

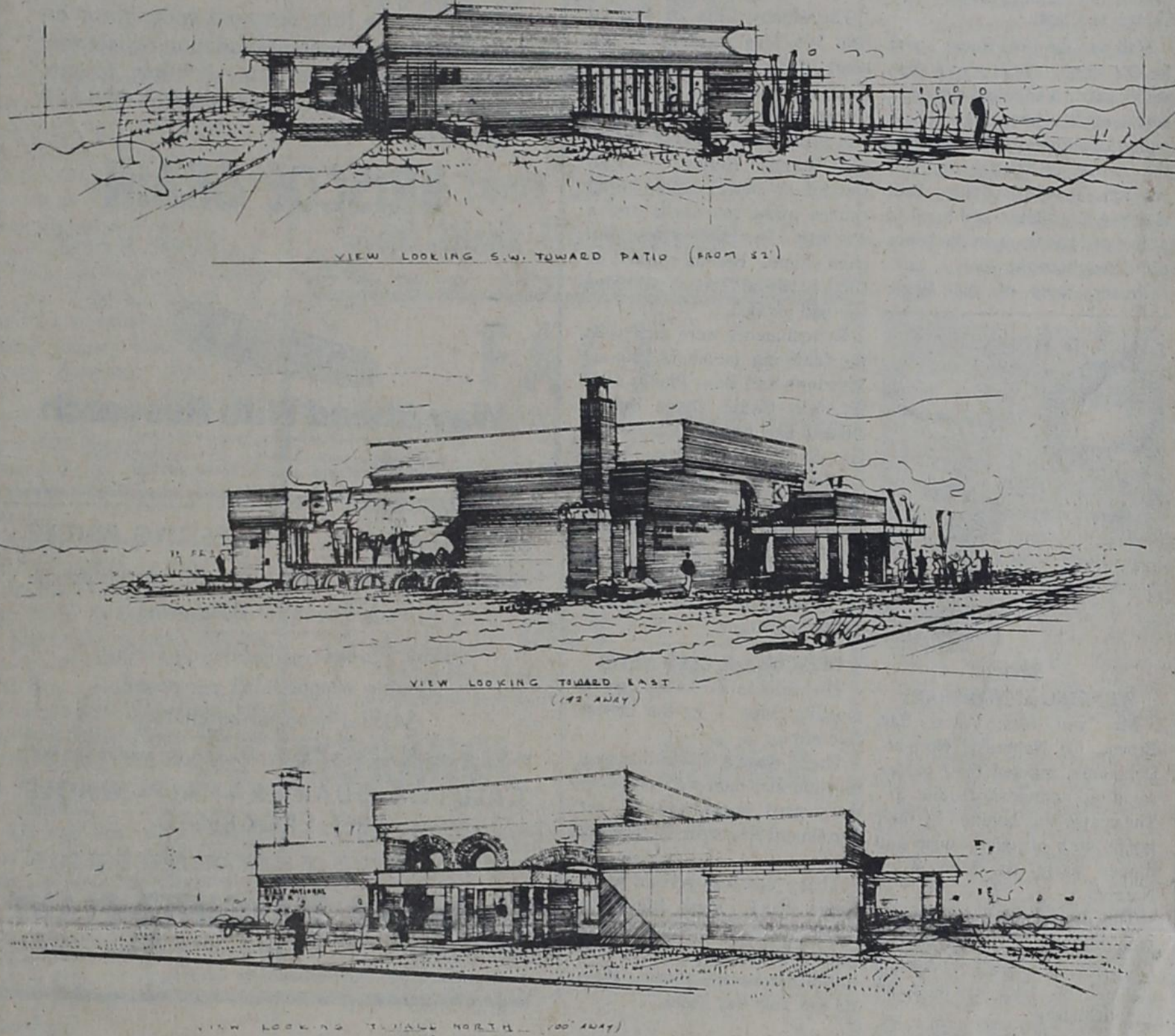
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CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN ON NEW BANK TOTAL PROJECT TO COST \$775,000



Charles R. Brown, president of First National Bank in Wheeler, proudly announced today that the Board of Directors unanimously voted for and the Regional Administrator approved the construction of a new bank building in Wheeler. The contract has been let and actual construction will begin within the next three weeks.

The new bank facilities will be one of the major projects undertaken in Wheeler in many years. "This is a major step and will take care of the banking needs for Wheeler for many years to come. The Board through their action has put a great deal of confidence in the Wheeler community," stated Brown.

Groundbreaking ceremonies will be Tuesday, June 14, at 4:00 P.M. The public is invited to attend.

The building will be located east of the courthouse at 405 Alan L. Bean Boulevard, and it will set at a 45 degree angle. The structure will have approximately 10,000 sq. ft. on the main floor with a double entry; the lobby area will have an 18 foot ceiling. There will be a basement with 2313 sq. ft. for storage; in case of threatening weather, the basement will be available for shelter.

The completion of the new bank will mean additional safe deposit boxes. A large safe deposit box area will include many new boxes of various sizes, as well as the safe deposit boxes which are presently located in the old bank building.

Included in the main floor area will be a community room and patio area for the public that will accommodate approximately 70 people. This area will have full kitchen facilities with tables and chairs.

Drive-in facilities will be included along with a customer-employee lounge and a library.

The contract for the construction has been signed with High Plains Builders of Amarillo; contractor is Mr. Don Nichols. Mr.

Bob Vahlberg of Oklahoma City is the architect. Total project cost including the building, furniture, fixtures and landscaping will be approximately \$775,000.

Work toward this project began in January, 1976. The public

became aware of the program with completion of the purchase of property in April, 1976, and the razing of several buildings which housed the old mill and an old service station used for storage.

Ex-Students and Teachers To Gather Saturday, June 11

Wheeler ex-students and teachers reunion has been set for Saturday, June 11, 1977, with registration beginning at 9:00 A.M.

A variety of entertainment has been planned beginning at 10:45 A.M. and will end at 12:00 P.M. The cafeteria will be open from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. for visitation. Cokes, coffee and donuts will be served.

The afternoon program will begin at 2:30 P.M. and will consist of presentation of awards by Mendal Hunter to the ex-student who have traveled the farthest, the oldest ex-student and oldest ex-teacher present. Graduation classes that will be honored are 1930, 1932, 1942, 1942, 1962 and 1972. Also to be honored are ex-students who are now in the educational profession. The awards and honors will be given by Ab Gunter.

A short business meeting will be held following the entertainment for election of officers.

A barbeque meal will be served beginning at 6:30 P.M. and will be catered by Dyer's

REUNION OPEN HOUSE
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Farris will have open house, Friday, June 10, 4 to 9 p.m. for the 1934 graduating class, all friends of graduates are cordially invited.

