



# The Castro County News

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## Voters to pick local officials Saturday

# Absentee voting is brisk

Heavy absentee voting forecasts a good voter turnout for school, city and hospital district elections in Castro County Saturday, when polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**ABSENTEE** voting ended Tuesday and was reported heavier than usual in Dimmitt, also for Hart and Nazareth school board elections. Only four absentee votes were cast in the Hart city elections where candidates for three places are all unopposed.

The highest number of absentee ballots were cast in the Dimmitt school board election with a total of 88. There were 64 absentee votes in the city elections and 57 for Plains Memorial Hospital board members.

Two offices are to be filled in the City of Dimmitt. Mayor Elmer Youts is unopposed in his bid for re-election, but talk continues of a write-in campaign for Rev. Raphael Chen, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, although he denied the rumors in talking to a representative of the News last week, saying "I don't want to be mayor . . . I think Mayor Youts is doing a wonderful job."

In the other city race, for corporation court judge, incumbent L. G. Manning is opposed by Carmen Cataño. Voting will be in the commissioners' room at the Dimmitt City Hall.

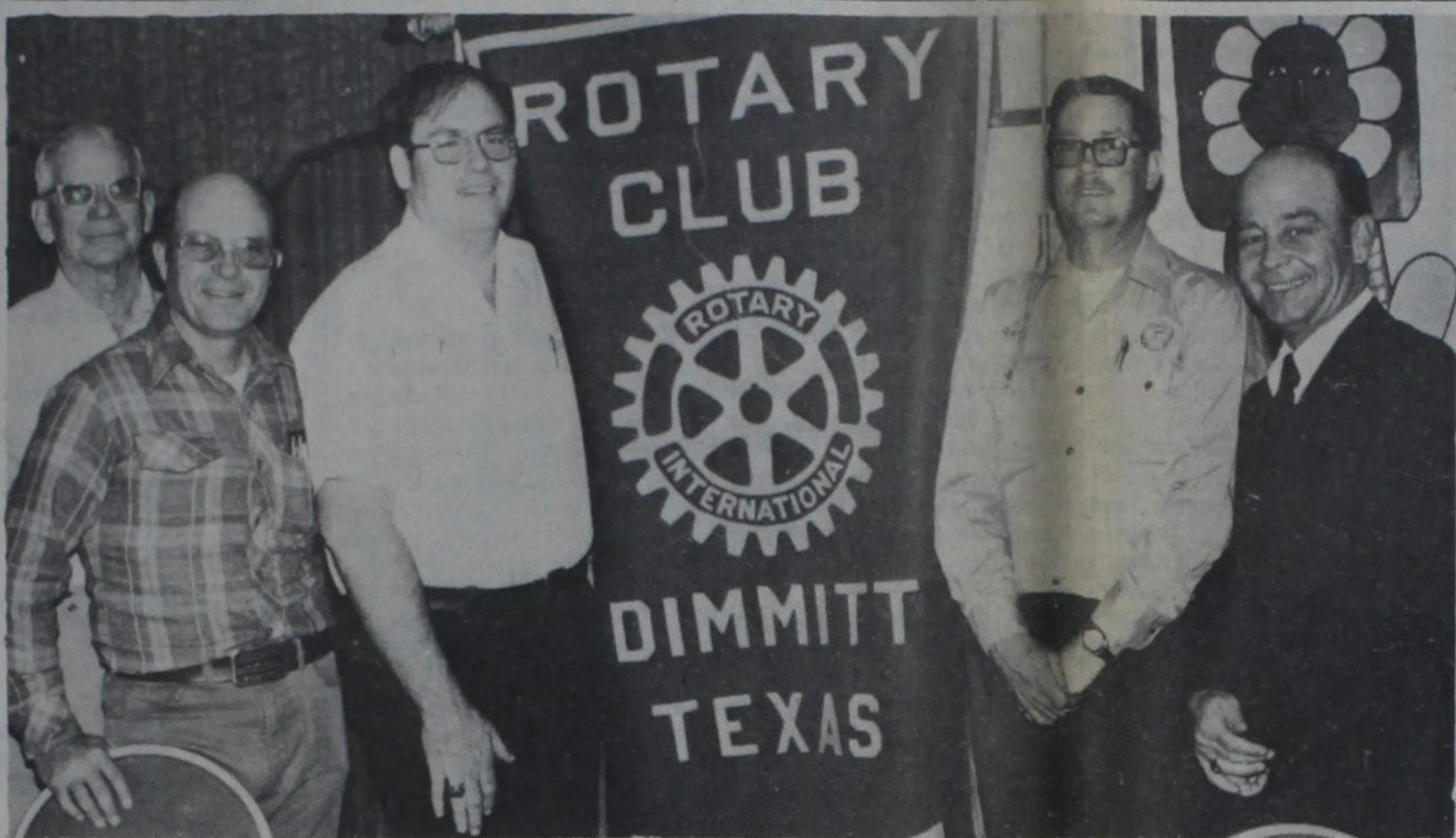
W. J. Hill, David Schaeffer and Deanne Clark are candidates for the Dimmitt Independent School District board, where three places are to be filled. The members whose terms expire, Charles Nutt, Donald Wright and Fred Bruegel Jr., are asking re-election.

The school board election, also the hospital board election, will be held at Dimmitt Middle School. Noel Gollehon will serve as election judge.

**HOSPITAL** board candidates for three places are James Welch and Dan Nelson, seeking re-election, and Juanita Welch, Dr. Bill Murphy, Miguel Zuniga, Joe Bailey and Frank Wise. Dale Maxwell, whose term also ends this spring, is not a candidate.

Four have filed for two places on the Nazareth school board, where James Wilhelm and Edward Ramaekers are retiring. Voters will choose from Hubert Backus, Rita Book, Richard Hoelting and Jimmie Schulte. Twelve absentee votes

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**NEW OFFICERS** of the Dimmitt Rotary Club were elected at the club meeting Friday. Those elected include (from left) Earl Chaney, President Bill Dannevik, board member George Lamberth, Vice-president Ron Montgomery and Secretary-treasurer Bill Behrends. Not shown are board members Weldon Bradley and Marvin Roark. The group also voted to invite Kara Miller to be the club sweetheart for the next school year.

## Schools race into district events

Several competitions on the district level are coming up or are already here for the county's high schools. Here is a run down by schools:

### DIMMITT

The District 3-AA one-act play competition is today (Thursday) at Dimmitt High School, with the first performance at 2 p.m. by the Morton cast in the high school auditorium.

Dimmitt is next on the list, followed by Friona, Olton and then Muleshoe. The public may attend, with admission set at \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students. High school principal D. W. Harkins stressed that no one will be admitted after any performance has started, and added that no students other than those in the play will be dismissed from classes. Friday, the boys golf team

will play the second match of District play at Friona, after taking the lead by five points in the first match Monday in Littlefield. Other matches will be April 14 in Muleshoe, April 18 in Dimmitt and April 21 in Olton.

District Literary competition will continue Saturday in Muleshoe with 41 students going from Dimmitt. The journalism and ready writing categories were held Monday in Muleshoe and the results from those events will be told Saturday.

Monday the girls golf team will play the second match of District play at Olton, after having played the first match Wednesday at Friona. Their final match will be April 13 at Dimmitt.

The girls and boys tennis teams will enter the district meet at Morton, the girls April 13 and the boys on April 19.

District competition for the track teams will be April 15 at Olton for the girls and April 21-22 also at Olton for the boys.

**HART**  
Today (Thursday) the Hart High School drama group is in District 3-A one-act play competition in Vega, with ten students participating in the play

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## Fund is started for injured boy

A fund has been started at the First State Bank in Dimmitt to help cover medical and hospital expenses for Leland Abbe, a Dimmitt High School freshman who lost part of two fingers on his right hand Thursday in an accident with a paper cutter in his office duplications class at the school.

**AFTER** emergency treatment, the youth was sent to a specialist at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. The fingers could not be replaced, and skin grafts were made to cover the stumps. When efforts were made to notify Abbe's family, it was discovered that they are in dire financial need with four children and an elderly, ailing father at home. The children have been without their mother for about nine years.

The father's meager social security check is nearly all taken up with his medicines and medical costs. The oldest son at home is a junior in high school and is working half-days and Saturdays in the Agricultural Cooperative Training program through the school.

**LELAND** had been the cook for the family. There is another boy in high school and a girl in seventh grade. The father, J. D. Abbe, is in his 60's, has arthritis and has suffered a stroke. The family lives on a farm near Friona.

The family has no insurance and is having difficulty just meeting day-to-day expenses.

Several groups and individuals are helping the fund-raising effort. The Rotary Club voted a tax on its members, donation jars and containers have been set all around town and the high school, and a bake sale and possibly a garage sale are being planned.

**LELAND** was driven to Lubbock by Rev. William Summers of the Assembly of God, where the family attends regularly. Since his release from the hospital Mon-

day, Leland has been staying with the Summers family.

Mrs. Summers was instructed by the nurses in Lubbock on how to care for the damaged hand by soaking it in a solution four times a day. She said he will go back Monday for a check-up, and may be able to start back to school after the spring break.

"They are a very proud family," said Rev. Summers. "They have refused any welfare or food stamps on principle. We have persuaded them, however, to accept help with these medical expenses."

**AT NOON** Tuesday, \$400.21 was deposited in the fund from the collection jars at the high school. According to Rev. Summers, the hospital bill alone is \$640.

Bill Stephenson is the teacher of the duplications class where Leland was injured. His daughter, Jonette, is having a bake sale Saturday at Dimmitt Supermarket and encourages everyone to either bring a cake to sell or to come buy one.

Rev. Summers said people wishing to help in other ways besides cash may contact him. Some food and clothing for the family has already been collected. Any cash left over after the hospital expenses are taken care of will also go to the family's other needs.

### Wetter

[Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.]

	Hi	Lo	Pr.
Thursday	65	30	
Friday	77	31	
Saturday	70	37	.35
Sunday	70	45	.25
Monday	56	35	
Tuesday	63	31	
Wednesday	60	27	
March Moisture	.60		
1977 Moisture	1.14		

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US Weather Observer

## Schools slate Easter holiday

Spring holidays will precede Easter in Castro County schools next week, with the full week given to pupils in Dimmitt and Hart Public Schools.

**NAZARETH** schools will dismiss for the Easter holiday at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 7, and classes will be resumed the following Monday.

## Nine more

# Candidates give views

## City Judge

### Carmen Cataño

I am Carmen Cataño and I am running for City Corporation Court judge. I am a high school graduate and have continued my education through Adult Education night classes here in Dimmitt.

**I AM** young, energetic, and in very good health, thanks to God. Also, I am the mother of three boys: Orlando, 8, who is in third grade; Fernando, 5, who attends Lucky "U" Kindergarten, and Salbando, 2. My husband Manuel, is currently employed by Amstar Corporation here in Dimmitt. He has been with them for four years. My husband and I have been property owners and taxpayers in Dimmitt for the past seven years.

Since I'm not running for the salary, but to give good service, I will be interested in finding answers and will apply all my ability and as much time as it would take to do so!

**I will** put myself into this job wholeheartedly! I have the ability to give and take leadership which is required for this job.

**I FEEL** that this office must undergo changes and I'm physically capable of undertaking them. I will be fair to all, regardless of religion, race, sex or creed.

My goals will include serving the public and enforcing our city laws equally!

## Dimmitt School Board

### W. J. Hill

I am married to Sara Hill, and we have two boys, Scott and Barry. We moved to Dimmitt in October, 1969. I have a BS degree from Texas Tech, 1965; a BS from Texas A&M, 1967; and a DVM from Texas A&M, 1968.

**I WOULD** like to serve my community and help assure the continuation of quality education in our schools. I feel my educational background would be an asset as a member of the school board.

I would like to see programs to challenge and enrich our fast learners and gifted students at all levels. Also, I would like to recognize more teachers for outstanding jobs they do, in some public manner.

I would like this opportunity to serve.

### David Schaeffer

On Saturday, April 2nd, the citizens of Dimmitt will elect three members to serve on the Dimmitt Independent School District Board of Trustees. I want to urge you to be a part of this election.

**THE SCHOOL** board is not a governing body to be taken lightly. Members of the school board set the rules and policies of the educational institution where your school-age children will spend almost 50% of their waking hours. Also, members of the school board develop the quality of education which future leaders and members of our community receive.

**IT IS** my belief that members of the school board should be sufficiently competent to develop policies necessary to obtain the quality of education we want for our children.

**I believe** there are several attributes necessary for a school board member. They are:

(1) **HE SHOULD** look on his position as a job and create a professional attitude towards that job. By doing this, a school board member will be dedicated, but objective towards his decision-making position.

(2) **He should** be free from bias. Although bias is inherent in the human process, a school board member must not let this bias be involved in decisions which will affect the lives of our youth.

(3) **He should** have adequate knowledge, whether it be from educational training or practical experience, to be able to render the decisions necessary in the development of rules and policies of our school system.

**I EARNESTLY** solicit your support so that I may have the opportunity to serve this fine community and school system which has given me so much, but regardless of who you support, I urge you to vote on April 2.

## Fred Bruegel Jr.

I am a lifetime resident of the Dimmitt area and a graduate of Dimmitt High School. I am currently general manager of Bruegel & Sons Elevators and I have five children attending Dimmitt schools in grades 1 through 10.

**THE MAIN** reason I want to serve on the school board is to see that our children have the best possible education available and to insure that the taxpayer is getting his money's worth in providing the best system of education.

Changes in the school system are continuous. We are constantly striving to upgrade the quality of education and facilities with the least amount of dollars. As I look at the growth of the school, there are some areas that need expansion such as the woodworking area of industrial arts classes. We need livestock facilities for our vocational agriculture classes. We need to expand the choir program within our system, and in the not-too-distant future the bleachers at the football stadium will need attention.

