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WHITE'S Wagging Tongue

by Cynthia White

A little girl was observed by her pastor standing outside the preschool Sunday School classroom between Sunday School and worship, waiting for her parents to come and pick her up for "big church." The pastor noticed that she clutched a big storybook under her arms with the obvious title, "Jonah and the Whale."

Feeling a little pernicious, he knelt down beside the little girl and began a conversation. "What's that you have in your hand?" he asked.

"This is my storybook about Jonah and the Whale," she answered.

"Tell me something, little girl," he continued, "do you believe that story about Jonah and that whale to be the truth?"

The little girl implored, "Why of course I believe this story to be the truth!"

He inquired further, "You really believe that a man can be swallowed up by a big whale, stay inside him all that time, and come out of there still alive and OK? You really believe all that can be true?"

She declared, "Absolutely, this story is in the Bible and we studied about it in Sunday School today!"

Then the pastor asked, "Well, little girl, can you prove to me that this story is the truth?"

She thought for a moment and then said, "Well, when I get to Heaven, I'll ask Jonah."

The pastor then asked, "Well, what if Jonah's not in Heaven?"

She then put her hands on her little hips and sternly declared, "Then YOU can ask him!"

One day a wealthy father took his son on a trip to the country with the firm purpose of showing him just exactly how poor people can be.

They spent a day and a night on the farm of a very poor family.

When they got back from their trip the father asked his son, "How did you like the trip?"

The boy replied, "I enjoyed it very much!"

"Did you see how poor people can be?" the father asked.

"Yeah!" said the son.

"And what did you learn?" questioned the father.

The son answered, "I saw that we have one dog at home, and they have four. We have a pool that reaches to the middle of the garden. They have a creek that has no end. We have imported lamps in the garden. They have the stars. Our patio reaches to the front yard, they have a whole horizon."

When the little boy was finished, his father was speechless.

His son added, "Thanks, Dad, for showing me how poor we are!"

Why do we call it a "T.V. Set" when there is only one?

Why are cigarettes sold at gasoline service stations where smoking is prohibited?

Ground Breaking For Monument Highlights Knox County Memorial Day Celebrations

With patriotic melodies, provided the Knox City High School Band, blowing through the lacy mesquite leaves that provided a comforting shade, the ground breaking ceremony for the Knox County Veterans Memorial took place on Monday, May 29, 2000 at 10:45 p.m.

Approximately 350 residents were on hand for the historical occasion and remembered those who had fought and sustained the freedom that is so often taken for granted.

Master of Ceremonies, Charles Baker, introduced Knox County Judge David N. Perdue, who welcomed all to the ceremonies. Judge Perdue reminded those in attendance that "this would be the only memorial on Texas Highway 6 that is dedicated to Veterans."

The invocation was presented by Reverend John Gillispie, also a veteran.

Baker returned to the podium to read a letter of congratulations from Congressman Mac

Thornberry of the Thirteenth District in Texas. In the letter Thornberry stated, "This memorial will be a tangible reminder of the spirit and selfless military service each of you share. The county's efforts will allow future generations to remember and reflect on the meaning of this spirit and service. Erecting a memorial to these men and women is indeed commendable and so very appropriate."

Baker also thanked Jim Martin, District 15 Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Martin presented a Texas flag and a flag of the United States of America to be flown over the finished memorial.

Harold Beck, craftsman of the wooden flag memorial used to help solicit donations for the project, had the privilege of placing three more stars on the structure. Each star represents a \$1000 donation to the memorial. One of the newly placed stars designates a \$1000 donation from the Alton Fitzgerald family in memory of Alton

Fitzgerald, Paul Fitzgerald, Kenneth Faucett and in honor of Reverend Vernon Henderson. The second star was provided by the Bob Harrison family in memory of Bob Harrison and Paul Rios, Jr. The third star placed on the flag during the day designates a \$1000 donation from Mr. and Mrs. Matt Verhalen in memory of Bon Urban Verhalen.

A stirring message from Knox County native L.L. (Bill) English was well received by the appreciative audience. A moment of silence followed the message along with the playing of Taps and the singing of the National Anthem.

Mrs. Alice Partridge, Chairman of the Knox County Historical Committee, grasped a golden shovel and turned over the first sod at the location of the planned granite memorial.

A fund raiser followed the ceremonies at the Benjamin Memorial Building. There hungry residents gratefully feasted on grilled hamburgers and cold soft drinks.



Digital Photo

ALICE PARTRIDGE, Chairperson for the Knox County Historical Commission turns the first spade of dirt in the ground breaking ceremony for the Knox County Veteran's Memorial.

Donoho Retires As Principal of Elementary School

Longtime Munday educator Doug Donoho is retiring after twenty-two years of service to the Munday Independent School District. He has spent a total of thirty-four years in the field of education.

On Wednesday, May 24, the children at Munday Elementary honored his achievements with a balloon release. Some three hundred multi-colored spheres were sent off into the skies above the school after being clutched tightly in the fists of the students. Each balloon had a message attached to the string that recorded Mr. Donoho's retirement and asked for the receiver to write him a note of encouragement on his accomplishments.

On Friday, May 26, Mr. Donoho was honored by the elementary teachers and staff with a luncheon hosted by Mrs. Kerri Urbanczyk.

Donoho will spend the next two weeks quietly finishing his duties in his official capacity as Principal at Munday Elementary School.



File photo

ERIC BEATY, Munday High School's All State football player dons the pads one more time for the All Big Country Classic to be played in Abilene this week end.

Beaty To Participate in First Annual Big Country All-Star Football Classic

Eric Beaty, a 2000 graduate of Munday High School, will be representing his alma mater at the First Annual Big Country All-Star Football Classic to be played in Abilene this Saturday. The game will be staged at Shotwell Stadium on June 3 and begins at 7:30 p.m.

