

GIRL SCOUT COOKIES: Jackie Martinez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert X. Martinez, is one of several Scouts selling cookies in the Fisher County area.

Cecil King Will Not Seek 4th Mayor Term

Roby Mayor.

given the opportunity to sign authorizations placing their names on the ballot for re-election at the last gram initiated. Commission meeting, however, both declined.

Commission. He has served someone else should have the job. Some new blood on

Roby Mayor Cecil King the commission would be said that he was not going to good for the City of Roby", re-file for another term as said King. He has seen many changes take place since Councilmen Archie Rivers 1962. Most streets have been and Jimmy Hayes were paved, a new park, swimming pool and tennis court have been constructed and a new garbage pick-up pro-

King said that although 80 percent of the streets in the Mayor King is winding up City limits of Roby are his 15th year on the Roby paved, his only regret is that 100 per cent could not have the City of Roby as Mayor for been paved. He cited this as the past 6 years. "I think a high priority, in his that is long enough, that opinion, for the new commis-

Rotan School Board Mixed on Re-Filing

Rotan School Board were week concerning their inten-

James Ratliff To Seek 2nd **Hobbs Term**

Three members of the Hobbs School Board have terms expiring in 1977. James Ratliff, Mickey Templeton and Howard Gordon have terms expiring on the

interview earlier this week, Smith said that he will far as I know."

have not made a decision Gruben said that he hasn't yet", while Mickey Temple- made up his mind concern-

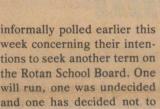
Three members of the informally polled earlier this tions to seek another term on the Rotan School Board. One will run, one was undecided Rotan Book and one has decided not to

seek re-election.

Board President, Charlie Joe Helms, indicated, "I don't feel like I am going to run again" when asked his intention. Helms has been on the board for 6 years, four of those as Board President.

Ratliff indicated in a phone Board member Bobby "I imagine I will re-file, as probably re-file for another term on the board.

Howard Gordon said, "I Board member Bobby ton was unavailable for ing re-filing for another



Vernon Frazier.

A death in the family of cancellation.



JUNIOR HIGH CONTEST: Hobbs visited Roby last week in a game between the two junior high girls teams. Identified, left to right, Leslie Carey, Roby; Delinda Teel, Hobbs; Irma Miranda, Hobbs; and Jill Wright, Roby.



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FIGHT PAGES

Houston, Morrow Say No To Hospital Term

Fisher County Hospital Board members Allan Houston and Wendell Morrow both indicated they were not going to seek another term on the hospital board.

Board members Kirmet Terry, Ralph Ammons and Rudy Martinez will, in all liklihood, have two new members to work with when the directors' terms expire.

One paramount problem that new and old board members will be facing will be the seemingly ever existing task of balancing the books. The board is faced with payments in 1977 of approximately \$239,000.00 required to service both general obligation and revenue bonds.

In 1976 board members approved payment of \$151,-000.00 in interest on general obligation bonds and \$18,000 in interest on revenue bonds. The \$169,000.00 paid in 1976 will increase by \$70,000.00 when principal payments are added into the payment for

Review Club Current Rotan School Cancels Meet

The Rotan Book Review Club meeting originally set for February 15th, has been cancelled, according to Mrs.

the book reviewer caused the

The next meeting of the club will be on March 15 when Mrs. Onida Bass of Lubbock is scheduled to address the club. The meeting will begin at 3:00 p.m., at the Rotan Communi-

The board will also be faced with attempting to make occupancy figures level off at 70 percent, the projected figure needed to put the hospital finances on a break-even basis. Average occupancy figured less than 48 percent for the last quarter of 1976.

The deadline for filing for positions on the Fisher County Hospital Board is March 2. Election will be held on Saturday, April 2.

Calvary Baptist Church Showing Film Wednesday

Calvary Baptist Church, Rotan, wishes to invite you to view the film, "The Enemy" to be shown on Wednesday night, February 16, at 7:00 p.m. A free-will offering will

When people talk to you about "The Exorcist", talk to them about...."The Enemy", a significant statement for Evangelicals in this "Age of the Occult". Caution should be exercised in showing to children under age 13. A powerful film that lifts up the power of Jesus Christ in a tremendous way.

Rotan Masonic **Lodge Plans Family Supper**

The Rotan Masonic Lodge, 956, will hold a family night on Friday, February 18, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the lodge Hall.

The meal will consist of a fish fry supper, and a short program will be presented. All Masons and their families and friends are

invited to attend. .

He said that he has mixed ger indicated early last Tuesday that he "will not opinions now, but said he place his name on the ballot would give the matter for re-election" in the April serious consideration. He 2nd city election that will see was referring to his position Rotan with a new mayor and with respect to re-filing for a

ROBY-HOBBS JUNIOR HIGH BATTLE: Players

participating in the game played at Roby are, left to right,

No. 20 Benny Medrano, Hobbs; No. 17 Mark Pope, Roby,

Roby City For Hike

The members of the Roby City Commission met for their regular meeting last Monday afternoon and tabled action on a proposed 8.92 percent increase requested by Lone Star Gas

Rotan Mayor James Sprin-

Company. Frank Gravelle, Lone Star Representative, was present for the commission meeting. Mayor Cecil King indicated that the matter was tabled to give the Roby Commission members more time to study the

James Springer Will

decided to re-file for sure.

Not Seek Mayor Post

Roby Commission members voted a 7 percent across the board pay increase for all employess of the City of Roby, effective February 1st.

In other action the commission heard a report from City Manager Jimmy Price concerning the new street signs and his recent trip to Dallas concerning the Federal Revenue Sharing meeting that he attended.

Jerry Hoodenpyle To Step Down At Roby Roby School Board Presi- walk out after nine years with a good feeling of

accomplishment.

Board member Rex Hall

also has a term expiring this

year, but he was unavailable

for comment concerning his

intentions to seek re-elec-

will play the Anson 7th grade

boys in a zone playoff game

to determine the district

championship, according to

Rogers Lankford, Rotan

The game will be at Anson

The Rotan 7th grade team

on Thursday, February 10,

and is scheduled to begin at

currently has a record of 7

wins and 1 loss: They have

scored a total of 195 points,

or an average of 27.8 per

game. Their opponents have

scored 156 points, or 22.3

Rotan 7th grade team

members are: Mark Harris,

Kip Pease, Henry Williams,

Jeff Posey, Clarence Conner,

Albert Campos, Carlos Mar-

5:15 p.m.

points a game.

