

Dr. C.U. Callan Will Be Honored Sunday

By Melody Dawes
Rotan, Texas

Sunday afternoon, March 8th, marks the occasion of the unveiling of a new portrait to grace the halls of the Fisher County Hospital. Dr. C.U. Callan will be honored with a reception from 2-4 in the hospital lobby as guests will have the opportunity to show their appreciation and view his likeness which will find place alongside the portraits of Dr. Wilkerson and Dr. Johnson. Billie Gruben, a member of the Pink Ladies, observed that this occasion is "long over-due" when

considering the impact Dr. Callan has had in the medical development of Fisher County.

It is ironic that our medical history transpired as it did considering that young Chester Callan was not impressed with the medical profession. Watching his father, Dr. Walter Callan, work long, hard hours tending to various physical ailments of patients in four counties, Chester leaned toward the profession of law thinking it would be easier to make a living. However, upon graduation from Abilene Christian Col-

Practicing In Fisher County For 57 Years.

lege in 1925, he decided "that wasn't my dish." Inspired by a chemistry teacher, Chester Callan was stirred to follow the steps of father and an uncle to pursue the field of medicine and entered the University of Texas Medical School at Galveston.

Upon graduation from med. school, Dr. Callan fondly recalls his internship which he

served at Scott-White Hospital in Temple, Texas. At that time the hospital was staffed by Catholic nurses and Dr. Callan remembers "being treated like somebody royal." His devoted wife, Nadine, reflects the same thought in adding that "the interns wives were treated real nice, too." The courtesy extended to them almost kept

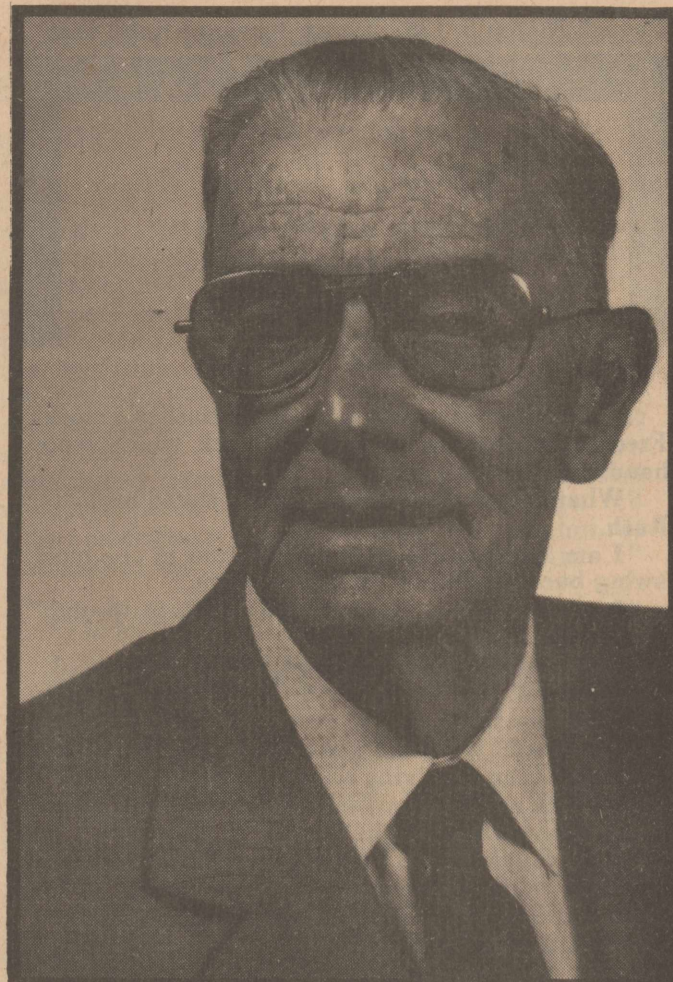
them in Temple as he was offered a position at Scott-White. However, a desire to be more personally involved with his patients and to be a vital part of a growing community prompted him to return to Rotan.

Dr. C.U. Callan returned home in 1930 to start a practice in his father's former office space above a downtown drugstore. Shortly after, he was elected mayor and it was during this period that he so strongly sensed a need for a hospital to serve a growing community and practice. He was unsuccessful in persuading of-

officials to start such a project. However, remembering that his father, who died shortly before Dr. Callan's return to Rotan, always wanted a hospital here, he persisted in pursuing that dream.

Borrowing all the money we could from his life insurance policies and utilizing the help from his wife, brother, mother and father-in-law to secure a loan, Dr. Callan's dream was realized and his father's memory perpetuated. When the first unit of Callan Hospital opened in September, 1938. Nine beds and an operating room comprised the \$30,000 structure.

Over the years, the hospital grew to 50 beds and can boast of 46,000 admissions to the facility. Dr. Callan himself either performed or assisted in over 10,000 operations and delivered well over 2,000 babies in his 50 years plus of practice. In Dr. Callan's own unmethodical way he remarks that "the irony of the whole thing was we were told and warned that all small hospitals would fade away-be closed up." New regulations and departmental requirements forced the closing of the privately owned hospital in the mid 1970's. Then, the facility operated under the name of Fisher County Hospital until 1976 when a new building was built outside of town. The structure now houses Callan Clinic manned by Dr. Maurice Callan and Dr. Bennie LeBleu, along with the public library.



Dr. C.U. Callan



FOCUS ON THE FAMILY: The six part film series "Focus On The Family" has two sections remaining. On Saturday, March 7th-"Adolescence Part 2" and on Saturday, March 14th-"What Wives Wish Their Husbands Knew About Women" and "Straight Talk To Men And Their Wives". The film shows at 7:00 p.m., at the Rotan High School Auditorium and features the addressing of some vital concerns confronting the family unit in today's world by Dr. James Dobson.

CHURCH PAGE SUPPORTERS: We offer our appreciation to the 29 or so new sponsors on the Fisher County Church page this week. The entire page has been re-designed and includes a new weekly religious message from Keister-Williams Advertising in Virginia. We hope you'll use the page and keep it handy for other family members to refer to during the week. Please assist us by keeping us promptly notified of changes in services and in times of respective services. Again, thanks to each supporter of the new Fisher County Church Page.

DOCTOR DUE HONORS: Dr. Chester U. Callan, the dean of Fisher County medical doctors, will be honored by the employees, directors and auxiliary members of the Fisher County Hospital on Sunday afternoon, March 8th between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. The reception honoring Dr. Callan for his many years of dedicated service is open to the public. Stop by and shake the hand of the man that has been tending to the sick in our community forever. His portrait will be added to the "Wall Of Honor" beside those of Dr. J. Frank Johnson and Dr. R.T. Wilkerson.

HOSPITAL BAD DEBTS: There are 124 people owing a total of \$63,588.37 to the Fisher County Hospital. The hospital intends to stay after the past due accounts and is prepared to turn them over to the Justice of the Peace, small claims court for action. I'm just speculating, but this action will probably take a week or so, if you are one of the 124-you have a few days to get the bill paid before the entire matter gets sticky.

IF ELECTED HE'LL SERVE: There seems to be some question as to whether Luther Summers can serve on both the Rotan School Board and Rotan City Council-if elected. Unless I'm mistaken, both governmental bodies have sought legal advice and can't get a consensus opinion. Summers is of the opinion that if he's elected to both positions, they'll have to kick him off one-because he intends to serve if elected.

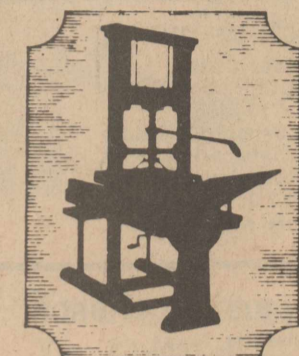
TAKE A BOW: Ben Reaid and Archie Neeley. They are the Rotan Fire Chief and Rotan Fire Marshall, respectively. They are in a no pay job-the only pay they receive is the satisfaction they get from serving their fellow man. Why not make it a point this week to mention to each that you appreciate the job they do. You'll feel a lot better and so will they.

CONGRATULATIONS ROBY LIONS: Nothing to be ashamed of-you guys put up a good fight and that's what matters in the end. Munday was bigger, faster, quicker and clearly deserved to advance to the next level. On that night-Roby's Lions were just not "on their game". We appreciate the effort of every player, coach and fan-you represented Fisher County well. Coach Mickey McCarty keeps on winning-he'll be back next year with another good team.

ROTAN COMPUTER COURSE: If you are interested in taking a beginning computer course this summer, let Pat Hamric or Lisa Cade know you are interested. Western Texas College is thinking of offering the course-only if sufficient interest can be shown. If you think you may be interested call 735-3041, before Friday, March 6th.

THAT'S DEDICATION: Terri Morrow, Karen Counts, and Peggy Arnwine, wives of Wes Morrow, Mickey Counts and Alan Arnwine-having finished two years of schooling at Western Texas College are driving to Angelo State University a couple of days a week to further their education and get degrees. All three gals have children and are equally determined to finish college and become teachers. I somehow know we'll be carrying a notice next year that each will graduate.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Take a guess at how many marriages will be saved with the invention of the toothpaste pump.



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County Dominates District 18-A Boys And Girls All District Selections

The All District boys and girls basketball teams for District 18-A was announced and two Roby players topped the list with Most Valuable Player honors.

Cherie Feagan, daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Scott Feagan of Roby, was selected by the coaches of the district as the MVP. She is a junior and the top individual scorer on the 1986 girls team.

Jerry Carreon, son of Alacia Carreon, was tap-

ped to receive the Most Valuable Player honor in the District for boys. He is a sophomore.

The Fisher County players making the girls All-District team were: Cherie Feagan of Roby; Evette Gruben of Rotan; Missy Turpin of Roby; Marcie Stephenson of McCauley; Shanna Bennett of Rotan; Carol Kirby of McCauley and Deena Williamson of Roby.

