

Joe DeLosSantos Home Destroyed By Fire

Roby High School students and faculty members opened their heart to a fellow student last week by giving a shower in honor of Diane DeLosSantos.

The DeLosSantos home, located 3 1/2 miles southeast of Roby, was completely destroyed by fire on Wednesday night, January 12. Fire Chief John Kiker indicated that the Roby Volunteer Fire Department received a call from a neighbor at 8:30 p.m., Jan. 12, informing them of the fire.

"The roof and one wall had already fallen by the time we got there", said Kiker.

Alert firemen did manage to save a storage building and carport that were both constructed near the home.

Roby students and faculty members brought individual gifts to help replace personal items lost in the fire.

The Roby Senior Class voted to give Diane a total of \$1,025 that class members had earned and would probably have spent for a senior trip. The Junior Class voted to donate \$500.00 to Diane. Both the Sophomore Class and Future Homemakers of America Organization donated \$200.00. The Future Farmers of America and Freshman Class both voted to give \$50.00.

All of the students at Roby expressed their love and thoughtfulness by making the monetary sacrifices. While the bad in kids is sometimes magnified,

Roby students can stand tall for doing their share in a good deed.

Hobbs 4-H To Take Name Of Country Girls

The girl's 4-H Club at Hobbs has selected a new name, Hobbs Country Girls. They met January 10 for their monthly meeting. Kim Ratliff, leader, presented the program on family life.

The girls participated in the Hobbs School Christmas program on Dec. 21. They did a Christmas style show.

Lisa Payne is a new member of the club, other members present were Kristi Price, Mary Ellen Davis, Billy Martin, Darlene Teel, Penny Price and Sherry Anderle.

Thousands of veterans with discharge dates within the past 10 years may qualify for 45 months training entitlement under the GI Bill, the Veterans Administration reports.

McCaulley Superintendent Comments On Local Vote

Although a sparse turnout of Hamlin voters approved the consolidation between McCaulley's school district and the Hamlin district, it will not come to pass because

Rotan Man Survives Suicide Attempt

A Rotan man attempted to commit suicide with a borrowed gun last Tuesday afternoon at his home at 509 E. Sheridan Street., according to Sheriff Mickey Counts.

Counts said that Carlton Edward Sharp, age 40, shot himself in the upper left shoulder with a .22 cal. pistol at about noon while standing in the front door of his home.

The bullet lodged in his back and was removed

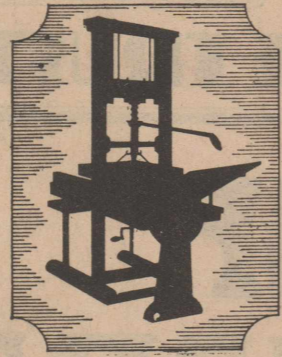
during emergency surgery by Dr. C.M.Callan.

Counts said that Sharp staggered to the front yard after the self-inflicted wound and was transported to the Fisher County Hospital by Tommy Harbin, Emergency Medical Technician.

The Sheriff said Sharp was in good condition after the operation to remove the bullet.

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Hospital Board Approves Increased Room Charges

Fisher County Hospital District board members voted to increase the room rent on semi-private and private rooms by \$10.00 during their regular board meeting last Monday night.

Semi-private room rents will increase to \$60.00 a day while private accommodations will be increased to \$65.00 daily, as soon as the rate adjustment is approved by Blue Cross. The motion to raise the rates was made by Wendell Morrow and seconded by Allan Houston. Voting for the motion were Rudolph Martinez, Wendell Morrow, and Allan Houston. Kirmet Terry voted against.

The next item of business was a discussion concerning

a pay increase for hospital personnel. Any increase in pay was tabled until the board had the opportunity to study the results of the annual audit.

Houston made a motion, seconded by Morrow, to hold a budget hearing on the proposed 1977 budget on February 21, 1977.

In final action Martinez

made a motion, seconded by Terry, to employ Ordon Company of Abilene to provide documented evidence of electrical safety surveys.

Rotan Police Continue With Marijuana Arrests

Rotan police made still another arrest involving marijuana last week, which was approximately their fourth in as many weeks.

Rotan Police officer Tom Jones, Chief Chuck Renfro, along with Sheriff Mickey

Counts arrested five individuals and charged them with possession of marijuana.

Two of the individuals, Johnny Ortega, 23, of Big Spring, and Josephine Ann Ortega, 18, of Sweetwater, plus three juveniles, one

from Rotan and two from Big Spring were arrested at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 12, 1977.

Johnny Ortega pled guilty to the charge, was fined \$300.00 and \$47.50 court costs and received 30 days in jail probated six months.

Josephine Ann Ortega pled guilty to the charge, was fined \$200.00 and \$47.50 court costs and received 30 days in jail probated for six months.

Rotan Councilmen Grant Employees 6% Pay Hike

Rotan City Councilmen granted all city employees a six percent pay increase and approved the passage of a new dog ordinance at their regular council meeting last week.

The 6 percent increase was approved on all personnel with percentages to be rounded off to the highest \$5.00 figure.

Frank Gravelle, Lone Star Gas, appeared before the

council with a request for a 2.065 cents per 1000 cubic feet of gas increase. Mayor James Springer requested a new schedule listing the net and gross figures for billing used by Lone Star Gas. This request is to be presented at the next council meeting on February 8.

The councilmen hired attorney Norman Arnett on a \$100.00 per month retainer as the City Attorney.

In other action, the councilmen voted to hold a joint election with the Rotan School, Rotan Water Authority and Fisher County Hospital District.

A request by M.A. Hughes concerning vacation time was discussed but the council did not grant any additional vacation time.

The new Rotan Dog Ordinance (printed in full in another portion of this week's paper) was passed by councilmen and will take effect on February 1.

Rotan Fire Chief Archie Neeley appeared before the council with a request for 5 new helmets, a two-way radio and personal portable radio plus a request that M.A. Hughes be re-instated as Fire Marshall.

The council approved the purchase of the helmets, asked for cost figures on the radios and requested that M.A. Hughes appear before the council to clarify positions concerning his re-statement as Fire Marshall.

Rev. F. Bailey Filling Four Square Pulpit

Rev. Floyd V. Bailey of Knox City is supply pastor of the local Foursquare Church and will continue to minister here until a fulltime pastor can be installed.

Rev. Bailey is the Division Supt. of the Foursquare Churches of the Wichita Valley, which includes Wichita Falls, Abilene, Sweetwater and all churches in between, including the Rotan Church, making a total of ten churches.

He will be sharing the Word of God in both services on Sunday, and will be speaking on the four Phases of the Gospel: 1. Salvation Through the Shed Blood of Jesus Christ, John 3:3, John 3:7, John 3: 6. 2. Baptism of the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4, Luke 3:16, John 7:37-38, Acts 1:8. 3. Divine Healing, James 5:13-15, 1 Peter 2:24, Isa. 53:5. The Return of The Lord, Jesus Christ, I. Thess. 4:16-17.

These subjects and many more will be given from time to time. A warm welcome is extended to those who may desire to attend. The Church is located at 8th and Genevieve Streets in Rotan.

Editorial Comment

By Kim Pease

Hospital Money Loss

The Fisher County Hospital Board Members, with the exception of Kirmet Terry, reluctantly voted to increase the room rates at the new facility by \$10.00, beginning on February 1, 1977.

Semi-private accommodations will run residents \$60.00 a day while private rooms will be \$65.00 a day.

You can bet your bottom dollar that the board members didn't want to go up on the rates, but when they are faced with going in the hole about \$200,000.00 for 1976... they have to do something.

Jim McCallay, Hospital Administrator, gave us a few reasons for the room charge increase.

Insurance and utilities are two of the classic examples of rising hospital costs, according to McCallay. In the old hospital the total utility bill for a month was approximately \$900.00 and that included water, gas, electricity, sewer and garbage pickup fees. At the new facility the electric bills alone have been running \$5,000.00 to \$5,600.00 a month.

Insurance of all forms at the old hospital amounted to approximately \$6,000.00 a year for 1973 and 1974, according to McCallay. In 1975 there was a little increase, but for 1976 insurance sky rocketed to \$26,000.00.

The administrator said that liability coverage and malpractice insurance was the primary cause for the jump.

The only answer to the financial situation at the new hospital is increased occupancy. The hospital district will probably go in the hole about \$207,000.00 for the year 1976. Needless to say, it can't afford very many years at that rate.

the original estimate for 1976 as far as projected occupancy was concerned, was 70 percent, according to McCallay. It actually ran 44.8 percent for 1976.

When the budget was figured for 1976 it was figured on 45 percent while in the old facility, with a 20 to 30 percent increase when the new facility was occupied. McCallay says he'll figure the 1977 budget on about 50 percent occupancy.

While occupancy showed signs of strength in the final quarter of 1976 (41% in October, 54% in November and 48% in December), it only averaged a sickly 44.8 for the entire Bicentennial year.

Like many other businesses the hospital has basically the same costs (lights, personnel, administrative, staff, etc.) whether it be 44 percent occupied or 70 percent occupied.

the financial difference to the district between funds generated at 44 percent and 70 percent is the prime reason we are going in the red over \$200,000.00 for 1976.

I don't personally agree with some of the things that are going on at the hospital, but that doesn't mean I don't or won't support the facility.

It all goes back to the very question we wrestled with when we made the decision to build the Fisher County Hospital. We want the hospital to be there, we want the security of knowing that we have modern life saving equipment at our disposal and with a hospital we can't expect to retain the doctors we have--let alone attract new ones.

We are going to pay the bills at the hospital--in the form of taxes, but if we choose to have our operations in Abilene, Stamford, Sweetwater and Lubbock we're only going to drive the district deeper into debt.

I hope the residents of Fisher County realize that the \$10.00 room rate increase was approved with much reluctance on the part of the board. When there are no other means of generating revenue you just have to grit your teeth and hope that this is the last time you'll have to raise rates.

Our financial problem at the new hospital is not going to evaporate and the only way it can possibly get better is for more people to use the facility.

of its failure in McCaulley. McCaulley voters turned out to defeat the issue by voting 193 against consolidation to only 44 for the issue.

Superintendent Edd Farmer, said, "I feel this vote indicates the actual fact that rural people are wanting to

Cong. Burleson Named To 2nd Budget Term

The Democratic Caucus of the U.S. House of Representatives recently voted Congressman Omar Burleson (D) of Texas to a second term on the Budget Committee. Burleson was elected to serve on the Budget Committee as a representative of the House Ways and Means Committee.

Terms to the House Budget Committee are normally limited to one session of Congress. Although Burleson has already served for on Congress (the 9th Congress, 1976-76) he was one of seven Members of Congress designated for consideration to serve on the Committee for four years to maintain continuity.