FARM ELECTRIFICATION WORKSHOP

More than 100 Future Farmers of America members and leaders will attend Southwestern Public Service Company's 15th annual Farm Electrification Workshop to be held June 13, 14, 15 at the Episcopal Conference Center in Amarillo.

The FFA members, who come from Texas and New Mexico, will be competing for five trips to the National FFA Convention at Kansas City. Thirteen hours of instruction are offered in each of three subjects, Farm Motors, Farm Wiring and Electric Controls. Two students from the wiring and motor courses and one from the controls course are selected as outstanding and receive the trips to Kansas City for their accomplishment. Each student who finished the course he is enrolled in is awarded a certificate. Alternates are selected in each course in the event the winner is unable to attend the Convention.

Heading the staff of instructors at the workshop are Ken Pollard, Texas A & M Agricultural Engineering Department, Electric Controls, Bobby Browning, Texline, Farm Wiring, Truman Kidwell, Childress, Farm Wiring; Frank Kennedy, Vega, Farm Motors; and Jay Eudy, Turkey, Farm Motors.

The program for the conference was coordinated by Walter Labay, Area I Vocational Agriculture Supervisor, and Sam Thomas, Southwestern Public Service Company's Agriculture Development Manager. Glenn Bickel, SPS Power Sales Engineer, will moderate the general sessions.

Students attending from Briscoe High School are Terry Tipps and Keith Horn.

Barbeque of Pampa.

There will be free baby sitting available at the school from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and again from 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

We urge all ex-students and teachers to attend this reunion.

An interesting and entertaining program has been planned and still have time for visitation.

Open house will be held at various homes for the honored classes on Friday night, June 10, 1977.



HOSPITAL NOTES

OLD ADMISSIONS
11-28 Allen Meadows
5-1 O. C. Goad
5-3 Urban Weaver
5-31 Jewel Reams
Hazel Lackey
John Forthman

NEW ADMISSION

6-1 Bryan Eggan
David Sylva
Nancy Shirey
Lewis Wright

6-2 Monroe Galmore
Carolyn Mulkins
Dudley Baird
Carol Laycock

6-5 Nancy Davis
Joyce Melton
Dell Ford

6-6 Lela Meek
Liz Davis
Willodene Burks
Greg Durham
Doyle Harrison
Glen Markham

6-7 William Terry
Claude R. Cox
Alene Holt
Austin Bradstreet

DISMISSAL

6-2 Minnie Oldam
Peggy Ford
E. J. Miller
W. A. Goad, Jr.

6-3 A. W. Burrell
6-4 Diane Altman
Betty Levitt
Brian Eggan

6-5 Joyce Melton
Lillie Moore
6-6 Jewel Leonard
Monroe Galmor
Andrew Markham
Lola Smith

6-7 David Silva
Dell Ford
Doyle Harrison
Lewis Wright
Liz Davis
Bessie Robertson
Opal Daughtry
Hetty Risner
Nancy Davis

NEW ARRIVAL

Mr. and Mrs. Quinton Harrison are proud to announce the arrival of their new son, Brande Quinton, born May 25, 1977 at 7:55 p.m. Brande weighed 6 lbs and 8 ozs. and was 20 in. long. He has one sister Stephanie, age 5.

The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Harrison of Reydton and Cherry Parker of Triona. Great-Grandmother is Mrs. Jerry Harrison of Reydton.

KNOW THEM? These two were photographed in June, 1959, and both are in business in Wheeler. The Times didn't learn what the joke was, but you might ask Kent Sims (right); he seems to find it funnier than Kenneth McCasland.

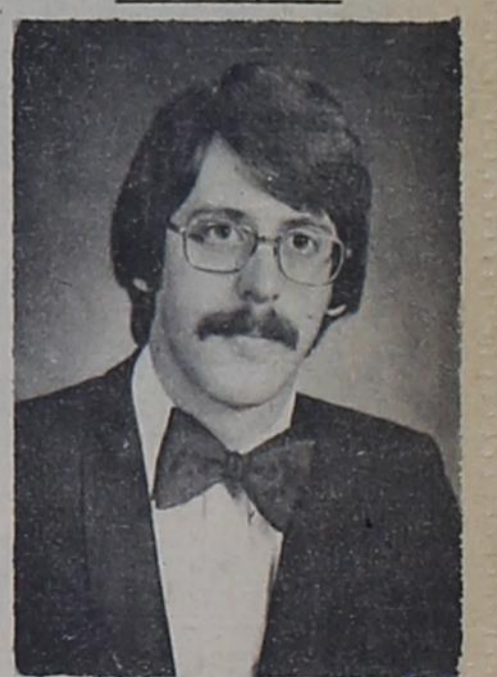
Cable System Adds FM Radio

Wheeler TV System announces the installation of FM radio to their system. The installation of the FM antenna enables cable customers to select the type listening they prefer.

This service will require a special transformer for FM radios with antennas. The charge for the FM outlet will be 1.50 monthly for customers already on the cable; there is a \$5.00 installation charge.

This service is available to the public or businesses without TV outlet. The charge for just the FM will be \$10.00 installation and \$7.50 per month charge.

The Wheeler TV System was purchased in January by N. D. Ware, Jr.



JIM MILLER

Miller Receives Degree in Phar.

Jim Miller of Allison received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Pharmacy at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, Oklahoma Friday, May 20. There were 140 receiving their degrees in Pharmacy. Dr. W. L. Dickson, Dean of Pharmacy, gave the convocation address. Jim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Miller of Allison.

Country Requests State Aid For Repair Of Co. Roads

A special meeting of the Wheeler County Commissioners Court was called Friday, June 3. The purpose of the meeting was to adopt a resolution declaring Wheeler County Roads a disaster area and requesting state and federal aid to repair the damage suffered during the month of May from 14 to 21 inches of rain received.

Damage to County roads consists of at least 29 wooden and/or steel bridges which were destroyed; at least 37 steel culverts ranging in size from 24" to 72" diameter which have been destroyed; and at least 38 places of washed out roadbed, consisting of numerous miles.

Judge Morgan commented Wheeler County roads suffered the worst destruction since 1959. However, in 1959 the damage was mainly in the north half of the county and this year the whole county is effected. Precinct 1 has the least damage reported; precinct 2 was the hardest hit.

In a breakdown of the Road and Bridge Funds and Expenditures the deficit due to the flooding is estimated to be in the neighborhood of \$130,853.81; this is the amount of disaster relief requested. Included in the money needed for the repairs is \$101,813.52 surplus from previous years and \$73,146.19 in county funds available to deal with disaster.

The Governor's office has acknowledged receiving the resolution and recognizes the problem. Efforts are now being made to make surplus property and state aid available.