Fisher County boys on the All-District squad were: Jerry Car-

reon of Roby; Jerry Carter of Rotan; Jason Terry, Roby; Carter Edmondson of Roby; Todd Gruben of Rotan; and Chet Lafler of McCauley.

The full list of team players includes: Cherie Feagan, Roby; Evette Gruben, Rotan; Bobbie Brown, Jayton; Tiffany Bryant, Jayton; Carol Kirby, McCauley; LaShawna Richardson, Aspermont; Marcie Stephenson, McCauley; Tracy Hamilton, Jayton; Missy Turpin,

Roby; Shanna Bennett, Rotan; Deena Williamson, Roby.

Jerry Carreon, Roby; Tyrone Johnson, Aspermont; Doug Smith, Jayton; Andrew Sumner, Jayton; Jason Terry, Roby; Jerry Carter, Rotan; Carter Edmondson, Roby; Ike Mitchell, Aspermont; Todd Gruben, Rotan; and Chet Lafler, McCauley.

Rotan Lions Club Planning Garage Sale March 7th

March 7th, the local Lion's Club will host a garage sale. All items donated should be taken to the club building Friday evening between the hours of 4 and 6 p.m. This sale will run from 8:00 a.m. in the morning till 2:00 p.m. in the afternoon. If you are not able to deliver your items please call Mac Weathersbee at 735-2255 and we will deliver them for you. "Our community has always supported the efforts of the Lions Club and we are thankful for your continued support in this effort," said Don Dawes, publicity chairman.

The definite highlight of Dr. Callan's career was being heralded in an article titled "We Need More Country Doctors" in the October 9, 1948 issue of Saturday Evening Post. This article features Dr. Callan as an example of a dying breed of pioneer doctors willing to serve in small communities.

Dr. Callan's mental scrapbook recalls many memories of his years in practice. He has traveled over every roadway in Fisher County and the surrounding area to assist his patients and care for his friends. He has delivered babies, bandaged wounds, and done emergency surgeries while sharing a personal interest in each and every patient.

Hosting this occasion will be the Pink Ladies. President Betty Carter states they are proud to host such an event to "show our appreciation for all he has done in our community serving us as a physician and so many other ways." The public is invited to attend.

Five In Rotan Race

Five residents of the Rotan Independent School District have indicated their desire to serve as members of the school board.

The election will take place on Saturday, April 4th and two residents will be elected to serve three year terms.

Candidates for the positions are: Luther

Summers, Larry Landes, Joe Morrow, James Warren, and Alva Mercer. Landes and Morrow are both incumbents.

The filing deadline was Wednesday, March 4th. The above list of candidates was the official list as of the close of filing on Tuesday, March 3rd.

Five In Race For Two Roby School Board Spots

The Roby race for two vacant spots on the school board has turned into at least a five person race.

Two new individuals filed last week. They included former board member Richard Gaona, who had to resign when his wife was hired in the

school system, and Thomas Dickson, who has been a candidate for the board in previous years.

Gaona and Dickson will join incumbent Steve Terry and newcomers Becca Frierion and Jan Clark on the ballot.

The five individuals named above were all the official candidates

Roby Boys Basketball Team Defeated At Area

It just wasn't to be. The Roby Lions boys basketball squad after

that had filed for a spot on the ballot through last Tuesday, March 3.

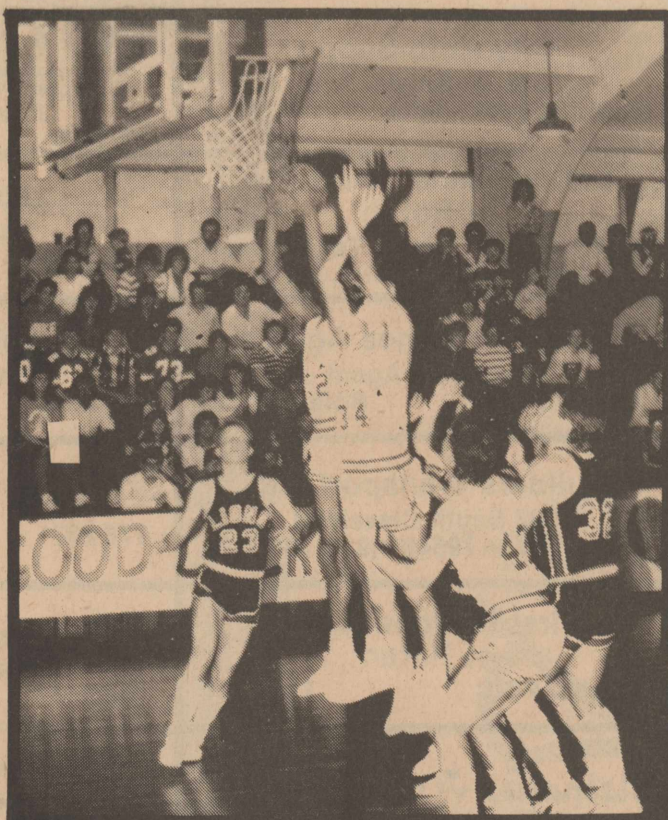
coasting to a 7-1 district record and overall 22-6 record-fell last Friday to the Moguls from Munday.

Roby's hope for an area playoff win was shattered as the Moguls ran up a 72-49 score.

The only Roby player in double figures was Carter Edmondson. He had 17 for the night. Others scoring were: Jeff Branson, 4; Jody Mauldin, 2; Jerry Carreon, 5; James Gantt, 6; Jason Terry, 6; Reggy Spencer, 6; Rick Onofre 2 and David VornKahl 1.



FIRST PLACE TROPHY: The Rotan Girls Track Team captured a first place trophy at the Lubbock Christian Schools meet last Saturday. Team members (Left to right - front row) Coach Danny Diggs, Lori Martinez, Angela Huit, Denise Powell, Cathy Jones and Lori Garcia. Second Row - left to right, Shelley Schooley, Donna Turnbow, Julie Pease, Barbara Williams, Lynette McQueen, Jan Posey, Jeanie Wyrick, Shanna Bennett, Jerri Lynn Boone and Terry Johnson.



CONTROLLING BOARDS: The Munday Moguls dominated the boards last Friday night in the area game with the Roby Lions. Left to right (dark jerseys) - Jason Terry and Jeff Branson.

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Pastor's Column By Rev. Keith Clifton First Baptist Church Sylvester

THE BIG CLOCK

"Tick-tock; tick-tock," went Grandfather's clock. Fred stood looking at the big clock which stood handsomely in the corner.

"What are you looking at Fred?" asked his sister Ruth.

"I am watching that big pendulum in the clock swing back and forth. It never stops."

"It won't stop as long as the clock is wound," replied Ruth.

"I wonder how old this clock is," said Fred. "I can tell you Fred," said Grandfather, looking up from his Bible. It is over 100 years old. My Father bought it while I was a young boy as you are. I used to set in our living room as a boy and watch it swing back and forth myself. That clock has been a good teacher through the years."

"How could a clock be a teacher?" asked Fred. "Well, when I decided to accept Christ as my Lord and Savior, I hesitated because I was afraid I couldn't do enough for Him. I was just a boy and I thought older people were doing more for God than I could. Then I remembered the clock taking one step at a time day after day. I have been living for Christ one day at a time one stop at a time all of my life."

There is one other lesson we may learn from that clock. Just as the clock had to be wound so we must continue to pray, read our Bibles, attend church and witness for our Savior. If we overlook this area of our lives we let our "spiritual clocks" run down.

Weather Awareness Week Proclaimed On March 1-7

Governor William P. Clements, Jr., has proclaimed the week of March 1-7, 1987, as Severe Weather Awareness Week in Texas.

The Governor's Division of Emergency Management in conjunction with the National Weather Service and the Insurance Information Institute, annually sponsors the week to encourage Texans to be aware of the severe weather problems such as tornadoes, floods, flash floods, hail and severe thunderstorms, that can occur throughout our state.

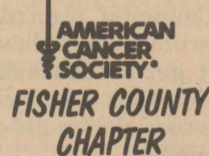
"Last year, there were 131 confirmed sightings of tornadoes in the state—fortunately only a few caused major damage," the Governor said in the proclamation. The Governor urged citizens not to rely on "good fortune" when dealing with unstable weather. "By being aware of the threat of severe weather and knowing proper safety

precautions and procedures, citizens can lower the loss of life, personal injury, and property damage that violent weather brings," he said.

In addition to weather safety information distributed by state, federal, local, private and volunteer agencies, this spring the Division of Emergency Management will conduct exercises in Department of Public Safety Regions 4 (West Texas) and 6 (Central Texas) to help local governments update their emergency management plans while dealing with a realistic severe weather scenario.

7 WARNING SIGNALS THAT CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE... IF YOU SEE YOUR DOCTOR!

1. Change in bowel or bladder habits.
2. A sore that does not heal.
3. Unusual bleeding or discharge.
4. Thickening or lump in breast or elsewhere.
5. Indigestion, or difficulty in swallowing.
6. Obvious change in wart or mole.
7. Nagging cough or hoarseness.



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Rotan, Texas
REV. JAMES CARRINGTON
Sunday School-9:45 A.M.
Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 P.M.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST

Sylvester, Texas
REV. GEORGE RAGSDALE
Sunday School-10:30 A.M.
Worship Service-9:30 A.M.
Every 3rd Tuesday Evening-
Community Dinner-6:30 P.M.