Rotan 7th Grade Boys

In Anson For Playoff

ent Jerry Hoodenpyle has seen a lot of changes take place since his freshman year on the board back in 1968. He was pleased, and rightfully so, to say that the new school is operating smoothly and that the only problem he could see in the future was the State's position on school financing. Hoodenpyle said that he will not seek re-election to the board. He is going to

R. Tankersley First To File In Rotan Race

Shortly after our news deadline last Tuesday afternoon, Rodney Tankersley, owner of City Auto Supply in Rotan, officially filed for a council position in the April 2nd Rotan City election.

A new mayor's seat plus three council positions will be filled by Rotan voters.

Councilmen Sescil and Bredemeyer indicated that they were undecided about another term, while Councilman Arvin White said he wasn't going to run, but could change his mind.

Mayor James Springer will not seek another term.

The Rotan 7th grade boys cus Conner, Keith Copeland, Conrad Hamric, Shannon Strickland, Robert Gray, Artie Tucker, Wes Hardin, Jay Ramirez, Keith Armstrong, Jerrell Marks, Moses Gonzalez, Darrell Carter and Tony Perales.

Roby Juniors Collect Papers

The Roby High School junior class is sponsoring a paper drive. Papers will be picked up every Monday evening.

Those in Roby who would like to help can either contact a junior class member or leave their papers on their porch. Rotan residents are asked to please contact Donna Hataway at 776-2410 tinez, Weldon Hayes, Mar- or Lana Hall at 776-2675.

Mayor Springer, although Springer's decision not to to Sescil in the interview.

far right, Norbert Castor, Roby.

Councilman Arvin White the city. going to run again, but that Bredemeyer said that he

the question was not placed re-file and said that Rotan needed a good Mayor to lead

indicated that he was not Councilman Lawrence he could change his mind. undecided with respect to He was concerened with re-filing for another term.

Editorial Comment

By Kim Pease

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with ball; No. 32 Rudy Garcia, Hobbs; No. 39 Mike

McGinnis, Roby; No. 42 Walter Cave, Hobbs; behind No. 42,

Wade Pierson, Hobbs; on floor, Scott Thomson, Roby; and

Resignation

We understand that Rotan Basketball Coach Sid McCown has given notice to some of his players that he intends to

Although no official letter of resignation has been issued and although we haven't discussed the resignation with Coach McCown, it seems to us a very inappropriate time for McCown to end his coaching career at Rotan.

He has been in Rotan longer than any other coach on the staff, even though his salary doesn't reflect it; his style of coaching is not flamboyant and crowd pleasing, but his players--one the whole--think the world of him.

He is probably the only coach in Texas that had his starting team quit shortly after the start of the season. He refused to compromise his principals in the case of the mass exodus and now, when it seems as though justice should prevail, it appears as though the coach's possible resignation will only serve to satisfy the "I told you so" group.

McCown is sensitive, concerned, hard working and for my money, one heck of a coach.

There are those that will criticize him because his basketball team hasn't demolished anyone by 92-35, but that doesn't make him any less of a coach. He is a guiding light, a stable Christian example and a

respected man in the lives of a host of young men that he comes in contact with daily.

His won-lost record has suffered recently, but when all the dust settles....who cares?

I don't care how many games his team wins, but I do care that his players are learning something valuable, win or lose, from their playing experience.

I don't care if McCown's team goes 0-26 for the year, as long as his players are able to salvage something from him as a coach that will make them stand straight and tall as adults.

McCown won't scream at a boy, he won't belittle a boy, he won't cuss a boy, he'll just use his own good judgement to mold that boy into the kind of young man that parents are

Whether you agree with my reasoning or not is unimportant--that you satisfy your conscience is the only

thing that really matters. I feel like we are at the brink of losing one of Rotan's best coaches....and I really don't know the reason, but that is immaterial.

The school board members hired him and they will be the one that accepts his resignation....should that time come. So no one misunderstands my personal opionion.... I hate

to see the guy resign. If your personal opinion of the guy is the same, or differs, I think you owe it to him, yourself, and the board members to make your opinions known. How else will the board have any basis for a decision from the people that elected them?





Mrs. Peggy Stephenson

Beta Sigma Phi Names 1977 Club Sweetheart

ter of Beta Sigma Phi

Sweetheart by secret ballot. cust of Beta Sigma Phi as a Mrs. Kathy Landrum of gift to Mrs. Stevenson. Sweetwater revealed Mrs. The dance was held Peggy Stevenson as Sweet- following the presentation.

Alpha Omicron Tau chap- heart of Alpha Omicron Tau. Mrs. Stevenson was preattended the sixth annual sented with a crown and long Valentine Banquet and Dan- stemmed yellow rose. The ce Saturday, February 5. chapter presented a Sweet-The Chapter selected a heart necklace bearing the

Max Kemp Takes First In F.W. Swine Show

placed his lightweight Duroc barrow first at the Ft. Worth Show this past weekend. Kip Pease placed his middleweight Duroc 6th. There wee 40 barrows in each class. In the lamb show. Britt

> Weather From the Record of FRED BYERLY

Rotan Weather Observer

			2000
Feb.77	Prec.	Hi	Lo
Tues.1		58	26
Wed.2		55	42
Thur.3		54	35
Fri. 4		65	28
Sat. 5		58	25
Sun. 6		62	34
Mon. 7	.07	53	35
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Total precipitation to date:

Max Kemp of McCaulley Stuart placed 5th in the Southdown Class, 8th in the Finewood Cross Class, and 33rd in the Mediumwool

All the above sold in the premium sale on Saturday.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST Rotan, Texas Bible Study-9:45 a.m. Worship-10:30 a.m. FIRST UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH**

Rotan, Texas Rev. Cecil M. Tune, pastor Sunday School-9:30 a.m. Worship-10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF NAZARENE Rotan, Texas

F.W. Rogers, Pastor Bible Class-9:45 a.m. Worship-10:50 a.m. Evening Service-7:00 p.m.

SYLVESTER BAPTIST CHURCH Harold Ely, Pastor Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Worship-11:00 a.m.

Sunday Night- 6:00 p.m. SARDIS BAPTIST CHURCH 9 Miles SW of Rotan Bro. Henry Dickson, Hawley

Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Worship-11:00 a.m. FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD Rotan, Texas Sunday School-10:00 a.m.

Church-11:00 a.m. Night Services-7:30 p.m. **CHURCH OF CHRIST** Rotan Latin American Bible Class-10:00 a.m.

FIRST UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH**

Worship-11:00 a.m.