"We would ask the people's patience as we work to get the roads back in condition. The road hands are working six days a week and long hours to correct the situation. "Six weeks of good weather and we should be in pretty good shape," stated Judge Morgan.

The Judge pointed out that the

county is not broke and the repairs will be made with or without state aid, but the process will take a little more time.

A representative of the governor's office was scheduled to arrive in Wheeler Wednesday

WHEELER SWIMMING POOL TO OPEN FOR SEASON

Wheeler Municipal Swimming Pool will open today, Thursday, June 9, for the 1977 Season. The pool will be managed this year by Mrs. Darrell Moore.

The opening of the pool was delayed this year due to the installation of a new filtering system which replaces the system installed at the time the pool was constructed in 1959.

The installation of the new filtering system requires a

Work Begins On "Old Mobeetie"

Wheels are beginning to turn again as the play "Old Mobeetie" starts rolling in preparation for it's third summer. Mrs. Barbara Rodgers, speech and drama teacher at Wheeler, Texas is the new director. Members of the Mobeetie Little Theatre are jubilant over her acceptance. Barbara and Emalea London, the writer are in the process of making changes in the script, in order to bring variety each summer. Performances will be August 27, September 2 and September 5.

FLEA MARKET

Flea Market, Saturday, June 4th, on highway 152, Old Mobeetie, beginning 10:00 A.M. Bring your treasures to sell 20% to Little Theatre or come and buy ours—some antiques.

Mobeetie Little Theatre

morning to survey the situation.

The damage to roads listed in the story is County only, it does not include a number of state roads in the county which were damaged by the flooding.

change in some of the swimming habits of the patrons. The wearing of cutoffs can only be allowed if they are hemmed; the raveled thread will clog the system.

The pool will open seven days a week with the hours as follows: Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday—1:30 to 6:00; Thursday and Friday—1:30 to 9:00 and Saturday—1:30 until 8:00.

Parties will be scheduled on any day after regular hours. To make arrangements, contact the pool manager, Donna Moore. The cost will be \$15 for a 1 1/2 hour swim.

Lifeguards will be Darla and Judy Moore.

Rates for swimming this year will be 50c for youngsters through 12 for the afternoon. Individuals over 12 will pay 75c.

In addition to the new filter system, the pool has been cleaned and painted.

Swimming lessons will be offered, but no date has been announced.

NEW ARRIVAL

Mr. and Mrs. James Brown announce the arrival of Jeremy Keith on May 17. The young man weighed 6lbs. and 4ozs. and was 18 1/2 inches long at birth. Jeremy Keith is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Ford and Mrs. Ruby Brown of Wheeler. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Otis Ford and Mr. and Mrs. Claude C. Cox of Wheeler.

Sheriff Reports On Month's Work

Sheriff Doyle Ramsey reports 24 prisoners confined to the Wheeler County Jail during the month of May. This brings the total this year to 120 which surpasses the total of 1976.

Of those confined during May eight were held on the charge of driving while intoxicated, two on fugitive warrants, two alien's and one each for aggravated assault with deadly weapon, reckless conduct, rape, criminal mischief, driving under influence of drugs & traffic. Three each were charged with drunkenness and runaway's.

Other complaints occurring this month and investigated by members of the Sheriff's Department were three theft's, one from parked auto, one theft of diamond ring and theft of cattle. A dog bite at Atex Oil Company Station East of Shamrock, harassment type phone calls, prowler reports and family disturbance.

The Sheriff reports that his department worked two traffic accidents and assisted the Department of Public Safety in working three others.

Sheriff Ramsey also reports that his department assisted in storm watching in both Wheeler and Shamrock. He wishes to express his thanks to the Fire Department Volunteer's who do a splendid job and put in a lot of extra hours watching these storm clouds.

To contact the Sheriff or report any type emergency call 826-3211 or 826-5211.

Homecoming At Allison June 18

The Allison Homecoming and Banquet will be held Saturday, June 18 in the Allison gym. The school will be open at 2:00 for visiting and reminiscing. The banquet will be held at 7:00. The meal will be Bar-B-Que with all the trimmings. The price is 15.00 per person. Everyone interested is invited to attend. If



LISA WEATHERLY

Lisa D'Ann Weatherly, the 17 year old daughter of Tony and Gwen Weatherly, has been chosen for a scholarship from Beta Sigma Phi. She is working now in Sayre, Oklahoma so she can attend college. The Scholarship is \$100.00 and this is the first year to do this.

Lisa has been a member of the Pep Club her Junior and Senior year after moving over to Wheeler from Canadian, Science Club and Student Council. Lisa served as Vice-President of the Pep Club her Junior year and President her Senior year. Lisa participated in the basketball program her junior year. She has been a member of the FHA Club her Sophomore, Junior and Senior year. She served as historian her Senior year. She was a member of the Annual Staff her Junior and Senior year. She represented the student and Senior year. She represented the Student Council her Senior year. Her Senior year she was elected co-leader for the St. Patrick's Celebrations and class favorite. Lisa was selected as 1st runner-up as Most Beautiful. She was an honor student this year with an average of 90.43. So, Congratulations on your Scholarship from Beta Sigma Phi.

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Allison News

**By Mrs. Lester Levitt
Last Weeks News**
A large crowd attended the funeral of Frank Chandler at the school auditorium Friday with

Rev. Virgil Cornwell pastor of the United Pentecostal Church officiating assisted by Rev. Royce Elms of Amarillo.

Mrs. Ed Walker had major surgery Friday morning at Highland General hospital in Pampa. She is recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Harrison were in Amarillo Thursday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyn Levitt and Michelle from Panhandle were supper guests in the home of Edith Levitt Saturday. Michelle remained for a short visit. Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Levitt from Amarillo visited in her home.

Bob Young and family from Lubbock and Mrs. Cindy Burrus from Canyon spent the weekend here with the Kenneth Chandlers.

Eugene Boydston and family from Midland were guests in the Vance Boydston home over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Hickey of Reydon, Oklahoma were honored with a shower May 25 for their New son, Justin, born recently at Sayre, Oklahoma hospital. It was given after prayer services Wednesday night in the fellowship hall of the Baptist church and sponsored by the church. Gifts received were from: Billy Donaldsons, Allen Reynolds, Virginia Puryear, Lee Halls, Mike Dyers, Keith Levitt, Bill Sheltons, Gary Halls, Nona Hall and Mrs. Doris Newsom.

Refreshments were, cookies, punch, candy and nuts.

Funeral services were held Fri. at 3 p.m. for Frank F. Chandler, 83, who died Tuesday at Northwest Texas hospital in Amarillo following surgery. Rev. Virgil Cornwell pastor of the United Pentecostal church assisted by Rev. Royce Elms of Amarillo.

