



'Tis the season



■ Alexandria Eagle, 4, of Muleshoe places her order with ol' St. Nick Saturday at the Janes Ranch house.

Parade, businesses light up Main Street

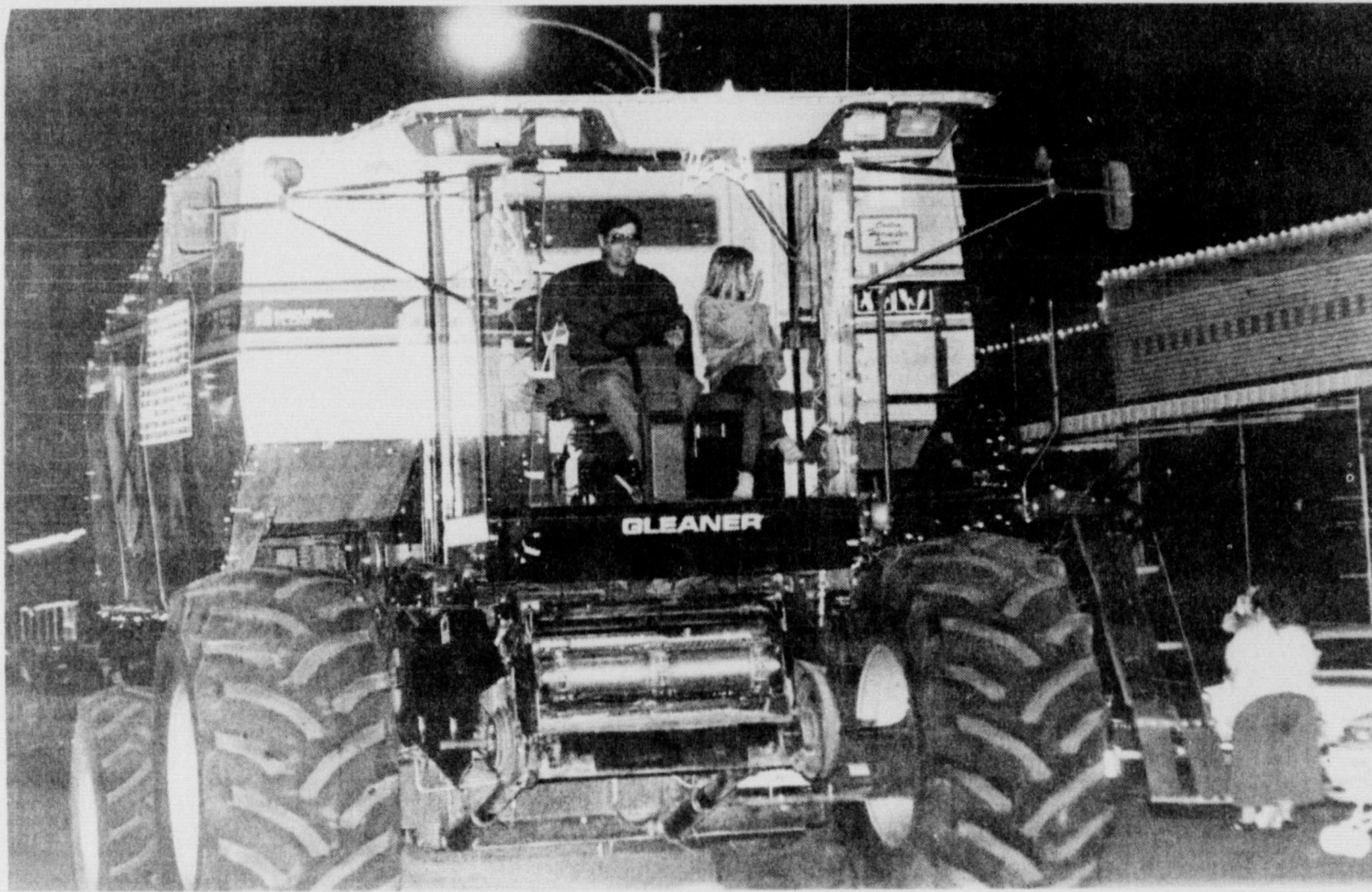
By SAMUEL VILLAREAL
Journal staff writer

The Muleshoe Young Riders used a larger than life sleigh to win the top prize Saturday in the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce's annual Christmas Parade.

Seven lighted floats as well as other entries rolled down Main Street on a clear and warm night.

The Young Riders' float, a "One Horse Open Sleigh," earned \$250 for being chosen best float at the parade.

The float consisted of a 13-foot tall wooden sleigh drawn by a trailer. A replica of "Pete the Mule" was hitched to the sleigh, giving it a horse-drawn look. The members of the Young Riders



Christmas a-trac-tion

Thomas Ladd and his daughter Shalisa drive a combine decked out in holiday trim down Main Street Saturday during the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce's Christmas Parade. The combine is owned by Earl Ladd & Sons of Muleshoe.

Public Utility Commission to consider SPS merger plan

The Public Utility Commission is scheduled Thursday to consider the proposed merger of Southwestern Public Service Co. and the Public Service Co. of Colorado.

Susan Morton, the administrative law judge who heard the case and reviewed the agreement, has recommended that the commission approve the merger.

A proposed settlement calls for \$3 million to be credited to the bills of Texas SPS customers for during the five years after the merger becomes effective.

SPS and PSCo announced plans for the merger in August of 1995, creating the nation's 25th largest utility.

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County grants Five Area sign easement

By SAMUEL VILLARREAL
Journal Staff Writer

Pretty soon, Five Area Telephone Co. customers won't have to let their fingers do the walking through the yellow pages to find all the services the Muleshoe telecommunication company has.

County Commissioners Monday granted Five Area an easement to raise a business sign on County property during a regular session.

"Some people don't realize

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where all of the co-op businesses are," said Five Area manager Hubert Kidd. "Our new sign will list all of the different businesses so our customers will know that they are all in the same building."

The specifics of the sign are yet to be worked out, according to Kidd. He said that the single-masted sign will be approximately 20 feet high.

The new sign will be located on parking lot of the Bailey County Coliseum. Five Area will be digging up a section of the parking lot for a new electrical conduit so that the sign can be lit from the inside.

Five Area is required to obtain an easement for the new sign because the proposed site is located on county property. Five Area received a similar easement in 1981 for the sign

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Mules break even at Denver City

DENVER CITY — Four games in three days and a stunning loss to their toll on Muleshoe by the time Saturday night rolled around.

Well-rested Denver City jumped out to a 17-point first quarter lead on the rubber-legged Mules and held on for a 68-58 win in the Denver City Tournament.

The game was Muleshoe's second of the day. Denver City's first.

"It was like we were playing in slow motion," Muleshoe coach Ralph Mason said. "The kids tried to turn it around and get it going, but we weren't sharp. We had a lot of dead legs out there."

Denver City and Lovington, N.M., finished the round-robin tournament undefeated at 3-0. Lovington stunned Muleshoe 80-78 in overtime Thursday on a game-winning half-court shot at the buzzer.

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High school basketball tournaments

Denver City Tournament

at Denver City High School
Round-robin tournament
Friday

Second round
Muleshoe 56, Seagraves 46
Muleshoe 18 15 11 13 56
Seagraves 5 11 11 19 46

Leading scorers — Muleshoe: Mendoza 11, Field 10. Seagraves: Lucky 12, Hill 11
Denver City 37, Seagraves 36
Lovington 77, Plains 62

Saturday
Muleshoe 60, Plains 55
Muleshoe 16 13 21 10 60
Plains 8 13 18 16 55

Leading scorers — Muleshoe: Kemp 16, Cleavinger 14. Plains: Blount 20, Luna 11
Muleshoe 56, Seagraves 46
Muleshoe 3 21 15 19 58

Denver City 20 12 20 16 68
Leading scorers — Muleshoe: Cleavinger 24. Denver City: Woosley 19, Curtis 14, Villegos 14
Lovington 75, Seagraves 60

Canyon Classic

at Canyon High School
Friday

Consolation semifinals
Muleshoe 42, Clovis 36
Muleshoe 12 11 8 11 42
Clovis 13 6 9 8 36

Leading scorers — Muleshoe: Wilhite 16, Nichols 13. Clovis: Dawson 10. Records: Clovis 0-4, Vernon 50, El Paso Riverside 33

Championship semifinals
Tascosa 51, Nazareth 49
Canyon 59, Happy 41

Saturday
Seventh place
Clovis 53, El Paso Riverside 29

Consolation final
Vernon 38, Muleshoe 36
Muleshoe 8 15 10 3 36
Vernon 17 7 6 8 38

Leading scorers — Muleshoe: Field 14. Vernon: Matthews 10
Third place
Happy 37, Nazareth 31
Championship
Canyon 73, Tascosa 33

Lady Mules snap 5-game losing streak

CANYON — Muleshoe snapped a five-game losing streak Friday, beating Clovis, N.M., 42-36, in the consolation semifinals of the Canyon Classic.

