

County Sheriff Arrests 26 For Illegally Fighting Cocks

Fisher County Sheriff's Department officials led a raid on a group of individuals illegally participating in a cock fight at a Fisher County location approximately 5.5 miles North of Roscoe.

According to Sheriff Counts, "We received information from an informant that the cock fights were taking place.

We were issued a search warrant by Judge Bennett and upon arriving at the location discovered that the incident was taking place on the Euel Dulin place."

Counts indicated that there were between 100 and 150 people present at the cock fight. "Four of the individuals had chickens in their hand when we arrived", said

Counts.

There were approximately 17 fights before we arrived, according to Counts.

"We arrested only those people that we could determine either had chickens or chicken fighting paraphernalia at the fight," said Counts.

A total of 23 arrests were made by Counts and the other law en-

forcement officers present in last Sunday afternoon's raid. "We anticipate arresting three more individuals", according to Counts. "We're looking for the landowner, pit boss and one individual that strayed from the courthouse when the arrests were being booked."

The arrest charges ranged from "cruelty to

animals" charges and included unlawful possession of firearms, possession of cockfight items and promoting a cockfight, according to the Sheriff.

Those participating in the raid were Deputy Sheriff Gene Pack, Leland Hicks, Harvey Grady and Dwayne McKee. Other personnel from the Sheriff's

Department were Jerry Moffett and Dave Scobey. Eight Nolan County Sheriff's Department personnel and four Nolan County Department of Public Safety personnel also participated.

The incident took place at approximately 3:15 P.M. Sunday afternoon, April 13th. Law officers confiscated 14 fighting kits, five handguns, a set of scales and a box of trophies from the "Big Country Sports Club" and admission tickets.

Community Will View Center For Open House

Open House in the newly remodeled Community Center, 202 W. McArthur, including the Housing Authority Administrative Offices, is planned for April 27, 1986, 2-4 p.m. The 66 apartments and shop for the Housing Authority have also been remodeled.

The Housing Authority board invites everyone to visit our Open House and see the results of this extensive nine months contract. Local contractors and workmen did most of this work.

Dignitaries expected for this event will be State Representative for the 78th District of Texas, Steven A. Carriger, Rotan's Mayor, Dr. Jerry A. Marshall and the Board of Commissioners, Chairman Garvis Hinson, Vice-Chairman, J.D. Weathersbee, and Commissioners, Virginia Woodson, Francene McKinney and Epifanio Gaspar, Jr.

Employees of the Housing Authority, Jo Tankersley, Executive Director; Barbara Gruben, Secretary; Marvin Mann, Maintenance Man; Calvin Crow, Maintenance Man; and Mary Ann Flores, Custodian of the Community Building and Grounds, will assist in hosting this Open House.

individuals met the \$1,000 bond set by Judge Marshal Bennett.

Fisher County Attorney Rudy Hamric filed on a total of 25 individuals. The charges fell into three categories. (1) cruelty to animals, (2) unlawful possession of a handgun or (3) possession of a criminal instrument. All three of the charges fall into the Class A misdemeanor category and carry up to a \$1,000 fine and a year in jail.

Those filed on for cruelty to animals (fighting chickens) include: Fernie Gene Reed, Justiceburg; Howard Richard Burton, Baird; James Pete Jones, Brownwood; Jeffrey Morse McVey, Midland; Virgil Clayton Trout, Lorraine; Bobbie Dean Brown, Abilene; William Don Smith, Anson; Jimmy Don Powell, Sweetwater; Jimmy Dale Penney, Merkel; Barbara Wilson Martin, Sweetwater; Gustavo Lozano, Abilene; Gary Galvan, Anson; Royce Preston Dent, Jr., Sweetwater; Jose Galvan, Anson and Troy Mack Boyd, Wingate.

Those filed on for unlawful possession of a handgun include: Jesse L. Toland, III, Sweet-

water; Larry Lewis McRorey, Blackwell; and Richard Leonard Torres, Sweetwater.

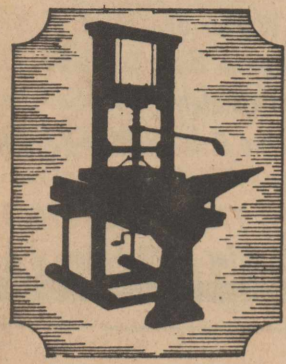
Those filed on for possession of criminal instrument (cock fighting equipment) were: Orbin Leo Purcell, Buffalo Gap; Troy Melvin Brown, Abilene; Kenneth Dwain Hancock, Hermligh; Johnny Ray Martinez, Snyder; Candelario Quintero Ortiz, Sweetwater; Patrick Henry Schmid, Sweetwater and Rodolfo R. Lopez, Sweetwater.

Each of the twenty-five individuals arrested and charged, posted a \$1,000.00 bond and were released.

As of Tuesday morning two individuals appeared before Judge Marshal Bennett to have their fine assessed. In both instances, Bennett fined the individuals \$250.00 and deferred judgement for one year.

Fisher County Attorney Rudy Hamric indicated last Tuesday that approximately ten additional individuals could be filed on for cruelty to animals.

Their names were found on fighting tickets confiscated by Sheriff Counts at the scene.



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Sheriff Names Hicks New Chief Deputy, Asks Commissioners To Purchase Radio

Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts appeared before the Fisher County Commissioners last Monday morning requesting permission to increase the pay of the new Fisher County Chief Deputy Leland Hicks.

Counts informed the commissioners that he felt it necessary to name a Chief Deputy to act in his absence. He also felt Hicks was entitled to some additional pay for the added responsibility.

Commissioner Jimmy Wright made a motion to grant Hicks a \$50.00 a month pay increase. The motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Billy Henderson made a motion seconded by Commissioner Jay Hendon to grant Hicks a \$32.00 pay increase per month (which is in line with what road crew supervisors receive). That motion passed with Henderson, Hendon and Tommie Jack Stuart voting for the motion and Wright voting against.

Sheriff Counts also informed commissioners that the high band radio at the Sheriff's Department needed replacement. Commissioners are to accept bids.

Fisher County Chief Appraiser Teddy Kral appeared before the

Pete Fowler Is Named Rotan Board President

Members of the Rotan School Board last Monday night named Pete Fowler as the new board president replacing Leo Long. Fowler was serving as vice president, that post now goes to Larry Landes. Landes was serving as assistant board secretary, a post that will now be held by Donna Kennedy. The only board position remaining the same as last year was the secretary position held by Roger Blackwelder.

Rotan Jr High Outstanding Five Students Named

Outstanding students of the eighth grade for 1985-86 were Candi Hayes, English; Kevin Smith, Math; Ester Guerra, History; Lane Landes, Science; and Lori Martinez, Reading. These students were chosen on their academic grades made during their seventh and eighth grade years.

board with a request that penalty and interest on three small tax bills, as requested by the taxpayers, be waived. Commissioners waved penalty and interest on Foy Mitchell for \$3.02; Frank Gonzalez for \$6.44 and Rex Kemp for \$3.09.

Volleyball Will Be Newest Rotan Girls Fall Sport

Rotan School Board members approved the establishment of a new athletic program at Rotan High School next year. If coaches can be secured and if scheduling can be worked out with are teams, Rotan High School girls will be playing varsity volleyball.

Rotan Athletic Director Richard Gorman felt there was enough interest in establishing a volleyball program to request board action through Superintendent Alton Fields.

Providing the program can be implemented for 1986, Rotan High School girls will begin "two-a-day" workouts at the same time boys begin football workouts. They will probably play volleyball games on Monday afternoons.

In final action commissioners approved the purchase of three lots situated in Block 74, lots 4, 5 and 6 for a total

Commissioners Accept Bid To Purchase Fire Trucks

The Fisher County Commissioners accepted the low bid of W.A. Neel, Assoc., Inc., of West, Texas last Monday morning for the purchase of two new firetrucks for rural protection to be operated by the Rotan and Roby departments.

The low bidder submitted a bid of \$29,362.00 per truck and Rotan Motor Com-

pany submitted the accepted bid of \$16,500 for the chassis. Each of the two new vehicles will cost a total of \$45,862.00.

It is anticipated that the trucks could be in operation in approximately five months. The funds used to purchase the trucks is from federal revenue sharing monies.

Absentee Voting Is Underway

Voting by absentee ballot in the May 3rd Democratic Primary officially began last Monday morning, according to Fisher County Bettie Rivers.

Balloting by personal appearance continues through April 29th.

Those desiring to cast ballots by mail have until April 25th to request the mail ballots. "Those 65 or over can receive a mail ballot in Fisher County. Those under 65 requesting ballots must

have them mailed outside Fisher County", according to Bettie Rivers.

"When requesting an application for a ballot

by mail please make an attempt to include the voter precinct number and voter registration number on the request", said Bettie Rivers.

Women With A Purpose Plan Meeting April 21st

Women With A Purpose will meet Monday, April 21st at 7:00 P.M. at the First Baptist Church in Roby. Mur-

lene Porter of Abilene will be the speaker. There will be a \$2 charge to cover expenses. All women are invited.

Texas Farmers Suffering

Texas farmers and ranchers are faring better than their counterparts in other states. They aren't going broke quite as fast, according to the March issue of Fiscal Notes distributed by Bob Bullock, Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Nationwide, the farm crisis is one of low farm income and high farm debt. But in Texas, while agricultural income has dropped severely over the last five years, the state's combination of agricultural diversity and firm land prices has kept Texas farmers' financial distress lower than in most other farm states.

"That's not to say Texas' 184,000 farmers are in good shape. Producers in predominantly agricultural areas are experiencing economic hardship. But statewide, as a group, Texas farmers are better off financially than farmers in the Midwest," the report states.

Texas farmers and ranchers brought in \$10.3 billion in cash receipts in 1984 to put the state third in agricultural cash receipts behind California and Iowa. Viewed in a broad context, Texas agriculture directly and indirectly accounts for about 19 percent of the gross state product, 20 percent of the state's business establishments and 21 percent of employment.