Mr. Chandler was born in Ellis County and moved to Allison area from Durant, Oklahoma in 1931. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Allison Pentecostal church.

Survivors include one daughter Mrs. Jerry Gilmer of Amarillo, three sons, D. C. of Texoma, Okla., Jack of Guyman, Okla., and Kenneth of Allison; one sister, Mrs. Susie Brantley of Temple, Okla.; 26 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren.

Pall bearers were Pete Gilmer, Bruce Harrison, John Gilmer, W. H. Boydston, Eddy Walker, Forrest Glen Boydston, Clifton Boydston and Willie Vance Boydston.

Burial was in Zybach cemetery by Wright Funeral Directors of Wheeler.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank George Tues. were Mrs. Ella Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Elva Rose of Seattle, Wash., and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Rose of Rocky, Okla., Wed. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Needham and Cory from Idaho came and spent some time with her grandparents before he has to report for duty in the army in England. Also visiting Wed. were Mr. and Mrs. Claud Cook of Gem City, Texas and Mrs. Perry Elliott, Darla and Daniel of Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Miller, Peggy and Shelly from Channing came to spend the weekend. Mrs. Wanda Atherton and Mich-

ael of Reydon came over Sat. afternoon and spent the night. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie George from Pampa came Sat. night and spent the night.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Elliott from Pampa came Sun. morning and Mr. and Mrs. Frank George, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie George and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Elliott went over to Oklahoma and cleaned the family graves in Union Chapel cemetery. Sun afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Normal Dyer and Betty Ann of Channing, Mrs. Perry Elliott and Daniel of Wheeler came.

Louise Boydston and children, Nettie Walsh, Mrs. Jerry Harrison from Reydon and Dr. Willis Harrison from Canyon were din-

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KENT HALL EARNS EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

Thirteen year old Kent Hall was presented with his Eagle Scout Award during a Court of Honor held Monday evening by Boy Scout Troop 31 at Rex Reeves Elementary School. Pat Hickman, scoutmaster, noted that Hall is one of the youngest scouts from the troop to receive the Eagle Award. Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hall of Canyon, is an eighth grade student at Canyon Junior High School and member of the Church of Christ.

Hall was the 1976 Honor Scout for the troop. He is also a past senior patrol leader and currently serves as an instructor as well as being a member of the Order of the Arrow, a special unit for campers. In other activities, Hall is active in athletics and band at school and has been on the honor roll throughout the year.

Presentations of the Eagle



50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Earl Brown, 731 Nebraska, Norman, Oklahoma, marked their golden wedding anniversary June 2. The couple was honored by their family with an open house and dinner party on June 4 in Norman.

The Browns have two daughters, Earlene Wilson of Kansas City, Mo., and Nancy Wilsford of Canyon, Tx. They also have five grandchildren.

The couple was married on June 2, 1927, at Hollis, Oklahoma. A double wedding ceremony with another couple had been planned, but the event had to be postponed when the groom's suit failed to arrive.

A graduate of Oklahoma University, Brown spent 43 years in the teaching profession. He was superintendent of schools at Earlsboro, Asher, Red Rock, and Depew, Oklahoma, and Wheeler, Tx. He was the first principal of the Shepard-Burkburnett School at Burkburnett, Texas. He served for three years as a ground school officer in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He remained in the Air Force Reserves for an additional 18 years.

Mrs. Brown managed the school cafeterias at Wheeler and Berkburnett, Texas.

Now retired, the Browns reside in their Norman home or at their river cottage in Heber Springs, Arkansas where they catch more than their fair share of rainbow trout.

OIL NEWS
INTENTIONS TO DRILL:
HEMPHILL - Washita Creek (Morrow 15225') - Texas Pacific Oil Company, Inc. - Stickle #2 - 660' f W Lines of Sec. 248, C, G&MMB&A - PD 15000'
WHEELER - Allison-Parks (Upper Morrow) - Kerr-McGee Corporation - Parks #1 - 1900' f W & 467' f N lines of Sec. 1, RE, Roberts & Eddleman - PD 16100'
WHEELER - Buffalo Wallow (Morrow) - Resources Investment Corporation - NFC Petroleum-Tippis Unit #1 - 660' f N & 3200' f W lines of Sec. 12, RE R&E - PD 15000'
HEMPHILL - Wildcat - American Public Energy Co. - Bertha E. Wilson Unit #1 - Sec. 7, 43, H&TC - Compl. 5-11-77 - Pot. 1800 MCF/D - Perfs. 11538' 11554' PBD 11571'



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Briscoe News

Vetola Parker

We are having ideal weather since the rains stopped, just fighting the weeds.

Ten members of the Briscoe Boy Scout Troop 285 biked 6 miles across country to the Adobe Walls Boy Scout Camp Saturday. They swam, fished, cooked out and slept out. They came home about noon Sunday. The adult leaders were Al Lehman and Wayne Meek. The boys were DeWayne Summers, Terry Tipps, Mike Delmuire, Tom Hill, Kevin Ratcliff, Phil Jones, Kevin and Keath Meek, Mike Meadows and Rickey Williams.

Mrs. Don Collins, Steve and Lori of Amarillo spent several days visiting her parents, Roy and Dorene Baker and Jeff. Jeff returned with them for a 2 weeks visit.

Some visiting Sophia Helton were Lois Meadows, Verna Fillingim, Roy and Dorene Baker and Evelyn Meek.

Howard and Linda Lohburger and children visited in Oklahoma over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Truman Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Alexander and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Keathley.

Dave and Jane Kiker has been visiting in Colorado a week. They are now at home.

Bill and Mattie Jackson went to Fritch and Berger after church Sunday to celebrate their 27th Wedding Anniversary. They ate dinner Sunday with Dub and Bessie Matthews. After lunch they went to see Irene (Matthews) Signor at Fritch. She went with them to visit Don and Bernice Zolar. Others at Dubs were her folks Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mann.

Mattie reported that Jiles Matthews was some better.

Marilu Markham visited Vetola Parker Saturday morning.

Those enjoying birthday cakes and ice cream in honor of Cliff and Neta's birthday at the Cliff Walkers Sunday night were, Mr. and Mrs. Forace Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Sabbe, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Burton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Gatlin and Boys spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Oden Hudson.

Dick and Rick Irvine took Beckie Irvine to catch a plane for San Antonio to visit Jerald and Evelyn Free, Opal and Brent and to go to a Savings and Loan Convention.

Several neighbors have been bringing meals to the Irvine home while Ruth is recuperating from surgery. Rita Fillingim took lunch Saturday, Leon and Vea Fillingim took the Saturday night meal and Karen Meek took food Tuesday. Others visiting were Kay Gatlin, Mozell Thomas of Hereford, Sue Ratcliff and children, Willis and Verna Fillingim, Wilma Bible, Carla and

Tom and Helen Singleton of Canyon.

