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Hospital Going After \$63,588 In Bad Debts

The Fisher County Hospital board members issued their intention to Administrator Gary McGee last Monday night to "get serious" with the collec-

tion of past due accounts. The board reviewed a report from McGee indicating that a total of \$63,588.37 was grossly past due to the Fisher

County Hospital. The \$63,588.37 is owed by a total of 124 people. The largest bill owed is for \$4,998.50 by a Rotan man and the smallest is, \$6.30 by a

Rotan woman. Board members authorized McGee to begin filing on the 124 people. Each case will be reviewed then placed in the hands of the

Justice of the Peace small claims court, for collection action. In addition, a list of the persons owing the \$63,588.37 is to be posted in the hospital

and excluding emergency service, when those people seek hospital services they will be denied on the basis of owing a bad debt.

The average bill owed is \$512.00. A total of 20 people owe the Fisher County Hospital in excess of \$1,000.00.

Two individuals, one from San Saba and one from Hamlin owe bills of \$2,330.50 and \$1,452.15 respectively.

According to McGee the hospital has recently changed its policy concerning admitting out-of-county individuals without proper proof of payment or adequate insurance.

Meg Lynn Field On Honors List At Southwestern

One hundred and ninety-five Southwestern University students have been named to the Distinction List for Academic excellence.

To be selected, students must carry a course load of 12 hours, have a 3.6 grade point average and be in good standing with the University.

Meg Lynne Field of Rotan, a sophomore at Southwestern University was among the 195 receiving recognition.



APPEARING IN ROTAN: The above group "Witness" will appear at the Foursquare Gospel Church in Rotan this Sunday morning.

'Witness' Set For Rotan Church Sunday Morning

Witness, a gospel singing group, will be ministering Sunday, Feb. 22 at the Rotan Foursquare Church.

The group is a witness for Jesus Christ through various styles of gospel music and preaching. Witness is a ministry of Bible Way Fellowship of Snyder.

Witness has ministered all over Texas in different denominations. They have a work in the area of challenging the local church to be and do all God wants them to be

and do. The group is made up of Paul Glover, drummer; Glenna Glover, bass guitar; Anne Brown, piano, synthesizer; David Morrel, guitar; and Nubie Brown, lead singer and preacher.

The public is invited to come and be a part of the services which will be held at 6 p.m., at the Rotan Foursquare Church, 8th and Genevieve, according to Pastor Ira Burns.

McCaulley Council Will Sponsor Talent Festival

The McCaulley Student Council will be sponsoring a Talent Festival in the McCaulley gym on Saturday, Feb. 28th at 7:30 p.m. If you are interested in performing, please contact Mrs. Byron Shelley, before Friday, Feb. 20th. All ages are welcome. A

professional sound system will be provided. A \$2 fee will be required of each performer to help defray the cost of the sound system. Tickets may be purchased at the door. \$2 for adults and \$1 for children under 12. 962-5591 or 962-5423.



I LIKE HIS STYLE: Noticed a photo in the Dallas Morning News last week for a man from a Chicago suburb who had a unique idea about advertising for employment. Seems Art Fosse of Sauk Village, Illinois stood in the middle of the busy Interstate 94 in Chicago holding a poster saying "Family Man Needs Job. Constr. Labor. Any. 757-5843." He stood there for three hours. Thats all it took. His idea generated about a dozen job offers. He started work for a construction company last week.

REMINDER: Mothers and daughters, you'll be missing a grand opportunity to cement the relationship between Mother and Daughter if you miss the "Your Daughter and You" afternoon on Sunday afternoon, March 1st at the Rotan High School Auditorium. The event starts at 2:00 p.m. and features two excellent speakers. Debra Brown on peer pressure and Mollie Keener on the female sexuality. There is no admission.

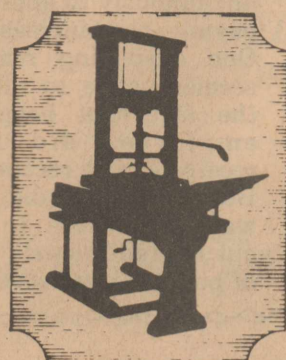
CONGRATULATIONS TO ROTAN CHAMBER: They have only been re-organized about three or four weeks, and already Rotan is reaping positive results of their efforts. In the very near future a new convenience store will be opening in Rotan in the building formerly occupied by Faso's Convenience Store, north of the old J&R Grocery Store. The new business is being opened by Taylor Chain in Amarillo, Texas. The Rotan Chamber may not have had very much to do in the opening, but we're going to give them some of the credit.

ATTENTION FISHER COUNTY CHURCHES: Please take a few minutes and check to make sure that The Newspaper Office is on your mailing list for a copy of your weekly or monthly church newsletter. We would appreciate receiving it and will try hard to see that the activities you mention are in the newspaper.

MISSED AWARD MEETING: Wendell Morrow, the guy in the John Deere Yellow and Green hat, missed the presentation at his own "John Deere Day" last week. He was to have been presented a plaque for 15 years of local service as owner of Farm Tractor and Service Company. Was put in the hospital at 4:00 p.m. that afternoon with a throat infection. His bride Mayrene, and son Wes accepted on his behalf. We understand Wendell is doing much better.

HATS OFF TO THE MAYOR: I've had the opportunity to visit with Rotan Mayor Jerry Marshall on numerous items of business in the past several months. In my opinion he is doing a fine job as the Mayor of Rotan and someone needs to let him know that once in a while. Wouldn't hurt to let him know you appreciate him. That is the only pay he receives.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: It takes a heap of payments to make a house your home.



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Three In County Arrested In Drug Raid, 56 Area Laws Participate In Bust

Three Fisher County residents were arrested in a drug raid by area law enforcement officials last Friday, February 13th that involved a total of 56 law enforcement officers from four Sheriff's Departments and two police departments.

Officers from Nolan, Fisher, Scurry and Mitchell County Sheriff's Departments and peace officers from the Sweetwater and Roscoe Police Departments armed with 18 arrest warrants and 40 sealed indictments from the Nolan

County Grand Jury arrested 20 area individuals on drug charges.

Karen Harbin Resigns As Hospital Director Nurses

Karen Harbin, the Director of Nursing Operations for the Fisher County Hospital for the past several months, has issued hospital officials her letter of resignation for that position.

Her resignation is effective on February 28th, according to Administrator Gary McGee.

The three individuals from Fisher County included: Donald Hill, age 24, a Fisher County resi-

dent was arrested on Yucca Lane in Sweetwater on four warrants and charged with the sale of amphetamines. The second arrest of a Fisher County individual involved Charles "Chuck" McDorman, age 32, of Fisher County, Palava area. He was arrested at his home on two warrants-grand jury indictments-(1) for sale of heroin and (2) for sale of methamphetamines, according to Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts.

The third individual arrested from Fisher County was Barbara Johnson, age 30, of Rotan, Texas. She was arrested on Johnston Street in Rotan on three warrants charging her with the sale of cocaine.

According to Counts all sales allegedly took place in Nolan County. "In each instance a vehicle was also seized in the arrest", said Counts.

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Becca Frierson On Ballot For Roby School Board

Becca Frierson, a resident of the Roby Independent School District, has completed the necessary paperwork to have her name placed on the ballot for a position on the Roby School Board.

Frierson joins Steve Terry, board incumbent, as the only two candidates having filed through last Tuesday for two open positions.

Three At Rotan Sign Up For School Board

The race for two open spots on the Rotan School Board will at least be a three man race.

Incumbent Joe Morrow officially re-filed for an additional term on the Rotan School Board. Two newcomers, Alva Mercer and James Warren, have executed the necessary paperwork to have their names placed on the ballot on April 4th.

The other incumbent Larry Landes has not decided on running for an additional elected term of office.

The deadline for filing for a spot on the Rotan School Board is Wednesday, March 4th.

Copeland, Jeffrey Making Hospital Board A Race

It appears as if there will be at least one contested race in Fisher County in April.

Fisher County Hospital Board members Glenn Copeland and Billy Jeffrey both executed the necessary paperwork last Monday night to have their names placed on the ballot for an additional elected term.

The only other name, as of Tuesday morning, that will appear on the ballot is Dr. David Morris of Roby. He was the first to declare his intention to run for the Fisher County Hospital Board.

The deadline for filing for a position is Wednesday, March 4th. Additional information can

be secured from Gary McGee at the Fisher County Hospital.

Big Country Men For Missions Set For Chili Feed

The Big Country Council of Men For Missions is sponsoring a chili and stew supper at the Fisher County Senior Citizen's Center on Thursday, February 19th at 6:30 p.m.

Following the meal, Jim Fillingim a farmer and gospel singer, will entertain with a concert. Fillingim is from Petersburg, Texas.

Cost will be \$1.00 per person.

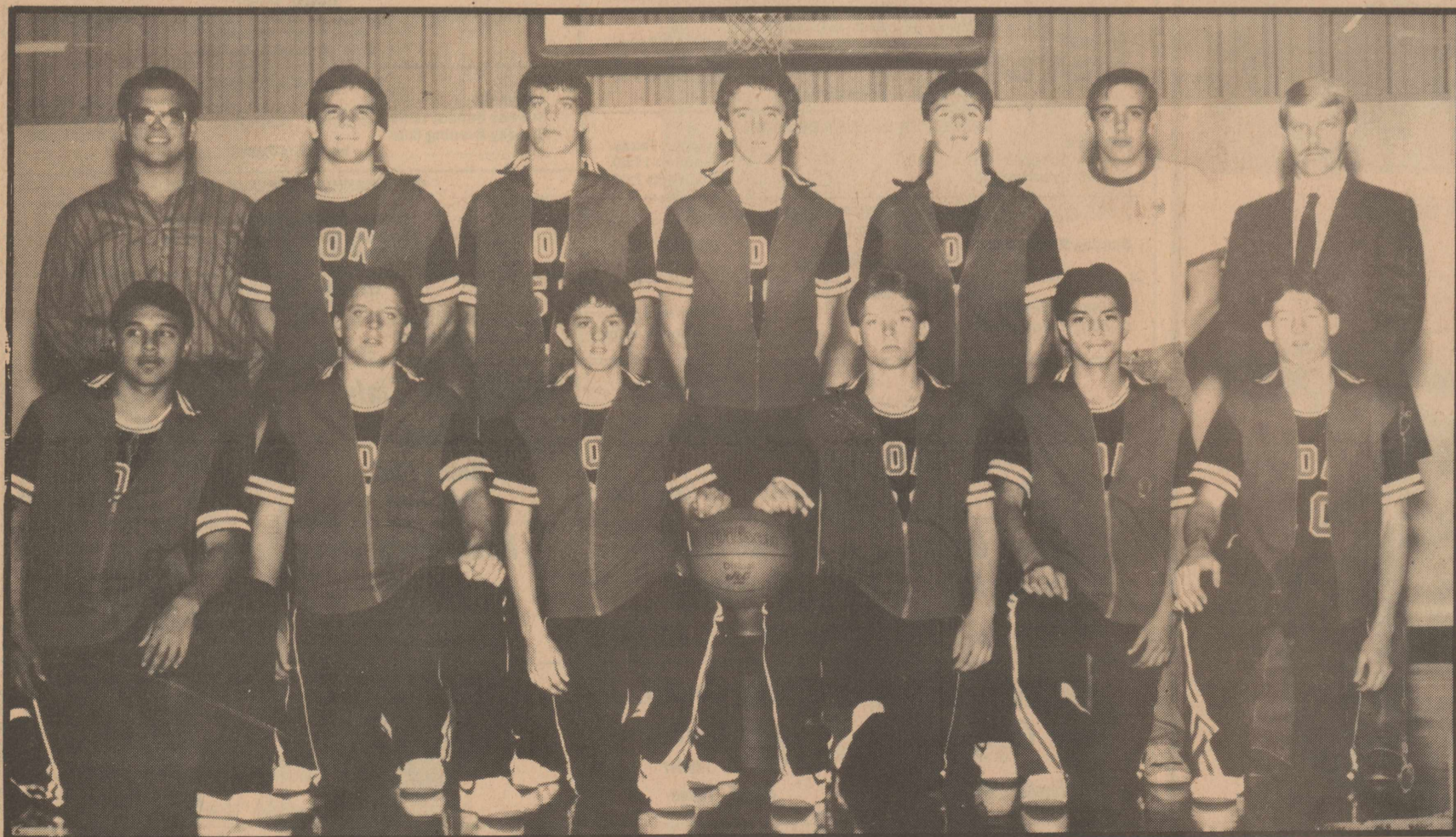
Matthies, Simmons And Thomson On Roby Ballot

