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By Don Nelson

I think the Texas Corn Producers Board will, sooner or later, regret having cut Carl King and Lois Wales loose.

For agriculture in general, and for family farmers and the Texas corn industry in particular, there are no more active or effective advocates at the state or national levels than King and Wales.

Fortunately, their advocacy work will continue.

King was wearing three hats—as president of the Texas Corn Growers Association and chairman of the board of the American Corn Growers Association, as well as executive director of the Texas Corn Producers Board. Now he's wearing only two. He has already secured a new office on North Broadway for the TCGA-which was his original base anyway - and will continue to work on behalf of the corn industry and agriculture. He probably will have more influence than any other individual farmer in the nation in the writing of the 1996 farm bill.

And Wales is now wearing three hats instead of four. Although she is no longer the assistant executive director of the TCPB, she's still on the TCPB board, as well as the governing boards of the TCGA and ACGA

Also, through her prominent affiliation with Women Involved in Farm Economics (WIFE), she has taken the case of the family farmer to presidents, Congress, the state legislature and industry leaders. And she served as president of the Nuclear Waste Task Force, which successfully defeated the Dept. of Energy's plan to locate a nuclear waste dump in this area.

King and Wales both have spearheaded the research, development and use of com-based ethanol as an alternative fuel.

King has been worth his weight in gold to the state's corn farmers through his work to get specific pesticides approved by the Environmental Protection Agency for use on our crops. His work in this area has not only increased yields but has saved several crop years that would otherwise have been disastrous.

Are you confused by all these corn-organization initials?

The Texas Corn Growers Association is the original organization that King founded 24 years ago. It is a commodity group organized to promote Texas corn through all avenues: marketing, contracting, public education, export negotiations, political advocacy, lobbying. The TCGA is supported entirely by membership dues, which basically are \$50 per member.

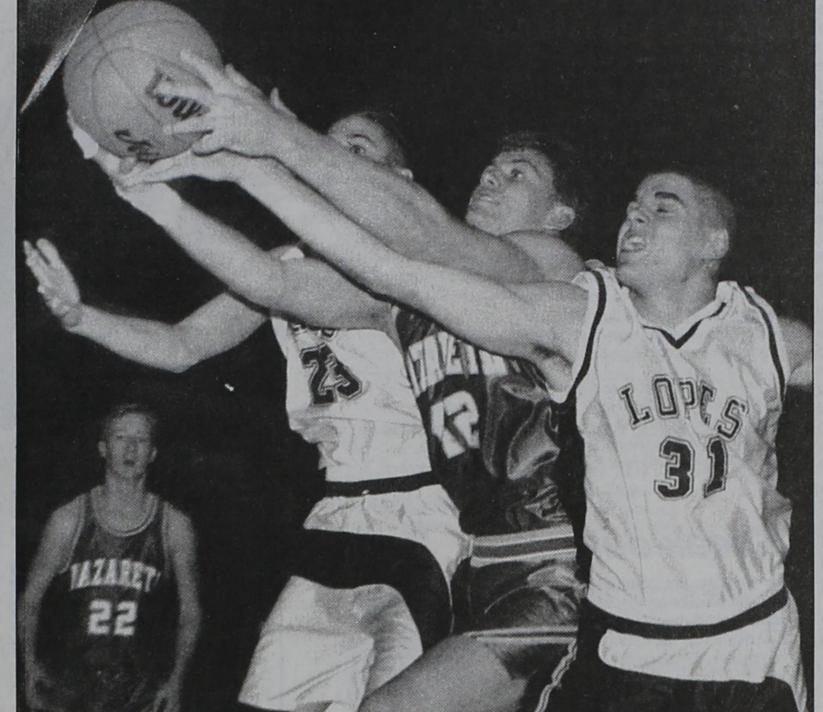
One of the projects the TCGA advocated was a check-off fee of half a cent per bushel to fund research, marketing and promotion for the Texas corn industry. The state's corn farmers approved the check-off fee in a referendum 15 years ago. That required the formation of the Texas Corn Producers Board, whose sole purpose is to administer the check-off fund—to approve how it is used. King was hired as the executive director of the TCPB.

As I understand it, the TCPB has a budget of \$800,000 this year, and a million dollars or more in the bank. To the layman, it would seem that the fund has been well shep-(Continued on Page 14)

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NAZARETH'S COBY SCHACHER (42) battles Abernathy's Tanner Davis (23) and Jay Leeson (31) for possession of a rebound during action Friday morning in the Caprock Holiday Tournament.

Nazareth lost its first-round game to Class AAAA's No. 8-ranked Frenship, then beat Abernathy before bowing out of the tournament with a loss to Dalhart.

Photo by John Brooks

Concealed weapon licensees must be aware of responsibility

As of Monday, 1,200 Texans may legally carry concealed handguns, and those licensed holders should be aware of the responsibilities of

owning and carrying that weapon.

County Sheriff CD Fitzgearld and
Dimmitt Police Chief Ray Aleman
say the new law won't necessarily
change the way officers handle calls,
except they will be more cautious
when approaching people.

While Fitzgearld said he expects some incidents because of the concealed carry law, he doesn't foresee much of a problem in the local area.

"We may have some incidents because of it, but we're in such a low populated area that it shouldn't be much of a problem," Fitzgearld said.

"We live with the possibility that someone may have a concealed weapon on a day-to-day basis. It really won't affect the community as far as the officers' duties go," Aleman said. "Now when they stop someone for a traffic violation, they'll ask for a driver's license, proof of insurance and whether or not the person is licensed to carry a concealed weapon and whether or not they are carrying that weapon."

Officers will be asking motorists whether they have concealed handgun licenses, whether they have their weapons with them and if so, where the guns are located. Officers will have the discretion to disarm license holders if they feel safety is at risk.

At the first opportunity, licensees should let officers know where their weapons are located. If asked for identification while carrying their handguns, they always must present their concealed handgun licenses along with their driver's licenses or identification cards.

During traffic stops, citizens carrying handguns should keep their hands in plain sight and cooperate fully with law enforcement officers to ensure everyone's safety.

"Officers will have to be very alert," Aleman said. "You never know when you'll pull someone over who is packing a weapon of some kind."

Fitzgearld said there have been a couple of schools conducted here already for those hoping to obtain concealed carry permits, and he expects quite a few permits to be

issued to county residents.

He said the law has changed the way he would look at ordinary citizens.

"I expect that there will be some citizens carrying guns that I wouldn't normally consider as having a gun," Fitzgearld said. "I believe in a citizen's right to bear arms, but that doesn't mean I think everyone should run around with assault weapons. If they want to hunt, or compete in shooting sports or events, they should have the right to do so.

"You can teach anybody how to shoot a gun, but you can't teach them when to shoot. That's simple responsibility," Fitzgearld said.

"I think this law will especially affect the way we handle family disturbance calls," Fitzgearld said. "Anyone could have a gun on them in their residence. Assault and family violence present the most dangerous situations an officer can walk into. If the officer turns his back on the victim to arrest the suspect, then the victim can attack the officer.

"I also think that if there is a strong argument on the street and one of the persons involved has a gun, he would be more tempted to use it," Fitzgearld added.

Aleman said he has talked with several local businesses and said most business owners know they can post a sign at each entry to their establishment stating that concealed weapons are prohibited on the premises.

Castro County Commissioners last month agreed to prohibit concealed weapons from all county-owned buildings including the courthouse, library, tax appraisal office, and precinct barns.

"If we get called about someone having a concealed handgun in a prohibited place, we'll handle it just like any other call. The person could be filed on for criminal trespass," Aleman said. "Most of the businesses in town have said they'll handle it just like they do every day, and law enforcement will only be notified if there is a problem."

"Those found with weapons in one of the prohibited places could be charged with carrying a prohibited weapon in a restricted area, and they could be arrested and have their weapon seized," Fitzgearld said. "I feel like most courts would return the

gun to the owner, but the owner would probably have the concealed carry permit canceled or revoked."

"I'm curious to see how this will work," Aleman said. "We'll just have to wait and see how things go, but I don't really expect that many more problems here, just because of the new concealed carry law."

Aleman added that licensees have to follow procedures to keep their licenses and said they also must have 10 to 15 hours of training before they receive their permits.

He added that any violation of the law, like carrying a concealed weapon onto prohibited property, will be reported to the Dept. of Public Safety (DPS), and violators could be stripped of their licenses.

The DPS has received more than 170,000 requests for applications and has mailed more than 153,000 application forms in response.

Texas citizens have filled out and returned more than 36,000 (Continued on Page 13)

Chamber nominations due Jan. 19

Nominations are due Jan. 19 for recipients of Citizen of the Year, Citizen Through the Years, and Teacher of the Year awards, which are announced annually at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

Nomination forms are available at the Chamber office.

The banquet will be held Jan. 27. Entertainment will be provided by "The Great Rodini," Rod Davis of Lubbock, who presents a comedy and magic act.

Paul Kenley will serve as master of ceremonies. A door prize of two Southwest Airlines tickets to anywhere in the continental US will be given away, but the winner must be present.

Tickets are \$15 each for adults and \$10 for students age 18 and under. The tickets may be purchased in advance at the Chamber office, Tots and Teens, Sheffy's Western & Casual Wear, and The Village Shop.

Burglary attempted at Nazareth Post Office

"Whoever did it will be in bigtime trouble," said Nazareth City Marshal Michael Colley.

Colley said Nazareth Postmaster Stephanne Dobmeier called the Sheriff's Office around 7:30 a.m. Saturday to report that someone had apparently tried to break into the Post Office.

Colley said three doors were damaged by a pry-type tool. He said no tracks or tire marks were found in the vicinity.

When asked if there were any suspects or fingerprints, Colley said, "I'm not at liberty to say."

He said that the incident is a federal offense and that postal inspectors would be notified.

"There probably will be Federal charges filed," Colley said.

Dobmeier said at least two locks may have to be replaced due to the damage from the attempted break-in, but she has not received an estimate on any costs yet. She said the back door to the building was damaged, as well as the door from the front lobby to the back of the building and the double door to her office.

Investigation of the incident is continuing.

Key is new PMH business office manager

Plains Memorial Hospital has a new business office manager. Vicky Key began her duties here Tuesday. She also is the new chief financial officer for the Castro County Hospital District.

"I'm excited about being here," Key said.

Most recently, she was the administrator of the substance abuse program at the Clements Unit in Amarillo, a position she held for two years. Prior to that she was chief financial officer for Missouri Valley, Inc., a major Panhandle construction company. She worked for MVI for 15 years, rising to the position of a member of the corporation's board of directors.

Key was born and raised in Dallas. She attended North Texas State University in Denton, Amarillo College and Draughan's Business School. She and her husband, Jim, have four children.

"Jim travels a lot with his job with Motorola Communications," Key said. "We had been planning to move to a smaller community for some time, so when I saw the ad for this position in Dimmitt, I decided to apply."

"Everyone has been so nice. Dimmitt is quiet," Key said. "The hospital is bigger than I expected and the people there are super nice."

Key said she doesn't plan to make any changes in the operation of the business office until she has had time to observe it for a while.

"I'm sure there will be some changes, but my philosophy is 'if it ain't broke, don't fix it'," she said. She observed that the office is in the middle of converting to a new computer system.

"That will take time, and will be a priority for our office," Key said. "It is a good system that will help the hospital district. It is well-organized and will help things such as billing get done in a timely manner.

