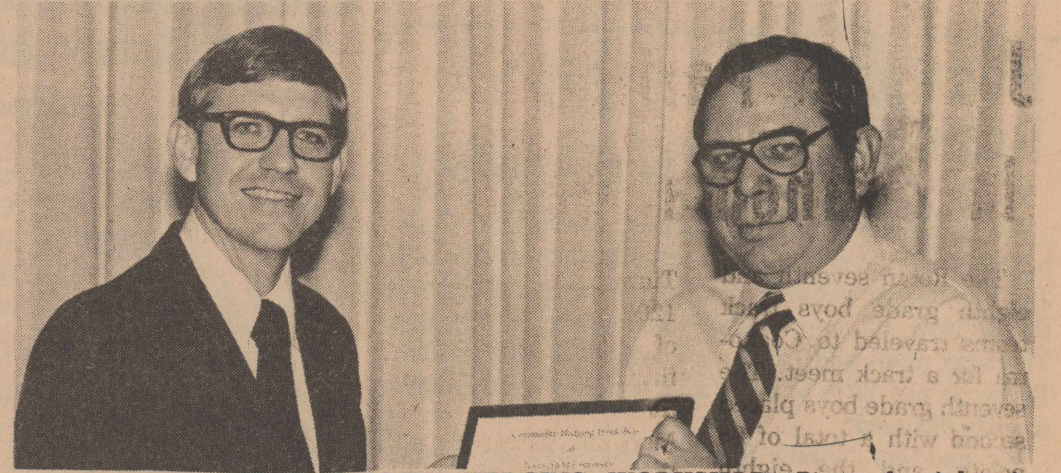
## Gentry Named Second Team All State

Blanche Gentry of Rotan has been named to the All-State basketball team on the second team. Blanche is a senior at Rotan High School.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doris Gentry.

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For more effective communication, know and understand what you really feel and decide what you want for yourself before you begin to speak with someone, says a family life education specialist with the Tex. Agricultural Extension Service.



**AGRICULTURAL COMMODITY HEDGING WORKSHOP:** Pictured, right, is Wayne Harris, Executive Vice President of the First National Bank in Rotan receiving a Certificate of Completion for an Agricultural Commodity Hedging Workshop from Roland Smith. Dr. Smith is grain marketing economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The three-day workshop was conducted for agricultural lending executives from financial institutions in Texas, surrounding states, and Mexico. Topics studied included forward pricing, futures trading mechanics, hedging for farmers and ranchers, and the banker's role in hedging decisions. The workshop was sponsored by the Texas Bankers Association and Texas A&M University.

## McCaulley School Board Named

Write-in candidate Billy Wayne Jeffrey came within one vote of capturing a position on the McCaulley School Board in last Saturday's election.

The two candidates, running for two positions, on the ballot were Cecil Williams (30 votes) and Marion Reed (56 votes).

Billy Wayne Jeffrey received 29 votes, Green received 1, and Kelley received 1 vote.

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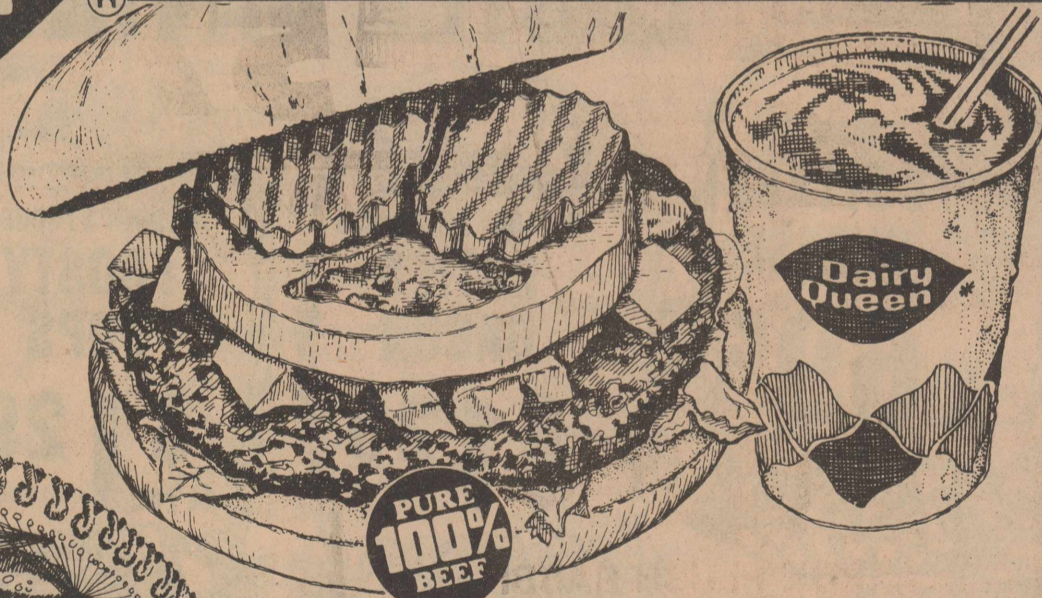
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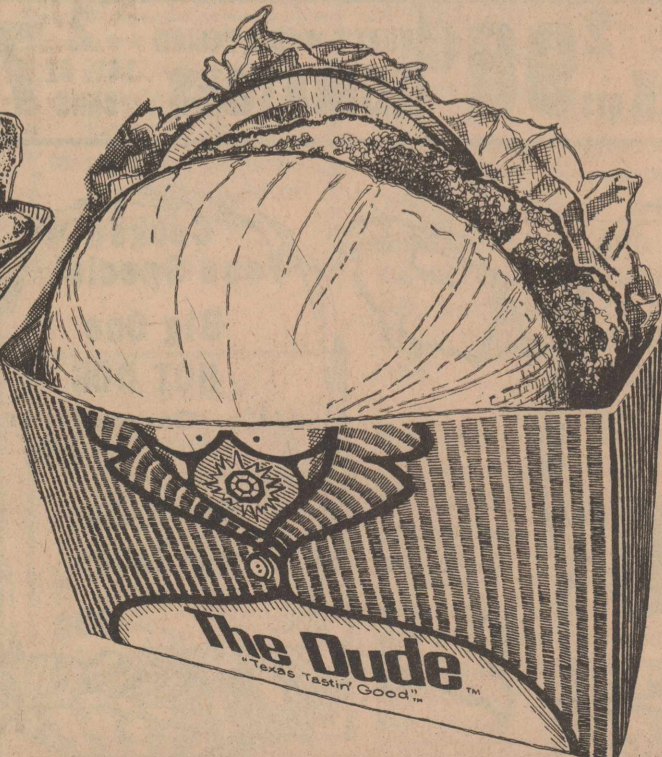
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## Hustlin' Round Hobbs

By Joy Walker

We have really been having stormy weather this week, but we didn't get any rain out here at the house, although Jim was over at Rough Creek Monday and it hailed over there. Now it's supposed to get down to freezing Thursday night and I hope it doesn't kill all the fruit. Everyone has little apricots and our peach trees have already bloomed.

Mr. and Mrs. Windle Kincaid from Rotan ate Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Kincaid. Lucy is really doing well and we are glad to see that she has almost completely recovered from her fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Martinez went to Chicago on Wednesday and they stayed until Saturday, returning home Saturday night. They attended the A.M.P.I. Dairyman's Convention in Chicago. They report that it was so cold and windy there and they even saw a little snow one day they really had a bad storm.

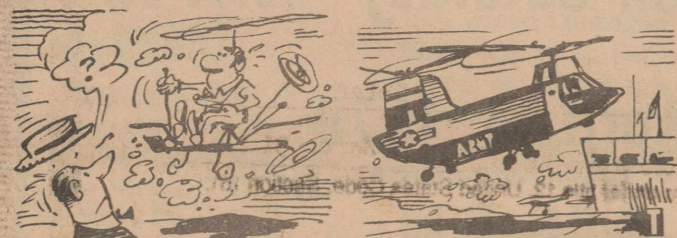
Mrs. Jimmy Walker and Mrs. Sheila Gruben (Donnie), Carye and Donnie Carl all went to Abilene Thursday afternoon. Then Friday Jim and I went to Munday for the first A.J.R.A. Rodeo of the season. Melody and Jan Reed from Ackerley met us there with the horses, and we almost spent the night as the rodeo went on and on, and of course Melody was lucky enough to draw slack in the barrel race. The girls left for Texas Tech around 1:30 and Melody said got there in good time, although by the time they had unloaded the horses and fed them, etc. it was almost 5:00 a.m. before they got to Tech and to bed. Will be glad when finals are over now and we can bring Mac back here and then we won't have to meet Melody as she will be through with college for this semester the beginning of May. Some of the girls are trying to rodeo for Tech and make all these other rodeos, and they are on the road constantly.

Mrs. James Ratliff and Teresa went to Snyder on Saturday and Teresa rode in the W.T.B.R.A. barrel race.

Well this is very short this time, but it seems some folks have either gone visiting or were out of the house when I called them. Its time to plant a garden, and Good Friday is supposed to be the day, but we are going to a track meet at Abilene and see our grandson, Gregg Gruben, so there goes the garden for that day anyway. Have a very Happy Easter and maybe there will be some visitors for the long weekend. See you next Thursday.

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## Fisher County Nursing Home

By LuJane Walker

First Baptist Church and Cross Roads Baptist Church conducted our Sunday services.

Mrs. Jones came Monday afternoon to play and sing with the residents. Mrs. Rollins and Mrs. Cox are so kind to help.

Thursday is Bible Study morning at Fisher County Nursing Home. Our residents enjoy studying and learning more about God's word.

Mrs. Pearl Adams celebrated her 101st birthday, Friday, April 6.

Ladies from the Methodist Church and Mrs. Riley, a daughter, brought cakes. Mrs. Adams, her family, and friends enjoyed everything.

