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Presstime Final

BOBCATS 51, MORTON 69

in the third-place game of the

Caprock ABC Tournament Wednesday

FLU

Local clinics are overflowing

Unidentified flu strains, possibly including the Taiwan-A flu which has swept through portions of the nation this winter, have struck in Dimmitt, sending hundreds of residents to local doctors while others have chosen to treat the symptoms at home.

"Most of the symptoms are upper respiratory problems," said Dr. B.H. Lee. "We definitely have an outbreak, but we haven't identified any particular flu strains."

"The flu seems to be all we've had the last couple of weeks," said Dr. Gary R. Hardee. "It's the Taiwan or some other strain of flu, and it has been pretty virulent going through the community."

"A majority of the patients we've seen have upper respiratory problems, and some people are having gastroenteritis. There is probably more than one agent going through town."

"There are more persons involved, affected, than usual. There are more younger people having problems than older people, but it's hard to say for sure why more young people seem to have the flu."

"Anyone with flu symptoms just have to take care of it as best they can, and should see their doctor if they're having problems."

"We're having lots of it," said Dr. B.D. Murphy. "Flu is a respiratory illness, and I would say we're hav-

ing two-thirds upper respiratory problems and one-third lower respiratory. Some folks are having other problems, like vomiting, but some are not. It just depends on the case."

"It's really been going on for about three weeks, but the last 10 days have been the worst."

Murphy said he has sent a viral culture to the Texas Dept. of Health to positively identify the virus, and said "there is no way to pinpoint what it is without taking a long period of time. The state takes a while—it should be 10 days or so before we have an answer."

"The best thing people can do during an influenza outbreak is stay

home, drink plenty of fluids, and don't get out and around unless you're too sick to keep down fluids or can't control your fever or other symptoms."

"We're seeing all ages represented, but we're probably getting fewer older patients because most of them have had flu vaccines. But, some of the people who have had flu shots are having this flu. That's because vaccines are only 75 to 80% effective."

The patient load has also been high at South Plains Health Provider, with the clinic overloaded Monday after having been closed four days over the Christmas holidays.

1986

Year was filled with memories

You have survived 1986. Congratulations.

You may have come out the better for it, or, like many others, you may be the worse for wear. Nevertheless, you have made it through another year.

Among the major stories of 1986 were:

* The launching of a "survival plan" by Plains Memorial Hospital. The Castro County Hospital District Board elected to change management in September, dismissing former Administrator Marshall Cook and bringing in a two-man team, Garry Allan and John Linsner. The team brought in a plan that could greatly increase the patient load at the hospital, and, late in the year, began seeking payment on over \$600,000 worth of accounts receivable at PMH.

* Weather played a critical role throughout the year. For the first five months, the county was in a drought. During the last seven months, the county saw a persistent monsoon season. Several Dimmitt homes were flooded during a September storm, while heavy rain and hail caused widespread heavy damage in the Hart area.

* While many entities in the state, including the state, were hiking taxes, the Dimmitt school board saw a large money surplus and dropped its tax rate by 20 cents. Hart's school taxes dropped a nickel as well.

* The county had more athletes win gold medals and participate in state tournaments and other events than most counties win in the Olympics. Winners included the Nazareth boys' basketball team, girls cross-country squad, tennis players Ramona Heiman, Traci Hill, Todd Hill and Kenny Kern, plus Alan Birkenfeld in the UIL Journalism Meet, and Hart's Tammy Menchaca in the 3,200 meters and cross-country, and the Dimmitt Middle School Olympics of the Mind squad.

Also competing at state were the Nazareth girls' and Dimmitt boys' basketball squads, finishing second; and Risha Ammons, and Martin and Andy Castillo, of Hart, in tennis.

* Politics warmed up in the county, with native son Kent Hance failing in his bid to secure the Republican nomination for governor highlighting the political year.

* Crime picked up in the county. Ruben Baldivia was acquitted in the June, 1985 murder of Robert Ballard near Sunnyside; Rosa Maria Marquez Daniel was sentenced to 10 years in prison in connection with the death of her two-year-old daughter in 1985; thieves went for large game, with one single haul of over \$180,000 in a mid-December break-in at Great Plains Chemical the largest of several break-ins; and the Castro County Jail was the scene of two break-outs plus a trusty walking away from the jail.

* In defiance of most all odds, Dimmitt's sales tax receipts were considerably higher during the first six months of the year, while the Castro County Junior Livestock Show set a new record, with the sale netting over \$200,000 for the first time.

Here is a week-to-week summary of the major news stories of 1986:

JAN. 2

Over 100 Castro county farmers who were \$100 or more delinquent on their Farmers Home Administration loans were anticipating letters signalling the agency's end of the moratorium on foreclosures.

Two inmates were arrested almost immediately after their escape from the Castro County Jail, while two others were being sought after the four jumped from their second-story cell. The four apparently escaped after someone smuggled hacksaw blades into the jail during

visitation.

Jesus Espinosa, 44, of Dimmitt, and his 20-year-old daughter, Elizabeth, were murdered in Amarillo by a man who shot each of them once while the assailant passed by in a pickup.

JAN. 9

County Judge Polly Simpson and County Treasurer Oleta Raper each announced they would be candidates for re-election, subject to the Democratic primary and the general election.

Those planned letters from Farmers Home Administration were placed on 'hold,' pending possible court and Congressional action.

JAN. 16

Gene King was re-elected as president of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce. Chuck Braafladt was named vice president and Carol Schroeder elected secretary during the annual Chamber business meeting. A plan of action for 1986 was also developed by the general membership at the conference.

Plans for the Sesquicentennial Wagon Train were developed for the train's arrival in Dimmitt May 14, including a meal for the train and others, and activities during the evening.

Political candidates announcing their intentions included incumbent Edd W... and former Commissioner Dale Winders in Pct. 2, incumbent Vincent Guggemos in Pct. 4, and Sam Burke for the long-vacant constable's post.

JAN. 23

The Dimmitt schools began their "drugdog" program with the introduction of "Dusty," a drug-sniffing dog, by drug expert Carl Rickert in assemblies at all three Dimmitt schools and a meeting with interested parents.

Candidates announcing for office included Pct. 2 Justice of the Peace Marshall Young and Pct. 4 commissioner candidate Fred Acker.

City officials said no contractors were interested in doing any paving in Dimmitt under an assessment program, scuttling plans for paving up to 75 blocks in Dimmitt.

JAN. 30

Dimmitt honored three persons at the annual Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce banquet, including Stanley Schaeffer, Citizen of the Year; B.M. Nelson, Citizen Through the Years; and Sue Broderson, Teacher of the Year.

The county's first official Sesquicentennial event, the planting of two commemorative oak trees at the county courthouse, was planned for Jan. 31.

FEB. 6

Over 400 persons attended the annual Texas Corn Growers Association meeting, where Texas Ag Commissioner Jim Hightower pledged to fight the 1985 Farm Bill; Frank Ford, chairman of the board of Arrowhead Mills in Hereford, asked the producers to join hands in prayer and urged farmers to develop a more personal relationship with Jesus Christ; Marion Garland, a Sunray farmer, charged Congressmen Charles Stenholm and Larry Combest with wrongdoing during debate of the farm bill, and pointed out how Ag Secretary John Block said "we need to sow more volunteer wheat;" former Dimmitt farmer and TDA marketing specialist Bart Kaderly said TDA and TCGA must "find a way to market corn as a specialty crop, change the farm bill and control irrigation costs;" State

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Farm-finance help session set Tuesday

"Operation Bootstrap," an association of attorneys and agricultural loan counselors attempting to educate farmers on FmHA lending regulations while educating the public on farm problems, will meet with area farmers in Dimmitt Tuesday beginning at 6:30 a.m.

The meeting will be held in the district courtroom in the Castro County Courthouse in Dimmitt and all interested persons are invited to attend.

Bruce Magness, director of the program, emphasized the impact on the South Plains of the loss of \$91 million in FmHA operating loans in

Texas during the fiscal year completed Sept. 31, 1986, and the imminent loss of even more funding for the current year.

Magness said FmHA lending had dropped from \$367 million in 1984-85 to \$267 million in 1985-86 in Texas, a drop of 25% in one year, and a loss of \$91 million to the economy.

Funds for the upcoming year have been cut \$500 million nationwide, another 25% drop, so that Texas can expect relief concerning direct lending. Guaranteed loan

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CHRISTMAS STOCKING STUFFER—Elsa Beliz of Friona proudly shows what Santa Claus left in her stocking this Christmas. Her newborn son, Brigido Noe Beliz, Jr. was born at 8:30 p.m. Friday at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. He weighed six pounds, 11 ounces. The proud father is Brigido Noe Beliz, Jr., has an older sister, 1-year-old Brenda Lee Beliz. His paternal grandparents are Jose and Bertha Beliz of Friona. His maternal grandmother is Isabel Mireles of Friona. Great-grandparent is Antonio Rivera of Mission.

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By Don Nelson

Blub.
Wheeze.
Sniff.

To you who are about to croak in flu city, I salute you—and welcome you to the club.

There seem to be about three breeds of beasts galloping around in many people's respiratories. With me, it's strep throat. With others, it's a kind of flu that hits *a la Rocky IV*. With still others, it's a bug that burrows into the general area where food is supposed to stay but suddenly won't.

At least I had a *great* Christmas with the family and got to finish up the pheasant season before it hit me. Others weren't so lucky. It's *terrible* to have to suffer through Christmas with the flu. If such was your fate, I hope it will never be again, and that all your Christmases in the future will be white, bright and healthy.

If you haven't been visited yet by any of the vicious viruses making the rounds of the village, consider yourself lucky. And don't make any definite commitments beyond tomorrow morning.

So, with the beginning of 1987,

Weather

[Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.]

	Hi	Lo	Pr.
Thursday	46	28	
Friday	47	24	
Saturday	47	24	
Sunday	49	26	
Monday	47	26	
Tuesday	53	26	
Wednesday	57	23	

December Moisture 2.06
1986 Moisture 31.16
KDHN RADIO
US Weather Observer

we're just 13 years away from the 21st Century, right?

Wrong.

The year 2000 will be the final year of the 20th Century, not the first year of the 21st. The 21st Century will begin Jan. 1, 2001. So we're now 14 years away from the 21st Century.

The year 2000 will be a leap year, although the years 1800 and 1900 weren't. Why?

Here's the whole story, provided by the good people at Keith Clark, Inc., makers of the Success line of calendars:

THE END OF THE CENTURY

"Most people are confused about the calendar system now in universal use. It is referred to as the Gregorian calendar, and will remain accurate for several thousand years in the future. It needs, however, an occasional adjustment, and this occurs at the end of each century in years ending with 00.

"At the end of each century with each year ending in 00? Yes, the years ending in 00 (even hundreds) signify the end of a century.

"The first year, the year traditionally looked on as the year of Christ's birth and the year upon which our calendar is based, was year 1. The tenth year was 10, and was the last year of the first decade. The first year of the second decade was year 11, and the second 10 years ended with year 20. . . . Following that logical beginning . . . the year 2000 will be the last year of the tenth decade of the 20th Century—NOT the beginning of the 21st Century, as is commonly assumed.

"Most of us look forward to a change in numbers, much like

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Jan. 9 deadline for nominations

Nomination forms for Citizen of the Year, Citizen Through the Years and Teacher of the Year must be turned into the Chamber of Commerce office by Friday, Jan. 9.

The annual awards will be presented at the Chamber Banquet on Jan. 22. All nominations are welcome and persons do not have to be a member of the Chamber to submit one.

Nomination forms may be received by calling the chamber office

at 647-2524 or may be picked up at the Chamber office.

The featured speaker for the Chamber banquet will be Grant Teaff, head football coach of the Baylor Bears.

Tickets for the banquet will go on sale Monday and will be \$12.50 in advance for adults and \$7 for students. Tickets purchased at the door will be \$14.

Everyone is invited to attend the Chamber banquet.

Officials to be sworn in today

Newly-elected county officers will be given the oath of office today at 8 a.m. in the district courtroom at the Castro County Courthouse in Dimmitt.

Jimmy Davis, county-district attorney, will swear in the new county

officials, including brand-new county commissioner Dale Winders, replacing Edd Wilson in Precinct 2, and Constable James Dobbs.

A reception will be held after the ceremony, and the public is invited to attend.

On the Go

with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

HAPPY NEW YEAR!
The open house at the First State Bank in Dimmitt was very nice. Mrs. Bain served delicious pick up foods from a table decorated with a Christmas arrangement and a cuddly brown bear at the side. She served dips and chips, cheese balls, chicken-filled cream puffs, ham on rye bread, cookies, candy, cranberry punch and coffee.

Rev. Ken and Roberta Cole, Richard and Colletta Young entertained with an open house in the Youngs' home on Sunday afternoon. Debra Ball served Christmas punch from a table loaded with goodies, cookies, candy, ham, roll-ups and almonds from California.

Guy and Oleta Walser went to Hereford for an early Christmas celebration. They had a lot of fun by exchanging unusual gifts. They drew numbers and when they received their gift, if someone else wanted it, they had to give it up. A fun way to exchange gifts.

Genell Craig and Louise Mears went to Lubbock on Sunday to have Christmas with Genell's sister, Pat Preston, who is in a home in Lubbock. Pat was excited over all the nice gifts she received.

Pam and James Crookham, Chris, Jason and Jennifer spent the Christmas holidays with Pam's parents Elvis and Joy Barker. On Friday they all went to Oklahoma to visit other relatives, Joy's parents Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lamm in Sayre and Elvis' sister and brother-in-law, Ola Mae and Junie Coop in Erick. Pam and James attended the reunion of her high school graduating class on Saturday night at the Country Club. The Crookhams returned to their home in Corpus Christi on Sunday.

Miles Matthew Seybert was born Dec. 2, 1986, weighing 9 lbs., 12 1/2 oz. His parents are Jim and Nancy Seybert of Perryton and the proud grandparents are Ray and Barbara Bain of Dimmitt.

The bridal shower for Mimi Barrera was held in the home of Corina Montalvo. Guests attending were: her grandmother Petra Barrera; her aunts, Gloria Galvan, Maria Diaz, and Corina Montalvo; her cousin Becky Martinez; and the groom's mother Santos Perez. Other guests were Kristi Barrera, Lorna Salinas, Missy Montalvo and Mary Edna Hendrix. Hostesses were Susie Gonzales, Sarah Salinas, Corina Montalvo, Hortensia Garcia, Lupé Garza, Lupe Florez, Mary Lou Lumbrera, Jackie Ramos, Connie Martinez, Norma Martinez and Cucu Ortega. Mimi received many pretty and useful gifts. The hostesses served wedding cookies, nuts, mints and fruit punch.

Freddy and Lorna Salinas and daughter Nikole from Corpus Christi visited his parents Ralph and Sara Salinas during the Christmas holidays. Lorna is in the navy and will be transferred to Orlando, Fla., the last of January. Freddy graduated from Del Mar College Dec. 15 with an associate degree in law enforcement. Freddy served in the navy for 9 1/2 years before going back to college.

The Christmas program was held at the Baptist Mexican Mission Sunday morning. Susie Gonzales directed the play. Mary Edna Hendrix accompanied them on the piano as they sang "Away in a Manger," "Silent Night," "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," "Gloria," and "O Come All Ye Faithful." The shepherd came in on their journey to Bethlehem. They sang "What Child is This?" as the shepherds came before Mary and Joseph and the baby Jesus. Then the wise men came to see Mary and Joseph and the baby Jesus as they sang "Joy to the World." The congregation sang "Felicísimo" and "Tu Dejaste tu Trono."

Kate Beecher, La Nell Tucker and I attended the one-act musical play "Scrooge" in Hereford Saturday afternoon. This is a musical adaptation of "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens. This delightful

musical was presented by the Hereford Chamber Singers directed by Jane Gullely, accompanist Elva Deviers and chimes by Kathy Martinez. Scrooge was played by John Gililand and his wife Amy Gililand, a former Dimmitt resident, played the Ghost of Christmas Past. Kate Beecher's cousins Bobby and Bera Boyd were in the play. Bobby was Bob Cratchitt and Bera was Mrs. Ethel Cratchitt.

Guy Walser's daughter - in - law Jan Walser, was the woman at the knitwear stand and Jill Walser was Kathy Cratchitt. Tiny Tim was played by Justin McWethy. Kirk Minchew played Scrooge as a young man.

Kent and Carol Hance, Ron and Susan of Lubbock spent Christmas eve with Beral Hance. Thursday morning Beral went to Panhandle to visit Jack and Beth Hodges. Their children Sheralyn and Rick Bowersock and son, Kent Andrew of Wichita Falls, Keri and Mike Ferguson of Edmond, Okla., and Boyd Hodges of Tulsa also visited.

Guests in the home of Dorothy Gilbreath and her sons Matt and Hal on Christmas eve for the Christmas tree and on Christmas day for the big dinner were Dorothy's sister and husband, Raymon and Murdell Rogers from Gustene, Zay and Charlotte Gilbreath and sons Alan and Mark of Gruver, Gary and Ruth Ann from Texas A&M, Sam and Virginia Gilbreath, Coby and Connie Gilbreath and Connie's mother Betty Dennis and Louise Mears. Everyone enjoyed much visiting and eating.

Mauzee Youts entertained all her family, 47 in all, at her home on Christmas day. Her two daughters, 10 grandchildren, spouses, great-grandchildren and sister-in-law Clara Gladden. Mauzee reported it was the first time they had all been together since some of the babies were born. The 17-month-old twins and the newest member of the family, Janet's baby, were the centers of attention.

Sandra Michaels from Houston was here visiting her mother Gladys Leeth and her sister Kathleen Foster. Sandra's two sons met a group of friends in Amarillo and went

skiing. Gene and Connie Ivey's crowd in Dimmitt for a Christmas party Saturday included Gene and Raneal Perry, Mark, Suzanne and Rebecca from Tonkawa, Okla.; Wilton Graef from Hale Center; Brent Graef from Midland; David Graef from Lamoni, Iowa; Leisa and Anton Bubliss from Wichita Falls; Zetha and J.E. Blackburn, Sara and Adrian from Spearman; and Laurel Carpenter,

Melissa, Rachel and Dallas from Fort Worth. They had a good time eating turkey, dressing and all the works!

Wilton led the family program of carols and remembrances of Christmases past including the Ivey's "Celebrate the Living Christmas," Raneal's "Memorable Tales of Christmas Past," Wilton's "What Does it Take to Make a Celebration?" Zetha's "What Do Wise Men Still Do?" and Laurel's "Good Things Come in Small Packages." They also enjoyed singing carols. Such a talented family.

Raneal's husband Rev. Gene Perry brought the inspirational sermon on "The Family and The Family of God" Sunday evening at the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt.

Rev. Rex and Wilma Williams from Magnolia, Ark., were visiting in Dimmitt over the weekend. They visited with Evelyn Noble and planned to visit Martha Smith and Jerry Noble in Lubbock while they were in the area. Wilma's parents were the Es Nobles. She was a member of the YWA organization when I was the director. Wilma told me they had been in Magnolia for 10 years.

My family met in the home of my daughter, Mary Lynn Lankford in Amarillo. Those attending were Bill, Mary Lynn and Lauren Lankford; Kevin, Neely, Adria, Matt and David Lankford, all of Amarillo;

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SHEFFY'S WESTERN & CASUAL
Dimmitt

Sue and David Vaughan and Brent from Dallas; Bill's parents Arbie and Ramah Lou Lankford of McLean; and my sister and her hus-

band, Troy and Lynna Cloer of Tulsa. Besides all the visiting and eating, we played a new game, "Dictionary" that was exciting and

different. Our little 2-year-old David Lankford furnished us with entertainment.