Roby residents, providing they liked the representation from the Roby City Commission the past two years, will have the opportunity to elect the same three individuals for an additional two year term.

Officially, Mayor W.C. "Carl" Matthies and Commissioners Murray Simmons and

Melvin Thomson, have made application to have their names placed on the ballot for re-election. The election is April 4, 1987.

The filing deadline was Wednesday, Feb. 18th, at 5:00 p.m., according to Billie Lois Wetsel, Roby City Secretary.



DISTRICT CHAMPIONS: The Roby Lions boys basketball team won District with their victory over Aspermont last week. They end the regular season with a 21-5 record. Team members, left to right: Coach Kent Jackson, Jeff Branson, David VornKahl, Jody

Mauldin, Reggy Spencer, John Cross Manager, Coach Mickey McCarty. Front row, left to right: Jerry Carreon, David Shipp, James Gantt, Jason Terry, Rick Onofre, and Carter Edmondson.

Tax Planning By Richard Rodgers CPA



BUSINESS MEALS AND ENTERTAINMENT (New Rules for 1987)

Only 80% of business meal and entertainment expenses will be deductible effective for tax years beginning after 1986. That means the new rule applies to you as of January 1, 1987, if you are a calendar-year taxpayer, and it applies to you on the first day of your 1987 fiscal year if you are a fiscal-year taxpayer.

Taxes and tips must be included in the total expense before applying the 20% reduction, and any portion of a business meal that is "lavish and extravagant" must be subtracted before the 20% adjustment.

There are exceptions to the 80% rule; that is, in some cases the expense is 100% deductible. For example, employers will still be able to deduct 100% of the cost of food and beverages for employee parties and picnics, small business gifts of food or beverages, and expenses for samples or promotional items for the general public (such as food samples in a supermarket or tickets given to the first 100 customers.)

Where meal and entertainment expense reimbursement is treated as compensation to the recipient, it is fully deductible by the payor. Employers can reimburse employees for 100% of business meal and entertainment costs and take a deduction of 80%. The fully reimbursed employee takes no deduction. During 1987 and 1988, meals that are part of a "qualified banquet meeting" at a business seminar or convention are fully deductible if there's a speaker at the meal, 40 or more people attend, most are away from home, and the cost of the food isn't separately stated.

The new rules apply to all business meals, including those that are part of business travel away from home.

Review the new rules with your accountant and adjust your recordkeeping system as needed. Otherwise, the IRS could lump all expenses into the 80% category and you could miss deductions to which you are entitled.

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The City of Rotan is inviting Bids, from interested bidders, for a 1987 Model Two Ton Cab and Chassis for the Garbage Department. Specifications may be picked up at City Hall. Bid opening date March 10, 1987 at 7:00 p.m. The City reserves the right to reject all or any

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Hospital Board Votes To Pay 100% Of Premium

Fisher County Hospital members of the board of directors voted to pay 100% of the hospitalization premium increase by

Blue Cross/Blue Shield scheduled to take effect next month. The increase in premiums amounts to \$626.85 a month or

\$7,522.20 a year for the approximate 35 people participating in the Blue Cross/Blue Shield hospital insurance program.

Twenty-eight hospital employees are enrolled under the single coverage program. The current premium is \$80.05 and will increase to \$85.07. A total of seven individuals are enrolled under the family program. These pre-

miums will increase from \$205.44 a month to \$218.33 a month. The Fisher County Hospital currently pays the first \$45.00 a month in hospital insurance premium for employees. The program has been costing the hospital

\$1,575.00 per month. After the increase from Blue Cross/Blue Shield takes effect the hospital will contribute \$2,201.85 per month or \$26,422.20 annually to hospitalization. The board voted unanimously to approve paying the increase. One overriding reason seemed to be to offset the fact that hospital employees did not receive a raise recently. Board members did not want employees to be out any additional "out of pocket" expenses.

Funeral Held For Clydisse K. Gladden

Funeral services for Clydisse K. Gladden were held at the First Baptist Church, Saturday, Feb. 14th with the Revs. Wayland Boyd and Bill Penland officiating.

Burial was in the Eunice Cemetery under the direction of Griffin Funeral Home. Mrs.

Gladden died at noon Thursday at Lea Regional Hospital. She was 76.

She was born in Rotan, Texas. She married Herman D. Gladden Nov. 24, 1929 and moved to Eunice in 1941. She was a member of the First Baptist Church. She is survived by her

husband, Herman D. Gladden; two sons: Donald Gladden of Eunice and Mike Gladden of Ruidoso; three daughters: Pat Woodell of Eunice; Lou Neil Hardin of Jal and Billie Brown of Norman, Okla.; ten grandchildren; fifteen great grandchildren; two brothers: Clinton Edwards of Ft. Worth; and Dick Edwards of Rotan; three sisters: Tommie Edwards and Billie Guinnup of Ft. Worth and Margie Overbeck of Seminole. She was preceded in death by one brother, W.T. Edwards of Rotan.

Rotan High UIL Meet

The Rotan High School Math/Science team traveled to Lubbock this past Saturday, Feb. 14 to compete in the Lubbock Monterey invitational meet. A total of 29 class A, AA and AAA schools attended. Rotan students placing were: Todd Gruben (3rd-11th grade

science), Candi Hayes (2nd-9th grade calculator), Jan Posey (1st-11th grade number sense) and Kevin Smith (8th-9th grade calculator). Other RHS students participating were Shannon Boone, Jeff Cave, Randal Clawson and Ester Guerra.



UIL PRACTICE MEET: Front row, left to right: Jan Posey, Todd Gruben, Shannon Boone. Back row, left to right: Esther Guerra, Candi Hayes, Randal Clawson, and Jeff Cave.

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Read Psalm 139:1-12

Even the darkness is not dark to thee, the night is bright as the day; for darkness is as light with thee. —Psalm 139:12 (ASV)

There are scary things out there that will get me. I told my parents after cautiously making my way down the dark stairway and into the living room. "Did you see something that scared you?" my mother asked. "No," I answered, "but since I can't see in the dark, how do I know that there isn't some terrible thing out there?" My parents assured me that they were there to protect me from harm, and soon I fell asleep. Even as an adult, I am sometimes afraid of what I can't see—the future, or the reasons behind my suffering. Yet as I grow in faith, I know that God offers me assurance even greater than that my parents gave. Not only does God love me enough to offer me protection, but I know that in my darkest moments God understands. Whenever I am afraid, I try to remember that God sees through darkness. If I continue to trust, I can have God's peace and the certain knowledge that God will lead me safely through any situation.

PRAYER: Loving God, help me to trust You, even in my darkest moments. Thank You for always being with me. Amen.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 735-3471 Sunday School 9:45 Sunday Eve.-Church Training 6:00 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 Worship 7:00 James P. (Pat) Anderson-Pastor
LITTLE ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 Worship 11:00	Rotan, Texas Wed. Night 7:00 James Carrington-Pastor
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 776-2159 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00 Wed. Night 7:00	Roby, Texas Worship Service 11:00 Worship 7:00 Alvin Petty-Pastor
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH 735-3464 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Eve.-Bible Study 6:00 Wed. Night 7:00	Rotan, Texas Worship 11:00 Worship 7:00 Dutch Parks-Pastor
EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH 735-2478 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Eve. 6:30	Rotan, Texas Worship 11:00 Wed. Night 7:30 Andress Rodriguez-Pastor
SYLVESTER BAPTIST CHURCH 993-4479 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00	Sylvester, Texas Worship 11:00 Wed. Night 7:00
HOBBS BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 Sunday Evening 6:00	Hobbs Community Worship 11:00
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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 776-2308 Sunday School 9:45 Sunday Eve. 5:00 UMYF	Roby, Texas Worship 10:50 Worship 6:00 Wed. Night Choir Practice 7:00 Jim Hawthorne-Pastor
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 Wed. (2nd Wed. in each month family nite 7:00)	Worship 9:30 George Ragsdale-Pastor
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 735-2344 Sunday School 9:45	Sylvester, Texas Worship 9:30 Every 3rd Tues. Evening Community Dinner 6:30 George Ragsdale-Pastor
CHURCH OF CHRIST 735-2344 Sunday School 9:45 Wed. Eve. Bible Study 7:30	Rotan, Texas Worship 10:45 Sunday Evening 6:00 Sunday-Ladies Bible Class 5:00 p.m. Donald Dawes-Minister
CHURCH OF CHRIST 776-2496 Sunday School 10:00	Roby, Texas Worship 10:45 Sunday Evening 6:00 Wed. Night 7:00-Nov.-April 8:00 May-Oct. Wardell Halliburton-Minister
CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE Sunday School Wed. Night Worship	Rotan, Texas 8:45 Lyle Whitmeyer-Pastor Worship 11:00
FOURSQUARE CHURCH 735-2553 Sunday School 10:00 Sunday Evening 6:00	Rotan, Texas Worship 11:00 Wed. Night 7:00 Ira Burns-Pastor
ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 735-3285	Rotan, Texas Sunday Morning 9:00 a.m. Mass Saturday Evening 7:30 p.m. Mass Father Austin Kittredge
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Wendell Morrow Recognized By John Deere Company For Valued Service

Wendell Morrow, the John Deere farm equipment dealer in Rotan, has been recognized by Deere and Company for Farm Tractor and Service, Inc.'s service to customers and its contribution to John Deere's position as the free world's leading supplier of farm equipment.