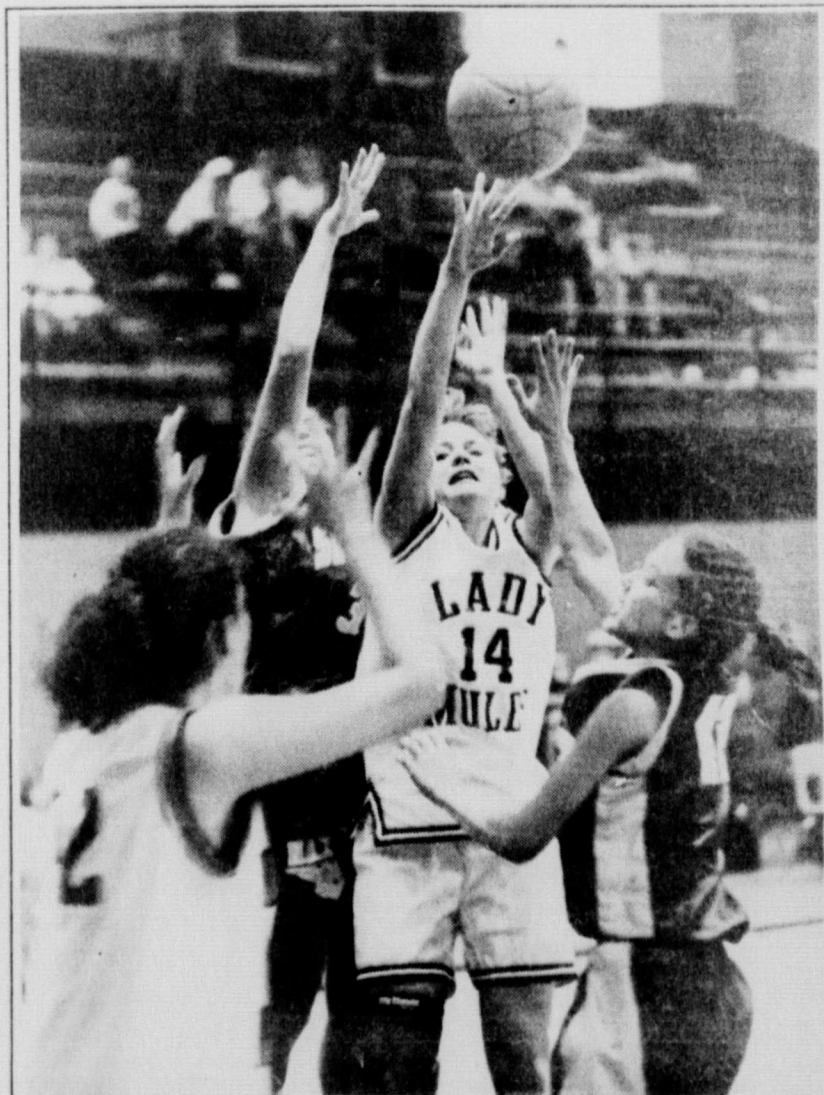
Muleshoe (3-8) couldn't keep the momentum going Saturday when a four-quarter scoring drought cost the Lady Mules a win.

Vernon outscored Muleshoe 6-3 in the fourth quarter en route to a 38-36 win.

"It was a big win (Friday) for our confidence," Muleshoe coach Jim Gruhkey said. "But the way the game ended Saturday, I felt we kind of took a step backwards."

"Things started coming together against Clovis and I would have felt the same way against Vernon if we could have scored. I was so frustrated, because we should have won the game."

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Four off the floor

Muleshoe freshman Lindsey Field squeezes off a shot between two Nazareth defenders in a game earlier in the season. MHS hosted Farwell Tuesday.

Economic director in works

By SAMUEL VILLAREAL
Journal staff writer

The City of Muleshoe is expected to hire an economic development director sometime in the next two months.

The Muleshoe City Council last week approved the appropriation of \$50,000 of city funds to hire an economic development director during a special meeting.

The money would come directly from the city's economic development tax fund.

City residents voted in 1993 for a 1/2 cent increase in sales tax for economic development. The city currently has approximately \$400,000 in its economic development fund.

Among the director's duties would be to attract new businesses and to help established businesses expand.

"An economic development director would work to bring new businesses to Muleshoe while strengthening the current economic base," Muleshoe City Manager James Fisher said. "An economic development director would look at the local businesses and help bring businesses that would complement the ones already here."

The compensation package will include a salary in the range of \$30-35,000 a year and the standard city employee benefit package, Fisher said.

An original list of five was pared to two finalists recently by the Economic Development Board, which is made up of civic leaders.

The board will then make its recommendation to the City Council.

Any action taken by the economic board or director had to be approved by the Council.

The finalists are Jeff Rogers,

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AROUND MULESHOE

Tex. Country Reporter to feature refuge

The Muleshoe National Wildlife Refuge will be featured on the Dec. 14 edition of "Texas Country Reporter." The episode will air at 6 p.m. on KCBD-TV (Classic Cable channel 11) and will feature the refuge's sandhill crane population.

The Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge is located 15 miles south of Muleshoe on highway 214. The roads in the refuge are open at all times. The main office is open Mondays through Fridays from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Muleshoe city council meeting Dec. 17

The Muleshoe City Council will meet in regular session Dec. 17 at the Muleshoe City Hall.

Items to be discussed include consideration of a no-smoking ordinance in City buildings and vehicles. The council will also take action on the purchase or lease of vehicles for the police department.

Local resident graduating from ENMU

Hope Free of Muleshoe will be among 253 fall graduates from Eastern New Mexico University. Free is receiving a bachelor degree of business administration.

Jan. School Board Recognition Month

Governor George W. Bush has proclaimed January 1997 as School Board Recognition Month. Bush hopes that districts across the state will use this opportunity to build awareness and understanding of the function an elected board of education plays in their communities and schools.

Three Way school board meeting Dec. 12

The Three Way Independent School District will hold a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees Dec. 12 at 8 a.m. in the Administration Office of the Three Way School, located at Maple Texas.

Items on the agenda include receiving the 1995-96 audit report as well as taking bids on school transportation vehicles.

Alzheimer caregivers meeting Dec. 12

The Muleshoe Alzheimer Caregivers group will hold its regular meeting Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. in the United Methodist Church.

Sudan native receives USAF promotion

John Harlan has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of captain. Harlan is a pilot at Laughlin Air Force Base, Del Rio, Texas.

Harlan is a 1987 graduate of Sudan High School and is the son of John and Cherry Ellas of Houston.

MHS/WJHS music concert Dec. 12

The Muleshoe High School and Watson Junior High School music departments will hold their Christmas Concert Dec. 12 in the MHS gymnasium. Admission is free.

The WJHS choir will perform at 7 p.m. and will be followed by the MHS choir. The choirs will be followed by the junior high and high school bands at 8 p.m.

Compassionate Friends meeting Dec. 12

The Compassionate Friends support group will meet Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. in the Lazbuddie United Methodist Church.

The Compassionate Friends is a support group for parents who have lost children. The loss may be recent or years ago. The group helps parents identify with all the feelings of grief that are associated with losing a child.

For more information, please call Glenda Jennings at 965-2483.

Keeping an eye on Texas

Holidays light up winter season
The dark nights of winter are brightened by numerous celebrations throughout Texas. The holidays are times of joy, gift giving, and sharing simple and elaborate meals.

<p>Christmas December 25 Celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ, and January 6, the Epiphany, or revelation of Christ to the Magi. Symbols include Star of Bethlehem and manger, Santa Claus and Christmas trees. Gifts and toys are given to all. Holiday foods: turkey and dressing, as well as tamales, and German coffee cake, or stollen.</p> 	<p>Kwanzaa December 26—January 1 Celebrates African-American unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity, and faith. Symbols include seven candles, ear of corn and unity cup. Gifts are simple and handmade. Karamu feast: traditional foods such as porridge, beans and corn, as well as other dishes.</p> 
<p>Hanukkah December 5-13 Marks the return to the Temple of Jerusalem in 165 BC. Eight candles symbolize the number of days oil lamps were lit in the temple, with a ninth candle to light the others. Traditional gifts for children include a dreidel, or four-sided top, and coins. Special food: latkas, or potato pancakes fried in oil.</p> 	<p>New Years January 1 and February 7 Celebrates the new year. In the Chinese lunar year, the New Year begins February 7, 1997—the Year of the Ox. Preparations include cleaning house and paying debts. Sweet rice is part of the festivity, along with fireworks. Gifts include "red envelopes" containing lucky money.</p> 

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Texas African American Heritage Association, Jewish Federation of Austin, Asian Chamber of Austin, Internet.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Recently my sister, Miss Mary Kidd was hospitalized in our local hospital and after about ten days she passed away. Mary was aware of her illness as was her family. She was at peace with herself and her decisions concerning her illness.

We want to take this time to personally thank all the hospital personnel for their assistance and understanding during a time that is very private for family members.

It takes special people to work in hospitals and clinics as well as all medical facilities. We are blessed to have a hospital in our community and the many dedicated people that work there.

We want to also thank Todd Ellis and the Ellis Funeral Home, Stacy Conner of the First Baptist Church and Jack Stone of the First Assembly of God Church for the beautiful services.

The Kidd Family,
Hubert, Nancy, Cari,
Clay, Cynthia and Dusty

Director

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currently the associate director of economic development for the University of Texas at San Antonio and Tyler businessman Roger Russell, who has worked as a liaison for several Congressmen.

as a liaison to the Chamber of Commerce board of directors, according to Fisher

Fisher said the local economy is doing okay, but there is always room for improvement.

The director would also serve

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The Texas Office of Public Utility Counsel, which represents consumers, remains opposed to the merger. OPUC has filed a complaint, citing that SPS currently earns from \$10.9 million to \$18.4 million per year more than standards set by the utility commission.