**During** the past three years I have had the opportunity to view other school systems in the area, and I can say without reservation that the Dimmitt school system is at the top in all areas of education, personnel, athletics and school facilities.

### Donald Wright

I graduated from Dimmitt High School and have three children attending here also. I have had a keen interest in the betterment of the school system for many years, and have enjoyed serving on the board for the past three years.

**I FEEL** with the present administration that our school system will continue to improve. Dimmitt is blessed with many excellent teachers and we should strive to keep the best teachers possible.

**I think** the new board policy of one department head meeting each month with the board to better acquaint the board and teachers is a good idea. I feel that we have had a communication gap in this area in the past.

**The general public** is not aware of the many state and federal laws which regulate the school actions. Many times the board would take different actions, if it were not for these rules.

**In the past few years** we have seen growth in the industrial arts, choir, drama and other phases in our school, and I would like to see our over-all school program involve more students in various activities.

**WE SHOULD** all be interested in our school system since it molds the leaders of our future. I would appreciate the opportunity of serving on this board for another term.

### Deanne Clark

Because of my interest in the development and support of quality education, I am a candidate for the Dimmitt School Board in the election Saturday, April 2. My educational, business and civic background should prove beneficial in helping form school board policy.

**THROUGH** employment as a kindergarten teacher's assistant in Roswell, N.M., as a secretary in Lubbock and Amarillo, as an administrator-case worker at Reese Air Force Base, and in experience with various committees and organizations as chairman or as serving member, my ability to plan, organize and carry out programs and policy has been strengthened.

**I have** ready time and willingness to devote to meetings, to attend school functions, to study and to listen. I carry no personal grudges and am not seeking status. My home, social and civic life is fulfilling, so I am not seeking to serve out of restlessness. I can listen or speak out, cooperate or, when needed, resist, and I can keep confidences.

**Quality education, effective local administration, and financial responsibility** are my priorities.

**I SEE** my goals as continual evaluation of educational standards; unthreatened input of suggestions and criticisms; the setting of rules or policy beneficial to the "whole person graduate" who is prepared for college or employment; and finally, I would like to work toward improved public awareness and understanding of the programs, policies, and goals of our local school system.

## Hospital Board

### Joe Bailey

I have been a resident of Castro County for 19 years.

**THE PEOPLE** of the Hart community need to be represented on the hospital board as do residents of all the different parts of Castro County.

**I think** all residents of the county need to be encouraged to use the facilities and doctors which are available at our hospital. I have used the hospital and think it has fine facilities and a fine staff.

**My experience** in business for 19 years is one qualification for service on the board. I have operated the Bailey Motor Service and J&J Dry Goods Co.

**A MEMBER** of the United Methodist Church at Hart, I have served on its board, and am a past president of the Lions Club.

### Bill D. Murphy

**I feel** that my election to the hospital board of directors would be advantageous in that I am familiar with the personnel and internal functions of our hospital.

**I WOULD** work for greater understanding between the medical staff, nursing staff, administrator, governing board and all personnel who have made our hospital and its service commendable.

**With our recent additional physicians, more** of our own citizens can be cared for in our own excellent facility, thus aiding hospital income and placing our hospital in a better financial position.

**We must continue** to resist federal governmental encroachment on health care, which has increased its costs directly by four to five times in the past 10 years, since the advent of Medicare and its increasing stranglehold over hospitals, especially the smaller ones.

### Juanita Welch

**I am married** and have four children. I have been a resident of Castro County for almost 11 years. I am a member of the Church of Christ. My oldest son, James, is married and lives at Hereford. Frank lives at home and works at the Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. Ann is a senior at Texas Tech, Beth is a freshman at South Plains College. My husband works for Farris Farms.

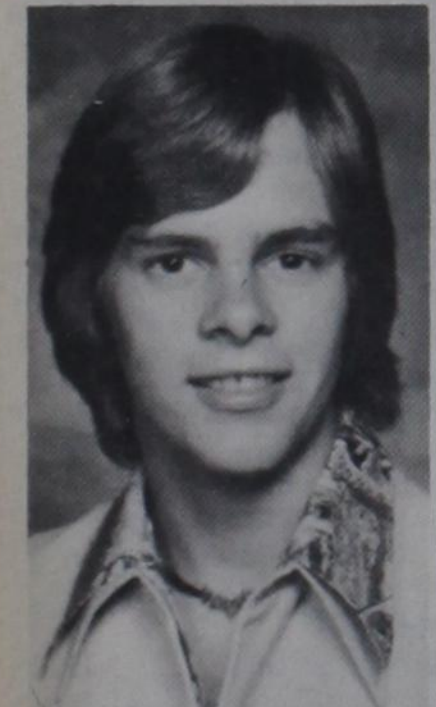
**I HAVE** a high school education and a business course from West Texas Secretarial School. Before going to work at the city hall, I was last employed at Plains Memorial Hospital as admitting and cashier, a job which I held for one year. I feel that with this year working at the hospital, it gives me a better insight to the needs and wants of the hospital. I have used the hospital for my family and find it to be very capable of most needs that might arise.

**As for changes, at this time,** I do not know of any drastic ones. I just feel that this is a job that more people need to be made aware of. I believe that if you do one job that only requires one meeting a month for a long period of time, you tend to lose the real need of the job.

**I realize** that with all the civic jobs that most people are involved with, it is easy to put one before the other. If I am elected to this job I will at all times, to the best of my ability, not do this. I will put the hospital and its personnel first at all times. I believe that this is a job that should be filled by those who use our hospital and doctors.

**I FEEL** that a woman on this board might see some things in a different light as to an all-man board. With men and women serving together as a unit, we could do more for our hospital and its personnel.

**I am asking** for your vote in the hospital election on April 2. May I please ask you at this time not to forget to vote in our city and school elections on this same date.



Keith Crum

## Crum named all-American

Keith Crum, Dimmitt High School Bobcat forward who has been selected for various all-star honors, has been notified of his selection for inclusion in the High School All-Americans volume for 1976-77.

**THIS PROGRAM,** in its third year, honors outstanding sports figures from high schools of the nation. Each athlete selected will have a sketch of his athletic record and activities in the current winter volume.

**Also, releases** of his accomplishments will be sent to colleges of his choice so he will be considered in their recruiting efforts.

Keith is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Crum and a Dimmitt High School senior.



**"IN ATHLETICS, the easy way is not the fun way,"** new WTSU football coach Bill Yung tells a large audience at Dimmitt High School's annual Athletic Banquet Monday night in Richardson Elementary School cafeteria. In foreground are master of ceremonies Ronnie Parker and his wife, June. For the story on DHS's athletic awards and Yung's inspirational speech, see Page 6. [Photo by Mark Oldham]

Sheffy's chatter

# President's hometown is stop on Simpsons' trip

By MYRTLE SHEFFY

M. L. and Polly Simpson are home from a jet trip to Atlanta, Ga. where they attended the funeral of an aunt. While in Georgia they went on to Plains to see President Carter's hometown, did stop at "Billy's" filling station. Polly says the East or South is most beautiful now, the dogwood, peach, all the fruit trees and azaleas made a big show. And the ground is covered with purple thistle, like our hill country bluebonnets. M. L. is showing his peanut money—the President's face on one side and the peanut on the other, with words "In the peanut we trust." He says he went over to Umberger too. There is a nice cafe there.

AT THE restaurant last Sunday we met Ches Wooten, a minister of the Church of Christ in Annapolis, Md. and his daughters Rachel and Ruth. They were here visiting special friends Ronnie and June Parker and family. Ches says he has many of the students from the Naval Academy attend his services.

Jerry and Deanne Vance moved here from Alice. Jerry coaches at DHS and Deanne teaches at Hart High School. I met them at the Methodist Church Sunday. Also Mr. and Mrs. Ealvon Forrester, here to visit Deanne and Bill Clark and granddaughter Tonya and the sons.

Harold and Shirley Stephens have been to Houston for a business meeting of the Federal Land Bank. And Jim and Jan Cowser of San Angelo went to the same meeting, since Jack and Myrna Cowser went down to stay with the children so they could go. Ben and Bernice Hill, George and Bessie Ruth Elder spent the weekend at Conchas Lake. They go to catch fish.

AND SANTA FE is the place a few other folks went, just to see the town I guess. Charles and Esta Vandiver, Russel and Myrtle Lois Moran, Carol and Goldman Dyer, Ted and Dorothy Sheffy, Ralph and Avis Smith, John and Sue Merritt. I hope they saw the big round New Mexico Capitol building. Christine or Mrs. Gail Crum was the honor guest at a lunch-

eon at the Amarillo Country Club Thursday. Hostesses were Mrs. William P. Price and daughter De'Le and special guests were her grandmother Mrs. Sam Dunn and mother Mrs. Pat Eastwood, Virginia Crum and Trudy Jackson and several other friends from Amarillo. The kin gave Christine a pretty silver pitcher for the gift. The Dimmitt folks went by Mrs. Dunn's pretty house also. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Rudder of Clovis stopped here to visit relatives Howard and Stella Hershey. The Rudders had been to Oklahoma on a trip.

RICHARD AND Patricia Herring are the parents of a new baby who came March 21. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Herring of Plainview and

## Mental health fund campaign leader named

Mrs. Billy Clark of Dimmitt was named Mental Health Bell-ringer chairperson for the May '77 campaign, announced Shirley K. Camfield, President of the Mental Health Association in Texas.

"THE MENTAL Health Association is the largest citizens' voluntary advocacy organization in the United States fighting mental illness and promoting mental health," said Camfield. Since the organization is non-governmental its entire support must come from contributions such as those collected in May. Purposes of the association are to improve attitudes toward mental illness and the mentally ill, improve services for the mentally ill and work for the prevention of mental and emotional illness and promotion of mental health.

Through social action the association sees that governmental agencies are accountable. One example is seen in the results of an impoundment suit brought by the Mental Health Association which forced the release of over \$1,600,000 federal funds in Texas for research, alcoholism and manpower.

## Dimmitt airman completes course

Airman Randal L. Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Weaver of Dimmitt, has received a new assignment following graduation from the accounting specialist course conducted by the Air Training Command at Sheppard AFB.

AIRMAN Weaver, now trained in the principles of Air Force accounting and appropriation and control systems, will go to Ellsworth AFB, S.D. for duty with a unit of the Strategic Air Command. Completion of the course enables the airman to receive academic credits through the Community College of the Air Force.

The airman is a 1976 graduate of Stevens High School in Rapid City, S.D.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Etheridge of Hart. Allie Mae Willis and sister Anita Morris spent a few days in Albuquerque, some business, visiting and seeing the town.

Frank and Louise Mears are home from a few weeks at Falcon Lake. Nice and warm there. And all the wild flowers had the pastures covered with color, bluebonnets, pink primroses and others and the citrus trees loaded with fruit and blossoms.

Bernard and Ruth Brown are here from Salida, Colo. for a visit with the kin, Dewayne and June Brown at Hart, J. K. and Mary Jo of here, also Zonell Maples.

Charles and Jill McLean went to the Dallas area to bring home some horses. I believe Charles looks after the ranch business.

FRANK AND Shirley Wise made a business trip to Ardmore, Okla. last week. And Sunday afternoon they and daughters Susan and Linda were hostesses to the senior high Methodist youth group.

The Dan Nelsons, the Charlie Nutts and the J. H. Myatts and all the family, also Cindy Dyer, were having a big get together dinner at the Colonial Sunday. Dan says he was lucky. Myatt picked up the tickets.

Doyle and Eula Faye Martin came over here from Altus for a weekend visit with her sisters and brother Dorothy (Rex) Sheffy and boys, Millie and Ted Burnett and Tammy and Delbert and Jackie Smotherman and boys.

And how thankful we all are for the showers of rain, probably will get more now since the rain has a start.

MRS. JAMES Welch will present the book "Hope for the Flowers" today (Thursday) at the Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 3500 Bowie in Amarillo. The book, written by Trina Paulus, depicts the tale of a caterpillar who has trouble becoming what he really is. Following the coffee and fellowship Mrs. Bert Thomas and Mrs. Tom Ford of Tanglewood will sing gospel songs.

Cletha George, Opal Bearden and I were guests of Ruth Coleman and her daughter-in-law Susan Coleman at the banquet and style show at Tulia presented by Epsilon Sigma Alpha Club. The theme was "Color My World with Fashion." The different merchants provided clothes, shoes, hair do's and a store in Happy had models showing clothes made from their cloth. Judy Presley presented the models. The beauty queen, Brenda Overbeck, was presented. We talked with Editor Baggarly and his friend, also the Sharps, and granddaughter Beth Wallace. Jan Blownd, a friend of Susan's was our table friend. Several teenage boys showed their hair styles and tennis clothes. Some wore the cute sports slacks and summer shirts. Was fun, glad we went.

RICHARD AND Ruth Wooten went to a lake near Wichita Falls last week. They caught just a very few fish, hope to do better next time. They crossed the river, went to Waurika, Okla. to visit a brother Leonard Wooten.

Miriam Carroll of White Deer and a student at Texas Tech came home with Connie Nelson for a Sunday dinner with Don and Verbie Nelson. Elizabeth Huckabay was the birthday lady Wednesday so granddaughter Connie and Stanley Nelson baked her a cake, made ice cream, also dinner. Other guests were P. O. and Frances Goodwin, Bill Stephenson and son Lawrence and daughter Jonette, Scott, Lisa and Laura and Leslie, Stanley's children were there too.

And last Sunday was the birthday for Janis Nelson Shelton and Sandra Nelson, so Connie cooked another dinner and big cake for them and their families, Donald Shelton, Norman Nelson, Mrs. Andy Nelson, H. C. and Gail, Norman and Joe and their families.