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ENTER HERE!

... with resolutions to lift yourself onto higher planes. Plan now to put more faith and trust in the Lord. Resolve now to seek God's wisdom to guide you through the year. Also plan to enter the Lord's house regularly.

"Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will go into them, and I will praise the Lord."

EVERYONE IN THE CHURCH THE CHURCH IN EVERYONE

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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We Salute THE NEW YEAR

...or should we call this bit of dissertation "The Old Year"...it's hard to decide, when the two are so close...New Year's Eve...a farewell to the Old Year and a welcome to the New Year...how did this begin? (And we sometimes wonder why, right?)

Seems as though along in the 1500s in ancient Rome, January first was recorded in history as the first day of the New Year. This day was given over to the honoring of the God Janus, after whom January was named. Janus was the God of Doors and Gates, as well as of Beginnings and Endings...old Janus even had two faces, one looking forward and one looking backward. So, on the first day of the New Year, the Romans paid tribute to their God Janus, and they spent the day reflecting on the year past, and looking forward with great anticipation to the New Year.

Though we do not worship Janus, we tend to do much the same as the Romans. We look back over the year we have just completed and we cannot help but think of dear ones we lost in 1986, and we think of the joy of a newborn babe who may have joined us in 1986...sadness and joy always go hand in hand. 1986 was not a good year economically in our town, and we saw our farmers and ranchers not getting enough returns on their crops and their cattle to pay for the raising of same...we saw our friends close their places of business and move elsewhere...and it is possible that we have not yet even begun to feel hardship...we may just think that 1986 was tough!

We must be like Janus though, and look to the future now...even though the future does not look too bright, we must hang tough, join with one another and become closer. Should things get worse before they get better, we must help one another, barter if it comes to barter...we must learn to "make do"...kids today likely do not know the meaning of "make do" but their parents could tell them, and if not their parents, for sure their grandparents. Americans have always managed to "make do"...generations before us have survived, and we shall survive also. We feel that it the world could only learn to live in harmony and in peace, all else would fall in to place.

For the New Year of 1987 the officers, directors and staff of the First State Bank wish you enough trials to keep you strong, enough sorrow to keep you human, enough wealth to meet your needs, enough friends to give you comfort and enough determination to make each day better than the day before...and as you welcome the New Year and say farewell to 1986, take a moment to reflect on the past, but only a moment! For we have 365 new days ahead of us, and each day is an adventure in this marvelous trip that we are taking through life...and we must live it to the fullest!

Church Directory

<p>FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD Rev. Norman McCutchen, Pastor 302 SE 2nd</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday School 9:45 Morning Worship 11:00 Evangelistic Service 7:00</p> <p>Wednesday— Mid-Week Service 7:00</p>	<p>HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC Nazareth - 945-2616</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday Morning Masses 9:00</p> <p>Saturday— Saturday Night Obligation Mass 7:30</p> <p>Week Days— Morning Masses 7:30 Baptism—last Sunday of each month.</p>	<p>IGLESIA DE CRISTO E. Lee and SE 3rd Evangelista - Jose Valdez</p> <p>Sunday— Bible Study 9:30 Morning Worship 10:30 Evening Worship 6:00</p> <p>Wednesday— Bible Classes for all 7:30</p>
<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Ken Cole, Pastor 1201 Western Circle Drive</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday School 9:45 Morning Worship 11:00 Training Union 6:00 Evening Worship 7:00</p> <p>Wednesday— Prayer Meeting 7:30 Choir Rehearsal 8:10</p>	<p>ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH Hart</p> <p>Rev. Norbert Choong, Administrator</p> <p>Tuesday— Evening Reconciliation 7:00 Evening Mass 8:00</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday Morning Mass 11:00</p>	<p>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAPTISTA MEXICANA 301 NE 7th Dimmitt, Texas</p> <p>ORDEN DE LOS SERVICIOS: Escuela Biblica Dominical 9:45 Culto de Adoracion 10:45 Culto de predicacion 6:00</p> <p>BIENVENIDOS A TODOS!</p>
<p>BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH 501 SE 3rd - 647-2402 Rev. Kenneth Carroll, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday School 10:00 Morning Worship 11:00 Evening Worship 6:00</p> <p>Wednesday— Wednesday Service 7:00</p>	<p>CHURCH OF CHRIST SW 4th at Bedford</p> <p>Sunday— Bible Study 9:30 Morning Worship 10:30 Evening Worship 6:00</p> <p>Wednesday— Bible Class for all 7:30</p>	<p>MACEDONIA BAPTIST 412 North East Street</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday School 9:45 Morning Worship 11:00 Training Union 6:00 Evening Worship 7:00</p> <p>Monday— W.M.U. 4:30</p> <p>Tuesday— Brotherhood 7:55</p> <p>Wednesday— Prayer Meeting 7:30</p> <p>Friday— Sanctuary Choir</p>
<p>LEE STREET BAPTIST Phone 647-2300</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday School 9:45 Morning Worship 11:00 Training Union 6:00</p> <p>Wednesday— Mid-Week Services 7:30</p>	<p>NEW HOPE MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. James Alexander, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday School 10:00 Morning Worship 11:00 Evening Worship 7:30</p> <p>Wednesday— Mid-Week Services 7:30</p>	<p>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH Rev. Norbert Choong, Administrator 1001 W. Halsell - 647-4219</p> <p>Saturday— Evening Mass 6:00</p> <p>Sunday— Morning Mass 8:00 Morning Mass 9:30</p> <p>Weekday Mass— Friday 8:00</p> <p>Reconciliations— Friday 7:00</p>
<p>CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY Pastor Vernon Nevill 309 NW 4th - 647-3403</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday School 10:00 Morning Worship 11:00 Evening Worship 6:00</p> <p>Wednesday— Wednesday Service 7:00</p>	<p>SUNNYSIDE BAPTIST Bently Gwyn, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday School 10:00 Morning Worship 11:00 Training Union 6:00 Evening Worship 7:00</p> <p>Wednesday— Prayer Service 7:30</p>	<p>PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Western Circle Drive Edward D. Freeman, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday— Church School 10:00 Common Worship 11:00</p> <p>Wednesday— Bible Study 7:00</p>
<p>FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH 600 Western Drive - 647-5478 David Kellor, Minister</p> <p>Sunday— Bible Study 9:45 Morning Worship 10:50 Evening Worship 7:00</p> <p>Wednesday— Bible Study 7:00</p>	<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Hart Steve Ulroy, Pastor</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday School 10:00 Morning Worship 11:00 UMYF 5:00 Evening Worship 6:30</p>	<p>LA IGLESIA DE DIOS DEL PRIMOJENITO East Halsell St.</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday School 10:00 Sermon 11:00</p> <p>Lord's Supper and Feet Washing 11:30</p> <p>Evening Worship 7:30</p> <p>Wednesday— Wednesday Services 7:30</p>
<p>LA ASAMBLEA CRISTIANA "Full Gospel" - 400 NE 5th Pastor Ruben Velasquez</p> <p>Sunday School 10:00 Morning Worship 11:00 Sunday Night 7:00</p> <p>Wednesday— Wednesday Night 7:30</p> <p>Friday— Friday-Prayer 7:30</p>	<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST Vernon O'Kelly, Pastor 110 SW 3rd - 647-4106 or 647-4107</p> <p>Sunday— Sunday School 9:45 Morning Worship 10:45 MYF, Jr. Hi & Sr. Hi 5:30 Evening Worship 6:30</p> <p>Wednesday— General Meeting WCS, Morning 9:30 Choir, Night 7:30</p>	

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Babbling Brooks

By JOHN BROOKS

Tell ya what—let's play like this is *Dallas*, and 1986 was just a dream, okay?

Hope Santa came to see ya. I got 16 pairs of socks, two boxes of cheese, some kitchen goodies and a **More about**

On the go

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Ruby Ramsey spent the Christmas holidays with her son and his wife Charles and Mary Pitts in Amarillo. They brought her home and spent the weekend with her.

David and Sue Vaughan and Brent celebrated a late Christmas with David's parents Charles and Betty Vaughan and his sister and her family Gary and Shari Baldrige and Kevin in Dimmitt.

My granddaughter Lauren Lankford came home with me and we all visited Morgan and Geneva Dennis and Decimae Dennis on Saturday afternoon. Geneva's two sisters, Jauvada Curtis and Mary Pyatt from Amarillo were there.

The Dan and Danny Heard families were hosts to ten out-of-town men during pheasant season. They came from Breckenridge, Frisco, Bonham, Dallas, College Station and Plainview.

Dan and Oma Dee Heard had Christmas dinner Dec. 20 at Whitharrel with Dr. Larry Heard's family at his mother's, Louise Heard. Others present were the Barry Heard and the Max Blair families. Larry and Ann have been pastors of the Idalou Baptist Church for the past 12 years but they are moving to Pampa where he will be pastor after today.

Sunday all the brothers and sisters of Dan Heard except one sister from Alvin met at Elida, N.M. at the Kenneth Dixons. All five of their children and grandchildren, the Bill Thompsons, the Kenny Trotters from Spade, the Floyd McElroys from Littlefield, the Charles Cullums from Longmont, Colo., and the Dan Heards and Kenneth and Ashley Heard, all from Dimmitt were present.

sweater. That doesn't mount up to what my friend MJ got—a baby. Easy to remember the birthday, too.

One bad thing about having birthdays close to Christmas is that you never seem to get as much for your birthday as, say, your friend born in June. My sister and I were born within a couple of weeks of Christmas, 23 months apart, so we never got anything like a car for our birthday.

Course, if we had been born in June, we still wouldn't have gotten a Cadillac, but chances for bigger birthday hauls might have been better.

I told MJ the best part was she got a tax deduction for the whole year.

Texas Monthly has been known to do some strrrrrange things through the years, and now senior editor Dick Reavis is going to drive almost every mile of paved highway in Texas. Every state and federal highway mile. The journey starts today at the Cotton Bowl and will end, 32,000 miles later, at the Cotton Bowl, 1988.

Reavis said it had "always been a dream of mine to drive every inch of the state's blacktop, taking time along the way to stop and talk to people, and to write about those experiences. This tour makes that dream possible."

Reavis plans to make stops in 48 cities and towns around the state to meet people and discuss his travels, and will probably drive almost 50,000 miles because of all of the backtracking he'll have to do.

The stories will begin appearing in the February issue of *TM*, and will run throughout the year, with Reavis probably gathering enough background information during his odyssey for years and years of stories.

Well, lessee, the ol' sales tax goes up today, but only through Aug. 31, unless the Legislature extends the term, unless they think the raise should be greater, unless they think it should be lowered and include more goods, unless they want to expand the base and leave it where it was.

Of course, the state of Texas only has to come up with \$5 billion.

You can't cut social services, unless you want rioting in the streets. You can't cut things like education if you're going to improve on the previously-below par status of our state's schooling.

Roads must be built, services must be performed, and we must pay the tab somehow. Maybe Wild Bill will reduce your sausage-making tax, and maybe he'll reduce your sales tax, but I don't think Bill Clements will be able to improve your lot a lot.

Maybe Dick Reavis oughtta stay in Austin, and Bill Clements oughtta travel every inch of blacktop in the state. But, Dick Reavis ain't the governor, and I sincerely hope we don't regret that when the next four years, or four months, are finished.

I noticed in the *Amarillo Globe-News* that State Rep. Foster Whaley said, practically, there is no such thing as a temporary tax—that we're probably stuck with the higher tax forever. Until the Legislature decides to raise it. The reason why it is only to last through Aug. 31 is, that is when the 1987 fiscal year ends. The state is hoping that extra sales tax, plus another nickel on gasoline, will raise enough money so the deficit isn't overwhelming for the first eight months of the year.

So the Dept. of Energy is gonna buy a little bit of land up north of us in spite of Congress saying "no."

And remember, folks, this was the year DOE was going to begin observing the US Constitution. They said so themselves.

Maybe their action will help improve land values.

The DOE received a slightly-less-than-ringing endorsement from the *Amarillo* paper to go ahead and do the site characterization work at the Deaf Smith county site. That endorsement shows the ludicrous, ignorant attitude some folks have about the work the DOE is going to do.

Maybe a stiff southwesterly breeze will whip enough salt and dirt into Amarillo to change a few minds up there.

Potts is awarded masters

Craig Potts of Dimmitt was among the 1,339 Southwest Texas State University students who were candidates for degrees awarded in winter commencement ceremonies last month on the San Marcos campus.

Potts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Potts and a 1973 graduate of Dimmitt High School, received a master of business administration degree.

VFW to hold party tonight

The local VFW will hold a New Year's Party tonight from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight at the VFW Hall. to attend the dance with music being furnished by a juke box. Pick up foods will be served and party favors will be given. There will be no cover charge.

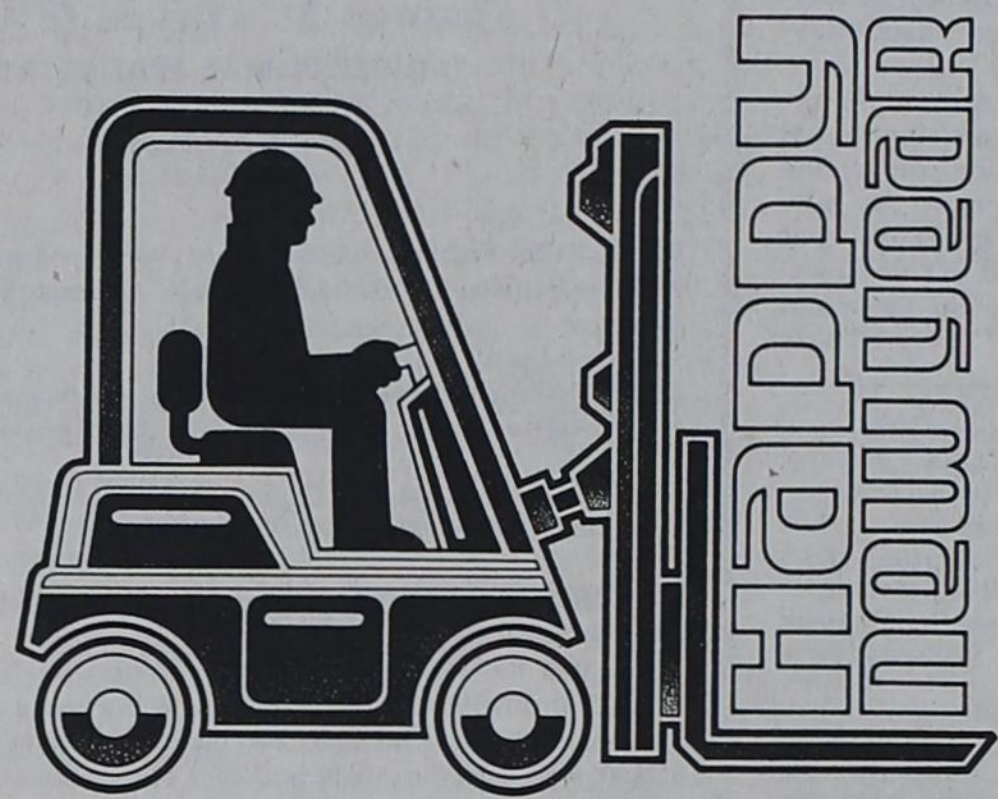
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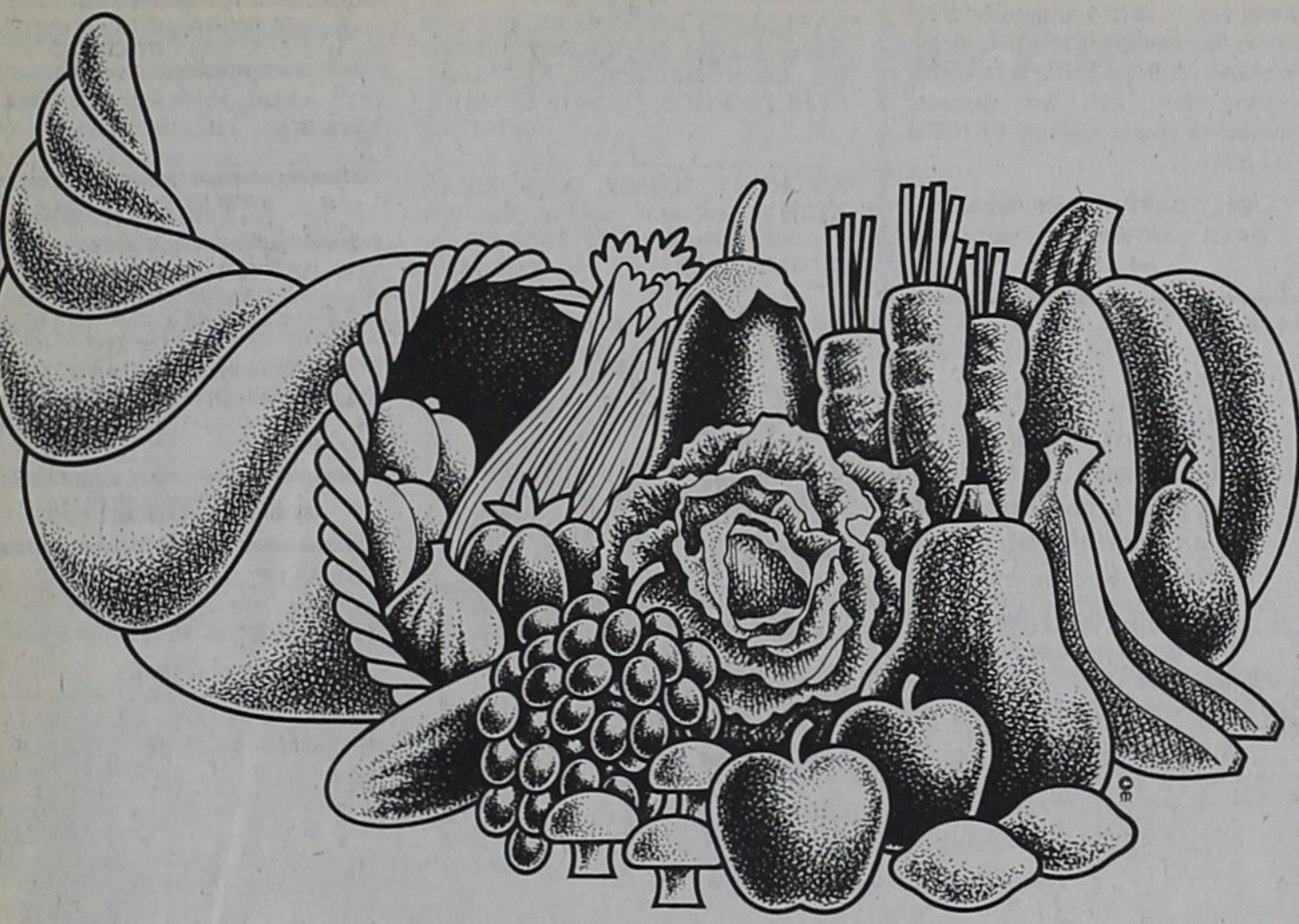
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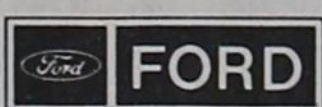


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14-CARDS OF THANKS

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 Thanks to all my friends and neighbors for all the cards, gifts, prayers and visits, and to Dr. Lee and all the nurses for such wonderful care while I was in the hospital. May God bless each of you.
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Sunnyside

Mrs. Floid Ivey, born Lillie Wright, died in her home Friday morning. She was 85 on Dec. 10. Mokey and his family had had an early Christmas with them, and left Christmas morning on a fishing trip to the Gulf Coast. Mokey and Karen flew home and Katy, Paula and Jimmy drove.