SPS spokesman Bill Crenshaw said that the company has filed a petition to have the complaint dismissed, citing an independent report that states their earnings are within state guidelines.

The merger is targeted for completion in the spring of 1997.

In addition to winning the approval from Texas regulatory panel, the two utilities must get the final okay for the merger from the public utility commission in New Mexico, the

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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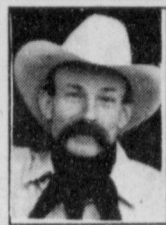
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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

I ran a feed company for a while in the old days. It was in debt. Each monthly financial statement had a line at the bottom listing Retained Earnings. This was the accumulated profit of twenty years in business. It was several hundred thousand dollars.

The corporate headquarters kept badgering me about the debt. After much worry I came up with a brilliant solution; pay the debt off with Retained Earnings!

The corporate accounts went into uncontrollable laughter. "That's not really money, it's just a historical bookkeeping figure". "Where did the profit go? I asked stupidly. "It got spent," they spluttered between guffaws.

Switzerland is now dealing with Mad Cow Disease and has made plans to slaughter 230,000 cattle. A Nepal based group called The World Hindu Federation is upset. Hindus consider cows sacred and worship them. "For us", they said, "slaughtering a cow is more of a crime than slaughtering anything."

Nepal, like their Hindu neighbor India is a poor country. But to their credit they have figured out a way to solve the problem. They suggest the condemned cows be transported to Nepal to live out their lives. The cost could be covered if the government of Switzerland gave the Hindu Federation the \$257 million that has been earmarked to pay for the slaughter.

The Hindu's logic is a clear and simple as mine was about Retained Earnings. Unfortu-

nately, we're not talking real money. After all, the Swiss estimate would cost over \$1,100 per cow.

I suspect that much of the \$257 million is an estimate of what the government will pay itself for overseeing the slaughter, with some left over to pay Swiss cattlemen ten cents on the dollar for the cull cows.

However, that would be one heck'uva cattle drive. 230,000 head of mostly old cows on the trail from the Swiss Alps to the Himalayas. I wonder if there's a bridge at Constantinople? At 10 cows abreast in tight formation the line would be 35 miles long.

On those long stretches through Turkey and Afghanistan, supplemental feeding would be necessary, estimate: 2,000 tons of hay per day. Under ideal conditions it should take about four months. Maybe more, allowing for proper burial of the 100,000 gummies that would expire along the way.

Most cowmen can appreciate, in a small way, the Hindu's affection for cows. However many a shrewd cow trader could pencil out a healthy profit if he had a buyer at the other end. Let's see, \$12 million for hay, 20 good cowboys and a cook at \$25.00 per day, dogs, saddlehorses, health certificates...if a trader couldn't clear \$200 million he wouldn't be worth his salt.

If the Hindu traders pull this off, they will populate their country with a free roaming herd of Mad Cow suspects. They can perpetuate the disease forever, sort of like we have done in Yellowstone Park with Brucellosis. Or is my logic flawed again?

The Journal's weekly



Torres wins in 4-way battle

Francisco Torres of Muleshoe came out on top of a four-way tie to win \$15 in the Journal's final weekly football contest of the year.

Each of the four correctly guessed 14 out of 18 games, taking the year's final contest down to the wire.

Torres's guess of 36 was the closest to the actual 29 combined points scored in the Georgia-Georgia Tech game.

Claire Brown hung on to second place with a guess of 41, earning herself \$10 in the process.

Keith Hicks used a prediction of 48 points to grab a hold of third place and a \$5 piece of the prize-money pie.

Kiko Torres was also in the running with only four incorrect guesses, but his tie-breaker guess of 56 left him out in the cold as far as prize money was concerned.

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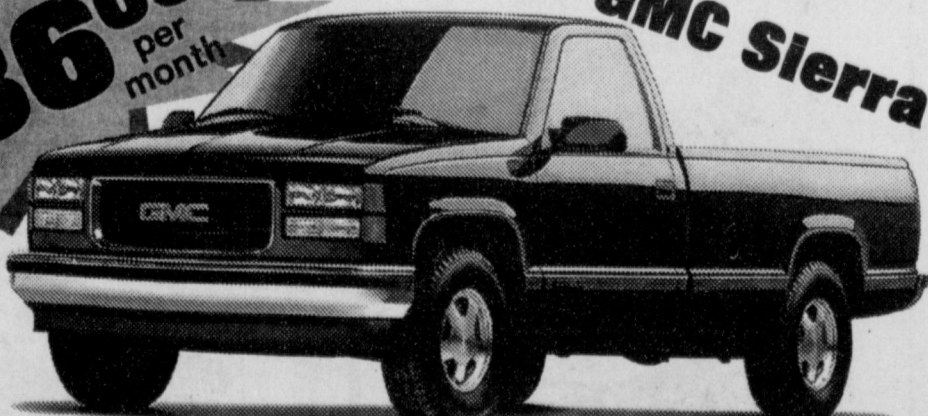


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JV wins battle of the Mules

Many fans considered the boys championship game Saturday between the Muleshoe JV and freshmen in the Muleshoe Junior Varsity Tournament a toss-up.

The only real **BOYS** toss-up was a coin toss held shortly before the game to decide which team Ron Welch would coach. Welch coaches both teams.

Welch lost the coin toss and handed over the reins of the JV team to junior high coach Jimmy Orr.

Once the ball was tossed up, the Muleshoe JV used its experience and a big third quarter to hold off the frosh 56-47 in a promising preview of the future of Mule basketball.

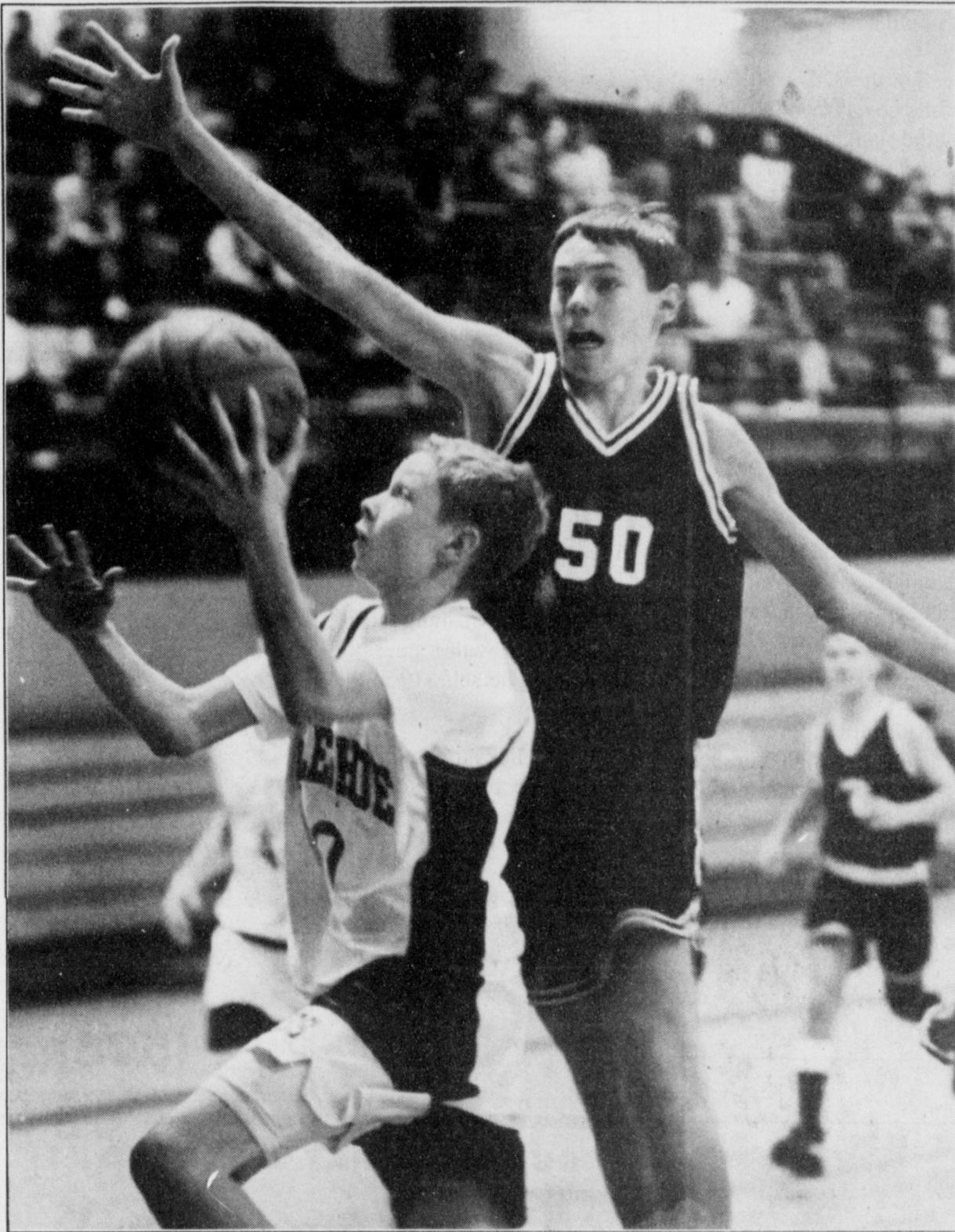
The Mule freshmen, who surprised the River Road JV 66-61 in the semifinals, hit five 3-pointers in the first half and led 26-24 at intermission.