One of the state's strong points is the range

of diversification in products. Unlike most large agriculture states, Texas farmers and ranchers produce more than 60 marketable commodities.

Some of the diversification stems from the various climates found in the state. Mean rainfall ranges from eight inches per year in West Texas to 56 inches in East Texas, and mean temperatures vary from 58 degrees in the upper Panhandle to 74 degrees in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Such variety allows Texas farmers to grow cotton, wheat, grain sorghum, onions, carrots, grapefruit, oranges and to raise beef and mohair.

The great diversity has not kept total cash receipts from tumbling. Texas farmers and ranchers have seen their net income fall from \$2 billion in 1979 to \$1.3 billion in 1985. Gross income held steady during the same period at approximately \$11 billion.

Another point in the Texas farmers' favor is that while the state's agriculture shares the Midwest's income problems, it bucks the trend in farm debt.

In 1985, Texas farm debt amounted to \$13.6 billion, an average of \$74,000 per farm. This is substantially lower than in the heartland

states of Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota where average debt ranges from \$85,000 to \$268,000 per farm.

"And not only is the average debt per Texas farm lower. Debt-to-asset ratios show Texas farmers are better positioned to pay back their debts," states the report.

The debt-to-asset ratio compares the amount owed to the value of the assets owned. A farmer who is \$20,000 in debt and owns assets worth \$100,000 has a debt-to-asset ratio of 20 percent.

In general farmers with ratios of 40 percent or more will have difficulty paying their debts. Overall, Texas farmers are running about two years behind farmers in other states when it comes to financial problems.

"But the relative financial strength of farmers in Texas may be more of a commentary of how bad times are in the Midwest than how good they are in Texas. This is especially true for the Panhandle where the debt-to-asset ratio shows nearly one-third of the area's farmers will be unable to pay back their debts," the report concludes.



Life Passes

The members of the Rotan School Board failed to act on an agenda item last Monday night entitled "life passes for board members" and in doing so passed up the opportunity to attend school sporting events and other admission functions for the rest of their life - free.

Their action, in my opinion, speaks highly of the caliber of people on the Rotan School Board as a body.

I don't suppose anyone would have really objected to the board voting themselves "free lifetime passes to school activities", after all they catch a certain amount of flak and some would say "that is a small payment for what board members have to go through."

I think their action last Monday night, by not approving "lifetime passes" for the board goes a long way in letting this community know that they are serving in their respective capacities out of "service to the public" and that's what they signed up to do.

I applaud the board, individually and collectively, for "taking no action" on the agenda item.

Republican Tom

I think Republican Tom Loeffler has about the same chance of being named the Republican gubernatorial candidate as I have of being named editor of the New York Times. I don't aim that remark as a derogatory slur against Loeffler, he's just got an uphill battle and time is running out.

Loeffler was the subject of a news article in one of the state's larger dailies recently and his article caught my attention.

Seems Loeffler flat refused a request from a group of San Antonio vegetarians to sponsor a congressional resolution commemorating October 1 as World Vegetarian Day. In his polite letter of refusal, he said "As a fourth generation Texas rancher, I believe another member of Congress would be a more effective and appropriate sponsor of the resolution". Amen, Tom Loeffler.

Loeffler's Press Secretary Allan Krauter said "There's no slight intended toward vegetarians. He (Loeffler) eats vegetables himself, but he also likes his steaks and his lamb chops."

The Texas vegetarian group finds Loeffler's actions as distasteful as a Texas T-bone and have vowed revenge. The incident has even created a national furor among vegetarians. Paul Obis, editor and publisher of Vegetarian Times magazine, compared Loeffler's action to that of "a white man getting upset at black history week."

Republican Tom Loeffler may have written-off the vegetarian vote but may multiply the write-off a thousand times with Texas farmers and ranchers.

I am not a vegetarian (that's pretty obvious), you don't get to be my size without 'chowing down' on Texas steaks, roasts, burgers and anything else that can be force-fed to the gut. However, I must applaud Loeffler's intestinal fortitude. He probably could have 'carried' the legislation, made the veggie happy, but he wasn't going to compromise his principals. As for Obis' remark, he's out in left field in my opinion. "A white man getting upset at black history week", that's not the issue. You wouldn't ask Rep. Charlie Stenholm to carry legislation calling for a salute to synthetic fabric manufactures and you wouldn't ask Steve Carriger to support legislation calling for corporate owned Texas farms by foreigners. It would just rub them both raw.

Conclusion - Loeffler may never muster the statewide support to defeat Clements for the Republican nod, but he's made some points with Texas beef people for speaking frankly to the vegetarians.



WOODS CHAPEL CEMETERY: Connie and Earnest Bursey of Azel, Texas standing at the grave of her Great Grandfather in Woods Chapel Cemetery.

First Sesquicentennial Program To Be Held In Fisher County On April 20 At Woods Chapel Cemetery

The first Sesquicentennial program of 1986 in Fisher County will take place Sunday, April 20 at 2:30 in Woods Chapel Cemetery.

The program will be brief. Dr. Bennie LeBleu, member of the Fisher County Historical Commission will be the Master of Ceremony and will review information on the Battle of San Jacinto. George Price,

Principal of Roby High School will comment on the Sesquicentennial Year. Fisher County Judge Marshal Bennett will present a roster of Fisher County Historical Commission. Eulogy to Capt. H.C. Lyon by Marjorie Mitchell, a member of the Commission. She will also introduce Guest of Honor, Connie Bursey, Great Granddaughter of Capt. Lyon. Taps will

be sounded by Tim Smith, Roby High School Band Director. Invocation and Benediction will be given by Rev. Pat Hartsfield, Pastor of Sylvester Baptist Church.

Capt. Lyon was buried in Woods Chapel in 1889. All available research indicates that he is the only Veteran of the Texas-Mexican War buried in this area. He brought a company of young volunteers from Georgia to help Gen. Sam Houston defeat the large Mexican Army at San Jacinto, April 21, 1836.

Fisher County as well as the first cemetery.

Directions to Woods Chapel: 8 miles East of Roby on U.S. 180, at microtower turn South on FM 812 for two miles; turn West at Texas Flag for 3-4 miles; North of Flag and thru cattleguard. The cemetery is on private land, but road is well

graded and in good condition in dry weather.

The Commission invites the public to attend the brief program. They feel you will leave the cemetery with much pride in being a Texan on this 150th birthday.

In case of bad weather, the program will be at the Fisher County Courthouse.

Board Makes Changes In Cheerleader Elections

Rotan School Board members changed the way high school cheerleaders are to be elected in the future at their meeting last Monday night. The basic changes implemented are (1) a girl will be elected from each of the four high school classes with the exception of the senior class where two girls will be elected to serve as cheerleaders. (2) a head cheerleader will be elected by the girls from the two senior cheerleaders and (3) the cheerleaders will be elected by popularity vote with the girl receiving the most votes from those running elected as cheerleader.

Rotan High School Principal David

Hargrove approved of the changes made by the board and felt the changes would bring more order to elections and give more girls the opportunity to serve as cheerleaders.

The changes became effective immediately and will be used to determine 1986-87 cheerleaders to be elected in early May.

Senior Citizens Denied Second Van

Annie Weems, Fisher County Senior Citizen's Coordinator, had a bit of bad news for Fisher County Commissioners last Monday morning.

She had received notification that her application for a second van for Fisher County Senior Citizens had not been approved by the

State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

In the letter informing Annie Weems that the application had not been approved, the reason cited was "there is a Section 18 operator in your area, People for Progress of Sweetwater, that we believe can meet

your transportation needs."

Mrs. Weems has conversed with Abilene Department Transportation officials and will re-submit the application for consideration.

The Fisher County Senior Citizens has deposited approximately \$4,500 in a transportation account as their portion of the 80/20 cost of a new van.

Rotan Primary-Jr. High UIL Results Released

Sharilyn Murdoch was the only first place winner in the Rotan Primary-Junior High School University Interscholastic League competition at Stamford last week. She placed first in oral reading in the 5-6th grade division.

Other entries in that division included: Deana Graham, Traci Hull and Misty Gruben-alternate.

In number sense (5-6th division) Paul Carrillo, III placed third and Sharilyn Murdoch placed fourth. Rachel Dawes also competed in

number sense with Luis Garcia as alternate in the competition.

Music Memory, 5-6th grade, First place team: Czrena West; Jodie McClain; Heather Randolph; Julie Parr; Christi Parr; Missy McKinney-Alternate.

In 5-6th plain writing, Jodie McClain and Jennifer Martinez finished 4th and 6th respectively in the competition. Lucy Ramon was the only other entry.

Candi Hayes was 6th in oral reading for the 7-8th grade competition. Other entries were Shannon Hull, Kellie King, and Shannon Boone-alternate.

Workman Band To Play For Senior Citizens

The Bonnie Workman band will be appearing at the Senior Citizens Center on Friday, April 18th at 7:00 P.M. Admission is \$2 per person.

Ruffles & Spurs Dance Club

Ruffles and Spurs Square Dance Club will have their monthly dance Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Building. All dancers are invited to come dance. All visitors are welcome to come watch.

Card of Thanks

The family of Jo Ann Cleveland wishes to express their appreciation for the prayers, food, flowers, and expressions of love during the recent illness and death of our loved one.

May God bless each of you. Leonard Cleveland, John Wylie & Family, Paul Wylie & Family, David Wylie 10:1tp

Tammy Mauldin Wins 2nd Place In Contest

Tammy Mauldin from Roby High School won second place in the U.S. Government competition included in the annual Western Texas College Social Science Contest on April 10.

Twelve area high schools attended the contest, with about 150 students taking part. Contestants were divided into Division I and Division II according to enrollment, with Roby High School in Division II.

First, second and

third place winners in each of the five contests received medals at an awards program following the competition.

Other Roby High School students participating in the contests were Warren Huff, Jill Branson, John Everett, Reggy Spencer, Kristy Martin, Michelle Burk and Gary Teague.