Under the system of assigning Members of Congress to the Budget Committee, Ways and Means and Appropriations have three designated Members by reason of the importance of these committees. Even though the Committees may recommend the election of their Members to represent them in the budget process, they must be elected by the Caucus.

keep their schools and communities together, especially with the increase of school population. This solid majority vote indicates overwhelming support for the direction the McCaulley schools is moving in meeting the needs of its communities."

Board member, Jerry Jeffrey, said of the vote, "I would like to express my appreciation to the people of McCaulley I.S.D. who supported keeping the school and also for their consideration of putting the children first in this election issue."

Willis Ogden, Tammye Trout Get HHS Honors

Favorites at Hobbs School were chosen this week by faculty and students:

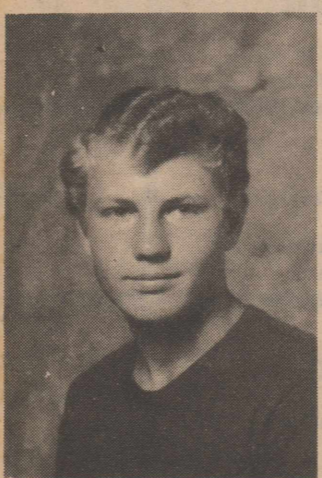
Favorites chosen by the faculty are: Most School Spirit, Willis Ogden and Kim Ratliff; Most Studious, Mark Anderle and Lisa Gober;



Tammye Trout

Most Likely To Succeed, Willis Ogden and Lisa Gober; Best-All-Around, Willis Ogden and Bertha Miranda; and Most Courteous, Raymond Soto and Regina Gruben.

Favorites chosen by stu-



Willis Ogden

Senator Ray Farabee Begins Work In Austin

State Senator Ray Farabee joined other Senators and Representatives in Austin this past week as work began in the 65th Session of the Texas Legislature. First week activities included assignment of the legislators' committee posts and the Governor's State of the State address.

Senator Farabee's committee appointments include his reappointment to the all-important Senate Finance Committee. Farabee expressed his pleasure at that assignment saying that "membership on the Finance Committee affords me the opportunity to take an active role in seeing that we keep a lid on state spending". Farabee was also pleased

that he was reappointed to the Natural Resources and Jurisprudence Committees. Farabee noted that the Natural Resources Committee would monitor legislation dealing with agriculture and energy, both of which are vital to the economy of the 30th Senatorial District. Farabee is also a member of the Natural Resources Subcommittee on Energy. "This appointment", Farabee stated, "will provide us in North and West Texas with a real voice in the shaping of politics which affect the vast energy resources in our area."

Committee assignments and committee organization were a big part of the activity of the first week, but the

initial days of the 65th Session were also highlighted by the Governor's message to a joint session of the House and Senate. Senator Farabee applauded the Governor's proposals dealing with the reduction of violent and organized crime. Also to Farabee's liking was the Governor's promise to avoid any new taxes.

The Senator said he was particularly pleased with the attention the Governor gave to the medical malpractice problem. Farabee said that the malpractice insurance problems is one which affects every citizen and he indicated that the dilemma particularly affects areas of West Texas where the

dents are: Most Athletic, Willis Ogden and Lisa Gober; Cutest Couple, Charles Wright and Tonya Porter; Best Dressed, Max Aucutt and Kim Ratliff; Wittiest Couple, Frank Miranda and Lisa Gober; Friendliest, Mark Pierson and Kim Ratliff; Most Beautiful and Handsome, Charles Wright and Tonya Porter; and Mr. and Miss Hobbs High School, Willis Ogden and Tammye Trout.

County Young Farmers Set Yearly Sale

The Fisher County Young Farmers had their regular meeting Monday night. The Soil Conservation personnel gave a program on killing mesquite in the pasture and on creeks.

The annual Farm Sale will be held Saturday, January 22, sponsored by the local Herring of Lawn will be auctioneer.

Area Girl On Sam Houston Honor Roll

Antonia G. Escobedo of Rotan was among students named to the Dean's List at Sam Houston State University for the fall semester 1976. She earned a 3.6 grade point average majoring in music.

Roby Lions To Hold Weekend Flea Market

The Roby Flea Market will be held Saturday, January 22, sponsored by the local Lions Club.

Free space is available to anyone wishing to participate.

Eight From County In District Food Show

Eight Fisher County 4-H members will be entered in District 3 4-H Food Show January 22. The show is to be at Sikes Senter, a shopping mall, in Wichita Falls.

Entered in the junior division and entry classes are: Beverly McKinney, Snacks and Beverages; Jill Posey, Main Dish; Joyce Harkey, Breads and Desserts and LaRhea Smith, Side Dish.

Senior entries include Vanessa Hardwick, Breads and Desserts; Patricia Posey, Side Dish; Julie Posey, Snacks and Beverages; and Cindy Posey, Main Dish.

All eight 4-h members are winners in the County Food Show held in November.

Parents of the 4-h members will accompany them to District. Also, accompanying them will be Mrs. Alice Ballenger, Fisher County Extension Agent.

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shortage of health care providers is critical. Senator Farabee has already introduced comprehensive legislation dealing with the malpractice issue.

Farabee acknowledged his support for many other issues touched on in the speech including the Governor's commitment to vocational education and maintenance of Texas' highway system.

Card of Thanks

Please accept this note of appreciation to all the wonderful friends that made our time of sorrow a little easier to bear. We want to especially thank the doctors, and nurses for their care and devotion.

To all our friends that brought food, sent flowers and passed words of love, sympathy and encouragement, we offer a sincere Thank You.

May God bless each of you for your every act of kindness.

The family of Clyde McKinney

Card of Thanks

There are not enough words to express our appreciation to everyone for the thoughtfulness at the time of the loss of our husband, grand-dad and brother. A special thanks to the doctors and hospital staff, and friends that stayed with us during his stay in the hospital. Thank you for your visits and prayers, for the food that was prepared and those who served the food, for the flowers and to the Weathersbees.

The Fant Posey family

Card Of Thanks

"Thank you" is so easy to say. But, how else can I express my heartfelt thanks to the seniors, schoolmates and faculty of Roby High School for the generosity of your gifts to me. The sacrifices made by you will always be remembered. Thank you so very much.

Diane delosSantos

Jerrie Gee Is Promoted At Sweetwater

Ed Aiken, Jr. president of Sweetwater Savings announced the promotion of Jerrie Gee to Corporate Secretary for Sweetwater Savings. Mrs. Gee, formerly an assistant secretary with Sweetwater Savings, assumes her new duties immediately. As corporate secretary, Mrs. Gee's responsibilities include working with all phases of Sweetwater Savings' mortgage loan department.

A 1967 graduate of Roscoe High School Mrs. Gee joined Sweetwater Savings in July of that year and has been a resident of Sweetwater for the past 9 years.

She is a member of the Nolan County Young Homemakers and now serves as secretary-treasurer of the organization.

Mrs. Gee's husband, Larry, operates Gee Transfer & Storage Company and they reside at 1106 E. 14th in Sweetwater. They are members of First Salem Lutheran Church of Roscoe.

Mrs. Gee is past president of ALCW, past secretary of education of ALCW and now serves as secretary of education of ALCW. She is a member of Joy Circle and her hobbies include bowling, volleyball and crewel embroidery.

Mrs. Gee's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Zetzman of Roscoe.



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Worship-10:30 a.m.

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F.W. Rogers, Pastor

Bible Class-9:45 a.m.

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Sunday Night-7:30 p.m.

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Sunday School-10:00 a.m.

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Mass-Sunday-9:00 a.m.

LITTLE ZION BAPTIST

Rotan, Texas

James Carrington, Pastor

Sunday School-9:45 a.m.

Worship-11:00 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Roby, Texas

Wardell Halliburton, Minister

Bible Class-10:00 a.m.

Worship-11:00 a.m.

"IN GOD WE TRUST"

SOUTH OF THE SAHARA

Does he long for the hot breezes and wide spaces south of the Sahara? Can he remember the feeling of free air rushing past, as he ran with his fellows?

Oh, it's a lovely zoo, wide and airy. The giraffe's home duplicates his native habitat. But, as he nibbles among the treetops, I wonder. Does he wish for a quiet stream?

I know what it's like to feel displaced. When first I came to this country, I was not at home with the language and unfamiliar with its customs. Often I felt confused and bewildered.

The one place that was no stranger to me was my church. Here, although the words were foreign, I recognized well-known melodies and litanies and the sure feeling of God's love.

If you feel disturbed and disoriented by events in your life, turn to the one place that knows no aliens. Your church has a welcome for everyone. God's love is universal.



Sunday Hebrews 10:12-22
Monday I Corinthians 15:12-21
Tuesday II Corinthians 4:1-7
Wednesday II Corinthians 4:8-18
Thursday Psalms 118:1-13
Friday Psalms 118:14-29
Saturday Isaiah 49:5-17



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Inside The Lion's Den

Paul Mitchell

Coach Holik

Our record is 16 and 6 on the season and 6-0 in district play. We beat Ira and Hobbs last week and meet Loraine and Westbrook this week. We have a two game lead in district action over the Loraine Bulldogs. They came through the first round with a 4-2 record and every other district team has at least three losses. Our game at Loraine on Tuesday is a crucial game and we entertain the Westbrook Wildcats this Friday.

Last week we beat Ira at Roby 84-62. Ricky King poured in 28 points to lead all scorers. Brad Stuart and Monty Pope each hit for 16 points while Ricky Morton and Steve Evers added 14 and 9 points respectively. On Friday of last week we beat the Hobbs Panthers 52 to 46 at Roby. Ricky Morton led our club with 18 points and 11 rebounds. Others scoring for us were Brad Stuart 12, Ricky King 10, Steve Ever 8, Monty Pope 4. Hobbs has a well coached and disciplined ball club that gave us a stern test of character.

We shot a season low percent from the field in the first quarter but bounced back in the second half by shooting 60 percent from the field.

Ricky Morton is leading our club in rebounds with an average of 12 per game. He is also leading the team in intercepted passes and blocked shots. Steve Evers leads the club in field goal percent and assists. Ricky King leads the team in scoring and is second to Morton in rebounds. Brad Stuart, who joined the team after six games had elapsed, because of a football injury, leads the team in steals and is our second leading scorer. Monty Pope leads the team in free throw shooting percent. Our team is shooting 43 percent for the field and 66 per cent from the charity line.

Our junior high team has fared well up to this point and seems to be improving fundamentally. We have several boys who work on their own in the gym, and that is what it takes to improve their skills. They will be a strong team when they reach the varsity level. Junior High is a training ground for the future.