Seventy players from throughout the Big Country will take part in the first annual all-star game benefiting the Big Country chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

The all-stars will be honored at the FCA Sharing the Victory Banquet on Friday, June 2 at 7 p.m. at the Teague Special Events Center at Abilene Christian University. Guest speaker is NFL Hall of Famer Mike Ditka.

Beaty will be playing for the "North" squad which will be coached by Steve Warren of Abilene High. Assistant coaches are Hank Dowell of Sweetwater,

Denny Faith of Albany, and Gerald James of Colorado City. He joins notable area players including Sneezy Beltran of Abilene High, Zach Hunter and Aaron Roan of Aspermont, and Andrew Hudspeth and Justin Teague of Haskell.

Beaty is looking forward to the activities which includes orientation Tuesday, May 30, and four days of practices. "I'm very excited about the game and getting to put on the pads one more time," reports Beaty.

Yard of the Week To Begin Recognizing Well Kept Lawns

The Beautification Committee of The Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture will begin to recognize those citizens in the area for their

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2000 Wheat Harvest Comes to a Close

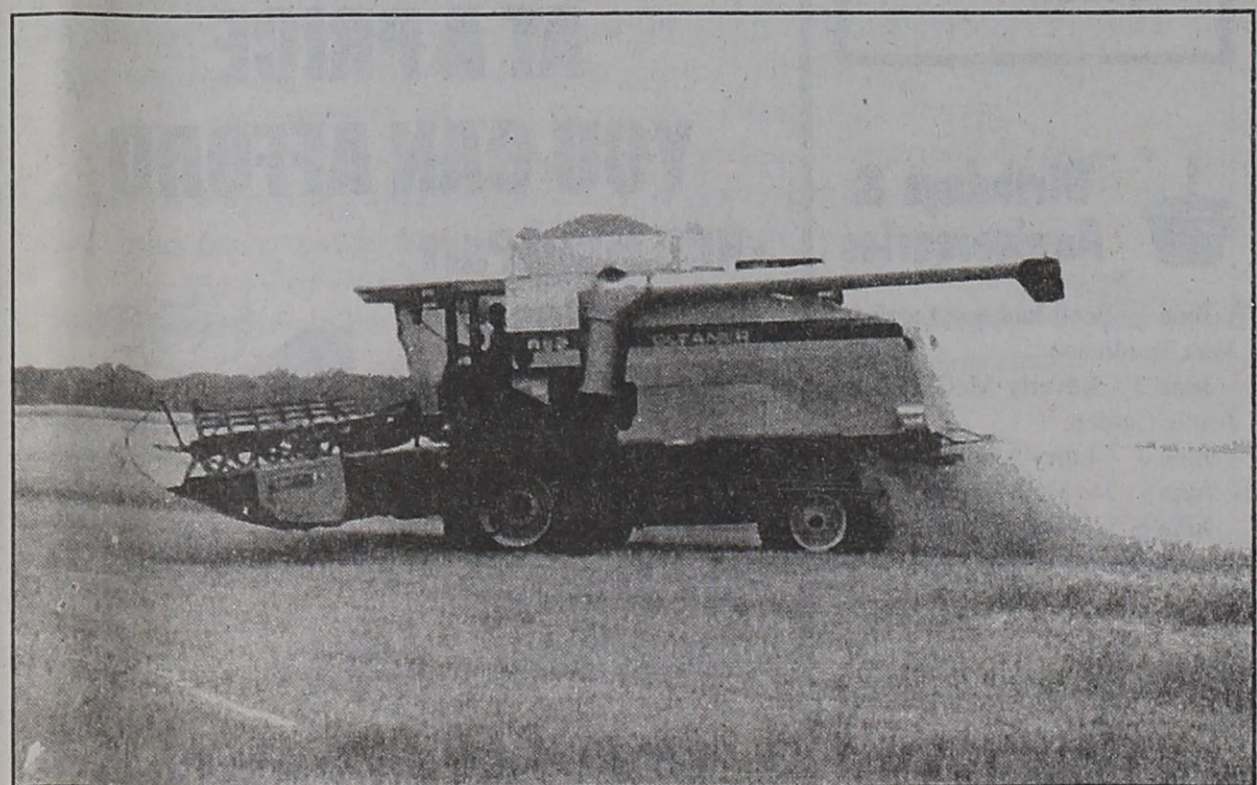
The wheat harvest for 2000 is coming to an end in the Knox County area. Many farmers and harvesters are suffering from the drought, dry weather, low prices, and low yields.

According to Carolyn Moore, of the Consolidated Farm Services Agency, 144,451.2 acres of wheat were planted. As of May 25, 2000 65,796.0 acres of wheat have been harvested and 78,682.2 acres of wheat have failed. Paul Weiser with the Knox County Extension Agency said, "at this time we are not sure what effects the wind, rain, and hail of Thursday night May 25th had on the crops being harvested."

Corey Moore, of Farmers Grain Co-op said, "mostly it has been better than expected. The quality is good, but there has been too much drought." The elevator is seeing dry-land yields from 20 - 40 bushels per acre and irrigated yields from 30 - 90 bushels per acre. The normal yields for this are 30 - 55 bushels per acre for dry-land and 50 - 100 bushels per acre for irrigated wheat.

Moore said the price on May 25, 2000 was \$2.25 per bushel which is considered poor. He said farm-

Please See: "Harvest" Continued on P. 8



Courier photo

COMBINES FIND THE CUTTING THIN this year as the worst drought on record sends wheat yields nose diving. Although Knox County yields are not as bad as some other areas of Texas, growers are feeling the pinch of yet another dry year.