MISSION BAPTISTA CALVARIO

Roby, Texas
REV. ELI SEPEDA
Sunday School-9:45 A.M.
Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening Bible Study-5:30 P.M.
Worship Service 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Night Service-7:30 P.M.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST

McCauley, Texas
REV. GEORGE RAGSDALE
Sunday School 10:00 A.M.
Worship Service 11:00 A.M.
Family Night-2nd Wed. In Month-7:00 P.M.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Rotan, Texas
DON DAWES-MINISTER
735-2344
Sunday School-9:45 A.M.
Worship Service-10:45 A.M.
Sunday Eve.-Ladies Bible Class-5:00 P.M.
Worship Service-6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Evening Bible Study-7:30 P.M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rotan, Texas
REV. STEVE PEACE
735-3471
Sunday School-9:45 A.M.
Worship Service - 10:55 A.M.
Sun. Evening Church Training 6:00 P.M.
Sunday Evening Worship - 7:00 P.M.
Wednesday Night Service - 7:30 P.M.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST

Rotan, Texas
REV. TERRY LOWE
735-2334
Sunday School-9:15 A.M.
Worship Service-10:30 A.M.
Sunday Evening-8:00 P.M.

HOBBS BAPTIST CHURCH

Hobbs Community
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening-6:00 P.M.

MCCAULLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

McCauley, Texas
REV. JAMES BRIGHAM
Sunday School-10:00 A.M.
Worship-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening 6:00 P.M.

Sunday
2 Kings
6:8-17
Monday
Psalm
73:13-28

Tuesday
Psalm
119:89-104

Wednesday
Proverbs
4:1-9

Thursday
1 Corinthians
2:6-16

Friday
Ephesians
1:15-23

Saturday
Ephesians
3:14-21

Scriptures Selected by The American Bible Society



Rain, Rain, Go Away!

"Rain, rain, go away; come again another day."

Question: When?

For most of us there is no good day for rain to come. It cancels family outings, stymies outside games, and generally upsets our schedules.

But rain depends upon perspective. For the farmer, with crops dying in the field, any day is a good day for rain. And in our better, saner moments we all know that without rain the cycle of nature cannot happen and life becomes deserts.

The other night I got caught in the rain. I went into a meeting, damp all over and completely wet in spots. I complained, but then a poem by William Stidger came to mind. He wrote: "I saw God wash the world last night, and hang it out to dry."

Now that's perspective! And even in my damp condition the rain that had drenched me seemed a bit less damaging.

And then I remembered the last part of Stidger's poem: "I wish that He would wash me as white as that old birch tree."

As the Psalmist put it: "Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow." (Ps. 51:7)

Attend Church Sunday

FOURSQUARE CHURCH

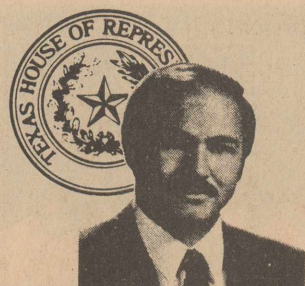
Rotan, Texas
REV. IRA BURNS
735-2553
Sunday School-10:00 A.M.
Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening-6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Night Service-7:00 P.M.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Rotan, Texas
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Worship Service-11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening-5:30 P.M.
Wednesday Night Worship-7:30 P.M.

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CAPITOL JOURNAL

STEVEN A. CARRIKER
House of Representatives

Teacher Testing Repeal, State-Fed Fight, Budgets & Revenues

The legislature has passed a bill which I sponsored to repeal the subject matter test for Texas teachers. This will save the 14.3 million dollar price tag the tests were estimated to cost. The TEACAT test administered last spring, although it received a great deal of criticism, bolstered public confidence in public school teachers due to the 97% plus passing rate. Most people agreed that the good showing on the first test made the subject matter test superfluous.

A fight between the state Water Commission and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is heating up over who should license a hydro-electric facility on Possum Kingdom Lake. The state contends that control of water has been re-affirmed as a state right numerous times. But when re-licensing time rolled around for the Possum Kingdom facility, FERC decided to get into the act by mandating additional water release suggested by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, supposedly to enhance downstream recreation. The outcome of the dispute could affect upstream users of Brazos water as far as Abilene, Anson, and Stamford since adjudicated water rights might require additional releases to replace lost P.K. water.

Response to the 78th District questionnaire on budget cuts has been revealing. Only one of the 12 categories of state spending, the Texas Arts Commission, was picked for cutting by more than 50% of the respondents. To illustrate how difficult it is to balance the budget by cuts alone, this agency's entire budget of 5 to 6 million dollars is only one-tenth of one percent of the deficit of \$5.8 billion. The area with the greatest support seems to be services for the elderly, where less than 10% of the respondents said to cut.

Your views on new revenues for the state have also been informative. Your questionnaires showed that only six percent favor a personal income tax. By contrast, almost one-third of you said that a corporate profits tax was a less objectionable way for the state to meet its obligations. As most budget plans are now on the table, the legislative committees are closely scrutinizing agency budget requests and comparing these requests to the various budget plans for the Governor, Senate, House and legislative budget board. The Legislature is now weighing the needs for state services against the budget realities, removing waste where it exists, and considering whether new revenues are needed.

Rotan Exceeds State & Regional TEAMS Scores

Rotan TEAMS coordinator, Patsy Hamric, reported to Supt. Alton Fields the comparison of Rotan's TEAMS scores with regional and state results.

On the October 28 mathematics portion of the test, 89% of juniors statewide mastered the mathematics portion, 90% of the juniors from Region XIV mastered this portion, and 95% of the Rotan juniors

mastered the mathematics objectives. Eleventh grade students first tested in 1986-87 are required to answer correctly 39 of the 72 items on the mathematics test to attain mastery.

On the October 29 English language arts portion of the TEAMS, 37% of the junior statewide, 90% of the Region XIV juniors, and 91% of the Rotan

juniors mastered the English Language Arts objectives. Eleventh grade students first tested in 1986-87 are required to answer correctly 50 of the 72 items

on the English Language Arts to attain mastery.

The TEAMS tests focus on measuring mastery of Texas's new Essential Elements by grade level. Inasmuch as TEAMS has been given to eleventh graders for two years, it is now possible to compare TEAMS scores by objective and grade level. The 1985-86 test data provides the baseline information.

In October of 1985, 74% of Rotan juniors passed all tests taken. In October of 1986, 91% of Rotan juniors passed all tests taken. This was a 65 scaled score gain in mathematics and a 35 scaled score gain in language arts.

Rotan Girls Track Team Places First At Lubbock

The Rotan girls track team took home a first place trophy in team competition at the 1987 Lubbock Christian School Track Meet last Saturday.

The victory was iced when the mile relay team crossed the finish line in second position. That team consists of Shanna Bennett, Jan Posey, Julie Pease and Denise Powell. The combined time of the team was 4:46.4.

In other competition-Rotan 55 meter runners took 3rd, 4th and 5th place honors. Barbara Williams finished 3rd with a time of 7:84; Angela Huit was 4th with a 7:91.

In the 400 meter dash, Denise Powell was first with a time of 1:08.37; Jerri Boone was second with a 1:09.4.

Lori Garcia was 5th in the triple jump with a 26.7; Denise Powell was 6th with a 27.6.

Barbara Williams was 3rd with a 29.05 in the 200 meter dash and Jan Posey was 4th with a 29.08.

Lori Martinez participated in the 55 meter low hurdles and finished with a time of 11.19.

In the 500 meter dash

Lori Martinez had a 145.22; Cathy Jones a 145.08 and Lori Garcia a 142.47.

Julie Pease was 2nd in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:44.78 and Ann Marie Williams was 6th with a 2:53.62. Jeanie Wyrick had a time of 2:56.52.

In the high jump Shanna Bennett had a 5th place finish with a lead of 4 feet 4 inches.

Donna Turnbow hurled the discus 75 feet; Lynette McQueen tossed it 79 feet and Shanna Bennett had a distance of 75 feet.

The girls travel to Anson on Saturday.



Card Of Thanks

The family of Charlie Ramby would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for the flowers, cards, phone calls, and thoughtfulness that was expressed during our recent loss.

May God bless each one of you.

Sincerely,
John Ramby & family
Clem Huckaby & family
L.R. Weems & family
4:1tc

Roby Lunch Room Menu

Monday: Chicken nuggets, green beans, cream potatoes, hot rolls, fruit.

Tuesday: Beef w/spaghetti, mixed vegetables, jello w/fruit.

Wednesday: Turkey roast w/gravy, cream potatoes, buttered peas, coconut cake.

Thursday: Burritos w/cheese, corn, salad, chocolate chip cookies.

Friday: Hamburgers, cheese, potato chips, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, brownies.



CAPPED: Among the Western Texas College Vocational nursing students receiving caps Thursday, Feb. 26 were, (left to right): Jan Coats and Kathy Putnam of Rotan and Carol Atkinson of Roby. Caps are presented Vocational Nursing students as they begin the clinical phase of their year-long training. A reception honoring the students and those who were graduating.

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Tax Planning By James Rodgers CPA



MONEY, TAXES, AND CHILDREN

In the past, children have provided taxpayers with some with good tax sheltering opportunities. Putting investments in a child's name, setting up a short-term trust, or having the child work in the parent's business were common tax-cutting strategies. The 1986 Tax Reform Act makes significant changes in how children can be used to cut the total family tax bill.

To begin with, children will no longer get a double personal exemption as they have in the past. A child who can be claimed as a dependent on his parents' tax return may not take an exemption for himself on his own tax return.

Children are entitled to use the standard deduction which will allow them in 1987 to earn up to \$2,540 without paying tax. That increases to \$3,000 in 1988. However, unearned income to children under the age of 14 is subject to special rules. The first \$500 is tax-free, the next \$500 is taxed at the lowest tax rate, and any additional unearned income is taxed to the child at the parent's highest tax rate. Furthermore, the untaxed investment income (\$500) reduces the standard deduction that can be applied against earned income.

Short-term Clifford trusts no longer work as income-splitting vehicles. Trusts set up after February, 1986, will generally have the income taxed to the person who set up the trust. Even for trusts that were established before March 1, 1986, the under-fourteen unearned income rules apply to any income distributions.

