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RIFLES TO BE GIVEN AWAY - Lester Gickhorn is shown with two rifles which will be given away at Wilson's 4th of July celebration by the Wilson Fire Department. The Browning, Model Lightning BLR, 243 caliber rifle with walnut stock, and a Ruger, Model M77 Mark II, 22-250 caliber rifle with a bull/varmint barrel will be given away from a ticket drawing, from contributions to the Fire Dept.

VBS Set June 24-29 At Methodist Church

"Kingdom of the Son, a Prayer Safari," is the theme of First United Methodist Church's Vacation Bible School, which will be June 24-29. The church is located at 1801 Ave. J in Tahoka.

VBS will be held from 5:30-9 p.m. each night, with all area children invited.

The VBS will include games, crafts, songs, snacks and Bible stories. Van service is available and those interested should call 998-4503.

Brownfield Concert To Feature Daron Norwood

Daron Norwood will be featured in a July 4th concert at Brownfield Cub Stadium in Brownfield. The concert is \$5 per person with age five and under free.

Gate opens at 4 p.m. and the concert begins at 6:30 p.m.

For more information contact the Brownfield Chamber of Commerce at (806) 637-2564.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
June 12	86	62	.90"
June 13	91	67	
June 14	88	65	.67"
June 15	87	64	
June 16	93	66	
June 17	93	64	.05"
June 18	98	66	

Total Precip. for June to date: 2.5"

Total Precip. 1996: 5.36" moisture

Sweet Street Baptist Sets 'Summer Splash'

Sweet Street Baptist Church of Tahoka will be having "Summer Splash-A Fun Day With Christ" on Thursday, June 20th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Classes will be held for four years of age through the sixth grade.

"We invite boys and girls of these age groups to come and join us," said Lynn Long, pastor.

Each child should bring a sack lunch as there will be a picnic at lunch-time.

Burglary, Forgery Reported

A 30-year-old Wilson man was charged with forgery after he was arrested in an apartment in Tahoka Monday. He had fled from a store where he attempted to cash a check for \$365.14. According to the manager, the suspect ran away while the manager was phoning to verify the check. Police and deputies then traced the man to the apartment and arrested Jimmy Dale Deprang, who later was charged with check law violation.

Richard Ortiz of Rt. 1, Wilson, reported an attempted burglary of his residence on a county road south of FM 211 June 10. Ortiz said he heard glass breaking from a window and saw two male suspects fleeing the residence. He said he shot once at the suspects' vehicle as it sped away. No property was reported missing.

On Sunday afternoon a 1976 Chevrolet pickup driven by Catarino Garza of O'Donnell struck a parked 1977 Suburban owned by Reggie Moore of Tahoka, causing minor damage.

Four persons were added to the jail population this week, on charges of driving while license suspended, theft by check plus failure to appear on theft by check over \$200 and less than \$750 in Ector County, simple assault, and parole violation and forgery (Hale County).

St. John Lutheran Church To Host 'Vacation Bible Ship'

"This year our church is taking a 'vacation' from Vacation Bible School," says Pastor Thomas of St. John Lutheran Church in Wilson.

Vacation Bible Ship begins June 24 and continues through June 28. Cruises depart from St. John Lutheran Church, 13th and Dickson, Wilson, each day at 6:30 p.m. and return at 9 p.m.

"Instead of going to school, we're setting sail on Vacation Bible Ship. Our Vacation Bible Ship program will provide fun, memorable Bible learning activities for people of all ages. Each day we will sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, nibble tasty treats from the ship's galley, sail into Bible adventures, and create unique crafts to take home and play with all summer long," explained the pastor.

"Vacation Bible Ship is a five-day celebration of God's love. We'll conclude each day with a festive Bible Show Time program that gets everyone involved in celebrating what they've learned. Family members and friends are encouraged to join us for a Vacation Bible Ship cruise you won't want to miss. We hope Vacation Bible Ship will spread God's love and joy throughout our community," added Pastor Thomas.

For information or to register, call 628-6573.

Sharp Delivers June Tax Rebates

John Sharp, State Comptroller of Public Accounts, delivered a total of \$154.5 million in June sales tax rebates to 1,081 cities and 115 counties, a 23 percent increase over the allocations for June 1995.

Lynn County received \$7,464,271, a 24.80% decrease from last year's payment of \$9,927,200.

O'Donnell received \$1,511,631, a 274.62% increase from last year's payment of \$403,500.

Tahoka received \$5,731,111, a 38.47% decrease from last year's payment of \$9,315,011.

Wilson received a 6.15% increase from \$208,690 to \$221,530 this year.



HARVICK BUILDING DONATED TO T.I.S.D. - Tahoka Independent School District Superintendent David Hutton accepts the Robert Harvick Insurance Agency building on behalf of the Tahoka School District from Mrs. Janette Harvick. The TISD Board of Trustees accepted the property at last Thursday night's board meeting, and voted unanimously to name the building the Harvick Educational Center, in appreciation for Mrs. Harvick's generosity. Mrs. Harvick taught first grade for 18 years for TISD, from 1971-1989. Trustees expect to use a portion of the building next year for classrooms for the Alternative Education program, with other possible renovations being discussed for future use. (LCN PHOTO)

Property Sale, New Acquisitions Dominate TISD Trustee Meetings

by JUANELL JONES

A building donation, purchase of portable classrooms and the sale of a house belonging to the school district dominated two meetings of the Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees last Thursday evening and on Tuesday morning this week. Amid all the property talks, trustees also approved hiring a new coach, approved campus improvement plans, renewed the Worker's Comp plan, and okayed an employee appraisal calendar among some other routine business.

The seven trustees voted unanimously to accept a generous donation from Mrs. Janette Harvick, who offered to donate the Robert Harvick Insurance building (on Main Street) to the school district, with the only financial obligation to the school district being a realtor's fee and closing costs totaling less than \$3,000. In accepting the building, trustees also voted unanimously to name the building the Harvick Educational Center. The board expects to do minimal renovation on a portion of the building to facilitate two classrooms for the Alternative Education Program for the next school year, and will discuss future renovations for other possible uses at a later date.

In another acquisition, a double portable classroom was purchased for the school district at a cost of \$1,550, according to Supt. David Hutton. The 1690 sq. ft. portable building will be used on the elementary campus for special education classrooms. Hutton told trustees that transporting the portable building to Tahoka ISD will cost approximately \$3,300. Moving the special education classes is expected to allow classroom space for the elementary music program, which currently has no classroom.

Three sealed bids were received on the sale of a house belonging to the school district, located just north of the high school gym, and trustees voted unanimously to accept the highest bid of \$4,675 from Alex Saldana. Sale terms included moving the house off the property at the new owner's expense. After the house is moved, the property will be used for much-needed additional parking space at the high school.

In other action, trustees voted unanimously to hire Rochelle L. Kaiaai as a teacher/coach for the district. Ms. Kaiaai, a former Texas Tech volleyball player who has won nu-

merous awards in her sport, will coach the girls volleyball program at Tahoka.

And in other business, the district's Worker's Comp Plan with Claims Administrative Services was approved for another year. The district is currently in the second year of a three-year contract for the plan, which Supt. Hutton says has saved the district considerable funds. Campus Improvement Plans, developed with input from the campus Site-Based Decision Making committees, were approved as presented, and a professional employees appraisal calendar for the 1996-97 school year was also approved as presented.

Bus Maintenance Supervisor Danny Patterson attended the Thursday meeting, providing information on the school's bus fleet and reporting on the overall condition and expected repairs needed for the fleet.

Campus principals were designated as administrators in charge of their own campuses and Supt. Hutton

was designated as District Administrator in charge, in a routine action required by law. Business Manager Loretta Tekell presented the financial report, and monthly bills were approved. The district's extracurricular supplemental pay schedule was approved as presented.

The next meeting was scheduled for July 11, with a one-hour board orientation meeting slated from 6:30-7:30 p.m. and the regular board meeting set to begin at 7:30 p.m. All seven trustees attended a three-hour training session at the Region 17 Education Service Center in Lubbock Tuesday morning, on changes in the Texas Education Code. Newly-elected trustee Ginger Henry also attended a new board member orientation training session from 1-5:30 p.m. at the Service Center Tuesday.

Trustees present at both meetings were Mrs. Henry, Greg Henley, Rex Rash, Brad Hammonds, Joe Calvillo, Carmen Chapa and Juanell Jones.