Fisher County Hospital Report

Patients admitted to the Fisher County Hospital from April 8 thru April 14 were: Larry Robertson; Jake Morgan; Minerva McCombs; Winnie Kingsfield; Maud Gruben; Lori Vann; Perfecto Flores; Mary Rebecca Vann; Melissa Matthies; David Porter, all of Rotan; Rebecca Crain; Snyder; Carol Floyd; Roscoe; Jackie Young; Eldon Smith; and Dorothy Smith, all of Spur; Lena Worthington; Dora Sandlin, both of Aspermont; Carol McAbee, Sweetwater; Jose Seguro, Jayton.

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Fisher County Political Calendar

Rate for listing in the Rotan Advance-Roby Star Record Political Column is \$80.00 for all offices. This fee includes a front-page announcement article and a one-column photograph to be run with the announcement, in addition to the listing in the Political Column from the date the announcement is made until the final election.

Charges for announcements must be paid in advance, and the same policy applies to all political advertising carried in the columns of this newspaper.

Names of candidates for each office will be listed in the Political Column in the order that they are received at the newspaper office. The Rotan Advance-Roby Star Record has been authorized to announce the following candidates for public office.

- FISHER COUNTY JUDGE Marshal Bennett-Re-election
- COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #2 Billy Henderson-Re-election
- COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #4 Jimmy Wright-Re-election
- Freddy Williamson
- Bob Terry
- Jack Mash
- Cecil Coy Kiser, Jr.
- FISHER COUNTY CLERK Bettie Rivers-Re-election
- DISTRICT CLERK Bettie Hargrove-Re-election
- FISHER COUNTY TREASURER Ilene Hale-Re-election
- Florence Wiley
- JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT # 1 Geneva Chandler-Re-election
- JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT # 3 Ernest Roberts-Re-election
- Marie Van Loon
- 78TH DISTRICT STATE REPRESENTATIVE Steven A. Carriker
- REPRESENTATIVE 17TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT Charles W. Stenholm

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Read: Psalm 138
THOSE INNER FLAWS
The Lord will perfect that which concerns me.
Psalm 138:8
MOST of us will admit that we have personality flaws and character weaknesses. We see undesirable tendencies in ourselves, such as selfishness, irritability, impatience, cruelty, vindictiveness, hot-headedness. They are with us because of our fallen sinful condition. Yet many Christians testify that their defects and weaknesses have become a blessing, causing them to rely more heavily on Jesus. By acknowledging their weakness, these believers have experienced God's grace and strength.
We can see this link between imperfection and improvement all around us in nature. Take, for instance, the formation of crystals, which make up our valuable minerals and precious stones. Scientists tell us that few things develop more orderly and predictably than crystals. Each kind of mineral and gem has its own special shape or appearance. In addition, every one of them is made up of a great number of atoms stacked in perfect alignment. Occasionally, though, one of these basic particles gets out of line. Surprisingly, these occurrences are essential steps in the development of crystals. They give them their most beautiful properties. Most gems owe their brilliant colors to these flaws.
Have you been worried about faults or shortcomings in your life? Don't let them get you down. Instead, admit their presence, commit them to the Lord in prayer, and trust Him to give you victory. The psalmist said, "The Lord will perfect that which concerns me."
—M.R.D. II
God's resources are greater than our need.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 735-3471 Sunday School 9:45 Sunday Eve.-Church Training 8:00 Wed. Night 7:30	Rotan, Texas Worship 10:55 Worship 7:00 Steve Peace-Pastor
CROSS ROADS BAPTIST CHURCH 735-2178 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Eve.-Training Union 6:00 Wed. Night 7:00	Rotan, Texas Worship 11:00 Howard Jones-Int. Pastor
LITTLE ZION BAPTIST CHURCH 776-2159 Sunday School 9:45 Wed. Night 7:00	Worship 11:00 James Carrington-Pastor
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 735-3464 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Eve.-Bible Study 6:00 Wed. Night 7:00	Rotan, Texas Worship Service 11:00 Worship 7:00 Jim Ritter-Pastor
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH 735-2478 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 5:30	Rotan, Texas Worship 11:00 Wed. Night 7:30 Rodriguez-Pastor
SYLVESTER BAPTIST CHURCH 993-4479 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00	Sylvestre, Texas Worship 11:00 Wed. Night 7:00 Pat Hatfield-Pastor
HOBBS BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00	Hobbs Community Worship 11:00
MCCAULLEY BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00	Worship 11:00 Rick McMinn-Pastor
MISSION BAUTISTA CALVARIO Sunday School 9:45 Sunday Evening 5:30 Wed. Night 7:30	Roby, Texas Worship 11:00 Worship 6:00 Eli Sepeda-Pastor
Rotan Motor Company Ray Brown Archie Neeley Rotan, Texas	Midwest Electric Cooperative 776-2244 Roby, Texas
Citizens State Bank Member FDIC Roby, Texas	Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Co. Greg Rains-Mgr. 101 W. Forrest 735-2215 Rotan, Texas
Central Lumber & Supply 776-2371 Roby, Texas	Rotan Nursing Center Rotan, Texas
Weathersbee Funeral Home Rotan, Texas	First National Bank Of Rotan Member FDIC
Fisher County Farm Bureau 215 W. Snyder Rotan, Texas	Roby Insurance Agency 776-2361 Roby, Texas
Bart Strayhorn 735-2231 Rotan, Texas	Martinez Dairy Rudy, Louisa & Jeff Martinez Hobbs Community
ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 735-3285 Sunday Morning 9:00 a.m. Mass Saturday Evening 7:30 p.m. Mass Father Austin Kittredge	Rotan, Texas Worship 11:00 Wed. Night 7:00
MARANATHA CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 Sunday Evening 6:00	Roby, Texas Worship 11:00 Wed. Evening 7:00 Bill Dickson-Pastor

Worship This Week At A Fisher County Church

- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
735-2334
Sunday School 9:15
Sunday Eve. 6:00
- Rotan, Texas
Worship 10:30
Terry Lowe-Pastor
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
776-2308
Sunday School 9:45
Sunday Eve. 5:00 UMYF
- Roby, Texas
Worship 10:50
Warren K. Schoengcker-Pastor
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
McCaulley, Texas
Sunday School 10:30
Wed. (2nd Wed. in each month family nite 7:00)
- Worship 11:00
Alvin G. Smith-Pastor
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
Sylvestre, Texas
Sunday School 10:30
Every 3rd Tues. Evening Community Dinner 6:30
- Worship 9:30
Alvin G. Smith-Pastor
- CHURCH OF CHRIST**
735-2344
Sunday School 9:45
- Rotan, Texas
Sunday Evening 6:00
Wed. Morn. Ladies Bible Class 9:30
Wed. Eve. Bible Study 7:30
Donald Dawes-Minister
- CHURCH OF CHRIST**
776-2496
Sunday School 10:00
Wed. Night 7:00-Nov.-April-8:00 May-Oct.
- Roby, Texas
Worship 10:45
Wardell Halliburton-Minister
- CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
Rotan, Texas
Sunday School 9:45
Wed. Night Worship
Lyndell McDaniel-Pastor
- FOURSQUARE CHURCH**
735-2553
Sunday School 10:00
Sunday Evening 6:00
- Rotan, Texas
Worship 11:00
Wed. Night 7:00
Ira Burns-Pastor

Tax Planning

By James Rodgers
CPA



IRA INVESTING

Individual retirement accounts are growing in popularity. They are one tax shelter fully approved by the IRS, available to almost everyone and, if used wisely, capable of adding significant dollars to an individual's retirement fund.

Don't make the mistake of plunking your IRA dollars into the first program you come across. Take time to learn what's available and what the advantages and disadvantages of each program are for you.

Look for a company that will allow you to direct the investments in your own IRA. Then consider your other investments and use your IRA to diversify a bit. If you are comfortable with some risk, put your money into higher risk investments that have a greater chance of producing a higher yield. If you're not comfortable with much risk, look for something that is safe and sure such as CD's or treasury bills. Above all, do not invest in anything you do not understand. Only lucky people make money on investments they don't comprehend. The more complicated, high-risk investments such as commodities, futures, options, and limited partnerships should be left to the experts.

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Hester To Be Honored By Senior Citizens

Fisher County Senior Citizens will be honoring an outstanding volunteer, Sherry Hester, with a covered dish luncheon on Wednesday, April 23, at 12:00 noon. Mrs. Hester has served

as a volunteer for the Center for the past 18 months, participating in every area of the program and area Senior Citizens will want to express their appreciation to her and her family.

Fisher County Playday Association Plans Trail Ride

The Fisher County Playday Association met Saturday, April 12 at Larry Callan's Auto to begin our trail ride to the Double Mountains. We hauled horses to the Sammy Baugh ranch.

The riders left headquarters and made their way to the back side of the mountains and were met by others in pick ups. From the bottom of the mountain those on foot watched the riders make their way to the top. The riders going to the top reported it

was fun and they all enjoyed it.

Upon returning to headquarters everyone was ready to eat their sack lunches. Those attending were: Richard, Cynthia, Sonya and Matt Gaona, Jeff, Karan, and Chance McClure, Diane, Shana, and Shea Feagan, Mike, Debbie, and Cassie Terry, Danny, Pat, Julie, Christy, Dana and Ryan Parr, Alvin, Marsha, Justin and Ashley Smith, Bob, Kay, Coby, Bryce, and Lance

Moore, Gary, Tempie and Ty West, Larry, Terrye, and Jason Gruben, Lance, Terry, Kelly and Kyle McWilliams, Nathan and Guy Kelly, Robert and Doug Vahlenkamp, Terry, Loni, Jessica, and Jennifer Fowler, Linda and Lacy Callan, Jerry Hoodenpyle, Bobby, Tim Bob and Johnny Smith and Matt, Robin Roberts and Brandy Long.

A short business meeting was held and playdays were set for second and fourth Saturday beginning June 14 at 7 P.M. at the Rodeo Arena in Roby.

We want to thank Sammy Baugh for letting us go to the Double Mountains and trailbosses.