There are some alternatives parents should consider in trying to use children to cut the family tax bill. The child's investments might be shifted from income-producing to growth investments that could be sold when the child reaches fourteen. Tax-exempt municipal bonds, tax-deferred U.S. Series EE Savings Bonds, and life insurance products with tax-deferral features are other possibilities for a child's investments. If you're a business owner, hiring your children to work for you is still a good way to shelter income.

Two Arrested On Drug Related Charges

Two individuals were arrested on drug related charges in Fisher County last Sunday morning, one from Snyder and the other from Roby, according to Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts.

Adam Torres, age 38 of Snyder, was arrested and charged with DWI, felony possession of marijuana and possession of cocaine after law officers confiscated approximately 4 ounces of

marijuana and an ounce of what was believed to be cocaine. Juan Melena, age 31 of Roby, was also arrested for public intoxication and felony possession of mari-

juana. Torres issued a plea of guilty to DWI, was fined \$250 plus court costs of \$102 given six months in jail probated for two years.

Melena pled guilty to public intoxication and was fined \$73.

Both men are currently in the Fisher County Jail awaiting bond on the drug charges.

Girl Scout Cookie Sale Begins March 6th

The 1987 Girl Scout Cookie Sale will begin Friday, March 6, 1987 at 4:00 p.m. Brownie, Junior, Cadette, and Senior Girl Scouts throughout the West Texas Council will be selling the delectable variations of Girl Scout cookies.

Seven varieties of cookies will be available for purchase: Caramel deLites, Peanut Butter Patties, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Shortbread, Thin Mints, Chocolate Chip and Lemon Pastry Cremes. The cost per box is \$2.00. Proceeds from the Cookie Sale go toward troop activities and to help maintain Council properties.

Girl Scouts are eligible to receive awards for their hard work during the sale. By selling 3 cases, a Girl Scout will receive a "Super-troopers" Cookie Patch. For selling 5 cases, a stuffed animal and Cookie Patch can be earned and if 10 cases

are a Brownie/Dad overnight trip is earned. (Available for first and second graders only). Junior Girl Scouts and third grade Brownie Girl Scouts receive campership credit along with a patch and a stuffed animal. Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts receive cookie currency which is \$5.00 credit for each case sold. Credit may be used for Resident Camp, Council sponsored events and national or international

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Girl Scouts learn how to accept responsibility and meet the public through the process of the Cookie Sale. The girls practice living within the Girl Scouts Laws during the Cookie Sale by recognizing fairness, honesty, cheerfulness, courtesy and respect for others.

The West Texas Girl Scout Council is a participating agency of the United Way.

F.C. Jail Inspection Held By Joe Slater

The jail is at the maximum capacity of 15 inmates and according to Joe Slater, Texas Commission on Jail Standards, there are no serious discrepancies noted in the annual inspection conducted last week.

Slater made his annual visit to Fisher County to inspect the

jail facilities and, according to Fisher County Sheriff Mickey Counts, only found a few changes in the wording of paperwork. No major violations in the structure were noted.

The Fisher County Jail is at full capacity, 15 prisoners, with the recent influx of prisoners from Denton County under contract.

Wayne Jones Files For Hobbs Board

In the race for one spot on the Hobbs School Board, only incumbent Wayne Jones had filed, according to Dale Gibson, Superintendent.

Others on the board are Howard Gordon, Walt Cave, Dan Bavousett, and Gary Hyer.

Two File For McCaulley Board Positions

A total of two residents of the McCaulley School Board have filed for three vacancies.

Current seats are occupied by Billy Jeffrey, Marion Reed and David Hill. As of last Tuesday, Bobby Smith and Billy Jeffrey were the only two making application for positions on the ballot.

The election is Saturday, April 4th.



ROTAN TRACK TEAM WINS TROPHY: The Rotan Mile Relay team took first place last week at the Lubbock Christian School meet. Left to right: Steve McClain, Nathaniel Wynn, Robert Roddy, and Willard Roddy.

Funeral Services Held For Marvin Webster Ratliff

Marvin Webster Ratliff, Sr., 58, of Santa Fe, N.M., died Wednesday, Feb. 25 at Saint Vincent Hospital in Santa Fe.

Services were held at 10 a.m. at McCoy's Chapel of Memories with Rev. F.E. Healer officiating.

Military graveside services followed at the Hobbs Cemetery. He was born May 31, 1928 in Ogdon, Ark.

He worked on the Sammy Baugh Ranch near Rotan and later moved to Ruidoso, N.M., where he was a butane dealer. He then moved to Santa Fe and was a L.P. gas inspector for the state of New Mexico.

He was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran.

Survivors include one daughter; Mrs. Charlie (Linda) Longorio of

Snyder; one son, Marvin Ratliff, Jr. of Brownwood; his mother: Jewell Ratliff of Sweetwater; four sisters: Mrs. Owen Brazee of Guthrie; Mrs. F.A. McCain of Rising Star; Mrs. Bertha Warren of Sweetwater; and Mrs. C.W. Dulin of Maryneal; four brothers: Max Ratliff of Rising Star; Bill Ratliff of Snyder; Richard Ratliff of Monahans and Bob Ratliff of Hamlin; and five grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Steve Warren, William Brazee, Max Ratliff, Jr., Arnie Goodwin, Wayne Warren, Johnny Ratliff and Gil Warren.

News From Down South

By Bertha Warren

Hello from down south.

Hasn't the sunshine looked and felt great the last few days?

Mable Warren drove Joyce Noles to Abilene for her check up last Thursday and the doctor thought it best to hospitalize her and administer a blood thinner for a few days. She is at Hendricks but hopes to be able to come home soon.

This is my week for not having much good news as everyone I talked with has been sick or a family member has been puny. Ollie Ogden has been under the weather and her daughter-in-law, Carolyn, hasn't been feeling well and her granddaughter (also Mable Warren's), Melinda Warren, hasn't been feeling very good but she is back in school at

Stephenville. Noma Toland, at this writing, is still not feeling very good. Charlie and Thelma Smith have both had the bug, but are feeling better now. Joyce (O'Briant) Williams spent the night in the hospital in Abilene but she is up and around now.

Eddie and Eula Mae Marshall of Dallas spent a couple of nights with Bert and Ilene Hale, the

middle of last week. They were here for the funeral services for Sandefer Smith. Our sympathy goes out to Juanita and the rest of the family. Visiting the Hale's Saturday was Ilene and Charlie Smith's brother-in-law, Marvin Freeman of Trent, and his daughter, Sandra Gardner and Sandra's daughter-in-law, Jamie Gardner and son, Cody of Ira.

All our family was together this week as once again our circle has been broken with the sudden death of Marvin. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him. I know I'll miss my long talks and visits with my big brother.

I do hope everyone is feeling better next week. Call and let us know what's going on in your world.

County Agent Report

By Richard Spencer

Because of favorable soil moisture conditions, ranchers with rangeland in poor condition may want to consider a seeding program during the next few months.

Seeding forage-deficit ranges with desirable forage plants can make them productive again. Also, seeding is usually necessary following root-plowing for brush control.

Range seeding is usually done in late winter or early spring, and now is the time to begin planting. Since seeding is expensive and the risk of failure is always present, careful attention must be given to a number of factors.

To begin, evaluate the quantity and distribution of desirable plants currently present. If desirable plants make up less than 10 to 15 percent of the vegetation, seeding is probably necessary. Ranges can be improved by grazing management and brush and weed control if desirable plants are uniformly distributed and make up more than 10 to 15 percent of the vegetation.

Seeding is usually necessary following a brush control method such as root-plowing that destroys existing turf. Also, seeding is usually the most effective way to establish desirable vegetation on abandoned cropland.

It is recommended seeding only on better sites to insure reasonable chances of success. Steep, potentially erosive sites should not be disturbed. Seeding range sites that receive runoff water usually provides good results.

Species and varieties of plants selected for seeding should be to the area's soil, climate and topography. Also, plants selected should be easily established, palatable to animals, relatively productive, able to withstand invasion by undesirable plants, able to withstand moderate grazing and able to prevent erosion under moderate grazing.

As far as the seeding operation is concerned, plant into a well prepared seedbed. An ideal seedbed is firm below seeding depth and free from live plant competition. It has moderate amounts of mulch or plant residue on the soil surface.

Less expense is involved in preparing a seedbed on abandoned cropland. On rangeland, however, the ideal seedbed is a goal seldom attained because of expense and expected return. So, prepare the best seedbed that available resources will allow. For example, rootplowing followed by roller chopping or chaining is an acceptable method of seedbed preparation on brush infested rangeland.

The two most common methods of seeding rangeland are broadcast and drill. Broadcasting places seed on the soil surface while drilling puts seed into the soil. However, broadcast seeding by aerial or ground application is often used because most drills are not sturdy enough for rough rangeland.

When to seed is important. Start seeding at the beginning of a

period that will provide the best growing conditions for the slowly developing seedlings.

Warm-season plants grow in the summer and will make the best and most vigorous growth if seeded in late winter or

early spring. A later summer or fall seeding date for cool-season plants may be best because young seedlings may not be able to tolerate hot, dry summers.

A newly seeded area

Roby Boys Track Team Places 4th

The Roby boys competed in the Lubbock Indoor Track Meet this past Saturday and came in fourth overall with 35 points to overall winner

New Deal's 125 points. Boys placing were James Gantt, 2nd in 3200 run in time of 11:04; Paul Hyer, 2nd in 800 run in a time of 2:10;

will need protection from grazing until seedlings are established. With exceptionally good growing conditions, deferment through one growing season may be sufficient. During periods of harsh growing conditions, two or

three years of deferment may be necessary to allow seedlings to establish.

Weed control measures such as mowing, shredding or use of herbicides may be necessary during the first growing season to allow seeded species to become established.