The Munday City Pool Open for Summer Fun

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Members of the Texas Press Association

Calendar of Events



- June 5 - Band Boosters, Munday VFD.
- June 6 - Lions.
- June 8 - School Board
- June 10 - City Wide Garage Sale

Knox County Aging Center

Munday & Goree Menu

- June 5 thru June 9
 - Mon. June 5th. - Chili dogs w/ cheese, baked beans, french fries, whole kernel corn, pineapple crunch.
 - Wed. June 7th. - Tacos w/ cheese, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato salad, cornbread, fruit and cookies.
 - Fri. June 9th. - Peppered steak w/ rice, mixed vegetables, glazed carrots, salad, hot rolls, cobbler.
- If you plan to join the group at Munday, call Louise Fruewirth 422-4191. At Goree, call Juanita Davis at 422-4208 the day before.



Birthdays & Anniversaries

- June 1 - Scott Jackson, Larry & Vera Tomlinson.
- June 3 - Beverly McGaughey, Jeanie Carden.
- June 4 - Larry Albert.
- June 5 - Jan Neal, Kristen Tilley.
- June 6 - Nathan Urbanczyk, Mark & Pam Reed.

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The City Pool opened Tuesday, May 30, 2000. The hours will be from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and admission will be \$1.50 this year. Pool rental will be \$25 per hour and there will be a deposit required. If you are interested in serving the pool, you may contact Karen Longan at 422-4438 or the City Pool at 422-4395.



It's A Boy
Little Phillip Lance Reynolds joined his big sister, Taylor on May 24, 2000 at 6: 37 a.m. He weighed in at 8 lbs. 9 oz. and was 21.5 inches long. Taylor sure is proud of her little brother.

Phillip's parents are Kyle and Amy Reynolds of Electra. His grandparents are John and Betty Loftin of Munday and Harold and Sandra Reynolds of Nocona.



It's A Girl!
Ty and Ann Thornock of Hortonville, Wisconsin are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Nicole Kaitlyn. She was born May 18, at 10:57 a.m. in St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Appleton, WI.

She weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long. Proud grandparents are Doug and Frances Parker of Munday, Tony and JoAnn Thornock of Austin. Great-grandmothers are Lessie Nicholson of Munday and Clara Thornock of Emmitt, Idaho.

The lifeguards this year are going to be Shelley Scott, Will Longan, and Krisi Harlan.

Swim lessons will be given privately or in groups. Please call to schedule swimming lessons.

The pool is in need of lifejackets. If you have a lifejacket that you would like to donate, it will be welcomed.

VBS Theme is Ocean Odyssey

First Baptist Church will have their annual Vacation Bible School June 5 - 9. This year the worship submarine will take a plunge into the deep blue ocean for "Ocean Odyssey." After the submarine reaches the appropriate depth, kids will swim to different reefs: crafts, music, Bible study, missions, refreshments, and recreation. So, get ready for the plunge. The Odyssey will be between 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

If your child needs a ride, please contact the church at 422-4559. Also if you have any questions, please call or come by. Our office hours are 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Local Obituaries

Atkinson, Charles W.

Charles W. Atkinson of Goree passed away Thursday, May 25, 2000 at the age of 67. His services were held Saturday, May 27, 2000 at the Goree First Baptist Church. Reverend Lenard Brothers officiated and Sandy Lambeth assisted. McCauley-Smith Funeral Home was in charge of the services and interment was held at the Goree Cemetery. Pallbearers were Gary Wilde, Lyndel Lambeth, James Peek, Kent Trainham, Bob McWhorter, and Jimmy Harlan.

Mr. Atkinson was born in Goree, Texas on January 11, 1933. He lived in Houston from 1955 until 1979 when he moved back to Goree, Texas and became the Chief chemical plant operator. Mr. Atkinson entered the service in 1951 serving in the Texas National Guard and army reserves.

Mr. Atkinson and Margaret Lee were married on October 1, 1966 in Houston, Texas. His survivors include his wife, Margaret of Goree; two sons, Jerry Dan Atkinson of Killeen, TX and Charles Scott Atkinson of Grand Prairie, TX; one daughter, Mariann Wallace of Houston, TX; four granddaughters, LeeAnn O'Shea Atkinson, Christy Wallace Hames, Chera Atkinson, and Charli Atkinson; two grandsons, Charles Matthew Atkinson and Charles Bradley Atkinson.

Local Obituaries

Hicks, J.D.

Long-time Munday resident, J.D. Hicks, passed away on Tuesday, May 16, 2000. He was 82 years of age. Services took place on Thursday, May 18, 2000 at First Baptist Church in Munday. The Reverend Randy Gressett officiated with Dr. H.B. Graves assisting. Interment followed in Brushy Creek Cemetery in Haskell County. McCauley-Smith Funeral Home was in charge of the services.

Mr. Hicks was born on July 11, 1917 in Haskell County. He moved to Munday in 1979 where he was a farmer. Mr. Hicks was a devoted member of First Baptist Church in Munday.

He and Flora Routon were married on December 10, 1937 in Munday. She preceded him in death on July 13, 1995. Mr. Hicks and Aree Tidwell were married on September 3, 1996 in Munday.

Survivors include his wife, Aree, of the home; 2 sons, Glendon Hicks of Seymour, Tx and Don Hicks of Jefferson City, Missouri; six grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren.

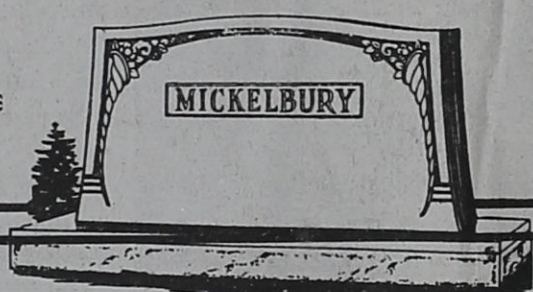
Pallbearers were John Loftin, Doug Donoho, Clarence Searcey, Joe Tidwell, Robert Elliot, and Robert Hosea. Honorary pallbearers were the deacons of First Baptist Church.