Card of Thanks

We would like to take this means of saying thank you to the wonderful people of Fisher County for the many words and deeds of kindness to us at the time of the passing of Billy Jack. May God bless each of you.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gladson and families

We are in full swing of district play and the first half is over. The Lionesses ended the first half action with a 5-1 record. The girls are really playing fine ball the last 7 or 8 games. Our offense is averaging 51.7 points per game, while our defense is only allowing 43 points per game. Cheryl Terry is averaging 25.8 points per game and leading our team with 610 total points. Cindy King is our second leading scorer, averaging 15 points per game. Cindy is also averaging 6 assists per game and this is a very important part of our team. Penny Coker, our junior forward, is averaging about 8 points per game. Penny is probably our best rebounder on the forward end.

Defensively, Rhonda Welch is leading in rebounds with 6.6 rebounds per game. Rhonda is also leading the team in steals. Kim Faught is our second leader in rebounds with 6.0 rebounds per game. Kim Usually has the difficult task of guarding the tall low-post girl and let me tell you, we have played some tall, strong post girls. Tina Horton is the quickest person on our team and she really surprises a lot of forwards with her stalling ability. Tina usually has the task of guarding the 'point forward on the offense of our opponent. These girls are usually very good ball handlers, so Tina has her work cut out. Lois Ann Cauble is just a sophomore, but she has really put in some clutch relief work on the guard end. Lois Ann is a very strong hustler and she is going to be one very fine guard in the future. Susan Matthes is our most versatile basketball player. If I need a guard in the game I can look to Susan for an outstanding job. If I need a forward substitute, Susan is right there to do the job and she is a very fine shooter.

Altogether, these girls have done a fine job this year and we are looking strong toward that district championship.

Roby Junior High Defeats Ira, 64-41

The boys junior varsity team of Roby defeated the Ira junior varsity team 64-41 Tuesday, Jan. 11, at Roby. The young Lions led all the way as they pressed man to man defensively and scored 26 points off the press.

Sophomore Brad Wilburn scored 30 points for the Lions. Timmy Morton followed with 14. Britt Stuart added 12, Denny Cox had 6 and Shelby Thompson had 4.

The next Lion JV game will be against the Highland JV when the varsity plays Highland.

DEAR EDITOR

EDITOR'S NOTE: The opinions expressed here are those of the writers and do not necessarily reflect the views of this newspaper. All letters submitted for publication must be signed and are subject to be edited for libelous material. Letters are accepted on that basis. Names can be withheld upon request, however initials will be used on all letters. Signed original letters will remain in the possession of this newspaper.

I would like to express my deepest gratitude to my many friends in the McCaulley community who has shared their love and consideration in the consolidation election that was proposed.

To all the many friends of Hamlin, I have no bitterness in my heart. This is my third time to witness a consolidation election. Each time, I have prayed it would bring a greater togetherness with our community. All my life has been spent in and around McCaulley, with beginning my Grandfathers to my father and mother and my four children who have graduated from the McCaulley School. My heart will always remain in the McCaulley community. I love my church and all the wonderful people who have fought to keep our school and community.

To the seventy-seven voters who voted for consolidation, that was their freedom to vote as they believed. I hold no bitterness toward them. I pray with all my heart that until God calls us to our Heavenly Home, we can live in peace and harmony with everyone. Also when the time does come for consolidation it will be because the state chose it to be that way. Then the voters can vote the way they see fit.

I served as election judge for the McCaulley School, as I felt I owed my life and time to the many wonderful people who have gone, are still going, and will begin to start their life in the McCaulley Public School.

Mrs. Armond (Sue) Smith

Mrs. T. Terry Hosts Meeting

Mrs. Thurman Terry was hostess to the Roby Garden Club members Thursday, January 13, at 9:30 a.m. at the Mid-west Electric Coop.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Edd Carter, after which slides of plants were shown by Mrs. Terry, Narrator was Mrs. Jess Goforth.

Delicious refreshments were served buffet style from an appointed table. A yellow lace cloth covered the table which held an attractive flower arrangement.

Members present were Mmes. Edd Carter, William Hughey, Coy Carriker, W.W. Morton, Jess Goforth, L.L. Stuart and the hostess, Mrs. Thurman Terry.

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Gentlemen:

In attempting to secure information relative to James Lyon Burks who served as an orderly sergeant under General Jackson during the War of 1812, I find that some of his descendants migrated to Comanche County and later to Fisher County immediately before the Civil War, possibly during the war and immediately following the war. In addition to serving under General Jackson, he served several terms in the Georgia Legislature and at one time, was a colonel on the staff of Governor Sleigh. I have no names of any of his sons with the exception of Rev. William Carrol Burks who spent most of his adult life in the Comanche and Pottsville area.

I would like to hear from anyone who know themselves to have descended from either James Lyon Burks or Rev. William Carroll Burks.

O. Harold Burks
4462 Flo Ave.
Dallas, Tex. 75211

Best wishes to a nice editor and his entire staff for a wonderful year. I like your editorials.

Faun Wiley
Rotan

Rotan Junior High Honor Roll Released

The following students were named recently named to the Rotan Junior High honor roll:

5th grade: Louisa Sanchez, Alma Sanchez, and Vance Thompson.
6th grade: Jana Smith.
8th grade: Byron Weathersbee.



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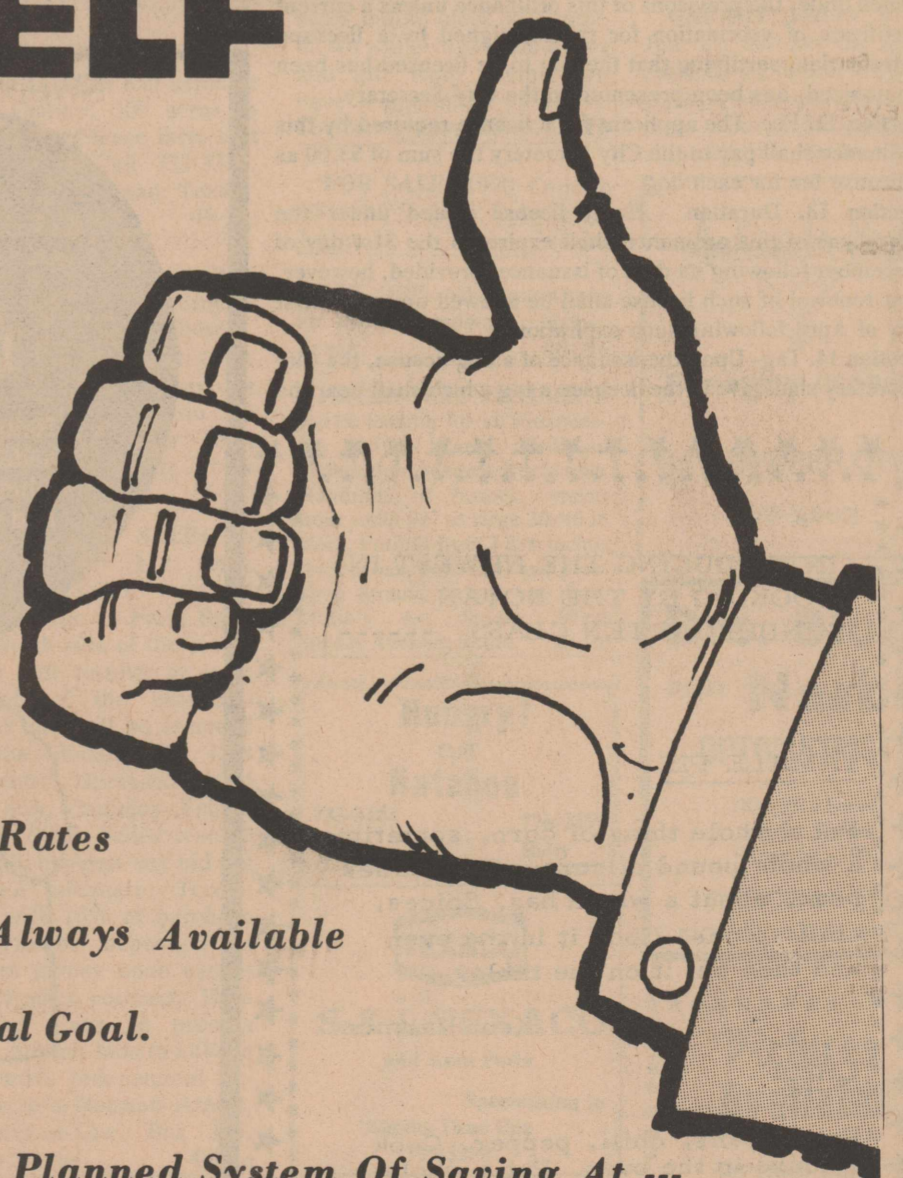
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Grandparents' Corner



Jenny Marie Helms is the 18-month old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Larry Helms of Colorado City. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Joe Helms of Rotan and Mrs. Vivian Colwell of Jackson, Mississippi.



Anita Beth Goodrum, age 2, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Goodrum of Odessa. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Goodrum of Rotan, and Mr. Kenneth Morrell of Whiteface.

Carroll Chaloupka Is Named AFBF Director

Carroll Chaloupka, Dalhart livestock and grain producer, was elected to the board of directors of the American Farm Bureau Federation at the conclusion of the organization's 58th annual meeting in Honolulu Jan. 12. Chaloupka is president of the 195,000 member Texas Farm Bureau.

Chaloupka, elected president of the Texas Farm Bureau in 1974, headed up the state's 14 voting delegates to the AFBF annual meeting. A delegation of 450 Texans were among the 16,000 persons attending the convention.

In a carefully-worded resolution, the voting delegates said that use of agricultural income support measures was necessary as a "cushion against disaster", but wanted to avoid "undue interference" in the marketplace.

Delegates also adopted national policies for 1977 attacking the growing power of government regulatory agencies, restraints on access and development of world markets, interference with a market-oriented economy and the failure of government leaders to produce a comprehensive national energy policy.

The national Farm Bureau convention will be held in Houston next January.

Chaloupka's farming and ranching activities on his

10,000-acre operation near Dalhart include production of wheat, grain sorghum and beef cattle.

A native of Iowa, Chaloupka is married to the former Dorothy Peters of Dawson, Iowa, and they are parents of a grown son and daughter.

"We oppose the creation of a government-controlled food reserve in the United States and U.S. participation in any internationally-controlled reserve", the delegates said.

Government farm programs to improve farm income "should be designed and administered to enhance market opportunities to the end that farmers will earn higher incomes in the marketplace and will not be dependent on government payments for a portion of their income", the delegates said.

"We will continue to oppose any program, which by excessively high target prices or loan rates, would make farmers dependent on government payments or re-establish a government-controlled stockpile of any agricultural product", they added.

The delegates agreed that "minimum use of price and income support measures" for agriculture that are economically sound was necessary as a cushion against disaster, but insisted that "support programs

must be carefully designed and implemented to avoid conditions which are self-perpetuating, to protect our competitive position in world markets and to avoid undue interference with market-directed adjustments in production and marketing".