But Mason Sinclair scored 7 of his game-high 14 points in the third quarter as the JV Mules outscored the frosh 21-10.

The JV Mules held at least an 8-point edge the rest of the way.

Luis Perez (11 points) and Manuel Campolla (9 points)

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Freshman fly swatter

Muleshoe freshman B.J. Copeland tries to swat away Mason Sinclair's layup attempt Saturday during the championship game of the Muleshoe Junior Varsity Tournament at WJHS. Sinclair scored a game-high 14 points to led the JV Mules to a 56-47 win and the tournament title.

Clovis captures fifth-straight title

Clovis won its fifth-straight girls title Saturday at the Muleshoe Junior Varsity Tournament, holding the Muleshoe JV to two points in the second half of a 46-23 win.

Clovis led 24-21 at half-**GIRLS** time.

Melissa Wimbish scored all 8 of her points in the third quarter for Clovis and Michelle Kerr scored 8 of her game-high 14 points in the fourth.

Melissa Williams scored all of her team-high 7 points in the second quarter when Muleshoe outscored Clovis 19-14 to pull within three points at halftime.

The Lady Mules reached the finals by beating Farwell 33-26 Friday.

Clovis	10	14	12	10	46
MHS JV	2	19	0	2	23

Clovis (46) — K. Mitchell 2 0-0 4, Jones 0 0-0 0, Tanner 0 0-0 0, Adare 1 0-0 2, Wimbish 4 0-2 8, M. Mitchell 1 0-0 2, Hines 0 0-0 0, Oborny 2 0-0 4, Reid 1 0-0 2, Blair 2 0-0 4, Smith 2 0-0 4, Dabell 0 0-0 0, Robbs 1 0-0 2, Kerr 6 2-6 14. Totals 22 2-6 46.

MHS JV (23) — Krystal Heathington 0 0-0 0, Amanda Messenger 0 0-0 0, Keisha Whitt 0 2-2 2, Rhonda Copley 1 0-0 2, Melinda Schuster 2 0-0 4, Amy Hooten 0 0-0 0, Kellie Morris 1 0-0 2, Robin Cowart 0 0-0, Kendra Benham 1 1-1 3, Misti Angeley 0 0-0 0, Melissa Williams 1 5-6 7, Ellen Wood 1 1-2 3. Totals 79-13 23.

Semifinal
MHS JV 33, Farwell 26
Williams scored 8 points

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Muleshoe Junior Varsity Tournament

BOYS

Friday
Championship bracket
Muleshoe 9th 66, River Road 61
Muleshoe JV 56, Farwell 52
Consolation bracket
Olton JV 55, Morton 35
Springlake-Earth def. Olton 9th
Saturday
Championship
Muleshoe JV 56, Muleshoe 9th 57
Third place
Farwell 94, River Road 71
Consolation final
Springlake-Earth 46, Olton JV 45
7th place
Morton 61, Olton 9th 41

GIRLS

Friday
Championship bracket
Muleshoe JV 33, Farwell 26
Clovis def. Muleshoe 9th
Consolation bracket
Springlake-Earth 44, Olton 9th 23
Olton JV vs Friona
Saturday
Championship
Clovis 46, Muleshoe JV 23
Third place
Farwell, Muleshoe 9th
Consolation final
Springlake-Earth 41, Olton JV 23
7th place
Friona 55, Olton 9th 33

Friona advances to 3A semifinals

SWEETWATER — Friona continued its unprecedented march deep into the playoffs Saturday, scoring 21 unanswered points in the second half of a 28-13 win over Aledo in a Class 3A quarterfinal game at the Mustang Bowl.

The District 1-3A champion Chieftains (13-1) play Tatum (10-4) in the semifinals 1 p.m. Saturday at Texas Stadium in Irving.

Friona had won just one game in six previous playoff appearances.

Aledo, which scored just before halftime to take a 13-7 lead, missed a 27-yard field goal on its first possession of the second half.

Coming up empty after a 14-play drive that had reached

FOOTBALL

State playoffs

CLASS 3A

Semifinals

Friona (13-1) vs Tatum (10-4), 1 p.m., Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving

Coldspring (134-1) vs Sealy (13-1), noon, Astrodome, Houston

Quarterfinals

Region I

Friona 28, Aledo 13

Region II

Tatum 18, Dangerfield 13

Region III

Coldspring 37, Cameron 19

Region IV

Sealy 41, George West 7

the Friona 10 proved to be the turning point.

The Chieftains promptly marched 80 yards in 10 plays, taking a 14-13 lead on Andy

Kendrick's 3-yard run with 2:42 left in the third quarter.

Friona took advantage of a short field to go up 21-13 with a little less than five minutes left in the game on Kendrick's 33-yard run.

After being pinned at their own 1 by Angel Vega's punt, the Bearcats went three-and-out and Friona took over at the Aledo 36.

Chieftain cornerback Aaron King ended the Bearcats final drive at the Friona 35 with his second interception of the game, and eighth of the playoffs.

David Shelby added an insurance score with a 19-yard run on fourth-and-10 with 1:50 to play.

Sundown roughs up Lazbuddie in finals

WILSON — Sundown wore down Lazbuddie in the second half Saturday en route to a 62-44 win in the championship game of the FM 211 Shootout.

Lazbuddie coach Gary **BOYS** Grahn said Sundown wore down Lazbuddie on the boards and with full-court man-to-man pressure.

Sundown outscored Lazbuddie (5-1) 38-18 in the second half.

"They just outplayed us," Grahn said. "What really worries me is that as big as we are they still hurts us on the boards."

It was the first time a Lazbuddie opponent scored more than 50 points.

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Klondike bars LHS from championship

WILSON — Lazbuddie's fourth-quarter magic ran out in Saturday's championship game of the FM 211 Shootout.

After reaching the finals with a pair of fourth-quarter rallies, another Lady Longhorn rally fell short as Klondike held on to beat LHS 50-43.

Trailing by 14 heading into the fourth quarter, LHS cut the led to five with four minutes left, but ran out of gas.

All-tournament post Melissa Kinnear made 12 of 14 free throws and finished with 20 points for Klondike. Klondike made 18 of 25 free throws compared to just 8 of 19 by Lazbuddie. Roxann Warren led LHS with 12 points and

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Lady Mules

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Vernon 38, MHS 36

Muleshoe freshman Lindsey Field helped Muleshoe fight back from an early nine-point deficit against Vernon. Field scored 9 of her game-high 13 points in the second quarter as the Lady Mules drew within 23-22 at halftime.

The score was tied at 34-34 with three minutes left. Field scored with nine seconds left and Lady Mules had a chance to send it into overtime following a steal, but couldn't get a shot off before the buzzer.

"We just couldn't throw it in the ocean," Gruhlkey said. "It was so frustrating."

Vernon	17	9	6	3	38
MHS	8	15	10	3	36

Leading scorers — Vernon: Mathews 10. MHS: Lindsey Field 13, Brandi Harrison 8, Erin Wilhite 8.

MHS 42, Clovis 36

Wilhite had 16 points and 9 rebounds for MHS and Kristen Nichols added 13 points and 8 rebounds.

Muleshoe made 7 of 7 free throws in the fourth quarter to help seal the win.

Brandi Harrison made 4 of 4 free throws in the fourth quarter and 7 of 8 for the game. Harrison finished with 7 points, 7 assists and 4 steals.

Wilhite scored six points and Field added a 3-pointer as Muleshoe turned a one-point deficit into a 23-19 halftime lead.

Muleshoe had 16 turnovers, 12 in the second half.

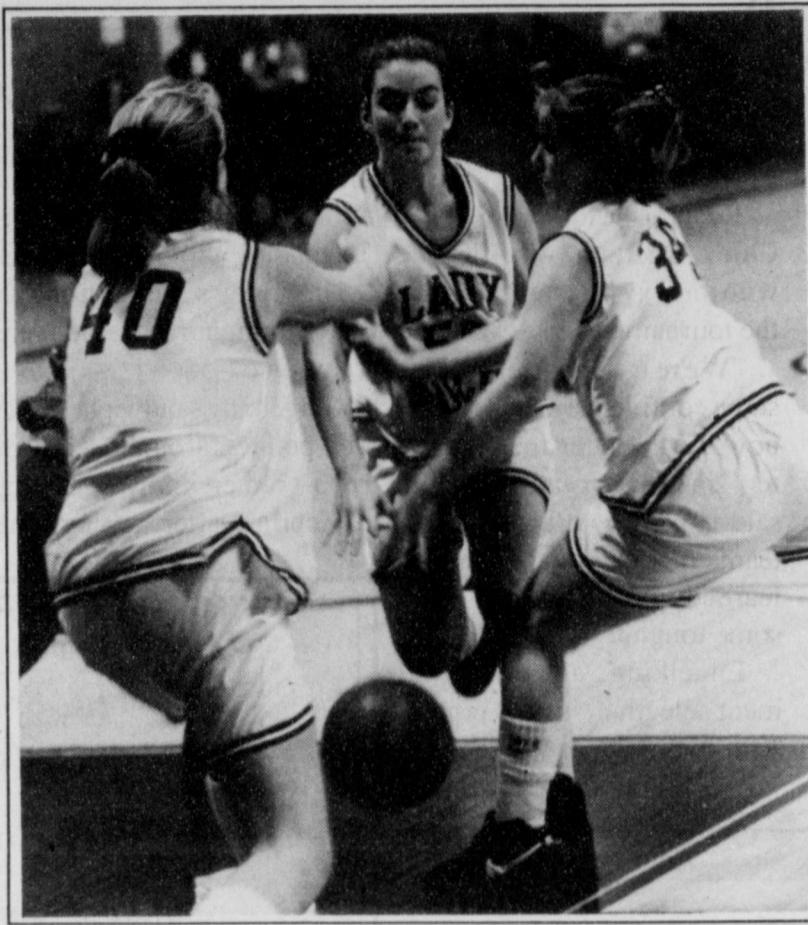
Gruhlkey was pleased with the Lady Mules' defensive effort throughout the tournament.

