

Westerners ride big second half to 77-59 victory

By RICK WHITE
Managing Editor

LUBBOCK — Muleshoe bottled up Lubbock High standout Marc Chavez with a box-and-one defense in the first half and was perched within striking distance of an upset.

But Chavez shook loose in the second half, uncorking a trio of 3-pointers during a 1:30 span early in the third quarter while leading the Westerners to a 77-59 win Monday in a first round game of the ABC Caprock Holiday Basketball Tournament before a sparse early-morning crowd at Coronado High School.

Muleshoe played Hereford Tuesday afternoon in a Consolation B first round game. A win would advance the Mules (13-4) to the consolation quarterfinals against the loser of a game between Lubbock Estacado and San Angelo Central later Tuesday night.

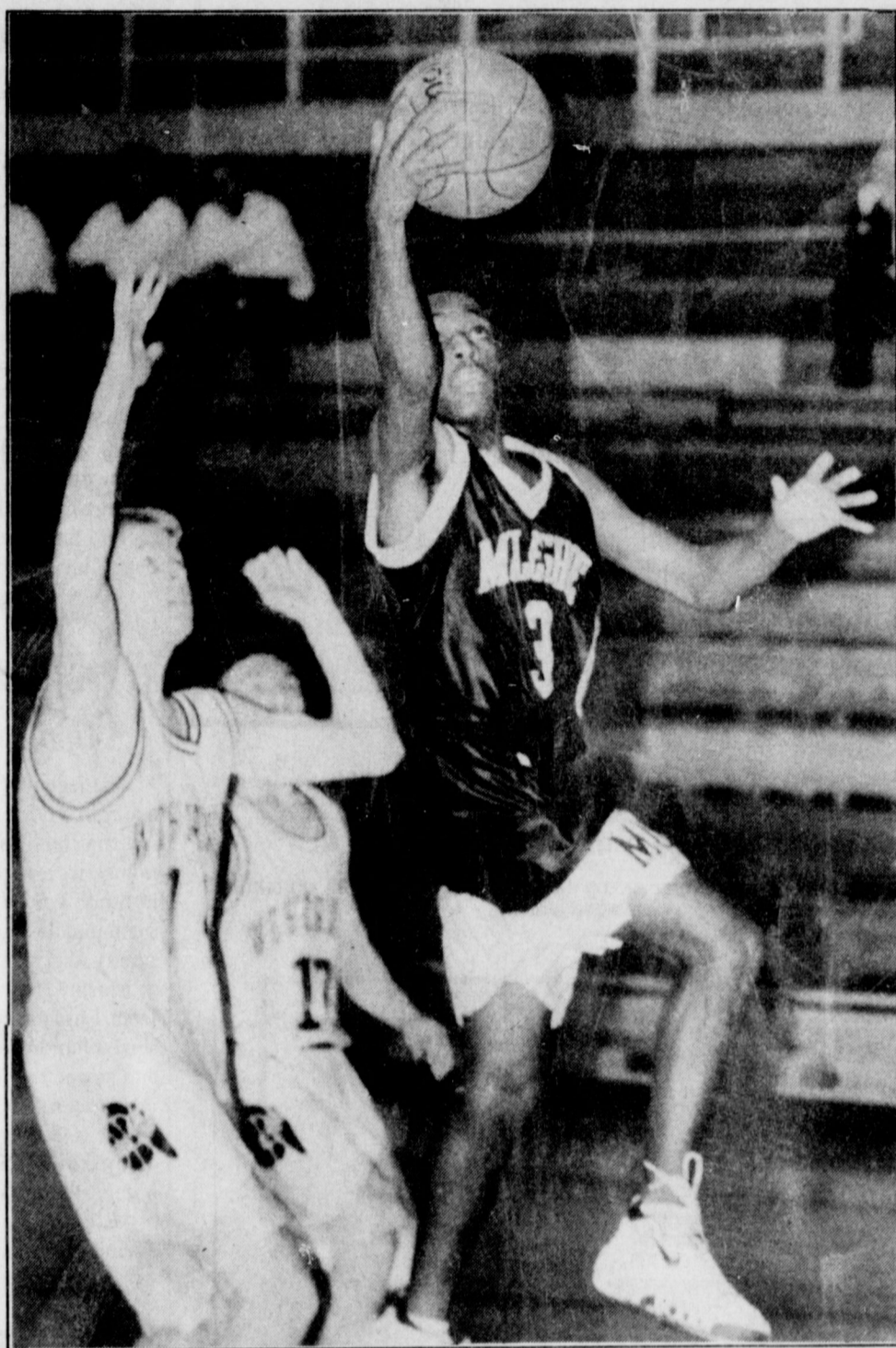
Chavez scored 15 of his game-high 21 points in the second half against the turnover-prone Mules.

"They're a good ball club with a lot of depth and quickness," Muleshoe coach Ralph Mason said. "We were still in the ballgame at halftime. But in the third quarter, it was a combination of turnovers and letting Chavez getting loose.

"I think if we could have held Chavez in check, we could have made a run at them."

The Westerners (9-4) outscored Muleshoe 21-10 in the third quarter as Chavez scored 11 points.

Two of the reigning Lubbock player of the year
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Strong to the hole
Muleshoe's Carlton Lewis scores against Lubbock High Monday during a 77-59 loss in the first round of the ABC Caprock Holiday Tournament.

LIKE THEM OR NOT

Most Texans believe black-eyed peas source of good luck

By TERESA STONE
Journal staff writer

Muleshoe residents are getting ready for 1998, pondering resolutions and new goals, and also making sure they will have black-eyed peas on the dinner table on New Year's Day.

For many Texans, it's unimaginable starting out a new year without eating at least a few black-eyed peas, partly because of tradition, partly because of superstition.

"More than anything it's a tradition at our house," said Sam Moore of Muleshoe. "It wouldn't be New Year's Day without eating them. But I guess we do it for luck also because if something goes wrong during the year, we'll say 'I guess you didn't eat enough black-eyed peas.'"

But Moore said that his family doesn't believe that bad luck will come if you don't eat the peas. "I guess we think that we might have better luck if we eat them. Heck, it can't hurt, who couldn't use a little more good luck."

Jonathan Miller of Farwell said that New Year's Day is the only time of year that his family serves black-eyed peas.

"We don't really like them, but my mom and my wife's family both believed that they bring good luck and they served them when we were growing up. Now we do it at our house," said Miller. "Every year, there we are at lunch on New Year's Day trying to swallow down a few, trying to convince our kids to eat at least

one or two. Even though we do it, we don't really put any faith in it, it's a tradition. My kids are even into it now. Just yesterday, my daughter was going through the cabinets to make sure we had a can."