"The people in the business office appear to be hard workers and are making the effort to get it right," she said. "The people make the difference."

Key said she has rented a house in Dimmitt for now, but she returns to Amarillo for the weekends. She said she and her husband are looking for something "with a small acreage" here.

Their four children are all grown and gone from home. The youngest, a son, attends the University of Arkansas. Their daughter got married right before Christmas and teaches high school in Corpus Christi. Another son lives in Grand Island, Neb., and the oldest, another son, lives in Amarillo.

The Keys are members of Paramount Terrace Christian Church in Amarillo and they enjoy traveling on their vacations.

"We have been to Canada and Mexico, New York City and California and lots of places in between," Key said. "We enjoy driving across the country and seeing natural wonders."

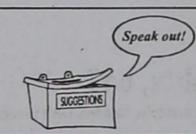
"And we're excited about becoming a part of this community," she



PLAINS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL BUSINESS OFFICE MANAGER Vicky Key is also the chief financial officer for the Castro County Hospital District. She began her duties here Tuesday.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Op-Ed Opinions, Editorials, Letters, Features



Welfare is not a cause but a result/

By BENEDICT F. GIAMO

Author John Steinbeck is at pains to distinguish between cause and effect. He reminds us of our tendency to strike out at the visible signs of the problem: big government; tax hikes; social unrest; new programs; "not knowing these things are results, not causes. Results, not causes; results, not causes."

Steinbeck repeats that phrase three times, hammering it home to a society all geared up to blame the Okies for being tractored out of their farms and driven on the road.

If it was hard to discern the direction of results and causes back then, what do we make of it today--as politicians, the media and the public consider the case of Americans on welfare?

In the ever-narrowing political spectrum of the 1990s, whether you are left-of-center or right-of-center, you are more than likely to see welfare as the cause of menacing social problems, such as dependency, drugs, crime, out-of-wedlock births and moral decay. Seen in this light, the response is rather obvious: root out the cause, the failed system of federal aid to the poor.

This version of causality is precisely the one now motivating the nation. The current welfare reform agreement would make deep cuts in benefits--\$80 billion over a five-year period. In addition, responsibility would be shifted to the states to set eligibility criteria and benefit levels for welfare recipients. Time limits on the rolls and the transition from welfare to work complete the essential elements of reform. Debate still rages about establishing family caps and withdrawing benefits to counter illegitimacy, especially among teens.

No doubt, attribution of cause translates into clear public policy. Whereas the poor, particularly women and children, are blamed for their entrenched poverty and pathology, and the working poor are denied \$32 billion in earned-income tax benefits, middle-income families

As 1995 closes and the new year

begins, I find myself extremely

thankful for several reasons that I

can call myself a resident of

Dimmitt, Texas. The first thing that

comes to mind is the recent commu-

nity Christmas program that was

such a splendid example of coopera-

tion between many of the churches

in our city. To see a church building

in Dimmitt filled to overflowing on

such an inclement night was as in-

needy families helped by the Christ-

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Dimmitt Bobcat basketball team

took time out of practice to help

deliver the Christmas boxes. These

young men and their coach are to be

commended for this kind of example

for the youth who look up to them.

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Baptists and Methodists join hands

The above examples speak of a

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Letter

Dear Editor:

and investors would be rewarded with tax cuts totaling \$245 billion.

What then are the causes for this tangled web? Right where Steinbeck put them: They "lie deep and simple--the causes are a hunger in a stomach, multiplied a million times; a hunger in a single soul, hunger for joy and some security, multiplied a million times; muscles and mind aching to grow, to work, to create, multiplied a million times."

Welfare recipients constitute a submerged class of people, a social product deeply alienated from a system that increasingly rewards the top 20% of American households. This top 20% controls more than 80% of all national wealth, and its upper crust (top 1%) nearly 40%.

In order to deepen the perspective on results and causes, welfare reform must be seen in the full context of economic injustice. The US has the biggest gap between rich and poor than in any other advanced-industrial nation.

In spite of an onslaught of destructive realities, Americans still regard their society as egalitarian, still insist that anyone can make it given the right energy, dedication and intelligence. Meanwhile, 22% of all children live in poverty, with rates as high as 46% for African-American children.

Real income growth from 1979bottom three-fifths of American 20% increased by more than one- P.O. Box 67, Dimmitt, 79027.) fifth for the same period.

patterns. Such patterns cause degrees for a more complete listing.) of inequality. This leads to a social situation in which a range of Americans do not fare well, with those at the bottom living amid desperate poverty and virtual killing fields.

It is a simple fact of US life that our system of free-market capital. Tom Haywood, 30th District: ism, buttressed by the policies of a political elite, reinforces the unprec-

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First Baptist Church of Dimmitt

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edented concentrations of wealth and power we witness today. As long as the majority of the nation agrees to subsidize the very well-off, both will continue to look down upon its poorest citizens. And as long as welfare recipients are seen in isolation, separate and apart from the defining conditions of American life, the nation will continue to be misled by a curious and blinding illogic.

"If you, who own the things people must have, could understand this, you might preserve yourself," Steinbeck concluded 56 years ago. "If you could separate causes from results; if you could know that Paine, Marx, Jefferson, Lenin, were results, not causes, you might survive." if the nation cannot learn to make such distinctions, if social action remains guided by myopia, then just how long can we expect to go on?

Benedict Giamo, assistant professor of American Studies at the University of Notre Dame, is the author of "On The Bowery: Confronting Homelessness in America," and coauthor of "Beyond Homelessness: Frames of Reference."

Speak out!

Do you have an opinion about any of the articles on these pages, or about any of the things happen-1993 declined by about 25% for the ing in our local, state or national government? Write and tell us families. The real income of the top about it. (Castro County News,

And if it's an issue that needs the The vicious cycle we have come attention of our legislators, here is a to know as "welfare" is the result of list of where you can write or call broad social, economic and political some of them as well: (Contact us

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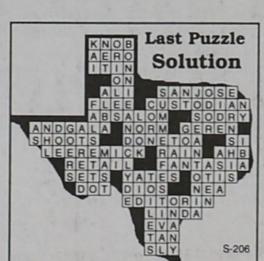
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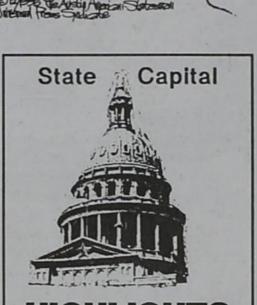
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POOR THING, I KNOW THIS

FAILED WELFARE SYSTEM

JUST NOT MISERABLE

HAS MADE YOU MISERABLE -

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN - Texas Department of Public Safety officials said preliminary statistics show that only 19 people died on Texas roads and highways between 6 p.m. Dec. 22 and midnight Dec. 25.

The DPS had predicted 35 people would die in traffic-related accidents during the Christmas weekend reporting period.

"It's quite a bit lower than the estimate. Of course that is a happy surprise for us," said DPS spokeswoman Sherri Green. "We love it when we don't reach our estimate. Maybe some people are heeding our warnings."

At least four of the traffic fatalities involved alcohol and several involved losing control at high speed. In six cases, seat belts were not worn, the Houston Chronicle reported.

Green said at least 40 more people may die on Texas highways during the New Year's weekend.

College's Gun Classes Popular So many students at San Antonio College have taken handgun training classes that the college plans to

continue offering them during the spring semester. "We are planning them once a month until the supply outlasts the

demand," instructor Bob McMillan told the Associated Press.

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San Antonio College students can't carry guns on campus, even under the state's new concealed

weapons law, which goes into effect Jan. 1. But 57 students have taken advantage of the training in the past two months.

McMillan, a former Houston police officer who has 14 years' experience in firearms training, also teaches a 40-hour course on firearms at San Antonio College police training academy. "We are attracting people from

all walks of life," said McMillan, who conducts two nights of classroom training at the college and two nights at his Blackhawk Shooting Range.

The courses are part of the college's continuing education program. With the training, applicants may apply for the state permit.

Fired Official Sues Agency Charles Bailey, the former director of the Texas Department of Transportation's civil rights division, is suing the state agency for more than \$2.2 million, saying his

The Associated Press reported Bailey filed his lawsuit in Travis County and is seeking reinstatement with the agency and back pay since his June 1994 firing.

firing violated his rights.

Daffney Henry, the agency's assistant executive director for human resources management, said she fired Bailey for reasons involving his management of the division and instances of insubordination. A hearing examiner with the department said problems regarding Bailey's performance and behavior justified his termination, although proper procedures were not followed in the firing.

Bailey's lawsuit alleges he was fired "in retaliation for exercising his right and duty to defend the civil rights program."

Travis DA's Office Part of Study

The Travis County district attorney's office is among four that will be studied in a research project paid for by the National Institute of Justice, officials announced.

The project, "Prosecution in the Community: A Study of Emergent Strategies," will study the chang-

ing role of prosecutors, the importance of community prosecution and how it works with community

Prosecutors' offices in Boston, Indianapolis and an undetermined site will be studied. The sites were selected because they have ongoing programs in community prosecution, in which communitybased action programs are included with traditional case processing.

The research project is administered by the Program in Criminal Justice Policy and Management at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Labeling of Valuables Urged

The Texas Action Council on Theft is urging citizens to label or engrave newly purchased compact-disk players, video cassette recorders and computer equipment as a measure to discourage burglars.

The council has projected that about 35,000 burglaries will be committed in the state during December and January, the Associated

Press reported. "Juveniles between the ages of

15 and 19 make up the largest number of burglary arrestees," said Charity Judah, spokeswoman for the council, which is a nonprofit coalition of law enforcement officials, insurance companies and private citizens.

"That translates to increased burglaries because many kids are out of school for the holidays,' Judah said.

Other Capital Highlights

· NationsBank has agreed to pay \$30 million to settle a class action suit brought by plaintiffs listed as Ivy Shipp et al., who alleged they and thousands of other Texans were misled about the risk of their investments in uninsured mutual funds and annuities.

 Two books reportedly are enjoying brisk sales across Texas - "The Gun Owners Guide" and "A Matter of Personal Protection" - in anticipation of the state's concealed handgun law that takes effect Jan. 1.

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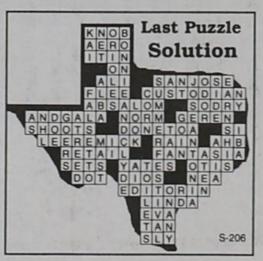
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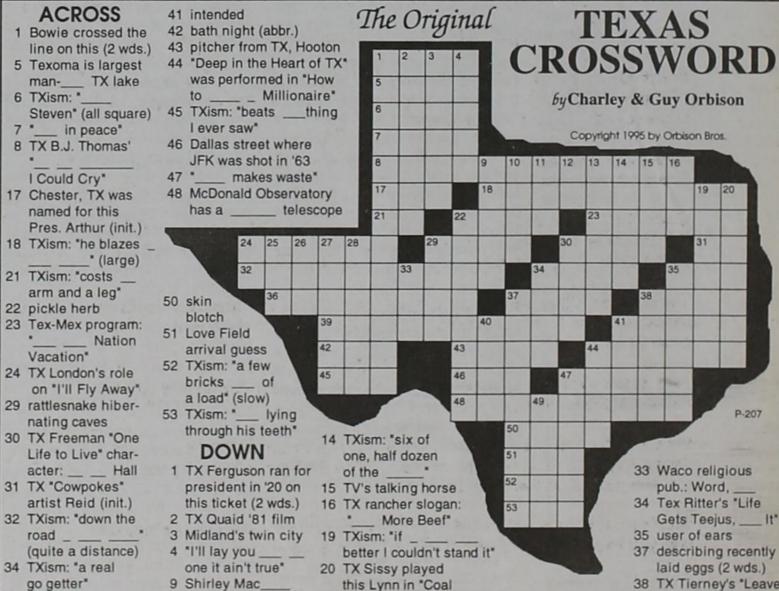
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On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Bernice Hill was hostess for the Thursday Bridge Club last week and she finished with high score. Susie Reeves finished second,

Refreshments included Chex mix and red velvet cake.