The dealer recognition was in conjunction with the 150th anniversary celebration of Deere & Company, which was founded in 1837 by pioneer blacksmith John Deere.

Wendell Morrow received a commemorative plaque engraved with a quote from John Deere, "I will never put my name on a product that does not have in it the best that is in me." The plaque also bears the company's sesquicentennial medallion in sculptured brass.

In addition, Ron Schwertner, of John Deere's Dallas branch office presented Mr.

Morrow with a plaque recognizing his 15 years of service as a John Deere dealer. Schwertner said, "These plaques attest to the importance of your contribution as an independent businessman who represents the John Deere name and all it stands for."

Schwertner said the plaques were the com-

pany's way of thanking Mr. Morrow and other John Deere dealers in more than 100 counties for their efforts, "which have maintained Deere's standing as the largest supplier of farm equipment in the free world since 1963."

Farm Tractor & Service, Inc., has been in business since 1971 and employs 14 people.

Rotan Varsity Boys Take Win Over McCaulley 64-55

Rotan Varsity boys defeated the McCaulley Eagles 64-55 in district play. Todd Gruben and Jerry Carter had high scores with 22 points.

Others scoring were Castillo 12, Pittman 2, McClain 2, Whitefield 2, and Garcia 2.

Rotan's record stands 2-5 and 12-11 overall.

Rotan Varsity Boys Lose To Roby Lions 84-62

Rotan Varsity boys were defeated by Roby 84-62 last Friday night. High scorer was Jerry Carter with 18. Others scoring were Gruben 17,

Castillo 12, Almanza 6, Pittman 5, McClain 2 and Whitefield 2.

Rotan ends its season 2-6 in district and 12-17 for the season.

More than 430,000 FFA members will promote FFA, high school agriculture and the food and fiber industry during National FFA Week, February 21-28.

FFA members in 8,000 chapters across the U.S., the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands will organize events and activities to create awareness of and support for high school agriculture and the FFA.

FFA activities and programs will be promoted by FFA members and through public ser-

vice announcements on the local, state and national levels. This year's theme is "FFA-Leaders for the New Fields of Agriculture," with emphasis on "Excellence Made in the FFA."

High school agriculture classes stress hands-on practice in many diverse areas of agriculture, and FFA activities provide leadership development, communications training and award incentives for these young people.

Kevin Eblen, national FFA president from Creston, Iowa, said FFA

Week is the chance for members and communities to recognize the achievements and activities available through FFA and high school agriculture.

"We're proud of this commitment to young people and agriculture. As FFA members, and students in agriculture classes, we are receiving the business, science and leadership skills we need to prepare for the diverse and challenging careers in agriculture," Eblen said.

Each year FFA Week is held during the week of George Washington's birthday to recognize his leadership and commitment to American



RECEIVES AWARD: Ron Schwertner, John Deere branch office, presented a 15 Year Service Plaque to Farm Tractor and Service owners last week. Accepting, left to right: Wes Morrow, Mayrene Morrow, Mrs. Arvin White. The presentation was made during the annual John Deere Day celebration.

TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Texas Veterans Commission lost an esteemed colleague and friend, and the veterans of the State of Texas a dedicated representative, with the death of Justin Morrow, a former Commission member, on January 14, 1986; and

WHEREAS, Justin Morrow demonstrated exceptional ability, service and devotion during his service as a member of the Texas Veterans Commission; and

WHEREAS, As a member of the Commission from August 12, 1963 to March 12, 1976 during which time he filled his post with intelligence and distinction, with a mind for the business of the Commission and a heartfelt concern for humanity; and

WHEREAS, He gained the confidence and esteem of veterans, and their dependents through demonstrating a personal interest in their problems, and through his untiring efforts on their behalf, and his competent planning and ability to promote the development of veterans' programs; and

WHEREAS, Justin Morrow's service as a Post and State Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and his service as a city councilman and Mayor of Rotan, Texas demonstrate both the high esteem in which he is held by his friends, neighbors and comrades and his dedication to the good of his community and State; and

WHEREAS, Justin Morrow's death is a deep loss to his family, his friends and many colleagues, and his exemplary service to his State and community will long continue to inspire all those who had the honor of knowing this outstanding gentleman; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Texas Veterans Commission pay tribute to Justin Morrow for the significant contribution he made during his lifetime toward the goal of rendering a real and tangible service to Texas veterans, their dependents and survivors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Members of the Texas Veterans Commission acknowledge with profound appreciation, the outstanding manner in which Justin Morrow fulfilled his duties to all his fellow citizens and especially to the veterans of this State, and that a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of his family as an expression of respect and deepest sympathy from the Texas Veterans Commission.

In official recognition whereof, we hereby affix our signatures this 8th day of February 1987.

John C. McKeown
Chairman

Candace L. B. Blandford
Executive Director

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Pastor's Column

By Rev. Steve Peace, Pastor
First Baptist Church, Rotan

"WHAT GOD DOES"

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First of all, he tells us, what God does is permanent, it will remain forever. God does nothing out of shallowness, or superficially. He does not glue anything together. His work is solid. It has substance. It has staying power. It will last tomorrow and for an eternity of tomorrows.

Secondly, what God does, is thorough and complete. Nothing can be added to it and nothing can be taken from it. It is never too little or too late. It is never too much, or too early. There is never anything missing. We casually comment on what man does, but we stand in awe of what God does! Whatever God does, demands our respect.

When God loves, He is doing some of His best work. God's love is permanent. It lasts forever! It is also thorough and complete. Nothing needs to be added to it and nothing can be taken from it! God loves us so much, He was willing to send His only Son to die for us that we might have eternal life. We do not casually comment on that kind of love. We stand in awe of it!

Accept what Jesus did for you on the Cross. Invite Him to come into your life and save you today. Experience what God does best. Experience God's love!

Randall Sparks Awarded MSA Designation

Randall H. Sparks of Rotan, has been awarded the highest professional designation granted by the National Association of Master Appraisers, according to Dr. Marvin T. Deane, the National President.

The designation Master Senior Appraiser (MSA) was conferred after completion of all the qualifying procedures of the organization. Requirements include intense educational courses in appraising and residential, farm and land and commercial property, and

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cellence in the art and science of real estate appraisal. It also encourages specialized education in real estate appraisal through cooperating schools, to provide the industry with fundamental courses, educational seminars, and workshops. Such educational courses are designed to insure the public will have qualified real estate appraisal services dealing with real estate transactions.

Randall also holds the Master Farm & Land Appraiser (MFLA) designation. He is currently an associate of Sparks & Associates, Inc., Certified Appraisers in Sweetwater.

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Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Doug Weathersbee of Rotan.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Glen Shirley of Sweetwater.



JUSTICES ATTEND SEMINAR: The above three Justices of the Peace attended a 40 hour seminar held in Austin in January. Left to right: George Rhoads, Old Glory, Stonewall County; Marie Van Loon, Rotan, Fisher County, Precinct 3; and Carl Griggs, Stamford, Jones County.

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Legal Notice

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 2nd day of February, 1987 by the Clerk thereof, in the case of ROTAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VS. CLARENCE CONNER Cause No. 3978 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 a.m. on the 3rd day of March, 1987 which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the door of the Courthouse of said Fisher County, in the City of Roby, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

Tract I: Being Lots 4 and 5 in Block 122 of the

Original Town of Rotan more fully described by Deed in Volume 348, Page 327 and Page 400, Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 2nd day of February, 1987, as the property of Helen Ruth Conner, 402 W. Sherman, Rotan, Texas, 79546; Clarence Conner, if living;

To satisfy a judgment amounting to \$2,050.38 with interest from the 22nd day of August, 1985 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 February, 1987.

Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff Fisher
County, Texas
52:3tc

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Tract I: Being all that certain Lot 9 in Block 55 of the Original Town to the City of Rotan, Texas, and being

more fully described by that deed of record in Volume 345, Page 286, Deed Records of Fisher County, Texas.

Levied on the 2nd day of February, 1987 as the property of Joe T. DeLeon, c/o American National Insurance, 3000 W. 27th Street, Amarillo, Texas, 79101; Tina DeLeon, 2612 10th Avenue, Canyon, Texas, 79015 to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$1,404.39 with interest from the 2nd day of October, 1986 at 10 per cent, per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of CITY OF ROTAN, ET AL;

Given under my hand this 2nd day of February, 1987.

Mickey A. Counts
Sheriff Fisher
County, Texas
52:3tc

Legal Notice

TO THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF ROBY, TEXAS Notice is hereby given that the polling place listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on April 4, 1987 for voting in a City Election, to elect a Mayor and two City Councilmen.

Fisher County Courthouse Absentee voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Roby City Hall between the hours

of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on March 16, 1987 and ending March 31, 1987.

Application for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Billie L. Wetsel, Box 147, Roby, Texas, 79543.

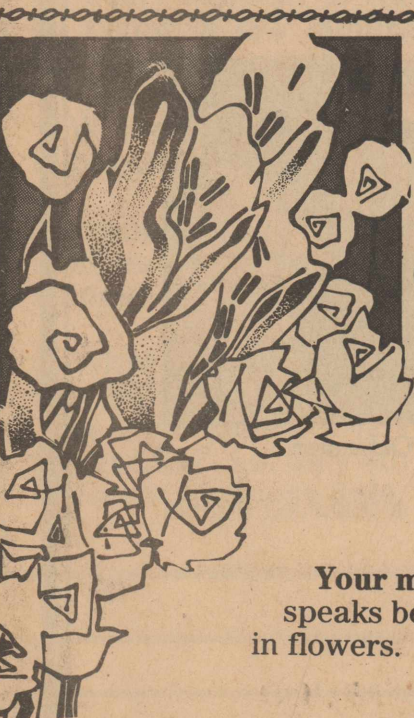
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F.C. Nursing Home News

We really enjoyed the fish two weeks ago. The Volunteer Firemen fried fish for all the residents. We want to thank Benny Reaid and Ivin Martin for bringing us the fish.

Janie Cabello is our Employee of the Month for February. Janie lives in Roby and has worked as a 3-1 nurse aide for about six months.

Our bingo winner two weeks ago was Minnie Porter. Last week it was Nellie McGuire.

