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Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1293 head of cattle at its sale on Saturday, June 28, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

The market was \$2 to \$3 higher on all classes of cattle. Feeder cattle and stocker calves in very good demand. Packer cows and bulls \$2 to \$3 higher.

Cows: fat, .36-.44; cutters, .35-.465; canners, .25-.40.

Bulls: bologna, .48-.575; feeder, .55-.90; utility, .35-.48.

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Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .85-1.05; 300-400 lbs., .80-1.00; 400-500 lbs., .67-.90; 500-600 lbs., .65-.84; 600-up lbs., .65-.77.

Bred cows: young to middle aged \$550-\$700; aged or small, \$350-\$550 test.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, \$600-\$850; small or aged, \$450-\$600.

No sale July 5.
Special sale will be held July 12: 27 head open Brangus heifers, vaccinated, 750-800 pounds. 75 cows 20% calved out.

Obituaries

Marshall Gerald Conner

Funeral services for Marshall Gerald Conner, 64, of Rule were held Thurs., June 26 at the First Baptist Church in Rule with Rev. J. R. Williams and Richard Louder officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mr. Conner died Mon., June 23 at his home.
Born July 27, 1932 in Rule, he served in the U. S. Army during the Korean War. He married Esther Menchaca in August of 1980. He was a retired driver for the Double Mountain Coach transportation service and a member of the First Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by one son, Chris Eric Forbis and two brothers, Reginald Conner and Don Ed

Conner.
Survivors include his wife, Esther Conner, of Rule; two sons, Marshall Alan Forbis of Abilene and Jerry Zane Forbis of Idaho Falls, Idaho; one daughter, Michelle Bonnell Baldwin of Springfield, Missouri; one step-daughter, Theresa Baiza of Rule; one brother, Eugene Conner of Midland and four grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Eddie Briles, Robert Ace Turner, Derrell Sorrells, Eugene Rhoads, John Camp, Bobby Kitley and Ed Fouts.

Memorials may be made to the Hospice of the Big Country, 3113 Oldham Lane, Abilene, TX 79602.

Helen Mischer

Funeral services for Helen Mischer, 78, of Garland were held Thurs., June 26 in Williams Chapel in Garland. Burial was in Old Glory of Texas Cemetery.

Mrs. Mischer died Mon., June 23.
Born Jan. 9, 1919, she had been a resident of Garland for over 50 years. She was retired as food services manager at Intercontinental. She was a member of the Baptist Church and the Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herman Mischer and an infant son.

Survivors include her sister, Virginia Shay of Savannah, Tenn.; niece and nephew, Pam and Larry Shay of Savannah, Tenn.; adopted family, Dorothy, Benny, Derral, Ralph, Gina, Darla, Michelle, Frances, Justin, Sharon and Stephanie Chaney of Garland and Janet Kane of Rockwall.

Floye Alice Hoover

Funeral services for Floye Alice Hoover, 97, of Palava were held Wed., June 25 at Cate-Spencer & Trent Funeral Home Chapel in Sweetwater with Rev. Keith Clifton officiating. Burial was in Palava Cemetery under the direction of Cate-Spencer & Trent Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hoover died Mon., June 23 at Rice Springs Care Home in Haskell.

Born Feb. 8, 1900 in Orange County, she was a farmer and rancher and lifetime resident of Palava. She was a member of Palava Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by four brothers and three sisters.

Survivors include one sister, Eunice Scott of Sweetwater; numerous nieces and nephews including George Hoover of the Dallas area; Herbert Hoover of Sweetwater, G. C. Hoover of Palava and Dan Hoover of Haskell.

Pallbearers were Carol Burnett, Dale Burnett, Stanley Johnson, Howard Gene Smith, Turner Harvey and Carroll Kearney. Honorary pallbearers were Glenn Imken, Cleave Smith, Ted Sharrock, Ted Marchant, Gene Neeper, Lance Hall, Bill Harvey, Leon Goswick, Jack Hartman, Jimmy Lee, Earl DeBusk, Kenneth Bonner, L. H. Howard and Eddie Mitchell.

Memorials may be made to the Palava Cemetery Association, 1623 East 13th, Sweetwater, TX 79556.

Bettie Louise Van Cleave

Graveside services for Bettie Louise Van Cleave, 87, of Stamford were held Mon., June 30 at the Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Van Cleave died Fri., June 27 at a Stamford nursing home.

Born July 8, 1909 in Rule, she was the daughter of Fannie Flowers and C. E. Van Cleave. She grew up in Rule and graduated from Rule High School. She moved to Abilene in 1957. She worked as a sales clerk for Abilene Drug for 17 years. She was a Methodist.

Survivors include four cousins, J. V. Frizell Jr. of Stamford, Bill Robinson of Abilene, Pee Wee Flowers of Aspermont and Mary Moudy of Colorado City and lots of friends.

Alene Bristow

Graveside services for Alene Bristow, 75, of Rule were held Fri., June 27 at Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Bristow died Wed., June 25 at a Haskell care home.

Born Nov. of 1921, she married Floyd W. Bristow on Dec. 21, 1939. He preceded her in death. She was a homemaker and a lifelong resident of Rule.

She was preceded in death by a son, David Earl Bristow.

Survivors include three sisters, Ernestine Evans of Midland; Frances J. Beard of Big Spring and Nona Harley of Levelland; three brothers, Gordon R. Bryant of Rule, Maynard W. Bryant of Midland and Beaty R. Bryant of Old Glory; several nieces and nephews.

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Chaffin, Szatkowski wed

Becky Jo Chaffin and David James Szatkowski were united in marriage May 31, at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Arlington.

The bride is the daughter of Margaret and Sam Chaffin of Brownfield. Grandmothers of the bride are Frances Fischer of Haskell and Evelyn Chaffin of Crane.

The groom is the son of Jenny and Dan Szatkowski of Benbrook, and the grandson of Mary Szatkowski, also of Benbrook.

The ceremony was officiated by Ryan Pfeiffer of Fort Worth.

Given away by her father, the bride wore a traditional gown of silk and alencon lace. The bodice was encrusted with pearls and clear sequins and featured off the shoulder short puff sleeves with rosettes adorned with beaded lace applique.

The bouffant skirt was scalloped with hem lace and pearls. The back was highlighted with a bow at the waist, flowing to a cathedral train. To complete her attire, the bride chose silk rosette tiara and silk illusion veil with seed pearls.

Her bouquet was an assortment of white roses, stephanotis and English ivy.