Others playing were Dugan Butler, Neva Hickey, Ina Rae Cates, Edith Graef, Helen Braafladt, Alma Kenmore, Elizabeth Huckabay, Mary Small, Dude McLauren and Cleo Forson.

I spent the Christmas holidays with my daughter, Mary Lynn Lankford and her family in Amarillo. It was almost a white Christmas in Amarillo because there was still snow piled up on the north side of

The Christmas lights were beautiful in almost every house and yard.

Zay and Charlotte Gilbreath live across the cul de sac from Mary Lynn, and their front yard and trees were pretty with thousands and thousands of white lights.

On Sunday morning we went to the First Baptist Church in Amarillo and the church's music ministry presented the African Children's Choir in concert. There were 27 children ranging in ages from 6 to teenagers and they were accompanied by 10 adults. The group will travel across the United States for a year, giving concerts in many places.

The children were orphans from Kenya and Uganda. The children's parents had been killed or died from different diseases.

The children performed in the 8:30 a.m. church service and again in the 11 a.m. service. During the Sunday school hour between the two church services Mary Lynn and others served the children fruit and fruit Dugan Butler, Cleo Forson, Helen juices. First they ate the fruits they were more familiar with in Africa—bananas and oranges. Finally they ate the apples. They had energy plus! While they were eating in Idalou with her sons, Ted and Don they took their shoes off and went all black marks on the choir room floor.

One little girl tried to clean the floor with her hands, and finally she little boys played the piano during the break and they were quite good.

very active doing their gestures as they sang for an hour. Their concert consisted of Christmas carols and

and headbands to match and the boys Amarillo, and Ted Robb. wore dull green pants and tops.

They were a very talented group of children.

former Dimmitt residents.

On Sunday evening John and Lee and Clarence Norris. Anise Goodell invited Mary Lynn hamburgers, chips, dips and desserts. decorated for Christmas both inside Lena Faye Alford and Jessica

and outside. We had fun playing Norman. chicken scratch dominoes. Their son and his wife, Richard and Sonay, were there from Fort Worth.

On Christmas Day Mary Lynn and I drove to Tulia to pick up my sister and brother-in-law, Lynna and Troy Cloer. We took them back to Amarillo.

Kevin Lankford drove to Plainview to meet his sister and family, Lauren and Dale Feazell and little Caleb of Houston. Dale's parents brought them from Lubbock to Plainview, and Kevin met them and took them to Amarillo. We all met at Kevin and Neely's along with their family, Adria, Matt and David, for Christmas dinner and exchanging

Of course little Caleb, who is 2, furnished the entertainment.

Monday afternoon I was taking Lynna and Troy back to Tulia when I had a flat on my car just before we got to Canyon. Two couples stopped to help me. One worked for the highway department in Canyon and they were both very nice young men.

After they changed the tire, one man gave me an angel pin. He said someone had given it to him, but he thought I needed it more than he did. Since everything was closed I couldn't get my tire repaired so I spent the night with Lynna and Troy and didn't get home until noon on Tuesday.

Neva Hickey was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center for lunch and a day of bridge on Dec. 21. She served cookies and Angel Food pie. Susie Reeves won high score and Dude McLauren was second. Others playing were Johnnie Vannoy, Elizabeth Huckabay, Bernice Hill, Braafladt, Edith Graef, Mary Small and Ina Rae Cates.

Madge Robb spent Christmas eve Robb and Sandra, and her grandsons, over the choir room. They wore Berle and Lorraine Robb and black shoes and they were leaving children, Jason and Brittany. Also present was Laverne Worley of Hereford.

On Christmas day she went with was given paper towels to use. Two Don and Sandra to Friona to Sandra's sister and brother-in-law, Linda and Calvin Mason. On During their concert they were Tuesday she was with family members at the home of Larry Robb and his sons, Trinity and Trey. Other family members attending were Jan some songs in their native language. McCord of Plano, Wayne and Cheryl The girls wore dusty rose dresses Harman and sons, Robb and Reed of

June and Gary Norman celebrated Christmas several times this year. I visited with Janice Mooney They went to Canyon to have a Davis and Larry Oglesby during the family Christmas with Janet and Sunday school hour. They are both Harold Brigance and kids, Shirley and Charles Walker and Adam, and

On Tuesday June and Gary went to Lankford and me to their home for Plainview to Gary's mom's Claudelle Norman. Also celebrating Their home was beautifully the holiday with them were Aunt

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They had fun, then went to Furr's for lunch. That evening they enjoyed Christmas with friends Connie and Roger Jones and girls of Plainview. They enjoyed a lot of Christmas parties.

Maxine Myers enjoyed Christmas with her aunt, Martha Lou McKee and family in Childress. Dwayne and Mary Lou McKee of Childress, Beth Gore of Lubbock, Jeff McKee of Canyon, Barry and Leslie McKee of Abilene and Maxine's brother, Johnnie Myers of Childress were present for the celebration. Johnnie brought Maxine home on Tuesday.

They all had fun visiting and opening gifts.

Vaden and Aline Kirby had 28 family members for supper on Christmas eve, and they all enjoyed the family tree.

Those present were, Anthony and Kathy Kirby; Dean and Belinda Kirby and children, Asia and Ky; Mary and Anthoney Mays and Wesley; Vada and Rick Wilcox, Tiffany, Aaron and Ryan; Ronald, Karla and Dustin Kirby; Dennis, Denise and Jayden Kirby; and Alice

They all had too much to eat and had lots of fun visiting.

Anthoney and Mary Mays hosted a Christmas celebration for the Mays family on Dec. 22. Attending were Bill and Sharla Mays, Andy and Jo Beth Mays, Brandie Mays and friend, Jerry, all of Amarillo; Shayne and Krista Mays of Killeen; Sabrina and Scott Hiett and daughters,

County stock show is set for Feb. 7-10

The annual Castro County Junior Livestock Show has been slated for Feb. 7-10, according to the Dimmitt Young Farmers, organizers of the event.

Entry fee is \$15 per head for sheep, swine and steers, and all checks should be made payable to the Dimmitt Young Farmers.

All animals to be exhibited in this year's show must be in place at the Expo Building by 12 noon Wednesday, Feb. 7. Animals will be weighed in and classified at 4:30 p.m. that

Nazareth will hold its club show on Feb. 7 at 6 p.m. at the Expo

Hart will hold its show on Feb. 8 at 5 p.m.

The county-wide show is slated for Feb. 9, and the day's exhibition opens at 8 a.m. with the lamb show. Steers are scheduled to be exhibited beginning at 11 a.m. and barrows will be shown at 1 p.m.

The show will conclude Saturday, Feb. 10, with the premium livestock auction sale at 1 p.m. at the Expo.

Jennifer, Kimberlea and Kelly, Cory and Mechell Mays and Wesley Mays, all of Dimmitt.

They had a lot to eat including fiesta and other goodies, exchanged gifts, then Jo Beth and Sharla taught them how to play "Bunce."

On Dec. 22, Dr. Charles Vandiver picked up Ed and Betty Freeman at 6 a.m. and drove them to the Lubbock airport to catch their flight to California. They were met at the Ontario, Calif. airport by their son, Peter, and his daughter, Annie, who drove them to their home at Wildomar, where their granddaughter, Becky, had prepared dinner.

Dec. 23, son Paul and his wife Ricki arrived from Portland, Ore. That evening all eight drove to Temecula to see the Christmas lights.

Dec. 24 they all drove to San Clemente and attended the First Presbyterian Church. After church, they went to the home of Susan Spracklin to a Danish Christmas delight of abelskiver.

On Christmas Day, their daughter, Carol, of Stillwater, Minn., arrived at the airport in Ontario and was picked up by her two brothers. After Christmas dinner, they opened gifts and played games.

Dec. 26, the whole group went to see the movie The Toy Story. Dec.

Clinic planned for lamb showmen

Castro County Extention Agent Pammy Millican will conduct a lamb showmanship clinic on Jan. 13 and any youngster working with show lambs is invited to attend.

"We will be discussing show preparation and working on showman-

ship skills," Millican said. The clinic will be held at the sheep barn at the Expo Building beginning at 1:30 p.m.

This will be the last clinic scheduled before the Castro County Junior Livestock Show.

27, they went to San Juan Capistrano Mission, Dana Pt., and watched the surfers off the San Clemente pier, and then off to Oceanside, where Becky's basketball team was playing in a tournament. As a starter for Murrieta High School JV girls' team, Becky shot a three-pointer that evened the score, and then she shot another three-pointer that won the

game for Murrieta.

Dec. 28, the family enjoyed a sauna and then back to Oceanside for another basketball game with Becky, but this time Murrieta lost.

On Friday, Peter drove Ed and Betty to the Ontario airport. When they arrived in Lubbock, Charles and Esta Vandiver were there to bring them home to Dimmitt.

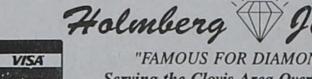


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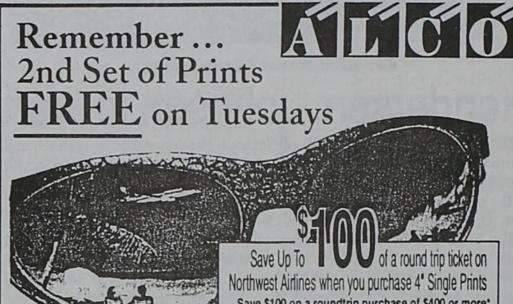


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Paul Henderson and Leslie Johnson

Henderson, Johnson to wed

Mr. and Mrs. N. Dean Johnson of Nazareth announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Leslie Johnson, to Paul Henderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Henderson of Plainview.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows Friday, Feb. 2, at 7 p.m. at the 11th and Amarillo Street Church of Christ in Plainview.

The bride-elect is a 1988 graduate of Kelton High School. She graduated from West Texas A&M University in 1994 with a bachelor of science degree in education. For the past 1-1/2 years she has been employed as a special education teacher at Friona Junior High. She currently is employed by Hart Independent School District as a high school special education teacher.

The prospective groom graduated from Plainview High School in 1988. He graduated from Texas Tech University in 1992 with a bachelor of science degree in agriculture economics. He currently farms near Plainview. After the wedding the couple plan to live in the Plainview area.

Book Club sets meeting

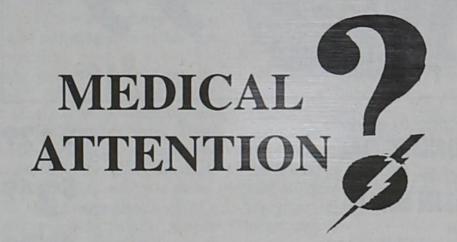
Maxine Tidwell will review Colin Powell and Joseph E. Persico's book, My American Journey Wednesday afternoon during the Book Club's regular meeting at Rhoads Memorial Library in Dimmitt.