The Fisher County Playday Association is holding a horse clinic Saturday, April 26 at 9 A.M. at the rodeo arena in Roby. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Worthington of Jacksboro will be conducting the clinic.

A fee of \$7.00 per child for the clinic will include noon meal.

Some of the events will consist of western pleasure, reining, grooming horseman-

ship. For further information contact Tempie West, 776-2249.

Martin & Gantt Set New School Records

Kristy Martin and James Gantt both set new school records in the 3200 meter run. Kristy broke her own record of 13:32 when she ran a 13:05. James broke his own record of 10:27 by running a 10:26.

Boys results: Danny Carreon: 12' pole vault, first; 18' 7" long jump, second; 43.3 300

hurdles, second; Rodney Green, 24.6 200 meters, third; 12.0 100 meters, fifth; 400 relay 46.8, sixth; Danny Carreon, Rodney Green, James Gantt, Greg Meek, 1600 relay, 3:35.8, fifth.

Girls results: 800 relay, consisting of Stacy Terry, Kristy Martin, Donna Terry and Donna Gordon, 1:56.5, sixth.

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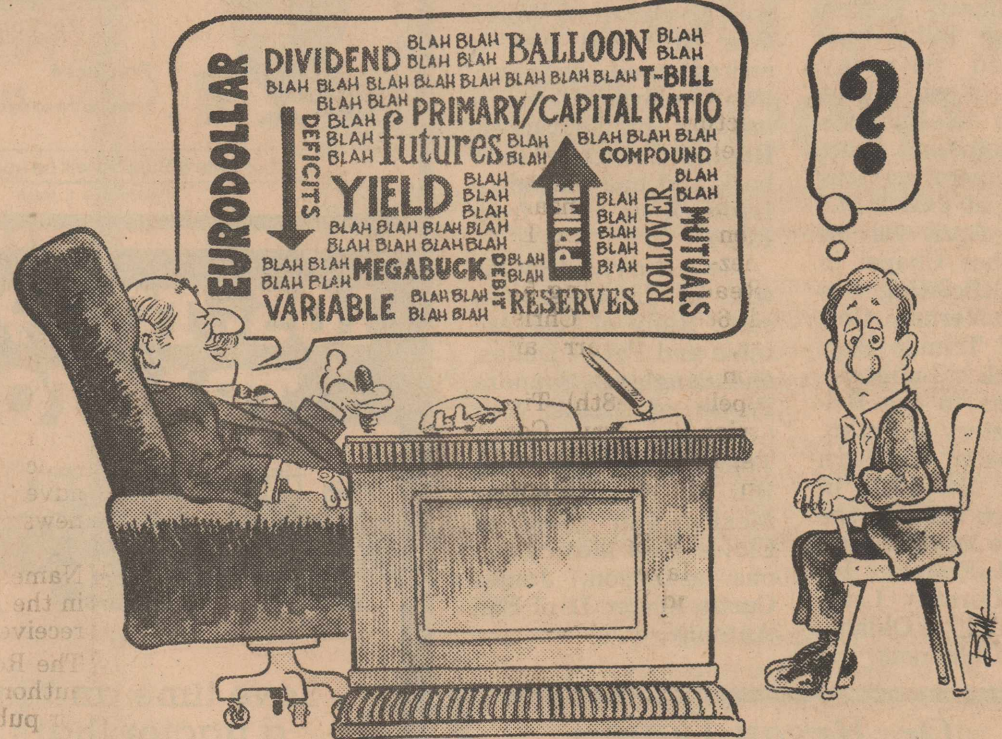
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TO RUN AT DISTRICT: Terri Morgeson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Morgeson, will one of the Roby track members running the District competition at Jayton this Friday.

Kelly Family Reunion Held On April 12th

Allen P. Kelly, who was the first elected sheriff of Fisher County in 1890, would have been proud to welcome his youngest daughter and only surviving child of 15 children, Ruby Kelly Ballow, and a large group of his descendants when they toured the Roby courthouse on Saturday, April 12, 1986.

Memories of another daughter, Ellen Kelly Key, former District Court, filled the air of the courthouse as the group visited the sheriff's office, the courtroom and the district clerk's office under the direction of County Auditor Pat Neepner, who is a granddaughter of yet another daughter, Nora Kelly Cooper.

Descendants of other children of A.P. Kelly attending the annual Kelly reunion at the Holiday Inn in Sweetwater were: Alba Dunlap Hall Tefteller, Jack Dunlap and their

families, children of Alice Kelly Dunlap; Ruth Foster and husband, daughter of Ruby Kelly Ballow; Catherine Harris and Mary Van Dyke, daughters of Maud Kelly Harris; Royce Eaves and family, son of Velma Kelly Eaves; Howard Dean Kelly and family, son of Oran Kelly; Pat Cooper Neepner, granddaughter of Nora Kelly Cooper.

The Kelly group also toured Belvieu Cemetery in Rotan where A.P. and wife, Mary Elizabeth Kelly, are buried along with daughters Ruth and Nora and the old Kelly home place which is located in Rotan on Highway 70 and was built over 100 years ago.

Next year's reunion will be held in Austin, Texas, on May 2, 1987. All family members and friends are welcome. Contact Ruth Foster, 4422 Driewood, Corpus Christi, Texas, 78411.

Funeral Services Held For Jimmy Foster

Mr. Jimmy Foster, 62, former Roby resident, died Saturday afternoon, April 5th at his home in Lubbock from an apparent heart attack. Funeral services were held at 2:30 P.M. Monday, April 7th at Weathersbee Chapel in Rotan. Officiating was the Rev. Vernon Gee, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church in Lubbock. Burial was in the Belvieu Cemetery of Rotan.

Mr. Foster was born December 24, 1923 in Lingo, New Mexico, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bill Foster. He married Dorothy Lane, May 12, 1945 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He

was a veteran of World War II and was a retired road construction employee. He was a member of Southeast Baptist Church in Lubbock and had moved to Lubbock in 1958 from Roby.

He is survived by his wife of Lubbock; two sons: Rudy of San Antonio and Pat of Dallas; one daughter: Sandra Foster of Plains; four brothers, Travis of Tracy, Cal., Thad and Bill of Portales, New Mexico and Ottis of Clovis, New Mexico and one grandson, James Curtis Foster II of San Antonio.

Ronald Henry Elected President Of Roby School Board

Roby School Board member Ronald Henry was elected by the Roby School trustees as the new president of the board at a meeting conducted on Monday night, April 7th, according to Superintendent Jimmie Laurie.

The vice president

post went to Jeff McClure. June Wright was elected secretary and Jimmie Laurie was named recording secretary.

The board approved a new grading system for the school to be implemented at the start of the 1986-87 school year. The lengthy

system outlines testing, 6 week tests and dictates that daily work and major assignments during the 6 week grading period be 75% of the students grade and that the 6 week test be 25% of the grade.

The only other item to come before the board

was a unanimous decision by the board that students not use vehicles between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. This new rule became effective last Monday, April 14th.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 12th.



UIL PARTICIPANTS: Missy McKinney, Crenza West, Jodie McClain, Heather Randolph, and Sharilyn Murdoch.



JUNIOR HIGH UIL: Candi Hayes, Lane Landes, Melissa Matthies, Ester Guerra, and Kevin Smith

Art Exhibition By Linda Murray Displayed

The Artist's League of Texas, is proud to present an exhibition by Abilene artist, Linda Murray, entitled "Critical Amusements" and Other Paintings".

The show begins April 19 and will last until May 9. A reception for the artist will be given on Saturday evening, April 19, from 7:00-9:00 P.M. Gallery hours are 11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. Tuesday through Friday, and 1:00-4:00 P.M. Saturday and Sunday. All events are free and open to the public.

In her exhibition,

Mrs. Murray will be showing acrylic paintings, oil pastels, graphite drawings and mixed-media works.

She approaches her work with a focus on design, movement and exaggeration. A great variety of subject matter will be shown, ranging from the human figure, to pieces of cake, to tennis courts.

Mrs. Murray's work has recently been seen at the Abilene Fine Arts Museum, the McMurry Area Women's Show, the Artist's League of

Texas Group Show, and the Texas Fine Arts Association Citation Exhibition. She is a member of the Artists' League, the Big Country Art Association, the Creative Arts Club, the Texas Fine Arts Associ-

ation, and the Figure Drawing Group.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brown of Rotan, Mrs. Murray is married to Tim Murray and is the mother of two daughters, Jennifer and Carol.

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UIL WINNERS: Sharilyn Murdoch, Candi Hayes, Paul Carrillo, III, Jennifer Martinez and Jodie McClain.



PLACE 5th: The above 8th grade students at Rotan Jr. High School placed 5th in a recent track meet. Left to right: Pat Moffett, Isabel Almanza, Jr., Wally Reyes, Kevin Smith, and Aaron Porter.

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LEGAL NOTICES

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF FISHER By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County on the 1st day of April, 1986 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. MILDRED HUTCHINSON: Cause No. 4053 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 6th day of May, 1986 which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the North door of the Courthouse of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

Being all that certain Lot 2 in Block 188 of the Inside Addition of the City of Rotan, Texas, and being more fully described by that deed of record in Volume 374, Page 75, Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 2nd day of April, 1986 as the property of BILL REYNA, if living; L.M. O'BRIANT, if living;

to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$420.00 with interest from the 31st day of January, 1986; at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

Given under my hand this 2nd day of April, 1986. Mickey Counts Sheriff Fisher County, Texas 9:3tc

Being all that certain West 75' feet of the Northwest Quarter of Block 169 of the Original Town of Rotan, Texas, and being more fully described by that deed of record in Volume 286, Page 512, Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 2nd day of April, 1986 as the property of MILDRED HUTCHINSON, if living, JOHNNY KELLY if living;

to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$206.88 with interest from the 31st day of January, 1986, at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 2 day of April, 1986. Mickey A. Counts Sheriff, Fisher County, Texas 9:3tc

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF FISHER by virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District Court of Fisher County, on the 1st day of April 1986 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL VS. M.A. WHITE: proceed to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 6th day of May, 1986, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the North door of the Courthouse of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT 12 IN BLOCK 254 OF THE INSIDE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF ROTAN, TEXAS, MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BY DEED RECORD IN VOLUME 47, PAGE 136, DEED RECORDS OF FISHER COUNTY, TEXAS.