FLAGS LINE THE STREETS - Main Street, and many other streets in Tahoka, were lined with U.S. flags last Friday on Flag Day, due to the diligence and patriotism of the local Boy Scouts and adult volunteers and leaders. The Boy Scouts once again placed 388 flags throughout the city through their Flag Membership Program. The local Scouts place U.S. flags at participating members residences or businesses on six holidays a year, showing patriotism while raising funds for their local Scout program. Participants are reminded to pay their annual \$25 fee for the program, if they have not already done so, and may bring the fee to City Hall or mail it to P.O. Box 1194, Tahoka, TX 79373. (LCN PHOTO)



TALL SUNFLOWERS - Sunflowers have gotten lots of sun during these hot summer days, and Norma Wagoner says this sunflower stalk is 10 feet tall in her back yard, at 2412 N. 1st in Tahoka. (LCN PHOTO)

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Stone Accepted Into RFO Operation

Micah Stone of Tahoka has been accepted into the 1996-97 Ranch & Feedlot Operations Program at Clarendon College. Thirty-eight outstanding individuals were selected for Clarendon College's nationally-known program. More than 60 individuals applied for admission into this elite college program.

"I am very satisfied with the young women and men that have been selected to participate in our Ranch & Feedlot Operations Program," Jerry Gage, Director of RFO, said.

The CC Ranch & Feedlot Operations Program allows students who are interested in ranch or feedlot-related careers to gain new knowledge and technical skills to meet the needs of coping with today's complex agricultural programs.

Youth Art Show Is June 24-30

Kids 'n' Art presents the 1996 Youth Art Show, June 24-30 at the Algerita Art Center at 131 East Main Street in Post.

Monday, June 24 is for entries and judging is June 25 beginning at 1 p.m. The exhibit is open Wednesday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. until the awards presentation at 3 p.m.

Entry fee is \$1 per entry and there are four age groups - 6 and under, 7-10, 11-13, and 14-18.

For more information contact Linda Puckett at 806/495-2207 or 495-3623 after 6 p.m.

Lamesa To Host July 4th Celebration

The Lamesa area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the July 4th celebration, in Forrest Park in Lamesa again this year.

There will be a one-mile run, booths of all kinds, musical entertainment, a flag ceremony, and a fireworks display at dusk.

For booth rental information or to pre-register for the one-mile run, call 806-872-2181.

Nature is visible thought.
—Heinrich Heine

Service News

Air Force Maj. Billy E. Birdwell has arrived for duty at Yokota Air Base, Tokyo, Japan.

Birdwell, chief of public affairs, is the son of Charles E. and Estelle M. Birdwell of Tahoka.

The major graduated from Tahoka High School in 1970 and received a bachelor's degree in 1974 from Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos and a master's degree in 1991 from University of Texas, Austin.

Slaton Opry To Celebrate Anniversary

The Texas Avenue Opry House, located at 161 Texas Avenue in Slaton is celebrating their third anniversary on Saturday, June 22.

A full line-up of country, gospel, bluegrass and jazz will be offered by area musicians beginning at 4 p.m. as well as a full concession with grilled hamburgers.

The Texas Avenue Opry House is sponsored by the Slaton Chamber of Commerce. Admission is free, but donations are accepted.

Rogers Riddle Celebrates 81st Birthday

The children of Rogers Riddle of Tahoka hosted a party for her in honor of her 81st birthday on Saturday, June 15.

The party was held at the Barcelona Courts in Lubbock.

In attendance were all eight of her children, 15 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren. A total of 63 people attended, including spouses and other relatives and friends.

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MRS. KEVIN DALE BAILEY (nee MISTI HOPE LOBBAN)

Bailey - Lobban Vows Exchanged In Double Ring Ceremony

Misti Hope Lobban and Kevin Dale Bailey, both of Lubbock, were married at 4 p.m. Saturday, June 8, 1996 at First Baptist Church in Tahoka. Jerry Becknal, pastor, officiated the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Carl and Diann Reynolds of Tahoka and Birch and Vickie Lobban of Dover, Ark. Parents of the groom are Jean Bailey of Tahoka and the late P.D. Bailey.

The bride was escorted by her father, Birch Lobban, and met at the altar by her step-father, Carl Reynolds. Centered on the altar were two fan shaped candelabras decorated with hunter green candles, ivory tulle, and Swedish ivy. Flanked on each side of these were spiral candelabras decorated with ivy and baby's breath. A unity candle was cradled on a heart-shaped candelabra with ivy, baby's breath and draped with pearls. The center isle of the church was lined with candle lit brass pew markers and ivory satin bows.

The bride wore an ivory satin wedding gown featuring a Queen Ann neckline and a fitted bodice of lace and seed pearls. The sleeves were Victorian puffs of satin and lace. The floor length fitted skirt had a satin bow in the back and a detachable train of ivory satin trimmed with lace.

The bride carried a bouquet of magnolias, lace and ivory satin ribbon. In the bouquet the bride carried an antique ladies handkerchief given to her by Rutha (Mama) Tilley.

Kim Ingle of Lubbock was maid of honor. Theresa Cumberland and Audra McQuary, both of Dallas, were bridesmaids. They wore floor length hunter green sleeveless dresses with round necklines and a slit above the knees. They carried magnolias trimmed with tulle and satin ribbons.

Michael Saldana of Lubbock was best man. Dennis Williamson and Cruz Rivas III were groomsmen.

Jay Pebsworth of Tahoka and Rusty Cook of Lubbock were ushers.

As mothers were seated, soloist Byron Norwood sang "My Prayer To You" and "I Will Be Here," and

"Cross My Heart" as the unity candle was lit.

Pianist was Diana Hawthorne and organist was Donna Stone, both of Tahoka.

A reception was held in the church's fellowship hall following the ceremony.

The bride's cake was created by Pat Glisson and Diann Reynolds. The three separate tiered cakes were atop three hunter green columns. The cream cheese cake was decorated with magnolias, ivy and pearls.

Serving at the bride's table were Rachele King of Muleshoe, and Gennie Williams and Michelle Taylor, both of Lubbock.

The groom's cake was a four layer chocolate cake sitting on a pedestal covered with ivy, Connie Carpenter and Jill Cook, both of Lubbock, served at the groom's table.

After a honeymoon to Ruidoso, N.M., the couple will reside in Lubbock.

The groom is employed at South Plains Telephone Cooperative and attends South Plains College. The bride is a graduate of Tahoka High School and is employed by Rehabilitation Center in Lubbock.

A rehearsal dinner was given by the groom's mother at the church Friday and was catered by Charles and Vickie Ashbrook.

On May 5 a wedding shower honoring the bride and groom was given by the hostesses in the home of Mrs. Joe Brooks.

COTTON NEWS

From TRAVIS CORRAL COUNCIL, INC.

Producers interested in learning what types of change the 1995 Farm Bill will bring to them should consider attending the 2-day conference scheduled for June 27-28 at the Holiday Inn Civic Center Hotel, 801 Avenue Q, in Lubbock.

The conference, entitled "The Farm Bill and Beyond: Implications for Texas Agriculture, Agribusiness, and Rural Communities", will begin at 8:30 a.m. each day.

Registration fees for the conference were \$50 per person through June 15. A late registration fee of \$60 per person will be in effect until the conference starts. On-site registration will be available, however, pre-registration is encouraged to make sure ample seating is available.

For more information regarding the conference please call (409) 847-9066. Hotel reservations can be made by calling (806) 763-1200 and identifying themselves as affiliated with the "The Farm Bill and Beyond".

Several outstanding speakers have been invited to make presentations. Among those invited to speak are Texas Commissioner of Agriculture Rick Perry and Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman. Perry has been invited to address the group at lunch on Thursday, June 27. Secretary Glickman has been invited to speak at a 7:30 breakfast meeting on Friday, June 28.

Additional presentations will be given on topics ranging from the potential effects of the new Farm Bill on International and Domestic markets, State and Farm level impacts on Texas Agri-business and implications for the future, as well as Local economic and natural resource effects. Also on tap are panel discussions and strategy sessions.

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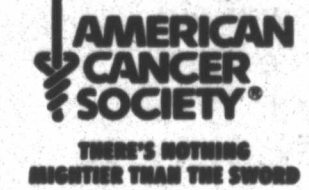
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**CRAIG WUENSCHKE and SHEILA JACKSON
Couple Announce Engagement**

Mike and Sharon Jackson of Lubbock and James and Janet Wuensche of Wilson announce the engagement of their children, Sheila Jackson and Craig Wuensche.

The couple will marry July 20, 1996 at Church on the Rock in Lubbock. The bride-elect is employed by the City Manager's Office in Lubbock. The future bridegroom, a graduate of Texas Tech University, is employed by the Lubbock Parks and Recreation Department.