The delegates vigorously opposed "all government restrictions on the sale of agricultural products in world markets. Agricultural exports must not be held hostage in the same of political expediency or foreign policy. Decisions affecting agricultural exports should be made with full participation of farmers and the Secretary of Agriculture".

Fisher County Hospital News

Patients admitted to Fisher County Hospital January 11-17, 1977:

Rafelo Rodriguez, Penny Kiser, W. Frank Arp, Roby; O.C. Ashton, Opal Burch, Jane Sparks, Fant Posey, Archie M. Fairey, Mary Adams, Jack Hale, Melissa Jo Montez, Tomie Paske, Roy C. Adams, John Naborn, Rotan; W.H. Harrison, Una Hunnicutt, Jayton; L.Z. Webb, McCaulley; Karla Dent, Sweetwater.

Funeral Service

Leon Flores

Leon Guadalupe Flores, 2-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lupe Flores of Roby, died about noon Sunday, Jan. 16, at their home south of Roby.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in the Roby Cemetery.

The Rev. L.W. Baker, pastor of First United

Methodist Church of Roby, officiated. Weathersbee Funeral Home was in charge.

The child was born Nov. 5, 1976, in Rotan.

Survivors include his parents; maternal grandparents, Nevada and Janice Chadwick of Indianapolis, Ind.

L.Z. Webb

L.Z. Webb, 73, of McCaulley died about 10 p.m. Friday Jan. 15, in Fisher County Hospital. Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday in Weathersbee Funeral Home Chapel in Rotan.

The Rev. Richard M. Babb, former pastor of McCaulley Baptist Church, officiated, assisted by Roy B. Hennington of Hamlin. Burial was in McCaulley Cemetery.

Born July 17, 1903 near Avoca in Jones County, he

was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Clark A. Webb. He moved to Fisher County from Jones County in 1906.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. George S. Bond of Lubbock; and two brothers, Milton and Ernest, both of McCaulley. A sister, Alma, died in 1908, and a brother, Clarence, died in 1962.

Pallbearers were E.M. Hicks, William McCright, Virgil Steel, Dick Gruben, Troy Gruben and John Edd Reed.

Fant Posey

Fant Posey, 82, of Stonewall County died about 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, in Fisher County Hospital after a brief illness. Services were held at 4 p.m. Sunday in Rotan Church of Christ.

Charles Lindley, minister, officiated. Burial was in Belvieu Cemetery directed by Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Born Sept. 22, 1894, in Hopkins County, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs.

Robert A. Posey. He moved to Stonewall County in 1914 from Beeville. He married Pearl Counts Jan. 6, 1926 in Aspermont. He was a veteran of World War I.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Glenn of Rotan; a daughter, Mrs. Billy W. McMeans of Jayton; two brothers, Bill and Dave, both of Rotan; three sisters, Effie Dennis, Mary Posey and Louada Posey, all of Rotan; and eight grandchildren.

Thomas Moore

Thomas H. Moore, 91, of Roby died at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 14, at the Golden Haven Rest Home in Roby. Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at McCoy Funeral Home Chapel of Memories, Sweetwater.

The Rev. Cecil Tune, pastor of First United Methodist Church in Rotan officiated. Burial was in the Palava Cemetery.

Born Dec. 2, 1885, in Callahan County, he married Frankie A. Arnold Oct. 8, 1905, in Hylton. She died Sept. 20, 1971. He was a retired farmer and had lived in the Longworth-Roby area since 1918. He was a

member of the Pentacostal Church.

Survivors include two sons, Troy H. of Slaton and Frank of Seagraves; nine daughters, Edna Gann of Rotan, Velma McFarlan, Mrs. C.P. Peebles, Mrs. Tommy Davis and Mrs. Ray Sims, all of Sweetwater, Berdie Hale of Longworth, Odessa Sims of Seminole, Mary Wright of Hico and Mrs. Lyndell Coley of Bigsbee, Okla.; three sisters, Alice Cowan of Cross Plains, Adie Wheeler and Sally Brown, both of Tulara, Calif.; 24 grandchildren; and 45 great-grandchildren; 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Terry High In Win By Roby Over Ira

The Roby High School girls defeated a strong Ira team Jan. 11 by the score of 57-51. Leading the scoring

for Roby was Cheryl Terry with 41 points, followed by Cindy King and Penny Coker with 8 points each.

Fine defensive efforts were turned in by Kim Faight, Tina Horton, Rhonda Welch, Lois Ann Cauble, Susan Matthies and Donna Hataway.

The Lionesses are now 4-1 in district action.

Veterans retain eligibility for GI Bill benefits for 10 years after release from active duty, according to the Veterans Administration.



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Mike Rushing To Present Science Paper

Micheal D. Rushing of Rotan will be the co-author of the paper "Miscible Displacement with High Pressure Nitrogen" at the annual meeting of the Texas Academy of Science to be held at Baylor University March 10-12.

Rushing is a research technologist for the Texas Petroleum Research Committee at Texas A&M University.

The paper will be co-authored by Dr. Paul B. Crawford, professor and assistant director of the Texas Petroleum Research Committee.

Rushing is a graduate of Rotan High School and is attending Texas A&M, majoring in Petroleum Engineering.

Elmer Martin Named To Committee

Rep. Elmer Martin of Colorado City has been named vice chairman for Environmental Affairs Committee by Speaker of the House Bill Clayton.

Martin, a third term representative, will also be asked to serve on the Agriculture and Livestock Committee.

He is one of 13 members on the Environmental Affairs Committee which will consider all matters pertaining to air and water pollution, state parks, preservation of wildlife, hunting, fishing and the regulation of Texas fish and oyster industries.

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Hustlin' Round Hobbs

By Mrs Jimmy Walker
Hobbs, Texas 735-2840

It seems like we are going to have this cold weather every other day. Wish it would either rain or stay pretty. These cold spells we have been having have really made us appreciate those nice days we sometimes get in the winter.

Am glad to report that Mrs. Meloda Anderson is much better now although she is still in the hospital. She was very sick for a few days, but Mrs. J.D. Kincaid said she was so much better she might get to go home in a day or so. Was glad to see J.D. and Lucy at church on Sunday and J.D. is doing real well.

Jackie Cave, John Schofield and Cliff Blasingame, all from Farmington, New Mexico, stopped by and spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Cave.

Tricia and Corey Cave, children of Mr. and Mrs. Windle Cave, spent from Wednesday until Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cave while their parents went to Dallas. Ricky, Mark and Donna Gordon spent Saturday night with their grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Williams went to Dalhart for the weekend and visited with Louise's brother who is back in the hospital there. Saturday it snowed and sleeted so badly, the Williamses started back to Hobbs, but had to spend the night in Plainview with Louise's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hartley. They came on home Sunday.

Visiting with the Walkers Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Orvel Hillis from Sweetwater. Wednesday we went to Snyder and visited with Mrs. Dee Walker who has moved up there from her home in Camp Springs. A new family has moved into her house at Camp Springs, but so far I don't know their names.

Visiting with Mr. Bea Hardin Sunday all day were Morris Hardin and Todd from Lubbock. Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Hardin, Mr. Pam Baker and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Keen and girls from Rotan all ate supper with Bea.

Well, know I have missed some of you this week, but we have been busy and some folks were gone from home the only time I had to call. See you next week.



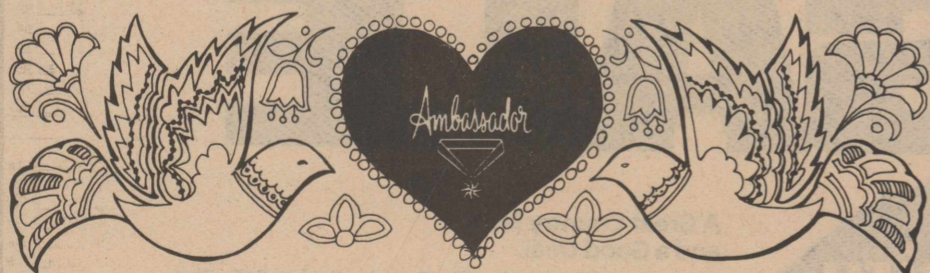
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Area Baptist Conference In Anson Church

"Living Proof Is Good News" is the theme of the Evangelism Conference sponsored by the Southern Baptist Churches of the Double Mountain Area. The conference will be held in the First Baptist Church, Anson, on Monday, January 31.

The afternoon session will begin at 2 p.m. and evening session to start at 6:45.

Special music for both sessions will be brought by The Griffin Family Singers. Jim Bob and wife, Louverl, have Music degrees from Stephen F. Austin University in Nacogdoches. He has served as Minister of Music at First Baptist, Rusk; Fredonia Hill, Nacogdoches; Calvary, Harlingen; First, Lake Jackson and Allandale, Austin. Louverl is an accomplished pianist. They have sang for Texas Baptist Evangelism Conference and for Super Summer. They are experienced concert and crusade musicians. The family has recorded three long playing albums. The group includes Jim Bob, Louverl and their five daughters.

Speakers for the conference will include W. Robert (Bob) Harris, Pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, Houston; Bob Cameron, Pastor of First Baptist Church, O'Brien; H.B. Graves, Jr., Pastor of First Baptist Church, Munday; T.O. Upshaw, Director of Missions, Double Mountain Area, Stamford. Testimonies will be given by O.D. White, Anson; Noel Weaver, Hamlin; Clifton Rinehart, Rule; and Howard Jones, Pastor of First Baptist Church, Hamlin.

The music will be provided by the combined choirs of all the churches in the Double Mountain Area. Choir practice will be at 6:15. Everyone is invited to participate.

The public is cordially invited to attend either or both sessions.

Three Listed On Angelo State Honor Roll

Two Roby students and one Rotan student attending Angelo State University in San Angelo are listed on the Dean's Honor Roll for the fall semester at the University.

Listed on the 3.00 to 3.49 honor roll are Audrey A. Carey Duncan, an elementary education major, from Roby, and Timothy Lee Acorn of Rotan, a business major at ASU.

Listed on the 3.50 to 4.00 honor roll is Ricky Lane Fought of Roby, a business major.

Belynda's Pen And Pad Roby, Texas 776-261

The wind this morning is just like a knife cutting through you. It sure is cold.

Jeff Simmons has been transported to Stamford Hospital from Hendrick Hospital in Abilene after having had surgery recently. Mr. and Mrs. O.T. Sanders have both been confined to their home with colds and flu. Hope they are both soon feeling better. Helen Noles is in West Texas Medical, Abilene, recovering from recent surgery. I hope all of these people continue to improve. Our prayers are with you.