Levied on the 2nd day of April, 1986 as the property of M.A. WHITE, if living; J.E. DAVISON, if living; to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$245.20 with interest

from the 31st day of January, 1986, at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, ET AL.,

Given under my hand this 2nd day of April, 1986. Mickey A. Counts Sheriff Fisher County, Texas 9:3tc

Bert Rushing celebrated her birthday last Friday with a party given by her daughter, Vernie Coan. Several of the residents attended the party and enjoyed cake and punch with Bert. The residents are enjoying the pretty bouquets of flowers that visitors are bringing to them.

Rotan Nursing Center News

Maude Gruben came back from the hospital last week, but is back in the hospital again. We are all hoping she will get well and be back with us again.

Visitors in the home last week were Paulina Luna and Kristy, Patsy Luna, Rosa and Sandra Guzman of Snyder visited Johnnie Trejo, Mr. and Mrs. Sims of

Sweetwater visited Vineta Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Floyd of Snyder visited Romie Kersh. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Eaton took Edna Eaton out for the day

while they were here from Ft. Worth Sunday. Lora Cleveland

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CARS FOR SALE: 1976 Olds., 1973 Lincoln, 1969 Olds., 1961 Ford, 1961 Ford pickup, 1948 Chevrolet. Jim Hanson, 711 E. 6th St., 735-3592. 7:4tp

NOTICE: Want to buy old quilts, quilt tops, tablecloths, napkins, doilies, laces, etc. Don't have to be in great shape. Nathalie's, 735-2146 or 735-3122 or bring them by the shop, 109 Garfield. 4:tc

NOTICE: If you need candy, Certs, Lifesavers, toast crackers, peanuts, jerky, cigarettes, etc. call Moore's Wholesale Distributing Co., 235-9258, Office or 235-3107 Home. 7:4tc

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NOTICE: Now is the time for Spring planting. Just arrived, all kinds of fruit trees, pines, cottonwoods, red oaks, live oaks, fig trees, mulberry, peacan trees, big variety of shrubs, rose bushes and grape vines. Martin's Feed and Garden, 735-3261. 4:tc

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YARD SALE: Lots of things for sale. Very nice girls dresses, shirts, pants, and shorts, sizes 12 & 14. 905 E. 6th, Friday, 18th, 735-2446. 10:1tp

YARD SALE: Friday & Saturday, 8 til 5:30. 704 E. 8th, new and used items. 10:1tc

FOR SALE: 1983 Buick Regal, 2 door hard top, call 735-2081. 10:1tp

3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Car seat, clothes, curtains. 308 N. Harrison, Friday, 9-5; Sat., 9-12. 10:1tp

FOR SALE: Electric range with microwave. Good condition. Call 776-2852. 52:tc

ATTENTION ARTIST/PHOTOGRAPHERS: The Brazos West Art Association will have their annual Art Festival August 1-3, 1986. Cash awards. For more information, send your name and address to: Brazos West Art Assn., % 1110 N. 5th St., Haskell, Texas, 79521 or call (817) 864-3661 after 5:00 p.m. 10:1tc

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FOR RENT: 2 bedroom, 1 bath, brick house. \$200 month, \$100 deposit. Call 928-4487 after 5 p.m. 10:2tc

WELCOME: Gospel meeting with Roger Hendricks of Midland. april 21-25, 7:30 P.M. each evening at Church of Christ, 610 Avenue B, Sweetwater. Call 776-2825 if you need a ride. Ken and Debbie Jernigan. "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." 10:1tp

GARAGE SALE: Friday and Saturday, 18 & 19th. 9-6. 222 N. Snyder, building next to Blue Stamp Store. 10:1tc

FOR SALE: 30 gallon gas water heater, \$75.00. Call 735-2347. 10:1tp

HAY-FOR SALE-HAY: Large round bale, hybrid Sudan, call 735-2912 after 8 P.M. 10:2tc

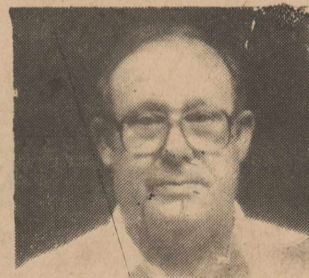
WANTED: Antique living room furniture or any other antiques. For Sale: 3 piece wicker furniture. 735-2104. 10:tc

INSIDE SALE: 811 N. Tyler, Saturday, April 19th, 9-4. Sears exerciser, stereo, odd dishes, percolator, pictures, bedspreads, drapes, clothes, odds and ends. 10:1tc

I WANT YOUR VOTE: I ask you for your vote and support on May 3rd. I feel I can do the best job for the residents of Fisher County Commissioner Precinct No. 4. Vote for BOB TERRY. Pd. Pol. Adv. by Bob Terry, Roby, Texas, 79543. 10:1tc

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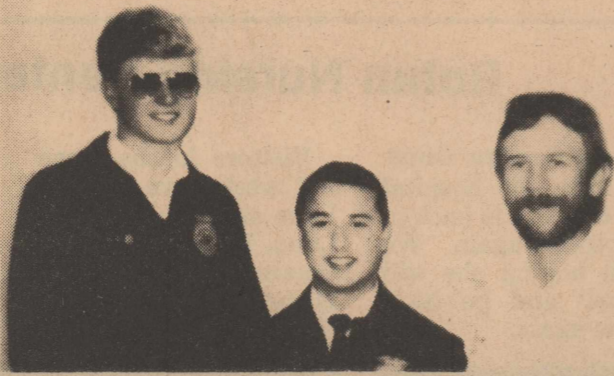
DAIRY CATTLE TEAM: The Roby FFA Dairy Cattle Team, consisting of (left to right) Shad Rasco, Warren Huff, Heath Dickson and Shannon Heflin, (not pictured) advanced to State in a recent contest at Lubbock.



ROBY FFA AG. MECH TEAM: The above 3 Roby High School students will be advancing to State. Left to right: Gary Teague, Benny Carreon and Clifton Terry.

Roby FFA Advances To State Competition

The Roby FFA Ag, Mech, and Dairy Cattle Teams will travel to the State FFA Contest held at Texas A&M University on April 26th. These teams competed in District and Area competition at Texas Tech University on Saturday, April 12th. The Ag, Mech, team of Gary Teague, Clifton Terry, and Benny Carreon placed 3rd in the overall Tech contest, 1st in Area, and 1st in District. Gary was the second High Individual and Clifton placed as the 10th High Individual. Both received a Texas Tech Judging Cap and Ribbon for their individual accomplishment. The team received a Tech banner and a Area banner during the Awards ceremonies. The Dairy Cattle team of Shannon Heflin, Heath Dickson, Shad Rasco and Warren Huff placed 6th in the Tech contest, 3rd in Area, and 1st in District. Shannon received a ribbon for being the 12th High Individual Judger. The team members received a Tech and Area banner during the



STATE FFA PRESIDENT: Gary Teague, left, and Gary Daniel, right, visit with the FFA State President, Aaron Alejandro. Alejandro visited the Roby High School last week.

State FFA President Visits Roby School

Aaron Alejandro, State FFA President from Area I, addressed the students and faculty of Roby High School on April 9th. Aaron has been traveling through Area II this month visiting all FFA Chapters. He was elected last summer at the State FFA Convention in Houston and will serve as State President until this July. In speaking to the students and faculty, Aaron addressed four ideas that helped him become the State FFA President. These are (1) Positive mental attitudes achieved through positive mental conditioning, (2) effective communicating skills, (3) the power of choice, and (4) our responsibilities as Americans. Aaron stated in his closing remarks that Agriculture will get better, because it will cycle itself. His closing statement to the students and faculty was that America has three vital resources that we cannot live without. They are American agriculture, youth, and leadership. There is but one organization that combines all three and it's the FFA. After visiting Roby High School, the State FFA President stopped by and visited with Representative Carriker before leaving for the Roscoe FFA Chapter. A special thank you to the Joe Teague family for opening their home to Aaron during his brief stay in Roby.

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Commissioners Accept Bid On F.C. Airport

Fisher County Commissioners accepted a bid from Lipham Construction Company, Aspermont, Texas for \$27,607.50 for sealcoating the Fisher County Airport runway at their regular meeting last Monday morning. Lipham Construction is to sealcoat the 3,300 feet by 60 ft. runway, coat the taxiways and restripe the area for the \$27,607.50. Others bidding on the project were Grimmett Bros., Snyder; Wilco Construction, Altus, Oklahoma; Bontke Bros., Abilene; Reece Albert, San Angelo; Price Construction, Big Spring and Coldthorp Construction, Seymour, Texas. The work is being done under a 75/25 cost share program with the Texas Aeronautics Commission paying \$23,405.62 and Fisher County paying \$7,801.88, according to Fisher County Judge Marshal Bennett. This marks the first time in the 12 year history of the airport that a resurfacing contract has been extended.