Program Offers Services For Problem Youth

Catholic Family Services, Inc., based in Lubbock, offers services to help youth and families develop skills to cope with problems and stresses in their own home. The program is offered in several area counties, including Lynn, Garza and Terry counties, with Cindy Lewis-Burleson of Tahoka serving as the Youth Counselor in this area.

The goal of the program is to reduce and prevent the problems of truancy and running away by providing timely and appropriate short-term services to youth and their families. It is a free service, offered to people of all denominations, and information shared in the sessions is confidential, according to a spokesperson.

Currently, CFS is serving 12 families in Lynn County, and will be offering free parenting classes to any interested families in Lynn County.

Services provided by CFS include family crisis intervention coun-

seling, emergency residential care, follow-up counseling with child and family, and parent-teen classes to learn new communication skills. The program lasts approximately three months for each family, with one-hour counseling sessions offered on a weekly basis.

Guidelines for appropriate referrals include children/youth who are not on probation, between the ages of 10-17, and children/youth who have run away, been truant, or who are at risk of those behaviors.

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Reno - Brown Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Reno of Lubbock announce the engagement of their son, Larry W. Reno Jr., to Chanda L. Brown, daughter of Ms. Connie Beasley of Lubbock.

The couple will marry July 20, 1996, at the Westview Baptist Church in Slaton by Reverend Bud Goodwin.

Larry Jr.'s grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. D.S. Reno of Tahoka and Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Beasley of Lubbock.

Environmental Protection Assured During Emergency Haying or Grazing of CRP Acreage

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman has announced provisions to maintain environmental protection on Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres released for emergency haying or grazing. This emergency measure was announced April 30 after President Bill Clinton and Secretary Glickman, along with other members of the Administration, met with Congressional leaders. The steps are designed to provide relief to the cattle industry, which is suffering from low cattle prices, record high feed costs and scarcity of available hay and forage.

Glickman said if prospects for the 1996 feed grain crops deteriorate or if forage and pasture conditions are poor this summer, a more rapid downsizing in livestock would occur. A large cattle liquidation would result in low beef prices initially, but over the long run, would mean loser inventories as breeding stocks would be reduced resulting in higher beef prices.

"The availability of CRP acreage for haying and grazing will provide supplemental pasture and forage for livestock producers and relieve some of the pressure they are now facing," Glickman said.

"Emergency CRP grazing provisions are effective immediately," Glickman said. "But, to protect nesting wildlife, emergency haying may not begin until July 1 or July 15, depending on local conditions. Land preparation, seeding or fertilization may not begin before those dates. CRP acreage may be hayed or grazed, but not both. The emergency haying and grazing provisions will extend through September 30."

To ensure adequate wildlife habitat, at least 25 percent of each field or contiguous field hayed or grazed must be left untouched for wildlife cover or grazed at 75 percent of the stocking rate. A haying or grazing plan, approved by the Natural Resources Conservation Service, is required to protect the cover and resource from overgrazing or overhaying.

Benefits to the CRP land of limited haying and grazing include removing old, dying grass and other plants, which can reduce the risk of wildfires. Removing this older vegetation can also allow new growth, which might otherwise be smothered. New growth can increase the wildlife value of the potential for them to go to seed, or otherwise reproduce, to become a problem on CRP land or to infest adjoining land.

Also, CRP participants are re-

sponsible for reestablishing CRP cover at their own expense if the cover fails as a result of damage from haying or grazing. Farm Service Agency (FSA) county offices are being instructed to make spot checks of at least 25 percent of the contracts approved for emergency haying or grazing to assure that CRP participants are complying with applicable requirements.

Glickman said that not all CRP acreage is eligible for emergency haying or grazing and these provisions will not apply to land on which the following conservation practices have been established: land devoted to useful life easements; field windbreaks; grass waterways; shallow water areas; filter strips; bottom land timber on wetlands; acreage enrolled under the wetland eligibility criteria during signup periods eight and nine; shelter belts; and riparian areas, i.e., land within an average of 100 feet of a stream or other permanent water body.

Glickman said producers must get approval from the local FSA office before haying or grazing CRP acreage. These local offices have been given authority to approve such requests without further referral to either the State FSA office or to Washington. Producers who do not get this approval in advance or fail to follow guidelines will be subject to noncompliance provisions of the CRP program.

The cost to a producer for utilizing this emergency authority will be 25 percent of the annual rental payment applicable to the CRP acreage hayed, or 5 percent per month, not to exceed a total of 25 percent, of the annual rental payment applicable to the CRP acreage grazed.

Producers should contact their local Farm Service Agency office for further information.



**MR. AND MRS. CHRIS CURTIS FORD (nee JENNIE LEIGH PAGE)
Couple Wed In Las Vegas**

Jennie Leigh Page and Chris Curtis Ford were married at 4 p.m. June 1, 1996 in Las Vegas, Nevada. The Reverend Jeff Gustafson officiated.

Parents of the bride are Tommy and Jan Page of New Home. Parents of the bridegroom are Michael Ford of Wichita Falls and Kathy Novak of Lubbock.

The bride and bridegroom are the owners of Pages Mobile Wash. Following their wedding trip to Las Vegas, the couple will live in New Home.

A reception honoring the couple will be held June 23 in the home of the bride's parents in New Home.

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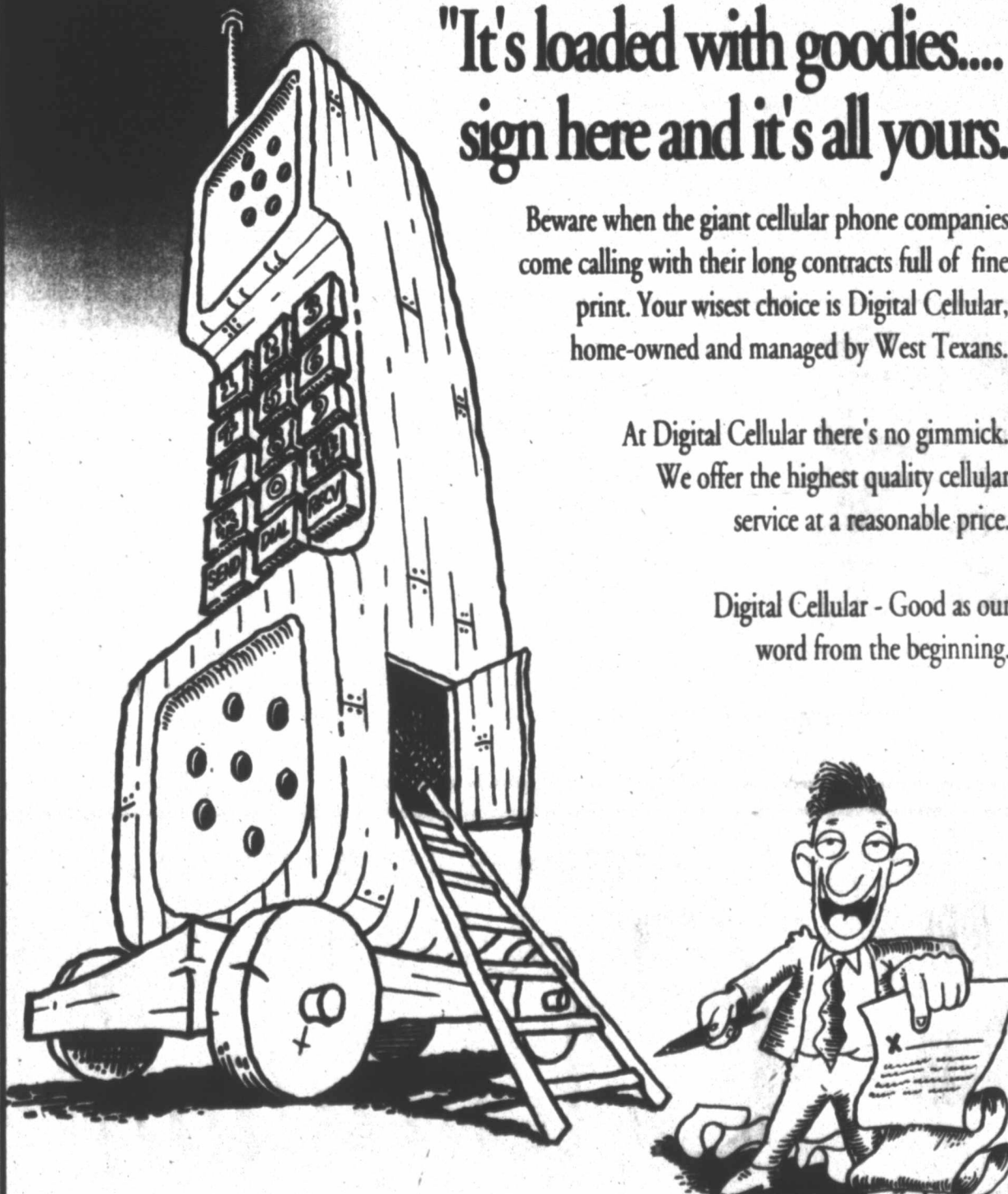
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Missionary Family Receives GA Gifts

(Editor's Note: Terry Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lindell Bell of Tahoka, is a missionary in Tanzania, Africa. He and his wife Twylia live there with their two children, Lance and Amanda. The following is excerpted from a letter sent to his parents here.)