Mr. and Mrs. Foreman of Roby visited with Mr. William Trimble.

Mrs. Landy Jameson of Hamlin visited with Mattie Key and Tishie Hayes.

Ernestine Estes from Noodle and Lena Doubles Perkins visited with Beulah Moffett and Neda Kiser.

See you next week.

## Golden Haven Home News

First Baptist Church and First Methodist Church conducted our Sunday Services.

I want to report that we have a lady in our home, Mrs. Mary Hurst, that has a special green thumb. Time after time I have tried in vain to get an apple, orange or lemon seed to grow. Well Mrs. Hurst simply poked six apple seed in with some ivy that was growing in her room and lo and behold six little apple trees have come up. They survived transplanting and are doing great.

Mrs. Martha Headstream is in the Fisher County Hospital. She is doing fine. We hope to have her home real soon.

We want to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Mr. Fred Owens. Mr. Owens passed away in the Fisher County Hospital Monday, April 7.

Mary Posey and Mrs. W.P. Curry visited with Mrs. Octavaneous Harrell.

Mrs. Moffett, Mrs. Meek, Martha Williams and Stella Kiser all from Sylvester visited Lewis Kiser. Mr. Kiser wants everyone to know he has gained twenty pounds and is doing just wonderful.

Mattie Lou Davis visited Mrs. Eula Williamson over the weekend.

Marvin Mann of Rotan visited Dana McReynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Early, their daughter and granddaughter, visited Lois Henry and Lena Early. They are from Odessa.

See you next week.

## Card Of Thanks

We would like to thank the doctors and nurses, especially Dr. Maurice, and our many friends, who were so kind and helpful during our stay in the hospital.

John T. Bostick and family

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## Roby Baptist To Attend Track Meet

The State Royal Ambassadors Congress and Track meet for boys and counselors will be Friday, April 13, at the Heart of Texas Coliseum in Waco. Eight boys have qualified to go from the First Baptist Church in Roby. The boys and counselors will be leaving from the church at 3:30 p.m. Thursday afternoon. Each boy's way will be paid by the church.

They will camp out Thursday night and Friday night on the coliseum grounds. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. Friday and activities will begin at 9:00 a.m. with an opening ceremony. The crusader, pioneer and ambassador track meet will be from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. At 7:00 p.m. Friday a Special Spiritual program will

feature Dr. James Flaming speaking on "Let's Go Hunting" with testimony being given by Bob Breuning of the Dallas Cowboys. Saturday morning after a ceremony of awards presentation, the boys will return home.

Each boy will be requested to bring a sack lunch for Thursday evening. They also need to bring a sleeping roll or sleeping bag, a tent (if they have one), warm clothes to sleep in, Coleman heaters, spending money, coat, track clothes and track shoes. Crusaders are not allowed to wear spike shoes, because of state rule.

Each boy will be given a surgical arm band for identification purposes upon arrival. Approximately 13 sponsors from the church will be going for supervision. Security officers and a first aid station will be set up at the grounds. Anyone needing to contact Don Jeffrey, pastor, for any of the boys or counselors from First Baptist Church in Roby may call area code 817, 776-6160.

## Hospital News

Admissions to Fisher County Hospital April 3-9, 1979.

Elaine Soliz, Rafael Alvarado, Imogene Head, Brian Lee Dickson, Suzanne Hudnall, Kimberly Ann Hudnall, baby girl, Rances Zambrano, W.D. Rushing, Rosa DeLeon, Carnie A. Daniel, Mary Lynn Crawford, Tammy Nowlin, Connie Early, Mable Franklin, Jack Allen, Rotan; Audie Hicks, McCaulley; Ruth Kenner, Crowell; Lee Sanders, Sylvester; Cordie Wade; Hamlin; Milton R. Butler, Stamford; Earl Owens, Martha Headstream, Robert Terry, Guadalupe Moreno, Roby.

## Card Of Thanks

We would like to thank each of you who went to the trouble to write in Wendell Morrow and C.M. Callan for the hospital board. Your votes and confidence were very much appreciated.

LaVada Jones and a group of interested people in the welfare of our hospital

## Fisher County Election Contest Winners Named

There were a number of election contests throughout Fisher County last Saturday that were untested.

In the two man race for two open slots on the Rotan School Board, Ernest Ragan captured 402 of the 408 votes cast and was returned to a second term on the board and new-comer Leo Long was elected to his first term with 382 votes.

Roby voters returned Commissioners Jack McClure and Jimmie Laurie as well as Mayor W.C. Matthes to the board with 25 votes each.

In the Hobbs School Board race Jerry Hodges captured 74 votes to Odell Rains' 68 votes.

In the Roby Water Board election, Roy Noles got 78 votes, M.E. Doyle received 75 votes, J.C.

Hayes polled 78 votes and write-ins Jimmie Laurie and Archie Rivers received 1 vote each.

In the Rotan Water Authority Board election the election results were unavailable.

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7.75%	8.06%
7.50%	7.79%
6.75%	6.98%
6.50%	6.72%
5.75%	5.92%
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## Inside The Lion's Den

Don Bagwell

The Roby Lions traveled to Spur on Friday, April 6, for the Bulldog Relays, placing 3rd overall with 60 points. Most of our times were off a little but this was mainly due to a strong wind.

**Results**  
440 Relay, 4th, 48.6, Britt Stuart, Kenny Martin, Scott Thomson, Johnny Rivas.  
880 Run, 4th, 2:17.6, Gordon Maberry.  
100 Dash, 1st, 10.8, Al Gonzalez.  
400 Dash, 6th, 57.3, Timmy Morton.  
330 IH, 4th, 54.2, Mark Pope; 6th, 47.0, Greg Jennings.  
200 Dash, 2nd, 23.7, Al Gonzalez; 5th, 26.2, Britt Stuart.

Mile Relay, 3rd, 3:49.9, Kenny Martin, Greg Jennings, Britt Stuart and Al Gonzalez.  
High jump, 3rd, 6-0, Mark Pope.  
Long jump, 5th, 19-8, Mark Pope.  
Discus, 6th, 106 ft., Brad Wilburn.

The District meet is Thursday, April 12, at Snyder. The running prelims start at 9:00 a.m. and the finals will start at 2:00 p.m. This year the district is more balanced and should be a close three team race between Ira, Loraine and Roby.

The junior high and high school boys are having their district together this year and it should be a very good meet, so make plans to attend and give the Cubs and Lions your support.

On Saturday, April 7, Al Gonzalez went to the Colorado City Relays where he tied his own

school record by running 9.8 in the 100 yard dash and broke the school record in the 400 meter dash with a 50.8. Al now owns or shares four school records in track. They are, 100 yd. dash, 9.8; 200 meter dash, 22.2; 400 meter dash, 50.8; and ran on the mile relay which is shared with Brad Stuart, Ricky King, and Johnny Rivas with a time of 3:31.25. Congratulations to Al.

## Extension Club To Meet April 18

Longworth Extension Homemakers Club met in the home of Mrs. H.F. Guelker.

Mrs. W.P. Schubert called the house to order. Mrs. Guelker led the recreation.

Roll call was answered with "An eating habit I need to change".

After the business session, the Fisher County Extension Agent, Mrs. Alice Ballenger, gave the program on meals for one or two. She states buying food in smaller cans can eliminate waste, also, getting the four basic foods daily is necessary for good health.

Next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Ray Schweritz the program will be Health in a Changing World and a program by 4-H'ers on April 18.

The Roby girls high school track team placed 2nd in the overall competition at the District meet last Thursday held in Snyder.

Individual results are: Debbie Stuart 2nd in mile run; Linda Hoodenpyle, 4th in the 800 m. dash; Dee Dee Faught, 2nd in the 400 m. dash; Tana Mauldin, 1st in the 80 yd. hurdles; Lisa Hoodenpyle, 2nd in the 80 yd. hurdles; Kristi West, 4th in the 80 yd. hurdles; Tina Hataway 4th in the 100 dash; Paula Terry, Sylvia Gaona, Tina Hataway, Mary Nell Clayton, 2nd in 400 relay, time 53.8; Lisa Hoodenpyle, Sylvia Gaona, Kristi West, Mary Nell Clayton, first in 800 m. relay; Lisa Hoodenpyle, Mary Nell Clayton, DeeDee Faught, Kristi West, first in the mile relay, time 4:23.9.

We also pulled in some points in field events with a first in triple jump by Mary Nell Clayton, 35 ft. DeeDee Faught got third with 31 ft. Mary Nell Clayton, first in long jump, 17-8; Dee Faught third in high jump, 4-4; Darlene Herron, 4th in the discus with a throw 97-4 1/2; Darlene Herron, 3rd in the shot with 29-8 1/2; Tana Mauldin, 5th in the shot.

The regional track qualifiers are as follows: DeeDee Faught, 400 m. dash, mile relay; Mary Nell Clayton, 400 m. relay, 800 m. relay, mile relay, triple and long jump; Lisa Hoodenpyle, 800 m. relay, mile relay, 80 yd. hurdles; Kriti West, 800 m. relay, mile relay; Tana Mauldin, 80 yd. hurdles; Sylvia Gaona, 400 m. relay, 800 m. relay; Tina Hataway, 400 m. relay; Debbie

Stuart, mile run.

The regional track meet will be held in Levelland April 20-21.

The Roby junior high girls placed second with

## Leo Bailey Rites Held In Rotan

Leo B. Bailey, 70, of Rising Star died at 6 a.m. Sunday at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Big Spring after a lengthy illness. Services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel in Rotan.

The Rev. Dick Williams, pastor of First Baptist Church of Rising Star officiated, assisted by Rev. Bill Williams, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Rotan. Burial was in Bellview Cemetery in Rotan.