The bride's something old was a handkerchief she carried made by her great-grandmother, Mrs. Sleety Chaffin, something new was her dress, something borrowed was a pearl drop belonging to her grandmother Evelyn Chaffin and worn on a pearl necklace give to her by Kim McVay. Something blue was her garter. Becky wore a six pence in her shoe brought to her from England by Jenny Szatkowski.

Serving as maid of honor was Gina Swaim of Richardson. Bridesmaids were Heather McVay of College Station and Lisa Fortinberry of Weatherford.

The bridal attendants wore short black silk shantung dresses with sweetheart neckline and off the shoulder sleeves. They carried stems of white gladioli with English ivy and springerli.

Scott Shaver of Fort Worth served as best man. Groomsmen were Art Shelton of Austin and Darrell Williams of Lubbock.

Serving as ushers were Doug Keating of Austin and Jon Harris of Abilene.

The groom wore a black single-breasted tuxedo with tails, ivory banded collar shirt with black and rhinestone button studs and cuff links, and an ivory vest. He wore a boutonniere of a white rose and stephanotis. The best man, groomsmen and ushers wore black-breasted tuxedos, ivory banded collar shirts with black and rhinestone button studs and cuff links, black vests, and a boutonniere of stephanotis.

Guest book attendants were Shelle Montgomery of Rowlette and Tamara Loving of Lewisville.

Music for the wedding was provided by Christina Alves of Fort Worth, she sang "Rejoice in the Lord" and "In this Very Room" as the guests were seated. The mothers were seated by their husbands as Christina sang "Ava Maria". After the couple exchanged vows, Christina sang "Make Us One Father". At the close of the ceremony, Christina and Ryan Pfeiffer, the minister, sang "The Nuptial Blessing".

The bride and groom were driven to the reception by Roger Blocker, of Fort Worth, in his blue and English ivory 1955 Dodge Coronet.

A wedding reception was held at the Knights of Columbus in Arlington with Cousin's barbecue catering and the Rueffer Band of Irving entertaining the guests.

The rehearsal dinner was held at the Steak & Ale and was hosted by Jenny and Dan Szatkowski.

Following a honeymoon to Montego Bay, Jamaica, the couple is at home in Alvarado.

Both the bride and groom are employed by Arlington Police Department.



RICK APPLING - MISTY PORTER

Porter, Appling plan August wedding

Kim and Cindy Porter of Petersburg proudly announce the engagement of their daughter, Misty Meshawn, to Rick Appling, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Appling of Amarillo.

Misty is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Thomas Jr., of Haskell.

She is a graduate of Southwestern State University

School of Pharmacy and is employed by Eckerd Drug in Oklahoma City, OK.

Rick is a senior pharmacy student at Southwestern State University.

The couple plan to marry August 8, in the Ford Memorial Chapel of First Baptist Church in Lubbock. They will reside in Oklahoma City, OK.

Watson, Marin to wed

Sandra Watson Reynolds of Haskell is proud to announce the approaching marriage of her daughter, Debra Ann Watson, to Jacob Marin, son of Vincent and Marie Marin of Rochester.

The couple will be wed in a double ceremony. Joining them will be Jacob's sister, Jessica, and her prospective bridegroom, Colt Leonard. Jessica and Colt are residents of Midland. Leonard is the son of Malinda Leonard of Midland.

The couples plan to wed Sat.,

July 26 at 8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule.

Grandparents of Ms. Watson are Tommy and Betty Watson and Claude and Rosie Reynolds, all of Haskell.

Friends of the couple are invited to attend.

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Larned reunion

The Grover Larned family held a reunion last weekend in Haskell.

Attending were Tommy A. Larned, Mulberry, Florida and daughter, Judy Taylor of Tallahassee, Florida; Jack O. Larned and his son, John, both of San Antonio; Willis Franklin Larned of Breckenridge; and Venita Kreger of Haskell.

The group was especially glad to have Jack Larned present. He has been a patient in Audie Murphy Veterans Hospital in San Antonio recently.

Many friends and relatives dropped in to visit during the weekend.

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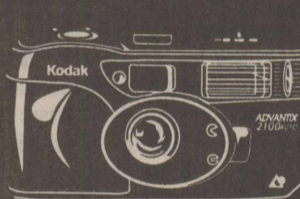
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OPINION

A gift that keeps on giving

by Mary L. Kaigler

In the late third century B.C. the Greek thinker/philosopher Plato reasoned that, "The direction in which education starts a man determines his life."

In the late twentieth century a group of visionary Haskell people agrees with Plato's logic, and through their efforts the Haskell CISD Education Foundation was formed and dedicated to the furtherance and encouragement of excellence and innovation in the Haskell schools.

Through donation gifts, trusts and grants (all tax deductible), the non-profit organization's goal is to fund creative, challenging, educational projects beyond the scope of the regular school budget, that will expand the professional ability of teachers to broaden, enrich and stimulate the creative process for their students.

Not surprising, dedicated teachers are excited over the prospect of added enhancements to the regular curriculum. Although the possibility of receiving such added assistance is relatively new to the teachers, as far as naming specific projects, many would welcome the boon of mini-grants for such things as "hands on" teacher training workshops, costumes for the history departments, or supplies to implement innovative, advanced projects on every class level.

"There is available a wonderful permanent science lab project with material for each aspect categorized for every age group K through 8th grade that is a science teacher's dream", said 5th grade teacher Caren Yates, when asked about extra that would benefit the school. "Just being able to bring to the classroom qualified, interesting speakers on historical events, occupations or the arts would be great," she added.

Organized only six months ago in December, 1996, the Foundation, through its first annual