We received a large package in the mail from Whitehouse Baptist church (near Tyler, TX) most unexpectedly. There is a family at this church that had lived in Commerce during Twylia's growing up years. Twylia has stayed in touch with them ever since. The mother and daughter of this family work with the GAS (Girls in Action mission group) in that church and they decided to adopt us as their missionary family to pray for. They also decided to send us some Christmas gifts.

All of the gifts were wrapped as Christmas presents. Most of them were for Amanda and Lance, but Twylia and I did get a couple of nice things also. The kids received crayons, bubble gum, candy, tooth brush, toy cars, and etc.. The biggest gift in the box was a tin of popcorn with butter, cheese, and caramel flavors. The unfortunate part was that the tin had been bent and thus was not sealed very well any more. But to add to this, the package had been mailed last November. So, maybe you can imagine the condition of the popcorn. It was a little tough and the caramel was very sticky. But I guess we know that we are real missionaries when we can eat five month old popcorn and enjoy it!

One late afternoon several weeks back the electricity went off. Usually we do not bother calling the company about it because the pump station for the city water is about three hundred yards away, so if the electricity is off, the town does not get water. I figure someone else will holler that has more pull than I do. Anyway, on this particular day, our workers happened to see where a tree limb was blown against the lines and caused them to short out. Therefore our house was the only one without electricity. I called the company and they said someone would be out. Sometime after 8:00 that night the truck arrives at our house. I really was surprised that they would come after dark. We talked about the problem and they decided to go look, they needed to use my flashlight.

There is a small compound with several housed between us and the main road. The electric lines are underground from town to this compound and then our service lines come out of the compound to be above ground to arrive to our house. We

surveyed the lines back and forth to find a problem. Nothing seemed evident. They checked the pole in our yard. By this time a light rain shower had begun and this man was up on the pole by way of a ladder working around live wires. Me and another man on the ground were shining flashlights up for him to see what he was doing. I began praying. Finally we went back to the compound to the junction box where the underground wires serve the compound and our house. The box was a concrete structure with three sides and a top. One side was completely open for anybody, especially kids, to stick hands into and touch live wires. There were plenty of bare wires to be touched. We discovered one of the wires going to our house was shorted into two pieces. So, with a pair of rubber gloves and pliers, standing in wet grass, one of the men began to splice the live wires back together. I began praying a whole lot then. The Lord must have answered the prayers because he completed it without getting shocked. I tell you all of this not to make fun of them, but maybe to give you an idea of the mode of operation for some things around here. It is different!

I have had some good cultural opportunities in the last couple of months. The first cultural experience was a funeral. I was invited to be part of a funeral for a relative of a church member at the town church. The funeral service was conducted at the burial site, which was within the confines of that section of town. There were several other graves in the area, so apparently the area constituted a graveyard of sorts. The body had been stored overnight in a house, probably the home of the deceased. When time came to transport the body to the grave, it was placed on the metal frame of a bed and carried to the grave by several men. The body was wrapped only in cloth. I am not sure whether any kind of preparation had been done to the body. All of the men gathered around the hole, and the women gathered together just a short distance away. Most of the women were in a state of mourning. The body was lowered into the grave, which was about five feet deep, and placed into a wooden box. Split pieces of stick were placed over the top of the box and grass was placed over the sticks.

After a short message was conducted by the church leader, the men began shoveling the soil back into the grave. Every man that was standing there took his turn to shovel soil. I never did help because I felt out of place at the time. During this time an interesting thing happened. A man



SUMMER FUN TEA PARTY - Ashdon Hancock (in front) and her guests enjoyed a Summer Tea Party recently at the "Back Room," a local tea room at the home of Leta Warren in Tahoka. Ashdon is the daughter of Eddie and Alecia Hancock of Tahoka. "Dressing up" appears to have been part of the fun for the event. (The Lynn County News accepts Summer Fun photos to print as space allows, at no charge.)

driving by in a car stopped, got out, came over to where we were, grabbed a shovel and threw in several scoops of soil, then returned to his car and drove off. Later I asked someone about the man and I was told that it is a custom for a person that is passing by the scene of a funeral to come and help if possible. Apparently if this person does not help, he will encounter "Problems" later on.

My second funeral was slightly different. The father of one of our workers passed away while at the hospital. I helped transport the body from the hospital to his home, which was close to an hour drive. It was not a problem as you may think, but it did sort of feel different. The next day I attended that funeral also. The grave had been dug just out behind the house of the deceased. This time the body was laid in the grave by itself, not inside a box. Then, sticks were laid across the body so that they would rest against the side of the wall. Canvas was put across the sticks so as to prevent the soil from coming in contact with the body. A good evangelistic message was given by an African Inland Church minister and then the grave was filled in by the same manner as described for the first funeral. I then learned that it is customary for the family to stay close to the home in order to receive visitors that come to pay their respects. In this case, my worker stayed for two weeks because of family that had to travel a great distance to come and pay their respects.

Well I wanted to continue to describe a wedding that we recently attended and baptisms that have occurred at two different churches, but I think I will close for now and continue in the next letter. I want to get this in the mail today because we will be leaving tomorrow for Nairobi. Continue praying for us. Read Colossians 1:9-12 and pray for us according to those guidelines.

Terry, Twylia, Amanda & Lance Bell

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NEWS Of Our Roads

Nation's Interstate Highway Program Turns 40; Faces Mid-Life Crisis Because of Declining Conditions

(NAPS)—Our nation's Interstate Highway System—which turns 40 this summer—has been called our country's most successful public works project, but many of its highways and bridges are suffering from a mid-life crisis resulting from deteriorating conditions and high levels of stress caused by steadily increasing volumes of traffic.

Now officially called the Dwight D. Eisenhower System of Interstate and Defense Highways, the nation's Interstate highways span over 45,500 miles of highways that connect the United States from Canada to Mexico and from sea to shining sea.

"The Interstate system is more than concrete, asphalt and steel," says Federal Highway Administrator Rodney Slater. "It's the greatest public works project in the history of the world. It's the engine that fuels the economy, creates jobs and generates all of the opportunities that connect us to this great land, America the beautiful."

"The Interstate has changed the way we live, the way we work, the way we socialize," says Andrew H. Card Jr., former U.S. Secretary of Transportation who is now President and Chief Executive Officer of the American Automobile Manufacturers Association. "One of the great treasures we have in America today is personal mobility. And that results from the marriage of the automobile to the highway."

"The Interstate System allowed people in small communities to take advantage of concerts and sports activities in major urban areas," adds Jim Kolstad, Vice President for Public and Government Relations for AAA. "It allowed people living in urban areas to move to the country and be able to continue to work in the city."

The Interstate officially turns 40 on June 29th, the date in 1956 when President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation to create it. But its foundation dates back to around the turn of the 20th century. In 1919, then Lt. Col. Eisenhower headed a military convoy from Washington, D.C. to San Francisco. The 62-day trip convinced the future World War II general and U.S. President that good highways are



needed for defense reasons as well as for commerce.

Francis C. "Frank" Turner, who later became Federal Highway Administrator and is regarded as the "Father of the Interstate Highway System," recalls that most of the debate in Congress at the time focused on how to fund the Interstate. After rejecting a plan to finance the system through U.S. government highway bonds, Congress created the Federal Highway Trust Fund, to be funded by revenues generated from gasoline taxes and other highway user fees.