Recent visitors in the home of Mrs. B.K. Newhouse were her sons Mr. and Mrs. Bright Newhouse of Clarendon, Mr. and Mrs. Don Newhouse and family of Abilene and son-in-law Charles Anderson of Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Glendol Ballenger, Chad and Mark of Roscoe, Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Boulware of Roscoe and J.L. Ballenger of Sweetwater all visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ballenger last week.

A community shower was held Saturday night at the Roby Fire Hall for the Joe DeLosSantos family who lost their home and all their possessions to a fire Wednesday night of last week.

Nowdays our necessities are too expensive, and our luxuries are too necessary."

Happy Birthday wishes go to: Susan Gaona, LaVelle Stuart, Belynda Stuart, Jan. 21; Victoria Ramon, Jan. 23; Daryle Underwood, Jan. 25.

Visiting recently in the home of Mrs. R.T. Martin were her aunt, Mrs. Newland; Mr. and Mrs. Morelock, all of Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kingsfield, Roy Kingsfield of Rotan; Mrs. Martin's daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. Marlene Carter, Connie and Bonnie and Mrs. Madena Hamington of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Artis Martin and Mrs. Ed Unnewehr of Roby.

Mrs. Ed Unnewehr and Mrs. Helen Yeats, a Spanish teacher at Angelo State University, have just returned from a goodwill trip to Mexico. Mrs. Unnewehr and Mrs. Yeats took a load of clothing to the Indians that live in the mountains in Mexico. These people have no beds and their homes are made of cardboard and straw or a bunch of rocks piled up. Mrs. Unnewehr said the country is very poor. The people have goats they use for milk and when there is no other food they will kill one of the goats for food. The temperature in the mountains was 55 deg. and down below around 75 deg. The speed limit was 110 k.p.h. on the stretch of road, Hwy. 57, they traveled on from Del Rio. Mrs. Unnewehr said oranges, bananas, and tangerines were ripe and they ate them right off the trees. They plan on making another trip back down there around July. They saw no signs of any trouble, although Americans have been advised to stay out of Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Younggren and little son of Brownfield visited last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murry Simmons.

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God Bless you, see you next week.

Roby Nails Down 5th District Victory

The Roby girls picked up their 5th district win of the season last Friday by downing the Hobbs girls 57-46. Leading the scoring for Roby was Cheryl Terry with 39 points, followed by Cindy King and Penny Coker with 8 points each, and

Susan Matthies with 2 points.

Outstanding defensive performances were turned in by Rhonda Welch, Kim Fought, Tina Horton and Lois Ann Cauble.

The Lionesses are now 5-1 in district action.

Roby Junior High Is Winner At Highland

The Roby junior high girls traveled to Highland Jan. 22 and defeated the Highland girls 33-12. Leading the scoring for Roby was Darlene Herron with 16 points, followed by Leslie Carey 8 points, Jill Wright 6 points, and Tana Mauldin 2 points. Other forwards seeing action was Diedra Fought.

Fine defensive efforts were turned in by Mary Barrington, Connie Williamson, Tammy Stephens, Paula Terry, Jana Jennings, Lisa Hoodenpyle, Diane Carreon, Nerissa Hardwick, and Mary DesRosiers.

Next game for the girls is Thursday, Jan. 20, against Wingate in the Blackwell tourney.

Veterans who have trained under the GI Bill during the past 10 years may qualify for an additional nine months entitlement, the Veterans Administration reports.

Total training entitlement for GI Bill rights has been extended to 45 months, the Veterans Administration reports.



Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Graham

Beverly Carter, Bruce Graham Exchange Vows

Beverly Kay Carter of El Cajon, Calif. and Bruce Dori Graham also of El Cajon, exchanged wedding vows December 18, at 4 p.m. at First Southern Baptist Church of La Masa, Calif. Parents of the couple are Dr. and Mrs. John R. Carter, El Cajon, and Capt. and Mrs. Woodrow W. Graham of El Cajon. The double ring ceremony was performed by Dr. John R. Carter, father of the bride, and Rev. R.E. Craig, uncle of the bride.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a floor length gown of white satin overlaid with chiffon and accented with lace. The cathedral length mantilla had a deep border of lace that was edged in val lace. The bride's bouquet was of white roses and blue carnations.

Maid of honor was Miss Lanea Arntz of El Cajon. Bridesmaids were Miss Debbie Carter, sister of the bride, and Linda Craig, cousin of the bride, of El Cajon.

The bride's attendants wore floor length, blue with white dot knit A-line, empire waist gowns. They wore white and blue flowered headdresses and carried blue and white carnations.

Randy Sarff of El Cajon was best man. Bob Gibson and Wayne Sakarif of El Cajon were groomsmen and ushers.

Jacque Treat and Stephanie Priddell of El Cajon were flower girls. Stephen McQueen, of Rotan, cousin of the bride was ring bearer.

Serving as ushers and candlelighters were Gary Carter, brother of the bride, and Ricky Doublas of Los Angeles.

Organist was Ruth Barnes. Soloist was Margaret Wah-

len, cousin of the bride. She sang "Close To You", "Welcome To My World", and "The Lord's Prayer".

Following the ceremony a reception was hosted by parents of the bride in Fellowship Hall. The serving table held a three tiered wedding cake, silver coffee service and punch.

Following a wedding trip to Palm Springs, Calif. the couple is making their home in El Cajon. The bride is a graduate of Granite Hills High in El Cajon. The bridegroom is a graduate of Monte Vista of Spring Valley. He is employed by Clancey's in National City, Calif.

Mrs. C.C. Carter, grandmother of the bride, and Mrs. Curtis McQueen and Stephen, of Rotan, flew to California for the wedding. Mrs. Carter remained in California for the Christmas holidays.

Roby Junior High Whips Highland, 50-8

Roby Junior High boys team rolled to their 7th win against one defeat last Thursday as they defeated the Highland Junior High team 50-8.

The junior Lions were led by Scott Thomson and Mark Pope as they scored 16 and 12 points respectively. The Lions led 26-0 at the end of the first quarter and the entire bench played the remainder of the game.

Others scoring for the Lions were Mike McGinnis 6, Gordon Maberry 4, Joe Don Guelker 4, James Streety 2, David Stewart 2, Norbert Castor 2, and John Morge-son 2.

The Lions district record stands at 3-0. Their next game will be at Hermleigh Thursday night. The team will also be playing in the Blackwell tournament this weekend.

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Fort Worth Livestock Parade To Be Telecast

The all-western parade at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28, which officially opens the 81st annual Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, will be televised live on Channel 39.

Announcement of the television special came from W.R. Watt Jr., Stock Show general manager, and Ray Thompson, president of Tandy Leather Company.

"We are pleased to have Tandy Leather Company sponsor the showing of the Stock Show parade," Watt said. "Each year a number of our area citizens have expressed an interest in such a program".

"Our plans call for live presentation of the Stock Show parade at 2 p.m. and a video taped replay at 11 p.m.," Thompson said. "We believe these programs will benefit our shut-in residents as well as provide an interesting show for urban areas reached by Channel 39's cable network".

"It is our privilege to participate with the Stock Show, which draws more people to Fort Worth each year than any other single event," the Tandy executive

added.

The Stock Show parade is unique in that no motor vehicles are allowed. Participants must be horseback, ride in a horse-drawn vehicle or march.

Horse-drawn vehicles and riding groups and individuals will assemble on the west parking lot of Dillard's Department Store near the subway terminal. Bands and marching units will lineup in the 400 block of W. First Street.

The parade will move from the assembly areas east on W. Weatherford to 3 Tandy Center, south on Houston to W. 7th, east to Main, north to the Tarrant County Court House, then west on Weatherford and return to the assembly areas. The parade

route is approximately three miles.

Television coverage crews will be located in the 200 block of Houston. A review stand will be set up in the 600 block of Houston for judges to view the parade and choose winning riding clubs, horse-drawn floats and to name the group which best portrays western heritage.

Decatur publisher and former television personality Roy Eaton will announce each group as it approaches the reviewing stand. The public address system will be furnished by the Tarrant County Volunteer Fire Fighters Association.

Awards are presented to the top three riding clubs with judging based on

uniforms, horsemanship and manners. Horse-drawn floats are judged on originality and interest. Special awards are made for most colorful group, riding club traveling the greatest distance to participate and the western heritage motif.

The 1976 parade hosted 80 riding clubs, 50 horse-drawn floats and 27 marching units and bands. More than 1,900 horses participated in the parade.

Special events director for the Stock Show, Mrs. Beverly Peterson, reports

that the lineup for this year is not complete. Riding clubs, bands and horse-drawn vehicles are invited to join the parade. Interested persons should contact Mrs. Peterson at the Stock Show Office, P.O. Box 150, Fort Worth, Tex. 76101.

Among the 136,000 women veterans released by the military in the past 12 years, 99,300 had obtained a high school diploma, according to the Veteran's Administration.

Veterans training under the GI Bill may qualify for tutorial help without charge to their basic entitlement, the Veterans Administration reports.

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Lone Star Gas Company in accordance with Section 43(a) of Article 1446c V.A.T.C.S., hereby gives notice of the Company's intent to implement a new schedule of rates for natural gas service to be charged to the residential and commercial consumers in the City of Rotan, Texas, effective February 1, 1977.
The rate schedule is expected to furnish a 1.76 percent increase in the Company's gross revenues in the City of Rotan.
A Statement of Intent has been filed with the City of Rotan and is available for inspection at the Company's business office located at 735-2562, Rotan, Texas.
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FOR SALE: Good used appliances, refrigerators, washers, freezers, etc. 30 day warranty. B&F Repair. 576-3869, Hamlin. Service all makes. 45-tfc

FOR SALE: 2 bedroom house located north of town to be moved. Asking \$2,500. Call 735-3263. 41-tfc

NEW: A full line of C.R. Gibson Gift Books, thank you notes, and stationery by Eaton Paper Company. At the Newspaper Office. 8-tfc

FOR SALE: Refrigerator, washer, dryer, color TV, deep freeze and apartment size stove. Call before 9:00 or after 5:00. B&F Repair, 576-3869, Hamlin. Service all makes. 45-tfc

FOR SALE: Early American hide-a-bed, A. Brandt, reg. size bed. Also, large Wizard refrigerator-freezer. Call 776-2596 after 5:00 p.m. 48-1tc

NOTICE: For Shaklee products call Mrs. Guy Kemp, 776-2423. 49-4tp

FOR SALE: International 4 row cultivator, Model 78, used 1 year. Call 735-2090 after 6 p.m. 49-3tp

FOR SALE: 1975 Dodge Colt. 735-3063 or go by 909 E. 5th, Rotan. 48-tfc

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Vera's Gift Shop. Open 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 5 p.m. 908 E. 8th, St., Rotan. 49-tfc

MINNOWS for sale, 405 E. Lee, Rotan 735-3475. 34tfc

UNUSUAL GIFT ITEMS: See our all new selections of gift items including the Hallmark pen line at the Newspaper Office. 8-tfc