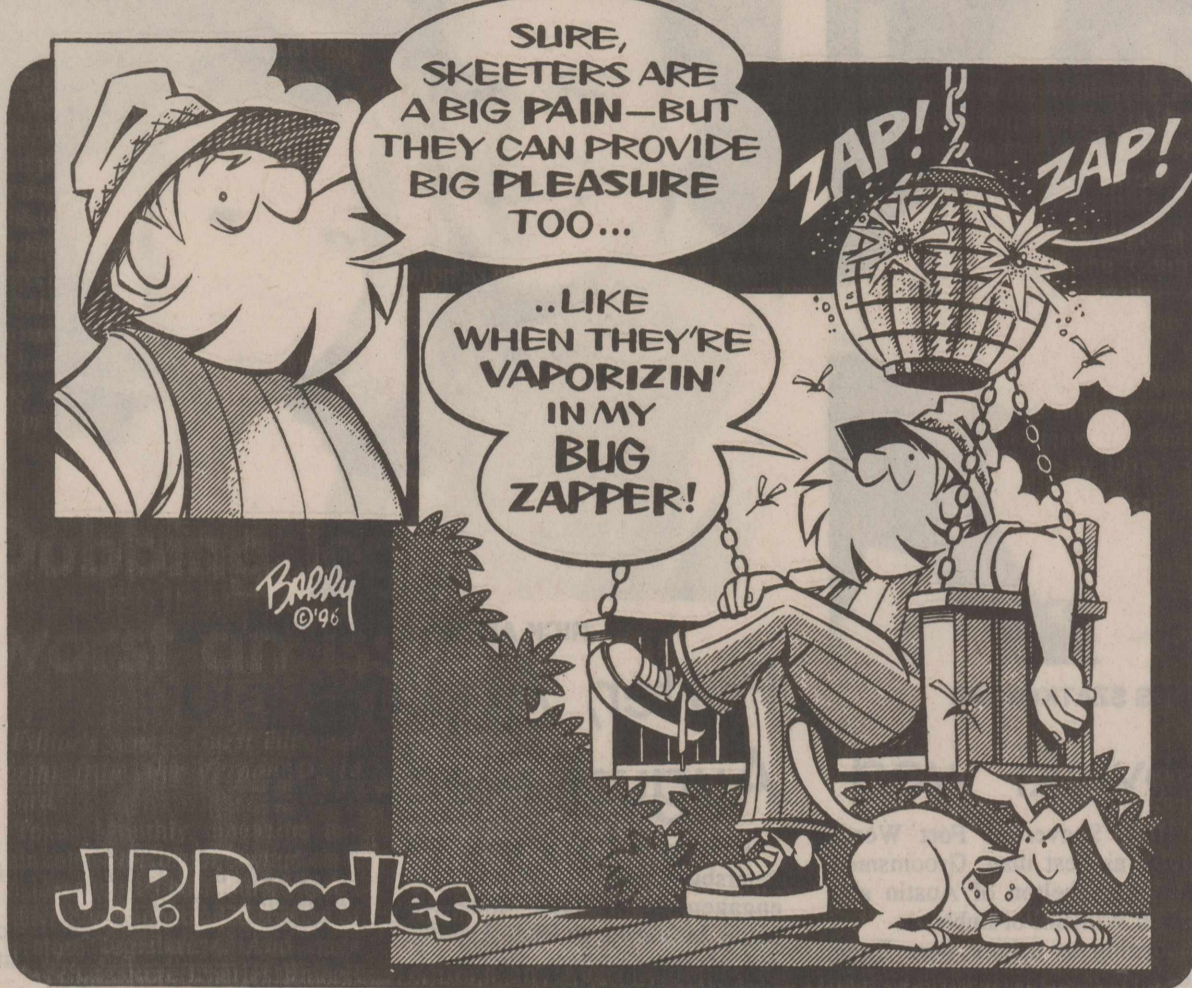
fund-raising banquet, has already been able to give one "special circumstance" scholarship to assist a gifted young student take advantage of an opportunity offered this summer. With the Foundation's help, Mario Alvarez will participate in the Young Writer's Creative Workshop at Mid-Western University, which will feature writer Larry McMurtry as a speaker.

In cooperation with the Haskell school system, application has been made for a "First Things First" reading grant. This will make possible a whole year of extra emphasis on early reading which is vitally basic to all later learning abilities.

Foundation board president, Doyle High, who has seen what a similar foundation has done for his small home town of Walters, OK, enthusiastically envisions the same for Haskell. His goal for gifts and grants in 1997 is twenty five thousand, with a million dollars total raised for a permanent endowment fund by the year 2007, to be used toward making Haskell's good school system one of the best small town academic systems in Texas.

A gift made to the Haskell Education Foundation will make possible many motivating projects, bringing balance to all areas of development in the child, thus enhancing overall the normal education program. Memorials and honorariums will give the community and alumni the opportunity to become a part of the education process; will give able teachers additional opportunity and encouragement to put their own creative ideas to work in the lives of children, and will give students opportunity, through special scholarships, to further define and develop their aptitudes and talents.

As an investment in helping start the direction of a child's life, it's a gift that keeps on giving.



Legal Matters

by Dan Morales, Attorney General

Slamming is the common term for using deception or fraud to switch a telephone customer from one long-distance company to another, often without the customer's knowledge or consent. This practice costs consumers thousands of dollars in overcharges, not to mention the hassles and frustration it causes. The Office of the Attorney General has sued a number of companies for slamming Texas telephone customers.

Tricks of the Trade

Until now, local telephone companies were required to switch customers from one long-distance provider to another whenever the new company made the request. However, they were not required to confirm the switch with you.

Some long-distance companies used sweepstakes forms, promotions, and bogus "checks" to trick customers into switching their service. When you signed and returned these misleading mailers, you were actually changing authorizing a phone company change.

Some companies used verbal authorizations of relatives and children as grounds for requesting a switch in service providers. Other companies may have simply forged the signatures of potential customers.

Changes in the Law

Texas consumers now have a new weapon against long-distance slamming: a law recently passed by the Legislature. Under its provisions, your local phone company is barred from changing your long-distance service without first verifying that you want the change.

If your local phone company also collects the bill for your long-distance service, it must print the name of your long-distance provider on the first page of your phone bill. Your bill must also tell you who to contact if you believe there is a mistake. (This requirement may be waived for small local phone companies.)

The Public Utilities Commission will issue rules protecting consumers from companies that use deceptive practices to trick you into switching your service.

Local phone companies will be able to switch your phone service at the request of a long-distance carrier only if they receive authorization in one of the following ways:

- written authorization from you
- toll-free electronic authorization called in from the phone number to be switched
- verbal authorization obtained by an independent third party
- mailing you a switch cancellation form; authorizing them to make the switch if they don't hear from you within 14 days.

Extra Safeguards

If you initiate a change in service, the long-distance company will be required to keep on file some piece of information that only you could know, to verify that you are the one who actually requested the change. Such information might include your mother's maiden name, the name of a street you lived on years ago, and so on. Your personal identifying information may not be released to the public.

A long-distance company that makes an unauthorized change will have to switch you back to your original company, pay your original long-distance company the money it would otherwise have received from you, and reimburse you for any excess charges you have paid as a result of the change.

The Public Utilities Commission, which regulates telephone service, can take administrative action against companies that repeatedly violate the anti-slammings rules. This action can include assessing monetary penalties and revoking the company's right to provide telecommunications service in Texas. My office will also continue to actively review complaints about long-distance slamming and take action when needed to protect the interests of Texas consumers.