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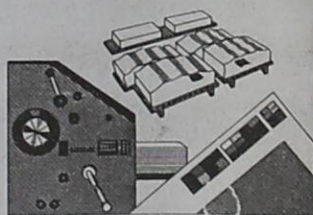
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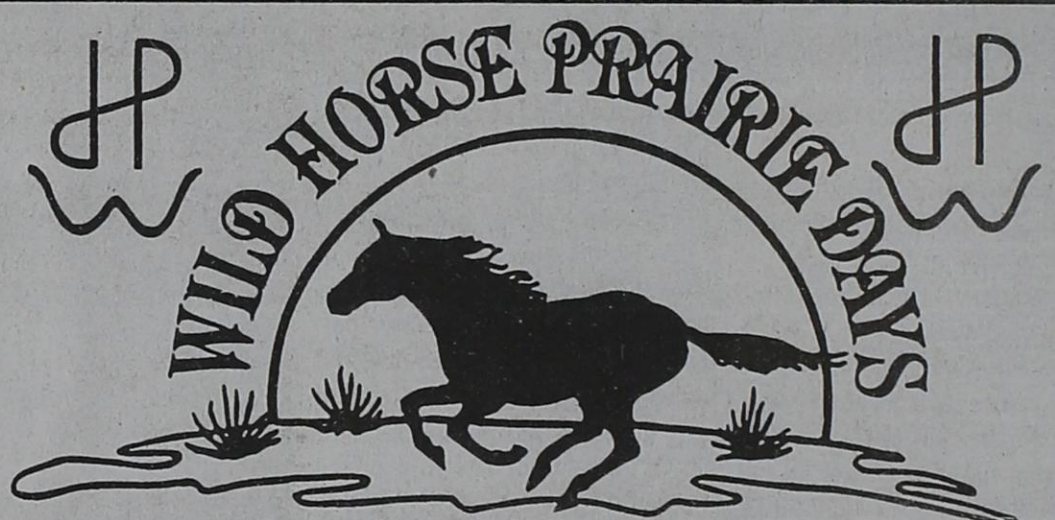
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JUNE 2, 2000

RANCH HORSE COMPETITION
Novice 9 A.M.

PARADE
5:00 P.M.

Ranch Rodeo

8:00 P.M.

TICKETS \$5.00

JUNE 3, 2000

TEAM ROPING

8:00 A.M. - Noon
Children's Rodeo
10:00 A.M. - Noon
Ticket Required

Ranch Horse Competition

Junior & Senior 1 P.M.

Ranch Rodeo

8:00 P.M.

Ticket Required
\$5.00 - Can be used for both Rodeos

ALL DAY BRISKET COOKOFF
JUNE 3

COWBOY POETRY & MUSIC
SAT. JUNE 3

JUNE 4, 2000

COWBOY Church Service

Pavilion Area
10:00 A.M. - Noon

Jeff Gore Pastor

WTBRA BARREL RACE

Exhibitions
12:30 P.M.

Open 4 - D
2:00 P.M.

Chuck Wagon Meal Sat. June 3 - 5:00 pm Pavilion Area Tickets \$4 - Child - \$8 - Adult

Pavilion Area - June 2 & 3 DANCE ★ DANCE ★ DANCE

Under The Stars with JODY NIX & THE TEXAS COWBOYS
9:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M. - TICKETS \$8.00



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Munday High School Students Receive The National Services Scholarship

The National Scholarship Program is an opportunity for schools and communities to recognize young people for outstanding service to their communities, including service-learning activities as part of their education. Congress authorized the money for high schools to participate in 2000. The Corporation for National Service provides \$500.00 for each scholarship. In order to award a National Service Scholarship to a student, a high school must first obtain matching funds for each \$500.00 scholarship from the school district, community, or civic organizations. With the help of the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and Gail Morgan the businesses and individuals of Munday and Rhineland donated the money to help these scholarships. I would like to mention the names of the businesses and individuals that contributed toward this scholarship fund: Rhineland Co-op Gin, PM Supply, Allen and Nancy Beaty, Buds for You, Cambie's Corner Cafe, Booe Roofing, Charles and Betty Baker, James Carden Plumbing and Electric, Four K Feed and

Seed, Home Building Center, Farmers Grain Co-op - Corey Moore, Knox Hardware - David Kuehler, John and Betty Loftin, McCauley Smith Funeral Home, Munday Tire and Appliance - Joe and Glenna Lloyd and Nancy Shahan, Memories of Munday - Doug and Betty Moore, Myers Grain, Munday Courier, David Neal Dentistry, Osbornes, Parker Implement, Petty Flying Service, RAS Trucking, Ralph's Auto, Shake N Bake, Henry and Betty Ramirez, Pankhurst - Wilson Service Center - Charlie Pankhurst and Jeremy Wilson, Pat Smith, Smith Drug, Schoolmarm An-

tiques, and Production Credit Association. Students in this class had an opportunity to apply for this scholarship by writing an essay describing their service. This year Congress authorized each school 2 - \$500.00 scholarships which is matched with the money from the community businesses and members just mentioned. The following two students will each receive \$500.00 matched with \$770.00 of local money, making the scholarships worth \$1270.00 each. The recipients are Mandi Myers and Nicole Urbanczyk. ***

Munday High School Class of 1950 To Hold Reunion

The Munday High School graduating class of 1950 will be holding a reunion on Saturday, June 10, 2000. The group is invited to meet at the Perry Patton Community Center at 8:00

that morning for registration and visitation. Some 25 students graduated that year and it is hoped that many will be able to return for this fun day of visiting and renewing old acquaintances. ***

Munday Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture will hold their annual City-Wide Garage Sale on Saturday, June 10, 2000. Sign-up fee of \$5.00 gets your garage sale listed on the map of sales handed out to shoppers on the day of the City-wide Sale. It also allows the Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture to advertise the day in numerous area newspapers. For more information and to sign up please call: The Munday Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture (940) 422 - 4540.