Born Feb. 2, 1909, in Stephenville, he married Cleo Ellison on Dec. 23, 1933, in Rotan. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Rotan. He moved to Rising Star from Rotan in 1968. He was a retired oil field worker and World War II veteran, serving in the U.S. Army.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Rickey and Joe, both of Rising Star; two sisters, Annie Tarver of Stephenville and Agnes Crite of Fort Worth; and three grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Dwayne Lee, Dwayne Underhill, Rodney Tankersley, Kenneth Vann, Marshal Bennett and Donald Overby.

## LIONS COUNTRY

Vikki Schumacher

# Roby FFA Prepares For Area Judging Meet

Roby FFA judging teams have been participating in spring contest since March 17 when they traveled to Sweetwater for competition. The teams participating were: Cotton, placed 7th, consisting of Brad Horton, Bill Walker, Chris Kiser and James Terry; Wool, placed 9th, Reggie Parks, Rudy Carreon, Kevin Neves and

Darrell Doty. Other teams participating were livestock, land, meat and poultry products. The meat team traveled to Gooch Packing Company in Abilene to compete on March 31. They had a team total score of 1210 out of a possible 1800.

On April 2, the Livestock, Range and Pasture and Land Teams traveled

to Abilene to participate in the ACU judging contest. The Livestock team total was 1185 out of a possible 1350. The FFA will travel to Lubbock to Texas Tech University to compete on April 21. Teams that will attend are: Livestock, Cotton, Crops, Ag Mechanics, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Products, Grass, Meat, and Wool.

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## Statement Of Condition

### First National Bank

#### REPORT OF CONDITION

Consolidating domestic and foreign subsidiaries of the  
The First National Bank of Rotan  
Name of Bank of City  
In the state of Texas, at the close of business on March 31, 1979  
published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under title 12, United States Code, Section 161.  
Charter number 8693 National Bank Region Number 11

Statement of Resources and Liabilities		Thousands of dollars	
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and due from depository institutions		2 132	
U.S. Treasury securities		3 285	
Obligations of other U.S. Government agencies and corporations		3 648	
Obligations of States and political subdivisions in the United States		3 254	
All other securities		9	
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell		750	
Loans, Total (excluding unearned income)	5 627		
Less: Allowance for possible loan losses	199		
Loans, Net		5 428	
Lease financing receivables		none	
Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises		122	
Real estate owned other than bank premises		none	
All other assets		18	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>18 646</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations		8 193	
Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations		7 717	
Deposits of United States Government		15	
Deposits of States and political subdivisions in the United States		1 139	
All other deposits		none	
Certified and officers' checks		67	
Total Deposits		17 131	
Total demand deposits	8 284		
Total time and savings deposits	8 847		
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase		none	
Interest-bearing demand notes (note balances) issued to the U.S. Treasury and other liabilities for borrowed money		none	
Mortgage indebtedness and liability for capitalized leases		none	
All other liabilities		-	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures)</b>		<b>17 131</b>	
Subordinated notes and debentures		none	
<b>MEMORANDA EQUITY CAPITAL</b>			
Preferred stock	No. shares outstanding	none	(par value) none
Common stock	No. shares authorized	1 000	
	No. shares outstanding	1 000	(par value) 100
Surplus		200	
Undivided profits and reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves		1 215	
<b>TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL</b>		<b>1 515</b>	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL</b>		<b>18 646</b>	
<b>MEMORANDA</b>			
Amounts outstanding as of report date:			
Standby letters of credit, total		none	
Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more		486	
Other time deposits in amounts of \$100,000 or more		309	
Average for 30 calendar days (or calendar month) ending with report date:			
Total deposits		17 174	

We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

I, Francene McKinney  
Name  
Vice President  
Title

Walter Hanks  
Paul Springer  
Directors

of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Conditions is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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April 6, 1979  
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## Letters to the Editor

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The opinions expressed here are those of the writers and do not necessarily reflect the views of this newspaper. All letters submitted for publication must be signed and are subject to be edited for libelous material. Letters

are accepted on that basis. Names can be withheld upon request, however, initials will be used on all letters. Signed original letters will remain in the possession of this newspaper.

Dear Editor,  
I would like to thank the voters of Rotan for their support in Saturday's city election. Thank you,  
Rodney Tankersley

Dear Editor,  
Just a short note to ask you to convey my sincere appreciation to the people of Fisher County that voted for me in last Saturday's Hospital Board election. It is nice to know that I have that many friends in Fisher County that have confidence in my ability to serve their best interests on this important county board.

Albert Maberry

### District Contest Set For April 18

Fisher County 4-H'ers tied for 1st in the Livestock Judging Contest held by Abilene Christian University Monday, April 2. The Fisher County 4-H team composed of Gary Don Harkey, James Jeffrey, Ricky Spencer and Susan Gaona tied for first placed with Wall FFA.

James Jeffrey and Gary Don Harkey both tied for 9th high individual with a score of 439 out of a possible 450. Others judging from Fisher County included Gary Teague, Annette Overby, and Darren Stevens.

These 4-H members have done extremely well and are looking forward to the District Contest to be held April 18 at Seymour.

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Check the label on canned, frozen and dried vegetables, suggests a consumer marketing information specialist. Besides describing contents, the label may tell grade, variety, size, and maturity of the vegetables, as well as number of servings and cooking directions.

### 28th Annual Neinda Reunion Set

The 28th annual Neinda Reunion and homecoming is set for Sunday, April 22, at the Community Center at Neinda. The meeting is held in conjunction with the cemetery upkeep.

A large crowd is expected to meet and visit a few hours with old and new friends. A business session will be held at 11:00 a.m. and a report will be given on last year's donations and expenses for the cemetery. Everyone interested is urged to be present. Your continued support is needed if this event is to be carried out.

A meal will be catered at noon, plates will be \$3.75 each. The planning committee consists of Gene Boyd, John Scarborough, John R. Brown, Sr., J.E. Brown, Audrey Hodnett, Bill Merritt, R.P. Williams, Sonny Brown, G.W. Drummond and Sam Hodges, chairman.

I would also like to congratulate the mayor and new city council. I am sure they will continue to address the city business with additional judgement and wisdom.

Sincerely,  
Rodney C. Denton

### Little League Draft Date Set For Friday

Friday will be the date of the annual Little League draft of eligible players, according to a league spokesman.

All boys interested in being considered for the Little League draft should be present on Friday afternoon at 5:30 p.m. in the area north of the Rotan Gin Company. All individuals, not currently assigned to a Little League team,

10 years old prior to August 1, 1979, are eligible for the draft.

On Monday, April 16, all boys interested in participating in the Little League farm team system are to show up for practice at the area north of the Rotan Gin. Boys that will be 8 years old prior to August 1, 1979 are eligible to participate in the farm team system.

## 4-H County Contest To Be In Rotan

The Fisher County 4-H Method Demonstration Contest will be held on Monday, April 16, at 7:00 p.m. at the Rotan Community Center. 4-H'ers from throughout Fisher County will be competing in various demonstration categories.

Share-the-Fun, and public speaking contests. Winners in the county contest will advance to District Contest to be held May 5 in Wichita Falls.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend the county contests on Monday evening.

The District Livestock, Horse, and Soil Judging

Contests will be held April 18 in Seymour. Fisher County 4-H'ers are preparing for these contests in hopes of winning 1st and a trip to the State 4-H Contest to be held June 5 and 6 at Texas A&M.



Mr. and Mrs. Don Weems of Crosbyton announce the birth of a baby boy, Neil Lon Weems, 6 lbs. 10 1/2 ozs. on March 27, 1979 in Lubbock. He has two sisters, LaJeannia 4, and Teresa 2. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T.L. Stanford of Rotan and Mrs. Clayton Weems of Crosbyton. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lon Weems of Rotan and Mr. and Mrs. Bettis of Roby and Mrs. Will Newton of Rotan.

#### CORRECTION

Gregg Gruben placed third in oral reading ULL contest. His name was omitted from the story in last week's paper. We regret the error.

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Two to three percent of working and career women's take-home pay during 1977 was spent on cosmetics and fragrances, reports a clothing specialist with the Tex. Agricultural Extension Service.

#### FROM ALUMNUS FOOTBALL

You'll find the road is long and rough, with soft spots far apart, Where only those can make the grade who have the Uphill Heart, And when they stop you, with a thud or jolt you with a crack, Let Courage call the signals as you keep on coming back, Keep coming back, and though the world may romp across your spine, Let every game's end find you still upon the Battling line, For when the one Great Scorer comes to mark against your name, He writes--not that you won or lost--but how you played the game.

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#### FISHER COUNTY QUARTELY REPORT

On April 9, 1979, the Commissioners Court of Fisher County met in regular session, examined and compared the quarterly Report of Inez Stephens, County Treasurer, for the quarter ending March 31, 1979, and found the same correct and the respective amount to have been received and paid out during the quarter.