FOR SALE: The J.O. Kennedy home, 706 E. Burnside, 2,000 sq. ft., 3 bedroom, 2 bath, large living area. Call Joe Kennedy, 521-749-6282. 46-4tc

FULL LINE OF BOOKS: As a service to our Fisher County friends and customers we have taken on a full line of religious and inspirational books by Tyndall House, makers of the Living Bible. Stop by our new location and select a gift that keeps on giving. We gift wrap free. 13-tfp

STENCILS: Need to print your cotton trailer or letter a mail box. The Newspaper Office has painting and printing stencils from one inch to 6 inches tall. 8-tfc

FOR SALE: 30" used gas cook stove. Jeanie Baker, 735-3576. 49-1tc

FOR SALE: Five (5)-One (1) Bath house to sell, can be moved. Just been remodelled. Jimmie Brewer, Box 434, Jayton, Tex. 79528. 49-2tc

FOR LEASE: 265 acres for lease, cultivated. 8 1/2 miles SW Rotan, Jack Bruce. Call 735-3258. 48-4tp

FOR SALE: McBeth house and part of land, 7 miles East Rotan. Financing available. See H. Thompson or Joe Dale Burk. 48-tfc

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TV SERVICE: For television repair call Home Lumber 735-2421. 46-tfc

FOR TERRACING: Now is the time to rebuild your terraces or clean out the top terrace channels. Call Jack McClure, 776-2229 or 776-2448. 44-6tc

FOR SALE: 1970 Ford Maverick, automatic and air. Good condition. Phone 735-2477. Fred Thomas. 49-tfc

FOR SALE: Shelled pecans, 1 lb. bags only, \$2.50. E.L. Yeats, 776-2472. 48-3tp

NOTICE: Water pill and laxatives may deplete your body's essential Potassium-ask for K Forte' Noles Drug, Roby. 48-3tp

WANTED: Mature lady to work 5 to 6 nights a week. Apply in person at Dairy Queen, Rotan. 43-tfc

FOR SALE: 1976 Toyota pickup. Call Joe Kennedy, 512-749-6282. 46-4tc

NEW HOME SEWING MACHINES: The best, Paul Stevens Discount Machines. 1713 E. 14th St., Sweetwater, 235-9791. 8-tfc

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NOTICE: Fur buyer will be in Roby at the Phillips 66 Truck Stop on U.S. 180 from 12-12:30 every Friday starting Dec. 24th. Red Veale Fur Company, Vernon Hayden, buyer, 817-559-3584. 45-4tp

MONUMENTS AND CEMETERY CURBING: J.B. Smith, 308 E. 4th St., Rotan, Texas, call 735-3290. 22-tfc

CAMP SPRINGS WELDING: Shop welding done at shop or on your farm. Call 573-6045. 26-tfc

NOTICE: Will mind small child 5 days weekly in your home. No transportation. Call 735-3184. 49-1tp

SALE: Fantastic buys in Housewares now-25% off. Roby Hardware, Roby, Texas. 48-2tc

FOR LEASE: 850 acres in Kent County, 300 acres in farm. Would lease farm and keep grass. Call 735-3359, L.E. Latham, Rotan, Texas. 48-2tp

FOR SALE: 150 gallon front mounted polyethylene tank complete with hoses, gauges, cut off, and front PTO pump. This spray rig was used 1 year only on 200 row acres. Fits on John Deere tractor with front PTO. Call 735-2912. 48-2tc

FARM FOR SALE: to Settle Estate-- 174 acres located 3 miles west of Rotan, Texas on Farm Road 611 (North side of the road). Buyer will receive at least one-half of the minerals. Sealed bids will be received by the Estate of Lois McCombs, Deceased, until 11:30 a.m. Thursday, February 10, 1977. Selles reserve the right to reject any bid not deemed adequate. Terms: Cash with 10% of purchase price to be deposited as earnest money upon execution of sales contract. Time will be given to process loans. Submit bids to LaVern McCombs, Independent Executor, c/o Norman Arnett, Attorney-at-Law, Box 340, Rotan, Texas. 46-3tc

FOR SALE: 1969 Pontiac station wagon, V8-350 engine, good running condition \$500.00. 309 Sherman. 49-1tp

NOTICE: If the person who took our orange digital clock and the brown and black digital clock will come in, we will give you the boxes and gift wrap them. You have a guarantee on them. The Newspaper Office. 48-tfp

FOR SALE: 1970 Camaro SS, call 776-2198, Roby, after 5 p.m. 48-2tc

25% OFF: All housewares at Roby Hardware, Roby, Texas. 48-2tc

FRAME THAT PICTURE: If you're looking for an inexpensive picture frame, look no further than Marie's Art Studio. Hundreds of frames, precut from small 5x7 to large 30x40 in stock. Frames from 3 to 6 inches thick in oak, gold leaf, and pine. Shop around before you buy. Marie's Art Studio, West Snyder Avenue, Rotan. 21-tfc

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WANT TO BUY: Set of 18.4-38 inch good used tractor tires. Call 735-2912. Rotan. 49-2tc

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice To Bidders of County's Intentions to Let Contract for The Construction of Fisher County Courthouse Annex at Roby, Texas.

Sealed Proposals addressed to Dwight Lovett, County Judge, Fisher County, Texas, will be received until 10:00 a.m. on the 8th day of February 1977, at the County Courthouse, for the construction of Fisher County Courthouse Annex at Roby, Texas.

Proposals will, at said time, be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor, materials, tools and equipment and performing all work, including the mechanical and electrical work, required for the completion of this project in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by Lovett, Sellars, McSpedden and Gover, Architects, San Angelo, Texas.

Any bid received after the above fixed time of receiving bids will be returned unopened.

Bids must be submitted on the prescribed proposal form which is included in the Specifications for this project. The Bidder must supply all the information required by such proposal form and comply with the requirements of the plans and specifications.

Bidders must submit with their bids a Cashier's or Certified Check on a bank satisfactory to the Owner, payable to or endorsed, without recourse to Fisher County, Texas, in the amount of 5% of the maximum bid price, for submit a Proposal Bond in the same amount from a reliable Surety Company satisfactory to Fisher County, as a guarantee that the Bidder will enter into a contract and execute the required bonds within ten (10) days after notice of acceptance of his bid and the award of the Contract to him. Bids without Check or Proposal Bond will not be considered. The checks and proposal bonds of unsuccessful bidders will be returned.

The successful bidder on the project will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the full amount of the Contract, written by a responsible surety company to the Commissioners' Court, as required by Article 5160, V.A.T.C.S. Attention is directed to Article 5159a, V.A.T.C.S., which requires that not less than the general prevailing rates of per diem wages for work of a similar character in the locality where the work is performed shall be paid all laborers, workmen and mechanics employed in the construction of public works.

Two sets of plans and specifications may be obtained by bonafide prime bidders, upon deposit of \$25.00 for each set, at the office of the Architect, Lovett, Sellars, McSpedden and Gover, 618 South Ave, San Angelo, Texas 76901. All deposits will be refunded upon the return of plans and specifications promptly and in good condition. Additional plans and specifications may be obtained upon payment of the cost of reproduction. No sets or partial sets will be issued to sub-bidders or materials suppliers.

Plans and specifications will be placed in appropriate plan rooms for the use of sub-contractors and material suppliers.

Bidders should carefully examine the plans, specifications and other documents, visit the site of the work and fully inform themselves as to all conditions and matters which can in any way affect the work or the costs thereof. Should a bidder find discrepancies in, or omissions from, the plans, specifications or other documents, or should he be in doubt as to their meaning, he should at once notify the Architect and obtain clarification prior to submitting any bid. No bid

may be withdrawn for at least thirty (30) days after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids.

All prices must be stated in both script and figures. The County intends to enter into a Contract with the lowest responsible Bidder. The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive formalities. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating the price in the bids, the County reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid.

The Contractor will be required to comply with the provisions of the Davis Bacon Act and should acquaint himself with these provisions before submitting a bid on this project. The Contractor must furnish the Certificate of Compliance with the Davis Bacon Act on the appropriate form with the Contract Documents.

Dwight Lovett
County Judge
for The Commissioners
Court,
Fisher County, Texas
48-3tc

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Depository For Fisher County.

The Commissioners Court of Fisher County, Texas, at its next meeting, February 14, 1977, will select an official depository for said County.

Applications to be designated as the depository shall be delivered to the office of the Clerk of said Court before 10:00 a.m. Monday, February 14, 1977. Said application to be in compliance with Article 2546, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court, this the 10th day of January, 1977.

Dwight L. Lovett,
County Judge,
Fisher County, Texas
49-2tc

Card Of Thanks

Words cannot adequately express our gratitude for all the gifts, labor, and time given in helping us since the loss of our home and possessions due to fire. Most of our material possessions can be replaced but there is nothing that can replace friends like ours. For these friends we shall always be grateful.

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County Schools Lunch Menu



January 24-28, 1977
Rotan

Monday: Frito Pie, Seasoned Pinto Beans, Spanish Rice, Tomato & Lettuce Salad, Cornbread, Butter, Fruit, Milk.

Tuesday: Pizza W/Meat & Cheese, Buttered Corn, Whipped Potatoes, Orange Wedges, Sliced Bread, Butter, Jello, Milk.

Wednesday: Fried Chicken W/Gravy, Green Beans, Whipped Potato, Apple Wedges, Hot Rolls, Butter, Honey, Milk.

Thursday: Hamburger with Cheese, Pork Beans, Potato Chips, Orange Juice, Brownie Milk.

Friday: Stuffed Weiners, Seasoned Blackeyed Peas, Buttered Whole Potatoes, Green Salad, Hot Rolls, Butter, Fruit Cobbler, Milk.

Hobbs

Monday: Spaghetti and Meat Sauce, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Green Beans, Rice Pudding, Rolls, Milk.

Tuesday: Weiners in a Blanket, Pinto Beans, French Fries, Sliced Cheese and Pickles, Peaches, Milk.

Wednesday: Tacos with Cheese, Potato Chips, Applesauce, Brownies with Nuts, Milk.

Thursday: Vegetable Beef Soup, Crackers, Sliced Turkey Sandwich, Corn Bread, Apple Cobbler, Milk.

Friday: Fried Chicken and Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Fruit Jello, Hot Rolls, Milk.

Roby

Monday: Meat Balls with Cream Potatoes, Tomato & Lettuce Salad, Fruit, Hot Rolls, Butter, Milk.

Tuesday: Beef & Vegetable Stew, Cheese Curls, Salad, Peach Cobbler, Crackers, Milk.

Wednesday: Burritos, Chili Beans, Green Salad, Congealed Cranberry Salad, Chocolate Chip Cookies.