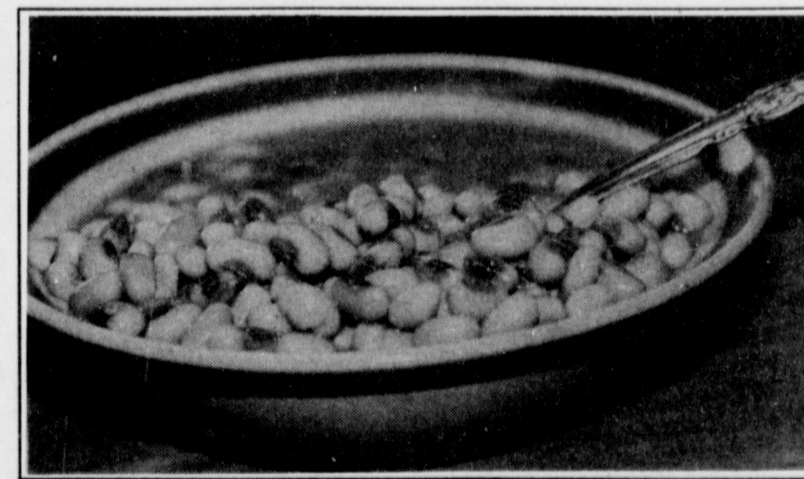
Candice Taylor, a new resident of Muleshoe, said that she first heard of the tradition only 10 years ago, but she is now a true believer in eating the brown, kidney-shaped beans.

"I started eating them in 1988 and that was the best year I had in a long time," said Taylor. "So in 1989, there was no way that I wasn't going to do it again. I've eaten them every year since then, and every year has been pretty good. I know it's not the black-eyed peas. I put my true faith in the Lord, but it's fun and it gives you a little hope."

Many people around Muleshoe admitted that they didn't know how or why the tradition of eating black-eyed peas started. Surprisingly, the idea of black-eyed peas bringing good luck is actually a European tradition.

According to the book "All about American Holidays," New Year's has traditionally been celebrated with food. Early English settlers served blackeye peas which were thought to be a delicacy, as well as bringing good fortune.

Although the tradition may have its origin in England, the book accredits Southerners, specifically Texans, for keeping it alive.



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A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

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St. Jude's Ranch, a non-profit organization trying to break the vicious and destructive cycles of child abuse and welfare dependency, are asking people to send their used all occasion greeting card **FRONTS** that do not have writing on the back.

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LOCAL WEATHER

	High	low	Pre.
Friday	29	8	—
Saturday	37	10	—
Sunday	44	10	—
Total to date	21.16 inches		

EXTENDED FORECAST

Mostly sunny, breezy and dry through Friday with highs in the mid 60s, lows in the 20s. A slight chance of rain Saturday with cooler weather moving into the area.

O Winter, ruler of the inverted year,
Thy scatter hair with sleet like ashes filled,
Thy breath congealed upon thy lips, thy cheeks,
Fringed with a beard made white with other
snows . . .
I love thee.

— William Cowper

State comptroller predicts another solid year for ag industry in 1998

AUSTIN — In an end-of-the-year report, State Comptroller John Sharp said that 1997 was a turnaround year for agriculture, as Texas farmers and ranchers look forward to another year of solid gains in 1998.

"This year, Texas producers knocked off the dust from the '96 drought," Sharp said. "Most were blessed with much-needed rain, and prices began to return to profitable levels."

"For cattle producers, prices are on an upswing, and herd sizes are stabilizing," Sharp said. "Cattleman can look for continued growth next year thanks to higher prices, lower feed costs, and the probable availability of thick forage."

"Overall, 1997 has been good for growers, too," Sharp said. "For example, planted soybean acreage is up 45 percent over the past two years, and harvested cotton acreage has increased by 29 percent."

Commenting in the latest issue of

Fiscal Notes, his awarding winning monthly publication, Sharp noted that not all crops have rebounded evenly across the state.

"The widespread drought of 1995 and 1996 caused Texas farmers and ranchers to miss out on the high prices offered for many crops last year," Sharp said. "And though the rains were welcome, producers had to contend with more insects, as well as lower market prices that accompanied the higher levels of production."

Sharp said that prices for corn and sorghum are about 40 percent lower this year than last year.

Rice farmers in the coastal area planted fewer acres in 1997 than in any of the five previous years, in part because last spring's rains prevented them from planting much rice in time.

The loss of federal income supports also prompted rice farmers to experi-

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Litigation, resignation top local stories

The City of Muleshoe reaching a settlement in a whistleblower lawsuit, the sudden resignation of Muleshoe High School's principal, and several major storms were the local top stories in the Journal during the months of May through August.

The City of Muleshoe reached an out-of-court settlement with former patrolman Chris Lopez for \$125,000 in late July. Lopez had filed a whistleblower suit against the City in 1995 after he was fired by then City Manager Dave Marr.

A month earlier, Al Bishop resigned as the high school principal to take a similar position near Austin.

Vice principal David Jenkins was quickly named as Bishop's replacement. Bill Bizzell of Clovis, N.M. was later hired to replace Jenkins.

The Muleshoe was hit by its share of summer storms, including a violent June 1 storm that came just days after the tornado that leveled Jarrell, Texas. Scared citizens seeking shelter during the height of the storm broke out the front windows of the city library after police could not unlock the doors. The incident led City and County officials to step up their effort to get an emergency plan in place. A July storm wiped out more than 10,000 acres of corn and

cotton with reports of a possible tornado.

Other tops stories included the Muleshoe Area Hospital District negotiating a settlement to buy the hospital property for \$164,000 in early June, settling an \$800,000 loan that had been on the property since 1976.

Later that month, murder suspect Joseph Doyle Carpenter was released on a \$100,000 bond. Carpenter was charged with the murder of a 20-year-old housewife in April. He remains out on bail.

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AREA BRIEFS

Olivas graduates from Navy training

Connie Olivas of Muleshoe graduated from the Great Lakes, Illinois Naval Training Recruit Center on Dec. 24, 1997.

Olivas, a 1995 graduate of Muleshoe High School, will be stationed with the U.S. Navy in San Diego, Calif.

Olivas' mother is Maria Ana Alvarado of Muleshoe.



Connie Olivas

Christians invited to the Jerico March

Everyone is invited to participate in the Jerico March to proclaim the city of Muleshoe to the Lord.

The march will start at noon, Saturday, Jan. 3 at 415 E. Ave. F. Marchers are asked to be arrive between 11-11:30. Everyone interested in participating is welcome.