Fund	Balance 1-1-79	Received Last Quarter	Transfers in	Transfers out	Paid out Last Quarter	Balance 3-31-79
Jury Fund	7 522 44	12 378 21			1 497 51	18 403 14
General Fund	148 161 16	282 823 27	378 13		108 424 46	322 938 10
Road & Bridge, Operating Prec #1	83 757 54	48 993 19			13 327 91	119 422 82
Road & Bridge, Operating Prec #2	33 090 39	48 788 86			14 924 42	66 954 83
Road & Bridge, Operating Prec #3	14 993 68	48 936 86			19 235 14	44 695 40
Road & Bridge, Operating Prec #4	17 416 14	48 788 87			15 702 10	50 502 91
Social Security	9 929 49	10 797 46			9 549 42	11 177 53
Courthouse Certificates	104 41	8 252 16			4 675 00	3 681 57
Lateral Road, Precinct #1	12 679 70	-0-			-0-	12 679 70
Lateral Road, Precinct #2	13 439 08	-0-			-0-	13 439 08
Lateral Road, Precinct #3	9 515 39	-0-			1 986 46	7 528 93
Lateral Road, Precinct #4	5 832 50	-0-			641 10	5 191 40
Airport Fund	378 13	-0-		378 13	-0-	-0-
Revenue Sharing	51 559 49	19 257 00			43 951 31	26 865 18
	<u>408 379 54</u>	<u>529 015 88</u>	<u>378 13</u>	<u>378 13</u>	<u>233 914 83</u>	<u>703 480 59</u>
On Deposit with County Depository Banks						703 480 59

#### SECURITIES OWNED BY THE COURTHOUSE CERTIFICATE OF OBLIGATIONS

1 Certificate of Deposit, The Citizens State Bank, Roby, Texas No. 1467, 5 1/2% interest due quarterly	62 464 57
1 Certificate of Deposit, The First National Bank, Rotan, Texas No. 10928, 6% interest due 3-6-80	62 517 40
1 Certificate of Deposit, The First National Bank, Rotan, Texas No. 10279, 5 1/2% interest due 5-24-79	8 697 25
	<u>133 679 22</u>

#### OWNED BY FISHER COUNTY

GENERAL FUND	
1 Saving Account No. 800-1, dated 9-15-78, 5% interest due quarterly, The First National Bank, Rotan, Texas	10 147 63

#### FISHER COUNTY PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND INVESTMENTS

3 Post, Texas, Independent School District Bonds Nos. 572-574, 4% interest, due 5-1-1980	3 000 00
1 U.S. Government Bond No. 2682-0, 4 1/2% interest, due 8-15-1992/87	1 000 00
25 Haskell County, Texas, Water Improvement District waterworks revenue and unlimited tax bonds Nos. 66-90 4 1/2% interest due, \$5,000.00 each year, 11-1-1986	25 000 00
1 Certificate of Deposit, Citizens State Bank, Roby, Texas, No. 1577, 5 1/2% interest due 1-1-1980	8 266 46
12 Tobasco Consolidated School District Bonds, Series 1961, Nos. 536-547, 4.40% interest due 1-1-1982/76	12 000 00
36 Harris County, Texas Water Control and Improvement District No. 58 waterworks revenue unlimited tax bonds, Series 1961, Nos. 6-40 and No. 48, 5% interest due 5M 4-1-1981-83, 1M 4-1-1984	36 000 00
1 Certificate of Deposit, Citizen State Bank, Roby, Texas, No. 1075, 5 1/2% interest due 5-27-79	1 000 00
	<u>86 266 46</u>

#### FISHER COUNTY BUILDING FUND WARRANT INDEBTEDNESS

Courthouse Certificate	Original Issue	Redeemed Prior Years	Redeemed This Year	Outstanding 3-31-1979
	357 000 00	170 000 00	35 000 00	152 000 00

A.J. Ford, Commissioner, Precinct # 1

Jay R. Hendon, Commissioner, Precinct # 3

Billy Henderson, Commissioner, Precinct # 2

Marshall Bennett, County Judge

Jimmy W. Figue, Commissioner, Precinct # 4

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## V.F.W. To Sponsor Fund-Raising Crusade

The Ladies Auxiliary of the V.F.W. has been named as the coordinating unit for the Cancer Society's 1979 educational fund-raising Crusade slated to begin April 17th at 5:30 p.m.

An ACS volunteer, Mrs. Austin McKinney, said, "This Tuesday, ACS volunteers here in Rotan will be contacting their friends, neighbors and business associates to offer practical and helpful information about cancer. They will be part of a team of some two million ACS volunteers nationwide who will use facts about cancer to help save lives."

"The purpose of the Crusade is two-fold", said Mrs. McKinney. "Fund raising is important, but so is cancer prevention. We'll use this contact with the public to teach facts about cancer. We'll distribute a brand new leaflet with the headline 'You Do Make A Difference'. Thirteen million copies of this leaflet will be given away this year. It tells how lifestyle and health care can influence the outcome of cancer."

"We certainly know that we could save thousands of cancer patients with the knowledge we have today—if everyone understood the importance of actually preventing some cancers, or starting treatment early when the chance of success is greatest."

The Rotan Crusade will also raise funds needed to support the many ACS programs.

"When people think of the American Cancer Society, they think of research, the fight against cigarettes, or perhaps programs

to convince women to protect themselves against breast or uterine cancer," Mrs. McKinney said. "We do all of these things and more. One-quarter of our money goes to the support of cancer research. Through our professional education program we help all kinds of medical personnel—physicians, nurses, dentist—to keep abreast of new developments in cancer diagnosis and management. And, importantly, our service and rehabilitation programs help cancer patients and their families," she noted. "The ACS has been a leader in calling nationwide attention to the social and economic needs of people stricken by cancer."

Another crucial area of ACS work involves hundreds of public education programs held in schools, social clubs and in industrial settings, to teach people how to safeguard their lives from cancer. "Most of our programs are run by volunteers which means that the ACS dollar goes very far. We spend only for essentials, and our goals are clear—we want an end to cancer," she said. "Now we're asking for support."

### Cottonwood Flat Annual Work Day Set

The Annual working for the Cottonwood Flat Cemetery will be Thursday April 19. Persons interested in working will meet at the cemetery at 10:00 a.m. and are asked to bring their lunch.

All interested persons are urged to attend.



JUDGES ATTEND STATE WIDE SEMINAR: One hundred and fifty justices of the peace from across the state of Texas attended a 40-hour Texas Justice of the Peace Training Seminar March 11-16 in San Antonio. Among the judges attending were, left to right, Judge Dan E. Callaway, Scurry County, Precinct 1; Judge Geneva Chandler, Fisher County, Precinct 1; Judge Bonnie McDowell, Stonewall County, Precinct 1, Place 1; and Judge Lewie Hilton, Kent County, Precinct 4, Place 1.

## Rotan Extension Club Votes

### On Projects

The Rotan Extension Homemakers Club met April 5 in the home of Mrs. Oral Sparks, Dollie Curry, club president, called the meeting to order. Recreation was led by Beatrice Hargrove. Effie Murphree called the roll and read the minutes. Mary Posey gave the council report.

The club members voted to make new name plates to be put on the doors of each resident's room at the Leisure Lodge Nursing Home. Book for the library were also discussed; anyone having hard back

books, recipe books, household hints, and sewing books and interested in donating them should do so, the books would be used and appreciated by the library.

Beatrice Hargrove gave an interesting program, "The study of arthritis". Children as well as adults can get arthritis. Prompt and proper treatments are necessary to prevent some of the complications of arthritis. A skit was presented by Beatrice Hargrove, doctor; Bill Cleveland, nurse; Ardell

Floyd, mother; and Hazel Aldridge, little girl.

Mrs. Sparks served delicious refreshments to two visitors, Ima Berry and Mrs. J.A. Murfif, fifteen club members, Effie Murphree, Dollie Curry, Mary Posey, Lou Ada Posey, Bill Cleveland, Ardell Floyd, Laura Lee Hudnall, Florene Young, Velma Wallace, Elizabeth Bigham, Icie Hughes, Viola Hendon, Romie Kersh, Beatrice Hargrove and Hazel Aldridge.

## 4-Hers Won Angelo State Contest

Fisher County 4-H'ers won the San Angelo State University Livestock Judging Contest held March 9 at the M.I.R. Center in San Angelo. The first place team from Fisher County included Mike Morrow, Gary Don Harkey, Britt Stuart and Rickey Spencer. The team had a score of 1,113 out of a possible 1,200. San Saba County finished second with a score of 1,091.

Gary Don Harkey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harkey, was named the high individual of the contest with a score of 383. Other Fisher County 4-H'ers with high individual placings included Britt Stuart 6th, Jennifer Wright 11th, and Mike Morrow 12th.

Competing for Fisher County on another team included: Jennifer Wright,

Susan Gaona, Gary Teague, Darren Stevens and Annette Overby. This

team did well by placing 6th out of 24 teams competing in the contest.



TIE FOR FIRST: These Fisher County 4-H members tied for first place at Abilene judging. Left to right, front, Susan Gaona and Ricky Spencer. Back, Gary Don Harkey and James Jeffrey.

## Easter Egg Hunt To Be Held In Roby

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Roby Fire Department will sponsor the annual Easter Egg hunt at the City Park at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 14. Each child is requested to bring six wrapped candy eggs. They are to meet at the parking lot between the Baptist Church and the Church of Christ, and then will walk to the park.

Cookies and punch will be served at the park.

Parents are requested to pick the children up at the park by 4:00 p.m.



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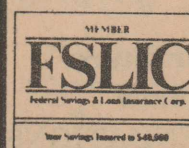
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NOT FAR: Summer can't be far away when the recent good weather allows children outside in shorts and sleeveless shirts. The above photograph, taken by Jimmy Markham, is of Brandon Weaver, 2 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Weaver of Rotan.

## Sheriff's Office Investigates Shooting

The Fisher County Sheriff's office investigated an accidental shooting involving a 13-year old Eskota resident last Saturday night, according to Sheriff

Mickey Counts. Counts and Deputy Gerald Owens were notified by the Rolling Plains Hospital in Sweetwater that Susan Fournier, age

13, of south Fisher County was being treated for an accidental gunshot wound in the lower right leg.

After investigating the incident, Counts said that Fred Brouillette, age 31, of Route One, Sweetwater, was attempting to unload a .22 caliber pistol at his home when the weapon accidentally discharged, hitting the girl's leg.

No charges were filed in the incident. Susan Fournier was taken to the Sweetwater hospital by D.P.S. Trooper Ronald Hill.