Seeding can rejuvenate poor ranges, but careful attention must be given to proper planning, use of correct plant material, seeding methods and good management.

Alva Leon West On Dean's Honor List At WTC

More than 2,050 Texas Tech University students qualified for the academic honor lists at the end of the 1986 fall semester.

Students on the President's Honor List earned a perfect 4.0 (A) grade-point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork. Students finishing 12 or more hours with a grade-point average of 3.5-3.9 qualified for the Dean's Honor List.

Students making the honor rolls included the following from Rotan: Alva Leon West of 600

Forrest on the Dean's List.

Pink Ladies To Meet March 11th

The Pink Ladies will meet for their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, March 11th at the Fisher County Hospital. Please make plans to attend, and anyone that is interested in joining please come to the meeting which will start at 10 a.m.

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FOAM TRUCK: Ruben Rodriguez, Shawn Donham and Kevin Rivers and two members of the Hamlin Fire Dept. look over a foam truck built by the Woodson Vol. Fire Dept., while attending a fire school held in Abilene recently.

Rotan Track Team Competes, Gruben Ready For Come Back

The bright spot of the first track meet for the 1987 season for Rotan's Ted Posey, perennial track coach, had to be the first-out perfor-

mance of Donnie Carl Gruben. He was a state track qualifier last year. After severely injuring his knee in football last season against

Abilene Christian High School, he had surgery and faced the long comeback road.

Under the eye of his doctor in Midland, Gruben began the rehabilitation process with weights, exercises, bicycle riding and finally controlled running.

His long comeback road ended last Saturday, Gruben was back.

Not only is he back, he's serving notice to the district that he intends on keeping his lane at the State Track Meet in Austin in May.

Gruben ran a 5:24 in the 1600 meter run last Saturday. Nothing spectacular, he finished fourth. He ran a 2:14.0 in the 800 meter run, again no big deal-unless

you're aware of the circumstances. He finished fourth in the 800.

Coach Ted Posey said Gruben was a little disappointed at his performances last Saturday. "He is a competitor and is used to crossing the finish line first," said Posey. "The fact that he can't run quite as fast has him a little disgusted, but he'll be fine."

Other track team members are Robert Roddy who ran a 53.25 in the 400 meter dash; Willard Roddy who had a time of 2:58 in the 1000 meter run; Nathaniel Wynn with a 24.48; George Patterson

with a 26.41 and Steve McClain with a 24.77 in the 200 meter dash.

In the 1600 meter relay Steve McClain, Nat Wynn, Willard Roddy and Robert Roddy had a combined total of 3:41 for a first place finish.

Vicente Ortega threw 39.6 in the shot; Willard Roddy jumped 19.6 in the long jump and David Carreon threw 98 feet in the discus competition.

Rotan's boys team will compete in Anson this Saturday.

Funeral Services Held For Jimmy Gardner

Jimmy Gardner 31, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Gardner of Sylvester, died Tuesday, Feb. 24 in Oklahoma City.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 28 at Weathersbee Chapel in Rotan. Officiating was Rev. Charles Woodward, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Bronte. Burial was in the Newman Cemetery.

Mr. Gardner was born May 1, 1955 at Seminole. He had lived in West Texas most of his life. He attended Permian High School in Odessa and served in the U.S. Marines from September 1975 to September 1979. He had made his home in Oklahoma City the past year where he was a construction worker. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Gardner of

Sylvester; two sisters: Roenna Thomas of Bronte and Rebecca Elmore of College Station; grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Gardner of Sweetwater and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Cross of Sylvester; two nephews: John William Thomas of Bronte and J.T. Elmore of College Station; two nieces: Suzanne Elmore of College Station and Laura Thomas of Bronte.

Pallbearers were Riley Cross, Tookie Gardner, Don Gardner, Terry Gardner, Sonny Gardner and Ronnie Gardner.

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Dollie Allen Celebrates 85th Birthday With Party

Dollie Allen was surprised with a birthday party in her home Saturday celebrating her 85th birthday. Her children, Eugene Allen of Rotan, Wanda Brown and Yvonne Scarborough of Midland, and Gail Rape of Graham hosted the party and about fifty of Mrs. Allen's friends,

relatives, and neighbors came by to wish her happy birthday. Dollie said "I had to wait 85 years to have my first birthday party!"

Dollie Allen, a native and longtime resident of Rotan was born on February 26, 1902 to William and Martha Schick. She married Arnold Allen in 1924 and has six children, fourteen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Card Of Thanks

The family of Marvin Ratliff would like to thank everyone for making our loss a little easier.

For the beautiful songs by Mrs. Goats, the comforting words of Bro. F.E. Healer, the cards, phone calls, the beautiful flowers. Thank you for the food taken to the community center and served by our day. Thanks to McCoy's Funeral Home for being so helpful in arranging to have Marvin brought home. May God touch each of you in a special way.

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Richard & Janice Ratliff 4:1tc

Hospital News

Patients admitted to the Fisher County Hospital from Feb. 24 thru March 2 were: Charles McCall; William (Cleve) Cleveland, Jr.; and Lee Faurey, all of Rotan; Billy W. Cook; Beatrice Palmer, Roby; Mavis L. Gill, Snyder; Esther Handricks; and Neils Nelson, Albany; Lester Garrett, Abilene; and G.W. Joplin, McCaulley.

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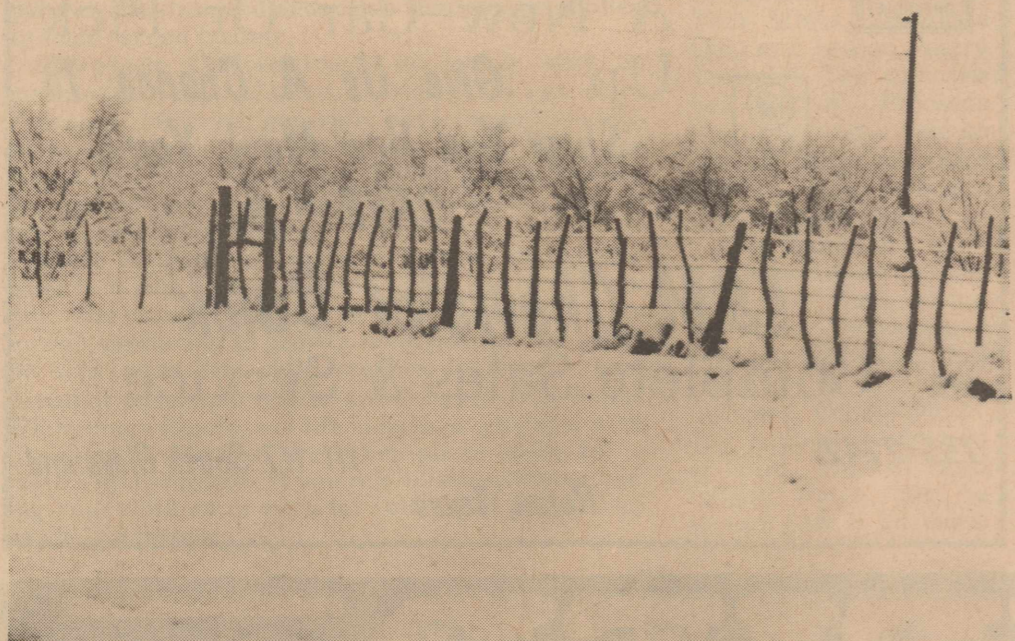
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SNOW SCENE: The above photograph was taken by Jerry Hoodenpyle of Roby in the Southwest part of the county during the recent snow storm. The place on the right belongs to L.L. Stuart and on the left to Jim Wilburn.



COLD STARK SCENE: The above photograph, taken by Jerry Hoodenpyle shows the snow atop the fence posts just as high as the snow on the ground.

Home Economics News Flash

By: Alice Ballenger



The "Center" of attention! That's what mature adults 55 and over will be at the Texas 4-H Center on Lake Brownwood when hundreds will enthusiastically participate in the Seventh Annual Spring Fling during April and May, says Alice Ballenger, Fisher County Extension Agent-H.E.

Sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, five consecutive weeks are offered from which men and women alike may choose:

- Spring Fling I-April 7-10
- Spring Fling II-April 14-17
- Spring Fling III-April 21-24
- Spring Fling IV-April 28-May 1
- Spring Fling V-May 5-8

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thusiasm where all will welcome great fellowship and new friends.

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Boat rides, guided nature tours, and fishing on Lake Brownwood add popularity to your stay. Swimming in the olympic-sized pool, lighted tennis courts, horseshoes, billiards, volleyball, shuffleboard, dominoes, and card and table games round out the event.

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facilities. Spring Fling! 55 or older? It's for you! Each weekly event is limited to the first 105 participants at the nominal cost of \$89 per person. Get away and learn to make the most of the best years of your life. Call you County Extension Office today at 776-2171.



Card of Thanks

The family of Ruby Carver would like to express their gratitude and appreciation for all the prayers, flowers and food received during our loss. Everyone's kindness is appreciated more than we can say.

The Family of Ruby Carver
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F.C. Nursing Home

First of all, we want to thank Rotan Flower Shop (Mrs. Bill Hardy) for the beautiful flowers she sent us for Valentines. She always remembers us and we all appreciate this.

Celia Peace, Wanda White and Mayreen Morrow brought our cakes and punch for our February birthday. Thanks to all the ladies of the J.O.Y. class for the party. Those with birthdays were Elsie Carter, Katie Boales, Jewell Cummings, Edna Taggart and Lucille Wright. I want to thank all the morning staff for having them ready on time. We had all the ones that could be up in the dining room!!