Sylvester, Texas Buddy Payne, Minister Morning Worship-9:30 a.m. Sunday School-10:30 a.m. Sunday Night-7:30 p.m.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH Rotan, Texas

David N. Vickers, Pastor Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Worship-11:00 a.m.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC Rotan, Texas John Hoorman, Pastor Mass-Saturday Eve.-7:30 p.m.

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.

> Loys Landes - Larry Landes Rotan, Texas

FIRST UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH** McCaulley, Texas David Binkley, Minister Sunday School-10:00 a.m.

Worship-11:00 a.m.

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THIS WEEK'S FEATURE SUPPORTER

which has been instilled in us, and on the principles by which we live.



... learn how to land

It's easy to jump. Just leave the solid trail behind you and soar into space. But before you jump - learn how to land! One man can alight gracefully and continue his course. Another will wrap his skis around his head and end up in the hospital.

There are important life-decisions we often describe as "taking the leap." Going to college, choosing a career, getting married – these are just a few. And these "leaps" lead to happiness for some—and tragedy for others. The Church with its program of worship and religious education makes essential contributions to our life. For what happens after our major "leaps" depends on the character

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Rotan, Texas

EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Rotan, Texas Sunday School-10:00 a.m.

Worship-11:00 a.m. **CROSS ROADS BAPTIST** 6 Miles SW of Rotan Michael H. Hicks, Pastor Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Worship-11:00 a.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Roby, Texas Rev. Luther Baker, Pastor Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Worship-11:00 a.m.

HOBBS BAPTIST CHURCH Hobbs Community L.D. (Dutch) Parks, Pastor Sunday School-10:00 a.m.

Worship-11:00 a.m. FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Roby, Texas Rev. Allen Cartrite, Pastor Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Worship-11:00 a.m.

FOURSQUARE CHURCH Rotan, Texas Eighth and Genevieve

Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Worship-11:00 a.m. **EL PASO BAPTIST CHURCH** South of Roby

Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Worship-11:00 a.m. FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

F.E. Healer, Pastor

Rotan, Texas Rev. Fred Thomas, Pastor Sunday School-9:45 a.m. Worshp-10:55 a.m.

METHODIST CHURCH Longworth, Texas Ivan Allen, Minister Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Worship-11:00 a.m.

LONGWORTH BAPTIST Longworth, Texas Rev. Billy Oliver, Pastor Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Worship-11:00 a.m.

McCAULLEY BAPTIST McCaulley, Texas Rev. George Caffey, Pastor Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Worship-11:00 a.m.

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Roby, Texas Elder J.R. Knight Song Serv. 10 a.m.-4th Sunday Worship-11 a.m.-4th Sunday

Roby, Texas

Sweetwater Citizens State Bank Trail's End Rotan Motor Co. Prod. Credit Ford and Mercury 735-3575 Roby, Texas **Dwayln Parker - Vice President** Rotan, Texas Member F.D.I.C. 776-2311 - Roby, Texas Fisher Central Weathersbee Dono and Lorena County Farm Bureau **Lumber & Supply Funeral Home** Darden Mr. and Mrs. Carl Matthies 215 West Snyder 735-2255 776-2371 - Roby, Texas Rotan, Texas Rotan, Texas Roby **First National Bank Fisher Dairy Queen Nursing Home County Insurance Agency** Of Rotan Mr. and Mrs. B.J. Waddell 735-3291 776-2361 **Accounts Insured To !40,000** 735-2227 Rotan, Texas Roby, Texas 735-2224 Crestview Lodge Roby Hydro Inc. Worship Together Sunday Services 711 East 5th **Bettie and Archie Rivers** Rotan, Texas Roby, Texas **Martinez Dairy** Clinic Pharmacy Rotan Hatahoe Drive Inn **Insurance Agency** Rudy, Joe B. & Emilio Martinez Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ragan Cleburne Murdoch, R. PH. Joe Burk, Agent Hobbs, Texas Rotan, Texas 735-2500 Rotan, Texas **Farmers** Hinds Rockwell Department Store Union Co-Op Gin Bros. & Co. Foy Mitchell, Manager **Gold Bond Stamps** "LUMBERMEN" Rotan, Texas Midwest Rotan H.L. Davis & **Bart Strayhorn Electric Roby** Paint & Body Shop Co. 735-2231 776-2244 Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Burrow Bill and Elaine Day Rotan, Texas Roby, Texas Rotan, Texas Rotan, Texas Noles **Landes Furniture** Home Lumber Co. Sunday **Drug Store**

Funeral Service

Mrs. Ardis Murphree

ree, 49, of Burleson and School and a member of the formerly of Sweetwater and Texas State Teachers Assn., Roby, died Thursday morn- State Assn. of Vocational ing, Feb. 3, in a Fort Worth Directors, National Council hospital following surgery. of Local Administrators Services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Burleson Chapter of the Church, Burleson.

ciated. Burial was in Laurel president of the Alpha Land Memorial Park in Fort Epislon of Delta Pi Epsilon Worth.

Llano, she was the daughter was lowered to half-mast and of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Antone will be flown at half-mast for Flint. She moved to Roby with her parents at the age of 7 and was a graduate of Roby High School. She had lived in Murphree Feb. 23, 1946, in

She received her bache-

Mrs. Ardis (Toni) Murph- director at Burleson High Assn. and a member of the Office Educators Assn. of Dr. Ed Schmeltekopf offi- Texas. She was second vice Sorority. When she died the Born April 3, 1927 in flag at the Burleson School

Survivors include her husband; a son, Dale of Lampasas; two daughters, Sweetwater for many years, 'Vicki Terry of Richland Hills before moving to Burleson 15 and Rita Wilson of Incirlik, years ago. She married Ardis C.D.I., Turkey; Her mother, Elsie Flint of Madill, Okla.; Roby. She was a member of her grandmother, Annie the Burleson First Baptist Casper of Breckenridge; two brothers, J.A. Flint of Milburn, Okla. and Billy Joe lor's degree from Texas Flint of Madill, Okla; three Wesleyan in Fort Worth and sisters, Rae Morgan of her master's from North Lancaster, Calif., Hazel Texas State University. She Holladay of Wichita Fallas, was enrolled at East Texas and Shirley Orr of Sweetwa-State University at the time ter; her mother-inof her death, working on her law, Mrs. V.B. Murphree of Ph.D. She was the vocational Rotan; and 7 grandchildren.

Mrs. Arthur Singley

Mrs. Arthur (Annie Sing- Singley, May 13, 1933, in a.m. Friday in Fisher County 1971. She was a member of of death combined, and, Hospital after a lengthy the Lutheran Church. illness. Services were held at bee Chapel.

Church, officiated. Burial nieces and nephews. was in Rotan Cemetery.