The meeting will begin at 4 p.m. and will be followed by Tidwell's

Powell was born in Harlem to immigrant parents from Jamaica and he grew up knowing about the rough life of the streets, Tidwell said. He overcame an average start in school and excelled in ROTC and Army life. In a memoir distinguished by a heartfelt love for country and family, he writes of anxieties and missteps as well as triumphs that marked his rise to a four-star general rank, National Security Advisor and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The public is invited to attend the review and meeting.



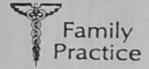


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The ranch is near Las Vegas, and was established to help neglected and abused children.

The fronts of attractive greeting cards may be sent to St. Jude's Ranch for Children, 100 St. Jude's St., Boulder City, NV 89005.

"Donations of cards have dropped in the last several years, and I feel that . . . this (is a) worthwhile recycling program," said Ed McMahon, a promoter of the project.

For additional information about St. Jude's Ranch for Children, write to the Rev. Herbert A. Ward Jr., SSC.

CofC selects prize winners

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce selected winners recently for the final Dimmitt Dollars drawing held as part of the Christmas Shop at Home campaign sponsored by participating merchants.

Winners of \$100 in Dimmitt Dollars are Barbara Lewis of Earth, who signed up at The Village Shop; and Peggy West of Dimmitt, who registered at Video Magic.

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Pat Stanton

Stanton to speak to Flame Fellowship

Pat Stanton of Shallowater, gifted speaker and minister of the gospel, will be the speaker at the January meeting of the Dimmitt Flame Fellowship Friday at 7 p.m. at Rhoads Memorial Library in Dimmitt.

Stanton has spoke in churches and before ladies' groups for several years. She spent 11 years ministering through the organization of the Rays of Hope Ministry, and was featured on radio and television. She closed the Rays of Hope office in Lubbock in 1986.

Stanton now is directing her time and energy to prayer, study and public ministry. She is available for fulltime ministry in churches and at conventions.

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Scholarship workshop is scheduled

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The scholarship workshop is designed to better equip students and parents in the procedures and techniques in applying for 4-H and other scholarships.

Rules and application procedures for 4-H Foundation Scholarships have changed considerably and this workshop should help 4-H'ers and their parents understand the changes and help in scholarship searches.

The workshop is for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors as well as their parents.

The Castro County Extension Service is planning on taking a car pool to the workshop in Vega, and those interested should contact Marilyn Neal at the Extension office at 647-4115 by Jan. 17.

Clothing accessories workshop set

Tips on using accessories to stretch a wardrobe will be the topic of a workshop sponsored by Castro County 4-H Monday, Jan. 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the courthouse basement.

"We will discuss how accessories can stretch your wardrobe and give you a lot more clothes for your money," said Marilyn Neal, Castro County Extension agent. "We also will be making a clothing embellishment for spring."

Those planning to attend are asked to bring \$3 for supplies and are asked to sign up at the Extension

"For those of you involved in the clothing project, this will count as a clothing project activity," Neal said. For more information contact Neal

at the Extension office.

4-H sets entry deadline for county stock show

4-H'ers planning on exhibiting livestock in the Castro County Junior Livestock Show in February must complete and return entry cards to the Extension office between Jan. 15-19.

Entry cards may be picked up at the Extension office, and each exhibitor will be allowed to enter no more than two lambs, two swine and two steers. Exhibitors may sell no more than three animals and only two in each division.

Entry fees for this year's show are \$15 per head for lambs, swine and steers, and checks should be made payable to the Dimmitt Young Farm-





JoAnn Cruz and Luis Perez

Couple plan April wedding JoAnn Cruz and Luis Perez plan to exchange wedding vows on April 20 at

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Amarillo. The couple announced their engagement at a barn dance at the bride-elect's parents' home on Nov. 4.

Miss Cruz is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Smith of Amarillo and the late Andres M. Cruz. Parents of the prospective groom are Mr. and Mrs. David Perez of Dimmitt.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Alamo Catholic High School in Amarillo. She attended St. Mary's University in San Antonio and graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in psychology. She plans to continue working toward her master's degree at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She is certified with the Texas State Board of Social Workers as a Social Work Associate. She is a member of Beta Sigma Phi sorority, St. Mary's University Alumni Association, vice-president of LULAC, a provisional member of the Amarillo Junior League and vice president of the board of directors of Texas Plains Girl Scout Council. She is a graduate of Leadership Amarillo. She is employed as the lead caseworker for Catholic Family Services, Inc., and also works at the YMCA.

The prospective groom graduated from Dimmitt High School and he is a member of LULAC, Hispanos Unidos of Pampa and Pan American Golf Association. He was voted Golfer of the Year in 1994. He is a certified opthalmic assistant and an emergency medical technicial and he is employed at the Regional Eye Center in Pampa under Dr. George Walters and Dr. Tom Baker. He plans to continue his education in paramedicine technology at Amarillo Col- Loudder home all day Saturday for lege and Opthalmic Technology.

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Sunnyside with Teeny Bowden

Rev. Brent Childers of Amarillo filled the pulpit Sunday, Dec. 17, in the absence of a pastor. He played the guitar and led the singing. He and his wife, Leslie, sang a Christmas hymn as a special, also. Their children didn't come with them.

Alfie Safa of Plainview filled the pulpit Dec. 24. He will be having major surgery in Albuquerque soon.

Dec. 21, W.B. and Gaye Tomlinson and Leah visited with Goldie Thompson and Teeny Bowden and brought them presents.

John and Ruth Graham from their winter home near Clovis visited Dec. 22 with Goldie Thompson and brought presents. Teeny Bowden and Violet Sharp of Hart were there and visited, also.

Joel Bradley was taken to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock Dec. 23 with colon trouble. He came home after treatment and is doing fine.

Van Elkins of Olton, mother of Gerald Elkins, is in physical therapy now and expects to be dismissed from Methodist Hospital in Lubbock

Shirley Redford, daughter of Evelyn and Harry Mitchel and a niece of Betty Rose Loudder, was admitted to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock last week for open heart surgery. She is doing satisfactorily.

Gerald Elkins visited in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock Saturday with Milburn and Janelle Haydon, who were there to be with her sister, Evelyn Mitchel, and Harry and Shirley Redford, who is her niece, too.

Lyle and Rosie Loudder had an early Christmas in their home for the children, Luke and Lenzie, on Dec. 21. They went to Amarillo Friday to have Christmas with her mother, Ruth Swink, and her sister at the home of her sister, Paula and Jeff McNenamy. They were at the Lance

Lance and Terri Loudder, Lacy, Jake and Katy of Flagg had as their guests for an early Christmas: Roxie Loudder, Alton and Betty Loudder, Genevieve and Lowell Westmoreland, Lori and Jimmy Durham, LeToshia and Dusty and Zane Westmoreland, all of Littlefield, Gena and Rickey Yantis, Kelsey and Clayton of Amherst, Doug and Judy Loudder, Lyle and Rosie Loudder, Luke and Lenzie, and Dara and Kelley Green, Brandi, Melissa and Will of Earth. They all had dinner and supper together.

Dorothy Gilbreath had her Christmas over the weekend. Coby and his family, Matt and his family, and Hal were all there and in and out part of

Sam and Tammy Jackson and Rexee Jo Jackson had dinner Christmas Eve with friends, Dennis and Stephanie Bryan in Happy and Christmas day with grandparents, Bill and Nellwyn Bruer in Lubbock. Other family members also were

Bess and R.V. Bills had their Christmas on Saturday with their family, Richard and Dickie and Elaine and three children, and Larry and Debbie, Angie and her two children. Sunday they had another Christmas dinner with Tommie Bills. They also had a pheasant hunter from Dallas in and out for coffee and snacks both Saturday and Sun-

David and Gay Sadler had Christmas dinner with Ruth King and the rest of the King family Saturday night and spent the night, staying until noon. Then they came to the Ezell Sadler home for dinner Sunday. Other present were Walter and Melody Roye, Shaina, Samuel and Spencer of Hobbs, James and Patricia Powell of Canadian, Tresa Sirmans, Ken, Amber and Tiffany of

Amarillo, Norman and Cheryl, Brett and Brian, Tex and Norma Conard of Dimmitt, Larry and Sharon, Stacy, Jeremy and Joshua, Laura Matt and Kristen, Carrie Sadler of Lubbock, Randy and Judy Powell, and Tony, Rebecca, Keith, and Beverley of Dimmitt.

David and Gay Sadler and Melody and Walter and kids went back to Ruth King's Sunday night and had Christmas with Karl, who had to work Saturday. They spent the night Sunday, too. Patricia and James spent Sunday night with Cheryl and Norman Logan of Dimmitt.

The temperature was 20 degrees Dec. 24 with a very heavy frost. We also had frost the morning of Dec.

Judy Powell, Patricia Powell, and Sharon Sadler visited Sunday afternoon with Goldie Thompson and Teeny and brought them Christmas dinners.

Leslie Loudder spent the Christmas holidays in San Angelo with Larry and Sandy Odom and their family. All their children and grandchildren were home.

Church Happenings

First Christian Church

Jan. 10, the Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m. will cover the fifth lesson in the study book on I Peter.

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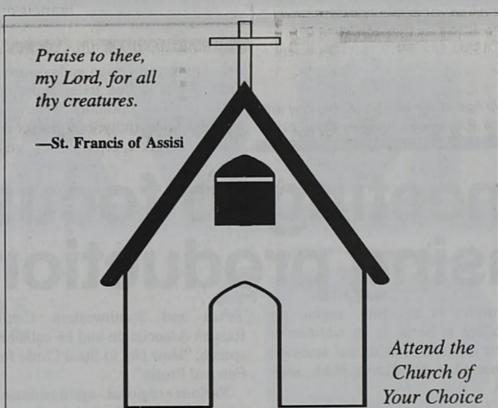
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error. Each new year offers the same opportunity. Most of us look at the year just ended and see mistakes and errors on our sheet of time. We promise ourselves that next year we'll do better. We'll take

that clean sheet and make something special out of it. Then another year passes and we continue to fight the same battles with little evidence of real change. The reality we desire vanishes like a dream when we awaken.

Dream a big dream

The word dream means "a strongly desired goal or purpose," or "to consider a possibility." Unfortunately the word dream is a passive word. If we are going to achieve, we need action.

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♦ Record your dreams. Someone once said a goal is just a dream with a deadline. I know of no better way to turn dreams into reality than to write your include Extension Service agents dreams into an action plan.

When you record your dreams as written goals, you're halfway there. Now you've committed your dreams to specific, achievable and measurable actions. You can chart your progress and celebrate your successes along the way.

♦Eliminate obstacles. In this new year there is no room for "I won'ts" and "I can'ts." We can and we will if we eliminate hindrances. No one in the world cares what you can't do. However, we can change the world if we want to. Henry Ford said, "If you think you can or if you think you cannot, you're

right." Find a way where there is no way. If you can't climb over, go around. If you can't go around, tunnel under. ♦ Associate with others who can help you achieve your dreams. I choose

not to spend time with negative people. They inhibit progress. I want to be has approved the meeting for three with positive people who know it can be done.