"We did a lot better communicating and helping out on defense," Gruhlkey said. "It looks like defense is what we're going to hang our hat on."

Wilhite was named to the all-tournament team. The sophomore post averaged 16.3 points and 11 rebounds a game.

Clovis	13	6	9	8	36
MHS	12	11	8	11	38

Leading scorers — Clovis: Dawson 10, Nesbitt 9. MHS: Wilhite 16, Nichols 13, Harrison 7, Field 6.



Three's company

Lady Mules Ellen Wood (40), Melissa Williams (50) and Kellie Morris converged on a loose ball Saturday during the championship game of the Muleshoe Junior Varsity Tournament at WJHS gym. Clovis beat the Muleshoe JV 46-23 to win the title.

Mules

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Muleshoe beat Plains 60-55 Saturday morning and topped Seagraves 56-46 Friday, finishing the tournament at 2-2. Plains and Seagraves both finished 1-3.

"We looked like a different team intensity-wise than we did Thursday night," Mason said. "We started off pretty well against Plains and Seagraves and then tapered off."

The Mules (7-3) built a 16-point halftime lead against Seagraves and took an 11-point lead into the fourth quarter against Plains.

Denver City 68, MHS 58

Dustin Cleavinger had 24 points and 12 rebounds for Muleshoe, which cut the deficit to 32-24 at halftime.

That was about as close as Muleshoe got as the Mustangs held a double-digit lead most of the second half.

Cyrus Norman added two 3-pointers and 8 points for MHS. The Mustangs were led

by 6-8 Brad Woosley, who finished with 19 points.

"It's hard to beat Denver City in their gym," said Mason, displeased with the refereeing. "Especially when it's their tournament."

MHS 60, Plains 55

MHS junior Layne Kemp was 4 of 4 on 3-pointers and finished with a career-high 16 points as the Mules beat Plains for the second time this year.

Cleavinger added 14 points and 8 rebounds. The sophomore post was 7 of 8 from the field. Matt McClanahan had 7 assists.

Muleshoe took care of the ball, finishing with 23 assists and 11 turnovers. Plains turned the ball over 22 times against mild pressure.

"We didn't really press hard," Mason said. "But Plains is like a bunch of gnats — they never go away."

.... Blount led Plains with 20 points. The Mules beat Plains

Sundown

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Justin St. Clair led the Longhorns with 16 points and 6-7 junior Jason Thomas finished with 10.

Gary Serna led the Class 2A Roughnecks with 16 points.

Thomas scored 18 points as Lazbuddie beat Grady 66-47 Saturday morning in the semifinals. Israel Lopez added 15 points and Chris Smith finished with 11.

Thomas scored a season-high 30 points Friday in a 64-31 quarterfinal win over Ropes. Lopez scored all 13 of his points in the fourth quarter when Lazbuddie outscored Ropes 22-5.

The Longhorns opened the tournament Thursday with a 64-25 romp over Loop.

LHS outscored Loop 29-2 in the second quarter.

Smith led the way with 20 points and Thomas added 18.

87-73 in their first meeting.

MHS 56, Seagraves 46

Alfonso Mendoza (11 points) and Douglass Field (10 points) led a balanced attack as seven of nine Mules scored 5 or more points.

Rodney Luckey led Seagraves with 11 points.

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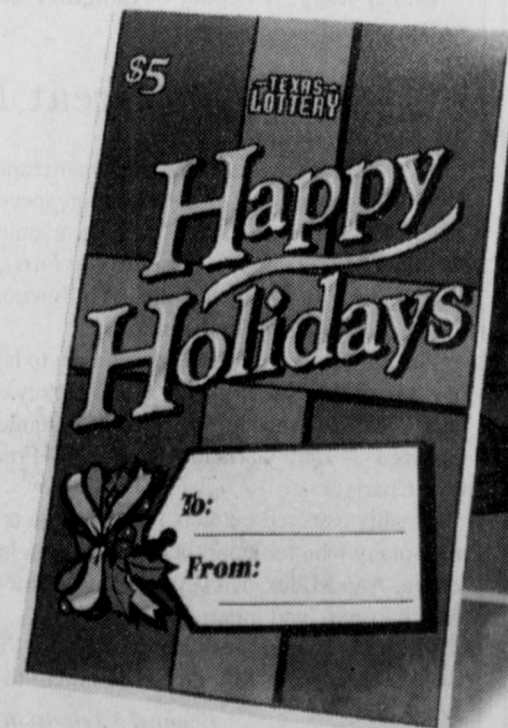
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 Sundown 63, O'Donnell 59
Lazbuddie 64, Loop 25
 Spade 81, Hermleigh 47
 Cotton Center 64, New Home 53
 Ropes 61, Dawson 35
 Klondike 72, Amherst 38
 Grady 60, Southland 49
 Wilson 77, Union 43
Consolation quarterfinals
 O'Donnell 82, Amherst 37
Friday
Consolation quarterfinals
 Southland 52, New Home 39
 Union 57, Hermleigh 43
 Loop 47, Dawson 27
Consolation semifinals
 Southland 45, Loop 38
 O'Donnell 84, Union 53
Championship quarterfinals
Lazbuddie 64, Ropes 31
 Grady 70, Cotton Center 49
 Sundown 70, Klondike 38
 Wilson 57, Spade 48
Saturday
Guarantee games
 Hermleigh 47, Amherst 45
 New Home 76, Dawson 52
 Klondike 75, Spade 60
 Ropes 66, Cotton Center 43
Championship semifinals
 Sundown 71, Wilson 60
Lazbuddie 66, Grady 47
Consolation finals
 Wilson 64, Grady 52
Championship
 Sundown 62, Lazbuddie 44

Shallowater Shootout

at Shallowater HS
Thursday
Shallowater 85, Three Way 44
 Tulia 80, Petersburg 35
 Littlefield 59, Springlake-Earth 34
 Portales, N.M. 55, Olton 41
 Shallowater 48, Idalou 41
Saturday
Consolation quarterfinal
Petersburg 60, Three Way 56
Consolation semifinal
 Springlake-Earth 52, Idalou 46
 Petersburg 48, Olton 43
Championship semifinals
 Portales, N.M. 50, Tulia 46
 Shallowater 68, Littlefield 58

FM 211 Shootout

GIRLS
Thursday
First round
 O'Donnell 65, Sundown 56 OT
Lazbuddie 37, Loop 28
 Hermleigh 60, Spade 47
 New Home 37, Cotton Center 31
 Dawson 44, Ropes 37
 Klondike 61, Amherst 35
 Grady 63, Southland 39
 Wilson 89, Union 17
Friday
Consolation quarterfinals
 Sundown 63, Amherst 39
 Southland 34, Cotton Center 32
 Spade 45, Union 25
 Ropes 35, Loop 32
Consolation semifinals
 Southland 41, Ropes 40
 Sundown 75, Spade 23
Championship quarterfinals
Lazbuddie 64, Dawson 58
 Grady 54, New Home 28
 Klondike 51, O'Donnell 40
 Wilson 68, Hermleigh 43

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 Klondike 51, Wilson 46
Lazbuddie 52, Grady 51
Consolation final
 Sundown 79, Southland 36
Third place
 Grady 47, Wilson 46
Championship
 Klondike 50, Lazbuddie 43
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die; Melissa Kinnear, Klondike; Regina Morales, O'Donnell; Cassie

Shallowater Shootout

at Shallowater HS
Thursday
Shallowater 78, Three Way 19
 Idalou 60, Petersburg 45
 Littlefield 37, Springlake-Earth 34
 Sudan 71, Roosevelt 27
 Shallowater 47, Olton 21
Friday
Consolation quarterfinal
Petersburg 61, Three Way 24
Consolation semifinals
 Petersburg 50, Roosevelt 43
 Springlake-Earth 55, Olton 27
Championship semifinals
 Sydna 71, Idalou 31
 Shallowater 46, Littlefield 39

Boys

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helped the JV Mules controlled the paint in the second half.

Clint Black led the frosh with 13 points and Jeff Bruns added 10.

Championship

MHS JV 57, MHS 9th 46
MHS 9th 11 15 9 11 46
MHS JV 10 14 21 10 57
MHS 9th (47) — Ryan Hodge 0 (1) 0-0 3, Eric Posadas 0 0-0 0, James Barrett 0 0-0 0, Delwyn Latham 0 1-1 1, Clint Black 5 (1) 0-0 13, Ike Norman 0 0-0 0, Jesse Reyes 1 (1) 0-0 5, Mitch Mason 1 3-4 5, Jeff Bruns 2 (2) 0-0 10, John McClanahan 1 0-0 2, B.J. Copeland 0 (2) 0-0 6, Kyle Hahn 0 1-2 1, Bret Clements 0 0-2 0. Totals 10 (7) 5-9 46.