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago
July 2, 1987

A sign went up Monday at the location of the soon-to-open Winn's store at the northeast corner of the square in Haskell. The store is expected to open this week, but a formal opening is planned for July 16.

Navy Seaman Jeffrey R. Denson has completed recruit training at Orlando, Fla. He is the son of Lucy G. and Raymond K. Denson Jr. of Rule.

20 Years Ago
July 7, 1977

The Haskell Trap Club held its monthly Handicap event, with each shooter assigned a Handicap yardage, according to his ability.

The number one spot went to W.E. Wooten, while the second and third place was shared by Garry Bill Womack and Charles Thornhill.

Riva Hitt was among the 2,000 graduating seniors at Texas Tech University, May 13, 1977.

Marine Corporal Perry L. Pinkard, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Pinkard of Rule, has reported for duty at the New River Marine Corps Air Station, Jackson, N.C.

30 Years Ago
July 6, 1967

The Haskell Saddle Tramps was judged as top riding group Tuesday at the opening day parade of the Stamford Cowboy Reunion. This is the second consecutive first place award for the Haskell Club this year.

Wanted: Ladies to accept Free Hose! Join Lane-Felker's Hose Club. Buy 12 pair within twelve months and your 13th pair is Free!

50 Years Ago
July 3, 1947

Haskell Butane Company, which services a large area in this section, has installed additional storage facilities which will enable the concern to service an increasing number of people in this area.

Miss Caroline Turner is soloist on KDWT radio station, Stamford every Tuesday and Saturday from 11:30-11:45.

First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School was a grand success with 130 members enrolled and an average of 89 present for each meeting. Graduation exercises marked the closing last week.

90 Years Ago
July 1907

A windstorm of considerable violence swept over the northwest part of the county Monday night. The town of Rochester was hardest hit. Several houses were demolished but most people had gone into storm houses for refuge.

I.N. Furrh of the Weinert section was in town and reported that the storm missed his neighborhood. He lives about 5 miles west of Weinert.

Considerable space was given to the organization of the Central West Texas association of Commercial Clubs. The people of Haskell have lined up in an organization known as the 10,000 Club, which means that they have joined together to make Haskell a city of 10,000 people by 1910.

Beware credit repair clinics

by Lou Gilly

Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Beware of businesses that say they can fix your bad credit. Extension family economics specialist Dr. Joyce Cavanagh says don't believe the sign on the telephone pole that reads "Turned down because of bad credit? We can help". She says the fees can be substantial, ranging from hundreds to thousands of dollars, and more than likely, you will get nothing for your money.

That's because no one can remove bad credit. If the information is true, it will stay on your credit report. If it's false, you can correct it yourself for a lot less money.

Cavanagh says credit repair clinics operate on the edge of the law. They flood credit bureaus with multiple appeals hoping that accurate, negative information will be erased from a client's files. She says credit bureaus are skilled in recognizing credit repair clinics and the tactic rarely works.

Personal bankruptcy up

by Lou Gilly

Haskell Co. Extension Agent

For the first time in history, the number of Americans filing personal bankruptcy has passed the one million mark. That is up 35 percent over 1995.

Extension family economics specialist Dr. Nancy Granovsky says for every dollar earned, Americans are spending a dollar-ten.

Your finances can't last for long when you're living like that. She says you should spend no more than 20 percent of your take-home pay on non-mortgage debt.

To calculate your debt-to-income ratio, add up your monthly credit payments, excluding your mortgage or rent. Divide the total by your take-home pay. If that figure exceeds 20, you're living beyond your means.

Dubbing legislators as best or worst an issue of perspective

Editor's note: Guest editorial reprint from the Vernon Daily Record.

Texas Monthly magazine has again released a list of lawmakers it considers the 10 best and 10 worst of the recently-concluded session of the state legislature. And once again, State Rep. Charles Finnell of Holliday has received the dubious honor of being included on the publication's 10-worst roster.

In the eyes of the Austin-based magazine, Finnell's sin apparently is that he has been a member of the legislature for 28 years and shows no signs of leaving.

Texas Monthly said, in effect, that it could find nothing of substance in Finnell's list of legislative accomplishments. "To be here so many years...and to achieve so little; now that is a sin,"

the article stated.

The substance of a piece of legislation obviously depends on perspective. Much of Finnell's work in each session is geared specifically toward issues that are of importance to his mostly-rural North Texas district. Magazine editors in Austin might not consider them vital, but his constituents seem to appreciate the efforts.

Otherwise, how do you explain the ease with which he seems to be re-elected every two years?

Finnell, for instance, has insured for the past two legislative sessions that efforts continue toward finding an acceptable answer to just where the Texas-Oklahoma border lies along the Red River. For those whose land is affected by the shifting boundary as it is currently

defined, that's a major concern.

He was also a leading proponent of legislation which allowed the state to increase speed limits on highways once the federal government ceded that control, a result of his awareness of the importance of transportation needs in rural areas.

Finnell's name has also been associated for a long time with rail safety and horse theft protection laws—issues that again assume more importance for smaller, rural-based communities.

While others in the magazine's rogue's gallery may have earned such distinction because of their partisan politics or extra-curricular shenanigans, Finnell doesn't deserve such a smear.

Nor do the people who elected him.

Texas is first state to implement red imported fire ant control plan

by Greg Kaase
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Texas is the first state with a plan to manage the red imported fire ant. The Texas legislature is allocating two-and-a-half million dollars annually for fighting this pest. Approval of the statewide management plan puts Texas in the forefront in the fight.

The proposal will fund research, regulation, education and community-wide controls.

However, that dollar figure pales in comparison to the estimated 300 million dollars in damage done by fire ants in Texas each year.

State Representative Tom Ramsay of Mount Vernon says mothers will once again be able to send their children out to play without the fear of them getting stung. Dr. Ray Frisbie, head of the entomology department at Texas A&M, says researchers at A&M, Texas Tech and the University of Texas are experimenting with

biological controls such as parasites that prey on the ants. They're also working on genetic ways of controlling the fire ant population.

Going hand-in-hand with the research will be educational efforts to teach people how best to control the ants within their own yards. The state plan also calls for community-wide controls where entire neighborhoods are on a pesticide application schedule to keep the fire ants at bay.

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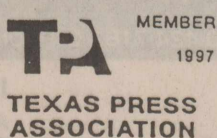
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BILLY AND OUIDA HISE celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Wichita Falls with their children and grandchildren recently.