We had a very nice Valentines Day Party Saturday. All the residents looked so nice and most of them were in the dining room for the party. Thanks to Eva Carrion, Diana

Presley and Birtha Griffin for dressing them up. Also to Mary Williams, Lucy Daniel, Henry Williams, Tina Trejo, Scott Toliver, Carmen Ochoa, Ofelia Trejo, and Christy and Selina Garcia for their help.

Dr. and Mrs. H.B. Greeves, pastor of the Trinity Church in Sweetwater and Lois Scherwitz from Roby and Jerry visited Sidney Staas. Leonard and Ann Kinsey from Onlaska, Texas took Mrs. Addie Kinsey to Sweetwater Sunday for dinner and riding around. Also Stella Goodwin and Netty McDaniel visited Mrs. Kinsey. Ernest Hammer visited his wife,

Mary Ruth. Nellie McGuire got a very nice Valentine's "surprise". Her two nephews and their wives came to see her. Fred and S. Moore from Colo. and Dr. and Laquita

Moore from Ropes, Texas are their names. Ray's visitors were Altha Pearce and Mary Libowitz from Anson. Lee and Betty Mauldin visited Mr. and Mrs.

Miers. Roy Cummings visitors were Carole Green, Ginger Green, and David Cummings. Dess Roberts has many visitors some that signed are Robin and Karla, Trudie Underhill, Minnie Nolen, Scott and Ramona, Dorothy, Bill, Mike and Joe Boyd, and

Elden Lee Miller from Odessa. Dan and Jean Brazee from Hawley visited Elsie Carter. Jewell Branch's and Mrs. Wright's visitors were Judge Bennett and Shanna, Robert, Janet and Ashley Branch and Doris Branch from Aspermont.

Reyna Garcia

Rotan Lunch Menu

Monday: Burritos, buttered corn, green salad, cherry cobbler, milk.

Tuesday: Tacos w/taco sauce, seasoned pinto beans, lettuce & tomato sauce, cornbread, butter, cookies, milk.

Wednesday: Chicken

noodle soup, grilled cheese, vegetable sticks, crackers, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Oven fried steak w/gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, jello, milk.

Friday: Hot dogs w/chili, french fries, pork & beans, cheese wedge, ice cream, milk.

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KUEHLER FLEA MARKET: Feb. 21, 10-5 Sat., 1-5 Sun. New and used items. Booth spaces available. Corner of Aspen and Main, Knox City, Texas. For more information call 1-817-658-3057. 1:2tp

DOUGLASS CATFISH FARM: To open Feb. 14th. Also booking fingerlings for spring delivery. Everything cheaper this year. Sylvester, 915-993-4487. 1:4tc

NOTICE: Full or part time sales representatives needed for Fisher, Nolan, Taylor, Jones, and Scurry Counties. Experience preferred in sales, construction, building materials, paint or related industries. High commissions paid to qualified individuals looking for top \$. Contact Jan at 776-2345. Interviews confidential. 2:1tc

FOR SALE: Massey Ferguson utility tractor, new rubber 576-2278. 2:2tp

WOOD FOR SALE: Call 915-735-3243 or 735-3246. 2:4tc

FOR SALE: 1986 Ford Escort station wagon, diesel, over 50 mpg. A real honey. \$5,000 firm. Call 735-2349 night. 2:1tp

FOR RENT: Small house. New paint, new flooring, very neat and clean. Wanda Murphree, 735-2349. 2:1tp

FOR SALE: Good clean used 1980 Park Avenue Buick. Call 735-2209 after 5 p.m. 2:tc

YARD SALE: 404 E. Forrest, Friday only, Feb. 20. 9-4 o'clock. Lots of clothes, 1 freezer, 1 microwave stand, dishes, misc. 2:1tp

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State Capital Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Feisty Gov. Bill Clements is swinging at Democrats like Davy Crockett swinging "Betsy" at the Alamo.

He must be having a ball. Every Democrat in the Legislature is attacking his plan to write a no-tax budget, and he waves a veto threat around in response like a broken rifle stock.

In the Senate last week, Democratic senators ranging from liberal Gonzalo Barrientos of Austin to conservative Bill Sims of San Angelo took turns giving the official Democratic response to Clements' budget proposals.

Not every Democrat is ready to vote for a tax hike. But lots of oxen are being gored, and the House and Senate leadership are wondering if they can muster the two-thirds in each chamber needed to override a veto.

Speaker Gib Lewis conceded that the Legislature might be hard-pressed to override the veto. The Republicans control over one-third of the House votes.

Bullock's Tax Reform

At week's end, Comptroller Bob Bullock introduced a tax reform plan to raise \$3.3 billion by dropping the sales tax to 4.5 cents while expanding the sales tax base.

Bullock is keeping his plan within Clements' financial perimeters, and so far, both sides are looking to Bullock for the answer.

If Bullock's plan fails, the Legislature may be facing the first partisan legislative bloodbath since reconstruction.

State Income Tax

He's not for it, but Comptroller Bob Bullock surprised everyone last week by telling the Legislature it may as well start talking at the merits of a state income tax.

Earlier, Treasurer Ann Richards told the Senate that unless lawmakers raise taxes, the Treasury will be broke by next year.

Clements criticized her for not telling him

first and didn't give much credence to her prediction.

Rural Impact

Most legislators are bemoaning the proposed cuts to education, an alteration of the HB72 reforms passed under White.

But surprisingly, Clements proposed cuts for the farm and ranch sector. Rural counties across Texas boosted Clements to his wide victory margin, but they didn't expect this.

This is in addition to the reduction Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower is likely to take on his budget.

Agriculture Cuts

The Senate's agriculture expert, Bill Sims, D-San Angelo, put his pencil to Clements' proposal to cut \$26.1 million out of general government, and found that almost 95 percent, or \$24.6 million will be trimmed out of five agricultural agencies.

Sims' Capitol office aide, Laure McLaughlin, confirmed that the sectors ranging from pest control to forestry are under the budget knife.

Legislation Filed

Lawmakers continued to file new bills:

*Speaker Lewis unveiled a new "War on Crime" package that may require a tax hike to address prisoner parole provisions and early release for good time.

*San Antonio GOP Sen. Cyndi Krier's bill would ban cigarette sales to anyone under age 18.

*Austin Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos' bill would require that victims and local law enforcement officers be notified when violent criminals are released on parole.

State of Judiciary

Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice John Hill gave his State of the Judiciary address to the Legislature last week and urged it to switch to a system of appointing

judges, not electing them.

In a rare show of High Court politics, three of his fellow justices called a news conference after his speech to say that eight of the nine justices oppose Hill's plan.

Hill is rapped these days for politicizing the High Court and he stands alone on that issue. He apparently broke precedent by failing to contact the other justices about his speech.

Prisons Close

The Texas prison system kept its doors closed last week to new prisoners because of inmate overpopulation, and lawmakers releasing some inmates early.

Attorney General Jim Mattox is appealing the deadline set by a federal court for Texas to show progress on the issue. Mattox said the state is acting in good faith to comply with orders.

Other Highlights

*Clements said he will seek President Reagan's support for a tariff on imported oil, and believes a reversal is possible.

*Texas Democrats got a little hot over Houston for the national party convention.

Dallas Congressman John Bryant went so far as to call it "another outrageously stupid decision by the national Democratic Party leadership," meaning chairman Paul Kirk, a former Ted Kennedy aide.

Funeral Services Held For Bessie Joe House

Bessie Joe House was born May 11, 1901 at Sherman, Texas. She was the daughter of Rebecca Ann and Charlie Bradford. Mrs. House moved to Rotan in 1950 from Sweetwater and was employed

as a sales clerk in Dry Good Stores. She had been a Baptist since 1917 and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Rotan. She married William C. "Bill" House July 31,

1955 at Durant, Oklahoma. He died December 3, 1976. Mrs. House was also a member of the Rebekah Lodge and the V.F.W. Auxiliary.

She died Monday, February 9th, at Fisher County Hospital after suffering a heart attack at her home early Sunday. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 11, at First Baptist Church

with Rev. David Bugg of Pecos and Rev. Steve Peace of Rotan officiating. Burial was in the Belvue Cemetery of Rotan under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Besides her husband, Mrs. House is preceded in death by a son, Collin W. Bookout.

She is survived by a daughter-in-law, Dorothy Bookout of Dallas; a grandson, Dr. David Bookout of Dallas; two great grandsons, Mike and Randy Bookout of Dallas.

Pallbearers were Richard Floyd, Kaufman Florida, C.A. Taggart, Andrew Williams, William Duke, and John Edd Reed. Honorary Pallbearers were Lee Rasberry, and W.E. Hale.

Rotan Nursing Center

We had our Valentine Party Friday night and our Valentine King is Gerald Finch and our Queen is Nancy Bagwell. We had a lot of family members to attend and several of our staff members were here to help with our party and visit with the residents and families.

Mr. Finch's family and the kitchen staff made cookies for us and we had fruit punch to go with them. We would like to thank everybody that helped with the party and also Mary Singley for the cup cakes she made for the residents.

Lora Cleveland

Roby Varsity Girls Lose To Jayton

The Roby High School girls basketball team, with a 5 point loss to Jayton last Friday night, had to settle for runner-up district champs in District 18A.

They played Ira last Tuesday night. Depending upon the outcome of that contest, Roby will either be eliminated from the playoffs if they lost or will play the winner of the Paint Creek, Knox City game later this week.

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News From Down South

By Bertha Warren

Hello from down South.

Well, guess our pretty weather is over with for the next few days, but we have to remember this is still February, so we should have more bad weather before Spring.

The Quilting Club met Thursday, Feb. 5th at the Claytonville/Capitola Community Center. Those attending were May Rogers, Noma Toland, Erna Lee Jones, Wanda Justiss, Vivian Peacock. Some of the ladies could not come because of the wet weather we had. The next meeting will be on the 19th.

Ken and Wanda Justiss have talked with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer that have moved to North Carolina and reported they are getting settled in and are enjoying getting acquainted with their new surroundings.

Carol and Lena Hodges attended the memorial services for Lena's brother-in-law Ralph Joseph, in Mineral Wells on Tuesday, Feb. 10th. He had surgery Friday in Ft. Worth and was still in I.C.U. when he passed away. Burial was in California. He is survived by his wife, Faye, one daughter of Calif., two stepsons, Dale and Brent Scott of Mineral Wells.

Carol and Lena traveled to Robert Lee for the local Holiday Rambler rally Thursday and returned to Sweetwater Saturday. Then home Monday. Their grandson, Larry Healer, had surgery on his nose Tuesday in Abilene. Larry had broken his nose in a ball game earlier.

Clair Kidd returned to her home from the Holiday Retirement Center Feb. 7th and was taken to the Rolling Plains Hospital on the 12th. She is improving and we hope she will be able to come home soon.