## Fisher County Native Edites History Book

Peggy Hammit Walker, a native of Fisher County, was instrumental in compiling and editing *Windmills and Barbed Wire*, a history of King County, now in its second printing. She is married to Bob Walker, former competing member of the professional Rodeo Cowboys Association. He worked under George Humphreys on the 6666 Ranch. George Humphreys is the subject of the book; a colorful rancher, former longtime foreman of the famed 6666 Ranch, one of the genuine "old West" personalities. Mr. Humphreys died at the Stonewall Memorial Hospital recently after a brief illness.



Naomi Counts

## Rotan FFA To Attend Area Judging Contest

The Rotan FFA judging teams have been active, participating in several judging contests so far this year, starting with the annual A&M practice contest March 10, in which the Land Range and Pasture and Dairy Products Teams participated.

The next contest was March 17 at the Sweetwater judging contest and Area II FFA Land and Range and Pasture Contest. In this contest the wool team finished 6th. The wool team consisted of Mark Harris, Darrell Carter, and Robert Wall. The land team consisting of Jeff Posey, Moses Gonzales and Gary Hazelwood ranked 16th in area and 6th in district while the range and pasture team, consisting of Weldon Hayes, Wes Hardin and Shannon Strickland, finished 7th in area and 5th in district.

Other teams participating in this contest were poultry, livestock, cotton, dairy products and meats.

On March 31, the dairy cattle and dairy products teams participated in the Southwest Texas State Contest held at San

Marcus, at which Naomi Counts finished 16th high individual in the dairy products contest out of approximately 300 contestants. Also on the 31st, the meats team participated in the Gooch Meats Contest at Abilene. On April 7th the meats, dairy products and dairy cattle teams participated in the West Texas State Contest at Canyon. On April 21st, the Rotan FFA Chapter will be represented at the Area II FFA Judging Contest at Texas Tech by eight teams, meats, poultry, cotton, crops, wool, grass, dairy cattle and dairy products.

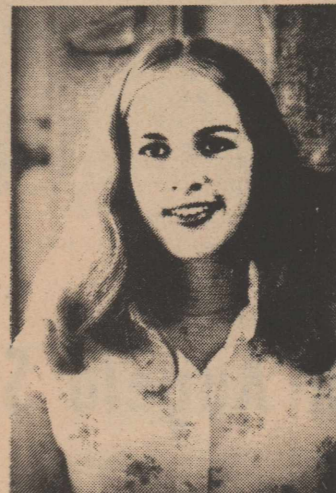
## Warren Took High Honors In Fair

Granbury High School senior Tammy Warren took high honors in the Fort Worth Regional Science Fair. Tammy won first place in her category with a project titled

"Lecithin-A Brain Food?" In addition to her first place award, she was also awarded a first place ribbon by the Tarrant County Medical Society and a first place ribbon by the Tarrant County Veterinary Medical Association Auxiliary for her efforts.

Upon judging all the first place exhibits, Tammy won second place in the Best of Fair from over 1,300 exhibits.

Tammy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Warren of Granbury and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Warren of the Sardis community and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ogden of Sweetwater.



Tammy Warren

## Area Production Credit Members Attend Meeting

Sweetwater Production Credit Association directors and officers joined other agricultural leaders in Houston April 5-7 for the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Houston's annual stockholders meeting.

PCA President F.C. Schillingburg of Sweetwater said area participants included board member W.J. Harvey, Jr. vice chairman of Roby. Harvey served as Sweetwater PCA's official delegate. Schillingburg and PCA

officers Forrest L. Meeks and Ronnie Lynn Cloud accompanied the group.

More than 500 participants attended the three-day affair which featured the Houston bank's annual report by its president, Jack H. Barthol. The session was designed to bring together 30 Production Credit Associations and 9 agricultural credit corporations.

Shillingburg said the FICB of Houston, source of most funds for these agricultural lending insti

tutions, last year provided more than \$1.75 billion to Texas farmers and ranchers through its credit sources.

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Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank	493,800
Cash and Securities	6,331,503
Office Buildings, Furniture & Equipment	963,616
Other Assets	3,042,027

TOTAL ASSETS \$ 67,486,255

### LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH:

Savings Capital	\$ 56,516,221
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank	5,925,000
Loans in Process	703,708
Advance Payment by Borrowers -	
Taxes & Insurance	327,911
Other Liabilities	433,737
Deferred Credits	157,270
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET WORTH \$ 67,486,255

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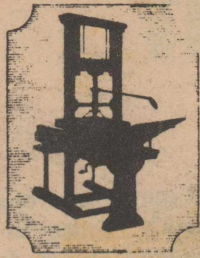
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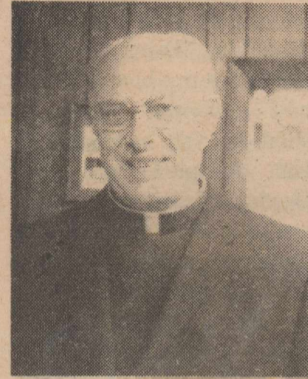
### Ask For The Old Path

Jeremiah 6:16. "Thus saith Jehova, Stand ye in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way; and walk therein, and ye shall find rest unto your souls; but they said we will not walk therein."

These words were written to a people spiritually and morally bankrupt. Religion in Judah had become so corrupt that it has an abomination unto the Lord. We read: "The prophets prophesy falsely and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people love to have it so" (Jer. 5:31). Prophet and priest had entered an affinity of error and the people liked it that way. There was little or no respect for the law of the Lord (Jer. 6:10). The moral situation had deteriorated until they were without a sense of shame, "neither could they blush" (Jer. 6:15). The people were deluded into thinking there was peace when there was no peace (Jer. 6:14). Unbelief was full-grown in Judah. The patience of Jehova was exhausted (Jer. 6:11) and judgment loomed upon the

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# He is risen ...alleluia!



Father John Hoorman

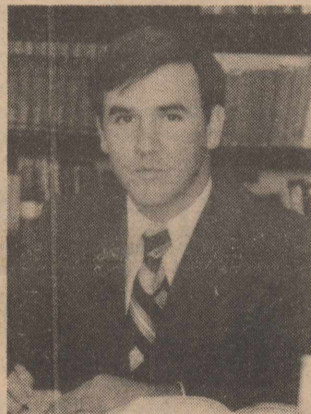
### He Is Risen He Is Not Here, Behold

"He is risen! He is not here! Behold the place where they laid him!" Mark XVI

There is an ancient saying to describe the Christian people that goes like this: "We are an Easter People, and Halleluja! is our song". This unusual description shows the centrality of Easter in the thinking and the life of Christian people. Good Friday and Easter (the two are always joined; each gives meaning to the other) form the "watershed" of the history of the world. All that went before it points to this day; all that follows flows from it. Nothing else in history has had such a pervading influence. Nothing else has made such a change in the lives of men, even of those who never knew the meaning of these two days.

The central point in all the preaching and the life of the Apostles is the Easter message: "Christ is risen!" "Jesus lives!" "The Father has set his seal (of approval) on Jesus". Exultantly St. Paul could write in his First Epistle to the Corinthians, Chapter XV: "If Christ has not been raised you are still in your

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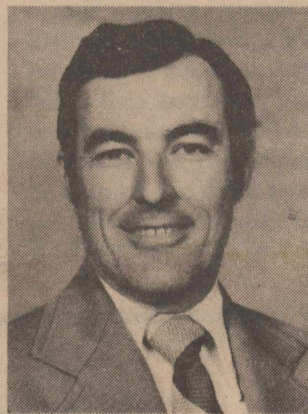
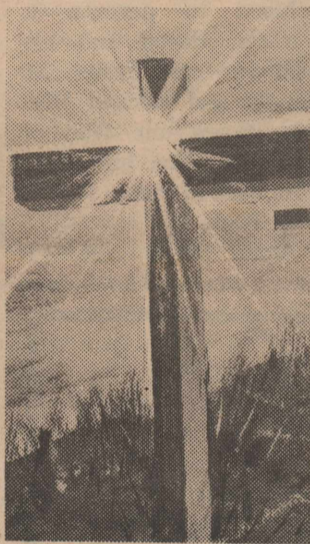


David Bugg, First Baptist Church, Rotan

### The Divine Imperative

John 3:3-7. Before us is "a divine imperative". All truth is important, but not all truth is imperative! All truth has certain consequences that affect time; certain truths involve eternity as well as time. This truth I regard as a Divine Imperative, and the truth of our text has to do with matters that involve eternity. "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3), said Jesus to Nicodemus. Eternal destiny is involved here! So, "The new birth" is a divine imperative! "Ye must be born again" (John 3:7), said Jesus. Note the one to whom this imperative was given. It was not to the sinful woman caught in the act of adultery that Jesus said, "Ye must be born again" Nor was this

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Don Jeffreys  
First Baptist Church, Roby

### On Friday .. The Cross

"And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground." (Luke 22:44).

"and when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left." (Luke 23:33).

#### Introduction

Every once in a while, with our folks at First Baptist, Roby, rather than actually preach, I simply tell a story taken right out of the Bible. That's what I'd like to do with the space I have here: just tell a story--a powerful, true story. Much of this story you've heard before, but

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Bro. James B. Carrington

### The Day Of Judgement Sure To Come

In verses 31-33 Jesus is pictured, not only as King, but also as Son of man... in his glory. The angelic hosts in all their

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ON FRIDAY THE CROSS

it's the most humbling, and beautiful, and wonderful story I know. It's the story of what really happened.

I. In the Garden  
A. The Agony

After the last supper in which our Lord Jesus took the bread and broke it and passed it among His disciples and made the statement, "This is my body which is broken for you"; and after He had taken the cup and told His disciples, "Drink ye of it, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you"; Jesus led His disciples into the Garden of Gethsemane to pray. It is here that he begin to experience the deep agony of Jesus for the cross. There, on the Mount of Olives, He longed for release from the hours which would follow. He prayed for His world of followers who soon would be left bewildered at His death. The Bible says, "He sweat as it were great drops of blood..."