Cotton jacket workshop to be held July 22 in O'Brien

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service-Knox County, will sponsor a "Cuddle-Up Cotton Jacket" workshop on Tues., July 22 from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at the O'Brien Baptist Church.

This jacket, made of Sandcastle Fabric and accented with Prairie Points, can be seen at the Knox City Florist or the Haskell County Extension office.

Cost of the workshop will be \$30.00. This will cover the cost of most materials.

Those who pre-register will be furnished with a list of other items needed.

To pre-register call the Knox County Extension office at 454-2651.

Deadline to pre-register is Friday, July 11.

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Peiser and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fischer visited Sandra McGary and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Dean Druessedow in Abilene on Tuesday and enjoyed playing games of 84.

Tamera Hawkins and a friend, Jarred Weaver, of Irving, spent the weekend with grandparents, Mrs. and Mrs. Wayne Walters and also visited Grandma Joyce.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Ross, of Irving, visited with her son and family, the Ronnie Vaughns, Sat. and Sun.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Cockerell, Steven and Jimmy of Early paid a surprise visit with her mother, Joyce Hawkins. They did several handy jobs for her. Micheal Hawkins returned home with them for a few days.

Rev. and Jimmalee George visited with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Don George in Irving, where Rev. George played in two golf tournaments. He brought home one trophy.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Leonard several days was a granddaughter, Julie Marlett of Sharon, OK. She had lunch with them on Monday at the ECC.

Visiting in the home of Rev. Johnson was his sister and her children, from Waco.

Visiting with Mae Lou Yeldell was her granddaughter, Ebone'

Williams, from Arlington.

Rev. Wade was in Dallas this week at the bedside of her grandbaby, who underwent heart surgery.

The Greater Independent Baptist Church's 5th Sunday program was Sunday morning, and Rev. L.C. Johnson Sr. brought the message. His text was "The Good Shepherd".

Jenny Goudeau will be in Arlington this week with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Williams.

The Greater Independent home coming will be the 3rd Sunday in July—looking forward to all ex-members and ex-pastors.

Frank Jordan will be in Dallas this week at the V.A. hospital for a doctor's appointment.

Visiting with Mae Lou this weekend was her son and daughter, Ronny and Edith Williams, from Arlington.

Celebration to honor Cleave Decker's birthday

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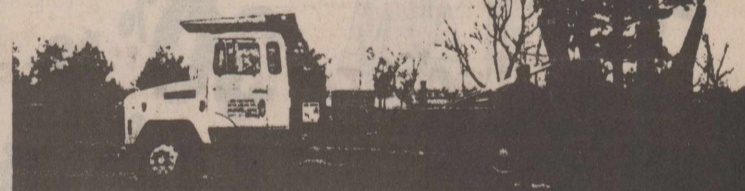
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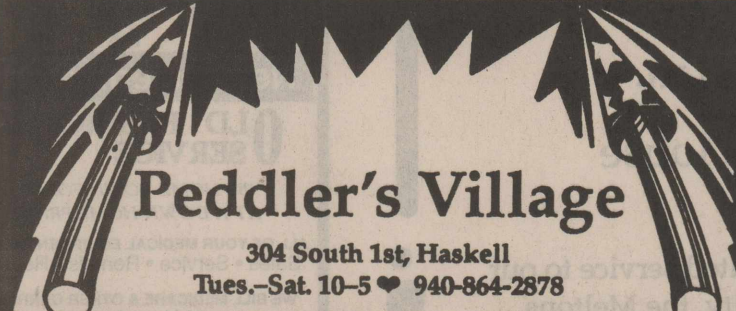
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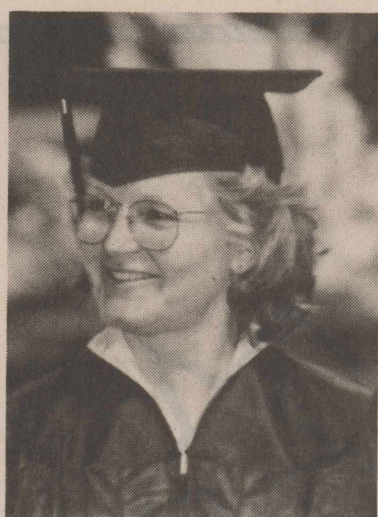


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8 and Under
Barrels-1. Chad Hays, 2. Misty Hise, 3. Weston Rutkowski, 4. Ashton Rutkowski, 5. Jay Hollabaugh.

Flags-1. Chad Hays, 2. Misty Hise, 3. Jay Hollabaugh, 4. Ashton Rutkowski, 5. Weston Rutkowski
Poles-1. Larissa Hise, 2. Chad Hays, 3. Misty Hise, 4. Ashton Rutkowski, 5. Weston Rutkowski, 6. Jay Hollabaugh.

9-12
Barrels-1. Lacy Hollabaugh, 2. Terry Branch, 3. Cassie Lamb, 4. Morgan Cox, 5. Kris Hise, 6. Brittany Rutkowski.
Flags-1. Terry Branch, 2. Lacy

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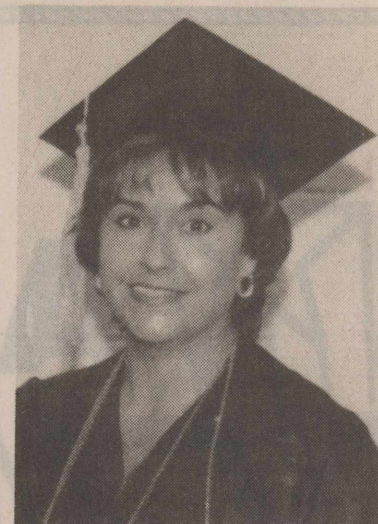
13-15
Barrels-1. Jennifer Fowler, 2. Julie Fowler
Flags-1st Jennifer Fowler, 2. Julie Fowler
Poles-1. Julie Fowler, 2. Jennifer Fowler.

16-19
Barrels-1. Jodi Pope, 2. Jessica Fowler, 3. Ryan Bird, 4. Ryan Branch

Flags-1. Ryan Branch, 2. Jodi Pope, 3. Ryan Bird, 4. Jessica Fowler

Poles-1. Jodi Pope, 2. Ryan Branch, 3. Jessica Fowler, 4. Ryan Bird.

Riding exhibition from Haskell was Kelsie Adams.



MIKEANA JEFFREY

Jeffrey is spring graduate

Mikeana Wilcox Jeffrey of Rule was one of 17 members of the spring 1997 graduation class at Tarleton State University, Stephenville, honored as Departmental Outstanding Graduates during commencement exercises held May 17.