Born Oct. 28, 1905, in bearers. Clifton, she moved to Fisher She married Arthur F.

Survivors include a sister, 3 p.m. Sunday at Weathers- Mrs. L.D. Singley of Rotan; The Rev. Fred Thomas, of Clifton and Willie Grimm pastor of First Baptist of Clifton; and several

She was preceded in death

band; a son, Gary G.

Mrs. Truman Gililland

Mrs. Truman Gililland, 70, attended Simmons College. of Rotan died at 9:40 p.m. She and her husband moved Saturday at Fisher County to Rotan in 1937 and were Hospital after a long illness. members of First Baptist Services were held at 2 p.m. Church. Monday in Weathersbee Funeral Chapel.

The Rev. Fred Thomas, Gililland of Midland; her pastor of the First Baptist mother, Mrs. John M. Church of Rotan, and Charles Lindley, minister of sisters, Mrs. H.E. (Cozette) the Church of Christ of

Rotan, officiated. Burial was in Rotan Sweetwater; a brother, J. Cemetery under the direc- Douglas Hembree of Abilene tion of Weathersbee Funeral and three grandchildren.

Home. Born Grace Hembree on Smith, Richard Posey, I.T. Jan. 8, 1907 in Cottonwood McArthur, L.D. Bridges, in Callahan County, she Roy Adams and Lehman married Truman Gililland on Newton Jr.

June 28, 1930 in Abilene.

She moved to Cross Plains in 1911 and to Abilene in 1919. She graduated from Abilene High School and

Fisher County Hospital News

Patients admitted to Fisher County Hospital Feb. 1-7,

Ernestine Almonza, Barbara Hardin, R.B. Wood, B.F. Young, Dovie Glenn, Vera Mann, William S. Posey, Minnie Nolan, Jud Thompson, Kate Fancher, Opal Burch, Olga Sepeda, Rotan; Darrell G. Casey, San Antonio; Thomas Riddle. W.E. Driver, Carrie L. Worthington, Asperment; Homer Rucker, Wynelle Terry, Roby; Barbara Rector, Knox City; Kay Jones, Hermleigh; Emma Fenwick, Bronte.



WEDDINGS FAMILY REUNIONS OUTDOOR CANDIDS COLOR - BLACK & WHITE

ROTAN, TEXAS 79546 114 SNYDER ST. OFFICE 735-2562 HOME 735-3115

Hustlin' Round Hobbs

By Mrs. Jimmy Walker Hobbs, Texas 735-2840

This little bit of moisture we are having sure is nice, but

wish that it would really come a good rain. That's what we

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Kincaid all day Friday were Mr. and Mrs. D.H. Hornsberger from Sweetwater. J.D. is getting along just fine now and seems to be getting out and

Mr. and Mrs. Windle Cave are still hard at work on their house after their fire. They had so much smoke damage, are having to redo the inside entirely.

The Phillips families and Porters celebrated Aaron Porter's 5th birthday on Sunday. Happy Birthday, Aaron. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Phillips from Arlington visited Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Josh Phillips, also Mrs. Hazel Phillips from Rotan and her sister, who was here visiting.

Mrs. Bea Hardin and Mrs. W.B. Hardin went to Denver City on Thursday to see Mrs. Louis Wathen and she returned home with them. This is Bea's sister and has been sick so is going to stay with Bea for a few days until she begins to feel better. Mrs. Pam Hardin and boys and Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Hardin from Rotan all spent Sunday with Mrs. Hardin.

Mr. and Mrs. Lealon Wilburn from Roby spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Etheredge and boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Walker went to Abilene Saturday and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Tonnie Griffin. Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Gruben, Gregg and Evette ate dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Walker and Melody, also Reid Cave from

Have missed some news this week I am sure, but will check with you next week. See you all Thursday.

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Heart and blood vessel diseases this year will le, 71, of Rotan died at 11:45 Rotan. He died July 28, kill 950,000 Americans, a total which exceeds all other causes

WHEREAS, more than five out of every six of these victims die of heart attack or stroke, and,

WHEREAS, cardiovascular diseases cost the nation over two brothers, Chris Grimm \$26.7 billion this year in lost output due to disability and medical expense, and,

WHEREAS, the Heart Association's relentless battle against this American epidemic has helped reduce the death Nephews served as pall- rate from these diseases through advances in research, prevention, treatment and rehabilitation,

NOW THEREFORE I James Springer, proclaim the month County in 1923 from Clifton. by two sisters and a brother. of February as American Heart Month and urge all our citizens to support the Heart Campaign of Fisher County Heart Association in their fight for our lives. Gifts and voluntary service will speed more advances in the conquest of the scourge of heart and blood vessel diseases, our nation's leading killer and disabler.



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Davis & Co.

"The Friendly Store"

Rotan, Texas



TOWN TAILORED

Short sleeved dress has the flattery of eight gored panels for gentle shaping, a slashed neckline to fill with our printed scarf or her jewelry. The jacket is blazer styled, with oversize button holes finishing the buttoned pockets. This two part knit costume plus scarf has a future of real versatility.

Survivors include her hus- First Baptist WMU Has Study

The WMU of First Baptist Church, Roby, met at the Yates of Monahans, and Church Tuesday, Feb. 1, at Mrs. Ceter (Corse) Fox of 1:30 p.m. to study their Bible lesson. It was brought to them in a very interesting manner by Mrs. Arthur Pallbearers were Bobby

> There was a good attendance and it was enjoyed very much by everyone.

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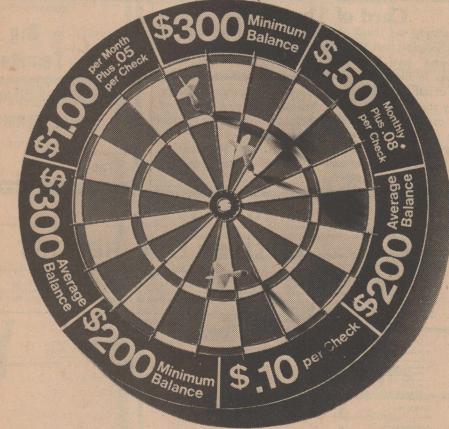
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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ROTAN

Inside The Lion's Den

Coach Mitchell

For the third straight year great. We have had a lot of we have won over twenty games in a season, as we it's all about. To beat the currently stand 21 and 6. We teams we face in near future, are 11 and 0 in district and we must get mentally tough have the championship sew- and that is our theme ed up. It looks as though we entering the playoffs. will be playing Jayton in the bi-district game which will to Hobbs last Thursday and be held on or about March 1. our next game will be in the We have two practice games district tournament at Hobbs set up with Gorman and next Friday. The Hobbs Talph-Centennial, we are Junior High team beat us looking for two more games 28-27 and we hoped to meet with other district winners to them in the tournament prepare for the bi-district championship. If we beat game. We will play Gorman them in the championship, at 7:30 Feb. 17, in the Eula we must have a playoff for gym and face Talpa on Feb. the district championship, 22, at a neutral gym to be because they won the round chosen later this week.