Mrs. Roberts visitors were Sean, Tonya, Billie Jo Hammit from Arlington, and Eric Houseworth also from Arlington. Steve Howell and Susie McKinney from Tulsa, Alfred Turner from Sweetwater, Dorothy Scoggins from Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Byron Shelley and boys from McCaulley. Sidney Staas visitors were Troy Moore from Slaton, Bertie Hale and Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Scherwitz of

Roby. Mr. Denton's visitors were Mr. and Mrs. John Ramby, Jerry, Ramon, Blandi, Mike, Jerry, Tiffani, Kellie and Destani Caraway, Rhoda, Brance, Beth, Shannon, John and Joyce Ramby all of Midland and Bill and Jean Turner of Snyder. May Hurst and Ruth Brown visited Ezell Whitten. J.D. Kincaid's visitors were Leola and Windle Kincaid and Tina and Bill Harvey visited Julia Harvey. Jessie Ashley and Erma Schick visited Louise Ashley. Patricia visited Minnie Porter, Ernest Hammer visited Mary Hammer. Jewel Branch's visitors were Marshal Bennett, Doris and Ryan and Terry. Ray Morrow's sisters, Altha Pearce and Mary Libowitz visited him. Bill Starnes went home over the weekend. Min-

nie Nolen, Dorothy Scoggins, Ronald Peek, Geri Parker and Alfred Turner visited Roy Cummings.

Reyna Garcia

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The Children Of Herbert & Lois Moore Cordially Invite You To Celebrate Their 25th Wedding Anniversary Saturday, March 7, 1987 At The Rotan Community Center From 5:00 To 7:00 P.M.

Rotan Nursing Center News

We are enjoying the pretty weather and hope it stays around for a while. People seem to feel better when the weather is pretty and you can get out and see what is going on around you.

We would like to thank the Methodist Church for coming the first Sunday of each month and the Calvary Baptist Church for coming each fourth Sunday and having church services and visiting with the residents. James Carter, Mildred McQueen and Erma Schick comes every Sunday morning and the residents would miss any of these people if they stopped coming. We have two Sundays each month that the residents would like to have a church group coming by for worship or someone to sing or play music for them and people to visit with the residents are always welcome.

Edna Eaton has moved to the nursing home at Hamlin. Clarence Levens is going to be spending a few days with us and we are happy to have him.

Carlie Butler is back with us. She was in the hospital for several days but is doing better.

Minnie Zimmerman was 101 years of age on

her birthday, March 3rd, and we wish her many more.

Naomi Thompson of Abilene visited her mother, Vineta Goodman, Faye Hart of Eastland visited with Dennis Johnson, Charlie and Mary Hicks visited Nancy Bagwell and Bertie Adams; Mandy Campbell, and Billie Paske of Roby visited Carlie Butler. Vicky Freeman and Sandy Brown visited Mrs. Daniel. Fay Neves was visited by Anna Rush of Gorman and Karen Banks of Denver, Colorado. David Walker of Cisco visited his great grandmother, Bert Rushing. Ruby Griffith and Tammy O'Briant visited Pearl Sharp. Maude Gruben, Jewell Price and John Cox were visited by Jessie Wortham and John Carpenter and San

Juana Sepeda was visited by Art Flores of Ohingarg, Mexico.

Lora Cleveland



Card Of Thanks

We would like to express our thanks to all of the many friends who helped ease our sorrow.

Thank you for your sympathy and your shoulder to lean on. Thank you for the beautiful flowers as well as the memorials.

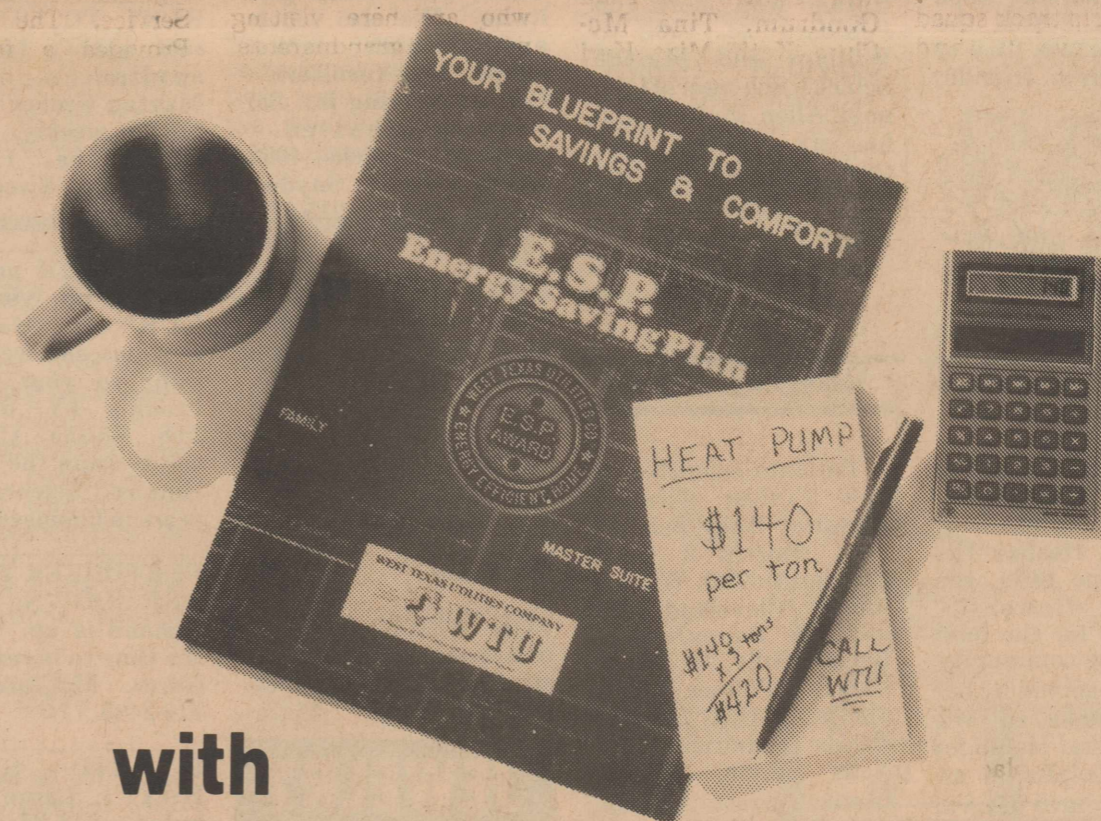
Especially do we thank the women of the Church of Christ and the women of the First United Methodist Church for the food, their serving the meal, and for caring.

May God bless each of you.

The Family of Lafon Porter
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Pizza Barn Menu For March 7th-13th
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Sunday, March 8th Open 5:00 p.m.
Monday, March 9th Liver & onions, potatoes, vegetable, hot rolls.
Tuesday, March 10th Smothered steak, vegetables, rolls.
Wednesday, March 11th Fajitas, served with refried beans, guacamole, sour cream.
Thursday, March 12th Fried chicken, potatoes, vegetables, rolls.
Friday, March 13th Chicken fried steak, potatoes, vegetables, Texas toast.

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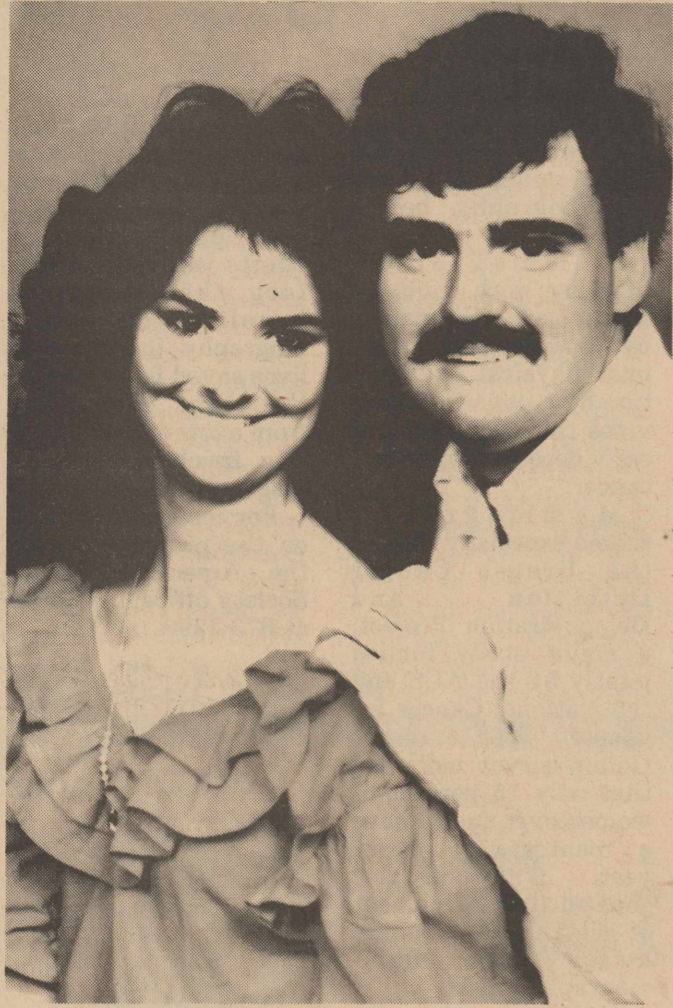
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Tricia Kiser & Dave Byerly

Tricia Kiser Engaged To David Glen Byerly

Mr. and Mrs. James R. "Bobby" Kiser of Hamlin would like to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Tricia Denise to David Glen Byerly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Don Cooper of Hamlin and the late Michael David Byerly.

The couple are planning a June 20 wedding to be held at the First United Methodist Church of Hamlin.

The bride is a 1986

graduate of Hamlin High School and is presently attending Abilene Beauty College.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1985 graduate of Hamlin High School and is presently a sophomore at Texas A&M University, College Station, majoring in Animal Science.

Grandparents of the prospective bridegroom are Mrs. Charles Brown and Mrs. Fred Byerly of Rotan.