Tarleton President Dr. Dennis P. McCabe recognized the students during the two ceremonies held to accommodate the large number of graduates. Department Outstanding Graduates are selected from their major departments based on recommendations from administrators and faculty members.

Jeffrey was chosen from the Department of Management, Marketing and Administrative Systems and she received the Bachelor of Business Administration in Human Resources Management. Mikeana was also chosen to speak on behalf of the class of 1997.

Ft. Griffin to host astronomers

The Fort Worth Sidewall Astronomers will be at Fort Griffin State Park Fri. and Sat. July 4 and 5, to present an evening program. They will have large aperture telescopes set up to observe the night skies. This will be an adventure in deep space with stunning views of planets, galaxies, star clusters, moons and comets. The milky way and moon craters will be explored, the planets in their full glory and many of the constellations will be observed. Everyone will get to view through the telescopes and should be an unforgettable experience for the whole family.

All anyone really needs is their curiosity, but a pair of binoculars can come in handy. All the events will be starting about dusk.

The program is free, however normal park fees will apply.

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The public hearing will be held on July 16, 1997 at 7:30 a.m. at the Appraisal District office, 604 North First Street, Haskell, Texas.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget,	\$210,670
The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.	\$ -0-
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget	5 (full-time equivalent)
The number of employees compensated under the current budget.	5 (full-time equivalent)

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.


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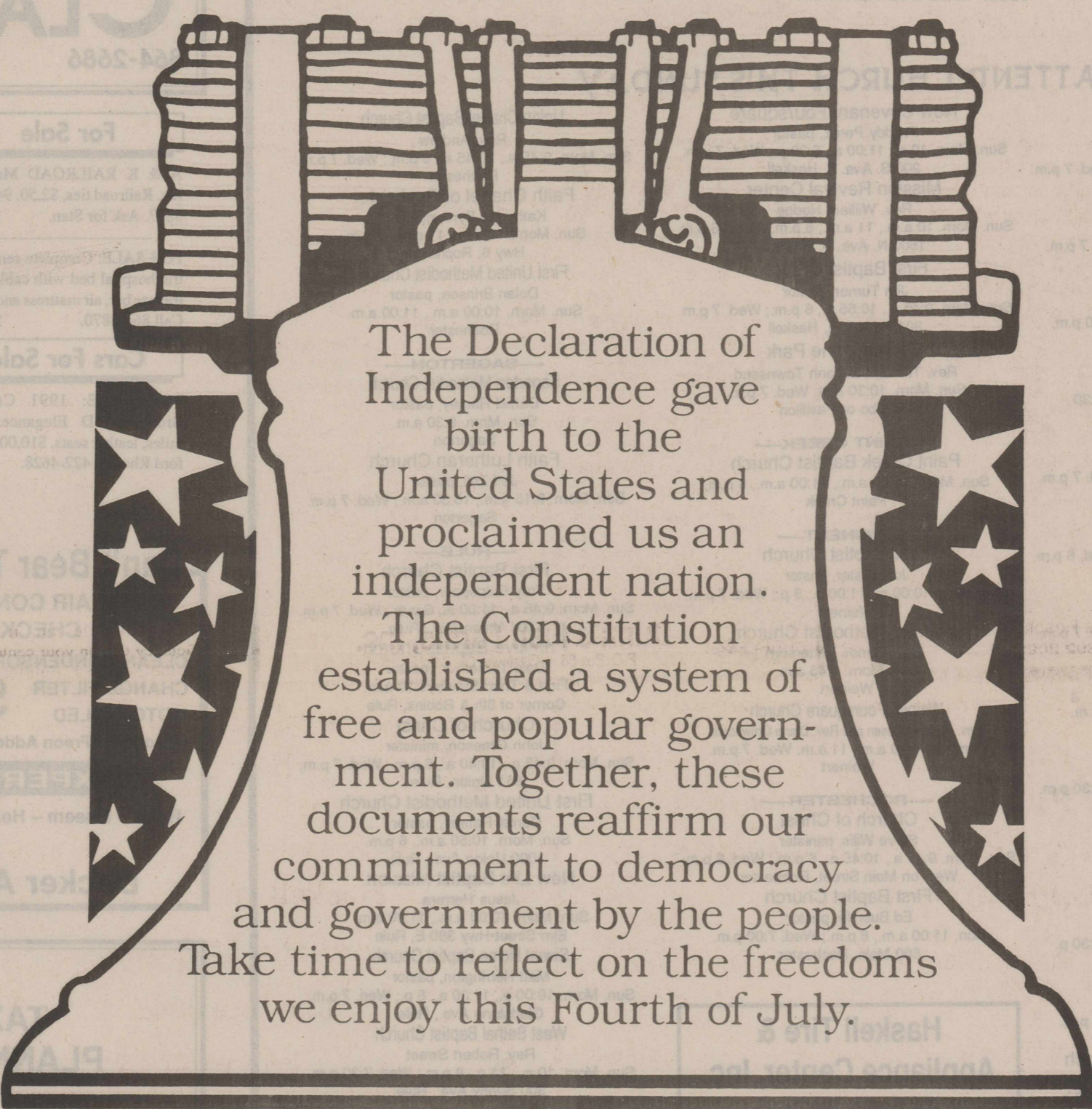
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Student in the News

The A Honor Roll and Distinguished Student list for the Spring 1997 semester has been released at Tarleton State University, Stephenville.

Students listed on the A Honor Roll must have a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on the 4.0 system and be taking a minimum of 12 hours.

Students include: Kim A. Gilly of Haskell, Mikeana Jeffrey of Rule and Christy D. Mathis of Sagerton.

by Charles H. Spurgeon
"Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said... Be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods."

Daniel 3:16, 18

The narrative of the manly courage and marvellous deliverance of the three holy children, or rather champions, is well calculated to excite in the minds of believers firmness and steadfastness in

Food for thought

upholding the truth in the teeth of tyranny and in the very jaws of death.

Let young Christians especially learn from their example, both in matters of faith in religion, and matters of uprightness in business, never to sacrifice their consciences. Lose all rather than lose your integrity, and when all else is gone, still hold fast a clear conscience as the rarest jewel which can adorn the bosom of a mortal.

Be not guided by the will-o'-the-wisp of policy, but by the pole-star of divine authority. Follow the right at all hazards. When you see no present advantage, walk by faith and not by sight. Do God the honor to trust him when it comes to matters of loss for the sake of principle. See whether he will be your debtor! See if he doth not even in this life prove his word that "Godliness, with contentment, is

great gain," and that they who "seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, shall have all these things added unto them."