PROCLAMATION

in recognition of the Munday High School graduating class of 1950
By the Mayor of the City of Munday

I, Gary Tidwell, hereby proclaim June 10, 2000, a day of recognition for the graduates of Munday High School in the year 1950. Notice is hereby given of a 50 year reunion and celebration of these graduates at the Perry Patton Community Center. This reunion is open to all friends and relatives of the graduates. The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. and a catered meal will be served at noon.

Signed,
Mayor Gary Tidwell



Local Weather as reported by the Texas A&M Research Station, Munday, Texas.

	High	Low	Rain
es. May 09	84	63	.00
ed. May 10	103	62	.00
ur. May 11	*	*	.00
t. May 12	88	67	.00
n. May 13	80	51	.00
on. May 14	84	52	.00
es. May 15	98	65	.00
ed. May 16	106	75	.00
ur. May 17	100	74	.00
i. May 18	85	64	.00
t. May 19	64	55	.18
n. May 20	82	52	.00
on. May 21	90	59	.38
es. May 22	100	68	.04
ed. May 23	109	71	.00
ur. May 24	113	74	.00
i. May 25	96	69	.00
t. May 26	96	67	.42
n. May 27	93	73	.00
on. May 28	93	64	.00

Total Precipitation for May, 2000 02 inches. ***

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Mary Murphy photo
FFA OFFICERS. Celebrating the end of the year at a recent picnic were Munday High School FFA Officers. (Top, left) Sponsor Rick Moeller, President Lane Murphy, Secretary Scott Tuttle, Historian Eric Hager, Historian Chris Bibb, Sentinel Jeremy Lowe, Advisor Jack Redding, (front, left) Treasurer Karamy Brown, Vice President Amber Reed, and Reporter Jennifer Carden.

KNOX COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL

First National Bank in Munday is proud to contribute to the Knox County Veterans Memorial fund. Bank officer Lyndle Reeves donates a check to Sherry Beaty and Alice Partridge in an effort to fill the Donation Flag with stars. The First National Bank in Munday is honored to have a hand in honoring our veterans and we want to challenge all of our area businesses to give generously to this worthy cause. Many of our Knox County Veterans made the supreme sacrifice for us and for our freedom, so humbly we give some small part in return just to say "Thank You Veterans."

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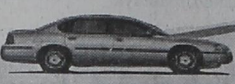
\$3,131⁰⁰
Total Savings

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\$1,750
Rebate
or
4.9% 60 mo. WAC

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SAVE

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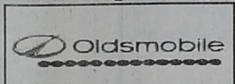
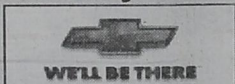
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Lessons from Corporate Annual Reports

For more than a decade I've been reading the annual reports of several major corporations. With thoughtful analysis and a little reading between the lines you can learn a lot about business operation, corporate culture and management philosophy.

This year as the statements started to come in, I was intrigued by the contrast of the top executives' comments in two of the annual reports. Floyd Hall of Kmart and David Glass of Wal-Mart took very different approaches to communicating the past year's success to shareholders.

However, you must read between the lines to grasp the contrast. On the surface, both men's comments sound positive and upbeat. Both used the terms "continuous improvement," "innovation" and "change." Both executives discussed their company's success and lauded the commitment of their management teams.

So where is the contrast you ask? The contrast is in the execution. Many are good at talking about success; few are truly talented at getting the job done.

A History lesson

Let's roll back the calendar a few years to 1990. It was during this dramatic year that a new retail sales leader emerged. Long-time leader, Sears, Roebuck and Company, was passed by the up-and-coming Kmart Corporation.

The big shock was that Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. swept by both Sears and Kmart with a sales surge of 26 percent. Wal-Mart's sales for the fiscal year that ended in January 1991 were nearly \$33 billion.

And therein lies the basis of the contrast. In the decade that followed, Wal-Mart executed while the other two powerful retailers -- Sears and Kmart -- languished. While Sears and Kmart talked about continuous improvement and made only small advances, Wal-Mart made giant strides toward serving customers more effectively. While Sears and Kmart revised, revamped and tried new approaches, Wal-Mart continued to execute their skillfully crafted plan.

The proof is in the year-to-year results these companies have achieved. In fiscal year 2000 Kmart rang up retail

sales of \$35.9 billion, Sears came in at \$41 billion and Wal-Mart became the second largest company in the US with sales exceeding \$165 billion.

Now keep in mind that all three of these giant retailers were at nearly the same sales levels in 1990. All had the same economy to grow in and all had the same buying clout. All three companies had hundreds of stores and were present in virtually all major US markets. How did Wal-Mart grow to be four times the size of Sears and four and a half times the size of Kmart?

The difference

Here are the key lessons I've learned from the annual reports. I believe they spell out the performance differences.

... **Do more with less.** Wal-Mart has always held expenses in check. They focused on taking cost out of the business in all areas. Of all the annual reports I received this year, the company with least profit, produced the biggest (60 pages) and fanciest annual report.

... **Focus on improvement instead of growth.** Wal-Mart has always been motivated by the idea of getting better, not getting bigger. Serve your customers well and growth will come naturally.

... **Develop a team of dedicated people.** Several Wall Street experts predicted a period of decline following Sam Walton's death in 1992. The decline never came because Walton built a talented, dedicated team, prepared them well and empowered them to work the plan.

... **Never resist change.** Wal-Mart has only had three CEOs in its 38 year history: Sam Walton, David Glass and newly appointed Lee Scott. Walton and Glass pushed for changes that made the company better. I'll bet Scott will continue in the same way. You can't compete with the companies of yesterday because they are different today. You must change to survive.

Don Taylor is the co-author of *Up Against the Wal-Marts*. You may write to him in care of *Minding Your Own Business*, PO Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.