Thursday: Salmon Croquettes, Cram Potatoes, Green Beans, Chocolate No Bake Cookie, Milk, Bread.

Friday: Hamburger, Potato Chips, Lettuce, Tomato, Brownie, Milk.



Janna Stuard

Janna Stuard, Danny Helms Engagment Told

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Stuard of Snyder announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Janna, to Danny Helms, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dell Ray Helms.

The couple will exchange vows February 25 in the Colonial Hill Baptist Church, Snyder.

Statement Of Non Discrimination

Midwest Electric Cooperative, Inc., has filed with the Federal Government a Compliance Assurance in which it assures the Rural Electrification Administration that it will comply fully with all requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Rules and Regulations of the Department of Agriculture issued thereunder, to the end that no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the conduct of its program and the operation of its facilities. Under this Assurance, this organization is committed not to discriminate against any person on the ground of race, color or nation origin in its policies and practices relating to applications for service or any other policies and practices relating to treatment of beneficiaries and participants including rates, conditions and extension of service, use of any of its facilities, attendance at and participation in any meetings of beneficiaries and participants or the exercise of any rights of such beneficiaries and participants in the conduct of the operations of this organization.

Any person who believes himself, or any specific class of individuals, to be subjected by this organization to discrimination prohibited by Title VI of the Act and the Rules and Regulations issued thereunder may, by himself or a representative, file with the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250, or the Rural Electrification Administration, Washington, D.C. 20250, or this organization, or all, a written complaint. Such complaint must be filed not later than 180 days after the alleged discrimination, or by such later date to which the Secretary of Agriculture or the Rural Electrification Administration extends the time for filing. Identity of complainants will be kept confidential except to the extent necessary to carry out the purposes of the Rules and Regulation.

Midwest Electric Cooperative, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

The Veterans Administration will pay up to \$65 monthly for tutorial assistance to GI Bill students.

Entitlement for veterans training under the GI Bill has been extended to 45 months, the Veterans Administration reported.

National Cotton Council Sets Program Details

Program details for the National Cotton Council's 39th annual meeting in Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Jan. 31-Feb. 1, were announced by President W.D. Lawson, III, Gastonia, N.C., merchant.

Cotton's economic outlook for 1977 will be presented by Dr. Arlie Bowling, Gaylon Booker, and Dr. DeBord, Council economists, at 8:30 a.m., Monday in the Ballroom of the Americas at the Contemporary Resort Hotel.

A color quartet from the Naval Training Center in Orlando will present the flag and J.D. Hays, president of the Alabama Farm Bureau, will give the invocation. G.R. Jeffcoat, general arrangements chairman, Opp, Ala., will welcome delegates and guests to Florida.

Council President Lawson will give the keynote address, "Cotton, World Fiber: A Perspective", and Council Representative Macon Edwards will report on Washington activities. Agriculture Secretary-Designate Rob Bergland will speak at 11 o'clock followed by reports from Council Treasurer Jack

G. Stone, Stratford, Calif., and Finance Chairman E. Hervev Evans, Jr., Laurinburg, N.C.

The afternoon session opens with presentation of 1977 Maid of Cotton Ellen Clark of Memphis, and an address by A. Byron Reed, president of Munsingwear, Inc.

Highlights of Council programs on Flammability, cotton dust, boll weevil eradication, and the producer referendum will be given by Staff Members William M. Segall, Washington; Dr. Phillip Wakelyn, J. Ritchie Smith, Carlton H. Power, and Emmett Robinson, all of Memphis. Foreign market development will be discussed by A. Starke Taylor, Jr., Cotton Council International president, Dallas; and Staff Director David Hull, Washington. Ray Shockley, executive vice president of the American Textile Manufacturers Institute, will report on textile imports and trade agreements.

Concluding the first day's session will be announcement of new officers.

Tuesday's meeting begins at 9 o'clock with a progress report on research and promotion by J. Dukes Wooters, Jr., Cotton Incorporated president, New York. Guest speaker for the day will be Rep. David R.

Bowen (D-Miss.), chairman of the House Cotton Subcommittee, whose address is slated at 9:30.

Recommendations for delegate action in the areas of public relations, foreign operations, technical services, and industry practices and policies will be presented by Chairman Charles R. Bell, Phoenix; A. Starke Taylor, Jr., Dallas; John S. Barr, III, Oak Ridge, La.; and Hugh M. Arant, Ruleville, Miss.

More than 1,500 industry leaders from across the Cotton Belt are expected for the two-day convention, which will be preceded by Council committee meetings beginning Jan. 28. A special two-hour seminar on current regulatory issues is slated the afternoon of Jan. 30 with speakers to include Dr. Ed Hobson, Shell Chemical Company, and Maynard Dolloff, Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Rural Hero Contest Starts

Nominate your rural hero for 1976. Now!

The Rural Heroism Award, sponsored by the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council, is presented annually to some deserving person who has performed an act of exceptional bravery during a time of crisis, according to Ben Bullard, Council vice president and assistant safety director of the Texas Farm Bureau.

All entries must be submitted by February 25, to the Rural Heroism Award Committee, Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council, P.O. Box 489, Waco, Texas 76703 according to Bullard.

The heroic act or deed must have occurred within Texas during 1976 and should be related to farming or ranching operations.

Nominations should include a written account of the incident and the names of all persons involved. Newspaper clippings and pictures should also accompany the nominations if available.

The award will be presented March 28, at the annual meeting of the Texas Safety Association at the Shamrock-Hilton Hotel in Houston.

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Fisher County Auditor's Annual Financial Report Calendar 1976

By Evelyn Carter, County Auditor

FISHER COUNTY AUDITOR'S
ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
CALENDAR YEAR 1976

| Fund | Balance 1-1-76 | Receipts 1976 | Transfers | | Disbursements 1976 | Balance 12-31-76 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| | | | In | Out | | |
| Jury | 10 775 31 | 9 295 69 | | | 6 691 76 | 13 379 24 |
| General | 262 387 89 | 263 701 17 | | 50 000 00 | 186 652 84 | 289 436 22 |
| Officer Salary | 23 391 40 | 134 164 77 | 50 000 00 | | 187 280 12 | 20 276 05 |
| Road & Bridge, Operating, Precinct # 1 | 62 059 59 | 67 376 24 | | | 50 789 07 | 78 646 76 |
| Road & Bridge, Operating, Precinct # 2 | 29 771 61 | 67 155 87 | | | 45 913 94 | 51 013 54 |
| Road & Bridge, Operating, Precinct # 3 | 32 716 11 | 67 774 10 | | | 64 642 48 | 35 847 73 |
| Road & Bridge, Operating, Precinct # 4 | 29 877 82 | 66 576 45 | | | 60 794 08 | 35 660 19 |
| Public Building, Permanent Improvement | 19 88 | -0- | | | -0- | 19 88 |
| Social Security Fund | 19 103 34 | 34 767 80 | | | 35 030 89 | 18 840 25 |
| Courthouse Certificates of Obligation | 47 360 71 | 51 921 14 | | | 49 197 63 | 50 084 22 |
| Lateral Road Fund, Precinct # 1 | -0- | 7 121 94 | | | -0- | 7 121 94 |
| Lateral Road Fund, Precinct # 2 | 1 798 42 | 7 121 95 | | | 3 264 45 | 5 655 92 |
| Lateral Road Fund, Precinct # 3 | 3 919 05 | 7 121 95 | | | 8 512 49 | 2 528 51 |
| Lateral Road Fund, Precinct # 4 | 1 875 65 | 7 121 95 | | | 4 205 69 | 4 791 91 |
| Airport Fund | 8 596 49 | 15 000 00 | | | 20 044 52 | 3 551 97 |
| Revenue Sharing Fund | 10 640 78 | 123 463 00 | | | 41 988 96 | 92 114 82 |
| | <u>544 294 05</u> | <u>929 684 02</u> | <u>50 000 00</u> | <u>50 000 00</u> | <u>765 008 92</u> | <u>708 969 15</u> |
| Fisher County Permanent School Fund | 266 46 | 3 972 60 | | | 3 972 60 | 266 46 |
| | <u>544 560 51</u> | <u>933 656 62</u> | <u>50 000 00</u> | <u>50 000 00</u> | <u>768 981 52</u> | <u>709 235 61</u> |

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| On Deposit with County Depository Banks | 708 940 35 |
| On Deposit with Citizens State Bank, Roby, Texas (Fisher County Permanent School Fund) | 266 46 |
| Cash on hand in County Treasurer's Safe | 28 80 |
| | <u>709 235 61</u> |

SECURITIES OWNED BY COURTHOUSE CERTIFICATE OF OBLIGATION SERIES 1972

| | | |
|---|-----------|------------|
| 1 Certificate of Deposit, The Citizens State Bank, Roby, Texas, No. 1159, 5½% interest due 3-4-77 | 52 963 98 | |
| 1 Certificate of Deposit, First National Bank, Rotan, Texas, No. 8265, 5½% interest due 3-6-77 | 53 008 48 | 105 972 46 |

FISHER COUNTY PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND INVESTMENTS

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|---|-----------|-----------|
| 3 Post, Texas, Independent School District Bonds Nos. 572-574, 4% interest, due 5-1-1980 | 3 000 00 | |
| 1 Dallas County, Texas, Permanent Improvement Bond, Series 1953, No. 3938, 2½% interest, due 1/1-1979/69 | 1 000 00 | |
| 1 U. S. Government Bond No. 2682-D, 4½% interest, due 8-15-1992/87 | 1 000 00 | |
| 25 Haskell County, Texas, Water Improvement District, waterworks revenue and unlimited tax bonds Nos. 66-90, 4½% interest, due \$5,000 each year, 11-1-1982 through 11-1-1986 | 25 000 00 | |
| 5 Quitaque, Texas, Independent School District Bonds No. 50-54, 4½% interest, due 7-1-1978 | 5 000 00 | |
| 12 Tobasco Consolidated School District Bonds, Series 1961, Nos. 536-547, 4.40% interest due 1-1-1982/76 | 12 000 00 | |
| 36 Harris County, Texas, Water Control and Improvement District No. 58, waterworks revenue and unlimited tax bonds, Series 1961, Nos. 6-40 and No. 48, 5% interest due \$5M 4-1-1980, \$10M 4-1-1981-83, #1M 4-1-1984 | 36 000 00 | |
| 1 Certificate of Deposit, Citizens State Bank, Roby, Texas, No. 1220, 5½% interest, due 7-20-77 | 2 000 00 | |
| 1 Certificate of Deposit, Citizens State Bank, Roby, Texas No. 1075, 5½% interest, due 5-27-77 | 1 000 00 | 86 000 00 |

FISHER COUNTY BUILDING FUND BOND AND WARRANTS INDEBTEDNESS

| Issue | Original Issue | Redeemed Prior Years | Redeemed This Year | Outstanding 12-31-76 | |
|--|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------|
| | 357 000 00 | 70 000 00 | 30 000 00 | 257 000 00 | 257 000 00 |
| 1976 Tax Roll Valuation for County tax purposes is 50 342 265 00, County tax rate 95¢, Actual roll charge is | | | | 478 265 79 | |
| 1976 Tax Roll Valuation for State tax purposes is 47 785 660 00, State tax rate 12¢, Actual roll charge is | | | | 57 339 91 | 535 605 70 |
| Lateral Road Funds received from The State of Texas in 1976 | | | | 28 487 79 | 28 487 79 |

For the Calendar Year 1976, total vehicles registered 6605
Amount of money received for registrations, replacement plates, duplicate receipts, transfers, etc.

| | | |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid to County Treasurer | 108 805 29 | |
| Paid to State Treasurer | 60 386 58 | |
| Tax Collectors Commission | 4 662 30 | 173 854 17 |

Motor Vehicle Sales and Used Tax collected in the Calendar Year 1976

| | | |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Paid to State Treasurer | 56 027 91 | |
| Tax Collector's Commission | 2 882 64 | 58 910 55 |

I hereby certify that this statement is true and correct as reflected by the records of the County Auditor's Office.