The beautiful hymn by Charles Gabriel says it all: For me it was in the garden

He prayed, "Not my will, but thine."

He had no tears for His own grief

But seat drops of blood for mine.

B. The arrest

Then the soldiers came, and crowds of people, and chief priests, and captains of the temple, and elders. They carried swords, and torches, and clubs. It was a dangerous situation. Jesus said, "Who are you looking for?" They said, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus replied, "I am He." They were shocked and they fell back. Again Jesus asked, "Who are you looking for?" They said, "Jesus of Nazareth." And again Jesus replied, "I am He." Then Judas ran up to Him and kissed Him and betrayed Him. They bound Him and led Him away.

II. Through the Trials

Jesus went through the mockery and human stupidity of six trials through the night.

A. Annas

First he was taken to Annas, the ex-high priest. There one officer struck Him, and reproached Him for speaking back to the high priest.

B. Caiaphas

From Annas, Jesus was led, still bound to Caiaphas the current high

priest. Jesus was still bound and they tooked for a way to put Him to death. They brought in false witnesses, but they couldn't agree on their testimony.

Finally, when Caiaphas asked Jesus if He was the Christ, the son of God, Jesus boldly said that He was. So they charged Him with blasphemy. They laughed at Him; they spit in His face; they blindfolded and hit and mocked Him. They then took Him before the council of the Sanhedrin.

C. Sanhedrin

This was a council of all the temple officials, the high religious court among the Israelites. They knew that no religious charge would stand up in the Roman courts for a death sentence, so blasphemy wouldn't work. And the Jewish courts had no authority under Roman reign to carry out death sentences. So they drummed up three civil charges: (1) He stirs up the people, (2) He forbid to pay tribute to Caesar, and (3) He claimed to be Christ, a king.

These first three trials were all unofficial. They had no purpose except to mock and to find some accusation. They accomplished nothing except scorn and ridicule.

D. Pilate

From the Council of the Sanhedrin, Jesus was taken to Pilate, the governor of Judea. Pilate was apparently brought out of bed in the night for this trial. The three charges were put before him. But Pilate said, "I find no fault in this man!" Yet when he heard that Jesus was from Galilee, he sent them with Jesus to Herod who happened to be in Jerusalem at that time.

E. Herod

Herod had wanted to see Jesus and see some miracle done by Him. He apparently had heard about this Jesus of Nazareth. But when Jesus refused to perform a miracle, Herod and his soldiers set Jesus at naught and mocked Him and threw on Him a gorgeous robe and sent Him back to Pilate.

F. Pilate

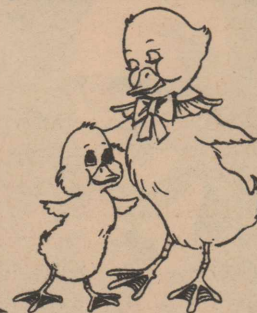
Again Pilate said, "I have examined Him before

you and have found no fault in Him." Pilate's wife sent him a message saying "Have nothing to do with this just man, for I have suffered many things this night in a dream because of Him." Evidently while Pilate was reading this message, the Pharisees and other Jewish leaders were stirring up the people. The custom was that the Romans would release to the people one prisoner each

passover. So they asked Pilate to do as he had always done. Then Pilate gave them a choice, Barabbas or Jesus. The crowd chose Barabbas. Three times, Pilate tried to release Jesus, but the crowd sent back their horrifying screams, "Crucify Him."

The soldiers took Jesus and stripped Him and put on Him a scarlet robe and planted a crown of thorns

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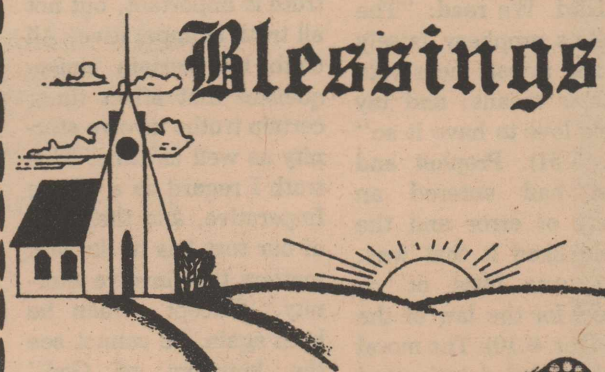
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and gave Him a reed for a sceptre. They knelt before Him and mocked Him and spat upon Him and they took the reed and slapped Him with it. They stripped Him naked and lashed Him with 39 strips with whips filled with lead and bone. Finally they put his own clothes back on Him and led Him back to Pilate who again tried to get the people to have pity on Him by saying, "Behold the man!" But the people still cried out, "Crucify Him." So Pilate washed his hands and gave Jesus over to their will.

III. On The Cross

A. They led Him away  
He was placed in the center of four Roman soldiers. The charge against Him was written on a board in letters of Greek, Latin, and Hebrew, and it was hung around His neck or it was carried in front of the procession. They went on a long route through the streets and up the rocky Golgatha or Calvary's Hill just outside the heavy gray walls of the Holy City.

B. Nailed to the Cross  
They offered Him a drink of a drugged wine. He was stripped and His already bloodstained back was laid upon the splintery cross of wood on the ground and they literally nailed His flesh to the tree.

C. Hung in the air  
The cross was raised and slammed into the ground where a hole had been prepared for it. The soldiers cast lots for His seamless robe. While on the cross He made seven statements.

1. "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

This statement may have been made while they nailed Him, or while they were laughing and mocking Him, and while the soldiers gambled for His clothing.

2. "This day thou shalt be with me in Paradise."

The Saviour was in the business of saving people, even right up to his last hours on earth.

3. "Woman behold thy son. Son behold thy mother."

Even in His darkest hour on earth, Jesus was

always concerned for the needs of others. The beautiful truth is that Jesus made provisions for others--the thief, His mother--and He'll make provision for you too.

4. "My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

The sky became black. The miracle cannot be explained by eclipse or clouds. The crowd became silent. The agony became unbearable. Jesus quoted a part of Psalm 22.

5. "I thirst".

The little or no food at the last supper; the long night of trials; the pain of the torture; Jesus was human. Hyssop was filled with vinegar and put on a pole and held up to Him.

6. "It is finished."

The cry here was not the cry of death and defeat, but of victory. He had completed the task for which He came to earth.

Salvation's plan was finished. Now through Him we can be saved.

7. "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit."

One gospel writer says, "He cried with a loud voice and gave up the ghost."

Conclusion

The conclusion to this powerfully true story is:

(1) Jesus did not die from pain or from loss of blood took most men days to die, but Jesus stayed on the cross only six hours. He died because He bore yours and my sins. He took upon Himself the sins of the world and died as if all men were dying at once.

(2) He didn't stay dead. He arose from the grave. He lives! Jesus is our living Saviour, if we'll only believe and commit our lives to Him.

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horizon. The one think that could save them was to "seek the old path... and walk therein" (Jer. 6:16). Thus they were challenged to go back of the perverted systems and corrupt practices to the religion and conduct of life Divinely prescribed by Almighty God. Herein lay their hope.

How pitiful that such a plea was spurned and the warning rejected. Babylon, the great nation from the north country (Jer. 6:22), besieged Jerusalem and laid her low and carried away the inhabitants into captivity and slavery.

There is in this account a similarity to the present day situation too obvious to be missed. There are those today who, while calling themselves "pastors" (shepherds), make religion a sham and make merchandise of the people. In like manner people with "itching ears" (2 Tim. 4:3) clamor for the smooth things and "heap to themselves teachers after their own lusts." Sin is excused, divorce is raging, and adultery has become a way of life. Drunkenness and revelling are accepted and the perverted mind of the homosexual screams from the housetops for recognition. Unethical conduct in business flaunts itself. All restraint would be removed, and the people seemingly "love to have it so." Social acceptance, rather than a "thus said the Lord", has become the determining factor in deciding moral conduct. Religion and morals alike are governed by "the times" rather than by Divine decree.

There is but one thing which can save man from destruction and that is to inquire for the "old path" and "walk therein."

We are careful to observe that there is no virtue in simply an "old way." The "old way" of the fathers may be as wrong as the way of the children. The virtue is found in "the old path" prescribed by God and as contrasted with later innovations of men.

We are also quick to note that the "old path" for us is not the same as that for Judah. Their religion was to be to the covenant made at Sinai. We are challenged to a "new and living way", the covenant of Christ, yet in point of time, as old as Ch

ristianity-to the way secured by Christ in His death and activated on the first Pentecost after his resurrection (Acts 2). Ask for the "old path" authorized by Christ and recorded in the New Testament. Long overdue is the call for people to go back to the Divine source for religious practice and to the spring itself for the standard of moral conduct. This is our plea today, and we believe that the security of the nation and the salvation of the soul of man depends upon his doing just that.

The call back to the Old Path is a call back:

1. To the authority of Jesus Christ. Jesus declared, "All authority in heaven and on earth hath been given unto me" (Matt. 28:18). All authority in religious matters lies with Him. It seems to tragically vain that men meet together in synod and convention to vote on religious matters when the authority to govern those matters does not reside with men, but with Him who is "Lord of lords, and King of kings." Religious practice can find favor with God only when it is authorized by Christ. God says, "This is my beloved

Son in whom I am well pleased; here ye him" (Matt. 17:5).

2. It is a call back to respect for the Bible as the full and final and all-sufficient revelation of God. Everything necessary to the salvation of the soul and the spiritual welfare of man is recorded in the Bible. In it God has "given unto us all things that pertain to life and godliness" (2 Pet. 1:3). It is all-sufficient for man's doctrine, his reproof, his correction, and his instruction in righteousness (2 Tim. 3:16-17). To go beyond its teachings is to sever ourselves from God (2 Jn. 9). To add to its teaching is to bring a curse upon ourselves (Rev. 22:18:19). To fail to heed its teaching is to rob ourselves of the blessings and salvation it offers.