Roby Girls Track Team Places 3rd At Lubbock

The Roby High School girls track squad took an overall third place finish in the first Lubbock Christian Schools relays last Saturday.

Donna Gordon had a first place finish in the 800 meter run while Becky Kiser had a 5th place finish.

Kristy Martin was 3rd in both the mile and two mile run; Patricia Gonzales was 5th in the two-mile and 6th in the mile run.

Margaret Billingsley took a 3rd place finish in the 1000 meter run while Amber Hegler was 4th.

The mile relay team, consisting of Becky Kiser, Cherie Feagan, Donna Gordon and Margaret Billingsley finished in 3rd place.

Kristy Martin was 3rd in the shot put; Cherie Feagan was 4th in the discus and Deena Williamson was 6th in the discus.

Others participating but not placing were: Kerrie Upshaw, Shan-

non Heflin, Martha Goodrum, Tina McClure, Kathi Mize, Kari Martin and Teresa McClure.

Hobbs Lunch Room Menu

Monday: Burritos, ranch style beans, salad, hot puffs, milk.

Tuesday: Steakettes, potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, cake, milk.

Wednesday: Chicken strips, Okra, Mashed Potatoes, hot rolls, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Roast, potatoes, broccoli, hot rolls, pudding, milk.

Friday: Hamburgers, lettuce and tomatoes, french-fries, cookies, milk.

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Hustling Around Hobbs

By Joy Walker

We have had so many rains, we have lost count of how much but its wet out this way, and the roads have been terrible. It was dreary almost all week, but we finally saw the sun for a short while Friday and again all day Saturday. The Abilene Reporter newspaper says the damp rainy weather in February may have made this the third wettest February on record. It cleared out of the area Saturday, thank goodness, and now we are having warm, sunny days which we need to dry our roads and the fields. We had a good frost early this morning (Monday) and a number of the fruit trees are already in full bloom, or are almost ready to bloom, so possibly they will get killed again this year.

Glenn Phillips from Post visited with his mother, Mrs. Opal Phillips, on Saturday. Opal has been staying close to home during all this bad weather we have been having.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Carter from Brownwood came to Roby on Saturday and visited with Mrs. Edd Carter. Loretta visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Cave on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ratliff went to Abilene on Sunday and visited with Jim Ratliff and son Trese. They also visited with Teresa Ratliff.

Mr. and Mrs. David Etheredge and Dustin from San Angelo spent the weekend visiting with the J.W. Etheredges. They came Friday and returned home Sunday.

Skyler, Jeremy and Chase Etheredge who are here visiting with their grandparents, spent the night Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Etheredge. Mrs. Lealon Wilburn's birthday was Saturday, and they all met on Sunday to help her celebrate. Happy birthday to her. Mr. and Mrs. Randy Etheredge and Cody visited with the J.W. Etheredges and their company over the weekend, so there were really lots of little ones around.

Jim and I went to Hamlin Friday night to watch the Roby boys play Monday, and although Roby played well, they lost. Congratulations to the Roby boys on playing so many good games and advancing to the play-offs. That's both teams from Roby, the girls last week and the boys this week, who have really been playing good basketball, and have advanced to the finals.

Saturday we were off

bright and early to Lubbock and Lubbock Christian College for an inside track meet. Thank goodness it was on the inside as it was bitter cold early that morning in Lubbock, with a biting cold wind, and we saw a little snow from Post onward, but it soon melted. The track meet started at 10 a.m. and wasn't over until 4 p.m. and we didn't even break for dinner. There were so many teams there from as far away as Liberty which is near Denton. Rotan did so well; the girls winning the track meet and the Rotan boys came in second behind New Deal. Congratulations to both

teams. Our grandson, Donnie Carl Gruben, placed in both the 800 and the Mile, but he was a little disappointed in his time, although this is the first time he has run in competition since his knee surgery last September, so maybe he is expecting too much. We went to Lubbock with Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Gruben, and did we enjoy that inside track, was sure good and warm, and the kids didn't have to freeze standing around waiting for their event. Next week we go to Anson, so hope it stays warm and sunny.

See you next Thursday.

Local Officials Attend State Training Conference

Fisher County Commissioners Jimmy Wright and Tommie Jack Stuart joined some 700 other elected officeholders for the 29th Annual County Judges and Commissioners Conference, Feb. 24-26. The program theme was "Back to Basics in County Government."

"We need every advantage in providing the public with the best services possible," said Wright and Stuart. "Keeping abreast of timely information through conferences such as this insures our county offices will continue to run efficiently."

The state conference is one of the educational programs of the V.G. Young Institute of County Government, a part of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The Institute provides a forum of mutual support for elected county officials, the Extension Service staff and various government, academic and business leaders in Texas.

Keynote speakers included Chief Justice John L. Hill, Jr., Supreme Court of Texas; Theodore J. Maher, government program leader, U.S.D.A.; Sam Clonts, executive director, Texas Association of Counties; and Zerle Carpenter, director, Texas Agricultural Extension Services.

Major conference discussions covered current legislative programs, the one-half cent sales tax option, the Fair Labor Standards Act, local government liability, county court criminal and civil procedures, solid waste management, subdivision plat approval and other nuts and bolts topics.

Participants received 12 credit units for continuing education from the Office of Professional Development at Texas A&M University.

County Judges also received 8 hours credit for judicial training from the Texas Center for the Judiciary.

Knox Piano Competition Held Feb. 28th

The Knox Piano Competition was held at Midland College Feb. 28th. Winning a First Place Gold Medal and a chance to play at the Winner's Recital March 1st was Amanda Moore.

There were 36 teachers from Snyder, Midland, Andrews, Odessa, San Angelo, and Hobbs, N.M. participating bringing with them were 301 entries. Each played in their grade level and category. Amanda received a Superior Rating during the competition.

Linda Cooper Appointed Area Crop Insurance Agent For Rotan Area

National Ag Underwriters, Inc., a national managing general agency for a group of insurance companies, is proud to announce the appointment of Linda Cooper and the Cooper Insurance Agency in Hamlin as their representative to serve farmers in the Rotan area.

Collectively, National Ag Underwriters (NAU) and its sister organization, the National Association of Crop Insurance Agents (N.A.C.I.A.), are the largest writers of multiple peril crop insurance in the nation. Both offer coverage only through qualified insurance agents who are licensed and recognized by the State Board of Insurance.

Although many agents offer this type of coverage, Linda plans to bring a high degree of integrity and professionalism to her agency in serving Rotan producers. Definitely, she will be a welcome addition for producers wanting straight talk about crop insurance as well as an agent capable of providing a total risk management package for a farming operation. Crop hail coverage will be offered by the agency this spring.

Many area farmers and lenders discovered the benefits of crop insurance in 1986. Farmers seeking disaster emergency loans from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farmers Home Administration for crop losses in 1987 will need to have purchased crop insurance prior to loan application. Effective January 1, 1987, this new requirement states that the insurance coverage must be multiple-peril coverage rather than crop hail coverage only. The final date to purchase crop insurance on spring planted crops in this area is April 15th.

The federal government subsidizes the crop insurance premium to the extent that the producer can obtain the coverage for about half of the actual expense. Forced to abandon the traditional measures in financing farming opera-

tions, bankers are now making agriculture loans substantially on the basis of the ability to demonstrate a positive cash flow for the operation. This in itself makes crop insurance worthy of consideration by farmers and lenders despite the newly-required tie-in with emergency loan eligibility.

Producers interested in additional information about crop insurance should contact Linda at 136 South Central in Hamlin or by calling 576-3193. She will be happy to work out a risk management plan based on an individual's proven performance and flexible enough to choose the amount of protection desired.

Rotan Extension Club Meets February 19th

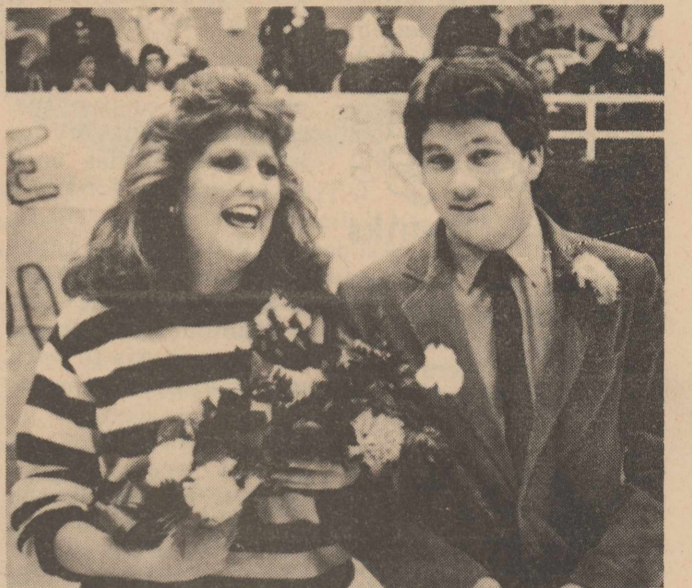
The Rotan Extension Homemakers Club met with Hilda Rollins Feb. 19. There was nine members present.

Wanda Floyd presided. Gaynell Henry brought recreation time, Ardell Floyd made the council meeting, Hazel Hudnall called the roll and read the minutes.

The meeting was a members program. Hilda Rollins was in charge of plant ex-

change and tips on plant care. It was a little early but we made plans for future exchange. Those present for the program and refreshments were Wanda Floyd, Oma Long, Ardell Floyd, Christine Rackley, Gaynell Henry, Hazel Hudnall, Bobbie McKinney, Eda Bickerstaff, and Hilda Rollins.

Next meeting will be with Mary Posey, March 5.



TRAILHANDS: Ellen Walker of Roby and Tim Long of Aspermont were introduced as the new Western Texas College Trailhands recently. Miss Walker, a WTC cheerleader, is the daughter of LuJane Walker and a sophomore Criminal Justice major.