The march, sponsored by the Spanish Assembly of God, is based on Psalm 60:12 and Joshua 6:1-4.

During the event, the participants will march around Muleshoe seven times, asking the Lord for revival in the church, and asking for help getting the local youth more involved with Christ.

Locals join American Angus Association

Lorie and Lofton Herington of Muleshoe are new junior members of the American Angus Association.

As junior members, the Heringtons are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association and take part in Association sponsored shows and other national can regional events.

Help arrives for New Year's resolution

If you are one of the many who will pledge to quit smoking for your New Year's resolution, the American Cancer Society wants to help you.

The organization is introducing a new "Stop Now — Here's How" quit kit in time for smokers attempting to begin the New Year smoke-free. The kit is available free of charge and can be ordered by calling the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345.

The kit contains quit tips, a self-help guide, relaxation exercises, facts on nicotine replacement, non-nicotine replacement and other alternative methods of quitting to help people achieve a healthier life-style.

To get an announcement placed in Area Briefs call 272-4536.

Deadline for Thursday's paper is 5 p.m. Mondays.
Deadline for Sunday's paper is 5 p.m. Thursdays

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The Charlie Horse Music Pizza

Introduces Children to a Smorgasbord of Music Styles

The Charlie Horse Music Pizza is an innovative 20-part musical comedy series devoted to music appreciation and education for young children.

The Charlie Horse Music Pizza, designed to entertain and educate children between the ages of 2 and 8, gets its title from the series' main location, The Music Pizza, a pizza parlor on a beach that serves as a local hangout for neighborhood children. Lewis, the owner/operator, is assisted by her sidekicks Charlie Horse, Lamb Chop, and Hush Puppy as well as some new characters. Dom DeLuise co-stars as Cookie, the fun-loving chef at The Music Pizza.

Each episode of The Charlie Horse Music Pizza includes original songs and a solid element of music education as a natural development of the storyline. Musical fun, including games, activities, and crafts relating to the making of music is incorporated into the plot.

The Charlie Horse Music Pizza will air weekdays at 10:30 a.m. beginning Monday, January 5th.



"Rhodes"

All the world's diamonds were not enough.

The legendary diamond king and empire builder of colonial Africa is brought vividly to life in Masterpiece Theatre with "Rhodes," an international production that has been 10 years in the making. The miniseries is a stunning re-creation of the "Wild West" era of exploitation in South Africa, when fabulous diamond and gold discoveries made it seem that the entire continent existed to make daring men rich enough to satisfy almost anyone — except Cecil Rhodes.

Martin Shaw stars as arch-imperialist Cecil Rhodes, the vicar's son from England who cornered the world diamond market in the 1880s, seized hundreds of thousands of square miles that he named Rhodesia, and sowed the baleful seeds of apartheid. Rhodes' rise to power is told in a series of flashbacks involving the only woman in his adult life, Russian princess Catherine Radziwill, played by Frances Barber. Every bit as ambitious as Rhodes, her goal was to marry him despite his apparent homosexuality. She ended up blackmailing him instead.

"Rhodes" on Masterpiece Theatre will air over three consecutive evenings, Sunday through Tuesday, January 4th-6th at 9:00 p.m.

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COMPTROLLER

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ment with other crops in hopes of higher profit margins, according to the Comptroller's analysis.

Sharp said that with rain level back to normal, many Texas growers are returning to more diversified planting.

The Comptroller's analysis indicates that the coming year is likely to be characterized by the need for Texas agricultural producers to adjust to the federal government's stepping out of the risk management business, a provision included in last year's landmark bill.

That legislation called for an end to federal income supports by 2002, with transition payments to be made in the interim.

With the federal government no longer subsidizing crops, Sharp said, Texas farmers and ranchers are free to plant what they choose.

"This new freedom also carries with it new risks," Sharp said. "Encourage producers to familiarize themselves with the latest crop insurance programs and other risk management tools so that they can stay on top on changing market conditions."

Sharp said that another question facing Texas farmers has to do with changes in the Conservation Reserve Program, a federal program in which landowners are paid to retire their land for specified periods of time for conservation purposes.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), which operates the program, accepted only 1.8 million acres of the 3.2 million acres offered earlier this year by Texas landowners.

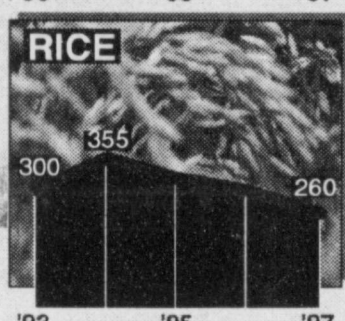
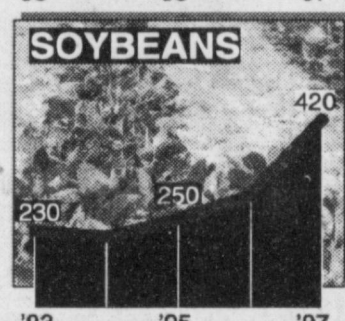
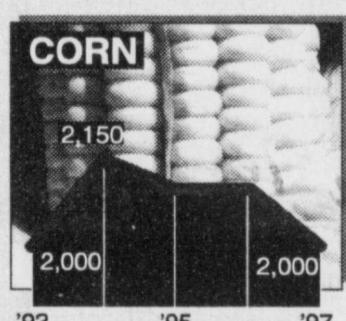
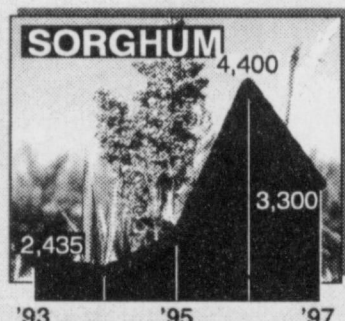
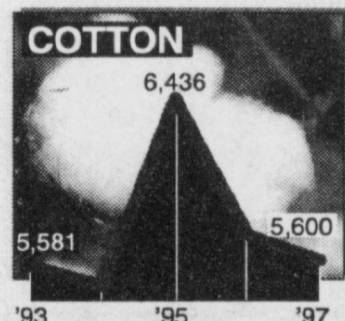
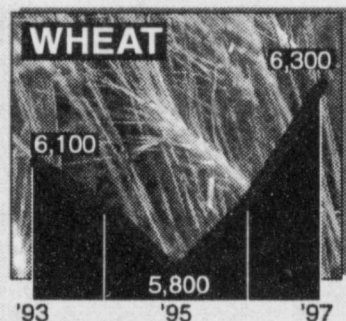
An additional sign-up period was completed at the end of last month, although the number of new acres USDA will accept into the program is unclear at this time.