Dick and Ruth Irvine ate supper Friday night with the Dan Gatlin family.

Sunday guest at Willis and Vernas were Ann Jones and children.

Lavonda Eggelston and Brandi of Pampa spent Saturday night at Wayne and Tola Fay Meeks.

Frances Hefley has moved to Wheeler. Her new house on Canadian Street is nearly completed.

Claud and Mable Parker visited the Colie Parkers last Monday

night.
Colie and Vetola Parker visited

Claude and Mable Sunday night after church.

Colie visited George and Avis Parker Saturday morning.

Jessie and Darren Brown got to come home with their grandparents, the J. O. Heltons last Monday to spent some days. Gwyn Manning also was there last week.

We were all very sad to hear that Joe and Red Dukes Sister Minnie Bell Vinson was in Pampa hospital so terribly sick. She was some better Sunday night. We sure wish for her a speedy recovery.

Dennis and Brenda Hefley has moved into Frances house.

Visiting Jack and Evelyn Meek Sunday to Celebrate her birthday were Kathy Meek, Sandra Meek, Alene Stovall of Canyon, Mark and Annette Meek, Gaddy Vise and Clinton and Wave Meek from Carbondale, Ill.

Martha Meek, Phoebly and Shane Bush went to Canyon Sunday afternoon.

Rich Irvine visited Mike Phillis Sunday.

Charles and Edie Phillis, Mike and Stacy spent a few days at Six Flags last week.

An ice cream supper held at the Gageby Church last Tuesday night was in honor of the Don McElroy family.

The McElroys left Wednesday to go to Louisville, Kentucky to attend a Seminary there.

Wilma Bible and Carla attended the ice cream supper at Gageby and spent the night with Willis and Verna Fillingim.

Tom Bible spent the night with Jeff Baker.

Lilly, Sharron, Mona, Dennis and Shirley Sumpter came Sunday to spend a few days with Willis and Verna.

DeWayne and Brenda Rawton of Memphis are spending 2 weeks with Charles and LaJo Crownover and Boyce and E. G. and Willa Fillingim.

Bennie and Billy Strohmeyer came back Thursday from visiting Bennies father at Del Rio. He has been sick.

David and Beckie Zybach, Christy and Shawn visited Elbert and Ruby Zybach after church Sunday night.

Wednesday night Gerald and Sherral Waters' girl, Tina, was in a dance recital. Roy and Willene Waters went up to see it.

Saturday night Buddy Waters little girl Jody was in a dance recital Roy and Willene attended it in Pampa.

Jeffery Railsbach completed his piano recitals in Oklahoma City Sunday afternoon. Willene was hating they didn't get to go to this.

Effie Renfro visited Ed and Sophia Helton Sunday afternoon.

Helen Puryear from California has been home for 2 weeks visiting her folks the Jeff Puryears. She has now returned to

California.

LaJuana Puryear was enjoying that grandbaby Monday morning.

Here & There

Laura Guthrie

I am sure everybody has a different time of year to be the "busiest" but right now is a mighty busy time for me. After all I missed three weeks of my springtime work by being away from home. Right now, with the help of Steve and Joe I am trying to clear some space of overgrown ivy, lilac bushes, etc. Then there are holes or depressions in the lawn that need smoothing, weed spraying—just a myriad of things. Any needs to be triplets at such times.

But the world is beautiful. Surely farmers are very busy since the rains have stopped. We should all be happy.

But that brings up something else that I have heard our citizens talk about. They say "Why can't we get something done about the weed patches in our town? Well, Can we? Protests sometimes brings action. Another thing is the mesquites. Can we make war on them? Puddles, tin cans, old tires, and tall weeds can breed mesquites. It really can't be accomplished by City projects unless the individual does his part. Let's be at it.

I'm sure there were a lot of out of town people here for Memorial Day. I've heard of only a few however. Robert and Bonnie Holt of Marble Falls were in town visiting with their daughter, Mary and Brady Meadows and family. Jewel McCaslin Holt of Pampa and some other members of the McCaslin family were here. The Holts see Doris Forrester frequently. They report she is well, but lonesome.

Sunday at Effie Renfro's were Rex and Lucille Helton, the Brock girls, Sally and Nelly, Abie Kelley, and Pat and Alberta Helton and children of Pampa.

Perry and Paula Helton have a new baby girl.

Corla Helton was visiting her brother, Bud and Ann Hall in Berger.

Gene and Bobbie Purcell of Canadian visited the Mac Purcells last Sunday.

Gay Purcell and Rozena Zybach visited in Pampa Thursday with Virgil and Mae Helton.

K. D. and Lou Dean Douthit was visiting in Briscoe over the weekend.

Billie Sue and LeAndra Stuckey shopped in Pampa Saturday.

I have been wondering why I could never get Debbie Perry at K. D. and Loudean's old house. Well, she lives in her parents new house and has a new phone number.

E. J. and Jay Meadows, Kevin and Misty and Mr. and Mrs. Elgia Welch attended a 25 Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Welch in Hereford Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Welch stayed out there for a few days.

Jerry and Donna Hawkins of Guyman spent the weekend with her parent the Cecil Meadows.

Cecil and Tessie Clark went to Dodson one day last week to visit with his sister. However they did not find her at home. They stopped by Wellington and visited with Ira Passon. They say Ira Looks well and is always so pleased to see friends. He also says that he appreciates everyone who has been so thoughtful of him. Several Sunday School Classes of the Baptist Church contact him regularly. Also in the home at Wellington is Lando Gaines. He has lived in Wheeler a few years and is the brother of Lem Gaines of the city. Lando

has been in failing health for some time. Recently he fell and broke his hip. He is suffering and quite depressed.

My family of Perryton spent last Thursday with me. So good to have them. Melinda stayed with me. So it is about like times before they moved away.

I came across a clipping sometime ago entitled "What is a grandmother," by a third grader. I am using excerpts from it.

A grandmother is a lady who has no children of her own, so she likes other people's little girls. Grandmothers don't have

to do anything but be there. They're old so they shouldn't play hard or run. It's enough if they drive us to the supermarkets or if they take us for walks. They slow down for pretty things like pretty leaves or caterpillars. They never say hurry, and are usually fat—but not too fat to tie shoes. They wear glasses and funny underwear. They can take their teeth and gums out. It is better if they don't typewrite or play cards except with us. They don't have to be smart, only answer questions like why do dogs hate cats, and why isn't God married. They don't talk baby talk like visitors because it's too hard to understand. When they read to us they don't skip and they don't mind if it's the same old story they are reading again. Every one should have a grandma, especially if they don't have TV, because grandmas are the only ones that have a lot of time.