Evelyn Carter
Evelyn Carter, County Auditor

Leisure Lodge News By Ima Berry

Everyone here seems to be doing fine. We have been enjoying some good domino games, also, some good exercise games.

I would like to give a special "Thank You" to each and every person who participates in all our Sunday church services and Sunday School services. I guess I have been really negligent in thanking you more. We really appreciate everyone for all you do.

Our out of town company visiting Emily Garrett was Lula May Crawford of Hamlin, Luther Campbell Jr. Mrs. Julia Hewitt of Arlington and Mrs. Neomia Cauble of Roby.

Visiting the Kelly Lewises was their son and family, Dr. and Mrs. Donald Lewis of College Station.

Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Curlee of Colorado City visited Jim Bartley and Mrs. Carrie Huckaby.

Visiting the B.B. Crawfords were Luther Campbell Jr., friend and Mrs. Julia Hewitt of Arlington.

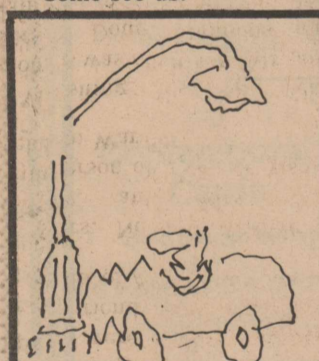
Mrs. Neomia Cauble of Roby, and Mrs. W.J. Patterson of Peacock visited Helen Warner.

Visiting the Tom Simons was their son, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Simons and family of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Rayburn Stuart of Wichita Falls.

The George McBeth's company was Mr. Ernest Webb of McCaulley, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Bagwell of San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. Joe E Hull, Christi and Jason of Roby.

Hope I haven't missed anyone this week.

We would like to invite any group or individuals that would bring programs or volunteer in any way to help entertain our residents to come on up. We would like to have some craft lessons from anyone who would give just a little of their time. It would really be appreciated. Thank you all for all you do. Come see us.



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Rotan

Agency

Joe D. Burk
Peggy Morrow
C.D. (Monk) Herron
Janie Philips

Texas Cities Receive City Sales Tax Rebate Checks

Comptroller Bob Bullock mailed city sales tax rebate checks totaling \$23.2 million to 620 Texas cities and towns on Friday, Jan. 14, and reminded quarterly sales tax filers of the Jan. 31 deadline for their returns.

The January checks raise to \$152.8 million the total in rebates received by the cities

for the current fiscal year, compared to \$115.3 million for the same five-month period a year ago. This is a 32.5 percent increase. The state fiscal year runs from Sept. 1 through August 31.

The rebate checks, which are mailed monthly to the cities, are for the one cent city sales tax collected withi-

their boundaries.

"State and city sales tax collections were up more than 16 percent for the fiscal 1976 and the indications are now that the increase will go even higher this year," Bullock said.

"It's always a good sign for the economy when the people have and spend more

money".

Bullock also reminded those businesses which file their sales tax returns on a quarterly basis that they must have those returns in the mail no later than Jan. 31 to avoid possible penalties.

He noted that some 172,000 businesses which collect less than \$750 a

month in sales taxes file their sales tax returns and collections on a quarterly rather than a monthly basis.

Bullock said that anyone having any problems with preparing those returns should contact the nearest Comptroller's field office or call his toll-free Tax Information number, 1-88-252-555, for assistance.

Rotan Girls On Short Side At Knox City

The Rotan varsity girls fell two points shy of victory on Tuesday, Jan. 11, against the Knox City varsity girls.

Rotan lost by a score of 43-45 as Charee Smith and Ginger Duke tied for high point individual with 13 points each. Next high scorer was Jamie Strickland with 11 points. Susie McKinney and Blanch Gentry each had 3 points in the loss.

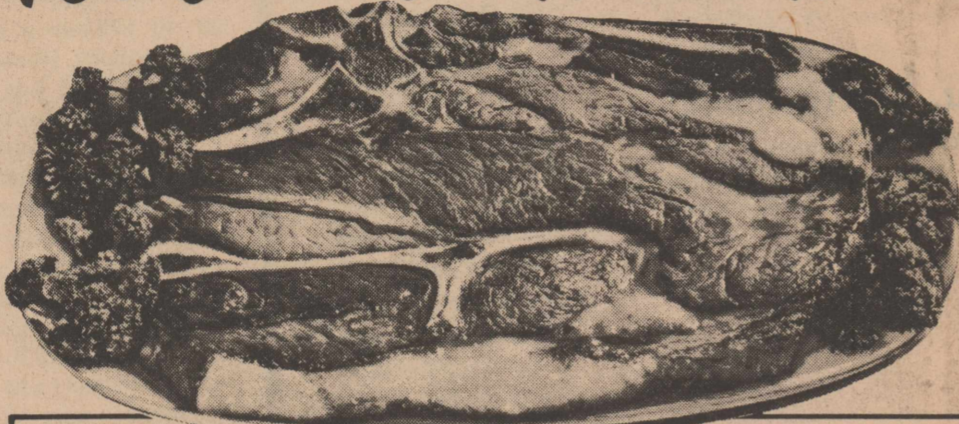
Cheryl Jones had 5 steals, Sonya Leverton had 13 ball

advances, Melody Walker had 10 ball advances, while Jill Hill had 2 ball advances and 2 steals.

In the opinion of three of the forwards, the game was lost mainly because of freeshots.

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Sunday
11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Channel 2
First Baptist Church
Rotan

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U.S.D.A. CHOICE BEEF-BLADE CUT

CHUCK ROAST

69¢

U.S.D.A. CHOICE BEEF BONELESS
CHUCK ROAST
99¢

FRESH-GUARANTEED 73% LEAN
GROUND BEEF
79¢

SLICED VACUUM PACKED
SHURFRESH BACON
\$1.19

Wilson Sliced Bologna 12 OZ. PKG. **89¢**
RAMIREZ FRESH-LARGE CORN TORTILLAS 32 OZ. PKG. **69¢**
BOZO'S EXTRA LARGE FLOUR TORTILLAS 10 CT. PKG. **69¢**
OLD FASHIONED WISCONSIN LONGHORN CHEESE LB. **\$1.59**
U.S.D.A. CHOICE BEEF LEAN CUBES FOR STEW LB. **\$1.19**

U.S.D.A. CHOICE BEEF CHUCK STEAK LB. **89¢**
U.S.D.A. CHOICE BEEF TENDERIZED BEEF CUTLETS LB. **\$1.79**
HORMELS LITTLE SIZZLERS 12 OZ. PKG. **89¢**
HORMELS WRANGLERS SMOKED FRANKS 1 LB. PKG. **\$1.39**

Contadina 8 oz
Tomato Sauce **7/8 \$1**

RANCH STYLE BEANS
4 \$1

HEALTH & BEAUTY AIDS
12 HOUR RELIEF **CONTACT** 10 CT. PKG. **99¢**
LIQUID COLD MEDICINE **CONTACT** 4 OZ. BTL. **\$1.79**
JR.
SCHICK CARTRIDGE-25¢ OFF **SUPER** 9 CT. PKG. **\$1.69**

HUNT'S TOMATO
Ketchup
69¢

FROZEN FOODS AND DAIRY
SAUSAGE-HAMBURGER-CHEESE-PEPPERONI
TOTINO'S PIZZA
79¢

TOTAL GROCERY SAVERS
CHUNK STYLE SHURFINE TUNA 6 OZ. CAN **59¢**
GOLD MEDAL (PAPER BAGS) ENRICHED FLOUR 25 LB. BAG **\$2.99**
NEW IMPROVED PAPER BOUNTY TOWELS JUMBO ROLL **59¢**
SKINNERS THIN SPAGHETTI 24 OZ. PKG. **59¢**
INSTANT COFFEE MAXWELL HOUSE 10 OZ. JAR **\$3.99**

SHURFINE GRANULATED SUGAR
589¢

Swift 24 oz
Beef Stew
69¢

BIRDSEYE LITTLE CORN ON THE COB 8 EAR PKG. **79¢**
SHURFRESH SOFT MARGARINE 1 LB. BOWL **49¢**
SHURFRESH LONGHORN COLBY CHEESE 10 OZ. PKG. **89¢**

40% OFF LABEL DETERGENT
TIDE
\$4.29

20% OFF LABEL DISHWASHER
Cascade
\$1.29

TOTAL GROCERY SAVERS
HEINZ 15 1/2 OZ. WITH BEANS 15 OZ. WITHOUT CHILI FIXIN'S YOUR CHOICE **69¢**
NEW! TEXITIZ IN E-Z SPRAYER SPRAY & WASH 22 OZ. BTL. **\$1.19**
BEEF, CHICKEN, OR LIVER FLAVORED DOG FOOD
STRONGHEART 15 1/2 OZ. CANS MIX-N MATCH **89¢**

SUNSHINE GRAHAM CRACKERS 16 OZ. BOX **59¢**
NABISCO OREO COOKIES 15 OZ. PKG. **79¢**
BAMA RED GRAPE JAM PLUM JAM APPLE JELLY 18 OZ. BTL. YOUR CHOICE **59¢**

WASHINGTON ROME APPLES 4 LBS. **\$1.00**
SUPER SELECT CUCUMBERS LB. **29¢**
CRYSTAL WAXED WHITE ONIONS LB. **25¢**
LARGE BELL PEPPERS LB. **49¢**

TEXAS RUBY RED
GRAPE-FRUIT
6 \$1

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BAKE-RITE SHORTENING
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10¢ VALUABLE COUPON NO. 2876-7
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POST CEREAL HONEY COMB 12 OZ. PKG. **79¢**
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