Robert, Melanie and Brittany Ann Morgan of Graham spent the weekend with Bobby and Frances Morgan.

Willis McCain of

Sweetwater had surgery Friday at Rolling Plains Hospital. He has returned home and we hope he continues to improve.

Mary Etta O'Donald met Ben and Edith Ashlock and Carrie McCain of Abilene Saturday in Sweetwater and they all went to the hospital to visit Willis.

Circle O'Donald spent the week with Don

and family in Brad, then Mary Etta went down on Saturday and they returned on Sunday. They had talked to their son Ronnie in Pennsylvania where he is working on a job and he said he was sure experiencing some cold weather.

George, Carolyn, and Allen Ogden of Brownwood and Greg, Becky and Tyler of Midland spent the weekend with Ed and

Ollie Ogden. The men went hunting for awhile on Saturday. They all returned home Sunday.

Wayne and I traveled to Casper, La., to visit Paul and Sheila and children. We attended church with them Wednesday night and met so many nice people. We don't get the opportunity often to hear Paul preach so we sure did enjoy the services. Erna Lee Jones went with us as she has a granddaughter living in Ruston not far from Casper. Her granddaughter is Gwin and David Herrin and they have a three month daughter that great grandmother had not seen. Gwin and David has a two year old son also. We spent some time in Kaufman visiting Dale and Oleta King. Was nice seeing everyone again. Wayne got to go fishing and they even caught a few. We went to Snyder Sunday and attended the chili and bean dinner with Steve and Tachi and girls at the St. Elizabeth Church. The food was delicious and after lunch Steve and Tachi and I went to Western Texas College to see the Texas Ranger exhibit. It was very interesting.

Alma Blythe reports her son-in-law Bobby Hall, had kidney surgery about 10 days ago and is doing fine now. Bobby and Peggy live in Temple, Texas.

That's all for this week. Sorry, I missed last week. Call and let us know what's going on in your world.

Funeral Held For Darrell Underhill

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8th at First Baptist Church in Rotan for Darrell Underhill, 56, of Rotan, who died early Saturday morning at Methodist Hospital at Lubbock. Officiating was Rev. Steve Peace, the pastor. Burial was in the Belvieu Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Mr. Underhill was born August 23, 1930 at Rotan. He was the son of Lillie Mae and Percival Underhill. He graduated from Rotan High School and served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He married Tommie Smith, April 2, 1976 at Rotan. They lived West of Rotan where Mr. Underhill operated his farm. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

He is preceded in death by a brother and a sister.

He is survived by his wife, Tommie of Rotan; two daughters: Kip Underhill of Austin and Donna Hargrove of Rotan; two sons: Dan Smith of Paramount, Ca., Clay Smith of Sweetwater; one

brother: Preston Underhill of Denver City; one sister: Dorothy Boyd of Hurst and six grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Joe Morrow, Mark Brown, Clay Helms, Dan

Park, Reggie Stinson, E.W. Cade, Jr., Wayne Harris and Joe Dale Burk. Honorary Pallbearers were Charles McCall and Wendell Morrow.

S.S. Representative Sets New Times For Interviews

The Social Security representative who visits Rotan on the first and fourth Tuesday of each month uses a room in the Rotan City Hall to conduct interviews. It has become necessary for the City Hall to be closed and locked from 12:00-1:00 p.m. each day. Since the Social Security representative must be at another location by 1:30 p.m., all Social Security inter-

views must be completed by 12:00 noon.

In order to allow more time, the representative will arrive by 9:15 a.m. If he finds that he will still not be able to interview everyone before 12:00, he will advise everyone as early as possible to avoid unnecessary waiting. Any remaining business can be done on the next trip, by telephone with the Abilene office, or by visiting the Abilene office or another town. On the fourth Tuesday of each month, the representative will be in Roby in the afternoon.

The Abilene telephone number is 698-1360. The address is 142 S. Pioneer, Abilene, Texas, 79605.

Every effort will be made to give the same level of service that we have given in the past.

Rotan Varsity Girls Lose To Roby Girls

Rotan Varsity girls lost a close game last Friday night to the Roby Varsity girls. Rotan girls were defeated 46-49. Leading the Lady Hammers was Evette Gruben with 21 points. Others scoring were Bennett 9, Powell 6, Stinson 5, Garcia 3 and Boone 2.

Rotan ends its season 3-5 in district and 17-8 overall.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

I have been in business in Sweetwater for over fifteen years and over the years have made a lot of friends and customers from the Roby-Rotan and surrounding communities. These people have raised some fine children (as one can see from reading your newspaper).

I just wanted to express to these kids a feeling that I have gotten every day for about the last two weeks for

the many thank you cards we have received from them for our contribution to your local livestock show. I venture to say, everyone who had a project has sent us a card and I really appreciate it.

I feel really good about these young people and I want them to know that I am proud of them, as I am sure the whole community is.

Sincerely,
Peggy Lofton
(Mrs.) K.W. Lofton

Rotan Chamber Of Commerce FEEDBACK

The Rotan Chamber of Commerce solicits your feedback. It would like for every resident of Rotan to assist by taking a few minutes to answer the following questions.

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2. Would you like to see more businesses for your shopping convenience? (Yes) (No)
3. What activities would you like to see the Rotan Chamber of Commerce host or become actively involved in? (Please list - i.e. July 4th Celebration, Midnight Madness Sale, Rodeo, Etc.).

Return To:
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Box 75
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The family of Joe House wishes to express their gratitude for all the kindnesses extended to us during the time of her illness and death.

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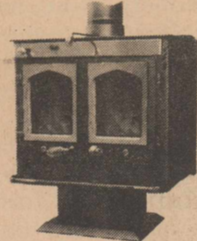
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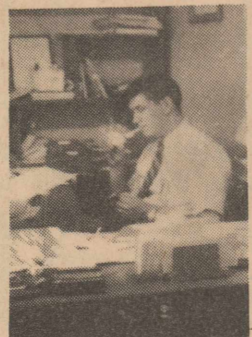
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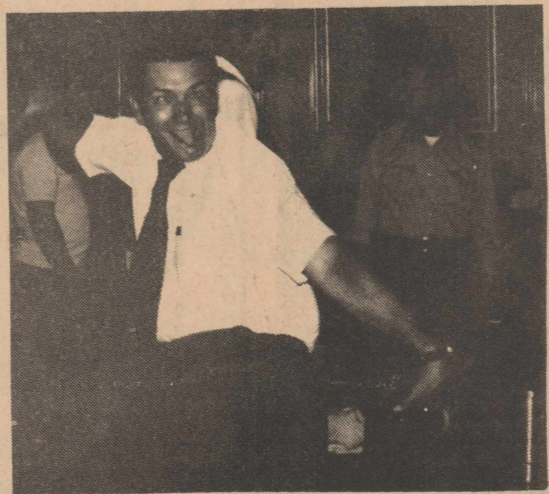
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FISHER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

ADMISSION AND DISMISSAL POLICY

The administration of Fisher County Hospital District wishes to advise the Medical Staff and the admitting office that it is the policy of this hospital, that referral of patients for admission may not be on the basis of race, color or national origin.

Because of strict budgetary requirements and applicable Federal laws, certain requirements have been set up for admission and dismissal of patients.

EMERGENCY or OUT-PATIENT VISITS:

There will be a minimum charge of \$30.00 for use of the emergency room when a case is attended by hospital personnel. Drugs and supplies that are used will require the appropriate additional charges. The emergency room fees are due and payable at the time the service is rendered. If the patient wishes the hospital to file a claim with his/her insurance carrier, he/she must submit the policy name and numbers and sign the necessary claim forms with the insurance clerk, at this time, or the next working day, but the Hospital accepts NO assignment of insurance coverage, for emergency or out-patient services. Should the insurance carrier pay the hospital, the business office shall reimburse the patient the amount the insurance has paid.

Should the patient NOT be able to pay the full amount for emergency or out-patient services at this time the patient or a person legally responsible for the patient shall be required to sign a "Promissory Note" delineating how the bill is to be paid.

OUT-PATIENT DIAGNOSTIC STUDIES:

Fees for Out-Patient Diagnostic Studies are due and payable at the time the service is rendered. If the patient wishes the hospital to file a claim with his/her insurance carrier, he/she must submit the policy name(s) and number(s) and sign the necessary claim form(s) at this time, with the insurance clerk, or the next working day, but the hospital accepts NO assignment of insurance coverage, for Out-Patient Diagnostic Studies. Should the insurance carrier pay the hospital, the business office shall reimburse the patient the amount the insurance has paid.

Should the patient NOT be able to pay the full amount for Out-Patient Diagnostic Studies, at this time, the patient or a person legally responsible for the patient shall be required to sign a "Promissory Note" delineating how the bill is to be paid.

IN-PATIENT ADMISSION FOR PATIENTS WITH INSURANCE:

Upon referral of a patient for admission to the hospital the patient or a person legally responsible for the patient shall present to the business office with the appropriate insurance policy name(s) and number(s) where the admitting clerk shall verify coverage(s) and applicable deductible(s). The appropriate deductible(s) is due and payable at the time of admission.

Should the patient NOT be able to pay the full amount of the deductible, at this time, the patient or a person legally responsible for the patient shall be required to sign a statement that they do indeed accept responsibility for this patient's admission and charges to be credited to the patient's account.

Upon dismissal of the patient the patient or a person legally responsible for the patient shall present to the business office at which time all charges will be accounted. The dismissal clerk shall deduct that portion of the bill that the insurance company can reasonably be expected to pay and this portion shall be filed with the insurance carrier. The patient's portion of the bill is due and payable at the time of dismissal.

Should the patient NOT be able to pay the full amount of the patient's portion of the bill at this time the patient or a person legally responsible for the patient shall be required to sign a "Promissory Note" delineating how the bill is to be paid. It should be carefully explained to the patient or a person legally responsible for the patient that should the insurance carrier NOT pay that portion of the patient's bill or any part thereof that this amount then becomes the responsibility of the patient or the person legally responsible for the patient.

Medicare and Medicaid patients will be expected to meet deductibles as set forth in Title XVIII and Title XIX programs, if not already met.

IN-PATIENT ADMISSION FOR PATIENTS WITHOUT INSURANCE:

Upon referral of a patient for admission the patient or a person legally responsible for the patient shall present to the business office whereupon the patient or a person legally responsible for the patient shall be expected to make the following deposits;

- Major surgery will require a \$1,000.00 deposit.
- Minor surgery will require a \$750.00 deposit.
- Maternity case will require a \$750.00 deposit.

A pre-payment plan has been established for maternity and elective surgeries and it's use will simplify admissions at the time of confinement.

Upon dismissal of the patient, the patient or a person legally responsible for the patient shall present to the business office where all charges will be accounted and are due and payable.