And another day, I think Thursday, Wanda Nelson (a cousin of the others') had a bridge party with lunch at the country home at Flagg. Her guests were Jeanie Johnson, Jean Morris, Martha Dannevik, Bessie Elder, Patti Summers, Martha Jo Hyman and Carlie Warren.

OPAL BEARDEN spent a few days in Amarillo with daughter Kay and her husband Mr. Snider and in Hollis with her sister Naomi Ruth Patton.

Retta and Billie Cluck, Nettie Graham and Josie Bradford went to Amarillo Thursday. They were luncheon guests of Bess Jones. They attended a little business, too, they say.

Ella Kuntz went back to her home in West Virginia this week. Ella has spent the winter with her brother Fred and Helen Kuntz and family at Flagg. We will miss her.

Ginger Kemp of Atlanta, Ga. is here for a visit with her mother Louise Kemp, who has been quite ill. Okay now though. Ginger also visited with her brother Carl Lee.

THE HARLAN Dodds are the grandparents of a new boy baby. He came in early Monday morning to Billie Sue and Wayne Maddox, who live at Hale Center.

Glover and Alma Frazier had company over the weekend. They were her daughter Pauline Hendrix and Judy Condran and son Rickey from Levelland, granddaughter Lynn Trimble and daughter Jodie of Plainview and Almo and Velma Hicks of Amarillo.

PARTIES and more parties were the thing last weekend.

Thursday Betty Huckabay was hostess with a luncheon for her bridge group. Guests were Ceal Carlile, Jeanie Miller, Betty Patterson, Bonnie Koeniger, Ramona Annen, Anita Morris, a new member Dorothy Elder won a second high score, Reba Touchstone first high.

The Friday Bridge met at the Country Club with Opal Bearden and Myrtle Sheffy as hostesses. They served dips and chips, cakes and Mrs. Glenn's hamburgers to Cletha George, Bobbie Darnon, Dorothy Elder and the next three were high score winners, Josie Bradford, Bessie Ruth Elder and Jan

Querze.

Oh yes! Jan and Louis Querze sold their house on Howe Street to Janis Mann and two daughters. Mrs. Mann teaches school. Her husband, a policeman, was killed in the line of duty. The Querzes have moved to Woodward, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Yokum were surprised with a housewarming Friday evening. They have a big new trailer house two miles west on hospital road on the Hastings farm. Hostesses were Anita Adams, Dolores Baldridge, Patsy Morris, Patti Summers, JoAnn Roberts, Bobbie George, Joyce Rickard, Kathy Kramer, Nona Heard, Julie Glenn and Shirley U. Langford.

Others going to Houston for the Federal Land Bank meeting

besides the Harold Stephens were local manager Totch and Kathy Upshaw, the Irvin Otts, the George Sideses, and the Davises from Hart. All the men are on the board of the association.

Aural Davis went to Chicago to visit her daughter Janis, who has a new baby.

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Evening Worship.... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday—  
Bible Classes for all... 7:30 p.m.

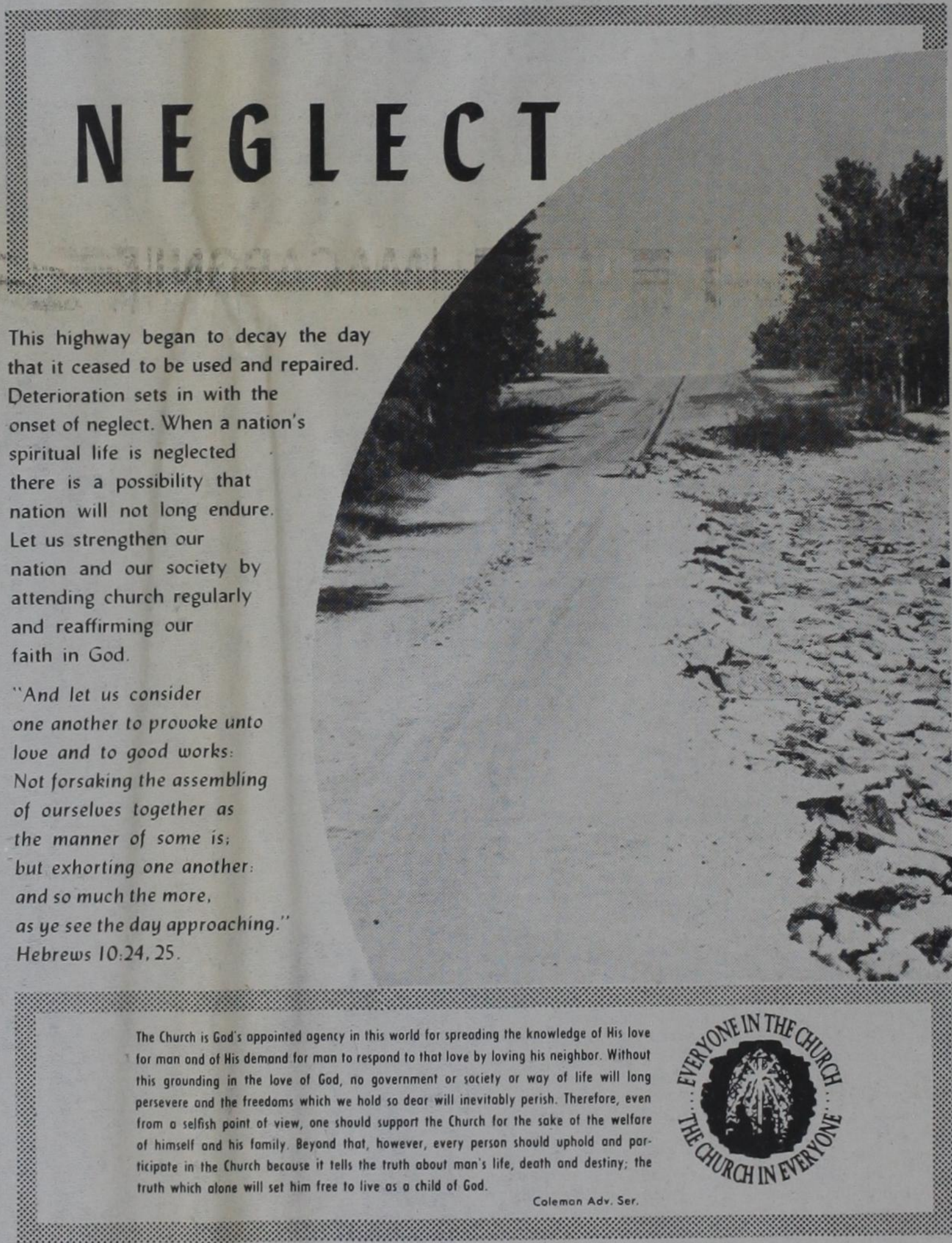
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Secretaria Sara Salinas  
Tesorero Gabriel Montiel  
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El Sermón..... 11:00 a.m.  
Miercoles:  
Instrucción Biblica... 8:00 p.m.  
BIENVENIDOS A TODOS!

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Sunday—  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 11:00 a.m.  
Training Union..... 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship.... 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday—  
Prayer Meeting..... 7:30 p.m.  
Choir Rehearsal..... 8:10 p.m.

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Bill Anderson, Music & Educ.  
110 S.W. Third  
Phone 647-4106 or 647-4107  
Sunday—  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 10:45 a.m.  
MYF, Jr. Hi & Sr. Hi... 5:30 p.m.  
Evening Worship.... 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday—  
General Meeting  
WSCS..... 9:30 a.m.  
Choir..... 7:30 p.m.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**  
William E. Summers, Pastor  
302 S.E. 2nd  
Sunday—  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 11:00 a.m.  
Christ Ambassadors and Children's Church... 6:00 p.m.  
Evangelistic Service... 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday—  
Mid-Week Service... 7:30 p.m.

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Sunday—  
Bible Study..... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship.... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday—  
Ladies Class..... 2:00 p.m.  
Mid-Week Service... 8:00 p.m.



This highway began to decay the day that it ceased to be used and repaired. Deterioration sets in with the onset of neglect. When a nation's spiritual life is neglected there is a possibility that nation will not long endure. Let us strengthen our nation and our society by attending church regularly and reaffirming our faith in God.

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Hebrews 10:24, 25.

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Mass in Spanish..... 10:30 a.m.  
Religion Classes..... 9:30 a.m.  
Monday, Tuesday & Saturday—  
Mass..... 7:00 a.m.  
Holy Days—  
Mass in English..... 7:00 a.m.  
Mass in Spanish..... 8:00 p.m.  
Confessions—  
Friday..... 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.  
Baptism by Appointment

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
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Viggo Ulrich, Minister  
Sunday—  
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Morning Worship.... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship.... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday—  
Bible Class for all.... 7:30 p.m.

**NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. James Alexander, Pastor  
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship.... 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday—  
Mid-Week Services... 7:30 p.m.

**MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH**  
412 North East Street  
Sunday—  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 11:00 a.m.  
Training Union..... 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship.... 7:00 p.m.  
Monday W. M. U. .... 4:30 p.m.  
Tuesday Brotherhood.. 7:55 p.m.  
Wednesday—  
Prayer Meeting..... 7:30 p.m.  
Sanctuary Choir..... Friday

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Donald Price, Pastor  
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Sunday—  
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 11:00 a.m.  
Children's Church.... 5:30 p.m.  
Evangelist Service... 6:00 p.m.

**LEE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Bobby Gordon, Pastor  
Phone 647-2300  
Sunday—  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 11:00 a.m.  
Training Union..... 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship.... 7:00 p.m.  
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**CHEERLEADERS** for the Senior Girls team at the powderpuff football game last Thursday night finally succeeded in performing the pyramid formation, as their previous attempts had been foiled by a push from the junior cheerleaders. Cheerleaders are (top) Brad DuLaney, (middle, from left) Jerry Schaeffer, Brad Yates, (bottom, from left) Gary Nutt, David Malone and Keith Crum. Their antics must have inspired their team, as the Seniors won 6 to 0.

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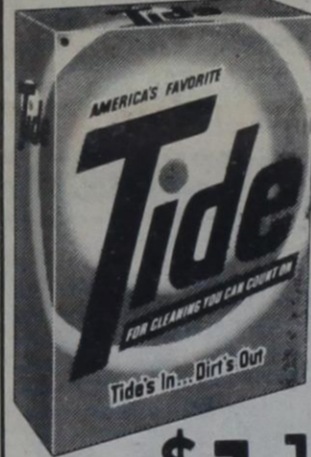
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## small talk from South Hills Manor

By DOROTHY HOPSON

I mentioned that we have many brave and courageous people who live at South Hills Manor, and I'd like to say more about that. Nearly every person who lives at South Hills Manor is fighting a battle to overcome a stroke that has left him with partial paralysis, a birth defect that confines him to a wheel chair, arthritis, or some other painful malady that has made living almost unbearable.

I PASSED Mrs. Essie Vaughan in the hall the other day as she was slowly inching her way back to her room. This was the first time I had remembered seeing her out of her wheel chair and I commented about the good job of walking she was doing. She replied, "Oh, I'm trying! It is so hard, but I'm trying!"

A few days later I went by to visit with her and learned that she has had a long convalescence after breaking several bones that would not mend. She is one of the courageous ones.

Mrs. Vaughan and her husband, James, lived at Earth before making their home at South Hills Manor. They have two boys, Lavern of Earth and Loyd of Dimmitt, two daughters, Ruey McKinney of Dimmitt and Joy Breedlove of Littlefield. Mrs. Vaughan has a battle to win, but she does not have to overcome the worst plague of all—loneliness. Her children come frequently to visit.

Mrs. Vaughan is a member of the Church of Christ, and she expressed her gratitude to those of her church who come out on Sunday afternoons to conduct worship services that she and others of like faith might have an opportunity for spiritual nourishment.

NOTICING a distinguished looking man wheeling his way toward the lobby, I walked over to him, introduced myself and asked if I might interview him for the newspaper. He told me his name was Tom Sanders, but he wouldn't say another word until I found a nurse who would get him a cigarette, and then he'd be happy to comply.

Flossie Jones, an exceptionally helpful nurse (and there are lots of sweet, helpful nurses at SHM), smiled and said

### Horsemen have short course

Equine enthusiasts who register for the Horse Short Course at Texas A&M University, April 4-5, will have an opportunity to update their horse production techniques, according to B.F. Yeates, Texas Agricultural Extension Service horse specialist.

THE HORSE Short Course is a feature of the Texas Animal Agriculture Conference, Yeates, chairman for the horse section, reminds.

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MINOR LEAGUE All Stars of the Hart Little Dribblers were chosen from among three teams and will participate in the Regional All Stars tournament tonight (Thursday) in Silvertown. All-Stars are (front, from left) Omar Longoria, Freddie Washington, Harvey Perez,

Junior Mancias, Kevin Long, (Middle, from left) alternate Ruben Hernandez, Mike Malone, Rusty Ammons, Kerry Newsom, Jim Bob Kendrick and (back) coach Ronnie Griffith. Not shown are Bruce Finch and alternate Michael Gonzales.