Crop Stress Expert Joins Texas A&M Faculty at Amarillo

Arriving in the middle of another long dry spell might not be the best introduction to the Texas Panhandle, but these are exactly the conditions which interest Dr. William A. Payne who is a crop stress expert. He fills a new position as associate professor of agronomy with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Payne's research in crop physiology will be focused on dryland wheat production. He joins a growing list of faculty within the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center, with facilities in Amarillo, and two adjunct sites near Bushland and Etter.

He held a similar post at Oregon State University's Columbia Basin Agricultural Research Center at Pendleton.

The agronomist studies soil-plant-water relationships for small grains crops, such as wheat that are grown under dryland and limited irrigation conditions. Driving

much of his world are the genetic and molecular control mechanisms that impact plant stress resistance. For the past three years, Payne's primary responsibilities have dealt with drought tolerance, water-use efficiency, sustainability, and introduction of new crops in wheat-based cropping systems.

Earlier, Payne was the principal crop physiologist in the agronomy division of the International Crops Research Institute for Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), with headquarters in India. At ICRISAT, he coordinated research efforts for West and Central Africa for six years. He also served as the team leader of the integrated systems project for Africa and Asia.

Before entering the Texas A&M graduate program, he was a horticulture extension agent with the Peace Corps in Mauritania for three years.

According to John Sweeten, the Experiment Station's research di-

rector at the Amarillo Center, the new scientist will cooperate closely with researchers at the USDA-Agricultural Research Service Conservation and Production Research Laboratory at Bushland and at the agency's new Crop Stress Laboratory at Lubbock.

Payne will be working with Experiment Station colleagues at Amarillo, Vernon, and Lubbock. His research will also involve Extension Service specialists and county agents in all three regions. He will partner with faculty in the Division of Agriculture, West Texas A&M University at Canyon.

Fort Griffin Fandangle at Albany, Texas

Tickets are now on sale for the 2000 Fort Griffin Fandangle. This year's performance dates are June 22 - 24 and June 29 - July 1. The nationally known historical musical show will begin under the Texas sky each evening at 8:30 p.m. in the Prairie Theater just outside of Albany, Texas. The Fandangle Parade is scheduled for June 29, 2000 at 6:00 p.m.

Ticket prices range from \$5 - \$15, depending on seating. Albany is located 150 miles west of Dallas/Fort Worth and 30 miles northeast of Abilene, Texas. For more information, call the Fandangle office at (915) 762-3838 or visit www.albanytexas.com.



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CITY EMPLOYEES JERRY LOW, ANGELA HERRICKS, AND JERRY GRAY accept the Distinguished Service Award from FFA Sponsors Rick Moeller and Jack Redding. The award was presented at the annual FFA Banquet.

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BAND QUEEN AND KING, Daniella Martinez and Lane Murphy congratulate each other after receiving their royalty honors at the recent Musicade. Both students were graduating seniors at Munday High School this year.

Munday Graduates Receive Scholarships

Several of the Munday High School Students received scholarships this year.

Laci Myers - Valedictorian, TEA Honor Grad. Certificate, President's Student Service Challenge Award sponsored by Coca-Cola Scholars Program, Small Schools Academic Competition scholarship, and MHS funds scholarship.

Amber Reed - Salutation, Presidential scholarship Texas Tech, Texas Tech Ex-students scholarship, Texas FFA scholarship, Monsanto Corp. and American Farm Bureau scholarship, Cargill/Acco Feeds scholarship for Rural America, Fort Worth Scottish Rite Foundation scholarship, Texas Association for County Judges and Commissioners scholarship, The Brazos Valley Young Farmers scholarship, MHS funds scholarship, and Miss MHS.

Lane Murphy - Texas FFA scholarship, Baylor University Presidents scholarship, Fort Worth Scottish Rite Foundation Scholarship, Small Schools academic Competition scholarship, MHS funds scholarship, and Mr. MHS.

Scott Tuttle - Howard college agriculture dept. scholarship, Munday High School faculty scholarship, and Munday FFA scholarship.

JoAnn Toliver - Texas Trial Lawyers Association scholarship, LULAC council of Knox County scholarship, Small schools Academic Competition scholarship, and MHS funds scholarship.

Adriana Molina - Ford division Spirit of Accomplishment scholastic scholarship.

Robert Dockins - Clarendon

Junior College basketball scholarship.

Mandi Myers - National Service Scholarship, Munday High School faculty scholarship.

Nicole Urbanczyk - National Service scholarship, and MHS Funds Scholarship.

Jessi Carlson - Retail Trade Committee of the Munday Chamber of Commerce scholarship.

Adam Garza - Munday Lions Club scholarship, and Munday Toastmasters Scholarship.

Maria Monita - Munday High School faculty scholarship.

Joey Valencia - Munday High School faculty scholarship.

Erica Gray - B.R. Winchester scholarship, and Joe Choucair scholarship.

Julie Clairday - Association of Texas Professional Educators scholarship.

Chris Rocha - First National Bank of Munday scholarship.

R.J. Rizan - Small Schools Academic Competition scholarship.

Nicolas Lara - Small Schools Academic Competition scholarship.

Valerie Dominguez - Tacho Ramirez scholarship.

Melannie Martinez Armstrong-Lowrance scholarship.

\$1,000 Ford Truck FFA Scholarship Awarded to Local Youth

Lane Murphy, a 2000 graduate of Munday High School, has been awarded a \$1,000 college scholarship by Ford Trucks and Bill Wilson Motors, Haskell, TX. Lane is the son of Ed and Mary Murphy of Weinert, TX and plans to study Communications at Baylor University.