Build relationships with people whose experience you can learn from. Don't impose, ask for favors or use people. Rather, learn from them. Help others get what they want and need and they will help you.

◆Make it happen. You must take action. Once you've decided where you are going and what you want to achieve, do it. You need action, not words. There are two types of people in the world. Those who do, and those who talk

Do you want a better job? Build your skills before you polish your resume. Would you like to write a book? Don't just dream about it, start putting words on paper. If you want a college degree, enroll in your first class:

We can turn our dreams into reality in 1996. But don't just be content to Station at Etter will address proper dream dreams, make this a year of action.

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

New technology to be featured at irrigation conference

Growers are constantly looking for ways to improve profitability and new technology and improving irrigation methods can determine the up or down side of any operation, according to Leon New, irrigation specialist with the Texas Agricultural -Benjamin Franklin Extension Service.

Improved irrigation methods and new technology will be the focus of this year's High Plains irrigation conference, which will be held Wednesday at the Amarillo Civic

The conference program is designed to present timely information on irrigation and chemigation systems, including sessions addressing efficiency, management, safety, water quality and complimentary equipment. This year, the Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association will hold its meeting in conjunction with the Amarillo conference and New serves as TAIA president.

"While the objectives of the annual event don't change, we do try and offer growers the very latest information involving agricultural research, experiment design, efficiency and service," New said.

Registration, the trade show and hot coffee open the event at 8:25 a.m. Conference moderators will Dennis Newton of Deaf Smith County, Danny Nusser of Gray County, Robert Harris of Moore County and Jim Allison of Sherman County, who will soon be agricultural agent in Potter County. The program will run from 9:25 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The \$7 registration fee pays for lunch.

The Texas Dept. of Agriculture continuing education units (CEUs) which will be offered to private, commercial and non-commercial applicators at the completion of the program. Applicators are required to obtain five CEUs each year to retain certification.

Tom Marek, agricultural engineer with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and research leader at the North Plains Research Field irrigation well design and construction. Wells drilled today must not only produce optimum water and sustain productivity, but protect the pump. Marek's topic "does your

driller use it" will compare the new procedure's significant success rate with technology of the past.

Following a mid-morning break for refreshments and viewing trade show exhibits at 11 a.m., New will tell growers about the latest computerized farming innovation, the PET network, a shortened term for Potential Evapotranspiration System of weather stations strategically located across the Panhandle.

"We installed these weather stations early in 1995 at six sites in the north plains area to track climatic conditions faced by growers in the area," New said.

The project's success has exceeded even New's initial conservative expectations. His talk will fully address what the system is, what it does and how growers benefit by using the new technology. The six stations currently feed data into a central computer which, in turn, figures the daily evapotranspiration from the soil and crop for the current date, plus the last three- and sevenday periods. Reports go to subscribing producers each morning. The data sheets contain a wealth of information on crop water use, high and low temperatures, rainfall, growing degree days, soil temperatures at two- and six-inch depths, among several other key production catego-

The mid-morning segment, led by Jim Allison, features Brent Bean, Extension Service agronomist at Amarillo, who will discuss the 1995 crop yield data, which was significantly less in many fields this year. Looking at climatic information provided by the North Plains PET weather station network, Bean will compare current and past data, and will offer growers some critical conclusions. The program shifts to a discussion on no-till production systems by Steve Monroe, a grower from Sunray.

Harris opens the segment following lunch at 1:30 p.m. when John McGillicuddy, southwest region agronomist with NC+ Hybrids of Olathe, Kan., will discuss how and

when to use satellite remote sensing to manage crop production and irrigation. According to McGillicuddy, significant progress has been made in monitoring crop growth and identifying the reasons why yield can be less or more due to irrigation.

In the final session, which will be moderated by Danny Nusser at 3 p.m., a report on corn production with drip irrigation will be presented by USDA research lab soil scientist Steve Evett of Bushland. He will report on his three-year study to find the optimal irrigation system or combination of technology that will recoup producer investment costs and net the most dollars.

"Producers need to know why drip irrigation is a high efficiency system," Evett said.

A session which will interest cotton growers will follow Evett's pre-

Then Jerry White will focus his presentation on boll weevil control with chemigation.

"The boll weevil problem is here," said White, a senior agricultural specialist with Rhone-Poulenc Chemical of Canyon, whose presentation will address ways to limit or deter potential weevil damage eco-



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TSBGA meeting to focus on increasing production

Sugar Corp. will be the keynote speaker at this year's Texas Sugar Beet Growers Association annual meeting Jan. 19 and 20 in Hereford.

The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Jan. 19 at the Hereford Community Center, and a lunch will be served at noon that day.

The banquet will be at 7 p.m. on Jan. 20 at the Deaf Smith County

Bull Barn. In addition to Hill, other speakers will include Holly marketing representative Doug Ehrenkranz and Holly representatives Kenneth Chambers, Terry Anvik and Dennis Printz. Researchers from the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in Bushland will review the past year's

beet studies.

Hill's remarks should be of most interest to growers. He is expected to Holly's continued commitment to the Hereford region, where it has invested millions of dollars in building, expanding and maintaining one of the nation's most efficient beet processing plants.

Hill on our annual meeting program," said Bill Cleavinger, president of the Texas Sugar Beet Growers Association. "He will have answers to all our questions about Holly's plans for the future."

are expected to discuss is the need to trial results should provide vital data increase beet acreage numbers across as to which varieties are performing the area.

About 20,000 acres were planted and harvested in the 1995 campaign. More are needed to enable the Hereford plant to operate at full capacity.

With the opportunity to improve their net return with beet production, more growers are expected to either add beets to their rotation, expand their beet production or get back into beet production after a year or two of reduced or no beet plantings.

Expansion has been successful in the Dalhart and Panhandle areas.

Roger Hill, president of Holly Growers in the Etter region are Texas and Southwestern Cattle looking at beets as an addition to their rotations. Additional acres are expected in the Clovis, N.M., area, Fun and Profit."

> Cleavinger, a leader on the American Sugar Beet Growers Association Board, will discuss that organization's efforts to maintain a sound US Sugar Program.

> Congress is still struggling to pass a farm bill and other legislation in its controversial balanced budget battles. Cleavinger should have some new insight as to what may be seen in Washington.

The annual meeting also will feature reports on numerous beet research projects conducted at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in Bushland as well as at regional farms.

Scheduled speakers include Dr. Charlie Rush, a Bushland plant pathologist who has headed many research projects dealing with viruses and diseases which can hamper beet production.

Dr. Steve Winter, a soil scientist "We're pleased to once again have whose studies on controlling nitrogen and crop rotation have benefited regional growers for years, also will be a speaker.

Seed variety tests will be discussed during the research portion of the meeting. Holly and TAES have both One thing Hill and other speakers had good seed tests. Their variety the best under area growing conditions.

> Dennis Printz, agriculture manager at Hereford's Holly Sugar, and his staff will recognize growers who saw outstanding yields and quality in their crops. The meeting also will include the annual election of directors to the Texas Sugar Beet Growers Association Board.

Banquet entertainment will be provided by Ken Chambers of Dawn, who is tabbed as one of the most sought-after speakers in Texas.

Chambers is an inspector for the

Raisers Association and he calls his speech, "How Not to Steal Cattle for

Various regional agribusinesses which are strong supporters of sugar beet growers will be represented at the meeting.

"This will be a very informational meeting and I urge all current and prospective growers to attend," Cleavinger said.

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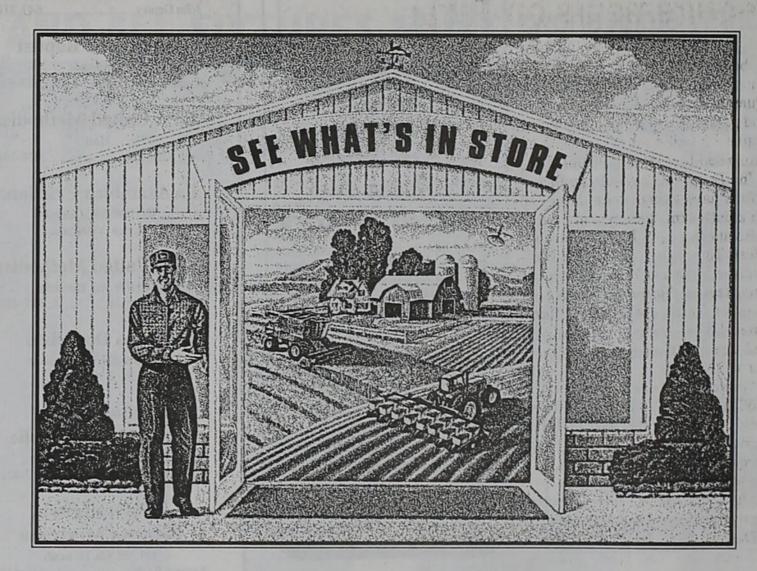
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Growers may have to repay 1995 crop deficiency payments

Producers of wheat, feed grains and upland cotton who must repay their advance 1995 crop deficiency payments may soon be able to repay those obligations under more equitable terms.

Producers who must repay those deficiency payments will likely owe about \$1.17 billion in the latter part of 1996, according to Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman.

Glickman said the US Dept. of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation will propose changes in current regulations to give producers expanded repayment options, including the option to repay in installments over a three-year period with all of the interest waived, depending on a producer's circumstances.

USDA has no legal authority to waive repayment of advance deficiency payments, he added.

in the Farm Service Agency's

Backgrounder 0865.95.

"I'm especially concerned about producers who did not make a 1995 crop and are still required by law to repay their advance deficiency payments," Glickman said. "To ease their financial burden, my proposed action will allow them to repay their obligation over three years with no interest.

"These actions will affect about 90% of the producers of these crops," Glickman said. "To ask for a repayment of this magnitude without better terms and conditions would put severe financial pressure on many producers who are trying to recover from a series of bad weather disasters.

"We're nearing the end of the year and we will have no farm bill," Glickman said. "At a time of uncertainty—I'm taking this action to give producers clear direction so Details of the proposal are outlined they can start planning for the coming year.

EPA okays fungicide use on sugar beet seed

A new fungicide which has been proven effective in controlling aphanomyces has been approved for use as a commercial seed treatment on pelleted sugar beet seed.

The Environmental Protection Agency approved the use of Tachigaren 70 WP, manufactured by Sankyo Co., Ltd., and the product will be marketed exclusively by Gustafson, Inc.

Aphanomyces is a soil borne pathogen causing post-emergency damping off of young sugar beet seedlings. It is one of the most troublesome diseases for beet growers in the Panhandle-South Plains region. The disease can cause significant losses in sugar beet fields through a reduction in beet stands or spotty and uneven stands.

Tachigaren has been an effective

method of controlling the spread of aphanomyces in European beet production since 1969. It is the first and only fungicide labeled for use in the US for protection against the disease.

The fungicide contains the active ingredient hymexacol and it is absorbed by the root system and translocated to seedlings.

"We see Tachigaren as another tool to help us enhance our beet production," said Dennis Printz, agricultural manager at Holly Sugar in Hereford. "If you have had problems with the disease, we feel it would be a good idea to test production in your fields in 1996."

For more information on the use of Tachigaren, contact the Holly ag department at (806) 364-6475.