Should it happen that, in the providence of God, you are a loser by conscience, you shall find that if the Lord pays you not back in the silver of earthly prosperity, he will discharge his promise in the gold of spiritual joy. Remember that a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of that which he possesseth. To wear a guileless spirit, to have a heart void of offence, to have the favor and smile of God, is greater riches than the mines of Ophir could yield, or the traffic of Tyre could win. "Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and inward contention therewith." An ounce of heart's-ease is worth a ton of gold.

submitted by Sam Bitner

This Week's Devotional Message:

WHEN YOU VISIT GOD'S WILDERNESS, KEEP IT CLEAN



may share the place with you. Another reason is that you are God's guest there. In any wilderness area you can see all that beauty which He has provided for your enjoyment. Think of it as an outdoor extension of your House of Worship, and respect it as you would any place where you are an invited guest. In this case, the "guest room" is all God's creation.

Whenever you pay a visit to the home of friends or relatives, you naturally remember your manners and do your best to keep the place as neat and clean as possible. By the same token, if your plans take you to a wilderness or camping area, this is also a good place to remember your manners. It's really a form of "love thy neighbor," because you do this out of consideration for others who

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

HASKELL

- East Side Baptist Church**
David Page, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell
- Christian Church**
Dusty Garison, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- Church of God**
Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m.
East Hwy 380, Haskell
- Trinity Lutheran Church**
Gary Bruns, pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30
Hwy 380 East, Haskell
- Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**
Vergil Smith, interim pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
607 S. 7th, Haskell
- First United Methodist Church**
Shane Brue, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
201 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- First Assembly of God**
Rev. J.C. Amburn
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- St. George Catholic Church**
Father Michael Melcher
Sat. Mass 7:15 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.
901 N. 16th, Haskell
- Church of Christ**
Dale Huff, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
510 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- First Presbyterian Church**
Jasper McClellan, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Trinity Baptist Church**
Rev. Kenneth Blair
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
401 S. Ave. D, Haskell
- Hopewell Baptist Church**
John Lewis, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell
- Greater Independent Baptist Church**
Rev. Camellia Wade, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell

New Covenant Foursquare

- Freddy Perez, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
200 S. Ave. F, Haskell
- Mission Revival Center**
Rev. William Hodge
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell
- First Baptist Church**
Jim Turner, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Church in the Park**
Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend
Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
Gazebo or Pavillion

PAINT CREEK

- Paint Creek Baptist Church**
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
Paint Creek

WEINERT

- First Baptist Church**
Joel Rister, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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- Weinert Methodist Church**
Rev. James Patterson
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
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- Weinert Foursquare Church**
Rev. Joyce Goossen and Rev. Diane Crowmover
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
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ROCHESTER

- Church of Christ**
Steve Willis, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester
- First Baptist Church**
Ed Buerkle, pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
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Union Chapel Baptist Church

- Rev. Andrew
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Rochester
- Faith Chapel of Rochester**
Katherine Byrd, minister
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
Hwy 6, Rochester
- First United Methodist Church**
Dolan Brinson, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Rochester

SAGERTON

- Sagerton Methodist Church**
Daniel Ramey, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
Sagerton
- Faith Lutheran Church**
Jeff Zell, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Sagerton

RULE

- First Baptist Church**
Troy Culpepper, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1001 Union Ave., Rule
- Primitive Baptist Church**
Dale Turner Jr., pastor
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule
- Church of Christ**
John Greeson, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:40 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
811 Union, Rule
- First United Methodist Church**
Daniel Ramey, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule
- New Life Baptist Mission**
Jesus Herrera
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Elm Street+Hwy 380 E, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**
Matt Herrington, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule
- West Bethal Baptist Church**
Rev. Robert Sweet
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule

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Written By
Richard E. Rodgers, CPA



ESTATE PLANNING IS OFTEN WORTH MORE THAN INCOME TAX PLANNING

If you learned about a new income tax deduction, you'd probably be very interested. Yet when it comes to estate planning, it's hard to get people's attention. But consider this: an additional \$1,000 income tax deduction might save you about \$300 in taxes. One of the following estate planning strategies could easily be worth \$100,000 or more.

Plan to bypass estate taxes. You can leave your entire estate to your spouse, free of estate tax, but when your spouse dies, currently only \$600,000 of assets will not be subject to estate tax.

To keep your spouse's estate as low as possible (and possibly free of estate tax), consider leaving some or all of your property to a **bypass trust**. This trust would pay income to your spouse for life, and then distribute its assets to your children or other heirs. You can currently leave up to \$600,000 or property to a bypass trust without paying estate tax. And because property in a bypass trust isn't part of your spouse's estate, it won't be taxed when your spouse dies. Potential estate tax savings can be very large.

Plan to trim your estate. Currently, you may give up to \$600,000 tax-free during your life, but each dollar of gift reduces the amount that will escape tax in your estate. There's one big exception: you may give up to \$10,000 per year to any number of people without triggering gift tax or dipping into your \$600,000 allowance. Even better, your gift (and any future increase in its value) will be removed from your estate.

Example: You have two married children and four grandchildren. Each year, you make eight gifts of \$10,000 each, with no gift tax and none of your \$600,000 allowance used. Potential savings in your estate: at least 37% of the value of the gifts. Caution: never make a gift just to save estate taxes, and don't part with property that you may need later on.

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Garage Sales

LARGE GARAGE/YARD SALE: July 3, 4, 5, and 6. 9 a.m. till dark. Books, glassware, cookware, clothes, reclining lift chair, and many other items. 1702 N. Ave. G. 27p

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PURSUE A NURSING CAREER
Pre-entrance testing for Vernon Regional Junior College LVN Nursing Program for Vernon, Seymour, and Wichita Falls campuses. Test dates Vernon are July 7, 2:00 p.m. and July 30, 4:00 p.m. and July 12, 8:30 a.m. and July 23, 5:30 p.m. Wichita Falls. Testing is pre-requisite for admission. Application deadline: August 1. Classes begin August 25. Cost is \$4.00 and must have photo ID and social security number to take test. Call the Vocational Nursing Office at (940) 552-6291, ext. 278, Vernon or (940) 696-8752, ext. 204, Wichita Falls. AA/BOE. 26-27c

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WANT TO BUY two or more lots in old part of Willow Cemetery. Call 940-864-8024. 27p

Public Notices

NOTICE OF ESTRAY
Date: June 13, 1997
PERSON REPORTING ESTRAY: Jody Bellah or Tony Martinez, Krooked River Ranch.
LOCATION ESTRAY WHEN FOUND: Krooked River Ranch.