"The idea was that all of the highway program's costs would be paid by road users," Turner recalls. "The highway construction would then be fitted to the receipts credited to the Trust

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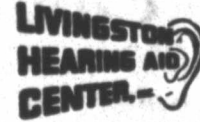
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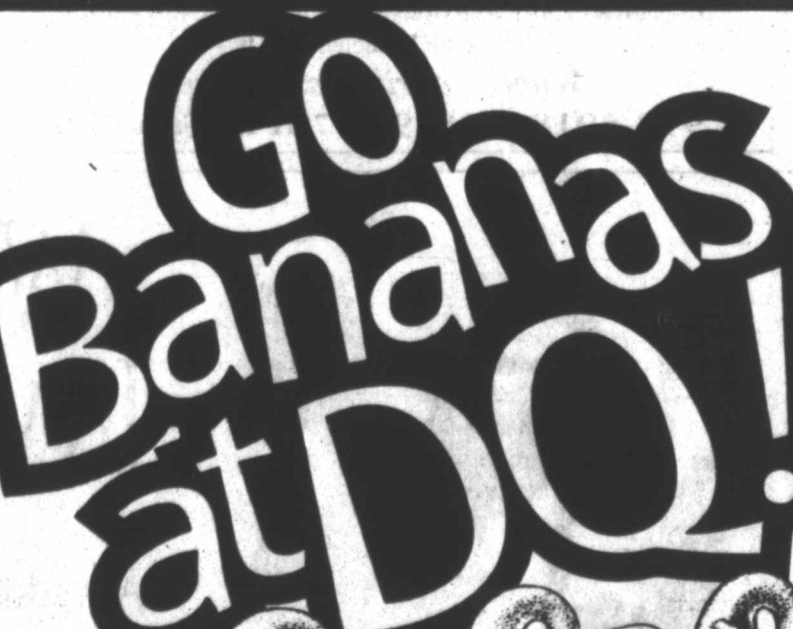
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The New Home News
by Karon Durham • 924-7448

New Home students have been taking Driver's Ed. this summer from James Taber, a teacher at Cooper High School.

Morris and Carol Fruit are vacationing in East Texas this week. Morris is the New Home Baptist Church minister.

Kary Durham has been awarded a \$10,000 Houston Scholarship through the Texas FFA. She will attend Texas Tech University and major in Ag. Communications. She has just concluded a year as Area II FFA President and New Home Chapter president. She has been guided by advisor Dale Schaffner.

Several New Home FFA members have been attending Area II Leadership Conference in Big Springs this week. The conference is held by the newly elected Area II officers for 1996-97.

Plains Baptist Assembly held their annual GA camp for girls in 1st-6th grade. Ann Lisemby and Georgia Clem have been in charge of the preparations this year.

Local Students Named To WBU President's List

A total of 71 students from Wayland Baptist University's Plainview campus are included on the Spring 1996 President's List.

The President's List recognizes students obtaining a 4.0 grade point average.

Susan Draper of Tahoka and Sarah Masten of O'Donnell were included on the list.

New Home had several GA's attending and were sponsored by Pat Gill and Mignon Brown. Several New Home church members attended on special days to teach or help with the camp.

If you were in the 7-11th grade, your report cards may still be picked up in the high school library.

John and Mary Bess Edwards attended a parade in Aspermont on June 15 for their Summer Celebration. They visited with Clarence and Edna Eades from Haskell while they were there.

Senior Citizens MENU

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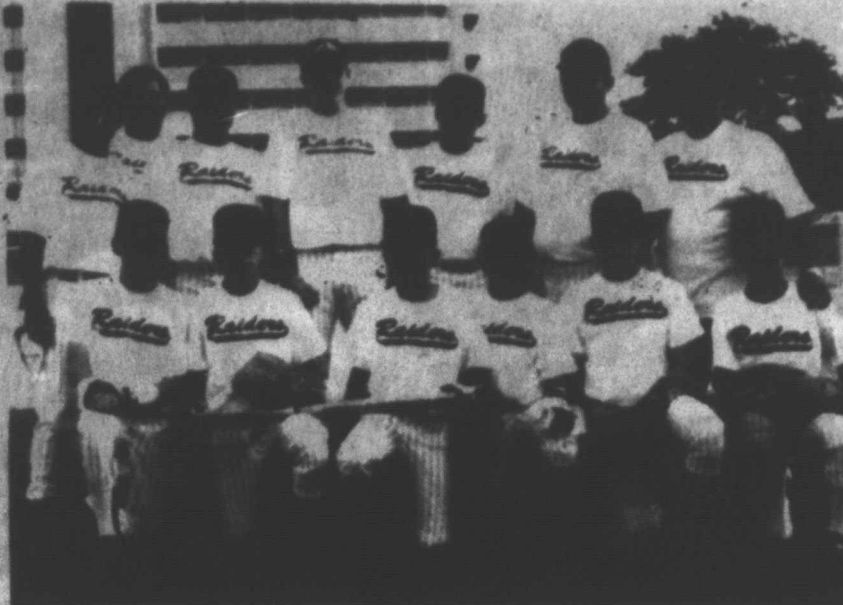
MONDAY: Beef Stroganoff, egg noodles, peas and carrots, fruit salad, hot roll, baked apples.

TUESDAY: Roast beef, brown gravy, roasted potatoes, carrots, tossed salad w/French dressing, wheat roll, cake.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken fried steak, white gravy, baked potato, Brussels sprouts, wheat roll, apricots.

THURSDAY: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, white gravy, green beans, wheat roll, fruit salad.

FRIDAY: Chili hot dog on a bun, cheese, onion, relish, pork & beans, marinated vegetable salad, pineapple gelatin.



TAHOKAN PLAYS IN LUBBOCK YOUTH SOFTBALL-The Raiders (14 and under) softball team won the pre-season tournament, Summer League Championship and participated in the NIT Tournament. Team members are (front row) Nathan Jones, Matt McEwen, Jose Torrez, Jordan Vega of Tahoka, Trent Easter, Abel Rios, (back row) Jorge Flores, Manuel Flores, Head Coach, Mario Hernandez, Jonathan Drew, Eric Constancio, Tony Vega, Mark Flores, Assistant Coach. Jordan is the grandson of Alton and Wanita Kelley of Tahoka and Sam and Sally Vega of Lubbock. Tony Vega is the grandson of Sam and Sally Vega of Lubbock.

Obituaries

Opal Hager

Services for Opal Drager Hager, 83, of Early were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 18 at Sweet Street Baptist Church in Tahoka with the Rev. Lynn Long, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Tahoka Cemetery under direction of White Funeral Home. She died Thursday, June 13, 1996, in Early.

She was born April 11, 1913, in Pottawatomie County, Okla. She attended school in Oklahoma, and she earned her GED in 1974. She married Earnest N. Drager on April 12, 1929, in Tahoka. He died June 11, 1966. She married Charlie Hager on May 3, 1980, in Lubbock. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and Sweet Street Baptist Church.

She was a homemaker and a retired retail saleswoman.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Jimmy W. Drager of Ponca City, Okla. and Gerald L. Drager of Tahoka; three daughters, Billie L. Riley of Lubbock, Sharon Drager of Chester, Va., and Brenda K. Stephens of Brownwood; eight grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Jerry Ford, Claudie Hinkle, Roy Jolly, Billie Guthrie, Roy Hinkle and George Reese.

The family suggests memorials to the Parkinson Foundation in care of Texas Tech Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, or to Sweet Street Baptist Church of Tahoka.

Paul Rueckwald

Memorial services for Paul Theophilus August Rueckwald, 85, of Lubbock were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 19 at Redeemer Lutheran Church with the Rev. Jay B. Beyer, pastor, and the Rev. Francis Mennenga, former pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in Webster Rural Cemetery in Webster, N.Y., at a later date.

Rueckwald died Saturday, June 15, 1996, at Methodist Hospital. He was born Aug. 28, 1910, in Lockport, N.Y. He attended Martin Luther Seminary in Buffalo, N.Y. He attended Seminary at Capital University, and he graduated from E.L.T. Seminary at Capital University. He married Gladys Ida Luke on June 28, 1932, in Webster, N.Y.

He was a Lutheran minister for many years, having ministered in New York State, Pennsylvania, Ohio, North Carolina and California. After his retirement in 1975, Rueckwald ministered part-time at Lutheran churches in several area towns including Wilson.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Gladys Marie Schwejgruber of Erie, Pa., Ruth Oblock of Seattle, Wash., and Marty Jane Grassel of Ransom Canyon; a brother, Martin of Buffalo, N.Y.; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Oscar Whitaker

Services for Oscar Olen Whitaker, 78, of Tahoka, will be held Friday, June 21 at 2 p.m. in Womack-Manard Funeral Home in Crowell, Tx., with Rev. L.L. (Bill) English of Wichita Falls officiating. Burial will be in Truscott, Tx. cemetery, under direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

Whitaker died Tuesday, June 18, 1996 at his home.