Martha Colman of Yucaipa, California has been visiting her sister-in-law, Ollie Jaco and her brother Allan Williams of Shamrock. With her was Ophelia Williams of Pampa, California. Lavelle Jaco Stevens of Oklahoma City came for a week to visit with this friend and relative, also to look in on her mother (Ollie) who is in the hospital.

Veda and Lyle Blair, Ollie's sister of Yucca Valley, California have come to spend the summer with her. It is a thing with them. They plow, plant, harvest and can. Then they go back home loaded with Wheeler County vitamins. And what a boom it is to Ollie. House guests as well as help with her part of the fruit and vegetables.

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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Dr. and Mrs. Tommie A. Hennard, Jr. would like to announce the engagement of their daughter Susan Kathleen to Hal Wayne Maddoux, Spring, Texas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Maddoux, Houston, Texas. The wedding will be held July 30, 1977 at the United Methodist Church in Wheeler, Texas.

Three Attend FHA Workshop

Rhonda Jennings, Brenda Williams and Mrs. Ruth Wiley attended the Area I FHA/HERO Leadership Workshop held at the Episcopal Church Conference Center north of Amarillo, June 1-3.

The workshop was under the direction of Mrs. Ima Dora Haile, Consultant of Area I Home-making Education. The purpose of the meeting was to develop leadership and to plan FHA/HERO activities for 1977-78.

Schools participating included: Amarillo, Canadian, Cooper, Hale Center, Happy, Idalou, Lasbuddie, McAdoo, Kress, Nazareth, Pampa, Roosevelt, Springlake, Earth, Spur, Stratford, Sunray, and Wheeler.

Rhonda and Brenda will join representatives from these schools in providing leadership for other FHA/HERO Chapters in Area I next year.

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The President, Mrs. Killingsworth was absent so Mrs. Claudie Brotherton presided over a business session. Minutes were read by Secretary, Mrs. May Nash. Mrs. Inez Wright read a resolution from Governor Dolf Briscoe designating the month of May 1977 as Senior Citizens Month. Governor Briscoe issued special certificates honoring citizens who had spent a long helpful life in their community. Two of our senior citizens, Gaddy Vise and Lucille Whitely, were honored by receiving one of these certificates signed by Governor Briscoe. Mrs. Brotherton welcomed two guests for the evening, Mr. and Mrs. Gibbins from Marble Falls, Texas who are here visiting their daughter, Mrs. Billy Wheeler and husband. They are thinking of making Wheeler their future home. We certainly give them a hearty welcome and hope that they remain.

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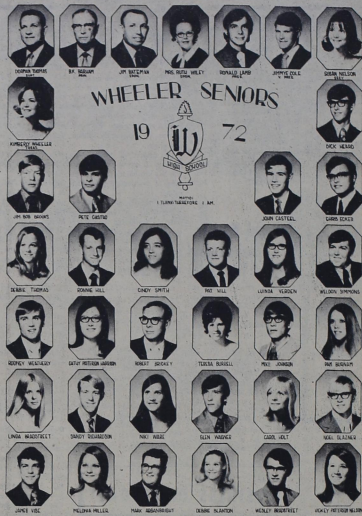
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OL--Dorothy Hink to Joe Speed 4-4-77 SW 1/4 Sec 2 AB&M Sur
3 OLS--Henry R Miller et al to Joe Speed 4-29-77 SE 1/4 & S 1/2 NE 1/4 3 AB&M Survey
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D--Dorothy Hink to Harold Hill 6-3-77 Pt Blk 55 Wheeler, Stanley

Addn
DT--Duane Michael Smith et ux to First Natl Bk Wheeler, Stanley
Addn
C/C PROBATE--Wheeler S Carwile 6-2-77
ROW--Odessa Carwile et vir to Michigan Wisconsin Pipeline Co 6-2-77 Pt NW 1/4 Sec 99 A-5
AFF--Louise Keeton Ogden to Louise Keeton Ogden 5-27-77 Pt 20-27, 15 A-5
2 OLS & RENTAL DIV ORDERS-- J B Nail et al to Ana-Tok Explor Co 5-11-77 E120 A N 1/2 85 A-5

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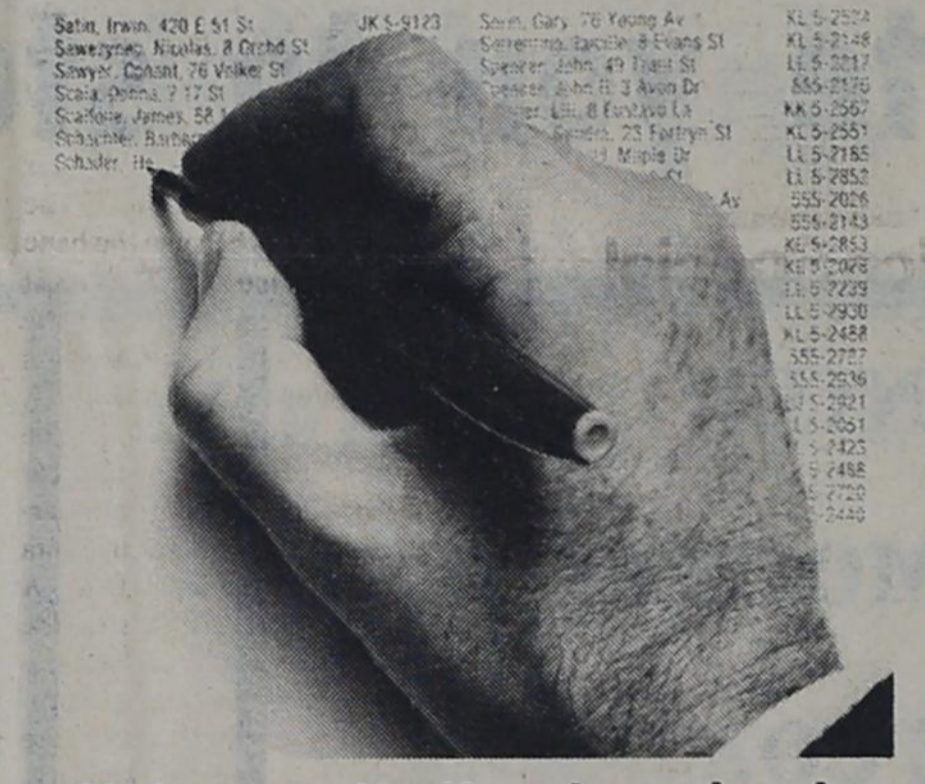
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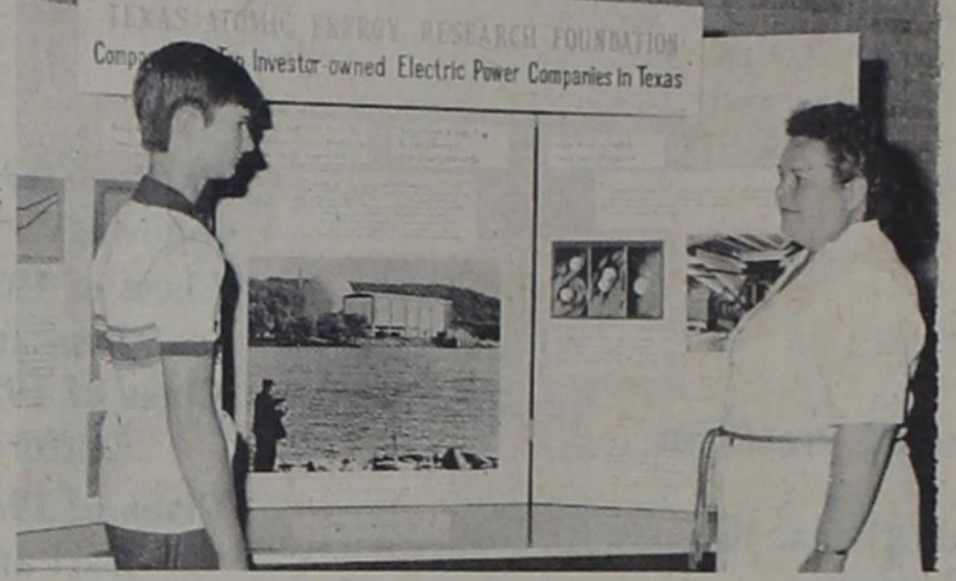
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SYMPOSIUM: Briscoe High School representatives at the 17th annual Texas Nuclear Science Symposium held June 5th through 8th at the University of Texas at Austin were Reggie Austin, left, and Mrs. Jean Casey. The seminar was presented by the Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation, of which Southwestern Public Service Company is a member, and the University. Southwestern sponsored a delegation of forty-three students and teachers from the High Plains area.