Guatemala may ease fumigation requirements on Texas cotton

Guatemala Dept. of Plant Health Quarantine have agreed to review and possibly ease a requirement that cotton imported into Guatemala be fumigated for pink bollworms.

In Texas, successful regulation efforts have virtually eliminated the pink bollworm, with the only active infestations being found in the far West Texas counties of El Paso, Hudspeth, Pecos, Ward, Culberson and Reeves. However, Guatemala requires Texas cotton to be fumigated before leaving a Texas port and again at Guatemalan receiving ports.

"Protecting domestic agricultural production from imported pests is a valid function," said Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry. "However, in the case of Texas cotton imports to Guatemala, the fumigation is an unnecessary cost for everyone involved."

During their visit, Guatemalan officials saw first-hand how the state's cotton industry ensures their cotton is insect-free. The tour was conducted by the Texas Dept. of Agriculture and the US Dept. of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. Tour

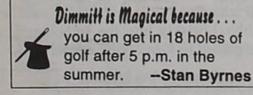
County swine breeders plan jackpot Saturday

The Castro County Swine Breeders and the Castro County Extension Service is planning a jackpot pig show on Saturday at the cause of a Farmers' Home Adminis-Expo Building.

barrows and gilts will be shown ers complete and pass educational

Weight cards must be turned into show officials by 10 a.m. on Saturday, and the show is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m.

A \$50 per head winner-take-all jackpot show will be held prior to the main show.



Following a visit this month to the stops included visits with TDA Lubbock area, officials with the officials on the pink bollworm issue; a talk on boll weevils with Plains Cotton Growers; a tour of a USDA ginning lab and a commercial gin; visits with entomologists from the Texas Agricultural Experiement Station; a meeting with a fumigation expert; a tour of the Farmers Coop Compress; and a visit with shipping experts at the Plains Cotton Cooperative Association.

Bottom line course set

South Plains College is offering Bottom Line Farming classes in Dimmitt. The classes are designed to help area farmers learn more about borrowing.

Classes will meet from 3 to 9 p.m. Jan. 22-26.

Interested persons may register at the Rural Economic and Community Development office in Dimmitt or call the office at 647-5141. Cost is \$350 per person and the instructor will be John Norwood.

Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis, and class size is limited. The course includes 36 classroom hours and covers such topics as goal setting and priority management, interpretation and use of financial statements, strategic planning, operational planning and other practical aspects of farm management.

The curriculum was developed by Ron Presley, SPC assistant professor of agribusiness, in conjunction with the Texas A&M Extension service and Texas Rural Communities betration mandate requiring that all Entry fee is \$20 per head and FHA direct and guaranteed borrowcourses involving agricultural finance and agricultural production.

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VEGAS, HERE I COME!-Jeff Pigg of Dimmitt received an unexpected Christmas present when the Country Club of Dimmitt awarded him a free golfing trip for two to Las Vegas, with all accommodations. Here, Kathy Adair of the Country Club presents the trip certificate. The drawing was a holiday business promotion Photo by Linda Maxwell open to all Country Club members.

Pre-plant crop management workshop is planned here

Pre-plant recommendations, insect a.m. and the program will conclude and disease problems, weed identification and more will be among the topics addressed at a pre-plant crop management workshop today (Thursday) at the Expo Building in

The workshop is being sponsored by the Castro County Extension Service and Ag Committee and it is open to the public.

at around 3:45 p.m.

A total of five continuing education units (CEUs) will be available for all private, commercial and noncommercial applicators.

A noon meal will be provided. Information will be offered on western corn rootworm, cotton seedling diseases, weed identification, mode of action of herbicides, pre-Registration will begin at 8:30 plant recommendations and more.

Unopposed candidates earn water district seats

Under a new amendment to the Texas Election Code, the board of directors from the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 has declared that unopposed candidates in the Jan. 20 election will be elected to their offices and that an election will be held only in Deaf Smith County Commissioners Precinct 4, where there is a contested race.

Incumbent L.J. Clark and Chris Urbanczyk are candidates for the Deaf Smith Pct. 4 position.

On Dec. 12, the water district's board declared all unopposed candidates elected to their offices.

"The amendment to the Texas Election Code allows political subdivisions such as this Water District, to conduct their elections in this manner only in very specific circumstances," said Becca Williams, director of administration. "The political subdivision must have a provision in the law that only votes for registered write-in candidates will be counted. The candidate must be unopposed and there must be no proposition on the ballot. This provision will save a considerable amount of time and taxpayer money."

Dale E. Gober of Bovina was elected to a four-year term as Pct. 3 district director representing Bailey and Parmer counties and the portion of Castro County within the district. He succeeds A.W. "Webb" Gober, who is retiring after 23 years of service as a board member.

The Bailey County committee members are James L. Wedel, Lloyd D. Throckmorton, Curtis Hunt, Clif P. Heinrich and Jerry Nichols.

Donny Nelson, Kevin Riley, Vic Nelson, Darrell Buckley and Hubert Backus are the Castro County committee members.

Parmer County committee members are Alan Monroe, Tommy Wil-

liams, Todd Christian and Ellen Gallman. Since there was no candidate for the county committee atlarge position, the board will appoint someone to fill the seat.

Robert Meyer of Hereford was elected to his first four-year term as Pct. 4 district director representing the portions of Armstrong, Deaf Smith, Potter and Randall counties within the district. Meyer was appointed in September 1993 to fill the unexpired term of James C. Conkwright.

The Armstrong County committee members are Tom Ferris, Buddy Heisler, Larry Stevens, James Stockett and James Watson.

Sid Shaw, Harvey Milton, Sammy Gonzales and Troy Sublett are the Deaf Smith County committee members. The winner of the election between Clark and Urbanczyk will serve as a fifth member on the com-

Potter County committee members are Frank Bezner, Marshall Cutright Jr., Randall B. Fletcher, J.R. Gill and Ronnie Williams.

Jack Brandt, Lane Mason, Mike Wieck, Pat Wilhelm and David Winters are Randall County committee

WIC has new office

The Women, Infants and Children's (WIC) program in Castro County has relocated its offices to 113 West Bedford next to the Chamber of Commerce.

Immunizations are being offered daily to WIC participants.



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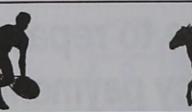
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Bobcats rebound to claim Caprock consolation

is to win the final game of the final day at the Caprock Tournament.

Too bad, then, that this year's final game came in a consolation battle, a decisive victory over a tough Monahans squad, 76-49.

Had it not been for a bad second half against Shallowater on Friday, the 'Cats could have been playing in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum on Saturday. Instead, they snapped back to play three of their best games of the season on Friday and Saturday.

"To quote what Coach Cleveland used to say, 'We finally looked like Bobcats," said Dimmitt coach Alan Steinle. "And we did. We got the press really rolling and got a ton of points off of it.

"And, we really came together as a team the last three days. We have grown up and come together, and a by-product of that is winning games."

THURSDAY Bobcats 53, Seminole 49 Shallowater 68, Bobcats 54

There were no double-overtime thrillers this time between the Bobcats and the Indians, who had a 76-70 thriller three weeks ago in the Seminole tournament.

This time, Dimmitt overcame a slow start to lead most of the way against the Indians.

Dimmitt had a slow start against the defending regional champs. Chad Ellis scored the only basket in the first quarter as the Bobcats missed their other seven shots and suffered eight turnovers.

Seminole, though, didn't fare much better and led just 7-5 after one.

Joe Larra gave Dimmitt its first lead of the night with a trey a minute into the second quarter. After that, the teams traded the lead for much of the quarter. Omar Rascon hit a free throw with 10 seconds left in the half to put Dimmitt up 21-20. Then, at the buzzer, Kalem Thomas hit a 45footer for the second time this year to give Dimmitt a four-point lead at the break.

In the fourth period, Dimmitt went up by as many as eight points on a basket and free throw by Joe Larra with 5:51 to go in the quarter, 40-32. Seminole came back twice to get it within one, the last time at 45-44 with 1:43 to play on a three-point basket by sophomore guard Toby Shain. Larra answered with a driving eight-footer with 1:25 to go, and Dimmitt went on the coast to the

Larra led Dimmitt with 18 while Ellis added 10 to lead Dimmitt.

In the nightcap, Dimmitt let district rival Shallowater have one run too many in the second half to give the Mustangs a 14-point win.

Dimmitt rolled to a 10-4 lead in the first quarter before the Mustangs rallied to lead 12-10 at quarter's end.

In the second period, Shallowater led much of the way as Dimmitt kept playing catchup, tying the score on four occasions.

Larra put Dimmitt ahead with a 10-foot leaping leaner with 2:02 to go in the half for a 29-28 Bobcat lead. The Mustangs came back to lead by four late in the period before Charley Sanders scored with 23 seconds left in the half to cut Shallowater's lead to two at halftime, 35-33.

The second half was not a red-

letter one for Dimmitt. The Bobcats had a sluggish third quarter, but so did the Mustangs, and Shallowater led by seven after 24 minutes, 49-42.

In the fourth period, Dimmitt cut the lead to three points early in the quarter before Shallowater rolled up four unanswered baskets in 25 seconds for a 52-42 lead.

Dimmitt came back, with Larra and Ellis leading the charge. Ellis hit a jumper with three minutes to play to make it 55-54.

Just as quickly, the Mustangs found the hole again, with another quick run putting the game away. Shallowater hit a trey (by Jay Lusk) and three other baskets in the next minute to make it a 10-point game again. Meanwhile, Dimmitt couldn't score again in the last three minutes, handing the win to the Mustangs.

Larra led Dimmitt with 29 points,

including four treys.

"They went inside to Cole Roberts and got some crucial baskets late in the third quarter and when they had that big run in the fourth," Steinle said. "In the fourth quarter they just handled us, just handled us. We had

One goal of the Dimmitt Bobcats too many mistakes on offense and of the next six to lead by as much as too many turnovers, and they weren't pressing or anything like Cunningham hit a trey late in the

> going to lose some games, but I'm most disappointed with how we lost the game. Joe Larra had a good game, and he got something like our first 13 points. But when you play a team like this you have to have more than one player play well."

The loss would be Dimmitt's last of the 30-team tournament.

FRIDAY

BOBCATS 83, SLATON 67

The Bobcats opened their second day with another foe against whom they had gone to double overtime earlier in the season.

This time, double overtime was only a distant memory as the Bobcats totally dominated the Tigers throughout the game for an easy win.

Dimmitt led by 10 at the end of the first quarter (Thomas had another buzzer beater), 21-11, and Slaton stumbled against the Dimmitt press throughout the rest of the game as Dimmitt coasted to the "A" bracket semifinals with a benchemptying 14-point win.

The Dimmitt defense stepped up a notch, and Dimmitt increased its lead to 28-13 early in the second period with three straight turnovers with the press. The Bobcats outscored the Tigers 13-4 in the first 3:50 of the second period to post a 34-15 lead.

Slaton got within 11, but Dimmitt reinforced its lead with another five unanswered points before settling for a 39-27 lead at the half.

Slaton threatened to make a game of it in the fourth period. Dimmitt was ahead 59-43 in the first two minutes of the last quarter. Justin Newman missed a three pointer, then Slaton made three straight baskets after two Dimmitt turnovers. In only 11 seconds, what could have been a 19-point Dimmitt lead was just 10,

Newman came back to score two quick baskets, and less than two minutes later Dimmitt was back to a

comfortable 17-point margin, 66-49. Newman led Dimmitt with 23

points. SATURDAY

Bobcats 82, Dalhart 52 Bobcats 76, Monahans 49

Dalhart's guard tandem of Josh Reynolds and Ryan Cunningham ran into a buzzsaw Saturday morning when the Bobcats took care of the Golden Wolves with an easier-thanexpected 30-point win.