Last week our Club beat Hobbs, we had 33 turnovers Ira 82-62. Our scoring went and that is 13 more than we as follows: Ricky King 24, had at any time this year. Steve Evers 17, Brad Stuart 15, Ricky Morton 12, Monty Pope 12, and Mike Terry 2. Ricky Morton and Ricky King pulled down 14 rebounds each, while Steve Evers contributed 6 assists. We shot 53 per cent from the field and 60 per cent from the free throw line. We ran a zone press for a quarter and went full court man to man two quarters. Ira zoned us throughout the game. We have one district game left and that is with Hobbs at Hobbs on Tuesday this week.

Our club is not big and too extremely fast and this is the reason we play deliberate basketball. We can shoot and at time, when we have it, we take the fastbreak. Our front court people are beginning to 26, 1943 in Rotan. She died penetrate defenses and that's helped our offense of late. We usually start Monty Pope and Ricky King at the guard positions with Steve Evers and Ricky Morton handling the chores of our double low post. We use Brad Stuart as a free lance forward when set up in this set. Each of the players al. Funeral services will be 1956. mentioned are shooting above 40 per cent from the field as we have a team field goal percent of 45. Our main concern entering the playoffs centers around defense. We will be playing much bigger teams and we have to block out the boards better than we have to date. Ricky Morton leads the team in rebounds and we rely on him heavily on the boards. Ricky King is starting to show signs of being physical on the board and will be a real key for us against Jayton. Steve Evers probably blocks out better than any player on the club, and rebounds well. We let Monty Pope go on the fast break when the opponent shoots and that is one of our assets of late. Brad Stuart is averaging two steals a game from his defensive spot and is becoming a big man on the boards of late. Our main bench strength lies with Mike Terry, Brad Wilburn and Mike Wilburn. Mike Terry has a lot of quickness and we call on him when the tempo is fast and we use Brad and Mike Wilburn for board strength. I'm very proud of our team. Each player is coachable and they

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ROBY GIRLS DEFEAT HERMLEIGH

The Roby High School girls defeated Hermleigh last Tuesday night by the score of 89-23. Leading the attack for Roby was Cheryl Terry with 25 points, followed by Penny Coker with 21 points, Cindy King with 14 points, Shelley Boyd with 12 points, Susan Matthies with 9 points and Kathy King with 8 points.

Strong defensive performances were turned in by Kim Faught, Tina Horton, Rhonda Welch, Kathy Deaton, Lois Ann Cauble, Donna Hataway and Sylvia Gaona.

Dark green color sometimes present on the outside of the volk and white of hardcooked eggs is harmless. It is caused by heating too long or at too high a temperatore, according to Mrs. Sally Coble, specialist with Texas Agri. Extension Service, Texas A&M Univ.

Funeral Service

Jud Thompson

Judson Thompson, 66, of Rotan died at 9:30 p.m. Monday in Fisher County Hospital. Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in First Baptist Church, Rotan.

robin schedule. Against

fun this year and that's what

Our Junior High team lost

The Rev. Fred Thomas, pastor, officiated. Burial was in Rotan Cemetery under direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home. Masonic graveside rites were held.

Born Oct. 14, 1910 in Comanche County, he moved to Fisher County from Stamford in 1924. He married Bertha Tyler Sept. Oct. 25, 1974.

He was a member of First Baptist Church, also serving as a Deacon, a veteran of World War II and a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Louie (Janice) Spinks of Abilene and Mrs. Larry (Marilyn) Rakes of Bryan; 2 grandchildren, Stacy and Brad Spinks of Abilene; 2 brothers, H.G. of Rotan, Bill of Ft. Worth; five sisters, Mrs. Alvoy Noles, Rotan, Mrs. Dixie Evette of Graham, Mrs. Betty Pinkerton of Dallas, Mrs. Merle Zeller of Bedford, Pa. and Mrs. Camelia Ashley of Bowie.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Jimmy Thompson, in 1968.

John N Floyd

John N. Floyd, 88, of Childress died at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday in Childress Hospitield at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 10, in Weathersbee

Funeral Chapel. The Rev. Fred Thomas, pastor of Rotan First Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Rotan Cemetery under direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

He was born July 3, 1888 in Baird, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. F.J. Floyd. He moved to Childress five years ago from Fisher County.

He married Maude Elizabeth Kersh in 1908 in Fisher County. She died Dec. 12,

He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church. Survivors are four sons,

Richard of Rotan, Francis of Midland, Johnny of Midland and J.W.of Bartlesville, Okla.: five daughters, Mrs. Joe (Renvie) Patterson of Muday, Mrs. Era Mae Woody of Childress, Mr.s T.C. (LaVerrell) Pittman of Albany, Mrs. Harold (Elizabeth) Kitchens of Childress, and Mrs. O.D. (Betty Jo) Hartzo of Jefferson, Texas.

Card of Thanks

seems so small, but to each dance of food and for the and we love you. ladies who served it in the First Baptist Church, and most of all for your prayers.

To simply say thank you We add a special thanks to the Doctors, hospital staff, one who has been so Fred Thomas, the Weagracious in the illness and thersbees and those who death of our dear Annie, we provided the music for her do say thank you for every memorial service. You have visit, card, flowers, abun- helped to lighten our burden

> The family of **Annie Singley**



ROBY GIRLS TEAM WINS OVER IRA TEAM

The Roby girls moved one step closer to the District Championship by defeating Ira last Friday by a 74-33 score. Leading the attack for Roby was Cindy King with 27 points, followed by Cheryl Terry with 14 points and Penny Coker with 6 points. Also seeing offensive action was Susan Matthies.

Fine defense was turned in by Rhonda Welch, Kim Faught, Tina Horton, Lois Ann Cauble, and Donna

The Lionesses are now 10-1 in district.

this height.

taller than we are. We will have to really hustle to stop Our girls did a real fine job of defeating Ira last Friday and this made our district that we will defeat Hobbs

Texas

very tough opponent this

had 3 players who are much

closer to winning the district ship with a victory over championship. We have a Hobbs. The whole key to our Tuesday in Hobbs. Hobbs success will be stopping

Lion

Coach Walter Holik

Country

Hobbs' tall forwards. If we can keep the ball on the forward end and not give them a chance to score, then the Lionesses will come out on top. I am very confident record 10-1. Loraine is now and become the district 10-2 on the season. So we champs of 11-B.