Sharp's Fiscal Notes is published monthly by the Comptroller's Research Division. It is available by writing P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas 78711-3528 or by calling toll free 1-800-531-5441, extension 3-4900 or on the internet at <http://www.window.state.tx.us>.

Planted acreage in Texas

During the dry years of 1995-96, many farmers concentrated on planting the more drought-tolerant sorghum. With rain levels back to normal, growers have returned to more diversified planting.

In thousands of acres



SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and WEFA Group Inc.

PHOTOS: Texas Department of Transportation and Texas Farm Bureau.

Holiday traffic fatalities lower than expected

The Christmas holidays didn't turn out to be quite as deadly as the Texas Department of Public Safety predicted, but 37 motorists in Texas still lost their lives.

The DPS, who predicted around 43 deaths over the holidays, enacted Operation Motorcade at noon Christmas Eve through midnight Sunday, Dec. 28. The program is designed to put more officers on the streets to try and ensure safety during the peak travel season.

This year the weather played an important factor in the fatalities, said DPS Communications officer John Gonzales of Lubbock. "Most of the wrecks and fatalities, such as the two in the South Plains, occurred because of unsafe driving in the existing conditions," said Gonzales. "Unsafe speed is the major factor. Basically most of the motorist were going faster than the weather or road conditions permitted."

Of the 37 deaths, 13 people were not wearing seat belts, 13 people were wearing seat belts, and four unknown. Seven people were pedestrians. At least six of the deaths were alcohol related.

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Tom: No, M'am, not really. You could sell live cattle but not just cow meat.
Caller: Why?
Tom: Federal law. What kind of cow is it?
Caller: There's a two and a half, a two, an eighteen month and a six month.
Tom: Is the cow you want to sell a bull, steer, or what?
Caller: I don't know, but it has one testicle.
Tom: Well, that's a working model.

Caller: What do you mean?
Tom: It only takes one.
Caller: Hum, maybe that's how I got the six month old.
Tom: Could be.
Caller: Oh, and my cows are vegetarians.
Tom: That's nice.
Caller: Yup, I don't feed any of that chicken manure.
Tom: Chicken manure?
Caller: Uhuh, I've read about it. My cows are organic. They don't get any protein or other chemicals either.
Tom: I see. What do they eat?
Caller: Grass, and table

scraps sometimes, but no meat. Just the vegetables.
Tom: How about hay.
Caller: Well, I did throw the lawn clippings over the fence till lawn mower broke. But I do giv'em hay. When it's not too expensive, I mean.
Tom: A grown cow should get about twenty pounds of hay a day.
Caller: How many bales is that?
Tom: M'am, I gather you like your cows?
Caller: Yes, I do. I raised the two, and a half old from a baby. She was an orphan. My

son and I kept her in the garage the first winter and the others I just sorta collected. Except for the six month which is Tulip's baby.
Tom: It sounds like you could use a little help. Someone to come to your place and give you some cow management advice.
Caller: Is that something county agents do?
Tom: Yes, M'am, it is.
Caller: Is it free?
Tom: Yes.
Caller: Could you come out here sometime and show me?
Tom: Yes M'am I can. We're here to serve.

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Food safety dominate issue of beef industry

Saying 1997 was a challenging year for cattle feeders, TCFA President Bob Sims announced the association's list of Top 10 news stories that affected the industry in 1997.

"Food safety was the dominant issue in the news this year, with E. coli, inspection inequities and cold pasteurization capturing headlines," Sims said. "Our members worked hard with other producers, packers and processors to do all we can to continue keeping U.S. the safest in the world," he said.

Here, according to Sims, are the top stories that affected the cattle feeding industry this year:

1. Major recalls of ground beef occurred when E. coli was detected.
2. FDA approved irradiation of beef to control pathogens.
3. Some equality was gained in meat inspection when a federal judge that USDA regulations allowing 8% water in poultry were invalid.
4. FDA release its final rule that prohibits certain protein by-products in cattle feed as a precaution in efforts to keep BSE at bay.
5. Total U.S. cattle inventory on Jan. 1 was estimated at 101 million, the first decline since 1990.
6. The World Trade Organization issued a report saying the EU ban on meat produced with growth promotants is not based on science.
7. USDA approved yogurt as a meat substitute, causing the beef industry to remind consumers that dairy products are not meat substitutes and often lack many essential nutrients.
8. Federal tax legislation gave cattlemen much-needed relief on estate taxes, capital gains taxes and income averaging.
9. The Brand-Like Initiative, an industry effort to encourage the use of value-added steps in production and processing, continued to be developed.
10. Congress delayed granting fast-track authority for negotiating international trade agreements.

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Also in June, a Hollywood movie producer came to the area to film scenes for a off-beat comedy called "Dill Scallion," which is about a country singer from Muleshoe.

In July, Tex-Mex pioneer Johnny Rodriguez performed at the City park as a part of the Chamber of Commerce's annual Fourth of July celebration.

In August, the Muleshoe City Council voted to raise residential and commercial rates for solid waste removal. Residential rates rose \$3.25 per month and commercial rates by \$15 to \$20 more. A month earlier, the City awarded the trash contract to a private contractor out of Midland.

"Keepers of the Legend" opened for its third season in August and despite some in-

clement weather, the outdoor musical was considered a success.

Also in August, a Houston-based company bought out the Anthony's clothing store chain, including the Muleshoe store that had been in business since 1957. The store was reopened as Bealls department store in September.

Local high school graduations were one of the biggest highlights of May, with more than 100 local students receiving their diplomas.

Muleshoe High School graduated 80 seniors, including valedictorian Stacy Harlan. Three Way graduated seven students with Diana Salama as valedictorian and Lazbudie graduated 17 with Shana Foster being named valedictorian.

Also in May, Bailey County had 89,838 acres accepted in Conservation Reserve Program, nearly 99 percent of its allotted acres.

The High Plains Underground Water District also announced plans to launch a rain-enhancement program.

Earlier in the month, Muleshoe High School's Teen Leadership class visited with Gov. George Bush in Austin.

Heathington grand prize winner in Chamber contest

After four Saturday's of sponsoring Moonlight Madness sales, the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce held its final prize drawing last week.

Shoppers who made purchases at participating businesses during Moonlight Madness events held throughout December, were given the chance to win a variety of prizes donated by local merchants.

This year's grand prize winner was Dana Heathington of Muleshoe who won a recliner from Harvey Bass Appliance and a television from Wilson Appliance.

Other winners include Sherry Wisian, who won a screwdriver set from Alco; Marco Vasquez, who won a gift certificate from Treasures from the Heart; Amy Alvarado, who won a snowman from Joe's Boot Shop and Country Junction.