3. A call back to the simplicity and purity of worship established by the New Testament. Worship with the singing of hymns, the teaching of God's word, the contribution, prayers and the Lord's Supper observed in the assembly each Lord's day; and that without the pomp that men so often add. Worship where God is glorified and man is edified.

4. A call back to the high moral conduct prescribed in the New Testament. "Keep thyself pure" is the watchword of the New Testament. God instructs us "to the intent that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly and righteously and godly in this present world" (Titus 2:11-12).

5. A call back to the hope afforded by the New Testament. A return to heaven's way finds rest and peace awaiting the soul and the promise of eternity with God.

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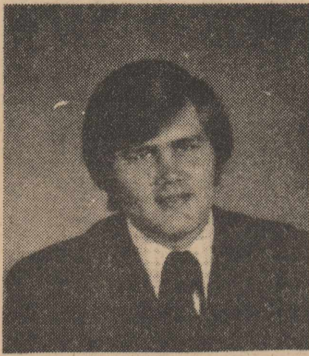
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to our lives in the world today for the Devil has a cloud and so shall we ever be with the Lord



# Believing Jesus' Resurrection

Father Hoorman  
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Johnny T. Robertson  
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God exists; but he is not rescued from eternal death. (James 2:19) A mere acceptance that Jesus rose from the dead is not saving faith. Saving faith not only accepts Jesus' resurrection as a fact but also allows it to resurrect us from our present dead spiritual condition into a new life of worship and obedience toward Jesus Christ. (Rom. 6:4-11) Real faith in

the resurrection of Jesus Christ results in a life which is not controlled by sin, but it walks joyfully in love and obedience with God as a beloved child. Let us not forget that it is only as we let the power of Jesus' resurrection transform us in this life that we will be transformed in the Kingdom of God in eternity. Let Jesus raise you to new life! Amen.

sins. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only we are the most miserable of creatures". Then he goes on to say: "But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep." So great was the conviction of the Apostles in the bodily resurrection of Jesus that nothing could stop them from preaching the good news over the face of the known world. So great was their confidence that they "rejoiced that they were found worthy to suffer for the Name" as we read in Acts V.

they had touched Him, after they had eaten with Him and seen him eat, they were convinced. Their whole life changed, and nothing could stop them from preaching to the whole world: "Jesus is risen!"

Easter is not only the day of victory and vindication for Jesus. It is also the day of victory for all men. If it were not for Easter Christ would have been a failure, his life ended and forgotten like the life of so many revolutionary visionaries. It is Easter, the resurrection, that gives meaning to His life and power to His words. It is Easter that put God's stamp of approval on His life and teachings and promises to us: "I will raise him up on the last day". And so it was with the Christian. Without Easter and its promise of our own resurrection with Jesus our lives would be empty of hope, full of frustrations and meaningless suffering. Easter shows us the meaning of life and death. Easter makes all the pieces of the jigsaw puzzle of life fit into place. With Easter life is beautiful, death is serene and confident. With Easter poverty and suffering become the stepping stones to eternal life. "We are an Easter People, and Halleluja! is our song".

## Easter Sunday Resurrection

The resurrection of Jesus Christ is the center of Christian faith. The church of our Lord has always recognized the importance of Christ's resurrection for the Christian faith, for the way we believe the kind of life we live. The Apostle Paul held that belief in the resurrection of Jesus was necessary for one to become a true Christian: "If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." (Rom. 10:9) Paul would not move from his faith in Jesus' resurrection: "If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain... If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins... If for this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied." (I Cor. 15: 14,17,19) It is only because Christ rose from the dead that we are forgiven and promised eternal life with Him. Had Christ remained dead He would not have been the Saviour, but merely another dead man in the grave.

However, with faith in Him as the resurrected Lord we are given a new and eternal life with Jesus Christ. What is faith in Jesus' resurrection? If we are rescued from sin and eternal death through faith in Jesus' resurrection, what is this faith? This faith is more than mere mental or intellectual acceptance of Jesus' resurrection as a fact. Faith in Jesus and His resurrection means to trust that the fact of Jesus' resurrection can have a transforming affect on our lives in the world today. For the Devil has a knowledge of God, that



Henry Dickson, pastor  
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Will you be ready for the return of Jesus of Nazareth?



John 3:16 God said, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life".

God expressed His love and concern to man, in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.

God is offering to a lost world a way into eternal life, perhaps everyone will heed God's word, since Rom. 14:11 says, "For it is written, as I live, saith the Lord, everyone shall bow to me and every tongue shall confess to God."

As we approach resurrection Sunday let us also remember, as Jesus rose from the grave and ascended into Heaven so shall He return.

I. Thes. 4: 16, "For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trump of God and the dead in Christ shall rise first".

Those who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

## Easter Greetings

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# The New Life Through Christ



F.W. Rogers, pastor  
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In no place in the Bible is Christ's death and resurrection, and its relationship to redemption more freely discussed than in the sixth chapter of Romans. Running through the entire chapter are some golden threads of truth concerning the redemption of man from the curse of sin. There are some key words that come to the surface in this chapter that reveal what is accomplished in the life of the individual, through Christ's death, burial and

The Apostle Paul the inspired writer does not go far in either direction until he comes back to these key words.

These fundamental threads of truth coming to the attention of the reader in different expressions crystalize into two opposite concepts, namely, life, and death. May we consider the word death that reoccurs at least seventeen times in either death, dead, or crucify. Usually we associate with death heartbreak, sorrow and bereavement, which is anything but good news. Yet at the heart of Paul's subject is the Gospel which is good news. Paul seems to catch a gleam of truth that Jesus was trying to get across to His disciples, in John 12:24 where he said 'Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die it abideth alone, but if it die it bringeth forth much fruit'. These expressions in verses three through five, "Baptized into Jesus Christ" buried with Him by baptism unto death" and "Planted together in the likeness of His death", leads us to believe that all that which results from death in Christ is not bad.

Death means separation. That some things come to an end. The old man of sin dies, and a new man is made alive. II Cor. 5:17 tells us "Therefore if any man be in Christ he is a new creature, old things

are passed away, behold all things are become new". Passed away is a mild word for death. The old life of sin comes to an end, passes away and we have the funeral.

And then Paul uses the

opposite term for death, which is life, throughout the chapter. In verse 11 he speaks of being alive unto God. In verse 9 he speaks of being raised from the dead. In verse 10 "In that he liveth he liveth unto

God". In verse 22 at the end of the chapter Paul says "You have your fruit unto holiness and the end (the beginning end that is) Everlasting Life."

## Victory Through Christ

"But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that Slept." I Cor. 15:12.

The resurrection of Jesus Christ is as well evidenced as any event in all history. Because of its significance it is well that we celebrate this glorious Easter Season with joy and thanksgiving.

As we do so, one calls to memory the story about a man who owned a large pool of water which was well stocked with some very fine minnows. One day a poisonous snake entered the pool, and proceeded to swallow up the little minnows one by

one. However, in the process of swallowing minnows he unknowingly made the mistake of swallowing a little catfish. For immediately the little catfish begin to sue that little sharp fin of his, and soon he had made a slit in the snake's belly large enough for his escape and for that of the little minnows.

So it was one day, death made the mistake of swallowing up our wonderful Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ through His sepulchre was sealed with the Roman seal, and Roman guards were placed round about to see that none would come and steal His

body away, He came forth victorious over death and the grave. Not only for Himself, but for all His own, and we have the assurance that one day, "When this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of sin is the law. But thanks be unto God, which giveth us the victory through our

Lord Jesus Christ." I. Cor. 15:54-57.



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# The Crucifixion And Resurrection



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Fear Not, For He is Risen And Has Gone To Prepare A Place For You In His Kingdom In Heaven.

The Last Supper, Luke 22:19-20.

Christ In The Garden, Luke 22:42.

The Betrayal, Luke 22:49.

Jesus before Pilate, Matt. 27:24.

The Crown of Thorns, John 19:5.

Christ Mocked, Matt. 27:29.

Christ Falls Beneath The Cross, Luke 23:26.

Nailing Christ To The Cross, Luke 23:33.

The Raising Of The Cross, John 12:32.

The Crucifixion, Luke 23:34.

The Darkness of the Crucifixion, Matt. 27:50-51.

Jesus Is Taken Down From the Cross, Luke 23:50,52,53.

The Resurrection, Matt. 28:5-6.

May this season of Easter be a happy one for you and yours. May these days of Spring and new life be symbolic of the fulfillment of all you desire.

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divine imperative voiced to Zaccheaus, the crooked tax collector. Had Jesus reserved this teaching for thieves, and prostitutes, and drunkards we could easily agree, and say, "Surely Jesus was right! These deviates, these perverts in society need desperately to be born again! They need to change! But Jesus doesn't mean me! I'm decent, respectable, honest, and provide well for my family. I'm in "Who's Who" and hold membership in the leading social and civic clubs in the community."

But are you left out? Nicodemus was a "blue-blood" of his day. He was a "Master in Israel" implying his high and respected position in the religious community of the era. He was a cultured, refined, moral, ethical, honest, law-abiding man as fine as any man in Israel. Yet to this moral and religious man Jesus emphatically stated the

divine imperative, "Ye must be born again".

And what does this mean? it means that all of us, with just a natural birth are blind to the eternal truths related to the kingdom of God! Paul makes this clear when he wrote, "But the natural men receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness unto him neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned", (I Cor. 2:14). One can be a genius in mathematics, in chemistry, in politics, in engineering, and even be a wizard in religious knowledge, and yet be totally blind to spiritual truth! We must be born from above to enter God's kingdom of light and truth! There is no exception to this rule! All men, regardless of their morality, race, color, or creed must be born from above! The new birth determines the destiny of the soul!