Dimmitt hit its first three shots of

11 in the first quarter at 19-8. period, but Dimmitt forced 20 "It was real disappointing. You're Dalhart turnovers along the way to give the win to Dimmitt.

Meanwhile, Dimmitt was running on all cylinders at times. A turnoverfree third quarter by the Bobcats allowed the Bobcats to pull away in the third quarter. The Golden Wolves had been as close as four, 26-22, with 3:02 to play in the first half before the Bobcats scored eight straight points to go up 38-26 at halftime.

In the third, Dimmitt shot 10-of-19, while Dalhart was an icy 4-of-14 with three turnovers. Moreover, Dimmitt had six offensive rebounds against the taller Golden Wolves, and allowed Dalhart just two offensive rebounds on its own end.

By the time the smoke cleared at the end of the quarter, Dimmitt had outscored Dalhart 26-10 in the period to claim a 64-36 lead.

In the fourth period, the Bobcats emptied their bench and still extended their lead to claim the 30point victory. Overall, Dimmitt made 14 more field goals than did Dalhart, and each team made seven three-pointers.

Ellis had 18, while Larra and Newman each added 15 to lead the Bobcats.

In Saturday night's finals, Monahans was expected to be potent medicine for the Bobcats. The night before, the Lions had just edged Cooper, whom the Bobcats had barely edged two weeks ago.

Instead, Dimmitt had no trouble with what appeared to be a sluggish Monahans unit that was tired after four previous games.

The Lions seemed to never be able to solve Dimmitt's press, while the Bobcats were able to score well, especially off the press. Dimmitt made 16 field goals in the first half while cruising to a 40-26 halftime

How effective was Dimmitt's press? Monahans missed only one of its field goal tries in the second period, but only got eight shots as Dimmitt kept the pressure on, stretching its 20-11 lead at the end of the first quarter to the 14-point margin at halftime.

In the third quarter, the Bobcats let Monahans get within 10 points, 40-30, early in the period, then outscored the Lions 9-2 in a threeminute span to stretch its lead to 51-32. Dimmitt didn't lead by less than 17 the rest of the game.

Five Bobcats were in double the game, missed four, then hit four figures, led by 17 by Ellis.



'YOU'D BETTER GET OUT OF MY WAY'-Ramiro Gauna (22) of Dimmitt strains to beat Shallowater's Curtis Lemon (10) to the ball in the second round of the Caprock ABC Holiday Tournament. The Bobcats won their first game over

Seminole, but lost the second to Shallowater, which sent Dimmitt into the consolation bracket. Then Dimmitt beat Slaton, Dalhart and Monahans to claim the consolation championship. Photo by John Brooks

Bobbies advance to consolation championship in Caprock Tourney

Dimmitt girls' coach Jan Newland FRIDAY survived her first Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament with her sharp wit intact.

Not long after the last game, a tough 53-41 loss to Friona, she reflected on the five games by the Bobbies over last weekend.

"Well, you have to feel good," she said. "We won half as many games in about 48 hours as we had won all year long."

The tournament was a direct reflection of Dimmitt's season. The Bobbies looked like the greatest team in history in a win over Borger, went brain dead on offense in a loss to Randall, looked like world-beaters in tough wins over Lubbock High and Shallowater, then lost in the consolation finals to Friona

"The worst thing about it was having to play two district teams in the last two games," Newland said, referring to the Shallowater and Friona contests. "The best thing was that we were able to come down here after five days off, never had a chance to work on or talk about anything, and were able to rely on what we remembered and do really well.

"We had only one extremely bad game out of the five, the loss to Randall, but the others I was really pleased with. We still need to work on our offense and our rebounding, but it's coming along."

Carrie Bradley was named to the all-tournament team.

THURSDAY Bobbies 54, Borger 36

Six weeks earlier, Borger had blasted the Bobbies in Borger.

This time, south of the Canadian River, Borger didn't get to make over 40 trips to the free throw line, and lost big to the Bobbies. Borger still went to the line twice as many times as Dimmitt-24-12-but the Bobbies made 10 more field goals, 22-12.

Dimmitt posted a quick eight point lead, 10-2, and led by six at the end of the first quarter. Borger got a basket early in the second quarter to make it 10-7, but Amy Ethridge got two quick baskets, forced a turnover that led to two Carrie Bradley free throws, and then hit one of two tosses to turn it into an 18-10 Dimmitt lead with 4:13 left in the first half.

Borger was never closer than six the rest of the game. At the half, Dimmitt's lead was up to 33-18.

In the third quarter, Dimmitt kept its lead between 15 and 19 points the whole way. In the fourth, Dimmitt scored three straight baskets in the first 1:15 to go up 49-26 with 6:45 to play. For its biggest lead of the

Dimmitt was led by Bradley with 16 points and Ethridge with 13.

Randall 40, Bobbies 23 Bobbies 49, Lubbock High 44

scoreless.

There was 3:06 left to go in the first quarter of this rematch of the previous year's championship game when a foul was called, sending

Randall to the free throw line. As the players were getting set around the lane, one of the officials looked up at the scoreboard and

laughed. It was 9:16 a.m. The game was

In that last little bit of the first quarter, Randall made two field goals to shoot a blazing 2-of-9 in the first quarter, while the Bobbies missed all nine of their shots. Randall had a 7-0 lead by the end of the quarter. It was a lead the Lady Raiders would never relinquish, but Dimmitt finally got its offense going and threw a scare into the Randall

girls. Matthews scored Amber Dimmitt's first point of the game, a free throw with 4:10 left in the half to make it 11-1. Bradley and Ethridge added two free throws each later in the quarter before Ethridge picked off a Randall pass and scored with 2:19 left to make it 13-7.

half to make it a four-point game at halftime, 15-11. At the half, Dimmitt

The Bobbies made just one field goal in the third quarter, and that was with just 19 seconds left when Ethridge canned her shot. Thing was, Randall was no better, and led by just 24-15 going into the fourth

In the last quarter, the Randall girls made three more baskets than did Dimmitt to claim the 17-point

Ethridge had 10 points to lead lead was 33-26. Dimmitt. While the Bobbies made just six field goals, they made 11-of-18 free throws.

In Friday's late game, the Bobbies made four fewer field goals (19-15) than did the Lady Westerners, but the Dimmitt girls made 16-of-23 free throws while LHS was a paltry 4-of-15 to ease the way for the Bobbies.

Lubbock High led throughout the first quarter, as Dimmitt had eight turnovers in a sloppy eight minutes that ended with Lubbock enjoying an 11-8 lead.

Early in the second quarter, great defense by Ethridge resulted in a five-second call against LHS, and Bradley redeemed the turnover with a basket with 5:58 to go in the half for a 15-13 lead. Ethridge, Bradley and Kara Josselet kept up the offensive pressure, with Josselet's jumper with 24 seconds left in the half giving Dimmitt a 24-17 lead at the break.

The Bobbies led by nine early in the second half before LHS came back, steadily chipping away until taking the lead, 32-31, with 51 seconds to go in the third.

Josselet nailed a trey with 7:43 to give Dimmitt the lead again, 34-32. DHS padded its lead to as many as five when Shawna Kenworthy fed Ethridge for a layup with 5:23 to go to put Dimmitt up 39-34.

LHS came right back, though, to take a lead with 2:13 to go, 40-39. Amber Matthews, Josselet and Ethridge responded with baskets down the stretch to give the Bobbies a five-point win.

Ethridge led Dimmitt with 19 points.

SATURDAY

Bobbies 50, Shallowater 48 Friona 53, Bobbies 41

Dimmitt played an almost perfect first quarter and a flawless last eight seconds in Saturday's consolation semifinal to dump Shallowater.

The Bobbies had just one turnover in the first eight minutes, and that was when they lost possession on a held ball with six seconds to go in the period. By then, the Bobbies had forged a 22-16 lead.

In fact, the Fillies had no turnovers Ethridge scored twice more in the in the first quarter, but had the misfortune of going ice cold from the field after a quick start. was 3-of-17, while Randall was just Shallowater missed its first shot, then made six striaght shots to lead 14-10. Dimmitt came back, though, to go up by seven before the Fillies made a late free throw.

The second quarter was almost a mirror image as the teams had just three turnovers between them. Dimmitt, though, kept up the offensive pressure and went up as many as 11, 29-18, on an Amy Matthews basket with 3:18 to go in the half. At the break, Dimmitt's

Shallowater surged back to get within two a couple of times in the third, but Bradley nailed a trey with 28 seconds to go in the period to make it 42-37 going into the fourth.

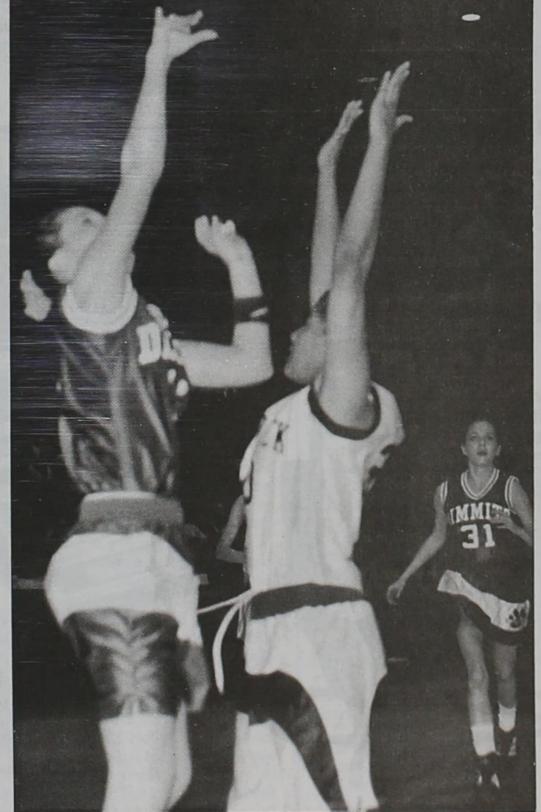
Dimmitt led by five, 46-41, with 5:30 to go when Ethridge put back a Josselet miss. Shallowatercame back to get within one, 46-45, with 3:42

Neither team scored for almost three minutes until SHS nailed a trey with 51 seconds left to go up 48-46. Bradley answered with a jumper

with 37 seconds left to tie the score. Shallowater was working for a last shot when officials called a moving screen foul on SHS with 25 seconds

Dimmitt missed a shot, and Shallowater rebounded with 12 seconds left. Ethridge then stole the ball cleanly in the backcourt and dribbled briskly into the forecourt. She passed to Kenworthy on the left

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FOLLOW THROUGH-Dimmitt's Jacy Buckley shoots over the outstretched arms of Lubbock's Marisela Fores in a consolation quarterfinal game Friday night in the Caprock ABC Holiday Tournament. Dimmitt came from behind in the fourth quarter to beat Lubbock, 49-44. Then the Bobbies beat Shallowater by a field goal before losing the consolation championship to Friona Saturday.