He was born Nov. 22, 1917 in Lawn, Texas. He married Helen E. Chowning on July 26, 1939 in Altus, Ok. They moved to Lynn County in 1948 from Haskell. He was a member of the Methodist church. He retired from Poka Lambro Telephone Co-op. in January 1974 and purchased the Hardware Store in Tahoka. He retired from Whitaker Hardware on July 1, 1990.

Survivors include his wife of Tahoka; two daughters, Mary Helen Alayyan of Lubbock, and Jan Whitaker Gray of Tahoka; and three grandchildren.

Nephews will be pallbearers. The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity.

Tahoka Care Center News

by LISA LEHMAN

We would like to thank the family of Opal Hager for bringing out flowers to Tahoka Care Center. We had a Father's Day party on Friday, June 14 at 2 p.m. in the dining room, courtesy of the family of Thomas Phillips.

Rosa Chavarria has a birthday on June 20.

We have two new residents at the Care Center, Velma Lane and Lonnie Wood. They are both from

O'Donnell, and we are happy to have them both.

We would like to thank all the volunteers who come out each week and spend time with us. We have having Family Night on Thursday, June 27 at 6 p.m. - hope to see you there.

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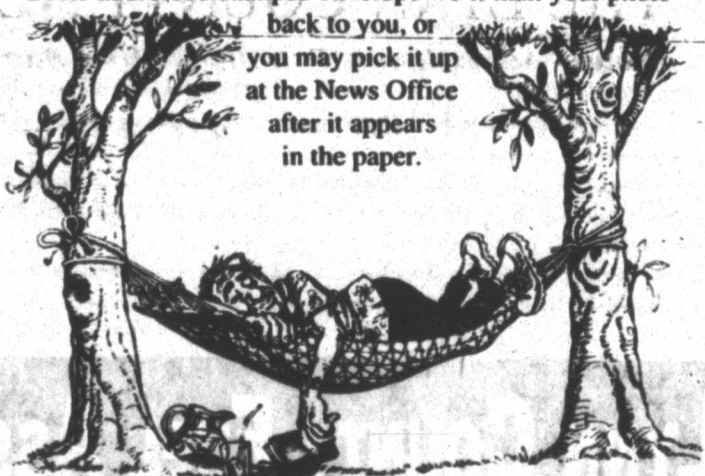
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The company proposes to increase rates to General Service (residential and commercial), Small Industrial Service, Large Gas Air Conditioning and/or Electric Generating Gas Service, and the Air Conditioning Rate Rider. Additionally, the company is proposing to offer a new service, General Service-State Institutions, to state agencies. The company may implement a different rate design than proposed provided the increased revenue does not exceed that specified herein.

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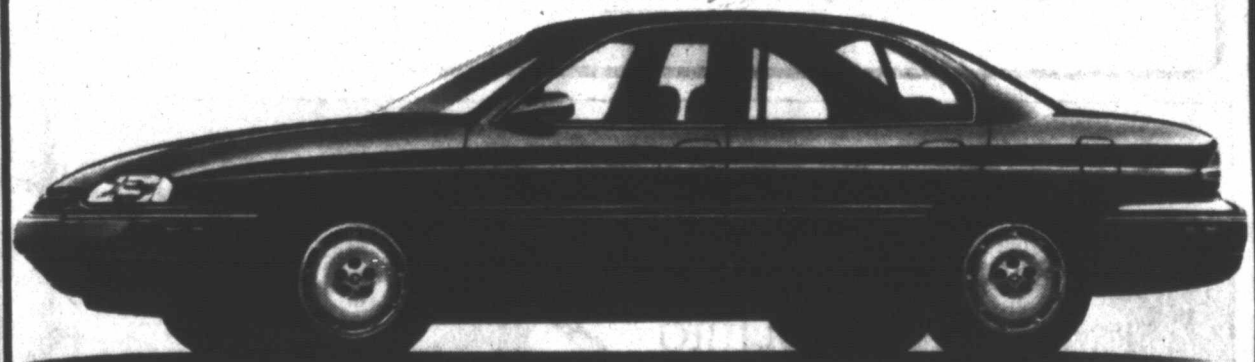
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Farm Credit Reports First Quarter Results

The Farm Credit Bank of Texas (FCBT) and the 64 Federal Land Bank and Production Credit Associations in the Tenth Farm Credit District reported combined net income of \$27.6 million for the first three months of 1996, compared with net income of \$19.6 million for the same period a year ago.

Contributing to the improved income for the first quarter were a \$3.7 million increase in total interest income, a \$3.4 million decrease in total interest expense and a \$3.0 million increase in gains on other property owned.

During the quarter there was an increase in loan loss provisions in response to low cattle prices, widespread drought conditions, and the possible adverse effects the recently passed Farm Bill may have on farm income.

Loan volume at March 31, 1996, was \$3.76 billion, down less than one percent from year-end 1995, but an increase of \$164 million from the same period a year ago. While production lending experienced a \$57.1 million decrease in volume in the first quarter due to seasonal payment patterns inherent in agricultural operating loans, mortgage lending posted a \$44.0 million increase from year end, its strongest quarterly increase in recent years.

During the first quarter, total high-risk loans declined by \$3.0 million and nonaccrual loans were reduced by \$5.3 million. However, accruing loans more than 90 days past due and formally restructured loans both increased, by \$1.4 and \$9 million, respectively, during the quarter, reflecting the negative effects on borrowers of record low cattle prices and drought conditions.

"While we are monitoring the



STATE 4-H ROUNDUP PARTICIPANTS—State 4-H Roundup was held at Texas A&M University in College Station, June 4-7. Attending from Lynn County were, from left, County Extension Agent Doris Collins, April Braddock, Jeff Compton, Brandi Gickhorn, Cody Donald, Casey Griffing, County Agent Bryan Reynolds, and Trevor Gickhorn who attended with his mother, Sheri Gickhorn, volunteer leader who is not pictured. Other volunteer leaders not pictured are Billy and Ann Davis. The Consumer Decision Making Team of April, Brandi, Cody and Casey placed 8th out of 22 teams from across the state. Jeff placed 7th out of 12 entries in the Entomology category. "Congratulations to these young people and their outstanding coaches, Jonanna Allen, Rebecca Dimak, Amy Preston, and Teresa Compton," said one spokesman.

cattle and drought conditions closely, the district is well positioned to weather these adversities," said bank CEO Arnold R. Henson. "We are strongly capitalized and have the ability to provide for potential loan losses. This isn't the first time agriculture has faced tough times, and it won't be the last. As we have in the past, we intend to do everything we can to help our borrowers through this period."

Nationwide, the Farm Credit System reported combined net income of \$354 million for the quarter ended March 31, 1996, as compared with combined net income of \$294 million for the same period last year.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The O'Donnell I.S.D. will accept sealed bids until 2:00 p.m. (CDT), July 3, 1996, for fuel, oil, and related supplies for the 1996-97 school year. The words "Bid, Fuel, Supplies" shall appear on the envelope of each sealed bid. O'Donnell I.S.D. reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any or all technicalities, and to accept the bid which will best serve the needs of the school district. All bids will be opened on July 3, 1996, at 2:00 p.m. in the business/tax collector's office, 501 5th Street, O'Donnell, Texas.

/s/ Dale Read, Superintendent

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Conservation Tillage: The Wave Of The Future

by KERI BILBO
Tahoka NRCS Office

According to Keri Bilbo of the local Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) office, "Conservation tillage may be the answer to reducing soil erosion, maintaining adequate moisture, and improving water quality."

In part one of this three-part feature concerning Conservation Tillage, Ms. Bilbo will explain several alternatives to conventional tillage.

Conservation tillage is a planting system in which 30% of the soil surface is covered by plant residue after planting to reduce erosion by wind and water. There are several types of conservation tillage systems. The three main types are no-till, ridge-till, and mulch-till.

No-till leaves the soil undisturbed prior to planting. Planting or drilling is completed in a narrow seedbed or slot created by coulters, row cleaners, disk openers, in-row chisels or roto-tillers, with no more than 10% of the soil surface disturbed. Weed control is accomplished pri-

marily with herbicides.

Ridge-till does not disturb the soil from harvest to planting except for nutrient injection. Planting is completed in a seedbed prepared on ridges (four to six inches higher than row middles) with sweeps, disk openers, coulters, or row cleaners. Residue is left on the surface between ridges. Weed control is accomplished with herbicides and/or cultivation. The ridges are rebuilt during cultivation.