The scholarship is one of 330 awarded by Ford Truck to FFA members who are high school seniors planning to attend college. This is the third year of the Ford Truck FFA Scholarship program

Please See: "Murphy"
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Lake Creek Hosts Ramirez Invitational

Results of The Daniel Ramirez Invitational Golf Tournament played May 27th & 28th at Lake Creek golf course in Munday were:

Championship flight:
1st Troy Nuckols 136
2nd J. Collier 148
3rd Brad Patterson 149
4th Todd Austin 152

First flight:
1st Mike Benavides 150
2nd Bill Perry 156
3rd Robert Alcalá 157
4th Kerry Therwanger 158

Second flight:
1st Paul Page 166
2nd Gary Crawford 167
3rd Santos Baiza 167
4th Tony Urbanczyk 168

Third flight:
1st Chad Bagley 166
2nd Danny Carden 171
3rd Mike McCarty 173
4th Chris Moore 176

Closest to the pin on no. 9:
Sat. Monty Martin
Sun. Wayne Zeissel

Money was donated by Rhineland Cattle Company and Jeffrey Ramirez.

There were 41 entries in this year's tourney. Mary Smith would like to thank everyone who worked so hard to get the golf course and club house in good shape and all who helped prepare the meal on Saturday night. A special thanks to Home Building Center for donating the caps for each participant.

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House of Representatives Passes Federal Crop Insurance Improvements

The House of Representatives today approved legislation that will strengthen the Federal Crop Insurance Program and provide \$5.4 billion in assistance to help farmers and ranchers cope with low prices and the continuing effects of the drought.

U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry (TX-13), who supported the legislation and cosponsored the crop insurance improvements, called the measure "a good bill for difficult times."

"This legislation was written with two things in mind," Thornberry stated. "First, it will help make crop insurance more accessible and workable for producers. Second, it will put money in producers' pockets to help them

cope with bad weather and low prices. While more clearly needs to be done to solve some of the problems facing agriculture, overall this is a good bill for difficult times."

The legislation, called *The Agricultural Risk Protection Act*, or HR 2559, was approved by the House by a voice vote. According to Thornberry, the bill will strengthen the crop insurance program by, among other things, providing better coverage and lower cost and more coverage flexibility. The measure also contains two key provisions that Thornberry has supported since Congress began its reform of crop insurance.

The first provision would allow producers to use a count average in determining their coverage. This

is designed to make up for those who may have suffered multiple losses, especially during the 1990's. The second provision authorizes a first-time livestock risk management pilot program.

In addition to the crop insurance improvements, HR 2559 also contains federal assistance that will provide farmers and ranchers around the country with \$5.4 billion in relief. Producers in the 13th Congressional District alone are expected to receive approximately \$110 million of this amount.

"If recent temperatures are any indication of what farmers and ranchers will face this year," Thornberry remarked, "then this bill will be needed and could not have come at a better time."

Benjamin News

by Gladene Green

We have had a busy week over here this week. All the end of school "goings-ons" kept everyone pretty much on the run. And tho it doesn't affect us all, the wheat harvest is well under way. Probably is pretty close to being over as the combines and trucks have sure been buzzing around. With a few more days of good weather, those machines will be through and on their way to other fields in a different locale. We had a little cloud Thurs. night and about .9 of an inch of rain. Sort of "livened up" the "dead-looking" grass, trees and shrubs in many of our yards.

Concerning Our Ailing:

Joe Nunley is back at the Brazos Valley Care Home after several weeks stay in Wichita Falls. He's doing much better and it's always good to have that kind of report. He visited family and friends here in Benjamin Saturday.

My family, Troy Yeager and Maxine Nelson are doing better. Troy went to his home in Brownfield Friday after nearly 3 weeks in Covenant in Lubbock. And Maxine got the results of her bone marrow biopsy and that report was good so we can be very thankful for that. She has other problems, but right now is doing fair. Thank-you all for your concern and especially your prayers.

Here N There:

Friday nite guests of Judy Conner and attending graduation were Jim Bob Conner and Jeff Conner, Cheyenne and Cayden of Lubbock. Jeff went on to Abilene Saturday for the wedding of Lonnie Bohannon and Misty Rains.

Visiting Jim and Brenda Larned Friday and attending graduation were Tanya and Chris Castillo and family of Wichita Falls, Tammy Riley and girls of Wellington, Chrystal Larned and baby of Altus Oklahoma, and Julie and Tom Lyles of Knox City.

Visiting Hazel Stockton and Bud Conner during last week were Steve Conner of Colorado City, Michele, Jimmy, and Caleb Barrientez of Lubbock, and Kim Moore, Samijo and Shelby of Spur. Michele and family also visited his parents his parents, Raul and Reyes Barrientez and her mom and her husband, Janet and Gary Reed. Also visiting Janet and Gary have been her mom, Edith Broach of Lubbock and her brother, John Broach of San Antonio. Also a friend, Lois Holt of Lubbock. They all attended the commencement Friday night.

Larry and Gaye Neal visited her sister and family in Marlowe, Oklahoma during the week-end.

Brenda Gallaher of Wichita Falls is here for a few days visit. Brenda had started in on Friday and had a little accident--ran off the road--thinks she "dozed off"--and sort of messed her car up and needless to

say received a few slight injuries. She's will be off work for a few days. She's very lucky and she and everyone else is very thankful that it was not any worse than it was.

Bob and Stephanie Brannan of Lubbock spent the week-end with homefolks.

Chase and Dwayne Polyado and Tiffany De Los Santos of Vernon spent a few days this week with their grandparents Charles and Joy Jones.

Weldon and Margie Patterson of Fresno, California are her for a few days visit with his mom, Maretha and his sister Sharon Johnson and other relatives and friends.

C.W. Harbert of Arlington, Mike Howse of Mansfield and Gene Howse of Alvredo were Benjamin visitors one day last week. I visited with ther briefly and they said they hoped to be back for homecoming if only for a schort while as they have some previous commitments they may have to keep.

Dorothy Spikes told me that her son, Rusty is nursing a broken leg. Some kind of an accident involving a horse. He's in a cast and probably will be for several weeks. We send best wishes to Rusty while he recuperates. He lives near Electra.

Randolph and Betty Barnett of alvin are here for a couple of weeks doing a little planning about their house they plan to put here and also helping with plans for the upcoming homecoming.