Card of Thanks

We, the family of Rose Davis, wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the doctors, nurses and staff of Fisher County Hospital for their kindness and thoughtfulness during her illness and death. Our thanks also go to our friends for their thoughts, prayers, and deeds. Also for those who prepared food, sent flowers and other labors of love, we thank you. We would like to thank each and everyone for all the love and concern shown us. May God bless you all. Manuel, David, Manuelita, Marci, Cliff Don, Doty, Clay, Brenna, Cass Morgan 10:1tp

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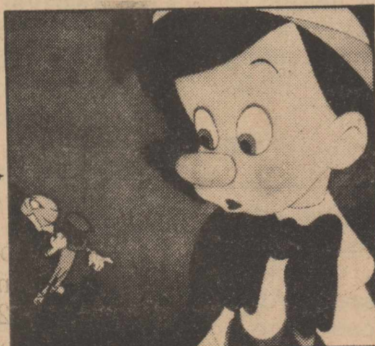
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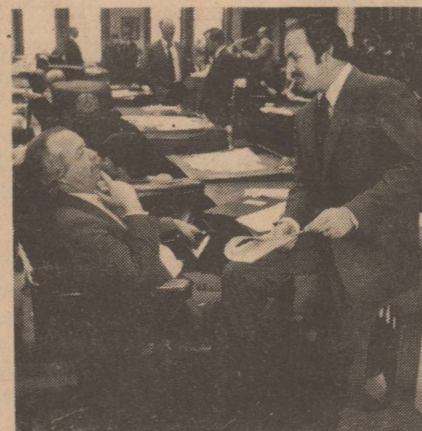
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4th PLACE WINNERS: The above 5 Rotan Jr. High students placed 4th in a recent track meet. Left to right: Paul Carrillo, III, Landon Alls, Joey Thomas, J.P. Martinez and Robert Almanza.



GIRLS JR. HIGH TRACK: The above 6 Rotan 8th grade girls won 1st place at a recent track meet. Left to right: Lori Martinez, Denise Powell, Shannon Boone, Sherry Connors, Terri Johnson, and Shelly Schooley.

Long Range Program Planning Underway

Fisher County Extension Agents, Alice Ballenger, Richard Spencer and Paula Verden are working with a large task force made up of County residents who will revise the Fisher County Long Range Extension Program. This Long Range Program will determine Extension programming in the County for the next four years.

The purpose of the task force is to involve local residents in identifying critical issues in Fisher County and determining how the Extension program can work toward relieving some of these critical issues.

There are to be four task forces, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Home Economics and

Family concerns, 4-H and Youth, Community development.

Leaders and recorders for each task force were given training in their responsibilities at a recent meeting conducted by Spencer and Ballenger. Attending the training were Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Martinez, Jimmy Wright, Foy Mitchell, Mrs. Wilbur Gruben and Morris Guelker.

The entire task force is scheduled to meet Tuesday April 29 in the District Courtroom of the County Courthouse. Following a brief time of introduction and explanation of what each task force is expected to do, the groups will meet individually.

Further meetings will be announced later.



UIL WINNERS: Mark Marshall, Lee Yanez, Janet Martin, Joe Gonzalez, Karen Dickson, and Matt Mercer.



UIL PARTICIPANTS: Amy Blackwelder, Brandi Thomason, Melissa Burk and Brian Carreon.

Roby Cubs Capture District In Track

The Roby Cubs captured District with 143 points Friday by beating out 9 other teams. Spur was second with 117 points followed by Aspermont. Schools competing were Roby, Aspermont, McCaulley, Motley Co., Rule, Paint Creek, Jayton, Spur, Guthrie, and Patton Springs. Placing in the District track meet was 1st 400 m. relay, Jamie Amador, Rudy Gonzalez, Domingo Chasco, and Jess Cross. 4th 110 hurdles, Jose Chavira, 4th 800 m. run, Joey Kirkland, 100 m. dash 1st Jess Cross, 3rd, Jamie Amador, 300 m. low hurdles 2nd Rudy Gonzalez, 200 m. dash 1st Jess Cross, 2nd Jamie Amador, 3rd Domingo Chasco 1600 m. relay 4th Rudy Gonzalez, Joe Kirkland, Jeremy Terry, and Dom-

ingo Chasco. In the field events, placing for the Cubs were Joe Orona, 1st in shotput with Eddie Onofre 4th and Rudy Gonzalez 6th in the shotput. Discus Joe Orona 2nd and Michael Carreon 5th in discus. Pole vault Michael Carreon 1st, Laramie Collier and Jamie Amador tied for 3rd in pole vault. Long jump Jess Cross 2nd. High jump Joe Orona 4th. Other Cub members participating but not placing were Jay Rudd and Kenny Heflin, both running awful good miles. This was the last sporting event for the Cubs this year and a good year it was. The boys all did their best and were a pleasure to watch participate and be associated with.

News From Down South

By Bertha Warren

Hello from down South.

The Big Country Ramblers had their monthly meeting at the Lady Bird Johnson Park in Fredricksburg last week. Carrol and Lena Hodges were not able to attend because of the Trinity Baptist Church Revival. The Revival ended Friday night. They had a good turnout each night. Everyone carried a covered dish for lunch each day.

Nikki Fulfer, daughter of Karen Hodges, is reported having the bug and not able to attend school today. Hope she is feeling better soon.

Vic Hartgraves received a long letter from Erna Lee, keeping him up to date on LaRue's condition. She is improving some each day and has been able to see the children altho the baby did not recognize her with all the bandages on her face. She is able to take some juices and move about some. Our prayers are with all of them as LaRue still has a long way to go. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

Burt and Ilene Hale spent the weekend at San Angelo visiting Skip and Linda Rembert and boys.

Ollie Ogden attended the funeral services for Jo Ann Cleveland on Friday. She was Ed's cousin. He was unable to attend as he wasn't feeling well.

Kenneth Smith had lunch with Charlie and Thelma Smith on Sunday.

Mable Warren, Joyce Noles, Louie and Bernice Hayes visited Tab and May Ruth Jackson in Stephenville Monday. Nita and Carl Hen-

drix of Midland and their daughter-in-law along with the two grandsons, Jessie and Jason spent the night with Mable Saturday night.

Well, I was sure winter had returned today, but it began to warm up as the day wore on.

Everything has been quite this week so not much news. Call and let us know what's going on in your world.

District VIII Spring Garden Club Meets

The District VIII Spring Garden Club convention was held April 3-4 at Western Texas College in Snyder.

Hostess clubs were Roby Garden Club, Highland Club, Sweetwater Garden Club, both of Sweetwater and Snyder Garden Club, also the Colorado City Garden Club.

Hostesses attending from Roby were Mrs. L.L. Stuart, Mrs. Edd Carter, Mrs. Earnest Hammer, Mrs. Jesse Goforth, Mrs. Dub Harvey, Mrs. Jim Hawkins, and Mrs. Frank Leach.

The General Assembly was in the Fine Arts Theater with Dr. Harry Kreneck of Western Texas College giving the welcome address.

After the business session the convention was transferred to "Martha Ann Woman's Club" for the luncheon.

Mrs. Henry Horn, "State Garden Club" chairman returned thanks.

Western Texas College in Snyder is an enchanting place, and filled with charm and beauty.

Funeral Held For Cleto Aguilar

Cleto Aguilar, 67, of Roby, died at 11 A.M. Wednesday, April 2 at Fisher County Hospital after suffering a heart attack at his home in the morning. Funeral services were held at 10 A.M. Saturday, April 5 at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father Austin Kittredge officiating. Burial was in the Roby Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home. A rosary was conducted at 7:30 P.M., Friday, at Weathersbee Chapel.

Mr. Aguilar was born June 2, 1918 at Lacosta,

Texas. He was the son of Serafin and Antonia Martinez Aguilar. He was a retired farmer and employee of the Roby schools and was a member of the Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife, Rita of Roby; three daughters: Mary Esther Esquevel of Alice; Antonia Reveria of Robstown; Mary Gauna of Old Glory; two brothers: Jesse Aguilar of Robstown; Manuel Aguilar of Crystal City; one sister: Guadalupe Cano of Robstown; and twelve grandchildren.

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County Agent Report

By Richard Spencer

Fisher County 4-H members received their checks from the Houston Show last week. 4 steers and 2 barrows received total sale and premium money of \$7,650. With the Ft. Worth and San Antonio shows added in 4-H members received \$18,000 for their animals at major shows.

As a general rule, fruit trees bear fruit when they become old enough to blossom freely, provided other conditions are favorable. Pollination, cultural practices, and environment greatly influence the plant's ability to bear. Any of these factors alone or in combination can prevent fruit set or cause flowers not to develop, and fruit to drop prematurely if not at or near optimum. Fortunately, growers do have some control over most of these factors.

Even though trees blossom freely, most of them will either fail to set fruit or they will shed most of their fruit prematurely if adequate pollination does not occur.

Some fruit trees have "perfect flowering" blossoms with both male and female parts. When they bear fruit as a result of pollination from their own blossoms, they are said to be "self-fruitful."

In some fruit varieties, the pollen-producing or staminate (male) blossoms which never produce fruit are borne on separate trees from the pistillate (female) or least one tree with male flowers to serve as a pollinator. Trees with only staminate flowers will normally pollinate a number of trees with female blossoms. Persimmon is a good example of this type fruit. Varieties that produce male and

female flower parts on separate trees should not be planted whenever other acceptable varieties are available.

In general, citrus, figs, and peach trees are "self-fruitful" and require two or more varieties in the planting. To assure adequate pollination, the varieties should have the same bloom period and be planted within 25 feet of one another.

Soil fertility has been found to influence the ability of trees to hold and mature their fruit. Overfertilization, especially too much nitrogen, causes excessive vegetative growth which in turn can cause fruit to drop before those that were adequately pollinated.

In some instances, insects and diseases may cause fruit drop. In certain cases, deep cultivation too close to trees has been cited as the cause of fruit drop.

Adverse weather conditions at time of bloom may interfere with pollination and result in fruit drop. Also, extremely low temperatures during dormancy can cause bud injury and prevent fruit production.

Even if all of the previously mentioned factors were ideal, some fruit drop would occur. A fruit tree normally produces more fruit buds than it can properly mature. Fruit drop is a normal physiological process and results in increased size and quality of remaining fruit. Do not get alarmed if some fruit drops; however, if excessive fruit shedding can be disastrous.

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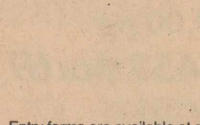
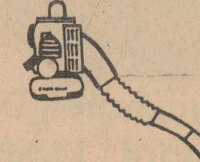
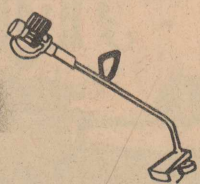
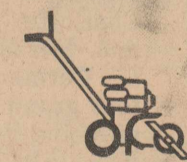
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Department Of Agriculture Releases News On 1985 Farm Bill

The sodbuster and swampbuster provisions of the 1985 farm bill went into effect on December 23, 1985, when the President signed the Food Security Act of 1985.