Also, Sherri Harrison won a duck phone from Five Area Telephone, Norma Alvarado won a candle from Fig Tree, Larry Pagett won a gift certificate to Sheree's Attic, Jerome Dill won a football from Williams Athletics, and Jimmy Williams won a multifunction tool set from Higginbotham.

Other businesses participating in Moonlight Madness and the drawings include J & L Fashions, The Art Loft, Beall's, Leal's, Fry & Cox, Muleshoe Motor, McDonald's, Decorator's, Circle E Pests, and Pizza Hut.

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MULES

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year's 3-pointers were after Muleshoe turnovers and the third came off an inbound play.

Tramaine Young added 17 points for the Westerners, who later in the day lost to Lamesa 74-68 in the second round.

Senior Cyrus Norman led Muleshoe with 18 points, including a perfect 8 for 8 at the free throw line. Matt Mason had four 3-pointers and 12 points.

At least Muleshoe was more than first-round fodder for a Lubbock school this year.

Coronado put a 91-41 first-round hurting on the Mules last year.

"One of the good things was that we were more competitive this year," Mason said. "Last year, it was like we had stars in our eyes because we were playing a 5A school. Last year, we were intimidated the whole game."

Muleshoe got off to a bumpy start as Young hit a pair of early 3-pointers to give the Westerners a quick 8-2 lead.

But the Mules rebounded and took the lead 12-10 on Mason's 3-pointer midway through the quarter.

Norman's baseline drive gave Muleshoe a 19-17 first-

quarter lead.

Muleshoe's leading scorer and rebounder Dustin Cleavinger picked up two quick fouls after scoring the Mules' first five points and was forced to the bench.

After Mason's 3-pointer to start the second quarter gave Muleshoe its biggest lead, 22-17, the Westerners reeled off the next 12 points.

But Muleshoe clawed back to within five points at half-time.

Cleavinger picked up his third foul midway through the second quarter and ended up sitting out more than seven minutes of the first half.

Muleshoe tried to make a fourth-quarter run at the Westerners, but just ended up trading baskets.

Four quick points by Norman shaved the Westerners' lead to 56-44 a minute into the fourth quarter.

Muleshoe (59) — Lewis 1 3-5 5, Shelburne 1 0-0 2, Sinclair 1 1-1 3, Mason 4 0-0 12, Norman 5 8-9 18, Field 0 1-2 1, Clements 2 4-6 8, Kemp 0 3-5 3, Cleavinger 4 0-0 7. Totals 17 17-29 59. 3-pointers: Masin 4, Cleavinger.

Lubbock High (77) — Hernandez 0 0-3 3, Loden 1 2-2 4, Chavez 9 0-2 21, Martinez 3 0-0 6, Haynes 1 2-3 4, Thompson 2 0-0 4, Young 5 2-5 17, Holwerda 1 0-0 2, Boyd 3 0-1 6, Randle 1 2-4 4, Chapman 4 1-2 9. Totals 30 12-23 77. 3-pointers: Chavez 3, Young 3.

Muleshoe	19	9	10	21	59
Lubbock	17	16	21	23	77



Turning the corner

Muleshoe's Matt McClanahan drives by Nathan Thompson of Lubbock High Monday during the Mules' 77-59 loss in the first round of the ABC Caprock Holiday Basketball Tournament in Lubbock.

BASKETBALL

ABC Caprock Holiday Tournament

at Lubbock

MONDAY

First round

Levelland 58, Shallowater 56
Lamesa 58, Hereford 36
Abilene 91, Lorenzo 60
Lubbock High 77, Muleshoe 59
Snyder 47, Dimmitt 43
Coronado 72, Abernathy 24
Odessa Periman 60, Trinity Christ. 46
Monterey 68, Nazareth 51
San Angelo Central 66, Dalhart 46
Estacado 71, Slaton 67
Brock 66, Lubbock Christian 47
Sweetwater 72, Stephenville 36
El Paso Bowie 52, Borger 41
El Paso Jefferson 51, Frenship 28
San Antonio Taft 63, Panhandle 22
Seminole 77, Perryton 57

Championship round

Lamesa 74, Lubbock High 68
Abilene 81, Levelland 71
Monterey vs Odessa Periman (n)
Cornado vs Snyder (n)

TUESDAY

Championship round

Sweetwater vs Brock
San Angelo Central vs Estacado
El Paso Bowie vs San Antonio Taft
Seminole vs El Paso Jefferson
Championship quarterfinals
Abilene vs Coronado-Snyder winner
Lamesa vs Monterey-Periman winner
San Angelo Central-Estacado winner vs El Paso Bowie-San Antonio Taft winner
Sweetwater-Brock winner vs Seminole-El Paso Jefferson winner

Consolation B

First round

Perryton vs Frenship
Nazareth vs Trinity Christian
Stephenville vs LCHS
Muleshoe vs Hereford

Quarterfinals

Perryton-Frenship winner vs El Paso Bowie- Taft loser
Nazareth-Trinity Christian winner vs Coronado-Snyder loser
Stephenville-LCHS winner vs Levelland
Muleshoe-Hereford winner vs Central-Estacado loser

TOP SPORTS STORIES OF 1997

Lazbuddie's playoff march; Mules' turnaround top stories

By RICK WHITE
Managing Editor

Lazbuddie's football playoff run that ended in the state six-man semifinals and the resurrection of Muleshoe's long dormant football program were the top local sports stories in the Journal for the last six months of 1997.

Other top stories included Muleshoe's sophomore Stacy Locker qualifying for the state cross country championships, the Muleshoe boys basketball team starting the season 13-3 and being ranked in the top 10 in the state, and plans to build a new high school baseball field in the city park.

With 10 seniors returning, Lazbuddie started the season ranked second in the state and didn't budge from the top 5 all year.

After a surprising loss in Week 3, Lazbuddie rattled off 10-straight wins to reach the state semifinals for the second time in school history.

But Lazbuddie (12-2) lost to eventual state champion Borden County when turnovers and injuries added up to a 68-22 defeat.

Meanwhile, Muleshoe stunned even the most optimistic observers by going 5-5 in its second season under head coach David Wood.

The Mules finished the season with a three-game winning streak, capped by a season-ending 38-30 win against River Road in triple overtime.

The win lifted Muleshoe into a tie for third in District 1-3A at 4-3 and gave the Mules their best overall record in more than a decade.

Muleshoe's three high school teams combined for an 18-11 record.

At Three Way, the Eagles saw their playoff hopes ended by a coin flip.