LOCATION OF ESTRAY WHILE IMPOUNDED: Haskell Livestock Auction.
DESCRIPTION OF ESTRAY: Kind of Animal: Cow; Breed, Crossbred; Color, Yellowish Brown; Sex, Female; Age, 4-5 years; Size, 1000 pounds; Brand, Mark, Identifying Characters: Brand H left hip.

NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT OF ESTRAY
On the 13th day of June, 1997, I impounded the above mentioned estray, and on the 20th day of June, 1997, I filed a Notice of Estray in the Estray Book of Haskell County, Texas. I have made a diligent search of the register of recorded brands in Haskell County, Texas, for the owner of said estray, but the search did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the 12th day of July, 1997, said estray will be sold at public auction at Haskell Livestock Auction.

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Pursuant to existing provisions of Subchapter G, School District Depositories, Texas Education Code, it is the intention of the Board of Trustees of the District to assist with the banking functions for all funds of the District for a two-year period commencing not later than September 1, 1997 and ending August 31, 1999 or until such time as a successor Depository is named.

The legal provisions providing for the naming of a Depository of the District are set forth in Subchapter G, School District Depositories, Sections 45.201 through 45.209, of the Texas Education Code. Investments by the District will be governed by the Government Code, Chapter 2256, Public Funds Investment. Securities pledged as collateral to secure District deposits will be governed by the Government Code, Chapter 2257, Collateral for Public Funds. Bidders Conference

A bidders conference will be held. Bank representation is not required for submitting a bid. However, the submission of a bid shall be prima facie evidence that the bidder has full knowledge of the detailed requirements as outlined in this bid notice: Bid Conference Date: August 11, 1997. Time: 7:30 p.m. Location: Paint Creek ISD. Address: Board Room.

Submission of Bid
Sealed bids are to be submitted using the appropriate bid forms. They will be received in the office of the Superintendent of the District, Rt. 2 Box 190, Haskell, Texas 79521, until 12 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 8, 1997, at which time said bid will be publicly opened and read. All bids must be sealed and clearly marked on the outside, "Bid to Serve as Depository for Paint Creek Independent School District Funds. Attention: Ronnie Reel." Banks submitting bids should be careful to see that the

appropriate bid form is used.
Evaluation Process
All bids will be evaluated by the School Board, and a written recommendation will be made to the Board of Trustees and released to interested parties by Aug. 15, 1997. The Board of Trustees will designate the Depository at the regular meeting on Aug. 11, 1997. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to accept the bid the District considers most advantageous. Acceptance of a bid will be based on the total package of services offered by the banking institution.

Other
1. The successful bidder will notify the District in writing within ten (10) days of any changes in Federal or State regulations or laws that would thereafter affect the depository agreement.
2. The District will be allowed to purchase time deposits which mature after the ending date of the depository contract; however, the Depository may apply new interest rates to the time deposits after the ending date of the contract; or the District will be allowed to withdraw the time deposits upon the ending date of the contract without penalty or loss of accrued interest.
3. The bank's records relating to the District's accounts shall be open to review by either the District, its independent auditors and the Central Education Agency.
4. A Texas Education Agency depository contract will be forwarded to the successful bidder.
5. The District reserves the right to exclude direct payroll deposit service from the depository contract. 27c

We would like to extend heartfelt thanks to our many friends and loved ones who shared their precious memories and kind thoughts about our loved one, a dear husband and daddy. Your cards, visits and words of encouragement are a constant source of strength, and we sincerely thank you.
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Haskell County 4-H members who participated in Vernon were Morgan Cox, Cassie Lamb, Hegan Lamb, Heath McCulloch and Levi Terry. Hegan placed 6th in the Breakaway Roping and 2nd in Calf Roping. Team penning contestants Cassie Lamb, Hegan Lamb and Roni Morrow received 6th place while Morgan Cox, Heath McCulloch and Levi Terry placed 12th. Hegan walked away with a belt buckle for requiring the most points in the Open Show.

Morgan Cox finished 5th in the pole bending and Cassie Lamb

placed 13th in the barrel race. Both of these young 4-H'ers along with Hegan Lamb will represent Haskell County at the State 4-H Horse Show in Abilene.

Representing District 3 at the State Horse Show in the Qualifying events from Haskell are: Morgan Cox and Cassie Lamb, alternate.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

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QUILT RAFFLE—This broken star pattern quilt, made and shown here by Beunice Vahlenkamp, will be raffled off during the Old Glory Homecoming. Colors of the quilt are red, white and blue—the school colors. The homecoming will be held August 30 at the Old Glory Community Center. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5 and are available from former students or by contacting Herbert Vahlenkamp in Old Glory.

Stenholm honored for ag service

Jimlee Baccam of Stamford, president of the board of directors, Haskell board member Billy Middlebrook, and Jerry Terrell, general manager of the Stamford Electric Cooperative among agricultural leaders from across the state met in Abilene Sat., June 28, to honor Congressman Charles Stenholm for his dedicated service to Texas agriculture.

J.B. Cooper of Roscoe, representing Farmland Industries, called Stenholm a "gifted visionary" who had never forgotten his roots in West Texas and had served tirelessly to support agriculture over the years. Cooper cited Stenholm for "always being a champion of the balanced budget and tax reform."

Jack Parks of Stephenville, board member of both the American Milk Producers Inc. and the Texas Co-Bank, recalled visiting other members of Congress in Washington on agricultural issues over the years. "Over and over I heard, 'Well, what does Charlie think about this?'" Parks said. "That tells you volumes about Charlie Stenholm's reputation in Washington," he said.

Stenholm told the group that the financial pressures on agriculture in Congress are greater than ever before. "There are no government programs currently available to strengthen agriculture's marketing power," he said, "and none on the horizon," stressing that continuing cooperative approaches were the agricultural markets and return

only way to increase international more profit to the producer.

The event was sponsored by Farmland Industries, American Milk Producers, Inc., Texas Association of Cooperatives, Farm Credit Council, Texas Rural Electric and Texas Co-Bank.

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The Dean's List is published each semester, honoring those who have achieved high scholarship. To be eligible, a student must be carrying 12 or more hours and have an average scholarship level of 3.50 minimum.

Huff, a senior majoring in mathematics, attended Haskell High School before entering Harding.

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