Hazel Pruitt and her daughter Judy and granddaughter Dawn, all of Lamesa, had spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Ivey, and came back Friday as soon as they got the message. Vivian Davis, her youngest sister, of Warren, Ohio, and her husband Jack were planning to drive through since she is restricted from flying but they had to turn back Saturday after 600 miles.

Donnie Lilley of Purcell, Okla., stopped by to visit with the Iveys on his way to visit Gaylia and Cotton Lewis and family in Olton, not knowing she had died. Donnie and Gaylia are former residents of the community and were neighbors of the Iveys. Gaylia visited with the family Saturday.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Sunnyside Baptist Church with the pastor, Bentley Gwyn, officiating. Pallbearers were Eddie Waggoner, Donnie Lilley, Jackie Clark, David Keith of Dimmitt, Kenneth Frye of Easter and Joe Dee Johnson of Nazareth. Honorary pallbearers were Hazel Waggoner, Juanita Summers, Teeny Bowden, Sharon Sadler and members of the Birthday Club. Mrs. Ivey's three brothers from Abilene and their families came Monday for the funeral. Another sister was unable to come. A niece and family from Amarillo also came Saturday.

Paul and Joyce Pruitt of Norton came Monday for the day with the Ivey family. Paul is the brother of Curtis Pruitt and Joyce is a cousin of the Loudders.

Rev. Bentley and Kathy Gwyn, Christi and Holly and his father,

Bentley Gwyn Sr., had an early Christmas together Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. Rev. and Mrs. Bentley Gwyn and children spent Christmas day in Lubbock with Roger and Betty Curry and other members of her family.

Greg and Susan Harmon and Caleb of Albuquerque and Bob and Cindy Clatt, Jasmyne and Tyler of Allen spent the holidays with Gale and Verna Sadler. They had dinner Christmas day with Embree Roy and Willie Mae Sadler. Martin and Susan Lefevere and Ryan of Brownfield came Thursday afternoon and visited through Friday with the Gale Sadler family. Gale and Verna and some of the others came down with a flu-like virus Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stapleton of San Angelo, parents of Sandra Waggoner, spent Christmas with Sandra, Eddie, Laura, Susan and John. John Stapleton Jr., had visited with the Waggoners earlier since he was being transferred from Hawaii to Japan the week before Christmas. Euleus and Hazel Waggoner had Christmas dinner with the Stapletons and the Eddie Waggoners on Christmas day.

Chris, Mary and Kurt Blanton of Friona spent Christmas day with their grandparents, Lloyd and Leona Blanton and Ronnie.

Kathy and Ronnie McDonald of Canyon, Kay Ballard of Clarendon and Kelly Ballard spent Christmas day with Monty and Maxine Ballard.

Ezell and Verba Sadler attended an early Christmas in Dimmitt Sunday night with Tex and Norma Conrad and Larry and Sharon Sadler, Laura and Matt, Stacy Norman and Jeremy of Muleshoe, and Carrie Sadler of Lubbock. Carrie had to be on duty during Christmas.

Ezell and Verba Sadler attended their music group Christmas party at the home of Jack and Helen Nunley in Hereford Monday night.

Johnny Wayne and Bobbie Holbrooks of White River, Johnny Lewis Holbrooks of Sul Ross University, and Kara Mae and Mike Simon of Canyon spent Christmas day with J.C. and Toots Holbrooks. Ronald and Freda Henderson, Chet and Marilyn Henderson and Nicole and Doyle Henderson, all of Colorado, spent Thursday evening through Saturday with them.

Sam and Virginia Gilbreath of Dimmitt, Zay and Charlotte Gilbreath and family of Gruver, Coby and Connie Gilbreath, Betty Dennis and Louise Mears, all of Dimmitt, had dinner Christmas day with Dorothy Gilbreath, Matt and Hal. Coby and Connie had an evening dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Dennis, Danny and Debbie Underwood and Decimae Dennis Christmas day in the Morgan Dennis home.

R.V. and Bess Bills and their sons Richard and Larry and their families had Christmas together in the home of Randy and Joyce Bills in Earth.

Tex and Norma Conrad of Dimmitt; Chad and Juanelle Windsor, Cory and Kasey of Fort Worth; David and Gay Sadler, Melody and

Karla of Hobbs; James and Patricia Powell of Canadian; Ruth King and Karl of Hereford; Cheryl Powell of Sul Ross; Larry and Sharon Sadler, Laura and Matt, Stacy Norman and Jeremy, Randy Powell, Elvira and Belia Acosta and Elvira Jr., and Randy Powell had dinner with Ezell and Verba Sadler Christmas eve and spent the day. Patricia and James, Cheryl and Karla also spent Tuesday night with them. On the 25th Ezell and Verba Sadler and Randy Powell had dinner in Hereford with Ruth King and Karl and Karla Sadler.

Gerald and Pat Elkins spent Christmas eve and Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Pierce in Littlefield. Chris and Sheri Elkins and Jim and Cindy Lawson, Natalie and Whitney of Olton joined them Christmas day. Gerald's mom was in Florida with his sister and family.

Hershel and Retha Wilson, along with Lonnie and Renee, Samantha, Jessica, and Andrea and David and Daneen Travis of Dallas spent Christmas day with Hershel's mother in Ropesville. They spent Friday with Retha's parents and family at Wolfroth in the home of her sister, Wanda Collins. On Saturday, Lonnie and family, Doug and Debbie Freeman and children and David and Daneen Travis had Christmas at the Hershel Wilsons.

Jeri Ka and Mickey Hadley and Michael of Canyon spent Christmas eve and Christmas day with Jackie and Sandra Clark. Jackie and Sandra attended Jeri Ka's graduation exercises at WTSU and celebrated Michael's third birthday on the 18th.

Kim Riley of Marlboro, Kevin and Melinda Riley of Flagg and Jodie Riley of Texas Tech had

Christmas with Ray Joe and Jo Eddy Riley on Christmas eve, and visited with Edna Riley in Dimmitt in the afternoon. On Christmas day the same group had Christmas with the Ira Scott family at the home of one of the girls in Hereford.

Weldon and Irene Bradley of Dimmitt spent Christmas day with Lee and Louise Bradley, Sharon, Jack, Justin and Joel. Lee and Louise and kids had supper and Christmas on Thursday night with Lillian Carson, Gregg George and Resa Carson of Dallas, who was home for the holidays.

Roger and Stephanie Sanders, Monica and T.J. had Christmas on Christmas eve with her parents, Eldon and Nelda Fortenberry and the rest of her family in Hereford. On Christmas day they had Christmas at the home of his brother in Hereford with his grandparents, both their sisters and their families from Corpus Christi and South Dakota, and all his nieces and nephews. He hadn't seen some of them for five years. They went to Plainview in the evening to have Christmas with her grandparents, the Vitatoes.

Euleus and Hazel Waggoner had dinner Christmas eve with Winston and Judy Waggoner, Molligay and Holly Waggoner from ACU and Quint Waggoner of Lubbock, Evelyn and Robbie Lindsey, Mark and Angelia of Plainview had supper with Euleus and Hazel Christmas night. Mark and Angelia came back and spent Friday night and Saturday with them and Evelyn spent the day Saturday while Robbie hunted with his brother Jeff and a friend.



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McCutchens to lead revival

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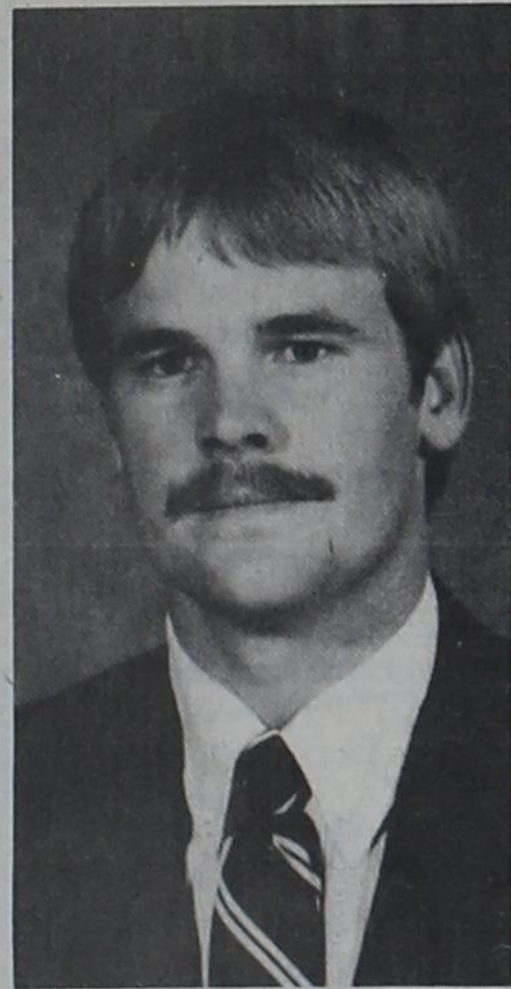
The couple, who are singers, musicians and songwriters as well as dynamic preachers will hold the revival at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday with Monday and Tuesday programs set to begin at 7 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend the revival.

Hoelting graduates Texas Tech

Mark Hoelting, son of Cecil and Norita Hoelting of Nazareth, graduated from Texas Tech University in Lubbock Dec. 20 with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering.

Hoelting, a 1976 graduate of Nazareth High School, will be employed by E-Systems in Greenville.



MARK HOELTING

Happy Birthday

JANUARY 1 — Charlie Lane, Howard Smithson, Diann Leatherwood, Gladys Deen.

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JANUARY 4—Mary Jackson, Don Curtis.

JANUARY 5—Oleta Raper, Gene King, Mae Hargrove, Alford Campbell, Johnny Garza, Mike Booth, Shelby Wilhelm, Regina Hoelting, Harold Verkamp, Jerry Lange.

JANUARY 6 — F.P. Schacher, Alvin Anderle, Jesska Bermea, Nita Beavers, Jack Flynt II, Benjamin Coleman, Vicki Yokum, Mindy Tucker.

JANUARY 7 — Willie Sargent, James White, Cliff Wright, Sharon Hampton, John Brooks, Jason Huseman.

Historical Commission plans meeting

The Castro County Historical Commission will meet next Thursday, Jan. 8, at Rhoads Memorial Library.

The business meeting is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. and the public is urged to attend.

Nazareth

The Christmas masses celebrated in Holy Family Church were beautiful as always, thanks to Rev. Brendan Sherry, celebrant, the choirs, the parishioners who spent many hours decorating and everyone who helped make it special.

A special thanks to Father Sherry who officiated at a mass for anointing of the sick and elderly of Holy Family Parish Sunday morning at 11.

Sister Adrian returned Sunday from a Christmas visit with her mother and family, Mrs. Stephanie Wewers in Fort Smith, Ark. She also visited with her brother, Joe, and sisters, Wilma Ohlert and family, Debra Bentley and family, Magdalen Adelhuber and family, Sara Wewers from New Orleans and Sister Ruth Wewers, who teaches second grade in St. Boniface School in Fort Smith. They were all together on Christmas Eve.

Sister Adrian also visited with the nuns at the Convent at Fort Smith, many of whom taught school here at Nazareth.

Sister Immaculata will have surgery for a sinus infection Jan. 5. She sends her greetings to everyone here.

Some of Mae Hochstein's family enjoyed Christmas dinner with her, Alice Hochstein of El Paso; Bob Hochstein of Luling; Alex Hochstein, George and Mimi Hochstein and Father Harold Waldow, all of Amarillo.

The families of Sylvia Hoelting gathered at the home of Roger and Edna Rae Schilling in Dimmitt on Christmas night.

Larry and Joy Ringwald and family of Oklahoma City spent several days here with the Leonard Wilhelm family.

The Tom Acker family of San Antonio; Kenneth Acker family of Lubbock; and H.D. and Myrtle White of Amarillo enjoyed Christmas dinner with their mother, Max

Acker. On Saturday, they attended the wedding of Max's granddaughter, Karen Kalka to Thomas Papa of Amarillo. The ceremony was held at St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Enjoying Christmas with the Philip Husemans were Jack and Charlotte Aldredge, Royce Huseman and family of Kingwood; Dwayne Huseman and Family, Kevin Huseman, Carolyn and Robert Ringo and family of Amarillo; Phyllis Price and family, Monica Young and family of Lubbock; and Joe and Imogene Drerup and family.

Lucille Drerup's family enjoyed a get together at the home of Carol and John Gary in Levelland. Attending were Lucille Drerup, Joe and Imogene Drerup and family, Dan and Ethel Schmucker and family, all of Nazareth; Jim and Evelyn Ball and family of Lubbock; Grace DeCardenas and children of Dallas.

Morris and Chele Wilcox and sons Kade and Kye enjoyed Christmas in Deming, N.M., with Morris' family.

Gerald and Sheila Brockman and girls of Midland spent the weekend before Christmas with Marie Brockman.

Over 100 members of Meta Stork's family gathered at her home Christmas day to enjoy dinner, visiting and exchanging gifts. Jim and Jean Bell spent Friday night with Meta Stork—they were on their way to Ruidoso, N.M.

The Bob and Linda Kendrick family of DeSoto; Lisa Pohlmeier of Dallas; Lyn and Pam Bogle

family of Center, Colo.; Tom and Brenda Conrad family of Colorado Springs, Colo. spent Christmas here with the LeRoy Pohlmeier families. On Saturday evening Linda was surprised with a birthday party with relatives and friends attending.

Gene and Susie Gerber and family of Odessa; Rick, Robbie and Jessica Gerber of Austin; Durward and Donna Hamby and sons of Hereford; Jerry and Tricia Rose of Tulia joined the rest of the Albert Gerber family on Christmas Eve for a family get together.

Anna Hoelting of San Antonio spent several days here with her parents, Greg and Tinie Hoelting. On Friday, Dora Albracht, Greg,

By Uirgk Gerber, 945-2669

Tinie and Anna and Mary Lou Schmucker drove to Hereford to visit their family, Wirt and Irene Albracht. Greg and Tinie visited Math and Rozena Albracht in Amarillo Sunday afternoon after taking Anna to the airport to return to San Antonio.

Congratulations to Frank and Paula Acker of Amarillo on the birth of a son, Dustin Michael, Dec. 12 in Canyon's Palo Duro Hospital. Grandparents are Don and Betty Acker and Al and Leona Maurer.

Kent and Lyn Hill of Lubbock visited his grandmother, Meta Stork, Friday evening.



The candidate who ran most often for President was Norman Thomas who ran — and lost — six times: 1928, 1932, 1936, 1940, 1944 and 1948.

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 Sen. Bill Sarpalus said Texas could use its name as a sales tool and should look at marketing done by Illinois and California to foreign countries.

Last-minute filings for the May 3 primary election included James Dobbs for Pct. 3 constable and former Pct. 4 Commissioner Jerry Wilhelm challenging incumbent Vincent Guggemos and Fred Acker.

The Dimmitt city board of aldermen began a 10-month look at city insurance, with problems with insurance underwriters and the Texas Municipal League at the forefront of the discussion.

The state's controversial no-pass, no-play rule touched the Castro County Livestock Show when it was ruled animals owned by ineligible students would not be allowed in the show or sale.

FEB. 13

A late-season snow storm dumped almost 14 inches of snow in Dimmitt.

400 entries were received for the annual Castro County Livestock Show.

The Dimmitt Bobbies fell to Friona, 58-41, in a district playoff game at Muleshoe. The teams tied for the District 2-3A title. The Dimmitt Bobcats and both Nazareth teams also won district titles.

FEB. 20

The Castro County Livestock Show set another new record, with the sale, including donations, netting over \$201,000. Grand champions were shown by Frankie Huseman, barrow; Woody Glass, lamb; and Justin Gleghorn, steer.

The City of Dimmitt began cracking down on litterers, with a new ordinance that allows city police to issue citations for littering on Broadway, Bedford, Butler Blvd. and West Halsell, all state highways.

The Nazareth Swiftettes beat Sudan, 44-30, to take the area playoff title, while the Dimmitt Bobbies fell 59-58 in overtime to River Road in their bi-district battle.

FEB. 27

18-year-old Rachel Lara was found dead inside a car parked in a shop building at Rafter 3 Feed yard, west of Dimmitt, an apparent asphyxiation victim.

The Nazareth Swiftettes won the Region I-A basketball title, while the Nazareth Swifts and Dimmitt Bobcats won berths in their regional tournaments.

MARCH 6

The Nazareth Swiftettes lost to Snook, 36-33, in the Class A state basketball tournament in Austin, the first time the Swiftettes had ever lost in the Super Drum. The Dimmitt and Nazareth boys won their regional tournaments.

30-year-old Raul Barrera of Tulia, a trustee at the Castro County Jail, walked away from the jail while emptying trash.

57-year-old Zaragoza Castillo of Hart died of a heart attack after being involved in a traffic accident in Hart.

MARCH 13

The Nazareth Swifts won the Class A state title with a 53-49 win over Archer City, while the Dimmitt Bobcats lost, 57-56, to Cleveland in the 3A finals.

Railroad Commission candidate

Ed Emmett visited with Dimmitt voters during a Panhandle campaign swing.

MARCH 20

The city of Dimmitt gave local industries a six-week deadline to dilute their sewage to acceptable levels of biochemical oxygen demand in an effort to bring the city's sewage treatment facility into compliance with Texas Water Commission standards. The city had earlier been placed on the "Rest of the Worst" list by the TWC.

Rosa Maria Daniel Marquez was sentenced to 10 years in the Texas Dept. of Corrections and fined \$2,750 after pleading guilty to charges of injury to a child in connection with the death of her two-year-old daughter in January, 1985.

MARCH 27

260 persons met at the Expo Building in Dimmitt to meet with local, area and statewide Democratic candidates at a rally sponsored by the Castro County Democratic Boosters.

Carol Hance, wife of Republican gubernatorial candidate Kent Hance, met with the local Classroom Teachers Association to discuss issues before the May 3 primary.

APRIL 3

A mock bank robbery was held at the First State Bank as a practice exercise for bank employees.

29 teams in three divisions were expected for the fifth annual Bobcat Relays.

Five persons were injured in an accident southeast of Dimmitt on SH194, including two Friona residents and three Hereford citizens.

APRIL 10

Kelly Goolsby was the top winner at the Regional Science Fair at Wayland Baptist University. Others receiving high honors were David Mohon and Chanin Ross.

30 DMS students also participated in the fair, with Michael Garza, Cory Joiner, Barry Hill, John Wall and Michelle Hardee receiving special awards.

Farmers are on the lookout for a new pest, the Russian wheat aphid, which could cause severe damage to the area's wheat crop.

The annual CUFUPU Day was scheduled for April 12, with efforts concentrating on the city's highway frontage.

Elected to local offices in the municipal elections were Don Sheffy, Wayne Proffitt and Harold Hyman on the City board of Aldermen; Stanley Schaeffer and Juanita Bruegel on the hospital board; and Sara Hill, James Sims and Stanley Nelson on the school board.