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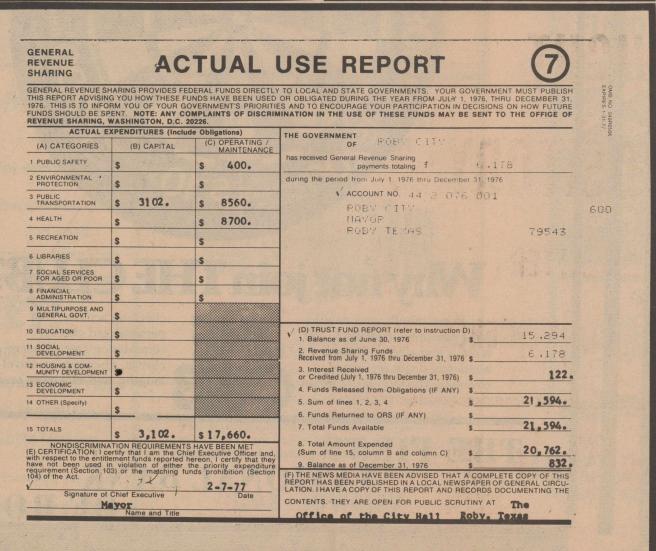
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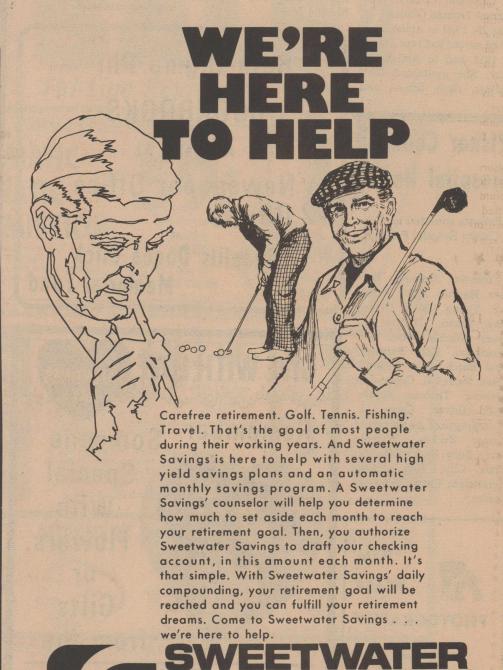
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Harold Robertses Will Have 25th Anniversary

Mrs. Harold Roberts will host a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, February 13, in honor of their parents' 25th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts were married February 10, 1952 in Rotan at Weathersbee Chapel by the Rev. Carl Underhill of Mize, Miss.

Roberts is the son of Mrs. Joe Roberts of Rotan and the late Mr. Joe Roberts.

Mrs. Roberts is the former Carol Sparks, daughter of

Twenty Two 4-H Members Will Go To Houston

Twenty-two members of the Fisher County 4-H Club will be competing in the 1977 Houston Livestock Show and heifers, 32 market steers, six ing. market lambs and two market barrows will be entered by the Club. Richard Spencer is their county extension agent.

The Livestock Show opens February 23 and runs through March 6, with rodeo performances every night in the Astrodome beginning

The second week of the '77 show will be devoted to competition among junior exhibitors of all major beef and dairy breeds, swine, ed to Alpha Omicron Tau. sheep and goats, rabbits and junior livestock show in the enjoyed by all. Pledge

Members of 4-H and FFA groups from all sections of Texas, along with adult exhibitors, will contend for a record total of \$510,353 in premium money to be awarded at the show. Approximately 20,000 entries are expected.

The children of Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. Oral Sparks,

The Robertses are active members of Cross Roads Baptist Church. They are engaged in farming.

Their children are Mr. and Mrs. Robin Riley Roberts, Rotan, Miss Risa Rene Roberts, Sweetwater, and Rocky Ridale Roberts of the

Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend the reception at the Roberts home. No gifts please.

Alpha Omicron **Members Meet**

The regular business meeting of Alpha Omicron Tau was held January 27 at the 1st National Bank with Rodeo. A total of eight beef Mrs. Lou Williams presid-

> The chapter discussed plans for the annual Valentine Banquet to be held in Sweetwater. Following the business meeting the aims and purposes of Beta Sigma Phi were explained to rushee, Mrs. Laura Myers.

The chapter later worked on the program for the February 5th Valentine Ban-

Mrs.Laura Meyers pledg-Refreshments for the evepoultry. It is the largest ning was a salad supper

> ritual for Mrs. Laura Myers was held Feb. 1 in the home of Mrs. Pat Boone. Mrs. Lou Williams conducted the ceremony with Mrs. Pat Boone

The next meeting will be February 10.

Belynda's Pen And Pad Roby, Texas

Sorry I missed my column last week, but things were very hectic after the fire. As of now we're staying at my grandparents house, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Suart and I can be reached at 776-2740.

Visiting with my family and I last week have been James and Shirley Stuart of Lubbock; Howard Smithson and Danny Bruton of Dimmitt; Bobby Rickey of Wolforth; Floyd McCormick, Wendell Sparks and Randy Bradberry of Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Stein of Abilene; Rev. Mike Hicks of Rotan; and Rev. and Mrs. Henry Dickson of Hawley.

Howard and Joyce Noles are sporing around in a new Chevrolet Impala.

Jerry and Kathy Mash of Abilene visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mash last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Carol Jones and family of Hobbs, N.M.

visited last weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin

Visiting recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Chandler were their daughter Doris Brook and John Sneed of

Eva Nell Dennis returned home Saturday after having spent several days in Rule with Larry Dennis and children. Great Trials seem to be necessary preparation for great

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Palmer travelled to Plains during the weekend to visit Rev. and Mrs. Tommy Wilson.

Mrs. Marge McCuistion of Burleson was in Roby Saturday and Sunday visiting relatives, Eva Nell Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. Max Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Carter, Mr. and Mrs. L.L. Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. Keifer Cauble and Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Jack Stuart.

Chick Carter of Odessa spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Edd Carter.

Happy Birthday wishes go to: George Goodrum, Feb. 2; Mack Hilliard Feb. 3; Deryle Layne Browning Feb. 7; Vicki Faught, Mayme Hilliard, Joe Michael Carr, Feb. 9; Rev. Henry Dickson Feb. 10; Genia Claxton, Diane DeLos Santos, Feb. 12; Valerie Goodru, James Putnam, Ruben Rodriguez.