## IN THE HOSPITAL

### PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL:

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Curtis Beavers  
Donna Belmares  
Edd Bennett  
Dottie Beyer  
Eva Butler  
Roger Cantu  
Ollie Carver  
Martha Dowty  
Lester Gladden  
James L. Hinson  
Bill Matlock  
Petra Martinez  
Mamie McLain  
Harriet Osborne  
T. N. Reeves  
Maria Reyes  
Edward Ross  
Carolyn Young

### PATIENTS DISMISSED:

Laura Love  
Ethel Lacy  
Ofelia Anes  
Janie Blanton  
Pat Herring  
Noel Gollehon  
Judy Hill  
Francisco Alvarado  
Sue Gonzales  
Cecilia Pizano  
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Choc Lay  
Mary Weiland  
Terry Myers  
Floyd Copeland  
Brenda Buchanan  
Lola McDaniel  
Jerrold Weiborn III

## Egg hunt planned for Hart kids

An Easter egg hunt for pre-first grade children at Hart will be held the afternoon of April 9 with the Hart Jaycees as hosts. Plans were made at the Jaycee meeting Monday in the Farmers State Bank community room.

THE HUNT will be staged at 2:30 p.m. in the park at the American Legion building. Prize eggs will be awarded for each age division beginning with one year, through five and older.

## Hart Lions schedule broom sale

The annual broom sale conducted by the Hart Lions Club is scheduled for Saturday, according to Boss Lion Weldon Jones. The truck will be parked at the Farmers State Bank with Lions Club members in charge of display and sale.

OTHER members will sell their wares door-to-door. Offered for sale will be numerous cleaning aids and related products for homes, business or industry, all made by the Light-house for the Blind in Texas, which employs blind and multi-handicapped persons who are unable to find employment elsewhere.

The nearest member agency to the Hart area is Southwest Lighthouse in Lubbock. The Hart Lions and other Lions Clubs cooperate in the sale of its products.

Hart Lions Club meets the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Farmers State Bank community room for lunch and a program. New members are always welcome, Jones said.

## DHS land judging team wins contest

The annual land judging contest for school teams was held Friday by the Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District on the Robert L. Hawkins farm near Hart, with 35 boys in 10 teams, from as far as Dalhart, taking part.

FIRST PLACE individual with a score of 230 of a possible 280 was Chris Sue of Lockney. Mike Odom of Dimmitt FFA was second with a score of 229 and Jody Snitker of Hart third with 214.

The high scoring team was from the Dimmitt FFA Chapter, which totaled 604. Hart FFA was second with a score of 575. On the Dimmitt team are Rickie Yates, Donnie Andrews, Gary Smith and Odom. The Hart team comprises Larry David, Gary Jackson and Snitker.

The contest was directed by Soil Scientist Fred Pringle of Amarillo and SCS personnel from Dimmitt.

COUNTY Commissioner Edd Bennett dug four holes to provide soil which contestants classified, judging its characteristics such as texture, permeability, depth, slope, erosion by wind and water, surface runoff and major factors which prevent the area from being Class 1 land.



Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Weiland of Dimmitt are the parents of a boy, Tracy Martin, born March 26 and weighing 7 pounds, 14 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Medrano of Dimmitt are the parents of a girl, Michelle Marie, born March 24 and weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces.

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LAND JUDGING TEAM HONORS were won by the Dimmitt FFA in the recent contest sponsored by the Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District. The members are Gary Smith, Rickie Yates, Donnie Andrews and Mike Odom.

TOP INDIVIDUALS in the annual land judging contest of the Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District were presented plaques by Earnest Sammann, board chairman. The winners, from left, are Jody Snitker of Hart, Mike Odom of Dimmitt and Chris Sue of Lockney.

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BASKETBALL QUEEN for 1976-77 in Dimmitt High School is Beth Cleveland [left]...



FOOTBALL ROYALTY—Nita Parker [left] was crowned 1976-77 Football Queen...

### County to elect PCG producer director

Castro County cotton producers and agribusinessmen will elect a producer director to Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. at a 7:30 p.m. meeting today (Thursday) in the assembly room of the county courthouse.

### Junior All-Stars win tourney consolation

Dimmitt's Junior All-Stars won the consolation championship while the Major All-Stars finished as consolation runners-up in the Littlefield Invitational Little Dribblers Tournament last week.

The JUNIORS lost by eight points in the opening round to Levelland South, eventual tournament champion. But they came back to defeat Levelland North by a 33-21 count in the consolation semis, then wallowed Springlake-Earth, 42-19, in the consolation title game.

The Junior All-Stars—all third and fourth graders—fought to a 16-16 halftime tie with Levelland South in the opening game, but couldn't get any rebounds in the second half as Levelland's defense stiffened.

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### Aleman, Bossett, Parker, Hampton win MVP awards

Joe Aleman in football, Larry Bossett in track, Nita Parker in girls' basketball and Johnny Hampton in boys' basketball were announced as the Most Valuable Players at Dimmitt High School's 1976-77 Athletic Banquet Monday night.

### Dribblers go into regional tourney today

Dimmitt's and Hart's Little Dribblers All-Star Teams will begin play today (Thursday) in the Region II Tournament at Silverton.

THE SIX teams competing in the Major Division (fifth and sixth graders) are Crosbyton, Lockney, Ralls, Silverton, Dimmitt and Hart.

In the Junior Division (third and fourth graders), teams are entered from Hart, Dimmitt, Littlefield, Crosbyton, Ralls and Silverton.

A write-in campaign for a woman, June Brown, has added last-minute interest to the Hart school board race. Two places will be filled, with Cecil Ray Jones a candidate for re-election and names of Jerry Bonsal, Bill Brantley and James Jackson also appear on the ballot.

### Rites pending for brother

Funeral arrangements were pending Wednesday at Dumas for Jim Harbert, 68, who died there Tuesday. He was the brother of Mrs. Lena Crum of Dimmitt.

### Easter egg hunt slated

The annual Easter egg hunt sponsored by Dimmitt United Lions Club will be held Saturday, April 9, in the city park where five cases of candy eggs will be hidden along with prizes.

### Deadline is Friday for license tags

Friday is the deadline for getting your 1977 license plate or sticker. The tax office will close at 5 p.m. unless a line develops.

### Schools ...

Antic Spring. Saturday the girls tennis team will go to the district meet in Kress, with the boys team going there April 19.

### Veteran's Services

By BEDFORD W. SMITH County Service Officer. We reported in the Castro County News two weeks ago that dividend checks on GI insurance should be in the mails by late in February, as reported in the Texas Legion News.

### Free clinic set for children

A clinic offering vaccines to protect against polio, diphtheria, lockjaw, whooping cough, measles and rubella will be conducted from 9 a.m. until noon Friday in the assembly room of the Dimmitt City Hall.

## Rotary picks officers, votes to aid students

Friday the Dimmitt Rotary Club elected officers, chose a new sweetheart, voted to aid an injured high school student, and decided to lend support to the high school and middle school music departments.

### County Cancer Society unit looks to crusade

Just before the beginning of the annual Cancer Crusade in April, officers of the Castro County Unit of the American Cancer Society point to service to local victims of the disease and their families, an important part of their program.

### Ex-resident Steve Taylor is on board

Steve Taylor of Amarillo, a former Dimmitt resident, was among new directors elected at the 100th anniversary convention of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association in Fort Worth last week.

### Lucky 7 Club picks officers

Officers of the Lucky 7 Club, headed by Ron Dahlquist as president, were elected at a meeting last week.

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# 25 children in parish receive first Communion Sunday

By MRS. AGNES BROCKMAN

At the second Mass in Holy Family Church Sunday 25 children received their first Holy Communion. The ceremony was very impressive and the church was packed. There were a number of relatives and friends present from out of town.

OVER THE weekend we had a couple of nice little showers, which really perked things up a bit, but Monday we had strong wind again. Hope it doesn't get as bad as it was a couple of weeks ago.

Sister Marcella Stengel went to Denton over the weekend to visit her brother who lives there.

Mr. and Mrs. Florence Schacher returned home Saturday from Arizona and California.



### SQUARE DANCE TIPS

By Billy & Carolyn Harman

The Dimmitt Promenaders held their regular meeting the 22nd. Two squares enjoyed dancing to the cues of Johnny Gillenwater. He said that this Friday night would be the last night for new students to begin square dance lessons. Anyone interested, come to the Boy Scout Hut Friday night at 8:30 p.m.

BILL HARMAN gave the report from the PSDA Jamboree meeting in Canadian. The representatives of the Panhandle square dance clubs decided not to have the annual Sweetheart contest for the PSDA Sweetheart, but to just honor each club's sweetheart at the Sweetheart Dance in Canyon in August. Paula Harman is our sweetheart.

Linda Richardson, club secretary, wrote a protest letter to the president of the US Brewery, Inc. for associating square dancing with beer drinking. Since absolutely no alcoholic drinking is allowed at any square dance activity, the commercial shown on television has given many people the wrong idea of square dancing. The no drinking rule is clearly stated in the rules and regulations in the PSDA Handbook which each member of the club receives.

Nathan Pevehouse, vice-president, told of the Spring Festival being held in Lubbock April 1 and 2. John Winter will cue the rounds and Wayne Balding and Gary Shoemaker will call for the square dancing. Gary is the caller for the EXCEL-arator Club, in which three couples from our club are members. Johnny Gillenwater, Promenader caller, is also a member of the EXCEL-arator Club.

Gary Cole, ticket chairman, told the club that we have sold half of our 700 tickets to the State Dance being held June 4 in Houston. If our club can sell 500 tickets, we will get back half of the money that we send in and if we can sell over 750 we will be the top selling club of the PSDA. That would be quite an honor. So let's get out and sell those tickets.

NEXT meeting will be April 5 at the Legion Hall in Nazareth starting at 8 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome. If you are a member of the Promenaders, we ask that you make a special effort to attend the meeting.

On March 8 21 members of the club took the CPR classes given by Jerrold Wellborn and Allan Bradley. We saw the film demonstrating how to resuscitate someone who has had cardiac arrest. We learned the different processes for a witnessed arrest and an unwitnessed arrest. The members then practiced on the resuscitators that the Heart Association has been able to purchase with the donations that the Promenaders have given them from the Heart Fund dances.

where they have been visiting relatives lately.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Annen, Cornelia Annen and Jack Litsch visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Annen recently. Frank is back in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Holman spent the weekend in Nazareth and were going to visit her brother Father Fred Hyland in Plainview.

Last week Mr. and Mrs. Her-

man Rockiwartz and Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Podzemny of Amarillo visited with the Lon Brockmans.

Mrs. Ella Hoelting entertained her family with a dinner Sunday. Present were the Warren Norris family of Dallas, the Byard Keys of Plainview, the Dickey Hoeltings, Cecil Hoeltings and Ronnie Hoeltings from here.

A Day of Recollection was held in the parish for the CYO

members. A good crowd attended the services.

Mrs. James Wilhelm honored her mother Mrs. Agnes Brockman Thursday evening with a birthday party. Present were the Tom Brockmans of Friona, the Phil Brockmans of Lazbuddie, the Jerome and Cyril Brockmans, Regina Stefens and George Books of Nazareth.

THE ART Kleman family

had a get together in Tulia Sunday honoring Art on his 80th birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Barker, Mary Lynn Wilhelm of Canyon and Angie Wilhelm of Amarillo spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. James Wilhelm.

A meeting was held at the community hall last Friday evening discussing and voting if we would have the German Festival again this year. It was

decided to have it, and it will take place July 24. Mrs. Alvin Kleman will be chairman and Mrs. Dan Schmucker will be co-chairman.

Those honoring Todd and Traci Hill at a dinner in their home at Mr. and Mrs. Charley Hills in Dimmitt were Father Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gerber and family, Mrs. John Stork, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hoelting and boys, also Florene Leinen. It was the occasion of

their first Holy Communion at Nazareth.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Wilhelm were in Shamrock over the weekend for the American Legion and Auxiliary district convention.

MR. AND MRS. Leonard Endres and some friends from Muenster visited over the weekend with the Lon Brockmans.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ven-

haus and girls of Happy had dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Kleman.

Joe and Elaine Sullivan and sons Kevin and Kieran of Chicago came last Thursday to spend a day here with her folks, the Florence Albrachts, before flying to Denver on College Student Counseling, the work both of them are doing. Kevin and Kieran are spending a week here with their grandparents.

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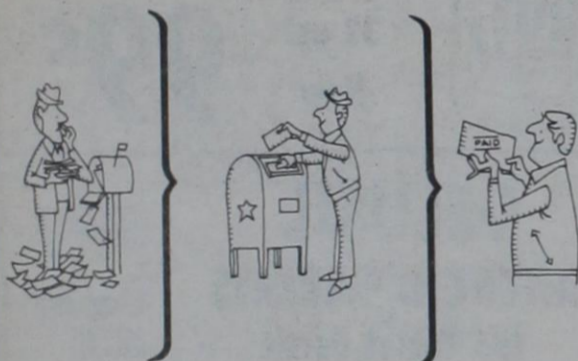
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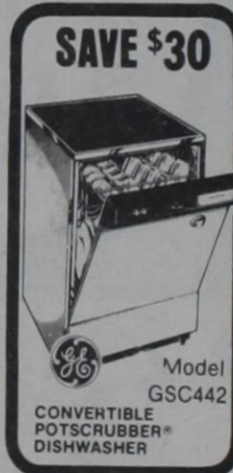
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### Oil seed crop growers will hold meeting

A cotton and oil seed crop meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. today (Thursday) in the assembly room of the courthouse, according to Charles Hottel, county agricultural agent.

JAMES SUPAK and Zoel Daughtery, Extension Service area agronomists, will discuss cotton, soybean and sunflower production. Olan Moore, Castro County entomologist, will present information on insects which affect these three crops.

All producers who have an interest in these crops are invited to the meeting, Hottel said.

County representatives for the Plains Cotton Growers will also be elected during this meeting.

### 4-H Horse Club holds election

Dimmitt 4-H Horse Club elected officers at its meeting March 24. Matt Howell was chosen president, Carol Bagwell vice-president, Jackie Anthony secretary-treasurer and Renee Cluck club reporter.