The Littlefield JV, Idalou girls and Dimmitt Bobcats won their respective divisions in the Bobcat Relays.

APRIL 17

Ruben Baldivia was acquitted by a Tulia jury in the June 13, 1985 stabbing death of Robert Ballard near Sunnyside.

The DMS "Treasure Hunters" Olympics of the Mind team won the state title at the University of Texas at El Paso.

The *Castro County News* won five first-place awards at the annual Panhandle Press Association convention in Amarillo. The *News* also won one second-place, two third-place and one honorable-mention award in the association's annual contest. Longtime *News* publisher B.M. Nelson was also honored at the convention.

APRIL 24

Two reports, from the Extension Service and the Texas Dept. of Agriculture, pointed how how the 1985 Farm Bill could lead to the general collapse of agriculture.

Ernesto Castor Mora of Dimmitt was killed in a one-vehicle accident north of Dimmitt April 18.

A \$2,500 reward was offered by Castro County Crime Line for the arrest and indictment of the person responsible for the June, 1985 death of Robert Ballard near Sunnyside.

New York congressman David Martin was given a tour of Dimmitt and Castro County during a Congressman to the Country tour sponsored by Dimmitt Agri Industries and Farmland Industries.

MAY 1

The largest-ever turnout for a Republican primary was expected as county voters were expected to endorse native son Kent Hance in his bid for the Republican gubernatorial nomination.

Don Ethington and Ray Joe Riley were honored at the American Institute of Chemical Engineers meeting in New Orleans for their Electrothermal Chemical Reformer.

The first-ever basketball reunion and two charity games were slated to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

MAY 8

Final plans were set for the Texas Sesquicentennial Wagon Train's arrival in Dimmitt May 14, including a county-wide supper and other activities.

Kent Hance failed in his bid for the Republican nomination for governor despite an overwhelming turnout in Castro County, where 614 persons voted for Hance. That, however, totalled over .5% of his statewide vote total. Local winners included Dale Winders, Vincent Guggemos and Marshall Young in contested races.

The city of Dimmitt was forced to trim over \$100,000 from its final budget for the 1986-87 fiscal year because Cabot Corp. had failed to pay franchise taxes for gas sold in Dimmitt.

MAY 15

The Texas Sesquicentennial Wagon Train rolled through the county, spending the night in Dimmitt on its 3,300-mile journey across the state.

Contel announced plans to install a \$1 million digital switch in Dimmitt, moving its schedule ahead by up to four years to improve local telecommunications.

Alan Birkenfeld won first place in editorial writing in the UIL State Literary Meet in Austin.

MAY 22

Mona Heiman and Traci Hill, in girls' doubles, Todd Hill and Kenny Kern, in boys' doubles, and Tammy Menchaca, in the 3,200 meters, all won gold medals in the State UIL tennis and track meets in Austin. Menchaca also won third in the 1,600 meters, while Risha Ammons, in girls' singles, and Martin and Andy Castillo, in boys' doubles, also picked up bronze medals.

Honor graduates in the county included Jill Smith, Donna Behrends, Antonia Garza, Traci Jeffcoat, Dale Albracht and Mike Huseman.

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MAY 29

Dimmitt's Olympics of the Mind "Treasure Hunters" participated in the OM world meet at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff.

131 county graduates were awarded diplomas.

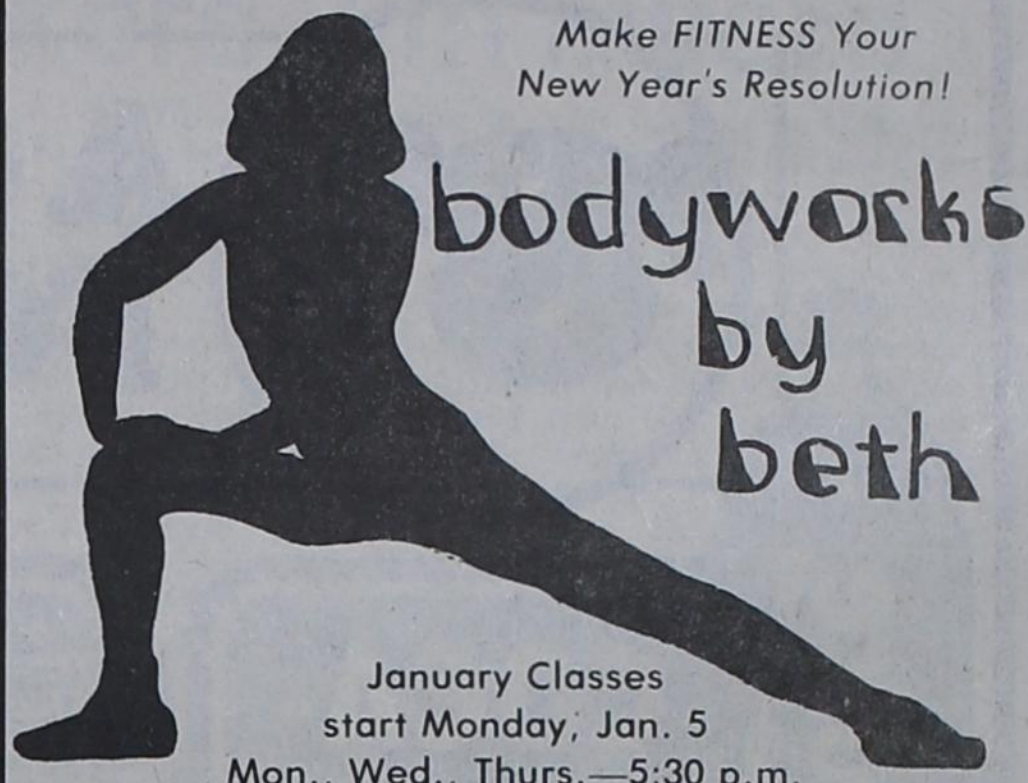
Studies showed the drop in the county's water table had slowed in the past 10 years, with the water table edging higher in some counties.

JUNE 5

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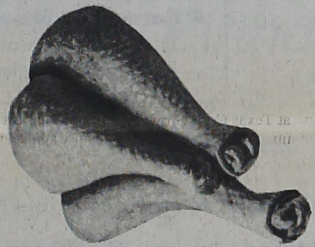
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Farmworkers win award

Hobgood Produce, Inc. of Anton agreed last week to pay \$20,000 to 118 farm workers who planted onions in the Dimmitt area in 1983. The agreement was reached on the eve of the trial by Robert Hobgood and Texas Rural Legal Aid. The agreement also includes the payment of \$3,000 in legal fees to TRLA and Edward Tuddenham, a private attorney and former TRLA staffer.

The settlement brings to \$80,000 the total recovery by workers in this area who planted onions from 1982

to 1984. The action, according to TRLA, was brought by the International Union of Agricultural and Industrial Workers, which is headed by Jesus Moya.

Represented workers who planted onions in the Dimmitt area during those three planting seasons have brought three lawsuits against packing sheds which had arranged for onion planting, TRLA said. The workers claimed they were not paid at least the federal minimum wage for their work and that the packers failed to keep accurate payroll rec-

ords. Many of the workers claimed they were paid less than \$2 per hour for their work.

"These lawsuits have made it clear that even when an agricultural employer hires a crew leader to obtain workers, the ultimate liability for ensuring that the federal minimum wage is paid rests with the employer and not the crew leader," said TRLA attorney Randall Marshall. "Furthermore, it is clear that anyone who uses farm workers and fails to keep accurate wage and hour records does so at their own peril."

Colds can be fought

Who hasn't wondered, in this age of medical advancement, why there still isn't a cure for the common cold? And who hasn't searched for the best way to avoid colds?

According to the Texas Medical Association, there are at least 200 different cold viruses. Because of the great variety of viruses, no one vaccine ever could be effective against all colds. If immunized against one cold, you could still catch another.

Although scientists haven't found a remedy for the common cold, they do understand more about how colds are spread. One study found that 40 to 90% of people with colds had cold viruses on their hands. These cold "bugs" were also found on about 15% of nearby objects such as doorknobs, telephones, cof-

fee cups and glasses.

One sure way to catch a cold virus is to get a dose of it directly in the upper nose, where the temperature and humidity are ideal for its growth. If you touch objects with cold viruses on them and then put your hands to your nose, the virus may multiply in your nose. Rubbing your eyes may have the same effect, since the virus can pass through the tear duct into the upper nose.

The most effective way to keep a cold from spreading is hand washing. If you have a cold, remember that it can spread via your fingers, so wash them often in soap and water. If you are around people with colds, wash your hands often and try to avoid putting your fingers to your nose and eyes.

Try not to share objects with cold

sufferers. See that used tissues are disposed of promptly into a plastic-lined receptacle or a paper bag.

If you do get a cold, remember that most colds get better by themselves and require no visit to the doctor. But you should seek professional advice if any of the following symptoms occur: oral temperature above 103 degrees; severe pain in the chest, head, stomach, ears or enlarged neck glands; in a child, shortness of breath or wheezing, marked irritability or lethargy; sore throat combined with oral temperature above 101 degrees for 24 hours; oral temperature that remains above 100 degrees for three days; a fever, sore throat, or severe runny nose that persists for more than a week.

Clean furnace cuts costs

Cooler weather has brought relief from both the heat and high air conditioning bills, but another kind of heat, from the furnace, will begin to drive utility costs up again.

Fine-tuning your heating system may help hold utility costs down by increasing its efficiency, according to Extension service housing specialist Dr. Susan Quiring.

Gas heating systems should be checked and cleaned at least every other year, she explains.

Dirt accumulation inside the furnace is difficult to remove and reduces heating efficiency she adds.

Electric furnaces don't need much maintenance, but heat pumps require periodic servicing. A trained service technician can clean and adjust your system to assure maximum efficiency.

"With a forced air system, simply keeping the filters clean will help save money," Quiring said.

The specialist says the entire volume of air in a house is circulated through the furnace three to four times in a single hour of operation.

The furnace filter traps airborne lint and dirt, preventing it from coating the fan and furnace heat exchanger. But when the filter accumulates dirt, it begins to restrict the air flow and heating efficiency.

Quiring recommends checking filters every four to six weeks during the heating season, and replacing filters promptly.

Disposable fiberglass filters cost 50 cents to \$1 each, so you may find it easiest to buy a season's supply and keep them on hand.

Metallic or plastic filters can be cleaned and reused, but they must be sprayed after each cleaning with a special coating that allows them to attract small dust particles.

WIFE to meet

Panhandle Agri Partners the local chapter of WIFE will meet Monday at 7:30 p.m. at Texas Corn Growers Inc. in Dimmitt.

June Saylor of Clovis, N.M., past state and national president of WIFE will be the featured speaker. Everyone is invited to attend.

SPC sets registration

Registration for the 1987 spring semester at South Plains College in Levelland will be Jan. 12 and 13 at the Student Center.

Pre-registration pay day on the Levelland campus for students who have pre-registered and must pay tuition and fees will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the SC.

Regular registration is scheduled from 9 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 4 p.m. in the SC. Persons who have not been assigned a registration time should contact the registrar's office.

Classes will begin Jan. 14, and late registration will continue through Jan. 22.

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Computer Concepts	7:00-9:45	Th
Basic Programming Language	6:00-8:45	M
English Composition I	7:00-9:45	Th
Freshman Composition II	7:00-9:45	M
Government of Texas and U.S.	7:00-9:45	Tu
History of the U.S. II	7:00-9:45	M
Principles of Nutrition	4:00-6:45	W
College Algebra	7:00-9:45	M
Human Relations in Management	8:00 am-5:00 pm	Tu
Functions of a Supervisor	6:30-9:00	M
Mid-Management Seminar	9:10-10:00	M
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Mid-Management Seminar	4:10-5:00	Tu
Management Training	5:30-6:30	M
Select Topics-Psychology	7:00-9:45	Tu
Real Estate Law	7:00-9:45	Th

Late registration Tuesday, January 20, 1987 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Hereford High School Cafeteria.

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Sports

'Cats break streak Monday at Caprock

Win pretty, win ugly. Who cares if you win, right?

Especially if you're the Dimmitt Bobcats, particularly if you've lost six games in a row, and more importantly, in the Caprock Holiday Basketball Tournament in Lubbock, a springboard for a District 2-3A season.

The Bobcats bounced back from the throes of the longest losing streak in what seems like forever to claim a 66-64 win over Levelland in the tourney's first round.

For the Bobbies, the tournament wasn't so kind. Big Spring reeled off an unbalanced attack, featuring just three players, to claim a 69-46 win Monday afternoon, then Friona dumped the Bobbies from the tournament in an elimination game Tuesday, 62-38.

The Bobcats, who have been used to seeing their opponents explode for points on them during their December drought, ripped off 12 unanswered points in the first 3:41 of their game against the Lobos, shooting seven-of-eight during the run, but then didn't score for another four minutes in settling for a 17-12 lead at the end of the quarter.

The Bobcats built that lead on almost-mistake-free playing, giving up just three turnovers. Dimmitt had 10 in the next eight minutes, but the Lobos added nine to their 10 in the first quarter to prevent the Lobos from edging closer than to within two points of the Bobcats.

The turnovers came in clumps both ways — Levelland had four turnovers in the first 90 seconds of the second period to let Dimmitt race to a 25-14 lead, then Levelland powered back, helped by four Bob-

cat foul-ups, to close the gap to 25-23 less than two minutes later. Dimmitt eased back to a 34-28 halftime lead.

The second half saw the opening of the Terry Latham Show, as the Levelland sharp-shooter erupted for 10 third-quarter points and all-whoever Michael Shepherd sank 18 points to bring the Lobos into ties at 43- and 45-all in the third quarter. Two more turnovers, including a charge on Levelland's Paxton Payton, kept the Lobos from ever gaining the lead.

Warren McDoanld sank four straight free throws in the last minute of the third quarter to give Dimmitt a 49-45 lead.

The four-point margin soon turned into 10, then almost evaporated as six turnovers in the last three minutes almost cost the 'Cats the game.

McDonald, James Alexander, who led all scorers with 31 points, and gimpy-legged Jeremy Warren hit baskets to give Dimmitt a 57-47 lead, but the Lobos began attacking inside after Marc Bennett, saddled with three fouls since late in the first quarter, fouled out with 4:54 left, and fellow post-man Milton Carrasco followed him to the bench with two minutes left.

Shepherd reeled off eleven points in the fourth period to lead the Lobos to within a basket, with 1:18 to play, and the Lobos had plenty of chances to close that gap after Dimmitt threw the ball away two seconds later.

Despite owning the ball for all but 12 of the last 76 seconds of the game, Levelland couldn't hit a shot. Latham fired an airball with 45 seconds left, then stepped on the boundary line on a drive to the bucket in the final 20 seconds.

Putting man-to-man pressure on the ball, the Lobos forced their fifth 10-second violation of the game with eight seconds to play, but the Lobos mis-fired on their last attempt to send the game into overtime.

Big Spring used its one-two-three punch of Paige Clawson, Katrina Thompson and Teresa Pruitt to jump to a 23-8 first quarter lead and a 69-46 first-round win over the Bobbies Monday at Monterey High School.

Those three scored all 37 first half points and 59 of the Lady Steers' 69 points. Big Spring hit 59% from the floor and 11 of 18

BIG SPRING 69, BOBBIES 46
 Big Spring 23 14 14 18 — 69
 Dimmitt 8 10 12 16 — 46
 D-Cara Odom 2-0-4; Sydelle McDonald 4-0-8; Gloria Gauna 7-0-14; Kristi Petty 4-0-8; Dondi Hays 0-0-0; Linda Saenz 2-0-4; Molligay Waggoner 3-0-6; Charlynn Hunter 1-0-2. TOTALS: 23-0/4-46.
 FG: 23/56—41%.
 FT: 0/4—0%.

BOBCATS 66, LEVELLAND 64
 Levelland 12 16 17 19 — 64
 Dimmitt 17 17 15 17 — 66
 D — James Alexander 13-5-31; Jeremy Warren 5-2-12; Warren McDoanld 2-6-10; Marc Bennett 2-0-4; Milton Carrasco 3-1-7; Emilio Arce 1-0-2; Scott Hill 0-0-0; Cary Buchanan 0-0-0; Brad Buchanan 0-0-0; Jim Nelson 0-0-0; Joe Porter 0-0-0. TOTALS: 26-14/21-66.
 FG: 26/50—51%.
 FLOOR PLAY: Alexander 7R; McDoanld 15C, 7R; Carrasco 6R, 8C.



FIGHT FOR CONTROL—Dimmitt's Kristi Petty, 30, wrestles with Big Spring's Tami Wise (40) and Katrina Thompson for the basketball during their first-round game Monday in the Caprock Holiday Basketball Tournament in Lubbock. Coming into

the fray are Dimmitt's Dondi Hays (32) and Sydelle McDonald (21), and Big Spring's Paige Clawson and Teresa Pruitt. Big Spring won the game, 69-46.

free throws, while the Bobbies missed all four of their free throws and shot a tepid 41%, 23-of-56, from the field.

The Steers extended their opening margin to 33-8 before the Bobbies hit five of their last seven shots in the second half to close the gap to 37-18 at halftime, but couldn't gain any ground on the 4A

club. Clawson, Thompson and Pruitt ran their streak to 41 points until 6:43 was left in the third quarter, when Tami Wise, who finished with eight points, hit a follow-shot inside to give Big Spring a 41-20 lead.

The Bobbies couldn't cut the margin to less than 20 points until early in the fourth quarter when Linda Saenz hit a long jumper to cut the lead to 53-34. That, however, is as close as the Bobbies got to the Steers.



Week's schedule

THURSDAY-SATURDAY — Hart @ Lazbuddie Tourney.
 FRIDAY—Dimmitt @ Levelland.
 TUESDAY—Lubbock Christian @ Hart, Nazareth @ Happy.