Happy Anniversaries to Bobby and Frances Morgan Feb. 6, Bud and Pat Ely Feb. 7; Melvin and Velma Thomson Feb.

Happy Valentine to everyone, February 14.

Jack Barrington traveled thru Roby last week and spent a day or two with his son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob

Good luck to the Roby Jr. High basketball teams who will be competing in the district tournament Thursday, Friday

Sorry for the short article, maybe things can get back into full swing this next week.

The Roby Junior Class wil have the luncheon at the Fisher County Young Farmers Farm Sale on Saturday, Feb. 19. The lunch will beh eld in the Roby School Cafeteria. A mexican style plate will be served for \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for a child's plate, age 12 and under. The juniors will also have the concession stand at the show barns at the Fair Grounds.

Whoever acquires knowledge, but does not practice it, is like one who plows a field but does not plant it. God Bless you, see you next week.

Roby Junior High Girls Defeat Hobbs

The Roby junior high girls defeated Hobbs by the score of 32-14 in Roby. Leading the offense was Jill Wright with 16 points, followed by Leslie Carey with 6 points, Darlene Herron with 6 points and Mary Nell Clayton with 4 points. Other forwards seeing action were Tana Mauldin, Diedra Faught and

Terry Gonzales. Strong defensive performances were turned in by Mary Barrington, Tammy Stephens, Connie Williamson, Paula Terry, Lisa Hoodenpyle, Jana Jennings,

Diane Carreon, Sue Toole, Nerissa Hardwick and Mary

Card of Thanks We would like to express our gratitude for the kindness, pravers, and love shown to our wife and mother and to us during these last few months.

The excellent care provided by Dr. C.U. Callan, Dr. Maurice

Callan, the nurses and staff at the Fisher County Hospital together with the support of our friends helped make the days bearable for all

Truman Gililland Gary, Gail, Gina, Gerri and Grady Gililland

Two Locals To **Be In Houston** Calf Scramble

Jeff Anderle, FFA member and 15-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Anderle, and Everett Simmons, FFA member and 15-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Simmons, both of Rotan, will participate in the calf scramble at the February 26 evening performance of the 1977 Houston Livestock Show Rodeo.

Always a favorite with rodeo audiences, the calf scramble at the Houston Livestock Show Rodeo has become the largest event of it skind in the world. Since the crowd-pleasing contest began in 1942, the calf scramble has awarded more than \$1.3 million to help young aspring farmers buy animals.

Every year, winners of the calf scramble receive certificates worth \$275 from Houston-area sponsors. The boys uses these certificates to buy registered females which they bring back to the next year's livestock show for judging. In this way, the calf scramble gives 4-H and FFA membes a chance to get started in the beef or dariy cattle business.

Every performance of the 1977 Rodeo will feature a calf scramble as its fourth event. In each calf scramble, 24 boys will compete for 12 beef ehifers, while 28 boys will scramble for 14 dairy calves. This year's calf scramble will include 388 competitors, half of whom will be winners.

County Young **Farmers Hold Monthly Meet**

The Fisher County Young Farmers met Monday, Feb. 7, and discussed matters relating to the Farm Equipment Sale. People are asked By: R.V. Smith to bring their farm equip-Hearings Examiner ment Friday evening and Texas Department of Saturday, Feb. 18 and 19.

The Roby Junior Class will have the refreshment stand at the auction.

At the next Fisher County Young Farmers will have a program to be given by Aileen Chemical Company. All Young Farmers and guests are invited.

Public Notice

Notice of Public Hearing Fisher County, Texas has filed Application No. 963 with the Texas Department of Health Resources for a permit to operate a proposed Type III municipal solid

waste disposal site to be

located 3 miles Southeast of

Sylvester and 0.5 miles East of FM Hwy. 1085 in Fisher County, Texas. The site consists of approximately 5 acres of land and is to receive approxi-

mately 1.88 tons of municipal

solid waste per day.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Solid Waste Disposal Act (Article 4477-7, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) and the Texas Department of Health Resources Municipal Soild Waste Management Regulations, and the Administrative Procedure and Texas Register Act, public hearing on the aforesaid application will be held at: City Commission Room, City Hall, 201 E. 4th, Sweetwater, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., on Thursday, March 3, 1977, to receive evidence for and against the issuance of a permit for the aforesaid application. All parties having an interest in this matter shall have the right to appear at the hearing, present evidence and be represented

A copy of the complete application may be reviewed at the Texas Department of Health Resources, Austin, Texas, or by contacting the aforesaid applicant.

Issued this 3rd day of February, 1977.

Fratis L. Duff, M.D., **Director Texas Department** of Public Health Resources

Health Resources

Vehicle Registration Opens For 77 Stickers

Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Valentine's Day, Groundhog Day.

But Texans will observe most closely February 1, first day for filing 1977 motor vehicle registration applications. The registration period continues through April 1. Throughout the state,

county tax assessors-collectors have on hand sufficient registration stickers for all vehicles within their jurisdic-

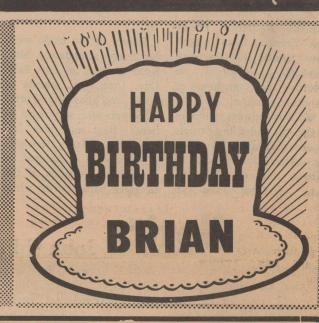
Last year was the first during which registration was verified by the attach-

February is a month of ment of non-detachable memorable dates--Lincoln's stickers to regular metal plates issued in 1975.

The 1977 stickers will be affixed in the upper righthand corner of rear license plates. Motorists will leave the 1976 sticker in the upper left-hand corner of the same

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Mrs. T. L. Angell

Jamie Katherine Porter est' and Thomas Lynn Angell were united in marriage Saturday, January 1, in Sweetwater, at the home of the bride's mother.

of the 4th and Elms Streets honor. Best man was Jeff Church of Christ in Sweetwa- Parsons of Atlanta, Georgia. ter officiated. Mrs. Lynn sang "Whither Thou Go-

Sisters of the bride were her honor attendants. Mrs. Kent Fletcher of Salt Lake City, Utah, was matron of honor, and Miss Leigh Porter Mr. Bob Burgess, minister of Sweetwater was maid of

Vows were exchanged by Gibson, aunt of the bride, candlelight in front of the

Contractors' Notice of Texas Ralph L. Ammons, President Highway Construction.