The Eagles (5-5) upset Silverton in their last game of the regular season to forge a three-way tie for the district's second playoff spot behind Lazbuddie. But Silverton won a post-game coin flip to earn the playoff berth.

After helping Muleshoe win the district title and qualify for the state championships as a freshman, Locker returned to Austin as an individual this fall.

Battling the mud and muck on race day, Locker 33rd at the state meet.

Coming off their best season in school history, the Muleshoe boys basketball headed out to a 5-0 start for the second-straight year and was 13-3 heading into Monday's first round game at the ABC Caprock Holiday Tournament in Lubbock. The Mules are ranked seventh in the state in Class 3A.

In October, the Muleshoe school board official voted to build a new baseball field in the city park. It will be a joint venture between the city, school district and the Muleshoe Athletic Boosters. The \$80,000 field should be completed by the start of the high school baseball season.

Other highlights in the last six months of 1997 included Muleshoe sophomore playing on national AAU champion girls basketball team during the summer.

Lazbuddie teacher and coach Carey Sudduth win his first Muleshoe Country Club championship with a birdie on the 36th and final hole.

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Margaret Heathington, Tana Webb, Priscilla Hicks, Liz Patterson, Emily Hill, Mattie Hicks, Maria Alfaro, Kaci Miller, Dalia Ortiz, Marsha Lewis, Missy Royal, Gloria Duran, Kaycie Cox, Gayle Richerson, Laverne James, Arlene Brozek, Justin Brozek, James Buie, Sara Griffin, Debbi Hutto, Jami Dear, Shirley Hood, Angie Riley, Martha Taylor, Amy Smith, Maggie Martinez & Kara Harkins.

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OBITUARIES

EUNICE CRUME

Eunice Crume, 78, of Farwell died Saturday, Dec. 27 at Plains Regional Medical Center in Clovis.

Services were held Dec. 30 at 5th and Avenue C Church of Christ in Farwell with Dennis Dillon officiating. Burial was held in Oklahoma Lane Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

She was born June 13, 1919 in Stone County, Ark. and married Charlie Crume July 22, 1950 in Clovis, N.M. He died Nov. 10, 1966.

Mrs. Crume had lived in the Texico/Farwell area since 1945, moving from Progress, Texas. She was a member of the 5th and Avenue C Church of Christ, Progress Club and Farwell Quilting Club.

She was poet laureate of the Caprock District of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs in 1977, 1979 and 1980. An artist, Mrs. Crume had one of her paintings displayed in former New Mexico Gov. Bruce King's office.

Survivors include four stepsons, Dick Crume of Lubbock, Kirk Crume of Albuquerque, N.M., Charles Crume of Orlando, Fla. and Bill Crume of Columbus, Ga.; one stepdaughter, Mary Lou Taylor of Friona and a number of nieces, nephews and grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to the New Mexico Children's Home in Portales, N.M.

ANN CLEMENTS

Ann Clements, 62, of Muleshoe died Dec. 29, 1997 in Muleshoe.

Memorial services were held Wednesday, Dec. 31 at First United Methodist Church with Pastor Brad Reeves officiating. Burial was held in Enochs Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Clements was born Feb. 23, 1935 in Littlefield and married Fred Clements on April 24, 1985 in Muleshoe.

She had lived in Muleshoe her entire life. She had worked as a pharmacy technician at Muleshoe Area Medical Center for 20 years. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Muleshoe.

Survivors include her husband Fred; sons, Joe Bob Newman of Elida, NM.; daughters, Judy Balch of Las Vegas, NV., Debbie Newman of Abilene, Linette Stroop of Smyer; six grandchildren.

The family request memorials be sent to First United Methodist Church, 507 W. 2nd, Muleshoe, Texas 79347 or Enochs Cemetery, Enochs, Texas 79324.

Irrigation conference Jan. 7 in Amarillo

AMARILLO — New state regulations require all water users to develop plans for both application and conservation. On Jan. 7 at the High Plains Irrigation Conference, C.E. Williams, manager of the Panhandle Groundwater District from White Deer will address many of the key issues that affect area growers regarding rules compliance, conservation strategies, and future need versus supply in accordance with Senate Bill 1.

"We're offering new ideas and tested technologies to help growers make informed decisions about water use and irrigation scheduling," said Leon New, agricultural engineer with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and conference organizer.

The event will be held at the Amarillo Civic Center and also features an industry trade show. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with the program's first hour to include show tours, and free coffee and donuts.

The \$7 registration fee includes a catered lunch.

The opening session will be-

gin by 9:30 a.m. Two and one-half continuing education units (CEUs) will be offered to private, commercial and non-commercial chemical applicators completing the day's program. The event has been conducted annually for more than two decades by the Extension Service.

Timely topics featuring well and pump performance will be addressed. A presentation using micro-videography will offer growers a bird's eye view of what's good or bad inside a well.

"This demonstration will show how this technology is helping to pin-point problems never before seen, making solutions easier to define," said New.

Other topics will include precision production using yield monitors and site mapping. Growers already using the new site specific farming technology will be part of a mid-morning discussion where "real world" issues will be addressed. Panelists include Clay Cogburn, Cogburn Brothers of Happy; Tom and Ellis Moore of Sunray; and Karl Johnson of

Morse.

Two extension agronomists, Travis Miller from College Station, and Brent Bean of Amarillo, will discuss irrigated soybean production in the region, and the suitability of Roundup Ready crops for weed control, respectively.

Carl Patrick, extension entomologist of Amarillo will provide an update on the latest insect control techniques. Patrick will present comparisons derived from three years of field tests for 23 corn hybrids, showing that all Bt corn doesn't perform the same. He'll also update growers on issues related to Gaucho seed treated sorghums.

Moderators for the day-long program segments include county extension agents, Jim Allison of Amarillo, Robert Harris from Dumas, Dennis Newton of Hereford, and Seth Ralston from Hartley.

For more information, contact Leon New, Extension agricultural engineer and irrigation specialist, or Regina Linder at (806) 359-5401, or any county agricultural agent.

Pesticide applicators reminded to check CEUs before renewing license

AUSTIN— Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry reminds pesticide applicators to check to see if they have the necessary continuing education units (CEUs) to renew their license.

"Many private applicators, as well as all commercial and noncommercial applicators, face a Feb. 28, 1998, renewal date," Perry said. "I want to remind applicators to check their CEUs. There's still plenty of time to get the credits. Applicators can check with their Texas Agricultural Extension Service office for courses offered or call the Texas Department of Agriculture for a list."


Private applicators must renew their license every five years and obtain 15 CEUs during that period. Two credits must be in integrated pest management and two in laws and regulations. Applicators must self-certify their credits by listing them on the renewal form that they should receive by the end of Jan.