MHS JV (57) — Mason Sinclair 3 (2) 2-3 14, Larry Pineda 1 1-2 3, B.J. Gonzales 0 1-2 1, Luis Hines 1 0-0 2, Luis Perez 4 3-4 11, Manuel Campolla 3 3-4 9, Aaron Purdy 2 (2) 0-0 10, Matt Turney 2 (1) 0-2 7. Totals 16 (5) 10-17 57.

Semifinals

Mule JV 57, Farwell 52


The Mules built a 21-point lead and then held off a furious Farwell fourth-quarter rally.

Sinclair (14 points) and Louis Hines (12 points) each hit a trio of 3-pointers for the Mules. Muleshoe finished with 8 3-pointers, all in the first three quarters.

MHS JV 56, Farwell 52
Farwell 12 11 6 23 52
MHS JV 17 18 15 6 56

Farwell (52) — Taylor 4 0-0 8, Ketcherside 3 0-0 6, Nicholas 0 0-0 0, Mendoza 1 0-0 2, Roberts 1 2-5 4, Garcia 0 0-0 0, Monk 0 0-0 0, Crawford 3 0-0 6, Silva 0 0-0 0, Franse 4 1-2 9, Zorn 1 2-2 4, Cooper 3 (1) 4-13, Chadwick 0 0-0 0. Totals 20 (1) 9-13 52.

MHS JV (56) — Sinclair 2 (3) 1-3 14, Pineda 1 (1) 0-1 5, Gonzales 1 (3) 1-2 12, Hines 1 4-6 6, Perez 2 (1) 0-0 9, Campolla 0 1-2 1, Purdy 2 1-2 5, Turney 2 0-0 4. Totals 11 (8) 8-16 56.



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The man known to the world as Danny Kaye was born David Daniel Kaminsky in Brooklyn in 1913, the son of an immigrant Russian tailor. Few could have guessed how far he would travel: from the Borscht Belt of New York's Catskill resorts, to Broadway and Hollywood as one of America's premiere stage and screen performers, to third world countries as a goodwill ambassador on behalf of UNICEF.

An affectionate one-hour documentary about this legendary entertainer, **Danny Kaye: A Legacy of Laughter**, features choice excerpts from Kaye's brilliant television and film career, including side-splitting performances with Lucille Ball, Louis Armstrong, and Harry Belafonte.

Danny Kaye starred in 17 movies and won two Academy Awards. He conducted symphony orchestras the world over (even though he couldn't read a note of music and learned everything by ear), raising over \$10 million for the benefit of musicians' pension funds. In between, he led his own Walter Mitty-esque life as a celebrated chef, a pilot, and a baseball team owner. As UNICEF Ambassador-at-Large, he toured the world for 35 years to bring a sense of hope and a moment of laughter to Third World children who were veritable strangers to both.

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sophomore Holly Engelking added 11.

Despite the loss, LHS coach Carey Sudduth was thrilled with the way his team played in the tournament.

"We're trying to get the kids some confidence and to realize how much better they've gotten since last year," Sudduth said. "We beat three quality teams this weekend. The kids learned a lot. They showed some toughness."

Engelking, an all-tournament selection, hit a 3-pointer with two seconds left as LHS

beat Grady 52-51 in the semi-finals.

Engelking and Warren led Lazbuddie with 10 points each. In Friday's quarterfinal, the Lady Longhorns rallied past Dawson 64-58.

Engelking sandwiched a pair of 3-pointers around a Kia Morris 3-pointer midway through the fourth quarter, turning a one-

point deficit into an eight-point lead. LHS outscored Dawson 21-10 in the fourth quarter.

Engelking finished with 26 points and Warren added 18. Lazbuddie beat Loop 37-28 in Thursday's opener.

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OBITUARIES

Mildred Lambert

Funeral services for Mildred Lambert of Muleshoe were held Monday at the First United Methodist Church with Rev. John Wagoner, pastor, and Rev. Rick Ketterling, pastor of Trinity Christian Church, Clovis, N.M. officiating.

Burial will follow in the Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

Mrs. Lambert died Dec. 7 at the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock after an illness.

She was born in Turkey, Texas. The family requested that her age not be mentioned. She married Woodrow "Woodie" Lambert Nov. 9, 1940 in Farwell. She was preceded in death by one brother, Otho Arnold.

Mrs. Lambert was a graduate of Turkey High School. She moved to Muleshoe from Turkey in 1939. She was a charter member of the Muleshoe Country Club and a member of the Ladies Golf Association. She and her husband owned and operated Lambert Cleaners in Muleshoe from 1946 to 1983. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Muleshoe.

Survivors include her husband; one daughter, Judy Lambert of Muleshoe; one brother,

Alton Arnold of Quanah, Texas, one sister, Vaudene Lusk of Shallowater.

The family suggests memorials to the First United Methodist Church, Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

Lois Faye Hudnall

CLOVIS — Funeral services for Lois Faye Hudnall, 80, of Clovis, N.M. were held Wednesday at the First Baptist Church, Portales, N.M. with the Rev. Randy Rankin, pastor and Rev. Bob Brown, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Texico, N.M. officiating.

Burial will follow in the Castro Memorial Gardens in Dimmitt, Texas under the direction of the Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hudnall died Dec. 9 at the Retirement Ranch of Clovis. She was born on Sept. 5, 1916 in Temple, Oklahoma. She married Harvey Hudnall on July 3, 1938 in Lazbuddie. He died on Sept. 27, 1996.

Mrs. Hudnall had been a resident of Farwell since 1974

moving there from Texico, N.M. She was a member of First Baptist Church at Portales, N.M.

Pallbearers will be her grandsons, grandsons-in-law and great grandsons.

Survivors include one son, Wayne Hudnall of Baton Rouge, La., three daughters Nancy Carol Warrick of Farwell, Janell Jordan and Sue Harmon both of Portales, eight grandchildren, Renee & Kenneth Dilbeck of Lubbock, Texas, Bob & Ronda Harmon of Texico, Brenda & J.E. Hammond of Borger, Texas, Bryce & Darla Harmon of Salida, Calif., J.W. Warrick of Columbia, Md., Eric Hudnall of Baton Rouge, La., Justin Jordan of Irving, Texas, Jennifer of Flagstaff, Ariz. Six great-grandchildren, Kyle & Bryan Dilbeck, Jayson & Jeffrey Hammond, Kayci Harmon & Michelle Harmon.

Family suggests memorials to the Baptist Children's Home in Portales, N.M.

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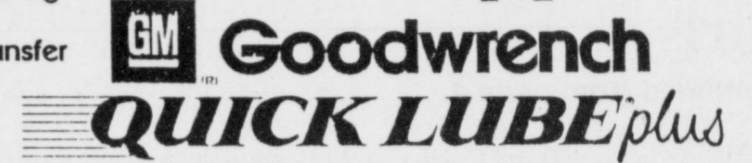
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In other business, the commissioners set County holidays for 1997.

The commissioners designated nine days as official holidays, with pay, for all County officials and full-time employees. County Offices will also be closed Nov. 4, 1997 if there is a state constitutional amendment up for vote.

Commissioners also received a report from the Bailey County EMS. EMS reported collecting \$11,918.57 for the month of November. During the same month, EMS responded to 36 calls, according to the report.

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Employee of the month

Rama Smalling, of Henry Insurance, was chosen as the December Employee of the Month by the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce. Pictured are (front row, from left) Dawn Williams, Kenneth Henry, Rama Smalling, J.B. Douglas (Back row) Hugh Young, Bill James, Wade King, Starla Ellis, and Jim Henderson.

Girls

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and Rhonda Copley and Keisha Whitt each added 7 points for Muleshoe.

The Lady Mules outscored Farwell in each quarter.

Farwell 7 6 4 9 26
MHS JV 510 8 10 33
Farwell (26) — Miller 2 4-7 8, Stout 1 0-2 2, Meeks 0 0-0 0, Bray 0 0-0 0, Lunsford 0 0-1 0, Herington 3 1-1 7, Taylor 0 0-0 0, Edwards 0 0-0 0, Kaltwasser 2 5-6 9. Totals 8 10-17 26.

MHS JV (33) — Heathington 0 2-2 2, Messenger 0 0-0 0, Whitt 1 5-8 7, Copley 3 1-2 7, Schuster 2 0-0 4, Hooten 0 0-0 0, Morris 0 3-5 3, Cowart 0 0-0 0, Benham 0 0-0 0, Angeley 0 0-0 0, Williams 2 4-8 8, Wood 1 0-0 2. Totals 9 15-25 33.

Third place

Farwell 46, MHS 9th 27
Farwell erased any hope of

a Muleshoe comeback Saturday with a 17-point fourth quarter.

Lynsie Black scored 6 of her game-high 16 points in the third quarter as the Muleshoe freshmen cut Farwell's 13-point halftime lead to 10 heading into the fourth quarter.

Lela Hancock added 7 points for the Lady Mules on 7 of 10 free throw shooting.

Farwell 10 16 3 17 46
MHS 9th 5 8 6 8 27
Farwell (46) — Miller 5 4-8 14, Stout 1 0-0 2, Meeks 0 0-0 0, Bray 0 0-0 0, Lunsford 2 1-2 5, Herington 4 1-2 9, Taylor 1 0-2 2, Edwards 2 0-0 4, Kaltwasser 3 4-5 11. Totals 18 10-19 46.