THERE WERE 23 members present. The program on the parts of a horse was given by Carol Cluck. Refreshments were served by Mrs. David Cole and Mrs. Edgar Dennis.

The agenda for the next meeting was discussed. It will be at 5 p.m. today (Thursday) at the Jerry Clucks. The program will be to practice horse judging. All members are encouraged to attend.



TOMMY GUINN of the Dimmitt All-Stars is fouled by a Littlefield player as he drives under for a shot in the Major Division's consolation championship game of the Littlefield Little Dribblers Tournament Saturday afternoon. Guinn made one of his two free shots to cut Littlefield's lead to 15-6. Dimmitt continued to gain on the fast-starting Littlefield team, but had to settle for a six-point loss and the consolation runner-up spot. Dimmitt lost to Levelland South in the opening round, then defeated Levelland North in the consolation semifinals.

### Conditions at present give beet growers hope

Legislative and economic conditions at present offer a rosier future to sugarbeet growers of Castro County and over this area, according to industry spokesmen.

OPTIMISM was expressed this week by Bob Binn, agricultural manager for Holly Sugar's Hereford plant, although he added that moisture conditions and irrigation water availability may prevent some growers in the area from planting all the sugarbeet acreage they desire this year.

"As a result, domestic beet sugar production may be down somewhat in 1977 despite more favorable economic outlook provided by recent events," Ginn said.

Legislative relief appears to be in sight for the sugarbeet industry after some rather dark days, Ginn said, basing his optimism on recent events in Washington, D.C.

THE FACT that the new secretary of agriculture, Bob Bergland, comes from a sugarbeet producing area, the Red River Valley of Western Minnesota, is seen as a hopeful factor.

"He knows and understands the problems growers face and he has repeatedly pledged to work for responsible solution," Ginn said.

"The secretary is backed by a report of a USDA task force on sugar and sweeteners, which recommends immediate administrative and legislative action to relieve the immediate

problems of the domestic sugar industry.

"It also recommends a sharp reduction in foreign sugar imports. In addition, the U.S. International Trade Commission after a six-month investigation has recommended to President Carter a restrictive import quota of 4.275 to 4.4 million tons," Ginn said.

HE ADDED that low world sugar prices have given sugar exporting nations as well as

many importing countries, the incentive to negotiate a new international sugar agreement.

These worldwide negotiations under auspices of the United Nations will begin next month and Ginn expects a meaningful agreement keyed to a minimum worldwide floor price by fall.

He also cited the Food and Drug Administration's proposal to ban the most widely used non-caloric sugar substitute, saccharin, because it apparently has caused cancer in test animals, and said that even if this proposal is overruled such sweeteners may be suspect in the minds of consumers who will turn to sugar instead.

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SHAN POWELL of the Dimmitt All-Stars gets off a jump shot in the second quarter of the Major Division consolation finals in the Littlefield Little Dribblers Tournament Saturday afternoon. Following Powell's shot at right is Tommy Guinn. Littlefield won the game by six points, leaving Dimmitt's Major Division team as consolation runners-up.

### OSHA hearing set on cotton dust standard

A public hearing on a proposed health standard that would reduce worker exposure to cotton dust will be held by the US Dept. of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) in Lubbock May 10.

SESSIONS will convene at 9:30 a.m. at the South Park Inn, 3201 S. Loop 289.

The key provision of the proposed OSHA standard would reduce the present permissible exposure limit from 1,000 micrograms of total dust per cubic meter of air to 200 micrograms, based on an eight-hour time-weighted average.

Respirable dust is proposed as the measure because larger

cotton dust particles are not believed to be harmful.

IN ORDER to hear as many persons as possible, presentations will generally be limited to 15 minutes. However, OSHA will attempt to accommodate requests for additional time required by special circumstances.

Persons wishing to reserve time should file a notice of intention to appear, postmarked on or before April 1, with Tom Hall, OSHA Office of Committee Management, Docket No. H-052, Room N3633, U.S. Dept. of Labor, 3rd and Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210.

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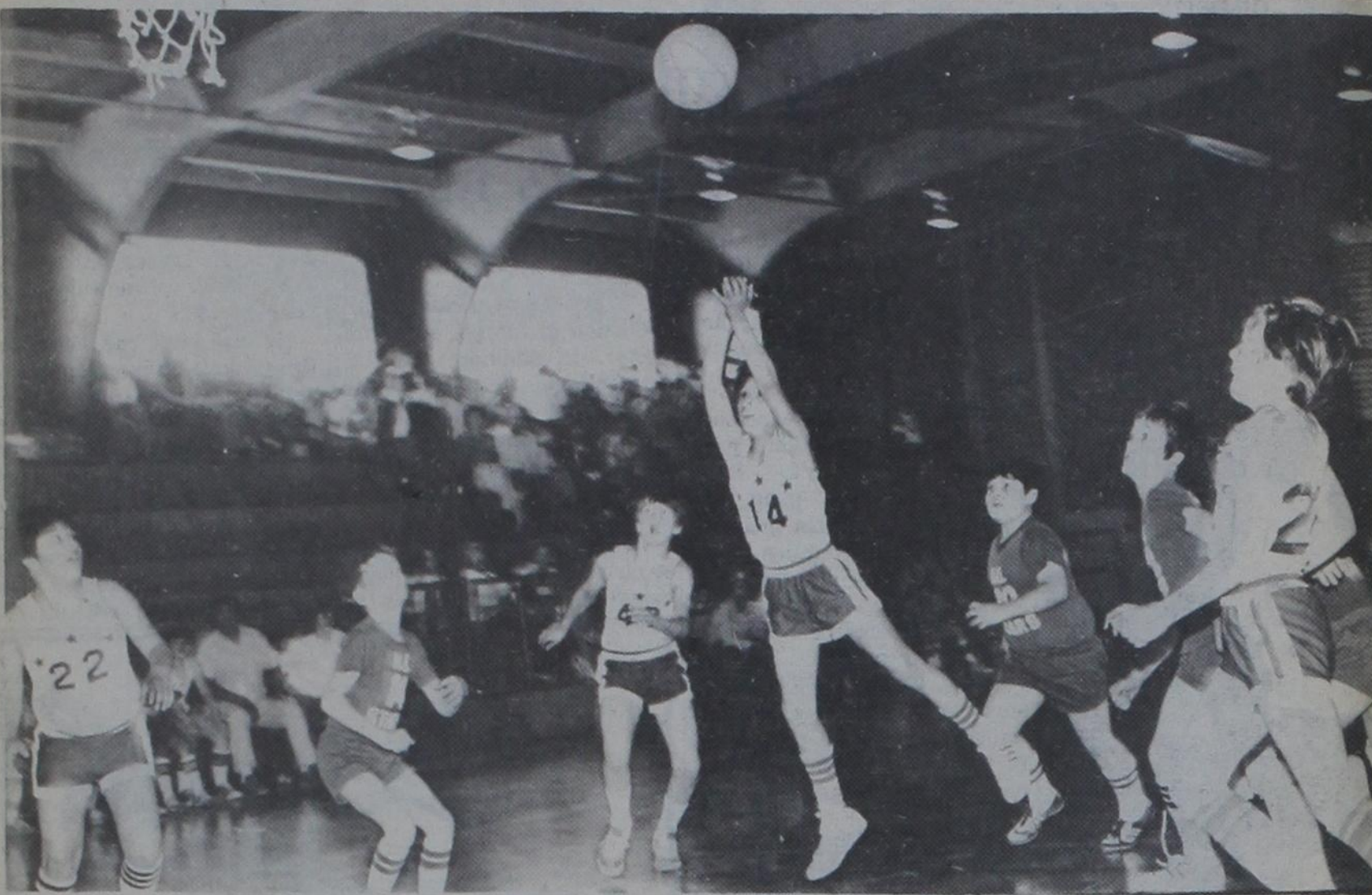
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THE REBOUND RING closes fast as Danny Martinez [14] fires a shot for the Dimmitt All-Stars in the Junior Little Dribblers Tournament at Littlefield Saturday afternoon. There wasn't a rebound, though—the shot swished through the net to give

Dimmitt a 10-0 lead in the first quarter of the consolation championship game against Springlake-Earth. Other Dimmitt players following the shot are Bobby Nino [22], Doug Nelson [40] and Nathan Nelson [20].

## Bobcats are third in Bulldog relays

The Dimmitt Bobcats finished in third place in the Bulldog Relays at Plainview last weekend, with a team total of 78 points which was only 5 1/2 points behind first-place Slaton and 3 behind second ranking Floydada.

DIMMITT was leading until the mile relay, where they placed fourth in the rain and lost the point edge.

"We didn't do so well in the rain," Coach Bruce Bush commented. "We haven't had much chance to practice on a wet track this year."

The Bobcat 440-relay team of Thompson Mayberry, Dennis Veals, Eloy Gonzales and Larry Bossett won a first place with time of 43-6 and Bossett captured another first in the 220-yard dash in 22-8.

The DHS varsity teams, both boys and girls, will go to Lorenzo for its meet this weekend.

PLACES in the Bulldog relays were won by Dimmitt as follows:

100 yard dash, Veals 2nd at 10.1; Mayberry 5th at 10.2.

880 yard run, Reggie Washington 3rd at 2-07.2.

220 yard run, Gonzales 4th at 24.1.

Mile run, Tino Quinonez at 4-53.5; Chris Fry 6th a 4-55.2.

Mile relay, Mayberry, Veals, Bossett and Washington, 4th at 3-36.4.

Pole Vault, Matt Howell 2nd and Brad DuLaney 3rd, both at 12 feet.

Discus, Rick Hunter 6th at 117-6.

## County girls place high at Friona meet

Cheryl Hartman of Nazareth won the mile run in the Friona Girls Invitational Track Meet last weekend and Dimmitt freshman Vicki Cleveland placed second in the 80-yard low hurdles in spite of hitting a hurdle during her run.

BOVINA ran away with the meet in team points. The Nazareth team was in sixth place and the Bobbies seventh among 16 schools entered.

Hartman outdid her previous best time in the mile by eight seconds and set a time of 5:52.7 as the meet record since this is the first year for the mile run under UIL rules.

Dimmitt's 440-relay team was in fourth place with a time of 51.6. Dorothy Rivers placed fourth in the 100 yard dash, Oliever Glover was sixth in the 220 and Beth Cleveland fourth in the mile run with a time of 6:22.

Cindy Schacher added points for Nazareth with a sixth place in the 100.



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## Dimmitt junior high girls compete in Squaw Relays

Seventh and eighth grade girls from Dimmitt Middle School competed in the Squaw Relays at Friona last weekend, their last meet before the district track contests April 15 at Littlefield.

SEVENTH grade girls won second place behind Tulia, with 90 points as a team total. Eighth graders tied for fourth with Muleshoe as they tallied 54 points. Tulia also led this division.

First places in Dimmitt's seventh grade were won by Cora Ewing in the discus throw and Beth Benton in long jump. Places in other events include:

440-relay, Wendy Bruegel, Denise Dobbs, Rita Ramos and Beth Benton, 3rd.

880-relay, Bruegel, Dobbs, Ramos and Sonya Andrews, 4th.

MILE RELAY, Elvita Rojas, Leticia Hickman, Laurie Sides and Jackie Rivers, 6th.

1320 run, Norma Galvan 2nd, Patty Montes 5th.

880 run, Julia Mann 3rd, Andrews 4th.

100-yard dash, Benton 3rd.

Long jump, Bruegel 6th.

Triple jump, Benton 2nd.

Discus, Ramos 5th, Montes 6th.

Shot put, Ramos 2nd, Ewing 5th.

FOR THE eighth grade Brenda Parker won first place in hurdles, Paula Porter second in the discus throw, Lupe Saucedo second and Shirley Norris third in the 1320 run, Becky Andrews third in the 880 and Christina Salinas third in the long jump.

Also placing were Deannea Merritt fifth in the 440, Era Rivers fifth and Parker sixth in the triple jump. The mile relay team comprised of Parker, Susan Collins, Jackie Anthony and Merritt finished fifth.

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## Hunter safety totals grow

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Carroll noted a steady increase in the monthly number of Texans certified, with the majority being teenagers with little or no hunting experience.

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*Randall Craig has purchased the Joe Cowen Insurance Agency. However, it will continue to be called Cowen Insurance Agency, and will remain in the same location.*

*After over a quarter of a century, I have decided to spend a little more time in my real estate business and with my grandchildren.*

*Randall Craig has purchased my insurance business, but it will remain in the same old place. I will be around to give him any help that 29 years of experience dictates.*

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*Our interest in you and your business will continue. We hope you will continue to bring your insurance business to the same old stand, and that Randall will prosper at your hands as we have.*

*Randall is not a stranger to the insurance and real estate field, and we feel he is off to a fine start.*

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Sunnyside

Rain only adds to the fun of church youth picnic

By TEENY BOWDEN

The youth of the church sponsored a Fellowship and Fun Explosion at the community building Friday night and invited the youth from other churches. Willie George of Plainview entertained and was the guest speaker. About 28 youths from three churches, Sunnyside, Springlake and Earth, attended. On Saturday evening they all went to the sand hills for a picnic. Approximately 65 from five churches attended, with the addition of Lee Street and First Baptist of Dimmitt. They were in light rain all evening and all were wet when they left for home, but they had a great time. They also sponsored a church-wide fellowship after the services Sunday night.

.55 OF AN inch of rain was received Saturday night, with 50 inch Sunday. Sunday afternoon there were two hard showers of soft pea-size hail, each covering the ground for a short period of time.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Blanton became parents again Mon-

day night when a 7 pound, 4 ounce boy was born in Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. He was named Randall Kurt. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Blanton. His other grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hooten of Plainview, visited with them Tuesday night. They were dismissed Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Weiland became new parents Saturday morning when a 7 pound, 4 ounce boy was born to them in Plains Memorial Hospital. He was named Tracy Martin. His proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Don Weiland.