MOBEETIE 4-H CLUB MEETS
On Wednesday morning, May 25, the 4-H Club met at 9:30 at the Hi-way Cafe to discuss their beef project with ideas on how to buy or mix feed to feed their club calves. A number of different kinds of feed was suggested to use. A date was set for tagging steers to go to Dallas and to trim their hooves. Shots are also needed at this time. At this meeting those attending were: Kim Hamilton, Bobby Hamilton, Shonda Quarles, Cindy Harrison, Jana Corse, Donna Quarles, Leslie Harrison, Melissa Hefley, Shannon Batton, Jamee Batton, Kevin Boyd, Mrs. Freda Boyd, Mrs. Alene Corse, Mrs. Kay Hamilton, Mrs. Mary Margaret Quarles, Mrs. Kay Batton, Mrs. Sue Harrison, James Moffett, FFA teacher, Don King County Agent and Jim Batton, beef leader.
On June 1, the 4-H Club girls met for their first summer sewing meeting, discussing what to make for their summer projects. The dress review will be held July 8, and it is necessary that everyone continue to do their home work.
Girls and mothers attending this meeting were: Shannon Batton, Donna Quarles, Melissa Hefley, Jamee Batton, Betsie Stepps, Shiela Moffett, Jana Corse, Cindy Harrison, Debbie Dyson, Mrs. Bernice Hefley, Mrs. Kay Batton, Mrs. Alesha Moffett, Mrs. Mary Margaret Quarles and Mrs. Jessie Stepps.
The 4-H Club swine project met June 2, at the Mobeetie Agriculture Building with James Moffett, speaking on how to buy and care for pigs. Present at this meeting were: Shiela Moffett, Shonda Quarles, Cindy Harrison, Leslie Harrison, Jamee Batton, Mr. and Mrs. Gene D. Harrison,

Allison
you know of someone that has not received word of the Homecoming please let them know. We would appreciate if you could let us know if you are coming before the 18th but if you cannot we will be glad to have you attend anyway. This is the first reunion since we have moved into our new school building. If you can attend let Mrs. Rex Miller, Box 26, Allison, Texas 79003.

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LINES FROM LINDA

Linda Horton — Asst. CEA

Mrs. Wilber Beck
According to Mrs. Louise Hogan a goody group appeared to take advantage of the Free Blood pressure clinic in the Baptist Cottage in Mobeetie, Friday afternoon June 3.

Eugene Gudgel entered the St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo, Monday last week. Monday this week he underwent heart surgery and at last report was in very good condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Markham of Amarillo spent Sunday night before Memorial Day with Mrs. Nan Mixon. Monday they visited Mrs. Wilber Beck her daughter and grandson, Mrs. Glynda Leatherman and Allen. Mrs. Jessie Hailey of Near Fort Worth is visiting her sisters, Mrs. Clara Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morris and Gary Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Trout at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Bryant, Daniel and Carol of Amarillo visited the lady's aunt, Mrs. Wilber Beck and Allen Leatherman, Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Jewel Leonard who has been a patient in the Parkview Hospital for several days was reported much improved at last report.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith McLaughlin, Mike, Kent and Jimmy of Pampa, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brooks McLaughlin in Mobeetie, Tuesday.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Galmor were his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Galmor of Forestberg, and their granddaughter, Carla Hoover of St. Joe. Sunday their son and family Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Galmor with their grandson of Shamrock, visited.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harvey and grandsons Doug Hackett and Steve Knoles were Mrs. Billie Griagy of St. Joe and Mrs. Shirley Lewis, Michael and Billy of Munster during the Memorial Day Holidays.

Cleo Ruff of Pampa, brother of Mrs. Elnita Atkins, who is in St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo is seriously ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Dyson visited their son and family Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dyson, in Sayre, Oklahoma Sunday afternoon. To their pleasant surprise the Richard Dyson's had all their children and all their grandchildren visiting them.

Rev. and Mrs. L. V. Grace were with the Eugene Gudgel family during the time Mr. Gudgel was undergoing surgery in the St. Anthony Hospital. During the afternoon the Rev. D. C. Reed of Amarillo also visited the Gudgel family.

Mr. and Mrs. Darsey Hutchison of Wheeler visited the Lady's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Greenhouse in Mobeetie, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Arlie Jeffus visited during the Memorial Day weekend with her daughter and family and attended the high school graduation of her granddaughter and grandson in Dumas.

Carroll Langley, who was dismissed from the Highland General Hospital in Pampa, Tuesday last week, is back on the job at his service station in Mobeetie this week.

Mrs. Glynda Leatherman

spent Monday night visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jones and Tena in Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Galmor attended the Western Beef Banquet in Panhandle, Monday evening.