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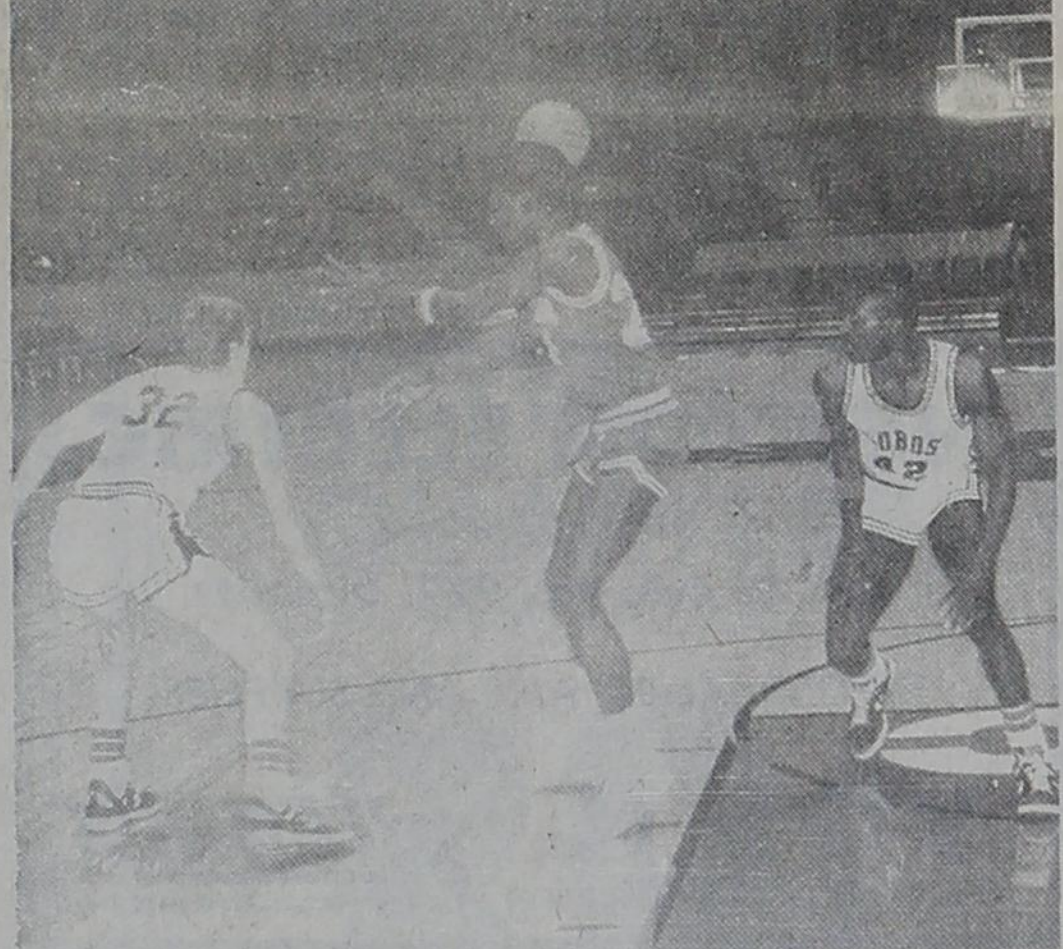
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OOPS!—Dimmitt's James Alexander is left grasping at air after Levelland's Scott Moore (32) knocked the ball away from him during the first quarter of their first-round game Monday in the Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament in Lubbock. Ready to chase after the ball is Levelland's Dennis Cunningham (42). Alexander scored a game-high 31 points to help lead the Bobcats to a 66-64 win.

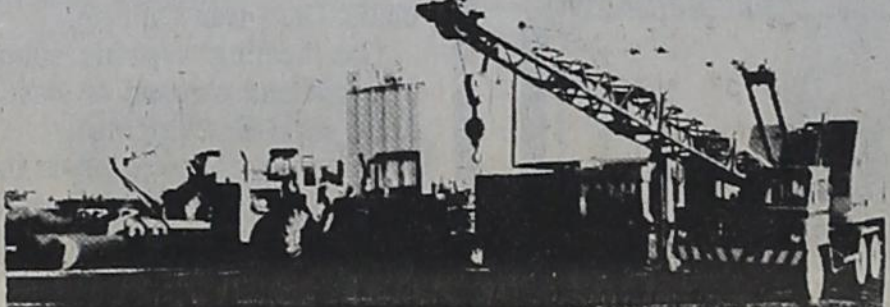


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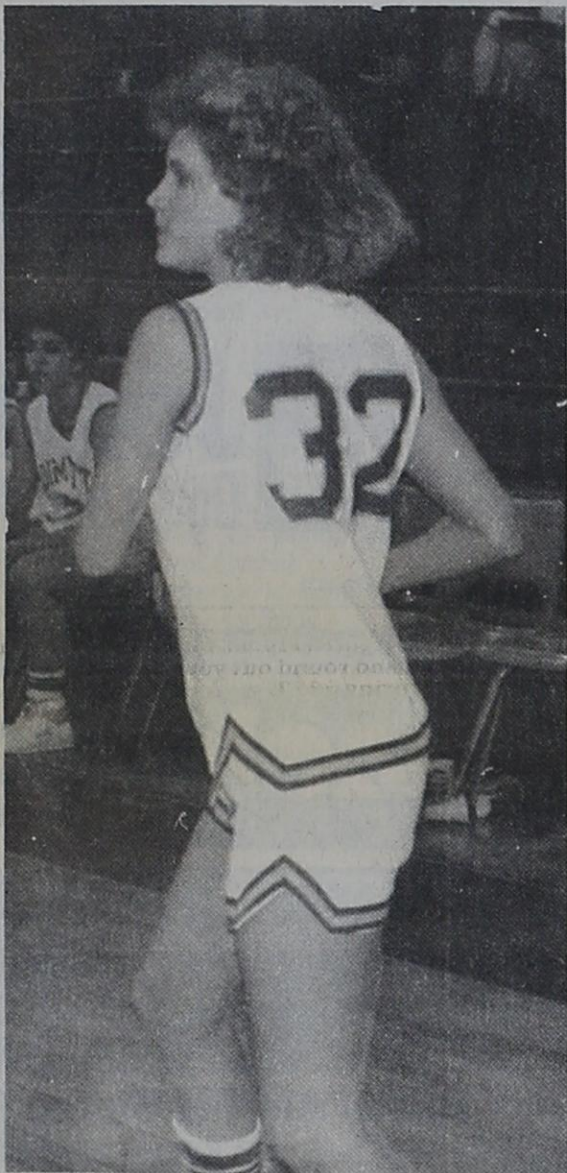


Good Luck, Bobcats and Bobbies

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LEVELLAND

Friday Night at Levelland



DONDI HAYS looks for a teammate during the Bobbies' game Monday against Big Spring in the Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament in Lubbock.

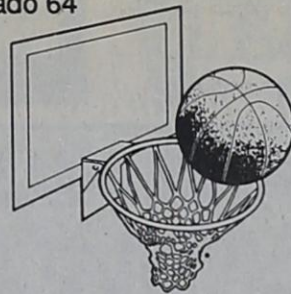
SEASON RECORDS

Bobcats:

- 56, Paducah 49
- 70, Morton 79
- 72, Hereford 49
- Pampa Tournament:*
- 39, Tascosa 64
- 61, Plainview 57
- 64, Big Spring 41 (Consolation)
- 57, Canyon 46
- Pioneer Classic:*
- 54, Nazareth 51 (OT)
- 78, Tascosa 69
- 57, Paducah 64 (Second Place)
- 47, Midland Lee 53
- 51, Hereford 52
- 63, Borger 88
- 48, Plainview 58
- 62, Morton 77
- Caprock Tournament:*
- 66, Levelland 64
- 59, Monterey 57
- 52, Coronado 64

Bobbies:

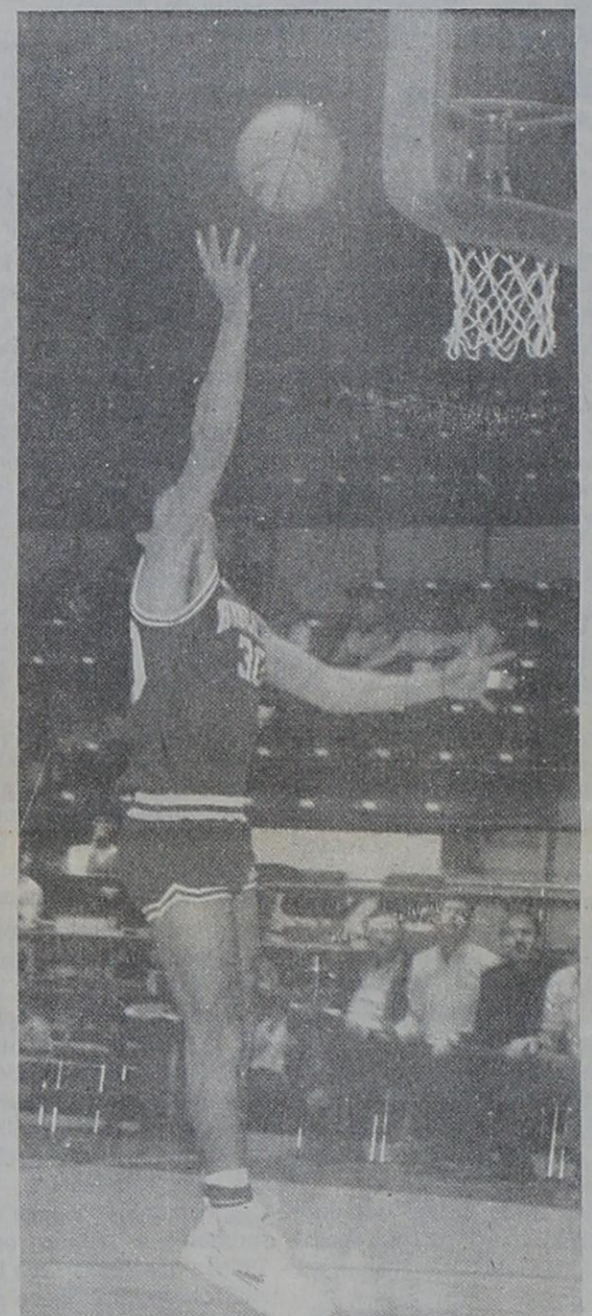
- 69, Paducah 46
- 49, Amarillo High 52
- 41, Hereford 39
- Highland Pk. Tourn.:*
- 62, Highland Park 26
- 35, Vega 64
- 67, White Deer 24 (Second Place)
- 25, Canyon 79
- Kress Tournament:*
- 45, New Deal 56
- 74, Alamo Catholic 29
- 90, Lockney 19 (Consolation)
- 46, Morton 52
- 47, Caprock 65
- 68, Channing 38
- 36, Plainview 69
- 35, Morton 60
- Caprock Tournament:*
- 46, Big Spring 69
- 38, Friona 62



Remaining Schedule

- Jan. 2@Levelland
- Jan. 9Paducah
- Jan. 13@Friona (Bobbies only)*
- Jan. 16Floydada*
- Jan. 20@Muleshoe*
- Jan. 23Tulia*
- Jan. 27Littlefield*
- Jan. 30Friona*
- Feb. 3@Floydada*
- Feb. 6Muleshoe*
- Feb. 10@Tulia*
- Feb. 13@Littlefield*
- Feb. 17@Friona (Bobcats only)*

* — District 2-3A games



MILTON CARRASCO gives the Bobcats a 12-4 lead over Levelland in the first round of the Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament in Lubbock. The Bobcats won the game 66-64.

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Looking back



FOR YEARS, their friends, sisters, aunts and cousins had known the feeling of winning a state tournament. Three times before, the Nazareth Swifts had the opportunity, but had fallen short. 1986 was The Year of the Swifts as they defeated Archer City in the finals to win the class A state championship. Head coach Johnny Hampton joined two elite groups—one of the few people to win state championships as a player and a coach (he played on the 1975 2A winner at Dimmitt), and one of the very few to ever win a state crown in their rookie year as a head coach. The Swiftettes and the Dimmitt Bobcats made it to the state finals before losing out in 1986.

More about

Bootstrap . . .

(Continued from Page 1)
funds will be increased 25% at the same time, but Magness warned that a strong and sincere effort to convince South Plains bankers to take on FmHA guaranteed loans will be needed if guaranteed funds are to make up for the cuts.
"Texas lost all the farmers it can stand during the past year unless we agree that our highest and best use is as a nuclear dumpground for the rest of the nation," Magness said.
"We want to see what is happening out in the country, with the farmers and the FmHA offices in the countryside," he said.
Farmers are urged to bring documentation if they have been denied applications, told they cannot get

copies of their files, or told they cannot file an application until all crop proceeds or government deficiency check totals are in.
"If farmers will tell us what is happening in their counties, and if they can provide documentation, we may be able to help them. Hopefully, opening up communications will do it," Magness said.
Videotapes on the new Chapter 12, debt forgiveness, discharge in bankruptcy, reorganization, FmHA regulations and agricultural loan counseling will be available at the meeting along with books on getting along with FmHA.
"Operation Bootstrap" previously sponsored a seminar on Oct. 1, 1986, at the Texas Tech law school and featured Bill Shoop and Sheryl Parsons, farm counselors from Missouri.

Correction

The names of Houston and Doris Lust were omitted from the Community Christmas Card in last week's issue of the News.

"Operation Bootstrap" will also host programs in Muleshoe Friday, in Friona at the Community Center Monday and in Tulia on Wednesday.

'Cats fall in semi-finals

Coronado went into a 1-3-1 defense and the Dimmitt Bobcats went into the icebox in the fourth quarter as the Mustangs roared from behind to take a 64-52 win in the championship semi-finals Tuesday in the Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament in Lubbock.
The Bobcats qualified for the third round by edging past Monterey, 59-57, Tuesday morning, clinging to a lead that was seven points with two minutes to play and almost nothing at the end, as the Plainsmen forced four turnovers, but cashed in on just three of those opportunities.

"I'm real proud of the way we played (Tuesday) morning," said Dimmitt coach Kenneth Cleveland. "James Alexander (19 points) and Warren McDonald (17 points) played very well. Monterey was a good team—we beat a good team. Our free throws won the game for us, we shot 13-of-15."

That was the end of a short-lived two-game winning streak, but it was an important winning streak for the Bobcats.

"It was very important that we won these two games," Cleveland said. We had lost six games in a row, and I did not feel we were showing any improvement while we were losing. At the Caprock I've seen a lot of improvement. We beat two good teams, and we may not win Wednesday morning against Morton, but those two wins, and starting to improve, were important for us."

In Wednesday's semi-final, Coronado threatened to put the Bobcats away in the second quarter, mounting a 27-18 lead before Dimmitt went on a 10-minute tear, outscoring the Mustangs 28-18 to lead 48-45 at the end of a hectic third quarter.

The lead changed hands 11 times in the third quarter, and the Bobcats hit nine of 10 field goal tries in the period. The only miss came when

Coronado's Brandon Wood blocked an Alexander shot, but the ball bounced into Alexander's hands and, with his back to the basket, Alexander threw the ball in the basket to give Dimmitt a 44-41 lead.

In the run, Dimmitt connected on 12 of 13 field shots, while Coronado scored just four points in the last 4:35 of the second quarter. The teams played see-saw with the lead in the third period—you score, we score, as the teams opened the first three minutes of the second half hitting a combined eight-for-10, and ended up shooting, together, 16 of their 21 shots in the third quarter.

Trouble for the Bobcats was, Coronado never cooled off.

Alexander hit five baskets in the third period, and Mustang coach Mike Mayberry had seen enough. He switched the Mustang defense from a 2-3 to a 1-3-1 zone, filling the lane and denying Alexander the ball. The puzzle had been solved—Dimmitt didn't score for the first 6:38 of the quarter, until Alexander hit a basket with 1:22 to play to cut Coronado's lead to 60-50.

Until that point, Coronado had played error-free ball in the fourth quarter—no turnovers, and almost no misses from the field as Johnny Grusing and Wood combined to lead the Mustangs on a 15-0 run to earn a place in the finals against Temple.

Scoreboard

TUESDAY
SWIFTS 46, TULIA 35

Tulia	10	14	6	5	—	35
Nazareth	7	11	14	14	—	46

N—Kenny Kern 21, Todd Hill 14.

SWIFTTETTES 53, TULIA 45

Tulia	12	7	18	8	—	45
Nazareth	9	10	12	22	—	53

N—Rachel Huseman 16, Missy Brockman 15.

CAPROCK TOURNAMENT

FRIONA 62, BOBBIES 38

Friona	18	10	12	22	—	62
Dimmitt	6	8	8	16	—	38

D — Molligay Waggoner 4-4-12; Linda Saenz 4-4-12; Cara Odom 2-2-6; Sydelle McDonald 1-3-5; Kristi Petty 1-0-2; Charlynn Hunter 0-1-1; Gloria Gauna 0-0-0; Dondi Hay 0-0-0. TOTALS: 12-14/18-38.

BOBCATS 59, MONTEREY 57

Monterey	19	11	12	15	—	57
Dimmitt	13	13	20	13	—	59

D — James Alexander 7-5-19; Jeremy Warren 2-0-4; Warren McDonald 7-3-17; Marc Bennett 1-0-2; Milton Carrasco 0-1-1; Jim Nelson 4-0-8; Emilio Arce 1-4-6; Scott Hill 1-0-2. TOTALS: 23-13/15-59.
FG: 23/47—49%.
FT: 13/15—87%.
FLOOR PLAY: Alexander 5R, 5C; McDonald 7R, 7C.

CORONADO 64, BOBCATS 52

Dimmitt	14	16	18	4	—	52
Coronado	16	15	14	19	—	64

D — James Alexander 11-0-22; Jeremy Warren 1-4-6; Warren McDonald 6-0-12; Milton Carrasco 1-0-2; Marc Bennett 2-4-8; Joe Porter 0-0-0; Jim Nelson 1-0-2; Emilio Arce 1-0-2. TOTALS: 22-8/14-52.
FG: 22/42—52%.
FT: 8/14—57%.
FLOOR PLAY: Carrasco 6R, 5C; Alexander 4R; McDonald 8C.

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Letter

Writer protests Tech's 'downgrading'

Dear Editor:
I am writing to protest the judgment of the state's Select Committee on Higher Education that Texas Tech University be downgraded to a regional school serving West Texas "interests."

Under the Select Committee's proposal, only Texas A&M and the University of Texas would remain major universities.

Formerly, Texas Tech was one of four such schools statewide.

Texas Tech is a major university now.

* Only one-third of the student body is from West Texas. The rest come from the Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth and San Antonio areas.
* Tech graduate programs produce over 100 doctorates annually in more than 60 fields.

* Tech's medical school has campuses in Amarillo, El Paso, Lubbock and the Midland-Odessa area.

* Texas Tech School of Law has a growing reputation for producing quality law graduates.

As a "Level 2" university under the committee's new four-level tier system, Tech will be forced to give up many doctoral and research programs and to narrow its focus to so-called "regional" work.

For it, important research on-

going in agriculture, biotechnology, chemistry, engineering, home economics, the natural and physical sciences and psychology will be lost.

Teachers will leave as the general quality and breadth of interest within the faculty declines and the university seeks narrower, more technically inclined specialists to benefit West Texas.

The quality of student life and the educational advantages of Texas youth will suffer. Talented students will seek and education outside the region and be lost. Few outside the region will come here, with a consequent loss in the opportunity for West Texans to learn from and be benefited by others with different attitudes and backgrounds.

Texas Tech is too precious a resource to desert.

A good coordinating plan for our state universities does not dismantle institutions at this point, it nurtures them.

It's time to stop the all-too-purposeful, all-too-deliberate effort to limit educational opportunities in Texas.

Karry L. Hightower
Texas Tech Alumnus
Washington, D.C.

What's Cooking

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of Jan. 5 through 9.

DIMMITT

MONDAY—Pizza, fried okra, green peas, fruit and milk.

TUESDAY — Chicken fried steak with gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, rolls, honey butter and milk.

WEDNESDAY—Beef tacos, lettuce and tomato salad, whole kernel corn, fruit and milk.

THURSDAY — Cheeseburgers, French

fries, lettuce, pickles, onions, cherry cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY — Beef stew, cornbread, applesauce cake, fruit and milk.

HART

MONDAY — Barbecue on a bun, cole slaw, new potatoes in cheese sauce, peanut butter cookies and milk.

TUESDAY—Pinto beans, cornbread, fried okra, buttered spinach, peach cobbler and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Cheeseburgers, salad, French fries, fruit and milk.

THURSDAY—Polish sausage, hot rolls, pinto beans, mixed greens, apple cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY—Fried chicken, creamed gravy, homemade sliced bread, green beans, whipped potatoes, brownies and milk.

NAZARETH

MONDAY—Corn dogs, applesauce, corn, peanut butter chews and milk.

TUESDAY — Mexican casserole, sopapillas, peas, peaches and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Hamburgers, French fries, prunes and milk.