Rev. and Mrs. Don Smith of Fort Worth arrived Saturday for the revival which began Sunday morning. She will fly home Tuesday. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gale Sadler. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Sadler are sisters, and they sang a special for the night services.

PRESTON Upshaw of Hart will lead the song services for the revival. Mrs. Upshaw and Reent attended the Sunday night services with him. They also sang a duet during the evening services.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ray Hampton left Thursday for Temple where he will undergo tests at Scott and White for the next few days.

Gale Jones was admitted to the Littlefield Hospital Monday for tests and was dismissed Wednesday morning.

Bill Matlock was admitted to Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt Friday afternoon for tests.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sadler were in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock Wednesday night and again Sunday with her father, Tex Conard, who is showing a little improvement. Larry stayed with him Wednesday night, while Mrs. Sadler stayed with her mother and her aunt Wanda. He is expected to be dismissed Tuesday, and will continue therapy in Veterans Hospital in Amarillo as soon as possible.

MRS. CLIFF Brown was dismissed from the Littlefield Hospital Wednesday morning, and saw a dermatologist in Lubbock Wednesday afternoon.

R. E. Little was dismissed

from Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt Monday.

Hershel Wilson was dismissed from Highland Hospital in Lubbock Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milburn Haydon and Mrs. Eddie Haydon returned home Wednesday night from Weatherford where they were with Mrs. Raymond Haydon who underwent major surgery Tuesday.

Kyle Bradley went to Olton Saturday to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Livey while his mother, Mrs. Carl Bradley, is with her mother Mrs. Jess Matlock of Springlake, who will undergo major surgery in St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock Tuesday.

KELBY BRADLEY came down with the mumps over the weekend. He had had the vaccine.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Matlock and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bradley attended the funeral services of a great nephew, Jeff Tyler, in Quanah Thursday. He was the 5-year-old son of their niece Debbie Matlock and her husband Kenneth Tyler.

Rev. and Mrs. Raymond

Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phelan attended the Llanos Altos Associational Worker's Conference at Spade Monday night.

Cliff Brown flew to Edinburg from Lubbock Thursday with Richard Franks of Hart to attend the annual Tide Awards Banquet. Both received sales awards. They returned home Sunday.

Gale Sadler and R. V. Bills were the other directors named to Better Weather, Inc. this week.

REV. AND Mrs. Raymond Jones attended the Livestock Show in Plainview Tuesday, and visited with their daughter, Mrs. Doyle Bothwell, of Plainview.

Rev. Raymond Jones had charge of the Area RA Track Meet at Wayland Baptist College Saturday. Approximately 95 boys participated in the meet.

Mrs. L. B. Bowden worked with auxiliary duties at Plains Memorial Hospital Monday afternoon.

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Miss Haggard is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Dairy products furnish about 22 percent of the total intake of magnesium in the United States. Another 18 percent comes from flour and cereal products, the specialist said.

“Other good sources of magnesium are dry beans and peas, soybeans, nuts and green leaf vegetables,” she added.



[Compiled from the Community Birthday Calendars of the County Home Demonstration Council and the Nazareth American Legion Auxiliary.]

MARCH 31 — Alona Birdwell, Shellie Tann Minnick, Randy Powell, Esther Braddock, Jason Wethington, Justin Wethington, Dean Wilhelm.

APRIL 1 — Debi Branaman, Robert Woolbright, Gerald Birkenfeld.

APRIL 2 — Barbara Keel, Adrian Stanton, Roberta Braddock.

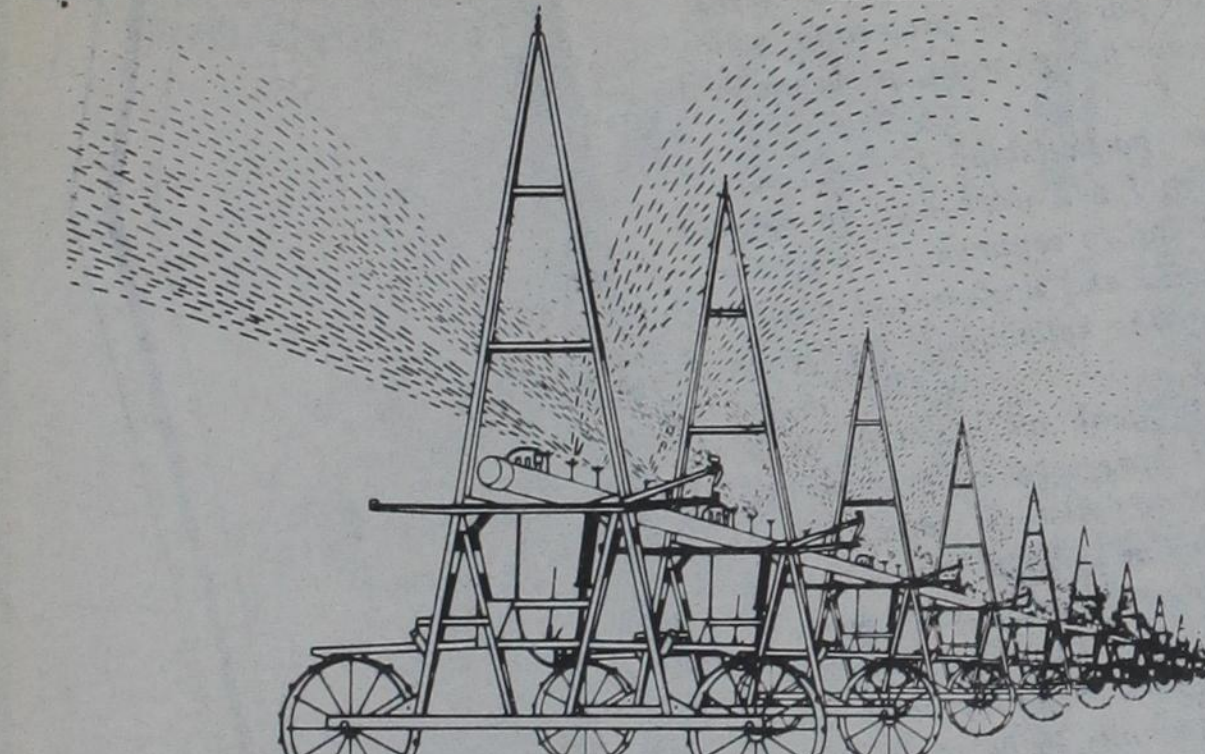
APRIL 3 — Vicki Buckley, Shirley Shacher, Tim Hucks, Brent Armstrong, Matt Howell, Renee Ramaekers, Rhyne Weatherford, Ronnie Russell, Kevin Wilhelm.

APRIL 4 — Kyndal Longan, Greg Hall, Lon Allen Keel, Petronilla Birkenfeld, Carol Jones, Alfred Schacher, Harold Ball.

APRIL 5 — Mary Ann Howell, Regina Spinhrne, Danny Saunders, Jason Nelson, Bobby Martin, Albert Hartman.

APRIL 6 — Oleda Hance, Carla Scott, Sherri Acker, Mary Lou Venhaus, Irene Huseman, Roger Schulte, Lawrence Wagner.

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**FIGHT!**—That's not what the cheerleaders were yelling to their team—that's what they were doing to each other at the powderpuff football game last Thursday night. The cheerleaders for the senior girls' team [far left] were trying to make a pyramid formation when the junior cheerleaders [far right]

came over and gave them a little push. Two of them decided to fight it out [center], with all of them seemingly oblivious to the game going on in the background. The game was staged to raise funds for the senior class project.



**HOLDING** was called on senior Joyce Wooten [far right] for grabbing the shirt of junior Melynn Moore [80] in an attempt to remove the flag from her belt. Senior teammates Linda Wise [42], Kathy Ballard [51], Mel Nelson [33] and Nita Parker [88] rush in to help Wooten, as juniors Mimi Salinas [15] and

Tammy Burnett [67] look on. A five-yard penalty was assessed, putting the juniors the closest to the goal line they had been for the entire game, but the drive ended without a score. Final score of the game was Seniors 6, Juniors 0.

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By **IKE MOORE**  
Special Education Supervisor

Students with poor hearing seem to show more emotional stress and frustration than students with other types of handicapping conditions. Parents and teachers, all too often, are impatient with children whose hearing loss is in the mild or moderate range and undetected in the school age child. The label of "stubborn" or too engrossed in play to listen or try to talk takes its toll in social and personality development.

EVEN when the hearing defect is identified, society seems to lower its expectancy in academic and social development since communication is involved. This is communicated to the child with poor hearing and he responds, in many cases, with a loss of confidence and poor self-image.

Unfortunately, many children with hearing losses are behind other children in school progress. There is no evidence that hearing impairment is related to intelligence or educational achievement, but this handicap produces the "image" of retardation and results in "feelings" of social and psychological inadequacy in this type child. The use of hearing aids, which could help many children, has not been accepted by parents as have glasses for the visually handicapped. This condition is being overcome by great strides in the development of very efficient transistorized aids that are easy to wear and do not alter the appearance of the child.

The modern school provides many services for the hearing impaired. These services provide early detection through screening by school nurses, speech and hearing specialists to develop the communication skills, special techniques in teaching through other channels of learning, and the understanding needed by children with hearing handicaps.

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**Texas in line for sport fund**

Of the \$109.3 million total federal funds being made available to the states for fish and wildlife restoration, Texas is in line for \$5,252,500.

**FEDERAL AID** funds are made available to the states in two apportionments annually as tax receipts become available at the U.S. Treasury Department. A preliminary apportionment of \$47 million was made on July 1, 1976, for fiscal year 1977. The second apportionment in February 1977 amounted to an additional \$62 million.

A total of \$1,242,500 for fish restoration and another \$4,010,000 in wildlife and hunter safety funds is available to Texas, the largest amount for any state.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials say the department must first spend state money for fish and wildlife work, then be reimbursed by the federal government for up to 75 percent on approved projects.

**Correction**

In last week's story about Jewel Brook's retirement as postmaster at Hart, it was incorrectly stated that Betty Sanders would be appointed postmaster in her place in several months. It is not known who will receive the appointment. However, Mrs. Sanders is acting as officer in charge until an appointment is made.

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# Gallup Poll reveals Americans favor 'back to basics' in schools

"More attention to teaching of basic skills" is at the top of most Americans' list of suggestions to improve the quality of public schools, as shown in a recent Gallup Poll.

WHEN THE Dimmitt school board studied the poll at its March meeting, Supt. Robert Ryan pointed out the national public's concern for curriculum improvement.

Ryan told the board he intends to use the poll as a guideline in setting goals for the future.

"As you know, one of my primary concerns for the Dimmitt schools is curriculum improvement—that's what school is all about," he said.

He considered the poll's most important question to be the one concerning improvement of overall quality in public school education. More than half of those questioned said the best way to achieve the improvement would be by more attention to basics.

THIS POLL was the eighth annual Gallup survey of the public's attitude toward public schools, and the report which accompanies it notes that "the year 1976 may well prove to be the turning point in the public's attitudes toward the public schools... a nation-wide shift toward more traditional values."

"The public is now demanding stricter rules in dealing with the behavior of the young and higher standards in the public schools," the reporter continues. "A growing demand to place greater emphasis on the basics in the school curriculum is evidenced."

Major problems confronting schools were listed in the poll's first question. Lack of discipline was at the top of this list with problems of integration, segregation and busing next.

IN A significant change from 1975, the problem of poor curriculum advanced from seventh to fourth place in Americans' concern, "undoubtedly because of wide publicity given to the drop in national test scores and growing concern about the number of functional illiterates among those leaving school."

Stricter discipline was in second place among suggestions for improving the quality of education, ahead of meeting individual needs of students and improving parent-school relations.

Emphasis of moral development was also high on the list, and in a separate question as to whether the school should assume a share of responsibility for children's moral behavior rather than leave it all to parents, 67 percent of the answers were "Yes".

ANOTHER question sought reaction to proposals for school boards to appoint citizen advisory committees to deal with various problems and help involve more citizens in local school matters.

In response, 90 percent of the persons polled said they would be willing to serve on such a committee, with the greatest number choosing service on a committee on "discipline and related problems."

Other committees winning high approval were those on student-teacher relations, career education, student drop-outs, teacher evaluation and the handicapped student.

ASKED TO pick the qualities which schools should stress as most important in development of a child, the respondents placed first, "Learning to think for oneself," followed in order by ability to get along with others, willingness to accept responsibility, high moral standards, eagerness to learn and

desire to excel.

Of the personal qualities desired in teachers, the ability to communicate, understand and relate topped the list. Ability to discipline firmly and fairly was next, then ability to inspire and motivate the pupil, and high moral character.

A majority felt that unionization of teachers was harmful, and the biggest majority of those were residents of the biggest cities, where unions tend to be more militant.

ASKED whether teacher groups should have the right to negotiate with school boards about class size, the curriculum and teaching methods as well as about pay and working conditions, 52 percent of the respondents would approve this right, with the youngest age group of those polled—18 to 29 years old—approving with a 73 percent "yes" vote.

Proposals of methods to cut school costs were offered in the poll, and the largest percentage of votes, 72, went to reduction of administrative personnel, while 52 percent wanted to reduce the number of counselors.

In the face of declining birthrate and consequent lower school enrollment, 55 percent approved reduction of school expenditures in proportion.

A tax-supported child-care system for all pre-school children was given approval by 57 percent in cities over a million population but by less than half those questioned in cities under 500,000.

## View from the Library



By BRICK AUTRY Librarian

You'll just have to be content with odds and ends today.