Should the patient NOT be able to pay the full amount of the bill the patient or a person legally responsible for the patient shall be required to sign a "Promissory Note" delineating how the bill is to be paid.

BAD DEBTS:

If a patient comes to be admitted for any services and has a debt with the hospital and is not making current payments, the old bill must be paid in full before admission is permitted. They then must meet all of the previously delineated requirements for services.

EMERGENCY ADMISSION:

All of the previously delineated requirements for admission must be met with the exception of an emergency admission. The following is a definition of an emergency admission;

"The patient requires immediate medical intervention as a result of severe, life threatening or potentially disabling condition. Generally, the patient is admitted through the emergency room."

Date 1-26-87

Blenn Copeland
President of Governing Board

Date

James Williams
Secretary of Governing Board

Roby Varsity Boys Take District

The Roby Lions boys basketball team took two victories last week that propelled them to the position of District 18A Champions. They

downed Highland by the score of 57-55 on Friday, Feb. 13th and defeated New Home 84-69 on Monday, Feb. 16th. Four Roby players

scored in double figures in the New Home contest. Jerry Carreon had 16 points; Carter Edmondson had 15; Jason Terry had 16 and Reggy

Spencer had 10 for the Lions. Others scoring were Jeff Branson 5; Jody Mauldin 4; James Gantt 9; Rick Onofre 4; David VornKahl 2 and David Shipp 3.

Roby's boys team will play the second game of the double header in Sweetwater on Tuesday, Feb. 24th for the bi-district championship.

Roby plays at 8:00 p.m., against Loraine while Aspermont and Westbrook battle at 6:30 p.m.

"We would certainly like to see a large crowd at the game in Sweetwater. If we win, we'll probably play Munday on Friday, February 27th in area competition," commented Coach Mickey McCarty.

1987 Farm Programs Certifications

Farmers Home Administration loans, farm storage facility loans and other USDA program benefits, Mr. Atkinson said farmers must comply with sod buster and swampbuster provisions of the Food Security Act.

Under the conservation provisions, a farmer who brings into production a field which is predominately highly erodible land, or who converts wetland to production of an agricultural commodity will be ineligible for any farm program benefit or payment of his or her entire farm or farms. "Producers who have recently cultivated highly erodible land must certify that they are producing the crop under an approved conservation plan," Mr. Atkinson said.

Fisher has about of highly erodible agricultural land, of which acres are existing cropland and acres are wetlands with a medium-to-high potential for conversion to agricultural use, according to Atkinson. "By allowing producers to include crops produced on these acres as part of their base acreage for various farm support programs, we, in effect, would be encouraging increased soil erosion and loss of wetland," the ASCS official said.

Under the Food Security Act, farmers have the following options for highly erodible land, newly converted wetland, or wetlands that they want to convert. They can (1) produce agricultural commodities on highly erodible land without using an approved conservation plan and lose their eligibility for covered USDA programs; (2) produce agricultural commodities on newly converted wetland and lose their eligibility; (3) develop and apply conservation plans that will reduce excessive erosion on highly erodible cropland and retain their eligibility for certain USDA programs; or (4) apply to enroll their highly erodible cropland in the Conservation Reserve if they meet the criteria for the program.

The sodbuster and swampbuster rules are designed to remove inconsistencies between soil conservation goals and traditional commodity program benefits.

Donations Made To Library Fund

Many contributions have been made during this past year to the Memorial Fund for Rotan Public Library, and the Board wishes to thank all those who made donations in memory of their loved ones. These gifts reflect the ongoing concern of the community for the library, and are greatly appreciated. Those persons making donations include: Buck and Polly Denton; J.C. and Mildred McCullough; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kingsfield; Annamae Arnett; Gene Finch; Garland Finch; Mason Warren; Lee Everheart Family; Mr. and Mrs. Morrow Hunsaker and girls; Mr. and Mrs. Darnon Bratton; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Anderson; Joe, Linda and Blake Morrow; Loys and Dorothy Landes; Larry and Beverly Landes; H. and Doris Thompson; Judith Morrow Boyd; Ted Boyd; Jack Aaron; Clay and Marge Fowler; Mr. and Mrs. M.T. Hill; Mrs.

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Hustling Around Hobbs

By Joy Walker

We sure had several warm days last week, but now this week has started off so cold and dreary, and they are predicting some snow and rain tonight (Monday) and tomorrow. Sure do hope that they are wrong. Saturday evening we got a sandstorm with just a little moisture, but the winds were really high and did some more damage in Sweetwater just about the same place as last year. We need some more of those good spring like days, as some of the fields are still very wet and those nice days sure do help.

Morris Hardin from Lubbock spent Saturday night and all day Sunday with his mother, Bea Hardin. Mrs. Sue Medrano and Bea visited with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harrison (Polly Helms) on Friday and ate dinner with them.

J.D. Kincaid got a good report from his doctor in Lubbock, but he still isn't getting out and about very much. We hope that he will soon be feeling very much better.

Mrs. Sara Jara from Ft. Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martinez from Abilene have been here visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Armandariz.

Teressa Ratliff and John Swofford and Trese Ratliff, all from Abilene, spent the day Sunday with the James Ratliffs. Trese is the son of Jim Ratliff and he really enjoys coming out to Rough Creek and visiting his grandparents. Bet they don't spoil him one bit.

Jim and I attended the Highland vs. Rule basketball game on Thursday night which were played at the Rotan gym. Got to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Kincaid, Zach and Megan who are from Highland and with the J. Windle Kincaids.

Saturday Jim and I went to Abilene, and coming back through Sweetwater that evening, the storm hit and almost blew us off the road. Several of those big trucks on Interstate 20 pulled over and waited until the wind abated. In Sweetwater, the wind had blown a

roof off a building and several of their electrical lines were down, also all of the folks in that area were without power. We attended a wedding that night at the Fourth and Elm Church of Christ and luckily all the lights were on in that part of town. The marriage was between Juno Wayne McKinnon and Tammie Ashford; Juno is Jim's great nephew and we got to visit with his mother, Mrs. Sandra (Hillis) McKinnon, and with Jim's sister, Mrs. Iva Lee Hillis and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hillis and Brad, who all live in Sweetwater, also with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hillis who are from Graham. By the time the bride and groom left it was sure blowing and was getting colder every minute. Then Sunday morning the wind blew so hard, I thought it was going to tear the roof off our shed, but luckily that didn't happen. What a stormy day Sunday was, and the fireplace really felt good all afternoon and that night.

Well, not too much news this week; everyone has been staying close to home, and some have had the flu. Take care during this bad weather, and we'll see you next Thursday.

Roby Menu

Monday: Oven steaks, gravy, cream potatoes, buttered peas, hot rolls, fruit.

Tuesday: Barbecue on bun, french fries, salad, chocolate no bake cookie.

Wednesday: Chili beans, spinach, cole slaw, pineapple upside down cake.

Thursday: Pizza, corn, salad, chocolate chip cookie.

Friday: Hamburger, cheese, potato chips, lettuce, tomato, onions, pickles, brownie, fruit.

Pink Ladies Auxiliary Holds Regular Meeting

The Pink Ladies met for their regular monthly meeting Wednesday, Feb. 11th at the Fisher County Hospital. There were five present with a new member, Mrs. Patricia Rains. We want to welcome her to our organization. Bob Harbin spoke to us regarding a reception that is to be held honoring Dr. C.U. Callan. It

will be held on Sunday, March 8th at 2 p.m. in the lobby of the hospital. The Pink Ladies are to be in charge of the refreshments etc.

A memorial was sent to Mr. Ellis in memory of his wife, Ruth.

Our next blood drive was discussed and it will be Monday, March 23rd, from 2 until 6 p.m. Please make plans to give your blood if you are able.

Our next meeting will be March 11th at 10 a.m. and we would like to invite all our members to attend, and anyone who is interested in becoming a Pink Lady.

Palette And Brush Club Holds Meeting

The Palette and Brush Club met Monday, Feb. 16th at the Senior Citizen's Center for an all-day workshop with Mary Alice Connell from Sweetwater.

Members attending included Fay Anderson, Luella Waddell, Billie Coffman, Nan Arnett, June Anderson, Neoma Cauble, Laura Ogden and Sue Medrano.

The next meeting will be with Myrtle Joiner on March 2nd.

F.B.C. Roby To Hold Bible Study

The First Baptist Church of Roby will be having a Bible Study on the book of James. The Bible Study will start Sunday, Feb. 22nd.

Dr. H.K. Neely of Hardin Simmons will be preaching the study at the regular Sunday morning service at 11 a.m. and the evening service at 6 p.m.

Dr. Neely will continue teaching the book of James, Monday, thru Wednesday, Feb. 23-25, starting at 7 p.m. each evening. Everyone is invited to attend.

F.C. 4-H's Place At San Antonio Show

Fisher County 4-H members placed 5 out of 6 steers at the San Antonio Show held last week.

Ryan Jeffrey placed 2nd in the heavyweight Maine-Anjou class. Todd Matthies placed 12th in the middleweight Limousin class. Rodney Matthies placed 3rd in the heavyweight Angus class. Evette Gruben and Reggy

Spencer placed 4th in the middle and lightweight Angus classes respectively.

Three steers will be sold in the Premium Sale to be held later this week. The steers belong to Ryan Jeffrey, Evette Gruben and Reggy Spencer.

Several 4-H's will be making the Houston trip the first week in March.

Marketing Meeting To Be Held February 23rd

Marketing was identified by Extension Study Groups last year as the number one issue in Long Range Program Planning.

A meeting on cost of production and basic hedging concepts will be

held Monday Feb. 23 at 7:00 p.m. at the Courthouse Cofferoom in Roby.

Delton Gerloff, Extension Economist from Vernon will present the program.

The public is invited.

County Agent News

By Richard Spencer

The Fisher County Result Demonstration Handbook has been completed for some time now. To cut down on postage costs, the Handbook will be available from the ASCS or County Extension Offices. As everyone knows yields were low this year, but all the county varieties are pretty well represented in the handbook. On 8 fertility plots all but one showed a profit on fertilizer. There is information on cotton, wheat, pest management, beef cattle and brush control presented in the handbook.

A copy of the 1987 Statewide Artificial Insemination-Pregnancy Determination Clinics has been received at our office. Costs of the clinics

range from \$150 to \$350. Two will be held in San Angelo, one in June and the other in November. If you need further information give us a call.

**** The Treasury Department projects that the new tax reform law will lose \$800 million in 1988 compared to the previous law.

Gymnastics Meet To Be Held March 14

The DeLeon, Strawn, Gorman Gymnastics teams will be hosting a Acro-gymnastic meet all day Saturday, March 14th at the Gorman High School Gym. Admission is free and all proceeds from the concession stand will go to the teams for equipment and miscellaneous expenses.