A man with a tangled

life came to a Baptist pastor and said, "I wish I could run away to South America, where I didn't know a soul--and start all over again". The pastor said, "That would not help, for it would still be the same old you--and it would not be long before you were in the same fix in South America. What you need is not a change in environment, but a change inside--not a changed world, but a changed you! Are there people reading this message with tangled lives? Receive by faith Jesus as Lord and Saviour! Let Him part new life and make you a new creature! Then you can join in spirit with the one who wrote:

O what a wonderful, wonderful day  
Day I will never forget;  
After I'd wandered in darkness away  
Jesus, my Saviour, I met  
O what a tender compassionate friend,  
He met the need of my heart;  
Shadows dispelling,  
With joy I am telling,

He made all the darkness depart!

Heaven came down and glory filled my soul,

When at the cross the Saviour made me whole,

My sins were washed away,

And my night was turned to day,

Heaven came down and glory filled my soul!

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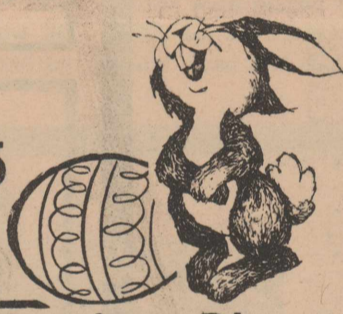
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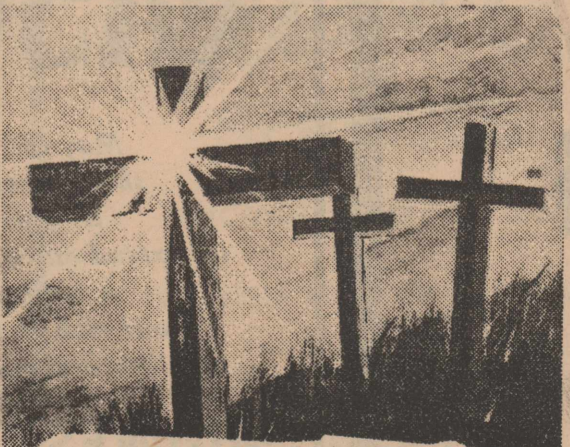
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powers are His retinue and friends. All the nations are gathered before His judgment throne to be appointed to their respective positions according to His impartial justice.

The most striking note of the parable is that on Judgment Day some individuals will discover that their deeds of kindness toward others done with no thought of Christian duty, were as unto Christ. But by the same token, others will discover that they have not done their Christian duty, although this was what they were attempting to do. In many instances God's prophet will have alboriously endeavored to convince them that they were not obeying God. But blinded by their own selfish pride they "tuned Him out" and refused to heed the call to turn to Him and follow His unerring way demonstrated by Christ.

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# The Life Of The Cross



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St. Mark 15:20-41

In Jesus, the Christian sees the revealer of God and the Redeemer of Men!

The Christian doctrine of the incarnation means that in Jesus we see God "in the flesh". As Paul put it, we see the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. When we ask what this light of God's glory is that we see in the face of Jesus, we must do what the first disciples did--get acquainted with Him. And the more we read the story, and let the mysterious radiance and beauty, the gentleness and valiant strength of His personality capture us, the more plausible it appears to say that the glory of God shines in His face.

We do not have in the Gospels a biography of Jesus, but a portrait drawn by the first-century Christians. Read one of the Gospels through at a sitting, and see what it says to you. The best Gospel for this purpose is Mark's the earliest and the most understandable account of Jesus' life. However, Matthew contains the epitome of His teachings in the Sermon on the Mount.

It is apparent that here is a man who had a remarkable power over people, and that this power was joined to sympathy with and concern for everybody. He was never too busy to heal and help the multitudes of people who needed Him. Others might give a wide berth to lepers and poor insane folk thought to be possessed of devils, but not Jesus. Other people condemned Him for eating and chatting with tax-gatherers and sinners, but He saw that they too had souls that needed help. He had time to play with

children and to talk with women, two things common enough now as a result of centuries of Christian influence, but not then. When a Roman Centurion's son or a Syrophenician woman's daughter needed help, He broke across racial lines to give it; and one of His greatest parables is of the neighborly act of a despised Samaritan.

Though Jesus was not a systemic theologian it is not difficult to sift from His words the primary things that He taught. About God, He taught that like a Father, God loves all men and is concerned that all His sons live in goodwill and brotherhood with one another. About man, He taught that we are weak and sinful at best ever prone to sin against God and our neighbor, but nevertheless creatures of supreme worth and dignity in God's sight. About the nature of the good life, He taught that the greatest virtues are not those of outward obedience to the law, but of inner purity of motive, and that a life of sincerity, humility, mercy, and forgiveness is the blessed life. Regarding the things to be prized, He counseled simplicity and the placing of spiritual above material possessions. Regarding the sources of power for our salvation, He taught that through faith in God, not through any merit of our own, our broken lives can be made whole.

Regarding our destiny, He spoke few words, but great comforting ones that promise eternal life. As His central message, many times repeated, He placed before men the great ideal of the righteous rule of God in human lives, the coming God's Kingdom on earth as it is in Heaven.

But what of Jesus Christ as our Saviour and Redeemer? The word "redemption" sounds old-fashioned and meaningless to many people. It means literally to be "bought back", and it comes into use originally from the idea that a person who had become a slave to sin could be restored to freedom only when a price was paid. Redemption means salvation, and salvation means healing, health, wholeness of living. To say that "Jesus Saves" is to say that when

we have strayed from our true home in God, when our souls are sick and at loose ends, He brings us back and heals and unifies us for strong and victorious living. Only as we stop trying to depend on our own merit and with "heartily repentance and true faith" turn to God, can His forgiving mercy receive us and give us His strength and joy.

This is what has been happening all through the centuries by the power of Christ. One thinks of Saul of Tarsus persecuting the Christians until God blinded him on the Damascus Road to open his eyes; of Augustine wrestling futilely with sexual temptation until God said to him, "put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh to fulfill the lusts thereof; and of St. Francis of Assisi renouncing his father's wealth to serve the poor in utter simplicity and humility; of George Fox cured of the depression that was ruining his life until he heard a voice which said, "There is One, even Jesus Christ, that can speak to thy condition"; of John Wesley having his heart "strangely warmed" until he was empowered to revitalize the faith of many thousands. As one thinks of such famous Christians, one must not forget to be grateful for the millions of humble, nameless ordinary folk of all ages and all lands who have mastered the overwhelming difficulties to live greatly through the power of Christ. The life of Jesus gives us a supreme center of loyalty. In it we see God, and by its power we are lifted.

It is not by accident that the cross is the central symbol of the Christian religion. The cross symbolizes God's way of dealing with men. The cross means the meeting-point of suffering with love, and God's way of conquering evil through suffering love. If we ask how the cross came to mean this union of suffering with love as God's way of delivering us from evil, we are taken back to what Jesus was and what He did. That the cross is our symbol because Jesus died on the cross of obvious. But just how did His death make it our pattern and source of power?

This question is not easy to answer, for into the

saving death of Christ are compressed the mystery and the miracle of God's saving love. To grasp it fully we should need, as Paul said, to "understand all mysteries", and instead of trying to make it appear entirely resounding we had better say gratefully as Paul did, "Thanks be to God for His inexpressible gift"!

Yet this does not mean we should refuse to think. Down through the ages Christians have given this subject much thought. We are driven to look deeper for the meaning of the cross and for a doctrine concerning the saving death of Christ.

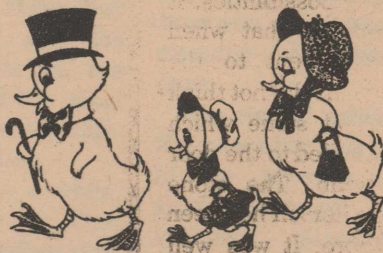
What happened on the first Good Friday is what always happens when evil thwart God's will--the innocent suffer. But the heart of Good Friday does not lie simply in what His enemies did to Jesus. When Jesus died, God gave Himself--freely, fully, to the uttermost in love to men. The meaning of what God is always doing for us is focused here, and into the climactic moment in history are compressed both the pattern and the power of God's eternal work with men.

I have nowhere seen this better put than in a book entitled, *The Studies In Christianity*, by Borden P. Bowne.

"I know something of the arguments whereby we seek to keep our faith in the divine goodness in the presence of the world's pain and sorrow and the manifold sinister aspects of existence. I do not disparage them; upon occasion I use them; but I always feel that at best they are only palliatives and leave the great depths of the problem untouched.

There is only one argument that touches the bottom, and that is Paul's question: 'He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?' We look on the woes of the world. We hear the whole creation, to use Paul's language, groaning and laboring in pain. We see a few good men vainly striving to help the world into life and light; and in our sense of the awful magnitude of the problem and of our inability to do much, we cry out; 'Where is God? How can He bear this? Why doesn't He do something?' And there is but one answer that satisfies: and that is the Incarnation and the Cross. God could not bear it. He has done something. He has done the utmost compatible with moral wisdom. He has entered into the fellowship of our suffering and misery and at infinite cost has taken the world upon His heart that He might raise it to Himself."

What this means for us that there is a Cross (with a capital "C") which shows us God's way as clearly as human eye can see it, a Cross on which the purest of all men suffered with and for guilty men-like ourselves, a Cross from which comes assurance of God's forgiving love as we seek to do His commandments. From this Cross, as we make it the center of faith and loyalty, comes new power for living. What we must do then is "to take up our cross daily"--our little crosses that seem to petty by comparison--and out of them, By God's strength, make a Christ-centered, loving, and victorious life.



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