The first odd and end is that today is the last day that you can see the Artist for March display. The artist for March is none other than Judge Bradley, who has loaned his collection of wood carvings to us for the month. The display has been quite popular. We've even had inquiries if the articles are for sale.

Second odd and end is that the library is planning a book sale for the month of April. It will be held all month as long as we have books. The books that we will be selling admittedly are the ones we've received and rejected. However, not all of them are rejections. Some of them are books we already have. Some will be children's books and some will be in between. Most will be hard back books, but we have paperback books, too. The selection is wide and you might possibly find a real bargain. Tentatively we will begin about April 5. The sale benefits the Friends of the Library.

National Library Week is April 17-23. This week gives libraries a chance to call attention to themselves and to boost their circulation, which in turn will help convince certain officials that libraries are indeed worth the cost.

THE RHOADS Memorial Library will have a Summer Reading Program this summer. It will begin pretty soon after school is out. Right now we are shooting for a kick-off date of June 7. However, plans are tentative and I shall give more definite information later.

Lastly, soon the library will receive a new shipment of children's books and a fine selection of books through the Texas Panhandle Libraries Systems.

That's it. That's the collection of odds and ends which I decided to string together and bore you to death this week.

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## Local Baptists join campaign

Baptist churches in Dimmitt are joining Texas Baptists in a unique media evangelism campaign, "Living Proof," which features testimonies by well-known Americans.

AMONG celebrities spotlighted in the \$1.5 million campaign telling how they experienced changed lives through commitment to Jesus Christ, are Billy "White Shoes" Johnson of the Houston Oilers, actor Dean Jones, former militant Eldridge Cleaver and country-western song star Jeannie C. Riley.

Intensive multi-media advertising of the campaign began this week in West Texas and before it ends in April the campaign is expected to reach every Texas resident at least 40 times through newspaper, radio, TV, outdoor display and other types of advertising.

Nationwide attention has been given to the effort by all three major television networks, Newsweek and Texas Monthly magazines and the

New York Times, in a reaction not expected by the sponsors. A representative of the CBS program "Sixty Minutes" has inquired into the possibility of covering it on that program and Lloyd Elder, Good News Texas chairman, appeared on the Phil Donahue Show on WGN-TV, Chicago.

FIRST Baptist and Lee Street Baptist Churches of Dimmitt and the Sunnyside Baptist Church are among cooperating churches.

With nondenominational appeal, the 2.1 million member Baptist General Convention of Texas seeks to raise spiritual and moral awareness through the program, according to Dr. Elder, co-chairman of Living Proof.

"People featured in the media testimonials are living proof that Jesus is real and that He can make a difference in our lives. By communicating these personal experiences, we intend to provide people with insight that will allow them to determine intelligently whether or not Christ can fill a void in their lives, as he has for so many others," Elder said.

For example, pro football player Billy "White Shoes" Johnson reveals in his testimony that Jesus provided "a satisfaction with myself; a secure feeling in the world and most of all, a quiet peace of mind, way down deep, where the (fans') cheers don't reach."

WHEN successful business-

man Allan Mayer, of Oscar Mayer Co., was confronted with his daughter's serious illness he realized it was something he couldn't handle with a phone call or a memo. In his testimony Mayer tells how Christ proved "I could trust him with my daughter's life, and more, He gave me a greater sense of purpose and joy, to prove I could trust him with my life, too."

Other noted individuals unveiled in Living Proof testimonies how Christ helped them return meaning, hope and purposefulness to their lives. They include Miss Teenage America Rebecca Ann Reid; country and western singer Connie Smith; Ros-Argentina Pinel, Consul General of the Republic of Honduras, San Antonio; Paulino Bernal, former band leader; and Antonio Mendoza of the US Office of Equal Employment.

THE MEDIA campaign is designed to support the evangelistic efforts of various groups and organizations in 4,400 Baptist congregations across the state. Dr. L. L. Morriss, chairman of Living Proof and BGCT Director of Evangelism, explains that the local church is at the heart of this movement.

"The Living Proof media campaign will spur public awareness that will be met by local churches with activities illustrating the value of Christian fellowship," Dr. Morriss said. "Our goal is to lead new converts and inactive Christians back to all the local churches."

One plan for enhancing public attention includes urging mayors of cities and towns throughout Texas to lend civic recognition to the program by proclaiming "Good News Week." A period focusing on sharing the gospel, Good News Week would correspond with the beginning of the media campaigns in North, South and West Texas.

Such civic recognition of Living Proof will allow churches to invite public participation in activities such as rallies, open houses and meaningful public service projects.

### Funeral held at Muleshoe

Funeral services for Manuel Self, 79, of Muleshoe, father of Mrs. R. V. Ivey of Dimmitt, were conducted Sunday afternoon in the Muleshoe Church of Christ by Royce Clay, minister. Burial was in Bailey County Memorial Park.

MR. SELF died last Friday. He was a native of Kentucky and moved to Muleshoe in 1940 from Hobart, Okla. He was a retired farmer.

Surviving are his wife, Veta; the daughter; a son, Max of Friona; three sisters, three brothers and three grandchildren.



YOUTH TOUR winners Bryan Johnston of Friona [center] and Joyce Acker of Nazareth [right], are presented plaques by David Pruitt of Deaf Smith REC for winning the 13th annual Youth Tour Speech Contest sponsored by Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative.

## Acker, Johnston win Washington, D.C. trip

A Nazareth girl and a Friona boy were judged winners at the 13th annual Government-In-Action Youth Tour awarded by Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative. They are Joyce Acker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Acker, Nazareth, and Bryan Johnston, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Johnston of Friona.

ALTERNATE winners in case either of the winners is unable to make the all expense 12-day trip to Washington, D.C. next summer are Ladonna Brockman, Nazareth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brockman, and John Carson, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Carson of Friona.

All communities in the service area of the cooperative are invited to select two boys and two girls to represent their town who compete against each other in Hereford.

Each interested youth is provided background information concerning electric cooperatives in general and the local cooperative in particular. From this information, they prepared five to eight minute talks and also were given a written quiz on all information provided.

Judges in the Wednesday night contest held in the Medallion Room of the Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative in Hereford were Buddy Peeler, KPAN, Hereford; Gil Patscke, KZOL Radio, Farwell, and Jerry

Marvin, KDHN Radio, Dimmitt. The contestants are judged on knowledge of subject, speaking ability, poise, personality and appearance.

David Pruitt of Deaf Smith Electric was in charge of this year's oratorical contest. ON THE trip to Washington, local winners will join winners from other states in visiting the White House, Mount Vernon, the Capitol and many other points of interest and will have lunch with their legislators. They will also visit points of interest between Texas and Washington, D.C.

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## Iveys attend IOOF-Rebekah conventions

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ivey of Dimmitt were delegates to the annual conventions of the IOOF Grand Lodge of Texas and the Rebekah Assembly of Texas, held last week in Houston.

MRS. IVEY is the lodge deputy of Dimmitt Rebekah Lodge 159. Ivey is secretary of the Dimmitt IOOF Lodge and de-

puty grand master of District 4, which includes Castro, Deaf Smith, Parmer and Bailey Counties.

More than 1,400 members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Rebekahs attended the state convention. J. O. Duncan of Dallas was elected grand master of the IOOF

Grand Lodge of Texas for 1977, while Peggy McLean of Houston was elected president of the Rebekah Assembly of Texas for the coming year.

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JOE COWEN (left), who has owned and operated the Joe Cowen Insurance Agency in Dimmitt for more than a quarter of a century, announced this week that he is selling his insurance business to Randall Craig (right), former manager of Hi-Plains Savings & Loan Association here. Cowen, former Dimmitt mayor, said he would continue to deal in real estate. The change of ownership is to become official Friday.

**On Wall Street**  
By Bob Hill  
A. G. Edwards & Sons, Inc.

From the East coast to the West coast and in numerous communities in between a real taxpayers revolt is brewing, especially with homeowners. Skyrocketing property taxes are the reason for raising the roof over higher taxes. Inflation has pushed the cost of everything from education to garbage collection. So, cash-strapped cities and towns are putting the arm on owners of single-family dwellings as never before.

The real problem area is the trend toward assessing single-family dwellings at their fair market value, or at least making sure that comparable property is assessed equally. This both increases local tax revenues and eliminates inequities caused when inflation forces assessments to get out of line. The equalization process is the only fair approach; but it makes the residential property owner

**Letter to the editor:**  
**Reader deploras welfare 'abuses'**

Welfare has become a growing concern among the middle class society in recent years. Welfare rolls have increased monstrously in our local area and new recipients, whether needy or not (doesn't seem to matter any more) are being added all the time!

WHY IS there not a more accurate system of checks on this system? The people have the say-so as to whether or not there is a welfare program! If people are so opposed, why is welfare taking so many billions of tax dollars each year from the "working" people and "giving" them to those too lazy or apathetic to make it themselves! Welfare started out to cost just a few million and has since skyrocketed beyond our budgets' endurance!

Attitude is the major problem! So many people say, "It wouldn't do any good to say anything." "What could I do, no one listens to just one person." or "Oh well, the government takes it all anyway!" I say HOGWASH! Apathetic attitudes like these are taking our country straight into a Socialistic Doom.

You say no—look at it as it is: Our country started out with the idea of "Give each person an 'equal opportunity' to become unequal." Big government says, the poor have a right to eat just as well as the working class so we'll give them a way to do so. Now we have Food Stamps. Who pays? Those poor people are having children and the children must of course be fed properly. Now we have WIC Cards. Who pays? Even medical care!

NOW I hear there is a new program in the making for Clothing Stamps, and even discussing the possibilities of Automobile Stamps. You may say that sounds ridiculous—so do I, but it is all quickly becoming a reality—that only we can change. All this just so the people too lazy and apathetic to help themselves can live as well as those of us that strive hard to better our position in life.

Some may say, "Well, as long as the government pays for it I don't care." Wake up! The government uses our tax dollars for all these wonderful programs. The people that work the most to earn what little they do, are taxed to support the habitual welfare recipient of which second and third generation is not uncommon. Russia—not the US—is the place for that kind of garbage.

I say if they can't provide for themselves as young growing Americans, then let them die! The settlers to our country didn't depend on a government assistance program when they set out to settle this great land, but they made it. I hope it is not the intent of our government to make all Americans equal, because we're not. Russia has that system where almost everyone is equal—equally poor.

I'M NOT implying that our United States is bad. I would rather live here than any place in the world. I'm just saying place else to go for the funds necessary to provide the increasingly costly services.

STATES AND cities are slowly responding to the homeowners outcry by having their tax rolls audited and stepping up the evaluations of multi-family units.

**business and industry**

**Farmers' gas cost bill introduced**

State Senator Kent Hance of Lubbock has introduced legislation in the state Senate which would give irrigation farmers who use natural gas to pump their irrigation wells relief from the continually increasing costs of natural gas.

HANCE'S legislation would require the Texas Railroad Commission to hold public hearings before a rate increase could be placed into effect on agriculturally used natural gas. "At the present, natural gas being used for agricultural purposes in Texas has no regulation. A farmer's only choice when confronted with a natural gas price increase is to either pay the increased price or to turn off his irrigation wells," stated Senator Hance.

Hance noted that the cities of this state have always had the right to approve or disapprove

all Texas agricultural gas be classified as a number one priority rating by the Texas Railroad Commission. Hance indicated that he felt such action would demonstrate to the Federal Power Commission the need of keeping natural gas for agricultural use as a number one priority in the state of Texas.

MORE FEDERAL money for public works programs should soon be available to Texas. An additional \$120 million should become available to Texas cities and other public entities that have unemployment greater than 6.5 percent.

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## Secretaries have dinner in Dimmitt

The home of Glenna Fry in Dimmitt was the meeting place for Peak of the Panhandle Educational Secretaries Association last week, when a Mexican dinner was served.

BETTY Huckabay was the program guest, presenting an informative talk on "Women's Rights" which closed with a question and answer period. A white elephant gift exchange was also part of the program.

Officers for next year, to be installed at the May meeting in Hereford, were elected. Jessie Ann Davis, vice president, was advanced to the presidency and Helen Lee chosen to succeed her. Sue Cherry was named secretary. All are members from Hereford.

Dimmitt members at the dinner were Elberta Dyer, Billye Gwen Davis and Bessie Strickland. Oleta Sanders of Springlake-Earth, Margarette Craig and Dorothy Mercer of Hereford were also present.



WEDDING PLANS for Susan Parish and Daniel Perez are announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Parish. Perez is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Perez Sr. The marriage is planned for 6 p.m. May 21 in the First Baptist Church, with a reception and dinner following in the fellowship hall. Miss Parish will graduate from Texas Tech University in May and plans to teach in the Dimmitt area next fall. Perez is employed at the Amstar-Spreckles plant in Dimmitt.

## National head of Four W's group to speak at Lubbock

Members of the Association of the W's in Dimmitt, with others of the area, plan to attend a meeting to hear Lottie Beth Hobbs of Fort Worth, president of the national association, speak at 7:30 p.m. today (Thursday).

A GROUP will leave the Lee Street Baptist Church and anyone interested in joining the party is invited to telephone Jean Whitsitt at 647-4640 or Yvonne Wakefield at 647-2449.

Miss Hobbs, who will speak in the Lubbock Women's Club at 2020 Broadway, founded the Women Who Want to Be Women in 1974 after she became concerned over pending legislation she felt was harmful to the family way of life.

Name of the organization was changed because of interest shown by men who are now shown. The Association

## Auction set in Tops Club

Installation of officers in Tops Club 386 will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday in the courthouse community room. An auction of handcraft items is scheduled at the same place and time Monday, with guests invited.

AT THE club meeting this week a total weight loss of 30 pounds, 8 ounces was recorded for the members present.