MHS 9th (27) — Stacy Locker 0 0-0 0, Lynsie Black 6 (1) 1-7 16, Bobbie Benham 0 1-3 1, Lela

Hancock 0 7-10 7, Christi Adrian 0 0-10 0, Barbara Morales 0 0-0 0, Michelle Toscano 0 1-2 1, Brandi Whitt 0 0-0 0. Total 7 (1) 10-23 27.

Clovis JV 59, MHS 9th 21

Christal Mitchell led a balanced attack with 18 points as Clovis overwhelmed the Muleshoe frosh Friday.

Black led Muleshoe with 11 points.

Clovis 15 18 10 16 59
MHS 9th 6 2 7 6 21

Clovis (59) — Mitchell 3 (1) 0-0 9, Jones 0 0-0 0, Tanner 0 0-0 0, Adare 3 1-2 7, Wimbish 3 0-0 6, Mitchell 8 2-4 18, Hines 1 0-0 2, Oborny 3 1-2 7, Reid 0 0-0 0, Blair 0 0-2 0, Smith 3 0-0 6, Dabell 0 0-0 0, Robbs 0 0-0 0, Kerr 2 0-0 4. Totals 26 (1) 4-10 59.

Season

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ers club surrounded their "horse" with bales of hay. The hay was then topped by their personal saddles, adding one final touch to the western look. The entire float — hay, sleigh, saddles, and all — was laced with strings of white Christmas lights.

"The Rotary Club loaned us the sleigh, and we were able to borrow the horse from Joe's Boot Shop," said Young Riders organizer Starla Ellis. "We worked on the float for about a week. The kids had a really good time doing the parade."

Ellis said that the prize money will go toward awards for the members of the club.

Five Area Telephone Co. took the \$100 second prizewith a phone truck decorated with a light-covered frame shaped like

a house, complete with reindeer.

Muleshoe Home Health took the \$50 third prize with a float carrying Frosty the Snowman.

About a dozen downtown businesses joined in the Christmas spirit by staying open late.

Dawn Williams of Williams Bros. Athletics organized a "Moonlight Madness" event to promote local businesses during the evening.

"I was real tickled that a lot of businesses stayed open," Williams said. "It was a real convenience for shoppers. We (Williams Bros. Athletics) will

have one last Moonlights Madness Dec. 21, and I hope other businesses try it."

Along with Williams Bros., most other downtown businesses that participated in the "Moonlight Madness" were positive about the local turnout.

"It was worth our while to stay open," said Shanna Glover of the Fig Tree. "We made some good sales."

Most businesses are hopeful that "Moonlight Madness" events in the future will be even more successful as shoppers become more familiar to the events.

ENOCHS NEWS

By Mrs. J.D. Bayless

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Claunch went to Guthrie, Okla. to the Lazy Arena for the National Final Steer Roping during Thanksgiving.

Rev. Ray Cunningham was dismissed from St. Mary Hospital Tuesday. He and his wife Olene were able to come to Enochs Sunday where he preached a good sermon. Sandra Austin played the piano and led the singing. She did a great job.

Mrs. Alma Maxey from Jayton, Okla. visited Mr. and Mrs. Goldman Stroud Tuesday.

Mrs. Margie Peterson along with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nichols went to Morton Sunday evening to attend the First Baptist Church Christmas program, titled "The Living Christmas Tree." Other churches also participated.

Mrs. Sandra Austin took her

mother, Mrs. Olive Cox, to Lubbock to the Steak and Ale for her birthday to eat lunch. Mrs. Freda Maynard of Plainview met them there.

Mrs. Roxie Stroud and her daughter Lili Pollard drove to Bledsoe Sunday afternoon to visit her other daughter, Doris Truell.

Mrs. Myrna Turney had her grand-daughter Amy Drennan spend the night with her Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Thomas of Midland and daughter visited their grandmother, Inez Sanders, Sunday.

Sandra Austin, and her mother, Olive Cox, went to Muleshoe Sunday evening to the First Baptist Church for a musical program.

Once a farmer always a farmer at heart. I have lived on the farm all of my life, so I was thankful for the pretty weather

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MULESHOE CATTLE MARKET

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STEERS		HEIFERS	
Weight	per #	Weight	per #
200-300	\$65-\$75	200-300	\$55-\$62
300-400	\$65-\$83	300-400	\$52-\$60
400-500	\$60-\$70	400-500	\$52-\$60
500-600	\$60-\$70	500-600	\$50-\$56
600-700	\$57-\$65	600-700	\$48-\$55
700-800	\$55-\$60	700-800	\$45-\$54

BRED COWS		PACKER COWS	
Others	\$275-\$450	Others	\$28-\$35

BULLS		PAIRS	
Others	\$35-\$44	Others	\$350-\$575

REPRESENTATIVE SALES

Seller, City	#	Type	Wt.	CWT or PH
Joe Garcia, Ponderosa, NM	3	Hol. Strs.	788 lbs.	at \$38.25
Ray Munson, Brownfield	3	Brang. Strs.	300 lbs.	at \$83.00
Perry Cumpston, Texico, NM	Char. Str.	340 lbs.	at \$71.00	
Roger Lira, Muleshoe	Red Bull	395 lbs.	at \$70.00	
Clovie Chunn, Portales, NM	7 Blk. Strs.	461 lbs.	at \$65.00	
7C Cattle, Bovina	2 Char. Strs.	325 lbs.	at \$79.00	
7C Cattle, Bovina	Bwf. Str.	475 lbs.	at \$73.00	
Stephanie Jackson, Plainview	Blk. Bull	435 lbs.	at \$72.50	
Bennie Strickland, Levelland	Blk. Str.	560 lbs.	at \$64.00	
Joe Wheeler, Muleshoe	3 Mixed Strs.	637 lbs.	at \$64.25	
Carl Pollard, Portales, NM	Grey Str.	525 lbs.	at \$68.50	
Lorenzo Murina, Farwell	Rwf. Str.	510 lbs.	at \$60.00	
Bill Bradley, Amherst	Red Str.	605 lbs.	at \$58.50	
Francisco Armendariz, Portales, NM	Char. Str.	690 lbs.	at \$60.00	
Allen Mount, Muleshoe	6 Mixed Strs.	759 lbs.	at \$59.00	
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Stephanie Jackson, Plainview	2 Blk. Hfcs.	373 lbs.	at \$55.50	
7C Cattle, Bovina	8 Mixed Hfcs.	378 lbs.	at \$57.00	
7C Cattle, Bovina	9 Char Hfcs.	459 lbs.	at \$60.00	
Clovie Chunn, Portales, NM	6 Blk. Hfcs.	427 lbs.	at \$57.75	
Ray Munson, Brownfield	6 Brang. Hfcs.	362 lbs.	at \$55.00	
R.J. Renner, Friona	3 Mixed Hfcs.	745 lbs.	at \$54.75	
4C Cattle, Bovina	Char. Hfcs.	510 lbs.	at \$55.00	
Carl Pollard, Portales, NM	2 Char. Pair		\$575.00	
Jimmy Mullins, Rogers, NM	2 Bwf. Pair		\$430.00	
JC Land & Cattle, Morton	2 Rwf. Pair		\$460.00	
Lon Comer, Plainview	Brang. Cow, P5		\$335.00	
Lance Wilson, Anton	Limo Cow, P6		\$540.00	
J.R. Rodriguez, Bula	Char. Cow	1145 lbs.	at \$33.00	
Rusty Powell, Abernathy	Rwf. Cow	1275 lbs.	at \$37.00	
CVM, Inc., Farwell	Rwf. Cow	1300 lbs.	at \$34.50	
Prairie View Dairy, Muleshoe	2 Hol. Cow	1260 lbs.	at \$32.00	
Steve Donnel, Dodge City, KS	Rwf. Cow	915 lbs.	at \$34.50	
Carl Pollard, Portales, NM	Char. Cow	1580 lbs.	at \$33.50	
Carl Pollard, Portales, NM	Simm. Bull	2045 lbs.	at \$44.00	
Mike Metzler, Lubbock	Rwf. Bull	1905 lbs.	at \$42.00	

The Muleshoe Cattle Market is brought to you each week by Muleshoe Livestock Auction, located east of Muleshoe on U.S. 84. Muleshoe Livestock conducts sales every Saturday, beginning with hogs, sheep and goats at 10 a.m. and cattle following at approximately 12 noon. FOR INFORMATION ON SALES OR TO CONSIGN CATTLE, CALL (806) 272-4201.