Private applicators also may earn the required credits by passing a comprehensive recertification exam. This test cost \$50 for each attempt. After passing, an applicator will receive a certificate of completion for 15 CEUs.

Commercial and noncommercial applicators renew each year and must earn five CEUs annually, including one CEU in each of two of the following categories: laws and regulations, integrated pest management and drift minimization.

"Education is vital for proper and safe pesticide use. It's important for applicators to stay informed of changing regulations as well as new products and new application methods," Perry said.

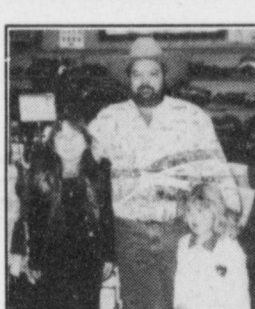
Applicators can get a list of approved courses by calling TDA at 1-800-TELL-TDA or (512) 463-7548. More information about licenses, renewals and CEU courses is available on the TDA web <http://www.agr.state.tx.us/pesticide/index.htm>.




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Joe's Boot Shop would like to say a big "Thanks" to those who participated in our Midnite Madness "Let's Make A Deal." It was lots of fun! The following are winners & buyers.




Chris Elkins, Earth
\$18,000 Boot Bucks bought a Panhandle Slim shirt. \$17,000 Boot Bucks bought Chris a Bailey All Natural Beaver hat. Chris also produced a Speeding ticket to win a Men's Panhandle Slim shirt playing "Let's Make A Deal."



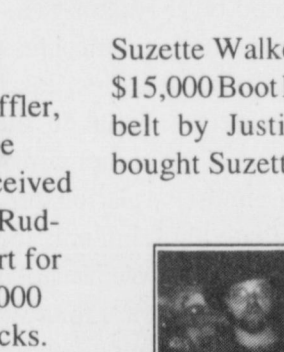
Susan & Rhett Kirby, Muleshoe
Susan bought a Montana Silversmith buckle for \$16,000 Boot Bucks and a P.R.C.A. jacket for \$25,000 Boot Bucks. Rhett spent \$5000 Boot Bucks and received a Panhandle Slim shirt.




Cindy Davis, Farwell
Cindy had a credit card which enabled her to win a K.J. Leather Joe's Boot Shop bag. Cindy also purchased a wooden secretary for \$17,000 Boot Bucks.



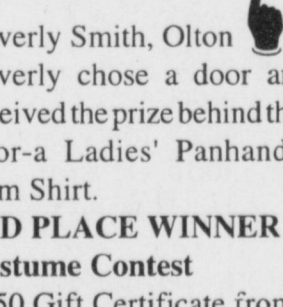
Lissa Leffler, Muleshoe
Lissa received a Men's Rud-dock shirt for her \$14,000 Boot Bucks.




Suzette Walker, Portales, NM
\$15,000 Boot Bucks got Suzette a Leg-in belt by Justin. \$7,300 Boot Bucks bought Suzette a Nadim belt as well.




Wesley Davis, Farwell
Wesley bought a pair of Anderson Bean boots for \$5,100 Boot Bucks.




Beverly Smith, Olton
Beverly chose a door and received the prize behind that door—a Ladies' Panhandle Slim Shirt.



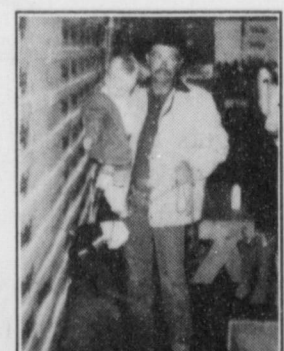
Colt Ellis, Muleshoe
Colt took home a pair of Tony Lama Smooth Ostrich Boots for only \$20,000 Boot Bucks.




Tatum Aldridge, Olton
Tatum purchased a Brighton checkbook cover with \$4,200 Boot Bucks.



Kelly Harrison, Muleshoe
Kelly bought a Tony Lama belt for \$17,000 Boot Bucks. \$18,000 Boot Bucks bought him a pair of Justin Work Boots. He also chanced his luck and took what was "behind the curtain." Kelly won a day's supply of Spam for \$5400 Boot Bucks.




Brian Houston, Levelland
In the true spirit of "Let's Make A Deal," Brian spent \$18,000 Boot Bucks for a goat and we're not KIDDING!

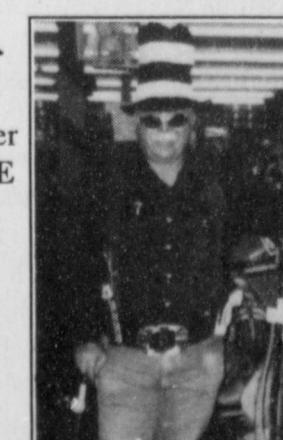


Gary Acker, Amherst
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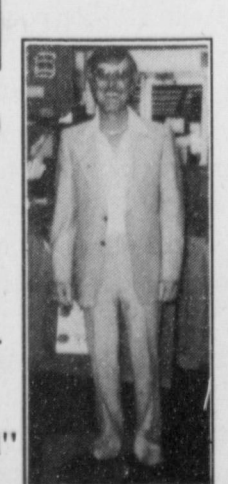
Many "Thanks" to C.L. Myers, Thurman Myers & Starla Ellis (Vanana White) for helping to make this "Let's Make A Deal" a Great Success!



Christi Beth Fisher, Muleshoe
Christi was carrying a candy cane with her, which won her a Vogt organizer playing "Let's Make A Deal."



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Melanie Winders, Lazbuddie	\$10,100.00	Roper Horseshoes
Bo Walker, Portales, NM	\$20,000.00	Bronze "Cowpattie"
Greg Young, Muleshoe	\$47,000.00	Rios of Mercedes Full Quill Boots
W.B. Dickenson, Olton	\$11,000.00	Ruddock Ladies Shirt
Buck Angeley, Muleshoe	Wheat Penny	Golden Nuggets

FOR SENIORS

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Teen leaders catch the spirit of service

"Catch the Spirit of Service" was the theme of the Teen Leadership classes during the last two weeks before Christmas break.

The three classes of 64 students at Muleshoe High School have been putting into practice what they learn every day and they are learning that the mo-

ments that stand out most are the moments when they have done something for others

Carolyn Johnson, teacher of the course, said that the past two weeks have been used to get students out of their seats, out of themselves, and into their school and community.

The course is designed so

the students spend the first semester in class and the second semester conducting service projects in the community.

Johnson felt however that this year's students were ahead of schedule so she allowed them to conduct Christmas projects to have them even more prepared for project work when they return in January.