"That date is very significant for any producer who plows out highly erodible land or drains wetlands after the law was signed," said Charles Black, district conservationist for the USDA Soil Con-

servation Service at Rotan. "It could mean the producer would have to forfeit USDA program benefits in 1986 if the land is used to produce a crop in 1986."

"The Department has not had time to publish and implement rules and regulations since the legislation was signed," Black continued. "That is why we do not know the specific criteria that will be used to determine which lands will be

covered."

He said anyone who plans to plow out or drain land not now in cropland should realize that there is a possibility that such land will be subject to the sodbuster and swampbuster provisions.

"We have been advised by our national headquarters that the rules and regulations providing detailed information should be published within the next 90 days," Black continued.

WTU To Refund More Than \$9 Million In Overcollected Fuel Costs

West Texas Utilities Co. has received permission from the Public Utility Commission of Texas to refund more than \$9 million in overcollected fuel costs to its retail customers.

The PUC's action was in response to a request filed March 17 by WTU.

The total amount to be refunded includes \$9,146,092 in actual fuel costs savings which have accumulated since the current fuel rate for WTU was set by the PUC last August, plus \$215,837 in interest.

The refunds will be made through one-time credits on bills customers will receive in May. The typical customer should receive about \$22.

Also approved was WTU's proposal to reduce its fuel rates, technically known as the Interim Quarterly Fixed Fuel Factor, for the three-month period beginning in May. WTU officials estimate

that fuel charges to customers will drop by 8.2 per cent during that period. Base rates for kilowatt-hours used have not changed since 1984 and will remain the same.

WTU's fuel costs have declined for two years in a row, largely due to a softening natural gas market. Utility companies are

WIC Expects Release Of Undistributed Funds

The termination of approximately 50 low-income Texas women and children from the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) in Nolan/Fisher County will not be instituted as planned this month.

In addition, previously planned reductions in the types and amounts of food each person receives will not be made at this time.

allowed to pass the fuel costs to customers. Adjustments for overcollections or undercollections formerly were made automatically each month, but since 1983 utilities in Texas have collected fuel costs through fixed factors, which have necessitated refunds. This will be WTU's second refund within a year.

WIC staff expect a release of undistributed federal funds and Texas' relative share of \$20 million in supplemental appropriations. This will enable participants currently enrolled to complete their certification period before leaving the program.

If you have any questions contact us at 235-8368 or go by 1401 Hailey, Sweetwater, Texas.

Fields Seeks Action From School Board On Proposed Construction Of Track Field

A lot has been said about the Rotan School Board decision to construct a new track facility. The item has been hashed around for two years. Board members have done some preliminary studies, had audiences with track sur-

face firms, engineering firms, dirt contractors. Last Monday night, Superintendent Alton Fields requested direction from the board on what should be done next. He said "I need to know yes or no, in order to proceed in nailing

down some concrete bids."

Board President Pete Fowler asked for a straw vote, even though the board is on record to construct a new facility if within their proposed budget of \$130,000.00.

The straw vote indicated that the board is in favor of proceeding with plans to construct a new track facility.

One lingering problem has been how to control water drainage at the planned site of the new facility. The current track field (and planned site of the new facility) has a water drainage problem. Solutions to that drainage

problem have ranged from installing "guns" to carry water from the site to installing a drain in the dam on the old Rotan golf course.

Board members authorized Superintendent Alton Fields to meet with the Rotan Ci-

ty Council to determine what the city would permit with respect to helping alleviate the drainage problem in order that a track facility could be built. Fields was to meet with Councilmen last Tuesday night.

Funeral Services Held For Rose Davis

Rose Davis, 59, of Clairemont, died at 10 A.M. Wednesday, April 9th at Fisher County Hospital following a lengthy illness. Funeral services were held at 3 P.M., Thursday, April 10th at Weathersbee Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Allan R. Cartrite, retired Baptist Minister of Abilene, officiating. Burial was in the Clairemont Cemetery.

Mrs. Davis was born March 13, 1927 in Coke County and moved to Kent County in 1944 from Merkel. She married Manuel Davis, March 16, 1946, at

Jayton. They had made their home on the family ranch 12 miles west of Clairemont since. She was the daughter of the late Clarence and Zelma Benningfield and was a member of the Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Manuel of Clairemont; one daughter, Mauelita (Mrs. David) Foster of Clairemont; two brothers, Don Benningfield of Clairemont and S.C. Benningfield, Jr. of Albuquerque, New Mexico; three sisters and 2 grandchildren, Marci and Cliff Foster of Clairemont.

Rotan Varsity Tennis Team Finishes 4th

The Rotan varsity boys tennis team finished 4th in UIL competition last Saturday while the girls took an overall 5th place finish, according to Tennis Coach Richard Smith.

In boys varsity doubles Todd Gruben and Leo Castillo placed 3rd while Billy Speck and Rafe Hargrove placed 4th.

In girls doubles Lynette McQueen and Lucy Stinson placed 4th.

Others competing were: (boys singles) Chad Alls and Phillip Matthies; girls doubles, Jerri Lynn Boone and Jennifer Dickson and girls singles DeeAnn Montez and Lousinda Ramirez.

In the junior varsity boys the Rotan team won the district meet. Mike Garcia placed first

in the singles competition and Joe Almanza finished 2nd.

In the Junior High girls division Rotan was the district winner. Terri Johnson placed 4th in the singles and the four doubles teams of Shanna Boone and Lori Martinez, Ester Guerra and Shannon Hull, Tiny Carrion and Vanessa Peek and Celina Morales and Priscilla Gonzalez were doubles finishing teams.

The Junior High boys were 2nd overall with the doubles team of Lane Landes and Aaron Porter finishing 2nd and Pat Moffett and Junior Almanza finishing third.

Ruffles & Spurs Dance Club To Hold Lessons

Ruffles and Spurs Square Dance Club is having Plus 1 and 2 lessons on Monday night at the Pink Building in Roby, starting at 8:00 p.m. Delton Lovelace from Abilene is doing the calling. All dancers are asked to come join us.



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Funeral Services For Jo Ann Cleveland

Jo Ann Cleveland, 59, of Rotan, died at 1:15 A.M. Thursday, April 10 at Humana Hospital in Abilene. Funeral services were held at 2 P.M. Friday, April 11th, at the First Baptist

Church in Rotan. Officiating was Donald Dawes, minister of the Rotan Church of Christ. Burial was in the Belvieu Cemetery of Rotan under the direction of Weathersbee

Funeral Home.

Mrs. Cleveland was born July 19, 1926 at Anson, the daughter of Mr. Dwight L. Carman and the late Mrs. Decie Carman. She married Leonard Cleveland, November 20, 1964, in Rotan. She had made her home here since and was employed with Homestate Savings and Loan Co. at the time of her death. She was a member of the Church of Christ. Mrs. Cleveland graduated from Baird High School and attended Abilene Christian University.

She is survived by her husband; three sons: John Wylie of Knoxville, Tennessee, Paul Wylie of Rotan, and David Wylie of Charlotte, North Carolina. Her father, Dwight L. Carman of Rotan; four grandchildren, Jennifer and Bryce Wylie of Knoxville, Tennessee and Randy and Aaron Wylie of Rotan.

Center Club Holds Meeting In Roby

Mrs. Rex Kemp was hostess, Tuesday when the Center Club met at the annex in Roby. It was a leaders program, by the T.E.H.A. on Health and Human Resources. Mrs. James Cave and Mrs. Lynn Randolph presented the lesson and discussed Senility, Alzheimers disease, as well as hospital care as it is now and health insurance.

Mrs. Fay Anderson called the meeting to order, with bingo as recreation. Mrs. Randolph called the roll which was answered with 'my favorite recreation and read the minutes. Mrs. Gene Turnbow gave the coun-

cil report stating the District Meeting would be held at Anson, April 15.

Plans were made to have a display in the flower shop window, for T.E.H.A. week also a display of antiques, commemorating Roby's Centennial.

Mrs. Kemp served sandwiches and chips, cookies and punch to Audie Burk, Fila Campbell, Bernice Randolph, Imagine Harvey, Fay Anderson, Britty Turnbow, Eilene Cave, Luella Waddell and the hostess.

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ROTAN HURDLER: Brian Sheehan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sheehan, will be one of the Rotan track participants at the District meet at Hamlin on Friday.

Hustling Around Hobbs

By Joy Walker

Well, we have been having warm, springlike weather almost every day, but still are looking for those April showers; wish we could get some rain. It's been cool in the mornings, but several days it was over 90 degrees during the day.

Mrs. Ann Hooker from Big Spring visited with the J.C. Caves Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Hooker is Alice's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Martinez went to Abilene on Saturday; they visited with Mary and Emilio Martinez while they were there. We are pleased to learn that Emilio is now at home after being in the hospital in Abilene.

Jim Ratliff and son, Trese, from Abilene spent a few days with the James Ratliff's. Saturday night Mr. and Mrs. James Ratliff ate supper at Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Knipes in Snyder. Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Knipe were also there.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Minerva McCombs is back in the Fisher County Hospital; she is taking some tests.

Mr. and Mrs. A.S. Berry from Hale Center and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Coffman from Lamesa came Friday and stayed until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Etheredge. They all visited with Mrs. Eula Mae Hull and Mrs. Abbie Tankersley in Rotan, and with Mrs. Bert McCombs. They all went to Mr. and Mrs. Windell Barrett's home Friday night and helped Sam Etheredge celebrate his 79th birthday. Happy birthday to Sam. Jackie Barrett from Granbury was also there, and Charlotte and Taina Barrett from Snyder. Mr. and Mrs. Corby Barrett and Lacy from Stephenville, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Ethered-

ge and Mr. and Mrs. Randy Etheredge also attended the birthday celebration. So Sam really had a big crowd present for his birthday.