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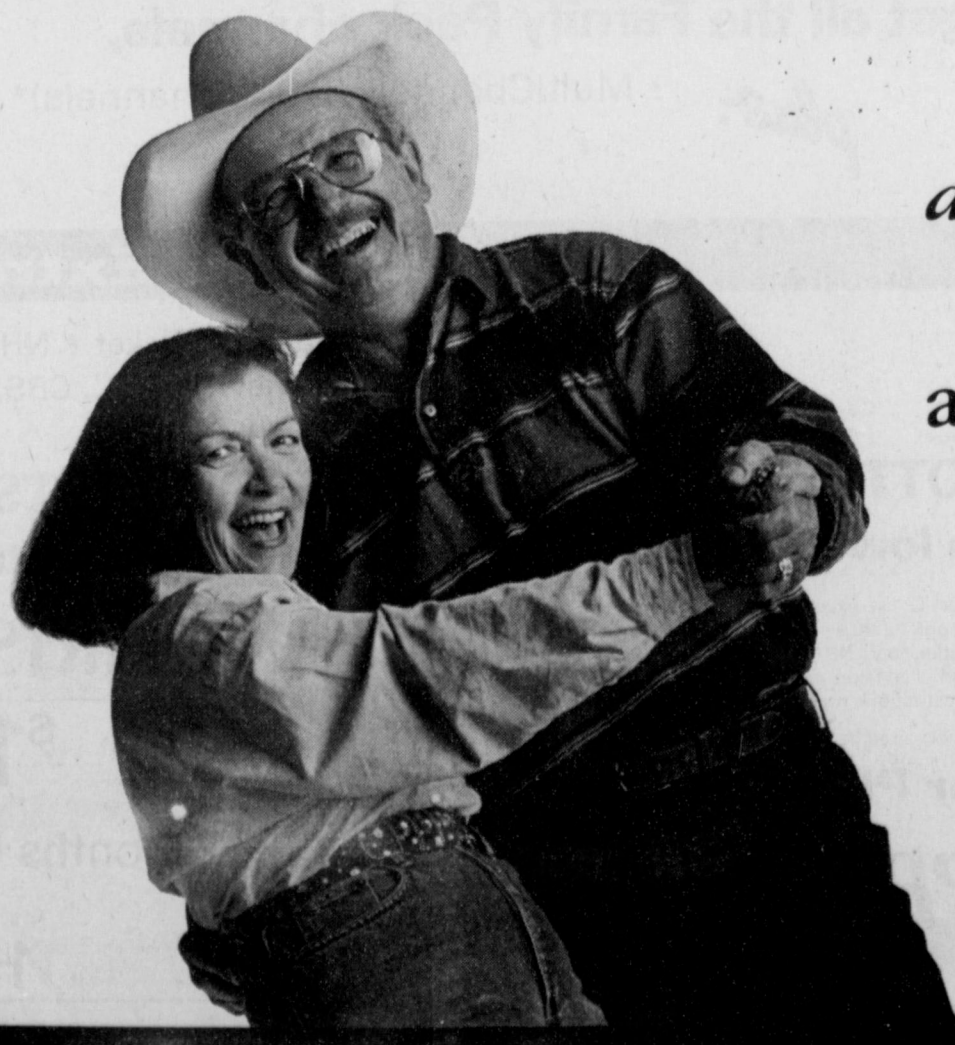
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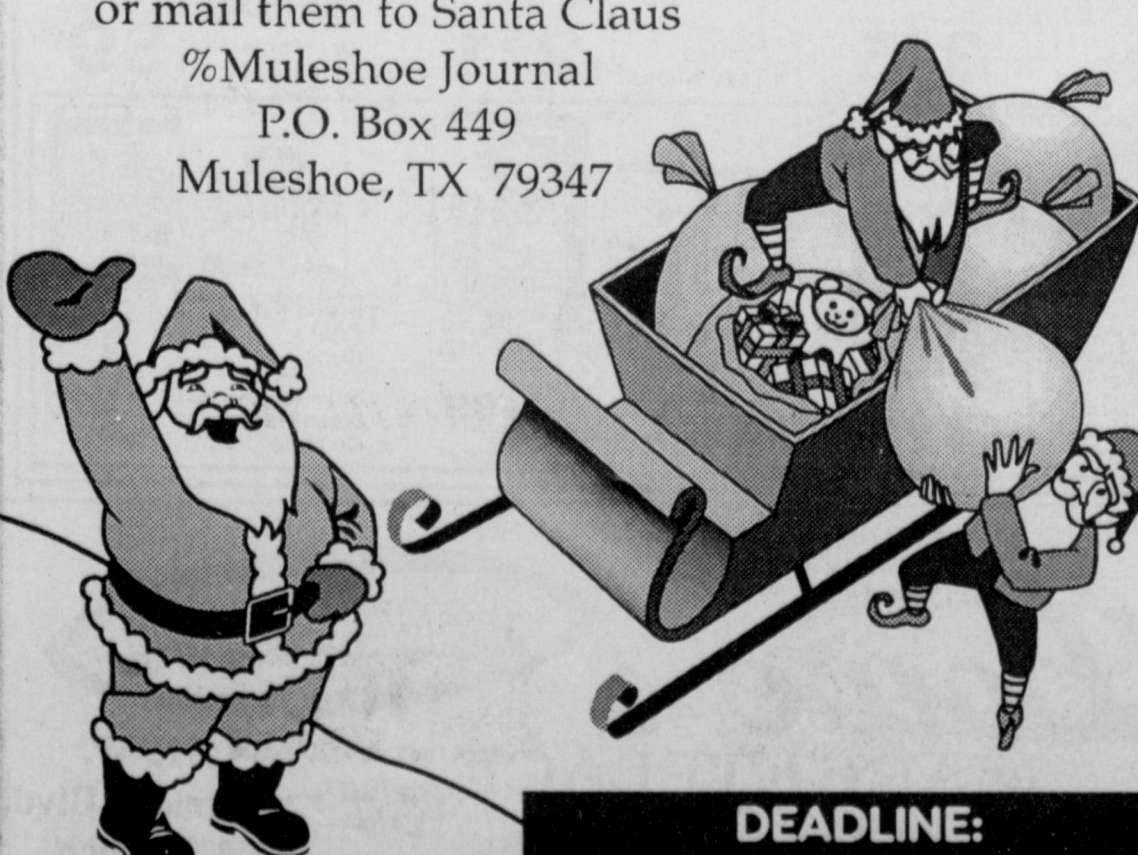
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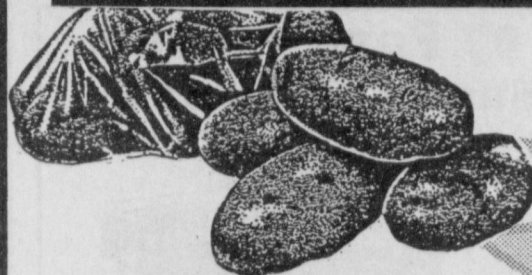
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WESTERN FAMILY
Firelogs
99¢
5 lb. log



PILLSBURY BUTTERMILK REDUCED FAT, SOUTHERN, FLAKY, BUTTERMILK, or TOMATO SOUP FAMILY SIZE
Grands! Biscuits
99¢
17.3 oz. can



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16 oz. can



ALL TYPES
• Coca-Cola
• Sprite
• Dr Pepper
1.79
6 pack 12 oz. cans

ALL TYPES
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Campbell's Soups
1.19
26 oz. can

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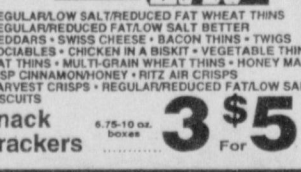
TRISCUIT
ITEM OF THE WEEK
3\$5



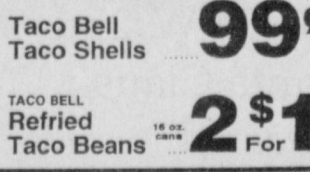
TACO BELL
Taco Shells
99¢
12 ct. pkg.



IN SYRUP CRUSHED SLICED CHUNKS, OR IN JUICE TIDBIT/CHUNKS/PEARS/CRUSHED SLICED
Del Monte Pineapple
59¢
15-16.2 oz. can



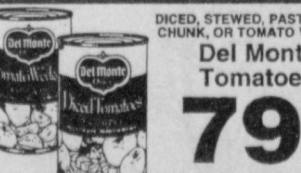
Snack Crackers
6.75-10 oz. bags
3\$5 For



TACO BELL
Refried Taco Beans
2\$1
16 oz. cans



DEL MONTE DICED PEACHES, OR MIXED FRUIT
Fruit Cups
1.69
8 pack



QUAKER
Cereal
13-18 oz. bags
3\$5 For



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Nilla Wafers
1.99
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QUAKER CORN MASA MIX
Masa Harina De Maiz
3.99
8 lb.

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BLUE BUNNY ASSORTED
Ice Cream
4.99
5 qt. pail



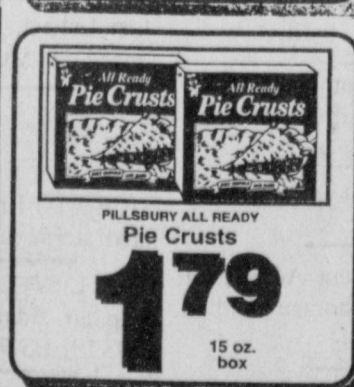
BLUE BUNNY
Sundae Cones
1.99
12 ct. pkg.



PILLSBURY ORIGINAL
Crescent Rolls
1.69
8 oz. can 8 ct.



LITE, FAT FREE, OR REGULAR
Cool Whip Topping
1.19
8 oz. ctn.



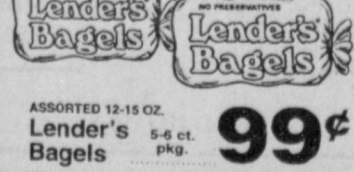
PILLSBURY ALL READY
Pie Crusts
1.79
15 oz. box



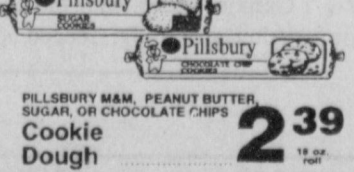
TUCUMCARI
Cheese
1.99
10 oz. pkg.



BIRD'S EYE
Corn on the Cob
2\$3 For



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Lender's Bagels
5-6 ct. pkg.
99¢



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White Rain Hair Products
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