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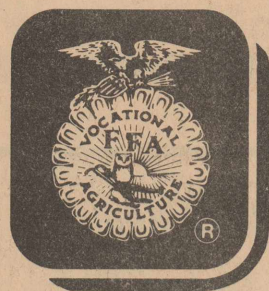
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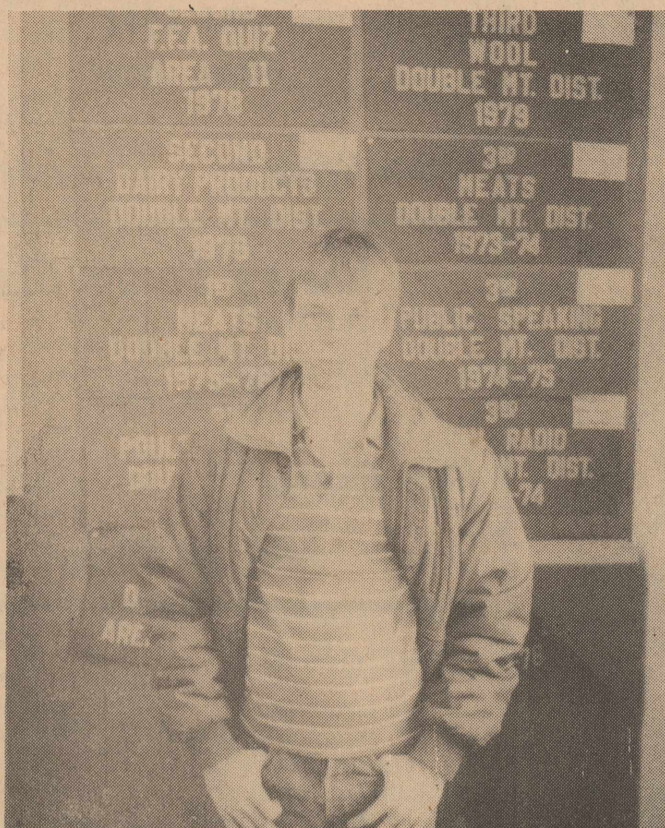
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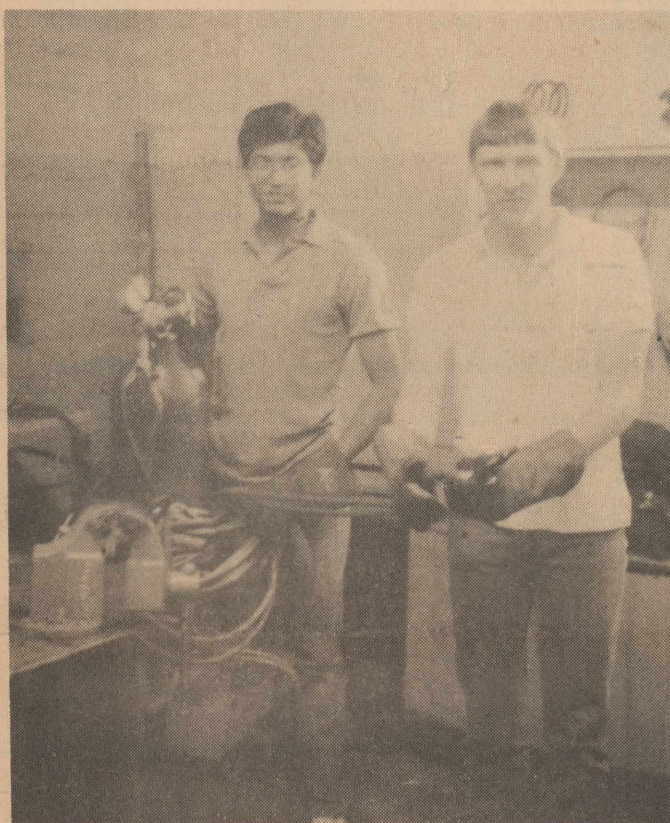
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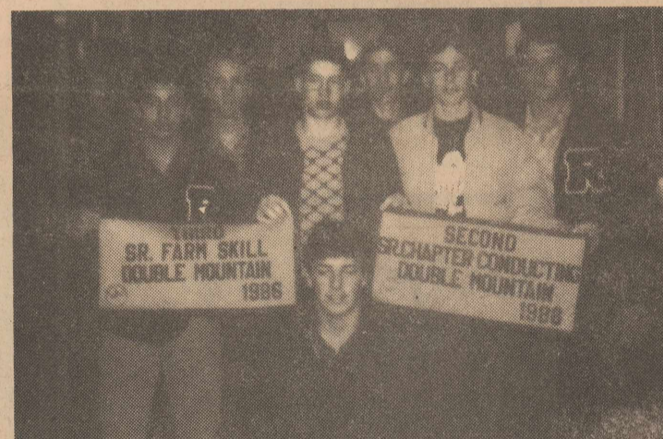
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George Reyes

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Roby FFA Team Travels To Colorado, Aug. 1986: Left to right: Autumn Daniel, Shannon Heflin, Warren Huff, Benny Carreon, Gary Teague, Clifton Terry, Shad Rasco, Heath Dickson. The above were members of the Sr. Ag Cattle Teams.



Sr. Chapter Conducting Team-Roby

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Dicky Knight-Owner
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Wynelle's Beauty Shop

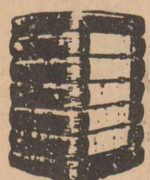
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Roby, Texas

Wynelle Terry & Genia Kiser

Billy Henderson

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Precinct # 2

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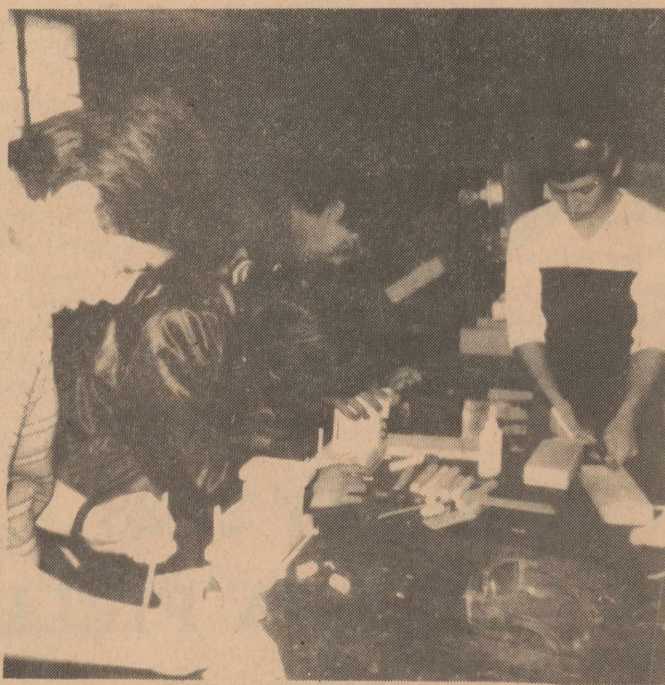
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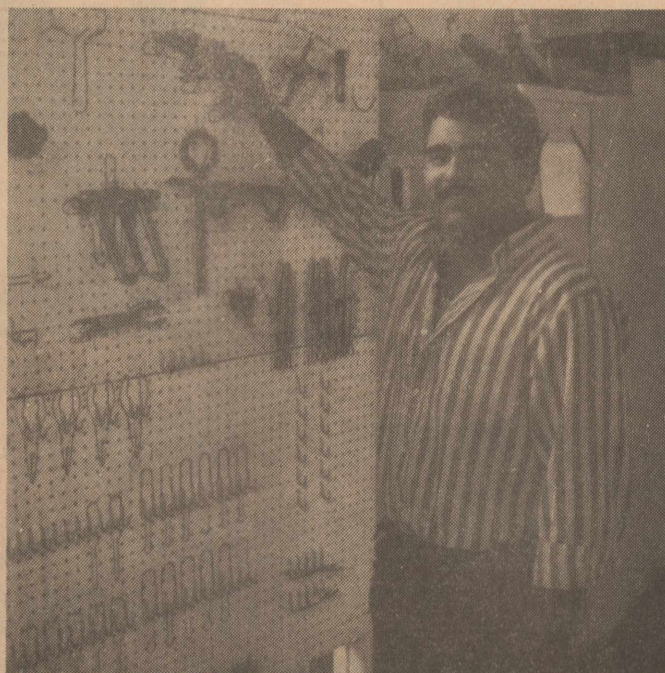
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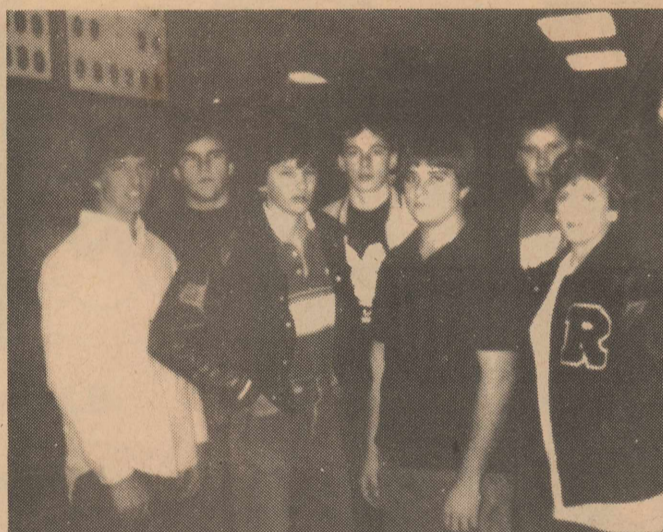
WHEREAS, the FFA with high school agriculture is a strong force for America's agriculture; and WHEREAS, the FFA and high school agriculture are changing to provide training for the new high-tech careers of agriculture; and WHEREAS, members of the FFA are playing an outstanding role in assuring the future progress and prosperity of our nation; and WHEREAS, the FFA motto-"Learning to do, doing to learn; earning to live, living to serve"-gives a direction of purpose to these future leaders of the new fields of agriculture; and WHEREAS, the FFA performs the valuable service of developing leadership, encouraging cooperation, promoting good citizenship, teaching modern information and inspiring patriotism among its members. THEREFORE, I do hereby designate the week of February 21 through the 28, 1987 as FFA Week.
Marshal Bennett



Vo Ag I Woodworking



Jeff Perales



Roby FFA Officers 1986-87: Left to right: Paul Hyer, Treas., Jeff Branson, Sec., Gerry Streety, Vice President, Reggy Spencer, Reporter, Darry Thomson, President, Marlon Terry, Sentinel and Teresa McClure, Sweetheart.