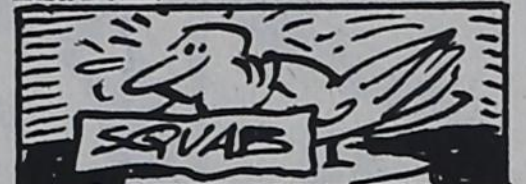
THURSDAY — Barquitos, tossed salad, hot rolls, pears and milk.

FRIDAY—Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, hot rolls, Jello and milk.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients in the Hospital: Linda Marie Saucedo, Denise Smith, Emma Reyna, Janell Fernandez.

Patients Dismissed: Ruby Maples, Tye O'Kelly, George Lopez, Sr., Maria Ortega, Marshall Young, Martha Galvan, Boyce Carter, Lance Brockman, Venoy Sanders, Wannie Stevens, Kimberly Washington, Dorothy Walker, Christina Fernandez, Eulalia Rodriguez, Kelli George, C.A. Hance, Elsa Beliz.



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Social Security in Castro County

By TERRY J. CLEMENTS

People on the local area who receive social security benefits because they are disabled have an important responsibility to notify Social Security if certain events occur.

Events that must be reported are:

* Any change of address. Be sure to also notify the post office.

* Improvement in condition. In addition, a person's case will be reviewed periodically to verify eligibility for benefits. For most people, this review will be conducted every three years.

* A person goes to work, no matter how little he or she earns.

* A person goes outside the United States.

* A person begins to receive other disability checks under a Federal, State, or local program. A person should also report if the amount of any other check changes, he or she

receives a lump-sum settlement, or the other check stops. A person becomes eligible for and begins to receive a pension from work not covered by Social Security.

* A person marries if he or she receives checks as a disabled widow or widower or a person disabled before 22 getting checks on a parent's record.

* A person is unable to manage his or her own funds.

* A person is convicted of a felony.

* A person dies.

Required reports can be made by telephone, mail, or in person at any Social Security office. Reports should include the name of the person about whom the report is being made, his or her social security claim number, what is being reported, the date it happened, the person's signature, address, and phone number.

Failure to make a required report can mean the person will have to pay back any benefits that were not due. Making a false statement can mean a possible fine or imprisonment.

More information about social security disability benefits can be obtained at the social security office at 1401-B West 5th street, or you may contact us at 293-9623. Appointments can also be arranged if desired.

Teacher workshop is Tuesday

A substitute teacher workshop will be conducted Tuesday from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Dimmitt school administration building at 608 W. Halsell.

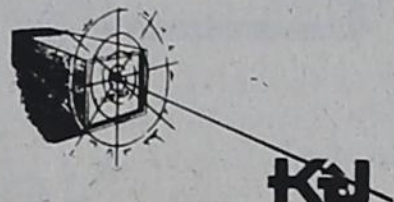
Persons interested in working as a substitute teacher in the Dimmitt schools should attend the workshop. Completion of the workshop ensures placement on the substitute teacher roster. Building principals will employ substitutes from the list as needed.

Typing course to be offered

A beginning typing course will be offered in Dimmitt starting Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Dimmitt High School.

Sponsored by the adult continuing education division of Amarillo college, registration will be held the first night of the class, which will be held in room 25 at DHS.

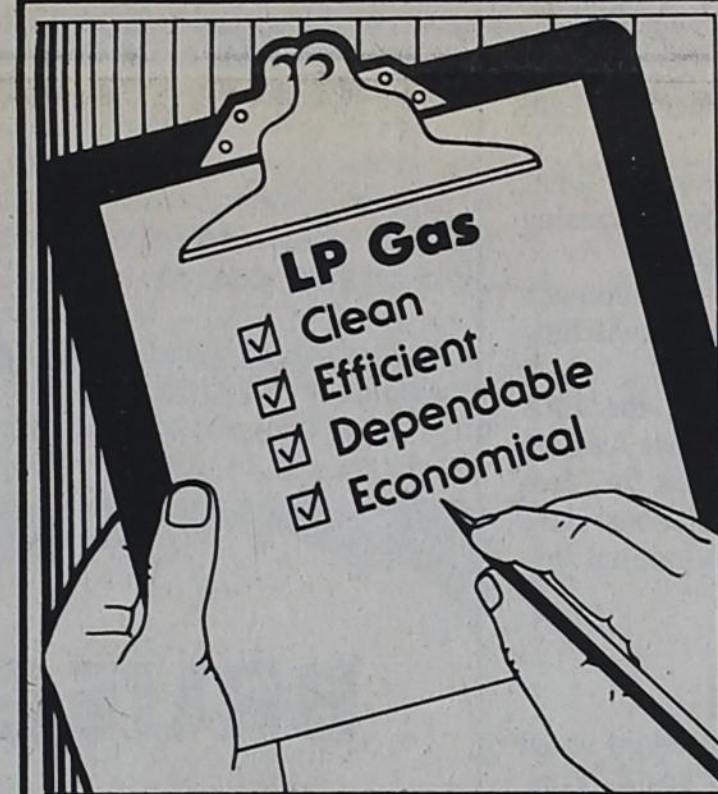
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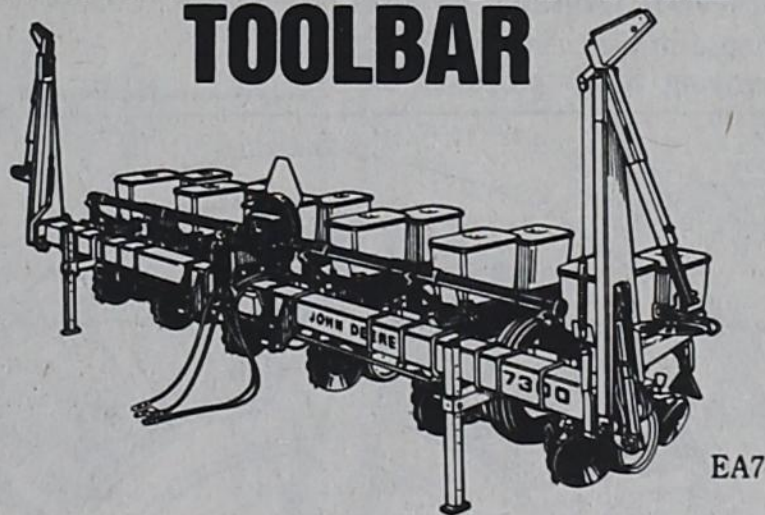
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to centralize its attack against a possible nuclear storage dump in either Deaf Smith or Swisher counties.

The city board of aldermen agreed to form a board to license and police electricians, and cut revenue sharing allocations for the 1986-87 fiscal year.

JUNE 12

After months of dry weather, rains finally became plentiful—just in time to slow down the county wheat harvest. Paul Venhaus delivered the county's first load of wheat.

The county WIFE chapter adopted a resolution against any proposed nuclear waste dump in Deaf Smith County.

JUNE 19

Clearing weather helped producers begin a "disappointing" wheat harvest.

A reception was held for AFS student Paula Hurrell before her return to Lock, South Australia.

The City of Dimmitt's annual audit revealed the city's 1985-86 revenues were off about \$113,000 because of the discontinuance of gross receipts tax payments by Westar Transmission Co. on industrial gas sales in Dimmitt.

Tax rebates continued to surge higher in Dimmitt, with receipts for the year totalling over \$98,000, a 32% increase over the first six months of 1985.

Goodpasture announced the furlough of 30 employees at the local fertilizer facility, cutting its workforce to 13 employees.

JUNE 26

33 persons were treated for ammonia inhalation while 50 persons were evacuated from their homes in connection with an ammonia leak at Dimmitt Agri Industries. Ammonia leaked into the air for almost four hours, requiring ongoing efforts by the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept. to keep the leak controlled before employees from Center Plains Industries of Amarillo could shut off a valve which had locked open.

Dimmitt's last new-car dealer, Stan Byrnes Motor Co., announced it would close July 1.

The Castro County Museum received a large collection of flint discovered several years ago near Sunnyside.

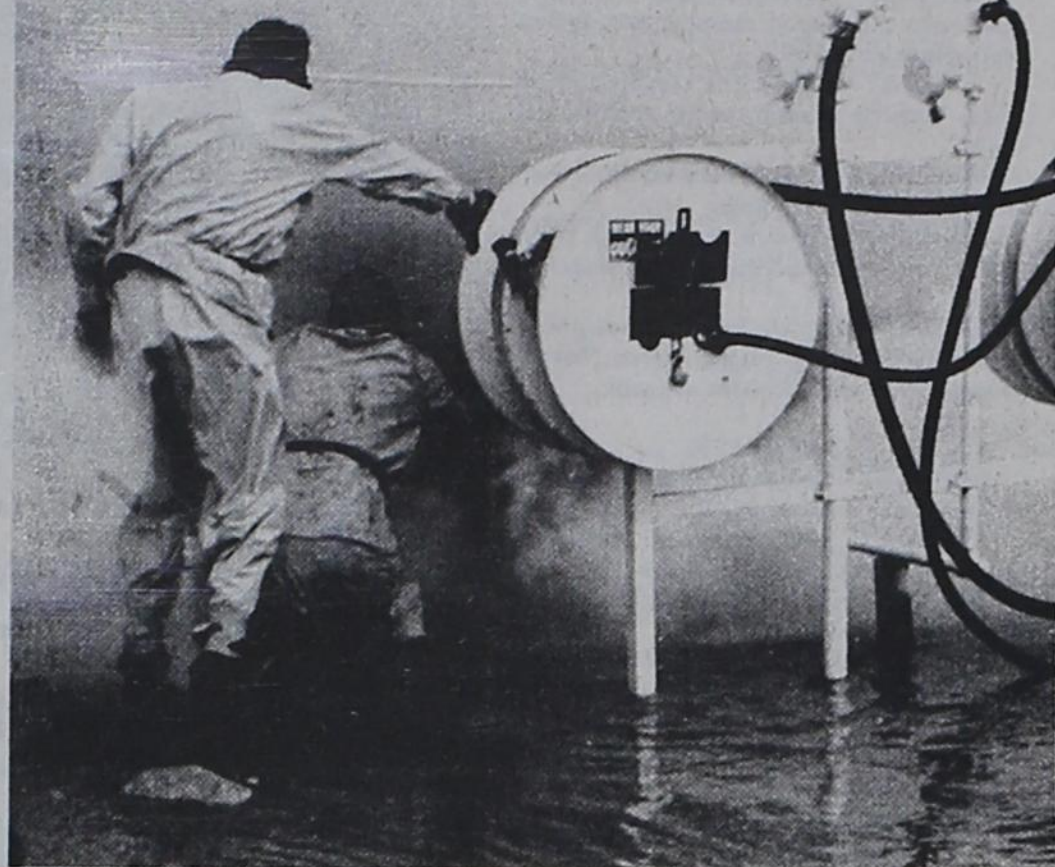
JULY 3

Dimmitt officially received 5.31 inches of rain during June, the seventh-wettest June in history, with unofficial reports ranging up to 10 inches or more during the month. The heavy rains washed out some young crops in the county.

A county-wide outdoor rally was planned for Aug. 7.

After a one-year absence, Hart Days will be held again this year, on Aug. 15 and 16.

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Two workers from Center Plains Industries in Amarillo reach in to try to shut off a locked valve that was leaking ammonia from a tank at Dimmitt Agri Industries in June. 33 people were treated for ammonia inhalation, two persons were hospitalized for extended stays, and 50 persons were evacuated from the area.

JULY 10

Reeford Burrous was named as the new Dimmitt city manager, replacing Paul Catoe.

Rex Reeves Jr., of Las Cruces, N.M., was named as the new president of the Farmers State Bank of Hart.

JULY 17

Castro County commissioners elected to submit a plan to consolidate the county's four Justice of the Peace precincts into one, county-wide district. Marshall Young has been the only JP in the county for several years.

Sales tax rebates continued to climb in Dimmitt.

Electrical power was knocked off during a thunderstorm, and struck an elm tree in northwest Dimmitt, damaging several appliances in several homes.

The Easter 4-H Club donated \$620 to the Derik Harkins Medical Expense Fund from money raised through club projects.

Nazareth planned its fourteenth annual German Festival.

JULY 24

Arlie Petty, who had finished a close fourth in the spring school board election, was picked to succeed Don Gregory on the Dimmitt school board.

The Environmental Protection Agency denied a Section 18 emergency clearance for the use of Azodrin in Texas, a chemical used to control mites and borers in corn. Alternative chemicals could be used, but would not be as effective, and would increase spraying costs by as much as \$23 per acre.

The budget of the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept. was restored to its full \$5,000 by the city board of aldermen. The money came from savings because of unpaid salaries for vacant city manager, fire marshal and police chief posts.

JULY 31

Two local music groups, the Light of Christ Singers and the Singing Farmers, were booked for the county's heritage rally on Aug. 7.

Police were looking for thieves who stole over \$4,000 worth of merchandise from Killingsworth True Value Hardware in Dimmitt.

County commissioners began work on a \$1.7 million budget.

AUG. 7

Gary Thurman was named as the new Dimmitt police chief, succeeding John Hamilton.

A tornado struck near the Dimmitt Municipal Airport, causing over \$75,000 in damage.

Contel completed installation of a new \$1 million digital switching station in Dimmitt.

In a sudden reversal, the EPA allowed area farmers to use Azodrin to control spider mites in corn fields, but mite populations have been running at below-normal levels.

AUG. 14

The Dimmitt school board voted to set its tax rate at 84.14 cents, remaining even with the previous three years, while Castro County commissioners considered a 3% tax hike.

Hart Days were set for Friday and Saturday.

AUG. 21

Severe storms struck in the Hart area, causing millions of dollars in damage in the southeastern section of the county, damaging virtually every house in Hart, and damaging or destroying many crops in the

region.

The US Senate Appropriations Committee voted to cut \$200 million from the Dept. of Energy's budget, blocking site characterization work on a possible permanent high-level nuclear waste repository near Vega.

While that announcement was being made, Renea Hicks, state assistant attorney general, was telling a news conference at the Nuclear Waste Task Force office in Dimmitt the AG's office could "not do much at this time" to block the repository work.

A group of 50 area farmers and ranchers met in a caucus at the Expo Building to develop topics for the United Farmer and Rancher Congress planned for September in St. Louis.

AUG. 28

Castro County commissioners approved a \$1.76 million budget.

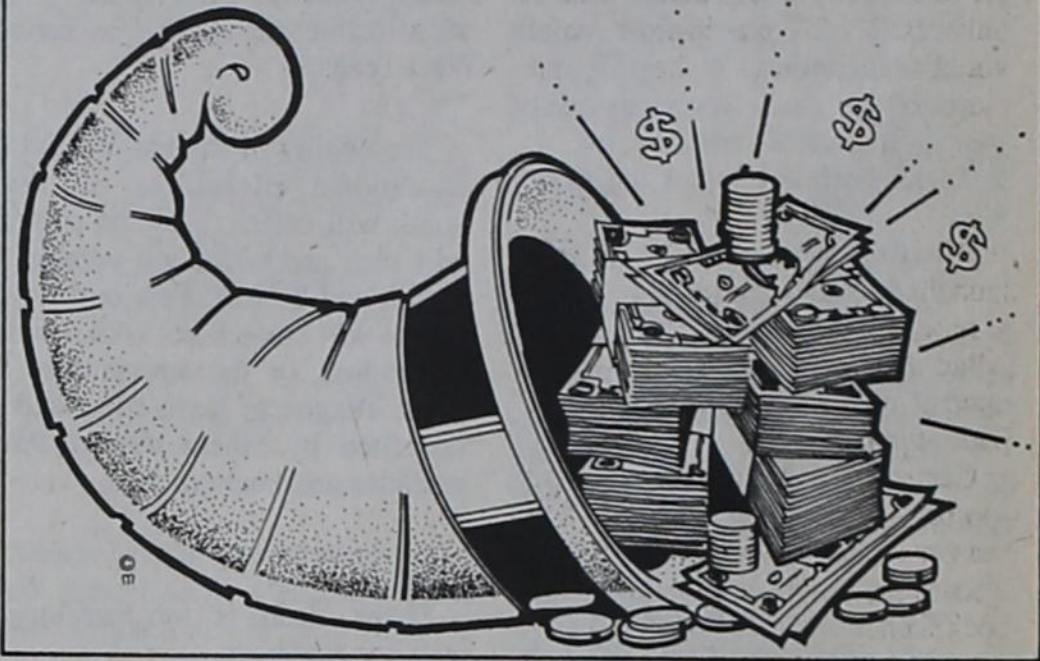
Heavy rains continued to soak the county, with over six inches record-