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American Cancer Society 1987 Breast Screening Project

KTXS-TV and medical facilities in Abilene, Brownwood, and Eastland will be cooperating in a joint effort to alert women to the value of early detection to breast cancer during the American Cancer Society's 1987 TX Breast Screening Project.

The project is a state and nationwide effort to help save lives from breast cancer by offering reduced-price (\$50) mammograms for a limited time this spring. On March 2-6, KTXS-TV (Sweetwater-Abilene) will be airing a special series of reports on the project and breast cancer. American Cancer Society volunteers will be staffing a phone bank at the Mall of Abilene from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. each night to assist eligible women in receiving information and setting up appointments for reduced-price mammograms during this project. The project is primarily for non-symptomatic women 35 years and older.

The telephone number, 698-5000, will be open from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Friday, March 2-6. Women wishing to participate in the project should call

EMT Training To Be Given At WTC

Training for Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) will be given in a Continuing Education course scheduled by Western Texas College.

Classes will begin on March 17 and conclude on July 13. Students will spend 100 hours in classroom studies and an additional 20 hours in practice. Most classes will meet from 6-10 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Some classes will be scheduled at other times.

Students will pay fees of \$150 and will purchase a textbook costing about \$20. Judy Cave, RN, will be the instructor.

Students who complete the course successfully will qualify for job opportunities such as technicians for EMT services. They will be certified by the Texas Department of Health in adult and infant CPR.

Minimum enrollment for the course is 10, with maximum enrollment 20.

Persons wishing to enroll are to pre-register by calling the WTC Continuing Education office at 915-573-8511, extension 240.

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during these times to receive information and be screened for eligibility.

Medical facilities participating in the project are Radiology Associates, an Abilene physicians' group; Humana Hospital-Abilene; Brownwood Regional Hospital; and Eastland Memorial Hospital.

Breast Cancer is a leading cancer killer

Funeral Held For Charlie Edd Ramby

Charlie Edd Ramby, 84, Rotan native, died Monday, Feb. 23, at Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Lovington, New Mexico. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25 at Weathersbee Chapel in Rotan. Officiating was Rev. Steve Peace, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Burial was in the Belvieu Cemetery.

Mr. Ramby was born in Fisher County, June 25, 1903. He was the son of Charlie Edd and Maggie Ogden Ramby. He was raised in Fisher County and married Lottie Pearl Waddell, September 10, 1922 in the Hobbs Community. He was a farmer and a retired pumper for Texaco. He had lived in Tatum, New Mexico for the past year and in Midland for the five years prior to that. He was a member of the Northeast Baptist Church in Midland.

He is preceded in death by his wife on July 22, 1980.

He is survived by a son, John Edd Ramby of Midland; a daughter, Easter Huckaby of Tatum, New Mexico; a sister, Mrs. Lon Weems of Rotan; eight grandchildren and twenty one great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Horace Carter, Virgil Weems, Bernard Weems, Ricky Huckaby, Jerry Don Huckaby, Jerry Caraway and Brad Ramby.

among women in the U.S. This year the ACS predicts an increase in incidences-affecting one out of 10 American women sometime during her lifetime, rather than one out of 11 as has been reported in past years.

Rolling Plains Economic Program Meets

Task Force groups of the Rolling Plains Economic Program met in a planning meeting Tuesday, February 17, 1987, at the Haskell National Bank meeting room with 45 members present.

The Rolling Plains Economic Program is a regional organization sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service to promote economic growth and develop and improve family living in a 30-county area. R-REP Chairman Ken Lane of Haskell presided over the meeting.

Attending from Fisher County were Mrs. Lowell Thornburg, Sheila Gruben and Richard Spencer-County Extension Agent-Agriculture.

The group was reorganized into four task force area-Agriculture/Natural Resources, Home Economics, Youth and Community Development. Each task force discussed issues affecting families in the Rolling Plains and identified priorities to be addressed by the group based on critical issues identified by Texas Agricultural Extension Service committees in each county. The issues identified include: Agriculture/Natural Resources-agricultural diversification; Home Economics-lifestyles; Youth-alcohol, drug, sexuality awareness (self image or concept); Community Development-rural health and leader development.

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Since the cause of breast cancer remains unknown, early detection offers the best defense. Chances of course are excellent when breast cancer is detected and treated early while a tumor is still small.

Mammography is one of the best available techniques for detecting cancer too small to be felt by even the most experienced examiner. With an accuracy rate of about 90 percent, mammography can detect breast tumor while they are still microscopic in size.

Screening mammography or mammography in women who have no symptoms, can provide a "baseline" by

which a woman's future mammograms can be compared to detect microscopic changes and possible tumors.

While extremely useful, and in some cases life saving, screening mammograms are not covered by most medical insurance plans.

The ACS recommends a screening baseline mammogram for women between ages of 35 and 40 and then annual or biannual mammograms between 40 and 50. After age 50 women are encouraged to have a mammogram every year. Women with a personal or family history of breast cancer should consult

their physicians about how often they should be examined and have mammography before age 40.

Mammography, together with monthly breast self-examination by the women and an annual physical examination by a physician, provides the best means of early detection or breast cancer.

Mammography scored especially high in the Breast Cancer Detection and Demonstration Project, a major study funded jointly by the ACS and the National Cancer Institute. Yet a recent Gallup survey indicated that only 15 percent of women over age 50 have a mammogram every year. The poll also showed that 75 percent of all U.S. women are aware that mammography exists.

Major deterrents for getting a mammogram include fear of radiation, high cost, and lack of information. These areas

of concern will be a major focus of the local screening project and the KTXS-TV series.

ACS public education efforts will stress the fact that potential benefits of mammography in terms of lives saved far outweigh the slight health risk from a low dose of radiation involved in mammography.

For more information on the project, contact the American Cancer Society office in Abilene at 673-4295.



Card Of Thanks

The family of K. Frank Price wish to express their heartfelt thanks for the flowers, food, prayers, and well-wishes of all our friends and neighbors.

Special thanks to Dr. Maurice Callan for the care he gave but even more for his understanding.

Eunice & family
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Center Extension Homemakers Meet

The program "The Modern Way to Budget" was given by Alice Ballenger, Tuesday, Feb. 24 when the Center Extension Homemakers met at the annex in Roby.

Eilene Cave, President, called the meeting to order and Debra Smith directed a Trivia game for recreation.

Caroline Hawthorne, Secretary, called the roll, then read the minutes. The District meeting was discussed, then the meeting was turned over to Alice Ballenger for a most informative program on Budgeting, stating your income makes a difference in what type budget you fix up. A spending plan must be followed for the budget to be effective.

Audie Burk, hostess served sandwiches, chips, angel food cake and punch to the following members.

was presented with a hostess gift from Debra Smith.

Louise Mahafee, Bernice Randolph, Stella Mae Mash, Britty Turnbow, Imogene Harvey, Eilene Cave, Fay Anderson, Caroline Hawthorne, Helen Thornburg, Luella Waddell, Debra Smith, and the agent Alice Ballenger, and little Amy Smith.

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NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION ESCUELA)

To the Registered Voters of Rotan, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Rotan, Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on April 4, 1987, for voting in the election to elect School Trustees.
(Notifiquese, por las presentes, que las casillas electorales situadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 4 de abril de 1987 para votar en la Elección General para elegir Directores de escuela)

LOCATIONS OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCIONES DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Community Center

El Edificio de la Comunidad

Absentee voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at

(La votación en ausencia en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

The Administrative Office at 102 N. McKinley St.-Rotan, Texas 79546

(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on March 16, 1987 (date)

entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el 16 de marzo de 1987 (fecha)

and ending on March 31, 1987 (date)

(y terminando el 31 de marzo de 1987) (fecha)

Additional absentee voting will be held at the same location as follows:

(La votación en ausencia además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera)

Date (fecha) Hours (horas)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a)

Helen Heathington

(Name of Absentee Voting Clerk) (Nombre del Secretario de la Votación En Ausencia)

102 N. McKinley St.

(Address) (Dirección)

Rotan, Texas 79546

(City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Recommended but not required

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el)

March 27, 1987 (date) (fecha)

Issued this the 9th day of February, 1987

(Emitido este día 9 de febrero, 1987)

Signature of Presiding Officer (Firma del Oficial que Preside)

*If absentee voting is not going to be conducted on either Saturday or the last Sunday during the period of absentee voting, delete this part.

Card Of Thanks

This past Sunday afternoon was an eventful one for approximately 100 mothers and daughters who attended the program "Your Daughter and You" at the high school auditorium. So many positive and encouraging comments have been made that possibly similar programs throughout the year will be planned.

An event such as this does not "just happen" and there are so many of you who contributed in various ways that a mere thank you seems so inadequate.

Our school administrators were all encouraging and supportive in offering the school facilities and allowing advertising to go to each girl in Jr. High and High School. Also, many of our teachers made a personal plea to students promoting attendance. The Rotan Advance donated most of the paper used for our fliers and programs as well as setting the type. Don Dawes helped design our advertising and picked up supplies. Weathersbee Funeral Home, First Baptist Church and the Church of Christ all kindly allowed the use of their copiers. The Rotan Lions Club and another individual generously paid the expenses for our two wonderful speakers and singers while others in the community contributed towards paper goods and other minor expenses. Leateace Schooley and Debbie Hull perfectly organized the refreshments enlisting many others for cookies and the actual serving. Linda Dickson volunteered to tape our program while Lisa Nowlin, Jennifer Dickson and Lori Martinez participated also. This would not be complete without thanking William Duke, Donny Harber and Steve Peace for help in setting up the stage, moving equipment, and acquainting us with the facilities.

Hopefully none have been overlooked and we want all of you to know that not only do we appreciate your contributions, but we feel like our community will reap lasting rewards from this activity.

Thank You
Melody Dawes
Celia Peace
Debby Burns
Janece Pease
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