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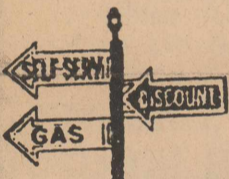
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Bud Guelker-Mgr.
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Roby, Texas

City Grocery & Deli

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Gas, Ice, Deli
Glenda Field-Betty Bruner-Owners
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Johnny Edmondson-Owner
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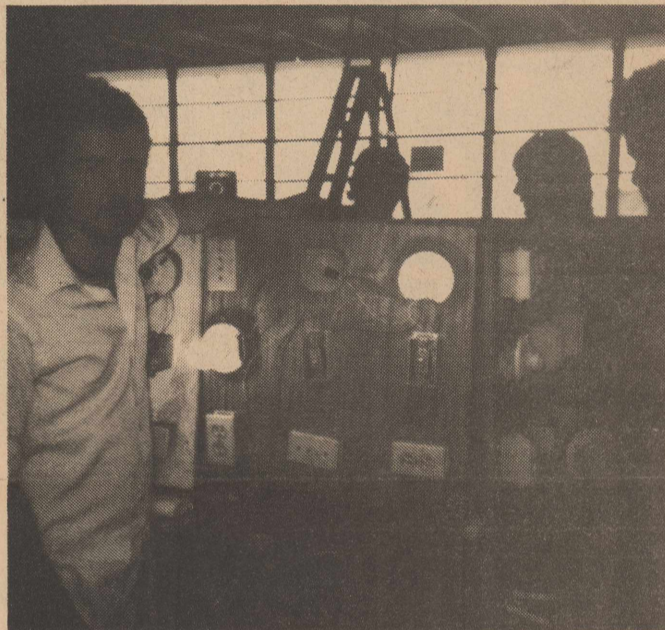


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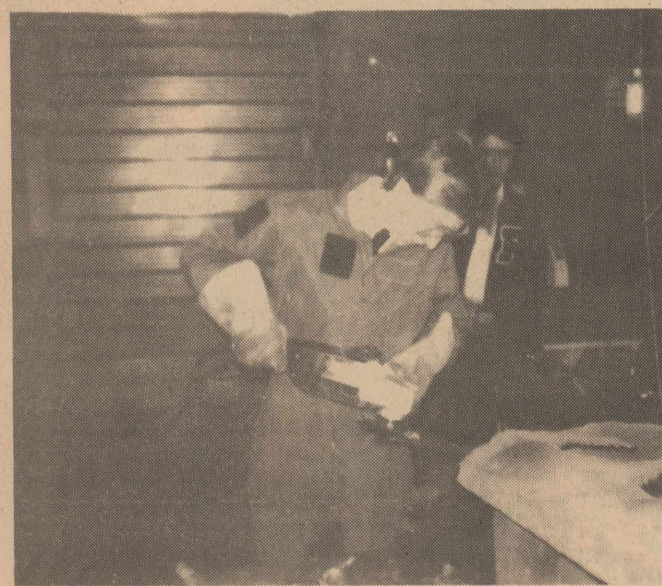


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Rotan, Texas

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Rotan

Gin Company

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735-2217
Rotan, Texas

Fisher County Hospital

& Staff

Gary McGee-Administrator
735-2256
Rotan, Texas

Jimmy Wright

Fisher County Commissioner
Precinct #4

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735-2500
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735-2121
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Fisher County Nursing Home

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Callan Clinic

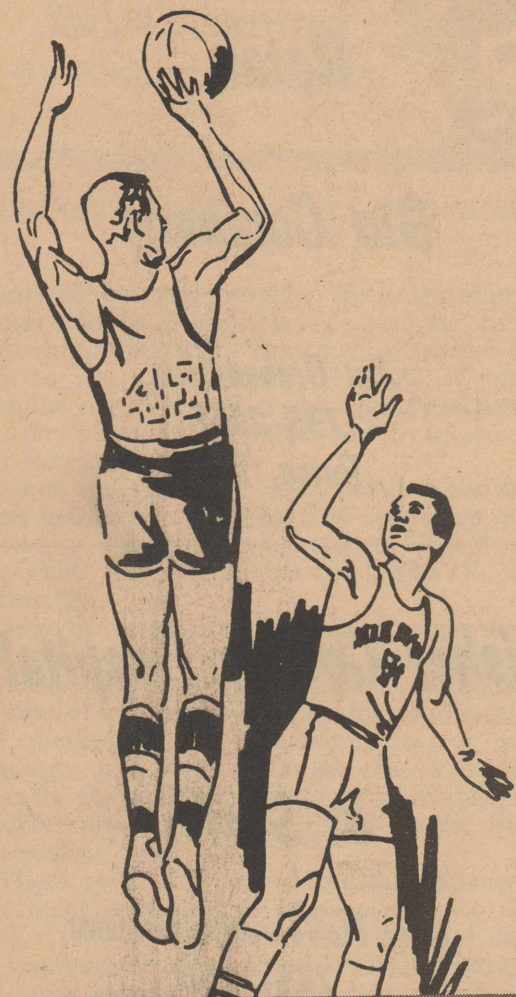
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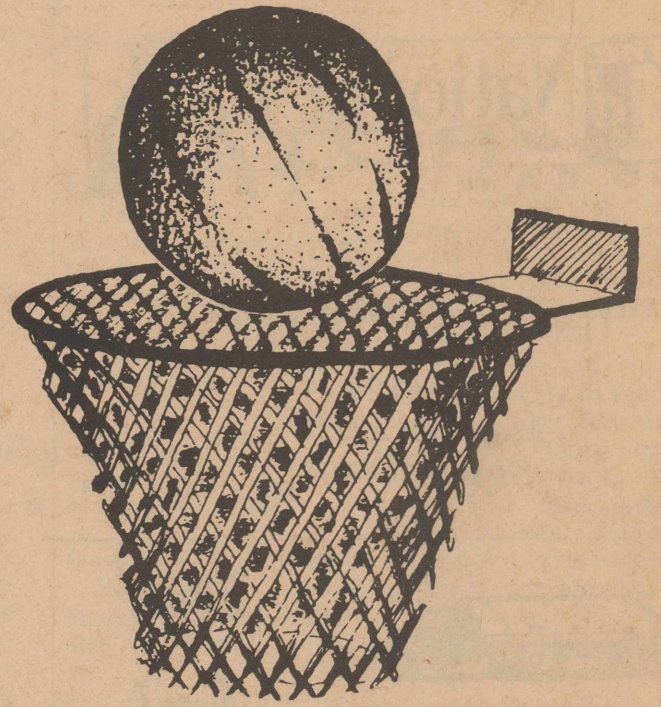
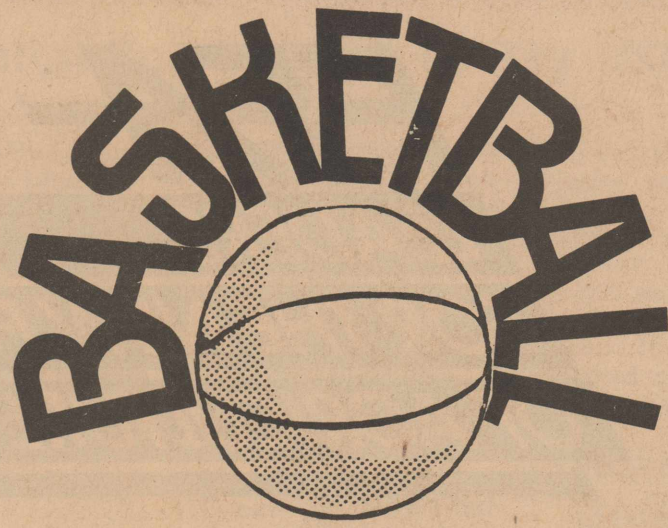
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Weathersbee Funeral Home

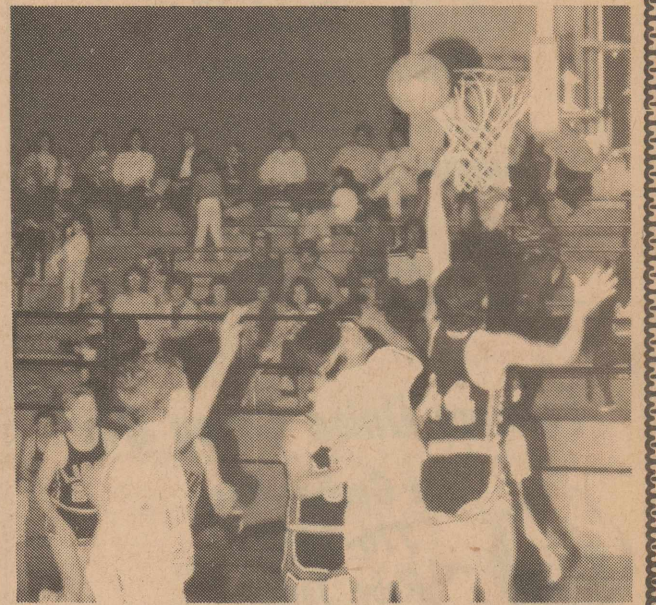
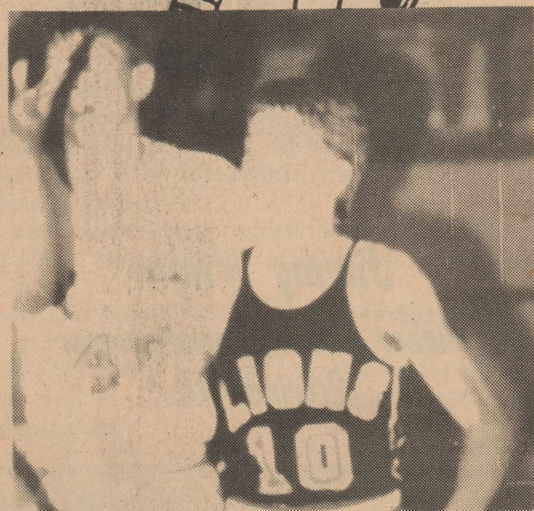
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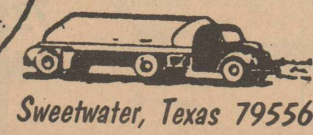
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<p>Big 3 Pork Producers Johnny Edmondson Owner 776-2661 Roby, Texas</p>	<p>Dr. Wayne R. Viehweg Fisher County Doctors' Clinic 735-3611 Rotan, Texas</p>	<p>Silver Spur Cafe Roby, Texas Hwy. 180 Friday-Fish & Shrimp Daily Plate Lunch 776-2744</p>	<p>LADIES and GIRL'S FASHIONS LIZZIE B's EMPORIUM Hand-made, specialty items ELIZABETH BILLINGSLEY, owner Hrs. 9:00 To 5:30</p>	<p>Casa Morales Restaurant "Serving The Finest In Mexican & American Foods" 735-2658 Rotan, Texas</p>
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