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Plans and specifications including minimum wage rates as provided by Law are available at the office of Charles W. Wesbrooks, Resident Engineer, Hamlin, Texas, and State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, Austin.

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A public hearing on the annual budget of the Fisher County Hospital District will be held by the Board of Directors on February 21, 1977, at 6:30 p.m., in the Fisher County Hospital located southeast of Rotan, Texas. Any property taxpayer of the District shall have the right to be present and participate in said hearing within such rules of decorum and procedures as may be prescribed by the Board.

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Board of Directors, Fisher County Hospital District

INVITATION TO BID: The Board of Directors of

the Fisher County Hospital District will accept bids for cranberry and white roses. the purchase of one Spectro Bids should be submitted of the bride, presided at the

to Mr. James N. McCallay, Administrator, Drawer F, Rotan, Texas, 79546, no later than 6:30 p.m., February 21, of Mrs. Lafon Porter of 1977, at which time such bids will be opened. Detailed specifications should be obtained from Ricky Claborne, lab technician at the Hospital located southeast of Rotan, or by calling (915) 735-2256. The Board reserves the right to reject any or

Ralph L. Ammons, President Board of Directors, Fisher **County Hospital District**

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Winn's Stores Set New Record in 1976 Sales

Winn's Stores Inc. (OTC) announced that its net income for 1976 was \$3,888,-000 versus 1975 net income of \$2,960,000. Net income for 1976 was the highest ever recorded by the vareity store chain and amounted to a 31.4 per cent increase over 1975. Per share earnings for 1976 were \$3.89 as compared to \$2.96 in 1975. Lynn H. Spears, Board Chairman of Winn's, stated that sales for 1976 rose to \$60,362,000, also a record for the Company. This compared to 1975 sales of \$53,197,000, and amounted to a 13.5 per cent increase over 1975

Winn's fourth quarter net existing stores.

income for 1976 was \$1,915,-000 versus 1975 fourth quarter net income of \$1,309,000. Per share earnings for the fourth quarter of 1976 were \$1.92 as compared to 1975 fourth quarter nearnings per share of \$1.31. This represented an increase of 46.3 per cent. Sales for the fourth quarter of 1976 reached \$19,788,000, a 12.2 per cent increase over 1975 fourth quarter sales of \$17,641,000.

The San Antonio based firm operates 142 stores in 70 cities and towns in Texas, with plans to open eight to ten new stores in 1977 and enlarge and remodel several

Roby Baptist GA's **Annual Service Feb. 20**

On February 15 at 2:40 p.m., at First Baptist Church, Roby, the Sunbeam Choir will be dressed in their new robes to sing for their parents. WMU members and

On February 20, the GAs will have their annual recognition service, starting at 7:00. Girls of the Auxiliary will present work and music which has been a part of their requirements for the

past year in Girl's Auxiliary. They will receive awards. The public is cordially invited. The Sunbeam Choir will have a musical presentation preceding the recognition service.

These two choirs will participate Feb. 26 at the First Baptist Church of Hamlin in the Associational Music Festival. Participating with them will be a girls duet from the youth department.

ON STAGE

Anne Pettus Shelburne dress fashioned of candlelight Club Meets

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gardenias. For something

old she wore the wedding

band of her great-grandmo-

something borrowed, she

Miss Carmen Sparks and

Miss Kip Underhill, cousins

reception table immediately

Sweetwater and Lt. Col.

James Porter of Spain. The

bridegroom is the son of Mr.

and Mrs. Roy Angell of

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at home in Abilene.

CHEVROLET

The bride is the daughter

following the ceremony.

Members of the Anne Pettus Shelburne Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met recently terial. The bride carried a the home of Mrs. bouquet of white roses and Darthulia Hale, 706 Roby Avenue, with Mrs. Lawrence Weatherman and Miss Josie ther, Mrs. J.W. Porter. For Baird as co-hostesses.

The meeting was called to wore her mother's pearls and order by the Chapter Regent, Mrs. Whit Clark.

a garter for something blue. A short devotional was The bride's attendants wore cranberry velvet floor given by Mrs. Virgil Weems in the absence of the Chapter length gowns with empire bodices and butterfly sleev-Chaplain, Mrs. Vera Mores. They carried nosegays of

Mrs. Effie Atwell led the Pledge to the Flag and the American's Creed was repeated in unison.

A Bicentennial program arranged by the Bicentennial Chairman, Mrs. Bennie LeBleu and Mrs. H. Thompson was given by Mr. Geroge Price, History teacher in Hobbs School. Speaking on 'Proclaiming Liberty Throughout The Land"

Mrs. Pat Hamric spoke on 'National Defense'', new techniques in futher engergy picture.

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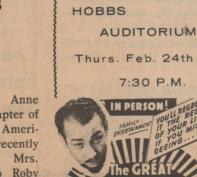
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Rotan Band Members Sweep UIL Places

Thirteen members of the Rotan High School Band participated in Reginal Interscholastic League Band competition in solos and ensembles at McMurry College in Abilene Saturday.

The Clarinet Quartet composed of Sonya Leverton, Mary Lynn Crawford, Dee Ann Weathersbee and Patricia Posey, played a Class I selection and received a I rating. Tina McCombs received a I rating on her Class I cornet solo. These girls, along with the qualified twirlers, Sonya Leverton, Donna Smith, Linda Hinson and Terrie Mullins will compete at the State contest in Austin in June.

Other results of the contest were Particia Posey with a II rating and Tonni Sparks with a III rating on their Class I solos.

The Flute Trio composed

Millie Ray Is Recognized At W.T. College

Mildred (Millie) Ray of Roby has been recognized for superior achievement during the fall semester recently concluded at Texas Western College of Snyder. She was named to the Deans honor List. To qualify for the Deans Honor List Millie achieved a grade point average of 3.8 on a 4.0 scale for 20 semester hours.

Mrs. Ray is the wife of Roland Ray, Jr. They have two daughters, Danette a fifth grader and Melanie a Kindergarten student in Roby School.

of Terrie Mullins, Patti Williams, and Debbie Smith have earned "Distinguished received a I rating on their Student" ranking at Texas Class II ensemble.

The Saxaphone Quartet Registrar Robert A. Lacev. played a Class I selection and received a III rating. This is awarded students who ensemble consisted of Carmen Sparks, Melody Walker, Patti Weathersbee and Cin- a 3.25 grade point ratio, out dy Springer.

These girls were all most recent grading period. accompanied to Abilene by band director, Mr. Kelly ranking is limited to 10

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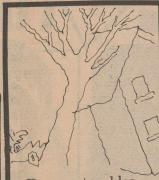
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