Mulch-till also leaves the soil undisturbed prior to planting. Tillage tools such as chisels, field cultivators, disks, sweeps or blades are used. Weed control is accomplished by herbicides and/or cultivation.

Part two of this three part series will review some of the different tillage systems that are currently being used in Lynn County.

Producers who have questions about conservation tillage are encouraged to call the Natural Resources Conservation Service at 998-4507 or come by the office at 1647 Ave. J in Tahoka.

Economic Injury Disaster Loans Now Available From SBA

Businesses depending on farmers and ranchers in some Texas counties can now apply for low interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

These loans are available to help businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met due to

the effects of a disaster. Drought, hail and high winds which occurred during the period of June 1, 1994 through Feb. 20, 1996 and continuing caused many farmers and ranchers to experience reduced incomes which may have had an adverse economic effect on businesses depending upon these producers.

Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for this loan program but may be eligible for disaster assistance through other Federal agencies. However, nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can apply.

Business in the following counties affected by drought, hail and high winds which occurred Jan. 1, 1995 through Feb. 13, 1996 and continuing have until Jan. 13, 1997 to apply: Borden, Crosby, Dawson, Garza, Hockley, Lubbock, Lynn, and Terry.

To obtain an application or receive additional information, interested business owners may call the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

DeBerry Earns Wheat Board Post

Dawn DeBerry, a 1996 Texas Tech graduate, has received a joint staff appointment by the Texas Wheat Producers Association and Producers Board as agricultural economist.

Her agricultural economics degree program qualifies her for full professional standing in all phases of Wheat Board research, education and market development, as well as the Producers Association state and national liaison on administrative and legislative issues, said Bill Nelson, executive vice president.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale DeBerry of Olton. Her family is engaged in agriculture. She is the granddaughter of Larry Hagood and the late Sue Hagood of Tahoka.

Extension 4-H Program Reaching More Youngsters Than Ever

The Texas 4-H program is reaching more children than ever before, with membership increasing by 44 per cent over the last two years.

"Today, the enrollment of more than 628,000 youth is one indication that the 4-H and Youth Development Program of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service has something to offer almost every child," said Dr. Zerle Carpenter, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The pre-conceived notion that 4-H only has programs for children who live on farms or have animals is dwindling. However animal projects and rural Texas are still an integral part of 4-H.

The majority of 4-H members actually live in suburbs and cities (62 per cent). Nearly 26 per cent live in towns and only about 12 per cent live on farms and in rural areas.

"From a variety of projects that combine education with hands-on experience, 4-H members learn to make decisions, solve problems, set goals, get along with other people and deal with failures and setbacks through positive and productive activities," said Dr. Carpenter.

"Texans ... are constantly looking for ways to ensure that our next generation produces responsible, productive individuals ... the 4-H program has been doing that for 80 years," he added.

NOTICE

Scaled bids for bread products and milk products will be considered at the Tahoka ISD Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday, July 11, 1996, at 7 p.m. in the High School Learning Resource Center, 1925 Ave. P, Tahoka, Texas. For further information regarding either of these bids, please contact the Tahoka ISD Business Office, P.O. Box 1230, Tahoka, Texas 79373, Ph. (806) 998-4600 or Fax (806) 998-4160. Bids will be accepted in the Superintendent's Office, 1925 Ave. P, Tahoka, Texas 79373, until 1 p.m. on Monday, July 8, 1996. Envelopes should be clearly marked: BREAD PRODUCTS BID or MILK PRODUCTS BID.

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PROPOSALS REQUESTED

Vendors wishing to submit proposals for insurance for 1996-97 for Tahoka ISD are requested to submit their Company name, address, telephone number and the category of insurance for which they wish to be considered. Company name, address and telephone number must be submitted to: Superintendent's Office, 1925 Avenue P, Tahoka, Texas 79373.

Deadline for submissions will be July 8, 1996 at 1 p.m.

The categories of insurance for which purchases will be made are:

1. Commercial Property including liability, boiler, plate glass, inland marine (bond instruments)
2. Board Liability
3. Vehicle Fleet
4. Electronic

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PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF NONDISCRIMINATION IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAMS AT NEW HOME ISD

New Home ISD offers career and technology education programs in agriculture and business. Admission to these programs is based on character, interest, aptitude, age, class space and attendance.

It is the policy of New Home ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap in its vocational programs, services, or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended.

New Home ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Mr. Bobby Brown, at 225 North Main, 924-7543.

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New Home ISD tomara las medidas necesarias para asegurar que la falta de habilidad en el uso de la lengua inglesa no sea un obstaculo para la admision y participacion en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales.

Para informacion sobre sus derechos o procedimientos para quejas, comuniquese con el Coordinador del Titulo IX, Mr. Bobby Brown, en 225 North Main, 924-7543.

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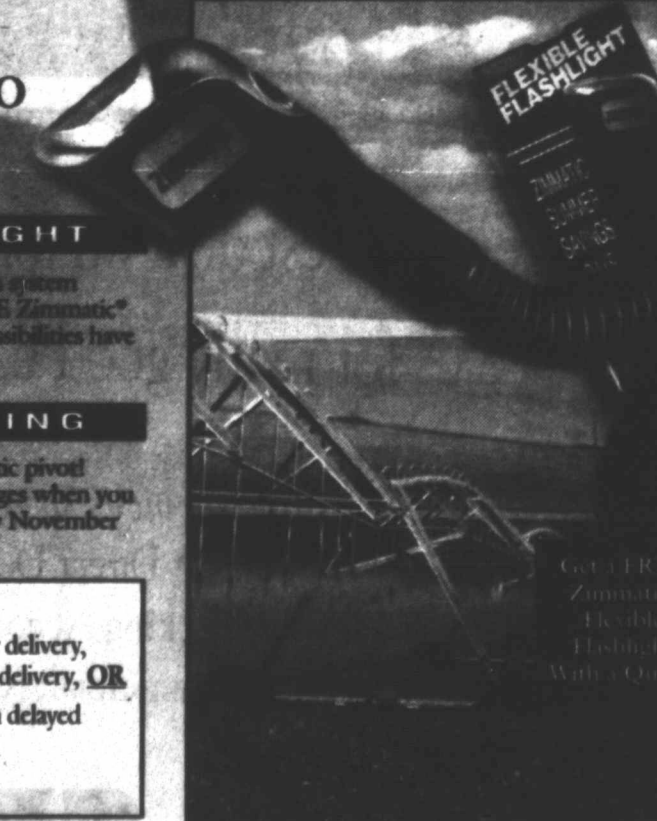
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Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for the food, cards, and visits during my stay in the hospital. A special thanks for your prayers and to Bro. Lynn Long, Bro. Danny Jackson, Rev. Marv Gregory, the doctors and nurses at Lynn County Hospital and especially the EMS attendants. God bless each of you.
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/s/ Dale Read, Superintendent
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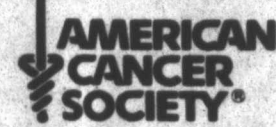
The Lynn County Soil and Water Conservation District is taking sealed bids for three (3) Model P-10 Motorola Radius Radios. All three units include desktop chargers, flexible antenna, and removable belt clip. Ni Cad battery pack not included. Communicate up to 2 miles (depending on terrain and weather conditions).

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- 1973 Chevrolet 2-1/2 Ton Dump Truck;
- 1971 GMC Tractor/Trailer with 10-12 yd. Dumpmaster Dump Trailer.

This equipment may be inspected at the Precinct 3 County Lot, one block west of Oak St. on 7th Street in O'Donnell, Texas. Contact Lynn County Pct. 3 Commissioner Sandy Cox at 806-428-3763 for more information.

Sealed bids may be submitted to Lynn County Commissioners Court, Lynn County Courthouse, P.O. Box 1256, Tahoka, Texas 79373. Bids will be opened on July 8, 1996 at a 10 a.m. meeting of the Lynn County Commissioners Court.

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The Wilson News

by Buster Abbe • 628-6368

The Wilson girls basketball Summer League team will be hosting a car wash, Saturday, June 22 at the parking lot of Wilson State Bank from 9 a.m.-12 noon, and from 2-5 p.m. at the parking lot of the ATM building in Tahoka, at 1900 Lockwood. The fund raiser benefits the team, consisting of Wilson, Tahoka, and New Home players, in providing money for uniforms and tournament fees. The group would appreciate any support.

The 4th of July is just around the corner and with it comes the annual "4th in the Park" celebration. Those groups interested in food booths, game booths or other types of booths are asked to contact John Earl Fields for more information.