Projects the students have conducted include: designing and building a float for the Christmas parade; making Christmas goody bags for Bus Driver Appreciation; reading a Christmas story and sharing a treat with students at Dillman Elementary; putting up and decorating a Christmas tree in the high school foyer; having a Christmas program and party for Kinder Korner kids; provided clothing and gifts for a needy family; sponsored a hayride and Christmas caroling; assist Chamber of Commerce with judging of best decorated home.

The majority of the students enjoy the project work. When given a chance to act on their humanitarian ideals, they build self-respect and strong attachments to family and community.



Decking the Halls

Students use cooperation and team work to decorate a tree for the high school foyer. (Left to right) Kristy Martin, Billy Martinez, Holly Whipple, Rodney Alanis, Amanda Hahn, Katie Baker.

Nikki Sutton, a student, said. "The project work helped me realize that I can get out and make a difference in the world."

Billy Martinez, who was Santa for the Kinder Korner party, said "The suit was hot and I was nervous. But, when I saw the kids' faces light up, it was worth it. This is the best thing that's ever happened in my life and I left loving those little kids."

Johnson has nothing but praise for her students. She said that the Teen Leadership program taps an enormous source

of talent. "It lets young people know they are needed and helped students see a connection between what they learn and how they live."



Giving back

Shopping has a whole new meaning to these students who chose to use \$250 from funds which they earned earlier in the year to provide Christmas for a needy family in the area.

Managed-care enrollees need national standards

Nearly on half of the U.S. population receives their health care through some type of managed-care program.

Managed care, whether you like it or not, this here to stay. Our challenge, then, is to make sure that it works right. The means managed care must be a choice, but not the only choice, and the all managed-care enrollees should be able to count on a basic set of protections in the form of national standards.

Right now, few federal standards apply to private or employer-provided managed care. Moreover, the states apply and enforce their own standards in very different ways. Yet given the mobile nature of our society, this does not make sense.

What if we get sick away from home? Do we all get the care we bargained and paid for? Can we count on the same quality, or on the enforcement of the practices and standards that assure good quality? I don't see how without national standards.

GUEST COLUMN

By Horace B. Deets

National standards will probably require a combination of state and federal laws, and a partnership in enforcement. They also should include a comprehensive set of consumer protections. AARP believes some of the most important are:

- Standards for accessibility and availability of services: treatment should be prompt, readily available, responsive to the needs of the patient, and ensure continuity of care when plans or providers change.

- Standards for challenging a plan's decision to deny, reduce, or terminate a requested service: consumers need independent review to assure that such decisions are in their own medical best interest.

- Standards for quality measurement

and assessment: managed-care organizations should have their own internal mechanisms for assessing the quality of their care and also should be reviewed by an external body of health professionals. In other words, a managed-care organization's success should not be measured only by its financial efficiency and ability to serve many for less, but chiefly by the quality of its care and the health and well-being of its patients.

The desire for enforceable standards makes sense and so do the standards themselves. We believe such standards are necessary to restore patients confidence in the health-care system. Consumer confidence is fundamental to the relationship between patient and physician and the practice of good medicine. We are not asking any more of managed care than we do of fee-for-service care, but we should not accept any less, either.

Horace B. Deets is the executive director of AARP.

Prices for fed cattle affected by many factors

As goes the corn market, so goes the fed cattle market, according to Jim Gill, market director for the Texas Cattle Feeders Association (TCFA).

Speaking during the annual TCFA Year End News Conference in Amarillo, Gill said fed cattle prices will take their cue from several factors, with grain supplies and competitive meat supplies leading the list.

Corn production in 1997 was estimated at 9.3 billion bushels, about the same as 1996 and considerably higher than 7.4 billion bushels in 1995. And all it takes is a look at the disastrous fed cattle market in 1995 to see how important corn production is to cattle feeders, he said.

"For 1998, corn production is expected to again range from 9.9 to 9.5 billion bushels, given normal weather, which should provide continued price stability for feed costs. However, exports will play a crucial role in prices and the instability in the Far East and Pacific Rim countries will likely have a

major impact on final prices to area feedyards."

The other stick stirring the fed cattle market in 1998 will be competitive meat supplies. "Pork and poultry will continue to offer stiff competition to beef prices," Gill said, with record production expected for both species. "Pork production in 1998 is expected to be near 18.2 billion pounds, up 7% from 1997's 17.1 billion pounds. Poultry production is expected to increase another 3% to 34.3 billion pounds, compared with 3 billion pounds in 1997."

Beef production, however, driven by cyclical factors that indicated herd liquidation is nearly over, will decline in 1998, he said, hitting around 24.4 billion pounds, 5% below the 25.7 billion pounds last year. "This will be the first year to show a decrease in beef production since 1993 and will put annual consumption near 64 lbs. on a retail weight basis."

While tighter beef supplies

usually mean higher retail prices, the heavy supplies of competing meats will keep retail prices in check, giving consumers continued affordability at the meat case. "Retail beef prices averaged \$2.79 per

pound in 1997, down about 8 cents from \$2.87 per pound in 1996. While retail beef prices will increase somewhat, they shouldn't exceed, as an average, the 1996 benchmark of \$2.87," Gill predicted.

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Register according to the first letter of your last name

Continuing Student Registration

If you attended CCC in the Fall '97 Semester
Tuesday, January 13
Morning

8:10 - 8:45 a.m.	U through Z
8:45 - 9:30 a.m.	S and T
9:30 - 10:15 a.m.	O through R
10:15 - 11 a.m.	A and B
11 - 11:30 a.m.	M and N

Afternoon

1 - 1:45 p.m.	I through L
1:45 - 2:30 p.m.	C and D
2:30 - 3 p.m.	E and F
3 - 3:30 p.m.	G and H
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Evening Registration A - Z (returning students only)

All Student Registration

Wednesday, January 14
New Student Orientation
will be held at the following times
9 a.m. • 11 a.m. • 11 a.m. • Noon
2 p.m. • 3 p.m. • 4 p.m. • 6:15 p.m.

Morning

8:10 - 8:45 a.m.	U through Z
8:45 - 9:30 a.m.	S and T
9:30 - 10:15 a.m.	O through R
10:15 - 11 a.m.	I through L
11 - 11:30 a.m.	M and N

Afternoon

1 - 1:45 p.m.	G and H
1:45 - 2:30 p.m.	E and F
2:30 - 3 p.m.	C and D
3 - 3:30 p.m.	A and B
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Evening Registration A - Z (all students)

**Registration for all students will continue
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See Spring 1998 course schedule for more details
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