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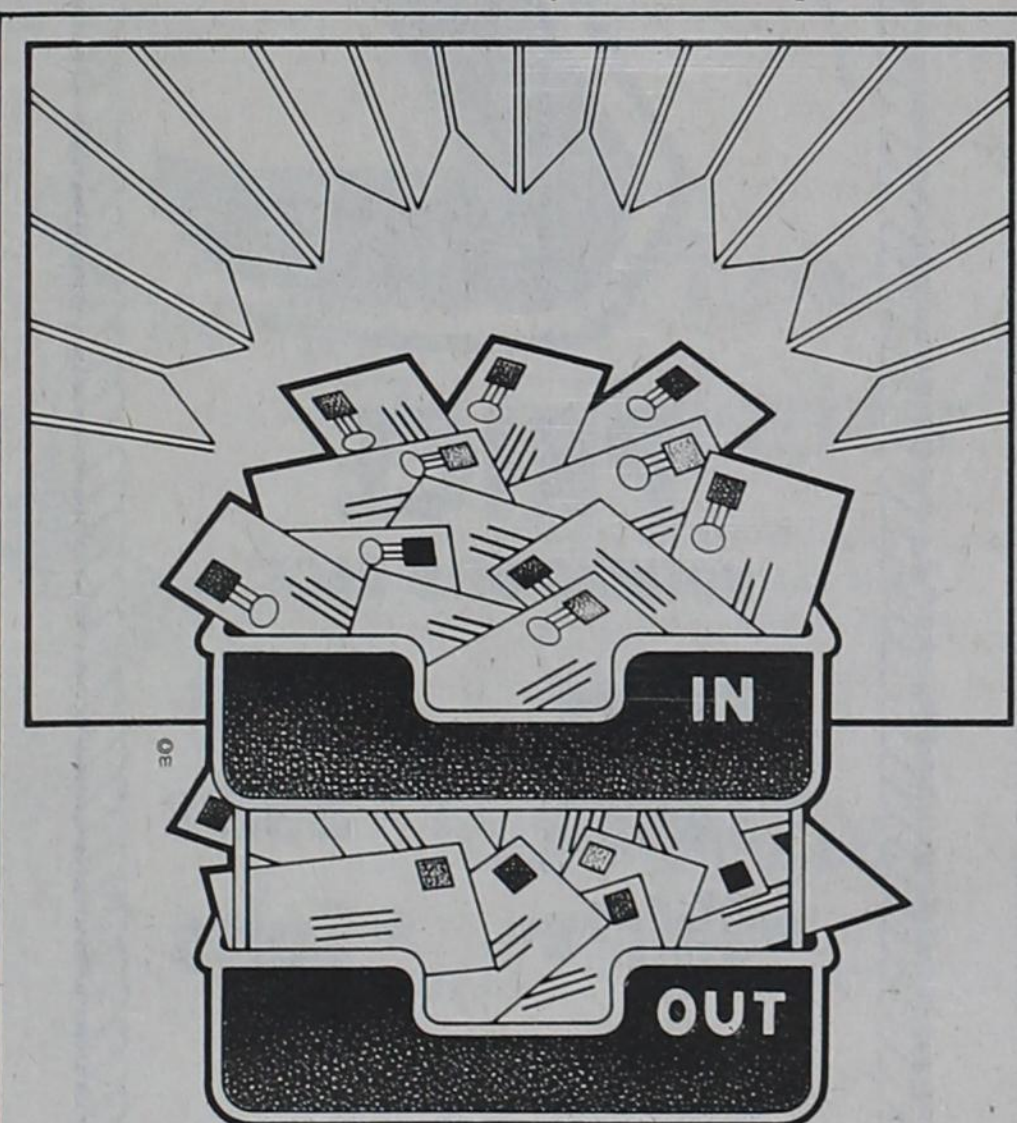
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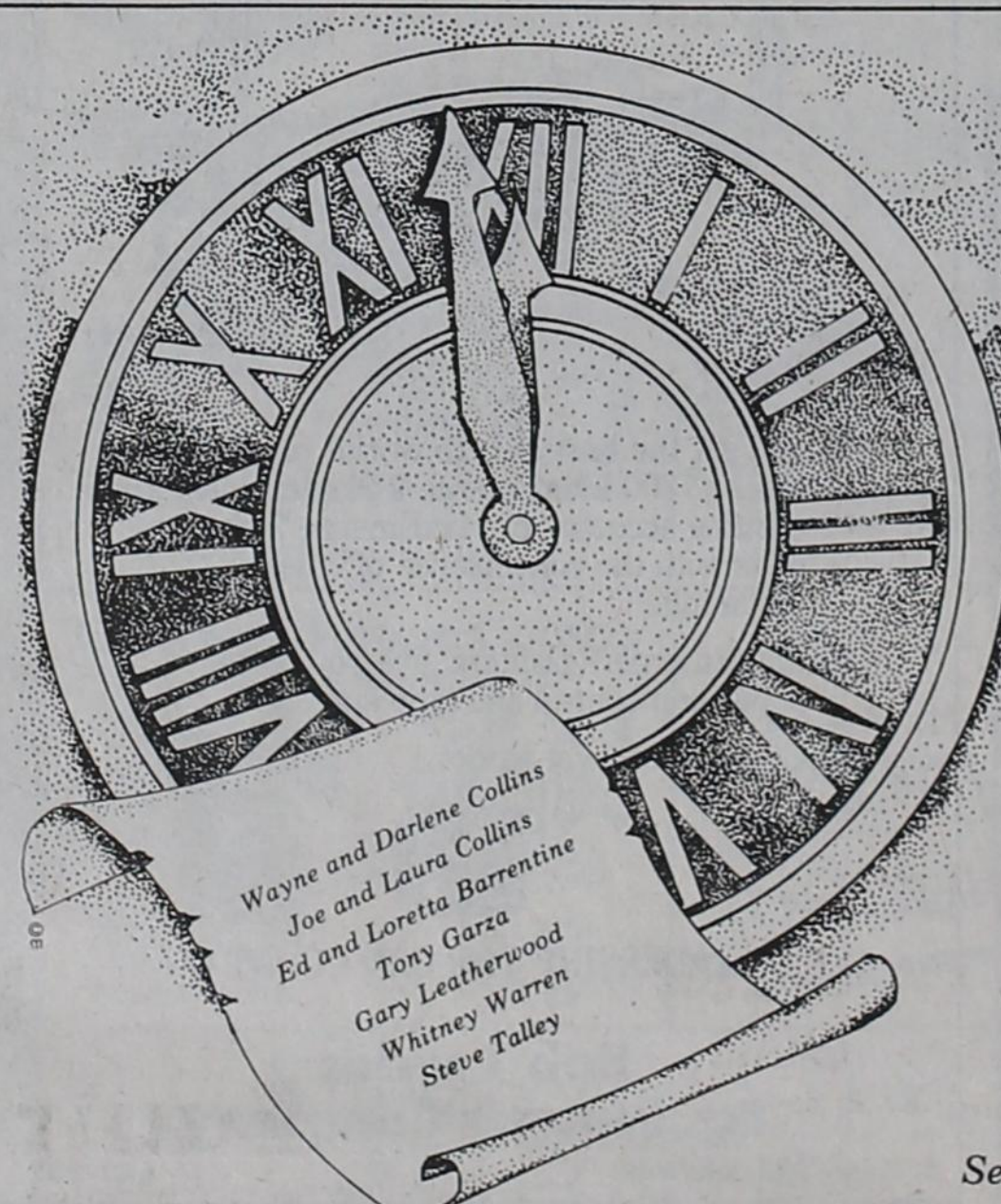
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ed during August.
A dispute developed over the results of a wheat referendum, with US Rep. Larry Combest saying he could not accept the results of a poll in which only 15% of Texas wheat farmers participated. Detractors said that rationale would keep Combest out the November ballot, because only 10.2% of all eligible voters voted for Combest in the May primary.

SEPT. 4
Plains Memorial Hospital launched a "survival plan" by hiring a new administrative team, Garry Allan and John Linsner, and developed a plan to double or triple its patient load.
Castro County's three varsity football teams prepared for their season openers., with Dimmitt at Roosevelt, Anton at Hart and Lubbock Christian at Nazareth.

SEPT. 11
The Dimmitt school board decreased its 1986 tax rate by 20 cents, while Castro County raised its levy by 3% and the Hart school board dropped its rate five cents.

Castro County's annual Harvest Days celebration was set to begin, with the Castro County Fair, a variety of events through Saturday, and the Harvest Days Follies Saturday and Sunday.
Texas' First Lady, Linda Gail White, told a Democratic rally that the state was at a "critical crossroads, and has a critical choice to make in November on whether to move boldly into the future or retreat back into the past." Congressional candidate Gerald McCathern also addressed the rally.
17-year-old Grady Mason was critically injured in a one-vehicle accident in Dimmitt.

SEPT. 18
William Scott Little, who was given a 10-year probated sentence in 1979 after crash-landing a plane loaded with over 530 pounds of marijuana, was arrested in Santa Clara County, California, on charges of selling cocaine.
County Commissioner Edd Wilson, who was defeated in the May primary election by Dale Winders, announced his intention to run as a write-in candidate in the November general election.

The local Nuclear Waste Task force became a national organization with the affiliation of several other groups to fight proposed permanent high-level nuclear waste repositories.

Congressional candidate Gerald McCathern was feted at a chili supper, raising over \$2,000 in his effort to unseat US Rep. Larry Combest.

SEPT. 25
Over four inches of rain struck the Dimmitt area, flooding houses and roads in low-lying areas, destroying a transformer at Goodpasture and creating a new, huge water hazard at the Castro County Country club.
The Carlile Theater closed its doors, as owner Jack Patton cited several reasons for decreasing crowds at the theater.
County commissioners began searching for ways to cut down on alcohol abuse in and around the Expo Building.

OCT. 2
County farmers were fighting wet conditions to try to get through the 1986 corn harvest.
The Production Credit Association and Federal Land Bank of Texas won their first-round battle against the federal government, which was attempting to assess levies against the local and state financial institutions to bail out ailing land banks and PCA's in the nation.

Tiffany Braafladt was named homecoming queen, while Milton Carrasco and Delia Garcia were named flame king and queen during homecoming activities at Dimmitt High School.

OCT. 9
Tim Roberts was named as Dimmitt's new fire marshal, ending a five-month vacancy in the post.
Central Plains MH/MR began a new fight to battle drug abuse in Castro County.
Kara Schulte and Kelly Howell were named the county's Gold Star 4-H'ers at the annual 4-H banquet. Winning "I Dare You" awards were

Kalina Pohlmeier and Brian Nelson.

OCT. 16
County commissioners called for an April 4 vote on whether to levy a .5% sales tax that could drop property taxes for county residents.
All funding for nuclear waste repository work through 1987 was frozen by the US Congress.

The "save the Family Farm Act" was expected to be introduced in Congress in early 1987, a product of the United Farmers and Ranchers Congress in St. Louis.

OCT. 23
Two men escaped from the Castro County Jail by cutting through bolts holding screens over windows. Cruz Munez of Hart and Ricardo Coronado of Mexico were sought after their Oct. 21 breakout.

The Dimmitt city board of aldermen passed an ordinance that will set a time limit on claims filed against the city.

Long-time postal carrier Shorty Barlow was honored for 25 years of service by the US Postal Service.

OCT. 30
Plains Memorial Hospital officials announced they would mail \$240,000 worth of past-due bills to former patients at PMH. The bills were to be sent out to "self-pay" patients, and make up over one-third of \$600,000 worth of accounts receivable at PMH.

County commissioners pledged to support a plan to help launch a senior citizens organization in Hart.

NOV. 6
Gerald McCathern and Bill Clements were among the winners in the general election in Castro County, but McCathern failed in his bid to defeat US Rep. Larry Combest. Other winners included Dale Winders, who defeated Edd Wilson for the Pct. 2 commissioner's seat, and James Dobbs, who outpolled Sam Burke by a 5-1 margin for the constable's job in Pct. 3.

Texas Rural Legal Aid was given until Dec. 1 to prove it was in compliance with applicable law or risk losing its \$4 million annual grant from the Legal Services Corp. US Rep. Larry Combest said "not another federal dollar should be spent on this organization."

NOV. 13
Randy Holme, general manager of the American Fructose Corp. milling plant in Dimmitt, has been

promoted to vice president of operations of AFC's parent company, American Maize-Products Co. William Ballentine of Decatur, Ala., will replace Holme in Dimmitt.

The Hart and Nazareth girls' cross-country teams won berths in the state meet.

The Hart Longhorns, in the playoffs for the first time since their 1976 trip to the quarterfinals, were slated to face Seagraves after their second-place finish in District 3-2A.

NOV. 20
Seagraves defeated the Hart Longhorns 33-15 in their bi-district game at Levelland.

The Nazareth Swiftettes grabbed the team title while Hart's Tammy Menchaca won the overall title in the State Class 2A Cross-Country Meet in Georgetown.

The city of Dimmitt joined with Castro County in asking voters to decide next April 4 whether to endorse a new, .5% sales tax that could drop property taxes.

The annual District 13 convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars was held at the local VFW post.

NOV. 27
Fire and police officials were searching for clues in an arson at a vacant residence at 101 Bailes in Dimmitt.

Charlie Lane, Scott Sheffy and Meredith Cleavinger were the honorees at the annual Fireman of the Year banquet in Dimmitt.

38-year-old Abelardo Espinosa of Dimmitt was found guilty in 222nd District Court in Hereford of sale and delivery of over one ounce of marijuana and sentenced to three years in the Texas Dept. of Corrections.

County commissioners approved a lighting plan for the Expo Building to try to cut down on vandalism and alcoholic beverage consumption around the building.

DEC. 4
55-year-old Severo Espinosa, Sr. of Dimmitt was arrested on charges of sale and delivery of cocaine in Deaf Smith County. He posted \$15,000 bond.

County volunteer firemen and county ministers joined together in an effort to provide for a better Christmas for needy families in the county.

Castro County ministers and firemen announced plans to join together to help provide food and toys for needy families in the county for

Christmas.

DEC. 11
\$180,000 worth of goods were taken from Great Plains Chemical, north of Dimmitt, during a weekend burglary. Some of the supplies were found along with a pickup and trailer abandoned northeast of Dimmitt.

The county's pheasant population was listed as slightly above average for the opening of the 1986 pheasant season.

County commissioners mulled the possibility of having to take steps to close a landfill serving county and Nazareth residents north of Nazareth.

DEC. 18
Doug Pybus, Garland Coleman and Don Nelson were elected president, vice president and secretary of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce for 1987.

Dimmitt city aldermen okayed a change in the local cable franchise transferring ownership from Lewis Communications to Universal Cable Communications of Dallas.

Aldermen also agreed to trim \$6,000 from the city's liability insurance costs, and continued to explore possible self-insurance for most or all of the city's insurance needs.

DEC. 25
Castro County commissioners agreed to hold public hearings on Jan. 12 and Jan. 26 in possible pursuit of a grant of up to \$500,000 to assist local industry.

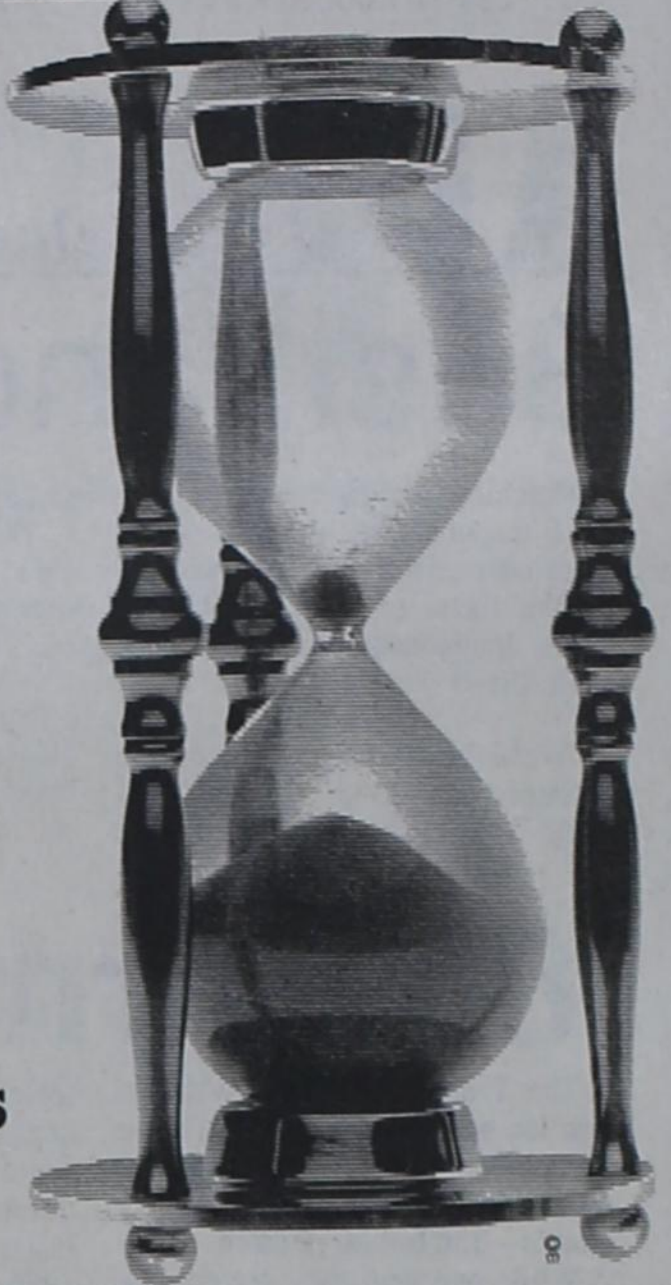
Commissioners also refused to reinstate former Pct. 4 employee John Hochstein, who was fired Dec. 2 by Commissioner Vincent Gugge-mos.

A Santa Fe train derailed at Summerfield, sending 23 cars and an engine off the tracks.

The Dept. of Energy announced plans to buy 60 acres of land in Deaf Smith County next year.

Over 65 county families received food, toys and other items for Christmas through the efforts of the Castro County Ministerial Alliance and the fire departments at Dimmitt and Hart.

To all of you who've been our friends and those we barely know, we'd like to wish a Happy Year and offer our 'hello.' Your kindness that you've shown us, support we hold so dear, is why we take this time to say, "Have a very Happy Year!"



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Bushland irrigation conference set Jan. 8

Matching irrigation expenses to yield responses in order to obtain more cost effective production will be the focus of the annual High Plains Irrigation conference Jan. 8 at Bushland.

"We'll be looking at things the producer can do to stay in business," said conference coordinator

Leon New.

The program will be at the extension center, and will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m.

Theme for the conference will be "Irrigation Strategies for 1987." New said emphasis will be placed upon irrigation levels which provide the best payoff for producers of

major crops.

Determining the proper match of soil fertility and irrigation water will be the topic of Dr. Michael Hickey, Extension soil chemist at Lubbock. The amount of available water is a major determinant of the amount of fertilizer which can be applied profitably, New said.

Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension

economist and management specialist, will examine how much irrigation will be profitable under production potentials for corn, grain sorghum and wheat.

Dr. William Lyle, research scientist at Lubbock, will report the latest research involving LEPA systems, comparing the system with drip applications, and developments in

chemigation.

A look at chemigation field practices will be presented by private consultants Olan Moore of Dimmitt and Dave Meeks of Farwell. A panel of growers, including George Sides of Dimmitt, will relate their successes, and failures, in using

various irrigation practices and equipment.

As customary, a roomful of commercial and technical exhibits will display the latest in furrow, surge, center pivot, engine, chemical injection and chemigation equipment and supplies.

'85 Farm Bill on thin ice

The 1985 Farm Bill may be on thin ice because it's failed to solve the problem of low farm income while costing the government a bundle—\$30 billion or more.

While one year may not provide a true test of several new concepts in the bill, such as the marketing loan, there will be a strong push to enact a 1987 Farm Bill early next year.

Among the plans to be submitted will be plans developed by Texas Corn Growers Association, "Harkin II," a similar bill being pushed by Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin, and countless others.

A new farm bill could be less kind to farmers in Dixie, with North Carolina Republican Jesse Helms replaced at the head of the Senate Agriculture Committee by Vermont Democrat Patrick Leahy. Helms has taken more-than-adequate care of his constituents with a generous

tobacco plan and other concepts that kept farmers in the Carolinas afloat when farmers in Georgia and other Southern states were baking, and losing out, during the Drought of 1986.

Some changes may be little more than mid-term adjustments, but others could lead to major changes in policy direction.

Here are some major proposals that could be a part of changes in the 1985 Farm Bill or in a totally new 1987 Farm Bill:

* Government costs could be reduced by targeting program benefits to farmers having the "Greatest financial need."

That's new — targeting benefits on the basis of need has never been a farm program feature, but it may be an idea whose time has come. Benefits have always been allocated on the basis of production. Attempts to limit payments have not been successful. Most other government social programs, like food stamps, social security, and others, have operated with more-or-less specific eligibility criteria. Such criteria would have to be developed for farm objectives.

It could take a while for the program to be developed, and, of

course, there are going to be a thousand or so farmers on the borderline who won't qualify for the benefits.

* An effort will be made to reduce commodity stocks with mandatory farm production controls as proposed in Harkin II, the TCGA proposal, and other bills.

Based on farmers' past production, mandatory controls would be installed if a majority of the farmers voted for them. Therein lies a problem—getting farmers to vote on the proposals. A low turnout marred last summer's wheat poll, and some congressmen, including 19th District Rep. Larry Combest, balked at using the referendum's results.

The poll, however, reflected favorably on mandatory controls and brought renewed interest in the issue.

Mandatory controls would raise domestic prices while exports would probably decline as US prices moved above world market levels.

However, the TCGA proposal sets up a two-tiered pricing structure that would allow US grains to compete favorably on the world market while setting up another tier for domestic sales.

Farm program costs will fall, saving the government billions of dollars, while consumer prices will rise slightly.

* A decisive effort could be made to reduce commodity stocks by making prices more competitive in export markets.