Mrs. Tassie Leonard is visiting a few days this week with her daughter and son and their family Mr. and Mrs. Don Powell and the Rev. and Mrs. Dinsel Leonard in Canadian.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT SMALL INDEPENDENT BUSINESS?

Small, independent business. You have heard about it. You have probably even benefited from one. But what do you really know about it?

In towns, villages and cities across the country, the small independent business located on Main Street U.S.A. symbolizes the American way of life. It is a dramatic story of courageous individuals who faced unknown

challenges in a vast unexplored land, determined to succeed in spite of hardship and sacrifice. With strength and character, these men and women struggled to create a livelihood out of a lifestyle that required nothing less than industry and imagination.

Small business is as American as apple pie or the Fourth of July. Historians have recorded this event again and again. Adventurous colonists who voyaged to the New World came up against the cold winters and hot summers—climates unfamiliar to them. They realized immediately that this land was abundant with natural resources. Here was opportunity.

In order to survive, a spirit of unity, a camaraderie, developed. People realized that they needed each other. Together they established an exchange of goods and services. What one person made, another sold, and still another used. The embryo of individualistic enterprises was born.

This enthusiasm for the individual or family-owned operation manifested itself at all levels of business, be it manufacturer, wholesaler or retailer. The origin of this feeling was based on the thought that craftsmen and artisans could take pride in creating a product or providing a service. The concept that big was better did not exist. The triumphant idea of the moment was found in the philosophy that the endeavoring makes the dreams come true.

Over the years, small business has survived the ups and downs of the economy. In the past, small business has played a rather quiet, behind-the-scenes role. The profile was low key. Not today.

Times have changed. The small business of the late seventies is not the same as the small business of the twenties or forties. For the small firm—the butcher, the baker—merely maintaining a business on a daily basis is difficult without having to be worried about the possibility of being caught in the ever tightening federal noose. The government has become the bane of small business. The most common problems stem from the fact that too often the Congress of the United States thinks big, not small. What is good for the boys in Detroit—the large car manufacturers—is not necessarily good for Sam's Shoes in Santa Rosa. There is a distinction. A great one. For this reason, the independents are banding together in the political arena. Proponents of their cause are making their feelings known. They are ready to take on a few rounds and win.

The small business community no longer wants to be hassled. They want their problems solved. They are tired of yelling "paperwork, taxation, regulation." They want to yell "freedom." So that they can, they are working toward seeing that laws are written which will be in their best interest. They want the U. S. Congress to realize that there are constituents out in the heartland who mean what they say. They want action, they want answers. Now.

"Independents are organizing at the local, state and federal level," says Wilson S. Johnson, president of the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), the largest business organization of its kind in the country. "The climate is changing. By querying our 500,000 members on their position in regard to hot issues like energy, minimum wage, unemployment compensation and taxes, we can present an accurate opinion poll to Members of the U.S. Congress."

Small business is now in action. It is fighting on behalf of the 97 per cent of the nation's business which are dubbed small and the 53 per cent of the daily work force who are employed by these companies, who contribute 43 per cent of the Gross National Product.

What do you know about small, independent business? Isn't it time you did?



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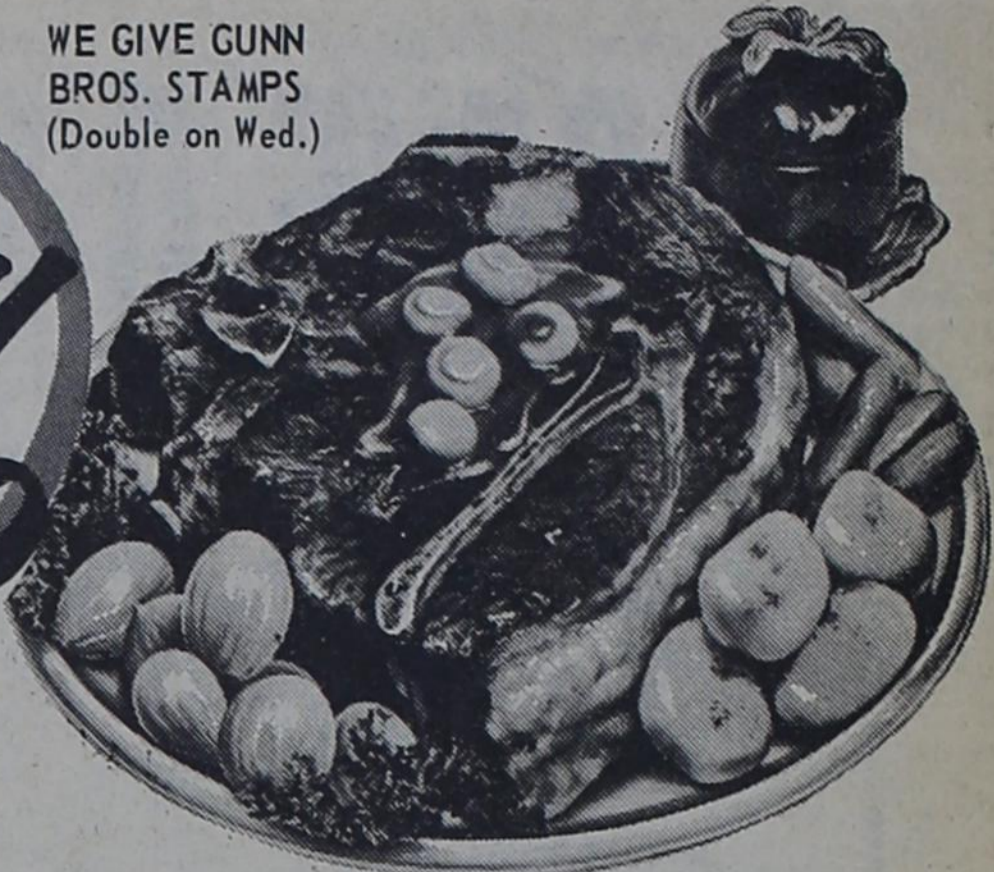
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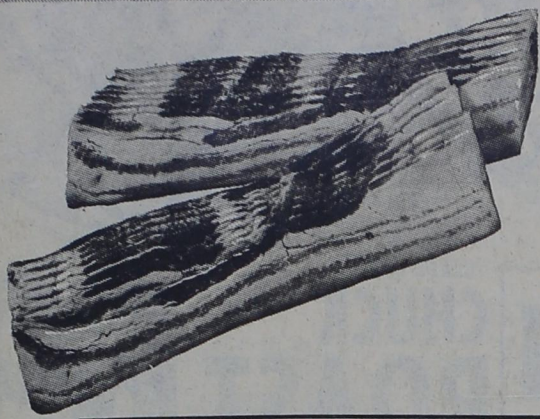
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