Top loser of the week was Peggy Swearingen, with 5 pounds, 4 ounces. Kops of the Week was Patricia Powell, whose weight loss of 2 pounds, 4 ounces enabled her to maintain her desired weight.

is made up of those who share Miss Hobbs' concern, and in Texas members have conducted an active campaign of letter writing to legislators urging that the Texas endorsement of the Equal Rights Amendment be rescinded.

MISS HOBBS, a graduate of Abilene Christian University, was employed by the federal government for years before she decided to work full time writing and publishing religious inspirational books.

She is the author of seven books, has spoken widely in person, on television and radio broadcasts and has taught and trained teachers in churches.

Just returned from Florida, where she had speaking engagements opposing the ERA, she took part in a public debate last week on that subject with Texas Representative Chris Miller.

## Candy making program slated

Dimmitt Young Homemakers will see a demonstration of candy making at their meeting at 7:30 p.m. today (Thursday) in the homemaking department of Dimmitt High School.

JOHNNIE Battey of Hereford will give the program and show how to make different types of candies.

All members are asked to be present, as plans will be discussed for the club's annual Members' Day Out.



## Socially Yours

### Irene's Ideas

## Label collecting ended

By IRENE KEATING

We have been getting many calls about the computer code labels. Last Tuesday we called the Memphis hospital (again), and they told us the company that was redeeming them no longer did so. I suggest that you not save them any more. If we ever do get any better information, we'll pass it along to you. Thanks to each of you who have been so responsive and willing to help.

LAST WEEK I was in Lubbock for two days of training about home remodeling. It was very interesting and I'd like to share several things with you. Of those families who are applying for loans for a new home today, fewer than 17% can qualify. So we see that many people must keep their present home doing what they can to make it more adequate. There is also a new "rule of thumb" regarding how much money you can plan to spend on housing. It used to be 2 1/2 times your annual income, but now it is 1 1/2 times your income or not more each year than 25% of your earnings. This is partly because utility bills now are often as great or greater than the mortgage payment on a house.

If you are contemplating remodeling I'll be glad to help you however I can. Be sure you check on the building codes and get a permit. Most people remodel kitchens and/or bathrooms. Garages are also often converted into usable space. Bedroom additions are also common. However, remember that if you have more than 4 bedrooms or three bathrooms you are not adding to the resale value of your house. When you remodel keep your house comparable (money wise) to the others in your neighborhood. You cannot get \$50,000 for your house in a neighborhood of \$30,000 homes.

One of the things you may want to do is add insulation to your house. Heating bills can be reduced up to 40% with proper insulation. There are new recommendations for the amount of insulation needed and I'll be glad to share them with any of you who are interested.



Barbara LeGate

## LeGate-King engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Nolen L. LeGate of Hereford announce the engagement of their daughter, Barbara, to Steve King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. King of Dimmitt.

THE COUPLE plans to be married May 28 in the First Christian Church in Hereford.

Miss LeGate, presently employed by AVI Corp. at Hereford, attended South Plains College in Levelland after graduation from Hereford High School.

King is a graduate of Dimmitt High School, attended South Plains College and Texas Tech and is a student now at West Texas State University while he is engaged in farming operations with his father.

## Small Talk

By SUE COLEMAN

Overheard, about an engaged couple: "They seem to be very compatible. They both use the same hair tint."

IN A recent Newsletter of Castro County Senior Citizens there is a little reminder which shouldn't be necessary but unfortunately is: "If you are ill please do not come to the center. Remember older people are more susceptible to illness."

Not only older people, even schoolchildren are needlessly exposed to the respiratory illnesses that are prevalent now, by careless folk who should stay at home with their coughs, sneezes, sore throats and other germ-spreading ailments.

A PERSON who is not very sick himself can infect others who may suffer serious illnesses.

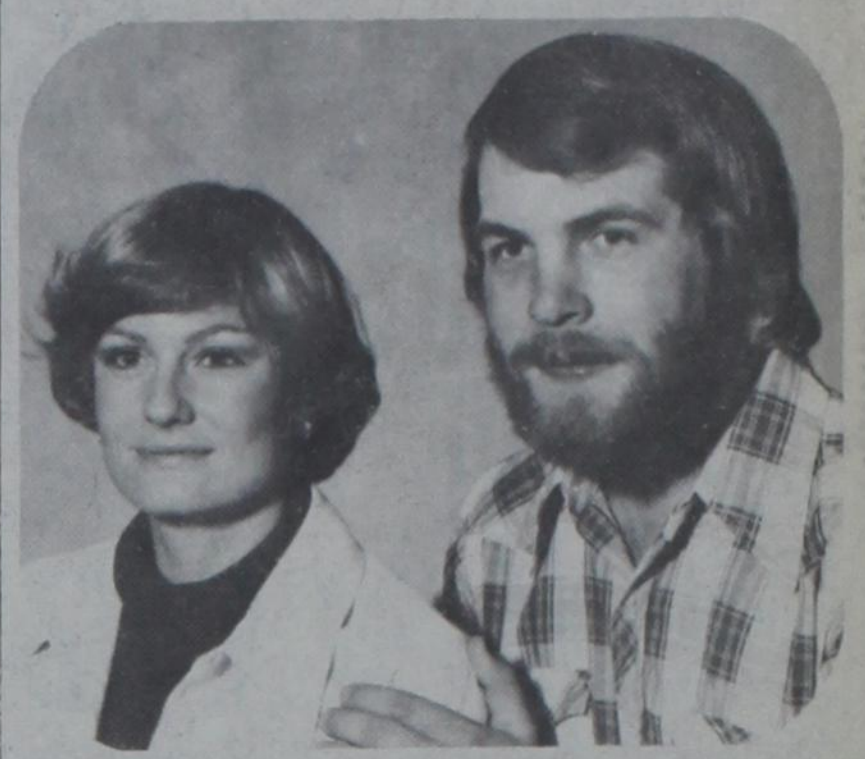
The over-conscientious employee whose zeal to impress the boss may give all his fellow-workers the flu, the pupil under pressure to have a perfect attendance record and the restless socialite who won't miss a session of the bridge club are all guilty types.

Even if you don't feel too badly, best check up if you "have something catching" and see if this outing is necessary.

PLEASE understand that I'm not trying to encourage those who habitually goof off and find excuses to miss a day's work or school. They don't need any encouragement and will discover some excuse without help.

### On the go

Jim and Diane Grussing and baby have moved to Castlewood, S. D. from their home on Pine Street. Her sister Tammy Ward went with them to help them get settled. And Sunday before they left the people of the Presbyterian Church gave them a dinner at the assembly room, at the courthouse. A picture was given the Grussings, made by M. L. Simpson.



JUNE WEDDING DATE for Sarah Beth Puckett of Floydada and Charles Brent Sanders will be the 18th, with the ceremony to be conducted in Floydada. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Puckett of that city, the bride-elect is a candidate for May graduation from Texas Tech University, where she is a member of Kappa Delta Pi, national honor society. Sanders is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Simpson Jr. and the late Charley Sanders. A graduate of Dimmitt High School, he is engaged in farming.



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## Possible 4-H club for Hart being discussed

Mrs. James Campbell was hostess for the March meeting of the Hart Home Demonstration Club, which discussed sponsorship of the organization of a 4-H Club.

FURTHER discussion was scheduled for the next meeting, April 14 in the home of Mrs. Kent Kelley, when all prospective 4-H members and interested parents are invited. The program will be a 4-H demonstration.

Plans were made for more improvement of the park at the Legion Building, which is to be used as a community center. Mrs. Lyndall Warren presided for business.

The hostess displayed her collection of African violets as she gave an informative talk on growing the plants.

Present were Mmes. Albert Key, Greg Crosby, L. C. McLain, Rickey Mitchell, Kim Williamson, Warren and Kelley.

## Hostess' name listing missed

The name of Alice (Mrs. Joe) Cowen was omitted on last week's social page of the Castro County News, in listing hostesses for a shower honoring Mrs. Jeff Latimer.

Mrs. Cowen and a number of other friends entertained at the Country Club for Latimer's bride, the former Jodi Nunamaker of Amarillo.

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"THANK YOU" sang Girl Scout Troop 171 to the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club at the meeting Monday. The Kiwanians helped start and sponsor the Girl Scout program in Dimmitt. Besides the thank-you song, which was a parody of a popular song, the girls also sang "The Chicken Song", "Side by Side", and their regular closing song "End of Day." Troop leader Ann Murphy aided the girls in the singing program. Leader Dottie Lewis explained that the girls are working on their songster badges.

and one of the requirements is to present a program of songs to another group. Leaders' helper Mildred Washington also accompanied the girls at the meeting. Troop members who were present are [from left] Traci Cearley, Angie Kitchens, Tammy Washington, Tricia Touchstone, Anita Silva, Barbara Lewis, Shirley Hansen, Melissa Teas, and leader Mrs. Murphy.

## 7th grade boys take first at Tulia Relays

First place in the Tulia Junior High Relays last Friday was won by the seventh grade boys from Dimmitt Middle School, while the Dimmitt eighth graders took second in their division.

SEVENTH grade boys who were first in their events were Freddie Trevino, 1320 run; Larry Espinosa, 80 yard high hurdles; Ronnie Varner, discuss; Kyle Weatherford, high jump and Mario Moreno, shot put. Other places included:

220 dash, Rafael Enriquez 2nd, Tim Wales 3rd, Randy Burnam 4th, Tony Enriquez 6th.

1320 run, Gabriel Montiel 3rd, Phil King 4th.

1320 relay, Espinosa, Esqueda, Burnam and Flores, 2nd.

440 RELAY, Weatherford, Flores, Esqueda, Enriquez, 2nd.

660 run, Trevino 2nd, Ricky Gonzales 3rd, Felix Falcon 5th, Weatherford, 6th.

80 yard high hurdles, Danny Flores 3rd.

100 yard dash, R. Enriquez 3rd, Wales 5th, Moreno 6th.

330 dash, Burnam 4th, Falcon 6th.

230 low hurdles, Wales 3rd, Gonzales 6th.

Long jump, Burnam 5th, Bobby Campbell 6th.

Discuss, R. Enriquez 4th.

Shot put, Varner 3rd, R. Enriquez 4th.

Pole vault, Montiel 2nd, Ronnie Atry 3rd.

TO GAIN second place for eighth graders the Dimmitt boys totaled 123 points, led by Terry Mixson's win in the 660 yard run. Numerous seconds and thirds added to the total, with Dimmitt boys placing as follows:

Long jump, Adrian Stanton 2nd.

High jump, Randy Washington 2nd.

Shot put, Trent Armstrong 3rd, Ben Holcomb 5th.

Pole vault, Monte Roberts 2nd, Washington 3rd.

Discuss, Danny Underwood 6th.

440 relay, Stanton, Washington, Mixson, Garcia, 3rd.

660 run, Rolando Melendez 3rd.

80 yard high hurdles, Mixson and Roberts tied for 6th.

100 yard dash, Stanton 2nd, Washington 3rd, Julian Garcia 4th, John Laurent 6th.

330 dash, Ruben Nino 3rd, Steve Garcia 4th.

220 dash, Stanton 2nd, Washington 4th, Melendez 5th, J. Garcia 6th.

1320 relay, Nino, Underwood, Ramirez, Garcia, 3rd.

EIGHTH graders competed in the Hereford Sports Weekend Relays March 17, placing sixth in team standings, not 12th as reported in last week's News. Fifteen teams competed.

Roberts was second in the pole vault with a 9-3 lift. Melendez placed second and Mixson fourth in the 660, Washington third in the 220, Stanton fourth and Washington fifth in the 100. In the 440 relay, Stanton, Washington, Mixson and Nino ran sixth.

AT THE wind-lashed Floydada track meet March 11 the Dimmitt team managed only three points as Washington was fifth in the 100 and sixth in the 220 dash.

## Garage sale features Senior Center calendar

A three-day garage sale, April 14-16, features the calendar for next month at the Senior Citizens Center, SE Third and Lee streets, and a new craft class, in decoupage, will begin April 5.

NORAMAE NEWSOM is in charge of arrangements for the garage sale. Any residents who have items they will donate for the sale are asked to take them

to the center or to notify Mrs. Newsom or the center director, Mary Acker.

The new class in decoupage is scheduled to meet at 1:30 p.m. April 5, 12 and 25. Classes in needlepoint will continue at that hour April 4 and 18, and the crochet class each Thursday afternoon. The monthly quilting day is set for April 27.

The center will be closed April 8 and 11 for Easter, but open at the usual hours, 10 a.m. to 12 and 1 to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

THE MONTHLY blood pressure clinic is slated from 10 a.m. to noon next Thursday and a hearing aid test and repair session from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 20.

Irene Blanton, Georgia Henderson and Viola Howard will be hostesses for the game night Tuesday, Gladys Leeth, Bea Hardy and Cletha George on April 12.

Bingo games will be at 7 p.m. April 25, with white elephant gifts as the admission fee. Hostesses will be Blanche Ginn, Frances Goodwin and Neva Hickey. There will be a game afternoon April 22.

Faye Kenmore and Dean Myers are new members listed for last month.

Happy anniversary!

[Compiled from the Community Birthday Calendars of the County Home Demonstration Council and the Nazareth American Legion Auxiliary.]

APRIL 1 - Mr. and Mrs. David Sanchez.

APRIL 2 - Ed and Johnny Wilson, Arlie and Doris Petty.

APRIL 3 - Larry and Linda Powell, Elmer and Florence Schulte.

APRIL 4 - Leroy and Velda Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Brockman.

APRIL 5 - Tom and Georgia Finley, Mr. and Mrs. Al Cameron.

APRIL 6 - Joe and Donna LaRue.

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