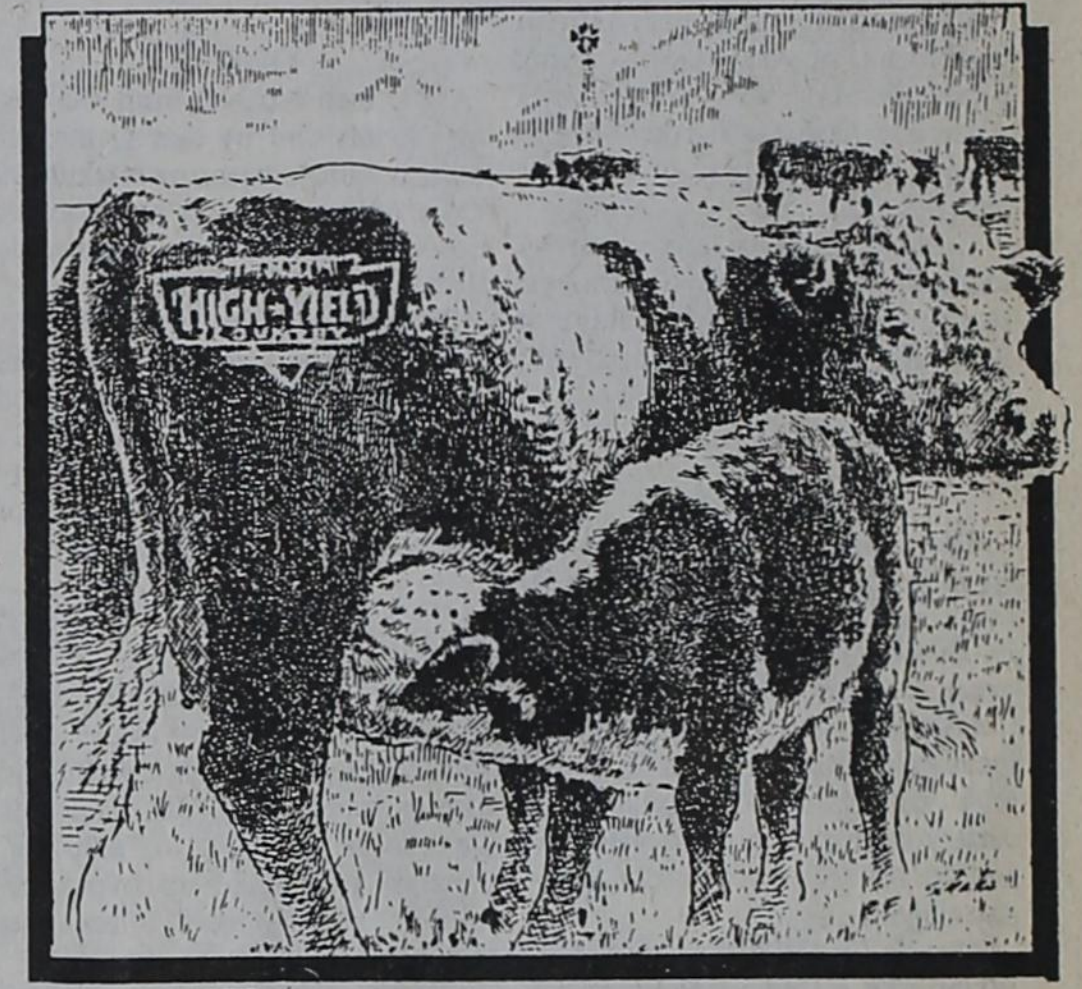
Rice and cotton exports have been expanded through the marketing loan which allowed market prices to fall to world levels. Such an initiative could be extended to wheat and feed grains.

It could mean more stocks being moved, but would mean higher government costs.

* What the prime way to reduce government costs?

Reduce, or do away with target prices.

That, however, would probably lead to a revolution, and fighting in the streets. Lowering government expenditures by simply reducing target prices leads the circle back around to its starting point — reduced farm income.



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* Yield if principal and interest were to remain on deposit for one year at this rate. All rates subject to change.

ASCS sets new hours

The Castro County ASCS office will be closed to the public from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday beginning today (Thursday).

ASCS offices in the area are closing in order to better handle the large workload and speed up the delivery of checks.

New office hours will be Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Charley E. Hill, county executive director, asks that the public refrain from calling at the ASCS office during the closed hours.

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01	0.01	22	8.28	43	12.28	64	16.28
02	0.02	23	8.47	44	12.47	65	16.47
03	0.03	24	8.66	45	12.66	66	16.66
04	0.04	25	8.85	46	12.85	67	16.85
05	0.05	26	9.04	47	13.04	68	17.04
06	0.06	27	9.23	48	13.23	69	17.23
07	0.07	28	9.42	49	13.42	70	17.42
08	0.08	29	9.61	50	13.61	71	17.61
09	0.09	30	9.80	51	13.80	72	17.80
10	0.10	31	9.99	52	13.99	73	17.99
11	0.11	32	10.19	53	14.19	74	18.19
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15	0.15	36	10.95	57	14.95	78	18.95
16	0.16	37	11.14	58	15.14	79	19.14
17	0.17	38	11.33	59	15.33	80	19.33
18	0.18	39	11.52	60	15.52	81	19.52
19	0.19	40	11.71	61	15.71	82	19.71
20	0.20	41	11.90	62	15.90	83	19.90

SALES OVER \$20

Amount	Tax	Amount	Tax
\$30.00	\$1.58	\$70.00	\$4.20
\$40.00	\$2.10	\$80.00	\$4.73
\$50.00	\$2.63	\$90.00	\$5.25
\$60.00	\$3.15	\$100.00	\$5.75

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01	0.01	26	8.23	51	12.23	76	16.23
02	0.02	27	8.39	52	12.39	77	16.39
03	0.03	28	8.55	53	12.55	78	16.55
04	0.04	29	8.71	54	12.71	79	16.71
05	0.05	30	8.87	55	12.87	80	16.87
06	0.06	31	9.03	56	13.03	81	17.03
07	0.07	32	9.19	57	13.19	82	17.19
08	0.08	33	9.35	58	13.35	83	17.35
09	0.09	34	9.51	59	13.51	84	17.51
10	0.10	35	9.67	60	13.67	85	17.67
11	0.11	36	9.83	61	13.83	86	17.83
12	0.12	37	9.99	62	13.99	87	17.99
13	0.13	38	10.15	63	14.15	88	18.15
14	0.14	39	10.31	64	14.31	89	18.31
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17	0.17	42	10.79	67	14.79	92	18.79
18	0.18	43	10.95	68	14.95	93	18.95
19	0.19	44	11.11	69	15.11	94	19.11
20	0.20	45	11.27	70	15.27	95	19.27
21	0.21	46	11.43	71	15.43	96	19.43
22	0.22	47	11.59	72	15.59	97	19.59
23	0.23	48	11.75	73	15.75	98	19.75
24	0.24	49	11.91	74	15.91	99	19.91
25	0.25	50	12.07	75	16.07	100	20.07

SALES OVER \$20

Amount	Tax	Amount	Tax
\$30.00	\$1.88	\$70.00	\$4.38
\$40.00	\$2.50	\$80.00	\$5.00
\$50.00	\$3.13	\$90.00	\$5.63
\$60.00	\$3.75	\$100.00	\$6.25

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Tax on \$5.95 .57
TOTAL TAX \$4.95

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Farmers can save taxes, give grain

A farmer can gift cotton or grain to children or grandchildren, keep the expense deductions and have them report the cotton or grain as a capital gain.

Such a gift also will reduce the producer's self-employment tax and if the producer is receiving Social Security benefits, the gifted grain won't reduce those benefits, according to Extension Service economist Dr. Wayne Hayenga.

"This only works for farmers," Hayenga said. "It won't work for a crop-share landlord. Recipients of the commodity cannot be farmers or cotton or grain dealers."

Hayenga said a formal gift must be made. Recipients must have total control of the cotton or grain. If they are minors, a custodian can be used to control it for them. The

commodity should be locked in a bin or with the recipient or custodian being in total control of the facility. Control also can come from a warehouse receipt or physical possession of the commodity.

The recipient should own the grain for some time to show "control" over it, Hayenga pointed out.

Commodities produced after June 22, 1984, may become a long-term

capital asset for the recipient if held for more than six months. The producer's holding period may be tacked onto the recipient's holding period, giving the child a long-term capital gain six months after harvest.

Gifts of cotton or grain to children or grandchildren can have a huge tax savings on a farm family, Hayenga said.



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US consumers still getting bargain

American consumers are still paying bargain basement prices for food compared to other countries, but food costs seem to be inching up.

In spite of the rise, farmers are getting a continually smaller share.

The American consumer spent about 15% of disposable income for

food last year compared to 16.5% 10 years ago, according to Extension Service economist Dr. Richard Edwards. However, figures for the first quarter of 1986 show food costs rising some due to price increases, shifts to more expensive foods, and larger purchases.

Edwards says the proportion of income spent for food is comprised

of two components — food consumed at home and food consumed away from home. The 1985 breakdown was 10.4% at home and 4.6% away from home. That breakdown is slowly shifting as more people eat away from home.

In 1985, the farm value of dollars spent for home-consumed food was 31 cents, with the largest portion of the at-home food dollar going to retailing and processing. The farm value on the away-from-home dollars is 14 cents, with food service gathering 62 cents of the dol-

lar. If the home and away portions are blended, the farm value of every dollar spent on food is about 26 cents, down six cents from five years ago.

Edwards said about 12 million people are involved in the food marketing system, meaning about one of every 10 American workers is employed in producing, processing and marketing food products. Another 3.5 million are employed in packaging, advertising, energy and other supporting sectors.

Do-it-yourself diets unsafe

Do-it-yourself special diets to treat self-diagnosed medical problems usually won't work, are often costly and could be harmful.

If you have a medical problem that requires a special diet, like hypertension, diabetes or heart disease, the only proper way to get that diet is from a physician, according to nutritionist Mary K. Sweeten.

"Because special diets are used to treat or manage medical problems, they should be prescribed by a doctor and be considered a part of your medical treatment," advised the Extension Service nutritionist.

Borrowing or sharing special diet plans is not recommended, she said, even if a family member or friend has the same medical problem.

Sweeten said that some people adopt special diets for self-diagnosed problems. They select their menus and diet plans based on magazine articles, advertisements or recommendations from friends.

These diets can make any medical condition worse, she cautioned.

Once a doctor prescribes a diet, or refers a patient to a registered dietician for a particular diet, the plan becomes just as important as the prescribed medicine.

Spiders help in fire ant battle

Black widow spiders are the most poisonous and perhaps the most feared spider in the United States. They are found widely in the South, in dark, unswept corners, and in cotton fields.

Another creature found widely in the South and equally as despised is the imported red fire ant, whose aggressiveness and sting is at best

annoying and at worst deadly. Fire ants, too, are common in cotton fields, and can number over 1 million per hectare.

Three Texas Agricultural Experiment Station entomologists recently spent time studying the two arthropods in an East Texas cotton field, and they found the relationship between the two to be most interesting.

Despite the commonly felt loathing for both the spiders and the ants, they are beneficial predators in cotton fields, and the spiders also do a notable job of trapping a large number of the fire ants.

Allen Dean, Martin Nyffeler, and Winfield Sterling carried out their investigation during the summer of 1985 in unsprayed cotton fields near Crockett, Texas. They examined spider webs for their remains and directly observed the spiders preying upon the ants.

During the 2-month study, fire ants constituted about 75% of the diet of black widows. The remains of the ants themselves were 77% workers, 22% queens, and 1% males.

An additional 16 spider species from eight families were discovered to be predators of fire ants, and the ants themselves comprised 99% of the cotton field ant population, the entomologists found.

Taxpayers offered free W-4 services

The Dimmitt H&R Block office will be offering free preparation of Form W-4 to the general public until Jan. 20, according to local manager Trudy Derrick.

Derrick said the procedure for filing the form has changed with the new tax bill, and every employee will need to ensure the proper amount of federal income tax is withheld from their paycheck in 1987.

A new W-4 must be completed by every employee.

"We have already received many questions and requests for help regarding the preparation of the new W-4's, so we are providing this free service," Derrick said. "Bring a copy of your 1985 return with you when you stop by. It contains information that will be helpful in filling out your form."



On The Town

Our wish for all our neighbors is for a full measure of health, happiness and success in 1987. As we begin a brand new, grand New Year, we would like to say "thanks" to all of you for your friendship and support, and for the success we have enjoyed here. It is truly a pleasure working alongside you. Happy New Year!

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watching the nines turn over to zeros when you have driven your car 100,000 miles. It is an event. But with the calendar, (zeros) signify the end, not the beginning.

"Most of us are aware that there is a calendar adjustment at the end of each century, the years ending in 00. But most people have the adjustment backwards.

"Every four normal years, an extra day is added at February 29, and we are used to that phenomenon as "leap year." This is an imperfect adjustment, however. In 100 years the calendar gets a little out of whack and it is adjusted by omitting leap year at the end of each century, years ending in 00.

"But even this centennial adjustment is not perfect. So in all years evenly divisible by 400, an exception is made and the leap year remains. Therefore, our leap year cycle is consistent for the years 1904 through 2096, and the upcoming end of the millennium, year 2000, is a leap year.

"The leap year cycle breaks at 1800, 1900, and 2100 (because of the omission of leap year at those times (since they are not evenly divisible by 400). But the four-year leap year cycle will continue at the year 2000."

With the beginning of the new year, retailers have to start collecting higher state sales taxes.

For businesses in our county's three incorporated cities, the sales tax (which has been 5.125%) will now be 6.25%. Those businesses outside the city limits must now collect 5.25% sales tax.

You'll find rate cards on the new 5.25% and 6.25% tax schedules on Page 16 of this issue. Also, Dimmitt Printing & Office Supply has a more comprehensive rate card on the new 6.25% schedule.

Let's hope for a happy, healthy, peaceful, prosperous New Year. It never hurts to hope.

Bank offers budgeting advice to help farmers

Afraid of your farm operation "going broke?"

There's one business in America that is in the same dire straits as the farmer — the banker. Continental Bank of Chicago used to be a major agricultural lender, until the cash quit flowing. Continental Bank is now regrouping, and offers some hints from lessons it has learned, to prevent more farmers from going broke.

1. Don't expand beyond your cash flow—don't incur more debt or other financial obligations than your income will handle.

2. Do be certain to maintain adequate working capital, which by definition is the difference between your current assets and your current liabilities.

3. Don't invest too much capital in fixed and intermediate-term assets at the expense of current assets. Capital invested in current assets generally is more profitable than money invested in fixed assets. In addition, debts and other current obligations of the business have to be paid out of current assets, not fixed assets.

4. Do give high priority to converting your sales into cash and maintaining close control of inventories. Both are current assets but you can't pay bills with either receiv-

ables or inventories. To provide current, accurate financial information, all receivables should be aged on a monthly basis. Avoid tying up too much capital in inventory in relation to inventory turnover.

5. Don't live on depreciation. A common mistake is the failure to maintain and replace assets — especially intermediate-term assets such as machinery and trucks—that are essential for business operation. Living on depreciation paints an unrealistic picture of your current asset situation and serious trouble can result when the assets have to be replaced and you find yourself short on capital.

6. Do keep your lenders informed of developments that affect your growth projections. Early detection of problems can help to avert them or minimize their impact.

7. Don't liquidate current assets to finance fixed assets. While there are exceptions to this rule, they need to be tempered by circumstances.

8. Do review your expansion program frequently and be willing to make changes if the situation warrants changes. You may discover that you are attempting to expand too rapidly or not be expanding rapidly enough. Your lender usually can be helpful in this situation.

Obituaries

Dee Allsup

Walter DeWitt "Dee" Allsup, 67, of Bowie, died Dec. 26.

Funeral services were held Sunday at the Burgess-Fry Funeral Home Chapel in Bowie, with Dr. Larry Cox, pastor of Pleasant Mound Freewill Baptist Church of Buffalo Springs, and Rev. John Burns, a Baptist minister from Edmond, Okla., officiating. Interment followed in Elmwood Cemetery.

Mr. Allsup lived in Bowie for 19 years, moving there from Dimmitt. He was born May 9, 1919 in Willow, Okla., and was a retired medical technologist, with the Bowie Clinic. A former resident of Hart and Dimmitt, he was an X-ray technician at High Plains Clinic in the 1960s. He was a member of First Baptist Church, a member of Reddy McClellan VFW Post 8789 and of Willow Masonic Lodge No. 433, and a World War II veteran of the US Army. He married Mary Ruth Sansom on June 28, 1968 in Gainesville.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Rev. Eddie of Seymour, Gene of Lubbock, and Rex of Abilene; one brother, Dudley of Edmond; two sisters, Mrs. Georgia Mae Bonham of Cordell, Okla.; and Mrs. Barcey Selberg of Redding, Calif.; and nine grandchildren.

Lillie Ivey

Lillie Ivey, 85, of Dimmitt, died Friday.

Funeral services were held Monday at the Sunnyside Baptist Church with Rev. Bentley Gwyn, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Westlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Foskey-Fleming Funeral Home.

She was born in Content, and married Floid Ivey on March 3, 1919, in Abilene. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Hazel Pruitt of Lamesa; a son, Paul of Dimmitt; two sisters, Sadie Lawrence of Irving and Vivian Davis of Warren, Ohio; three brothers, Cecil Wright, Milton Wright and Carl Wright, all of Abilene; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers included Eddy Waggoner, Jackie Clark, Joe Johnson, David Keith, Donnie Lilley and Larry Morris.

Sue N. Rogers

Services for Sue N. Rogers, 55, of Dimmitt, were held Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Schooler-Gordon Funeral Chapel in Canyon with Rev. Rusty Dickerson, Methodist minister from Lubbock, officiating.

Burial followed in Dreamland Cemetery at Canyon under the direction of Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors of Canyon.

Mrs. Rogers died Sunday. She was a native of Canyon and had been a special education teacher in the Dimmitt schools for 13 years. She was a member of the Texas State Teachers Association.

Survivors include two daughters, Becky Richardson of Canyon and Jackie Malone of Bristol, Colo.; her mother, Nell Dickerson of Canyon; two sisters, Jene Walker of Canyon and a twin sister, Fay Bosley of Canyon; three brothers, Merle Dickerson of Amarillo, Leroy Dickerson of Idaho Falls, Idaho and Joe Dickerson of Canyon; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to a resource education fund at the First National Bank of Canyon to benefit Dimmitt Middle School.

Thomas V. Webb, Jr.

Thomas V. Webb, Jr., 70, of Houston, died Dec. 24.

Graveside services were held Saturday at 4 p.m. at Miami Cemetery with George Lundberg, minister of the Miami Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was by Charnichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Webb attended Miami schools, Harding College in Morrilton, Ark., and Eastern New Mexico University at Portales. He had been a Houston resident and an office manager for L.B. Foster Steel Co. for 31 years, retiring in 1985. He worked as a manager in the Lend-Lease Program in Washington, D.C. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his mother, Irene Webb of Miami; two brothers, Verner of Mobeetie and Homer of Amarillo; and two sisters, Marie Gill of Miami and Joyce Vuicich of Dimmitt.

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- * THE A.C.S. SILVER TEA hosted by Pat Bagley in her home in December.

Through your efforts, donations and participation, you helped make all our special events successful, you helped heighten public awareness that cancer CAN be whipped if detected early, and you may have helped save or extend the lives of some of our neighbors.

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50% OFF

ALL FALL AND WINTER MERCHANDISE AND MANY OTHER ITEMS!

MANY RACKS AND TABLES TO CHOOSE FROM!

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CONGRATS TO LARRY RINGWALD—winner of the bicycle given away Christmas Eve.



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