Morris Hardin from Lubbock spent Saturday night and Sunday visiting with his mother, Mrs. Bea Hardin. Bea spent the day on Monday visiting with Mrs. Mark Nowlin.

Jim and I visited with Mr. and Mrs. Blake Walker at Ennis Creek on Thursday evening. Then Friday we left and went to Austin to spend the week end with Mark and Melody. Sure had a good time and they have had so much rain at Lytton Springs, their wild flowers were just beautiful as are their roses and other flowers. While at Lytton we visited with Mark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Parrish and with Mr. and Mrs. Art Hammonds and little baby daughter, Kalee, who were there visiting from Ft. Worth. We went to the Austin rodeo both Friday and Saturday nights, and it was sure long, as they had performances by big stars every night. Saturday, we saw the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, which

was loud and too long, and then on Sunday night we saw Eddie Rabbit, which we really enjoyed. Jim went with Mark to a roping on Sunday evening at Luling, and then that night Melody rode in the big rodeo which was held at the Texas Exposition and Heritage Center, and there was a sell out crowd every night, and it was a week long rodeo. Melody rode the first Sunday night, and had a real good run, but the second run, the one we were there for, she knocked over the first barrel so that knocked her off of the average. We also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Mayes and family from Manor at the rodeo. Charity Meier from Fredericksburg spent Saturday night and all day Sunday with Mark and Melody; she is the 8 year old daughter of Lester and Sandy Meier, who were the stock producers for the rodeo, and are good friends of Mark and Melody. We returned home from Austin Melody rode in the big sure enjoyed our trip.

Well, that's all for this week, see you next Thursday.

The Rotan one-act play "Flowers For Algernon" was selected a winner at the area competition last Saturday, at Midland and advances to regional competition at Big Spring on Thursday, April 24th according to Director Floyd Garcia, Jr.

A total of five schools competed at Midland. The schools and entries were: Wall High School "Once Upon a Playground"; Hamlin High School "The Small World of Millie McIvor"; Rotan High School "Flowers For Algernon"; Clint High

School "Aesop's Fables" and Stanton High School "I Never Saw Another Butterfly".

Stanton's entry was judged as the alternate entry to regional. This play was directed by Claudia Harbison, wife of former Rotan primary principal John Harbison. The two winning plays were "Flowers For Algernon" and "Once Upon A Playground".

David Stevens and Jackie Martinez, as they did at district, were named as the best actor and actress at area. Gray Fowler received an

honorable mention for his portrayal of Burt Seldon and Jon Burns was named to the All-Star cast for his dual role as Little Charlie and Teenage Charlie.

The full cast of "Flowers For Algernon" includes: David Stevens, Jackie Martinez, Melissa Mathies; Rafe Hargrove, Julie McQueen, John Pease, Carye Gruben, Jenny Dickson, Gray

Fowler and Jon Burns. Pease, Steve Dickson and Lucy Stinson. Crew members are: Julie

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Rotan Girls Participate At Post Relays On April 12

Rotan girls participated at the Post Relays on April 12, their final competition before District to be held tomorrow, April 18 at Hamlin.

Jan Posey competed in the 100 meter dash

and 200 meter dash. In the 100 Jan had a time of 13.5 and did not place. In the 200 meters she placed fifth with a time of 27.95.

The only other girl representing Rotan last weekend was Jeanie Wyrick who placed in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:47.

Rural Wrens Hold Meeting

Rural Wrens met on Monday, April 14th. Members present were Karan McClure, Kristi Williamson, Sandy Pullig, Becca Frierson, Jan Clark, Cynthia Gaona, Tempie West, and Danette Pope. Sandy Pullig served as hostess. The Wrens discussed the Roby Day Centennial Pageant. If there are any questions concerning the pageant, please contact one of the Rural Wren members. There will be a special meeting for the participants in the pageant at 6:00 p.m. on April 21st. The next regular meeting will be held April 28th.

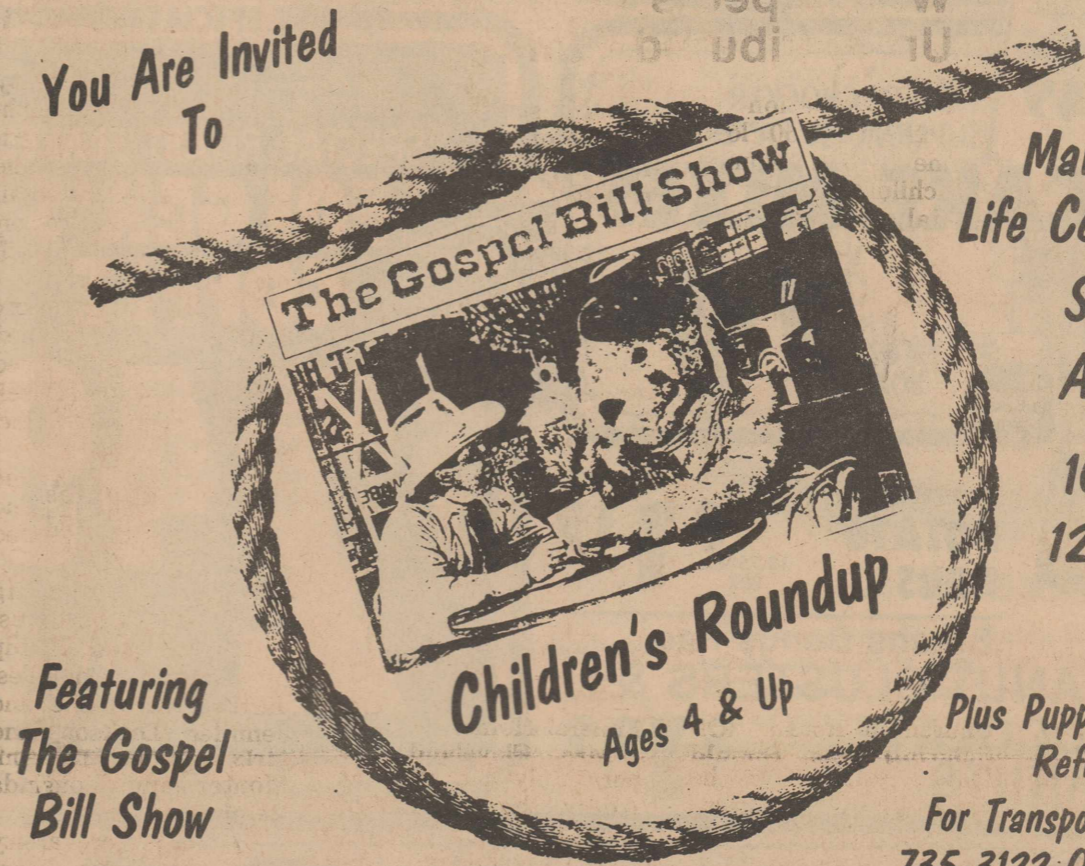
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April 14, 1986, the Commissioners Court of Fisher County met in regular session, examined and compared the quarterly report of Ilene Hale, County Treasurer, for the quarter ending March 31, 1986 and found the same correct and the respective amounts to have been received and paid out during the quarter.

FUND	BALANCE 1-1-86	RECEIVED LAST QTR.	TRANSFERS IN	OUT	PAID OUT LAST QTR.	BALANCE 3-31-1986	INVESTED FUNDS
GENERAL	450 644 37	304 783 62	- 0 -	- 0 -	300 209 76	455 218 23	*200 000 00
R&B OPERATING PRECT. #1	148 436 21	43 769 72	- 0 -	71 69	66 639 78	125 494 19	
R&B OPERATING PRECT. #2	99 072 94	43 941 60	- 0 -	- 0 -	36 924 25	106 090 29	
R&B OPERATING PRECT. #3	123 950 40	44 251 65	- 0 -	- 0 -	31 159 60	137 042 45	
R&B OPERATING PRECT. #4	66 459 07	43 039 75	71 96	- 0 -	35 528 36	74 042 42	
SOCIAL SECURITY	547 67	22 984 56	- 0 -	- 0 -	23 011 45	520 78	
LATERAL ROAD PRECT. #1	16 85	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	16 85	
LATERAL ROAD PRECT. #2	1 136 46	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	1 136 46	
LATERAL ROAD PRECT. #3	6 372 35	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	6 372 35	
LATERAL ROAD PRECT. #4	2 064 25	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	2 064 25	
REVENUE SHARING	27 877 91	27 975 00	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	55 852 91	
	926 578 48	530 745 90	71 96	71 96	493 473 20	963 851 18	200 000 00

On Deposit County Depository Banks-----

963 851 18

INVESTED: *

Fisc National Bank, Rotan, Texas	
General Fund-	
C.D. #1798 Due 6-9-86	100 000 00
C.D. #1799 Due 6-9-86	100 000 00

FISHER COUNTY SCHOOL FUND INVESTMENTS

5 Haskell County, Texas Bonds	5 000 00
1 U. S. Government Bond #258D	1 000 00
	6 000 00

6 000 00

OUTSTANDING WARRANTS:

Precinct No. 1	52 000 00
Precinct No. 2	43 865 72
	95 865 72

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Tommy Jack Stuart
Tommy Jack Stuart, Commissioner Precinct #1

Billy Henderson
Billy Henderson, Commissioner Precinct #2

Harshel Bennett
Harshel Bennett, County Judge

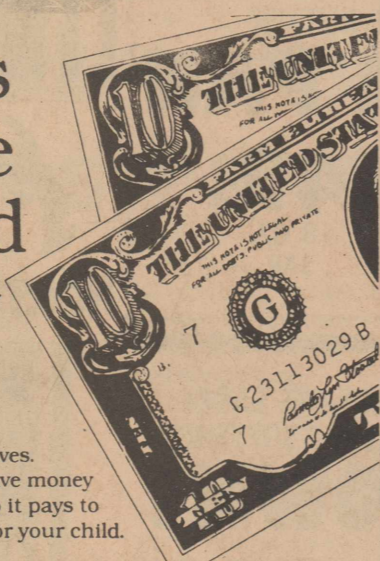
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