The Wilson Lions Club will be hosting a Blood Drive on Thursday, June 20 from 4-7 p.m. United Blood Services will not be able to have their mobile unit available, due to other commitments, so the Blood Drive will be held in the Junior High building instead.

Blood supplies are always short during the summer months, so all area residents are urged to donate. There were only nine donors accepted at the last drive, which is only about half the number of who have donated in the past. Many of those donors are now unable to do so, for various reasons, and new donors are needed to step up and fill the void.

The Wilson Fire Dept. is taking donations to help them purchase some much needed equipment. As a reward for contributions, donors will be given a ticket for a drawing to be held during the 4th in the Park celebration. One ticket will be given for each \$5 contribution, or six tickets will be given for each \$25 contribution. Two drawings will be held with two high quality rifles being given away.

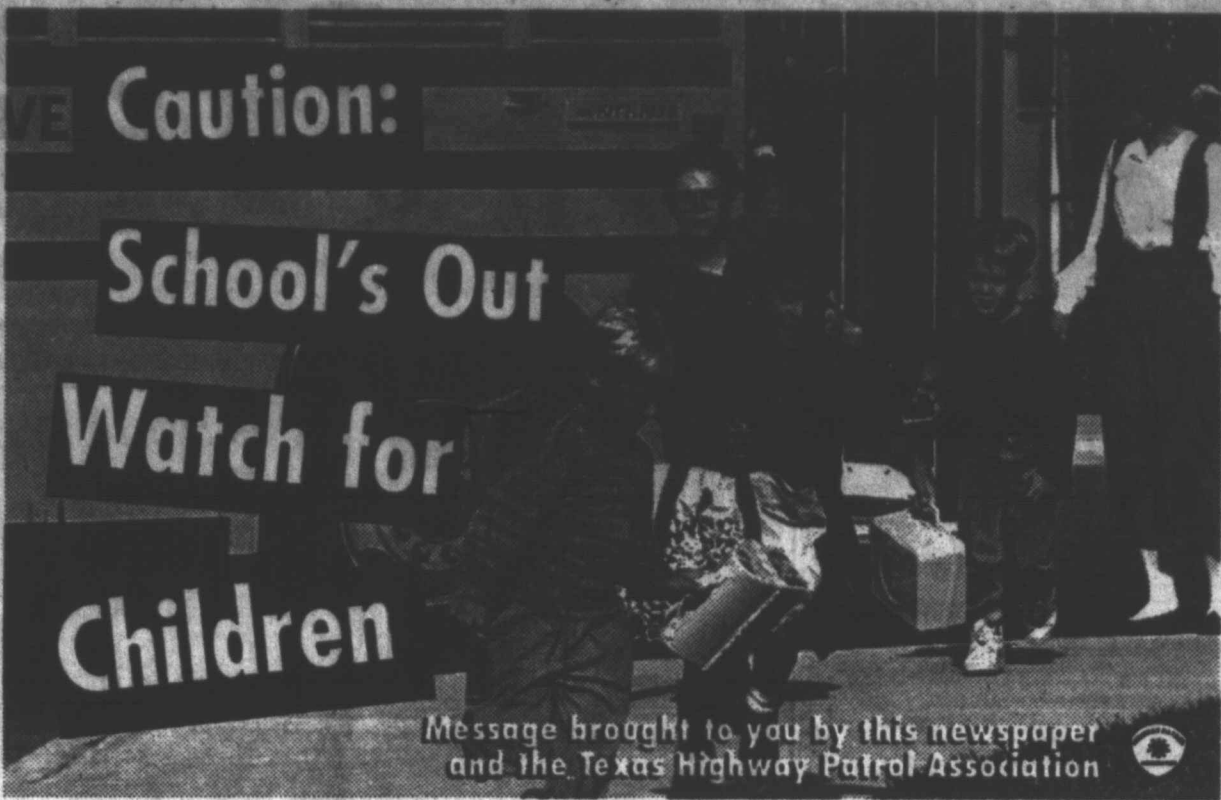
including a Browning, Model Lightning BLR. 243 caliber rifle with walnut stock, and a Ruger, Model M77 Mark II, 22-250 caliber rifle with a bull/varmint barrel. Both of these rifles were obtained from the Guo-Shak in Lubbock. Donations may be made to any member of the Fire Dept. or donations can be made before the drawing on the 4th of July.

First Baptist Church of Wilson will be hosting their annual Vacation Bible School, June 24-28. Bible School activities for ages Pre-K through sixth grade will be held daily from 9 a.m. until noon. All area children are invited to attend. For more information contact the church office.

St. John Lutheran Church will have their annual Vacation Bible School the week of June 24-28. Bible School activities for all ages, including adults, will be from 6:30-9 p.m. in the church educational building. Be sure not to miss Chadder The Chipmunk. All area residents are invited to attend. For more information, or to register, call 628-6573.

Cody and Casey Donald participated in the Panhandle Parade of Breeds show held in Plainview this past weekend. Cody won Reserve Grand Champion with his Brangus heifer and placed third with his American Breed cross steer. Casey placed fourth with his Brangus heifer and fourth with his shorthorn steer. Both young men plan to enter the Golden Spread Classic which will be held in Amarillo this coming weekend.

Jodi Wied and Cody Donald are attending the Farm Bureau Citizenship Seminar being held in San Angelo this week.



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Wyoming Is Second State To Approve PSCo/SPS Merger

The Wyoming Public Service Commission late last Thursday approved the merger of Public Service Co. of Colorado (NYSE: PSR) and Southwestern Public Service Company (NYSE: SPS), finding that the union of the two low-cost utilities is in the public interest.

This important decision moves us forward toward the more competitive industry of the future," said Wayne Brunetti, president and chief executive officer of Denver-based Public Service Co. "The commission's decision to approve the merger on the first day of the hearing reinforces the fact that benefits for customers are significant."

"The Wyoming hearing was an

important milestone in the creation of New Century Energies and gets us off to a great start as we prepare for a series of hearings this summer," said Bill D. Helton, chairman and chief executive officer of SPS, based in Amarillo. "Our employees are working diligently to complete the merger."

Hearings are scheduled to begin June 24 in Texas, July 1 in Colorado and July 22 in New Mexico. Kansas approved the transaction last year. No formal filing is required in Oklahoma, although the companies are keeping regulators and officials in the state informed. The companies are waiting for a hearing date to be set by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

In its decision Thursday, the Wyoming commission said that the testimony overwhelmingly showed that the merger was in the public interest and would benefit the company's customers.

In the merger, PSCo and SPS will become subsidiaries of a holding company called New Century Energies Inc. PSCo subsidiary Cheyenne Light, Fuel & Power Co. serves 36,000 natural gas and electric customers in Cheyenne, Wyo., and will become a subsidiary of the holding company under the merger.

PSCo and SPS estimate the merger will create at least \$770 million in savings over the first 10 years, which will help hold down future electric rates.

"The expansion of wholesale competition announced in April at the federal level, and continued studies of retail competition by many states, make it especially important that utilities create efficiencies and be more productive than ever," Brunetti said. "The utility industry is in the process of dramatic change. New Century Energies intends to be a leader in competitive rates, quality customer service, growth for shareholders, and long term opportunities for employees."

Combined, New Century Ener-

gies will serve 2.5 million electric and natural-gas customers in parts of six states, as well as provide energy-related products and services to a variety of customers nationally and internationally.

Southwestern Public Service Company provides electric service to a population of about one million people in a 52,000-square-mile area covering eastern and southeastern New Mexico, the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, the Oklahoma Panhandle and southwestern Kansas. Through its Utility Engineering Corporation and Quixx Corporation subsidiaries, the company also provides engineering and construction management services to a variety of industries and invests in non-utility power generation projects.

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Local's Grandson Wins Leadership Award

A U.S. Army officer from the Big Country has been named a winner of a prestigious General Douglas MacArthur Leadership Award.

Cap. Tim Stevenson, son of Joe and Charlene Killgore of Maryneal, was one of 24 Army officers from installations world-wide who received a bronze bust of the late general from Gen. Dennis J. Reimer, Army Chief of Staff, and Robert M. White II, president of the General Douglas MacArthur Foundation.

Stevenson is the grandson of Archie and Reno Riddle of Tahoka.

A graduate of Highland High School, where he was valedictorian of his class, Stevenson represented the U.S. Army Medical Command in the competition. He was a company commander in the U.S. Army Medical Center and School at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, where he was selected.



CAP. TIM STEVENSON

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