Michael and David Clower are spending a few days with the Joe Leathers family on the 6666 Ranch.

Judy and Jack Whitten were in Guthrie Oklahoma last week end to attend a Ranch Rodeo in which their son-in-law, Ryan Ross was a participant.

Pancho and Amelia Acevedo and family had several visit during the weekend and attend a daughter Carmen's graduation on Friday night. They were Carmen's grandmother, albina Ganzalez who lives in Mexico. Also, Dolores Garza and Johnny Stanley of Sweetwater, friends Eliselda nad Philip Garcia of Lubbock, Angie Rolans and sons, Chris Julian, and Livies of Dallas, Delia Zermeno of Colorado City, Lupita Zermeno fo San angelo and friends Saul and Rosa Padilla and children, Saul Jr., David, and Veronica of Highland and Carmen's aunt, Carmela Acevedo of Benjamin.

Maretha Paterson and Sharon Johnson were in Abilene a couple of days last week for Maretha to see her hear Dr. She has to go back in a few days fore more tests and consultation.

Among those visiting the Mike Moorhouse family Friday and attending commencement Friday nite were her grandparents Bert and Kay Criswell of Guthrie and Bobbie Moorhouse of Iowa Park,

Also Mr. and Mrs. Rick Criswell and family and Mr. and Mrs. Van Criswell and family of Guthrie, DeeAnn and Mark Davis of Seymour and Rick and Sandra Moorhouse of Vernon.

Clint, Misty, and Kolby Jones spent the weekend with his family in New Braunfels and attended the commencement exercises of his sister on Friday night.

Jeannie Williams and Mary Bohannon accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Matt Verhalen and Ronnie to Wichita Falls Saturday where they attended memorial service for Byron Davidson, son of former residents, the Davidsons. Byron died in the spring in Corpus Christi. Services were held at the Floral Heights Methodist Church.

Yard

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expertise in lawn maintenance. This year the weekly judges will be Carmen Munoz and Juana Ethridge. They will be choosing the best lawns in the Munday, Rhineland, and Goree communities. Weekly winners will receive a \$10 gift certificate from Dillon's Greenhouse so be sure to stock up on your favorite flower now in order to obtain the certificate and recognition in the future.

Businesses are encouraged to care for the planter boxes located in the down town area and would like to thank Bud's For You for making the planters on their block look so appealing.

The Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture would like to recognize City Hall for the beautiful pansies that have adorned their area all winter. Betty Baker has also done her usual wonderful job on maintaining the downtown park - an area that many residents utilize. The Munday Community Center has also been sprucing up their yard and area and that is also well appreciated. One of the great sights in spring in Munday is the rose area that Mr. Carden always cares for. Be sure to thank all these kind people and establishments for making our community more beautiful.

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Harvest

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ers generally like to see \$3.50 - \$4.00 per bushel. With these low prices, farmers aren't even breaking even since it costs \$3.00 - \$3.50 per bushel to raise a wheat crop.

Sonny Moore said, "This is the worst wheat harvest in 20 years for this elevator," speaking of Farmers Grain Co-op. John Loftin of Farm Bureau also stated, "This is the worst year I've seen in years," when speaking about insurance and this year's crops.

Due to the low yields, many farmers are having to turn to their insurance companies. Farmers are able to get Federal Crop Insurance which is backed by the federal government. The Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) regulates the price which is \$3.15 per bushel this year. Farmers are able to buy different levels of insurance. Chris Moore of C.F. Moore Insurance said his two most popular plans sold are the 50/100 and the 65/100. John Loftin of Farm Bureau mainly sells the 65/100 crop insurance. The better the percentage, the higher the premiums are. Farmers can also add Crop Hail insurance as well.

If a farmer chooses 50/100 Federal Crop Insurance, the government will guarantee the farmer half of the average annual yield on their crop. If a farmer gets a yield that is below 50% of the average annual yield, the government will pay \$3.15 per bushel up to the amount guaranteed. This varies with the percentage of insurance the farmer buys. In the cas of 65/100 insurance, the farmer is guaranteed 65% of the average annual yield.

There are several variables that have an effect on a wheat crop. When the crop was planted, at what stage the crop received rain, and when the cattle were taken off are just a few. Farmers who grazed their cattle early tended to have a better crop, according to Chris Moore. The cut off day for grazing cattle is March 15. The closer a farmer gets to cut-off, the greater the risk of their wheat not making a head.

If an adjuster rates the crop so low that it shouldn't be harvested, the farmer must do one of several things. They can finish grazing it out, plow it up, or make hay bales. This was an option for many farmers in the Knox County area.

As a whole, this year's wheat harvest has been one of the worst area farmers have had. The drought, dry weather, and low prices have seriously crippled the farmers who were already suffering from being hailed out last season.

Murphy

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which this year attracted 3,442 applicants.

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Vera News

by Mrs. Thelma Coulston

Mrs. Helen Randolph of Abilene and Mrs. Jaunita Kemp of Crockett visited Friday and Saturday in the home of Mrs. Maurine Parris. Also visiting with Maurine, Tuesday was Bobby Lee McMurry of Levelland.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Holt of Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Thomas and children of Woodson were visitors with Billy and Betty Kinnibrugh.

Don't forget the Ground Breaking ceremony for the Knox County Veteran's Memorial Monument which will be held this next Monday morning, May 29, 2000 at the lot where the Monument will be built. The ceremony will begin at 10:45 a.m. and a hamburger lunch will be served at the Benjamin Memorial Building with proceeds going to the Memorial Fund. Also members of the community will be placing flags at all Veterans graves buried in the Vera Cemetery Friday morning, May 26th at 9:00 a.m. Please come and help place the flags.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Coulston were business visitors in Wichita Falls Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Beck and family of Copper Canyon visited during the weekend with his parents, Harold and Edith Beck.

Mrs. June Trainham and Jerrell Wendell were business visitors in Wichita Falls, Saturday.

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