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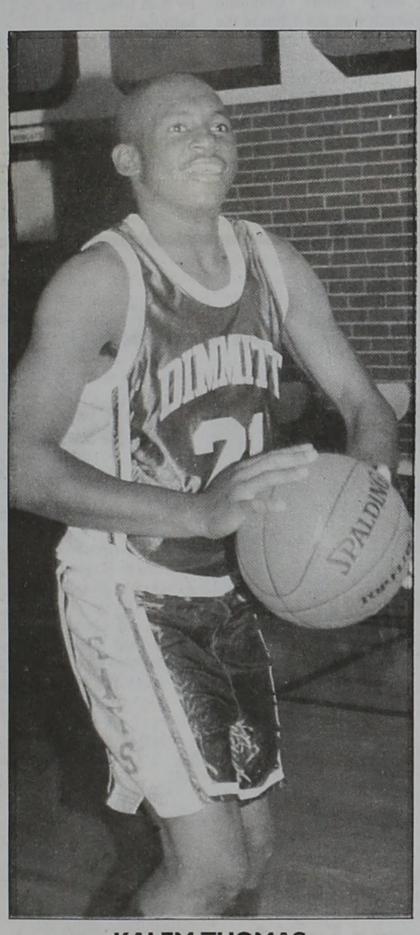


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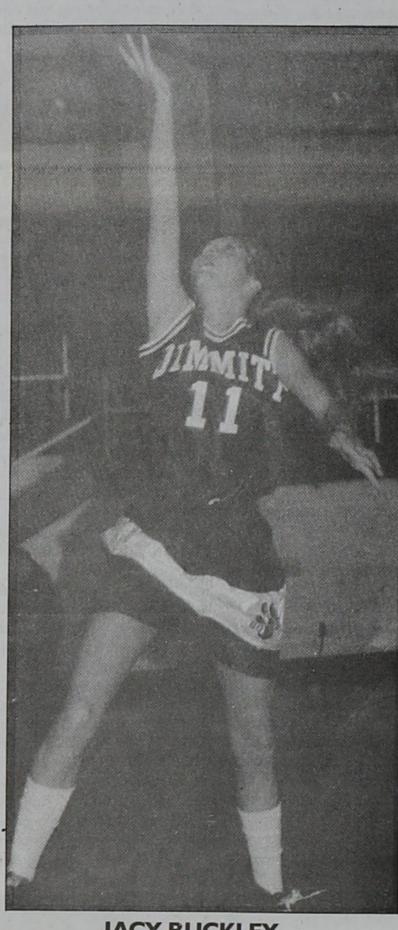
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Naz girls beat Ozona for third in Caprock Tourney champs topple Swiftettes in semis

So, are the Nazareth Swiftettes the best team in Texas?

Well, last Saturday at the Caprock Basketball Holiday ABC Tournament they couldn't get by Coronado, but a case can be made for the Swiftettes to have bragging rights to at least the bottom three

Not only are the Swiftettes the top team in Class A, they have beaten the No. 1 team in Class AA, Ozona, and the No. 3 team in Class AAA, Groesbeck, in the past week. Naz ended up in third place after beating the defending Class AA state champs Saturday evening, 36-28.

Naz lost its second game of the season on Saturday morning in a disappointing 48-44 loss to Coronado. Both games Saturday were at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

"If we could hit a layup, we could have won (Saturday) morning," said disappointed coach Johnny Hampton. "We really played well against them, but we couldn't hit a layup."

Coronado is only No. 8 in Class 5A, so Hampton wasn't too disappointed with the loss.

"We had an easy first game, but everything after that was tough," the coach said. "These were all Top 10 teams, top teams in their classes, and it was just the kind of competition we needed coming off the Christmas break."

THURSDAY

Naz 63, Seminole 22

To say the Swiftettes had this one in the bag all the way would be gross understatement-and not give the Nazareth girls their due for a thorough thrashing to the Maidens.

Granted, Seminole lost its best player a month ago, but Seminole would have been in trouble all the

Naz led 52-9 in the fourth quarter, allowing Seminole to get into double figures just before halftime. By then, Hampton had cleared out his bench several times as the reserves got plenty of playing time.

Despite limited playing time, Amy Pohlmeier and Melinda Schmucker each got 16 points to lead Naz.

PENETRATING THE PAINT against Lubbock Coronado is Nazareth's Tanya Wethington (22), who makes a move inside against Coronado's Jill Skipper (21) and Alana Soliz (12). Wethington's sister, Carie (10) comes in to help out her sibling. The Swiftettes lost to Coronado Saturday morning in the championship semis of the Caprock Tourney and lost the close game, 48-44. Coronado won the tournament and the Swiftettes, who played five games in three days, beat Ozona Saturday afternoon for third place.

halftime.

Nazareth didn't allow a Seminole field goal until the second quarter, and led 17-1 after one period. The Swiftettes, substituting at will, still kept the offense flowing and led by as many as 25 points during the second period and settled for a 32-11 margin at halftime.

In the third quarter, Seminole still couldn't find a tourniquet as Nazareth continued to take the Maidens to school. By the end of the third, Seminole had just two more points, while Nazareth stretched its lead to 46-13 after three.

Nazareth led by as much as 44 late in the game, at 59-15, before Seminole scored three late baskets.

Nazareth's defense went not only from end-to-end but was especially tough in the forecourt. Despite many tries, Seminole never made a three pointer, while Nazareth had five. FRIDAY

Naz 53, San Angelo Central 33 Naz 45, Groesbeck 35

Friday's early game was close for a while, as the Lady Cats were within eight at halftime, 21-13.

Then came the third quarter blitz, which saw Naz blow out the Class

5A squad, 27-7, to pave the way to the easy 20-point win.

Naz led by seven after the first quarter, 13-6, but had a sluggish second quarter and led by eight at the break.

That was when the Swiftettes, and especially Schmucker went to work. At one point Naz scored 18 unanswered points in the period to stretch its lead to 43-16.

San Angelo outscored Naz 13-5 in the fourth quarter to make the score a little more respectable. Schmucker had 23 points while

Pohlmeier added 12 to lead the Swiftettes.

In Friday evening's game, the Goats gave the Swiftettes all the competition they wanted for three quarters before Naz hit a spurt to begin the fourth period to put the game away.

With two quick guards, twins Lanetta and Annetta Anglin, out front in a rare 1-2-2 defense, the Swiftettes parried with the Goats throughout the first three periods.

Groesbeck came out hot and used its overall team quickness to punch

Photo by John Brooks up an 11-5 lead by the end of the first period. Naz kept picking away at the lead, adjusted to the Goats' sets, and snuck into the dressing room with a one-point lead, 20-19, at

> In the third period, Groesbeck got six early points in the period to take a three point lead. That, however, would be it for the Goats. Nazareth reclaimed the lead for good, 27-25, with 3:10 left to go in the quarter on a shot by Schmucker. K'Lynn Gerber, Schmucker and Misti Ball then added points to make Nazareth's lead seven, 32-25, at

> Groesbeck hung around early in the fourth period, but never got closer than five points, 32-27, with 4:50 left in the game after two free throws by Chimika Carter.

Schmucker then took over, hitting a trey with 3:26 to play and two free throws with three minutes left to make it 37-27. Naz went on to lead by as many as 13 until Tara Champion hit a trey at the buzzer to make it 10 points at the end.

Schmucker led all players with 26 points.

SATURDAY Coronado 48, Naz 44 Naz 36, Ozona 28

Dark and early Saturday morning, Nazareth's players left to make the 90-mile trip to Lubbock for a 9 a.m. date with Coronado, who could have slept 'til eight, by which time most of the Swiftettes had already been out and around for three hours.

Despite the early hours, the Swiftettes almost knocked off the Mustangs in the semifinals at the Coliseum.

Coronado rolled to an early 7-0 lead until Naz finally scored on two free throws by Schmucker with 4:29 left in the first. Pohlmeier scored the team's first goal 20 seconds later, and added a free throw to make it 11-5.

With eight seconds left in the quarter, Schmucker took Coronado's Alana Soliz to school, faking her one way, then turning to the other to score and draw the foul to make it 11-8 at quarter's end.

Naz made just two of eight shots in the first period, including three of those dreaded layups.

In the second quarter, Naz made six of nine field goals to take a four point lead at halftime, 25-21. The Swiftettes first claimed the lead when Pohlmeier took a pass at close range, backed up a couple of dribbles, then shot a 10-footer over a bewildered defender for a 12-11

Coronado rallied to take a 19-14 lead with 4:36 to play in the half, but the Swiftettes went on an 11-2 run the rest of the half to claim the fourpoint lead at the break.

Naz extended its lead to seven points early before Coronado charged back with a 6-1 run in the last 1:04 to make it 34-33 after three periods.

In the fourth period, the Swiftettes made just three of 12 shots, while Coronado made all but three of its 10 field goal tries, including the last five straight.

Jill Skipper tied the score at 36 with 7:15 to play, and Naz never led by more than two the rest of the game. Coronado took the lead for good when Soliz scored with 2:11 to go to make it 46-44.

Naz worked the ball around, but Schmucker missed a shot with 1:08 left. Courtney Hoelting fouled April Armacost, sending her to the stripe for two. Armacost, a senior, missed both free throws, and Naz got the ball back with 1:06 left.

Naz worked the ball around again, but Schmucker missed another with 25 seconds left. Naz forced a turnover three seconds later, but the Swiftettes missed again with seven seconds to play, and Soliz made two free throws at the end to ice the

Many folks felt Ozona and Nazareth would meet in the last game of the girls' tournament Saturday, and they almost did.

Instead, they played for third place while hometown teams Monterey and Coronado duked it out later for the tournament title.

Monterey had defeated Ozona on Saturday morning, but the girls from Southwest Texas were missing one of their top players, guard Bobbie Bryson. Bryson attended a funeral Saturday morning but was back in Lubbock in time to start against Naz.

The Swiftettes jumped to an early 5-0 lead and were never headed to win third place in the 32-team field.

The game showcased two of the best players in the state: Schmucker and Ozona's Amber Tarr, a 5-11 sophomore who led Dickie Faught's team to an overtime win over Hart in last year's 1-AA regional semifinal and on to the state title.

Naz led 13-9 after the first quarter, and after a sluggish second quarter by both teams took a 19-13 lead at halftime. During the third period, Naz led

by 10 at one point before Ozona came back to make it 29-24 after

In the fourth period, the Swiftettes asserted themselves again on defense, holding Ozona to just four points to take the eight-point win.

Schmucker led everybody with 16 points, outscoring Tarr by two.

More about

Bobbies

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side of the basket, who bounced the ball to Bradley on the other side of the lane. Bradley calmly sank her 10-footer with a second left to give Dimmitt the win.

Bradley led the Bobbies with 19 points.

In Saturday night's game, Friona led practically from wire to wire for a win among the district rivals.

The first quarter was almost exclusively Jacy Buckley vs. Courtney Carthel, as each player had eight of her team's 11 points, and the first quarter ended in a tie.

The two didn't keep up the pace though, although Buckley had just two more points, Carthel only five more. Their teammates, though, kept things going in the "B" consolation final.

Friona had a big spurt at the start of the second quarter, running to an

eight point lead at 24-15. Ethridge hit Dimmitt's first field goal of the period with 3:14 to go, and Bradley, Amy Matthews and Amber Matthews added buckets down the stretch to make it a 33-26 game at the half.

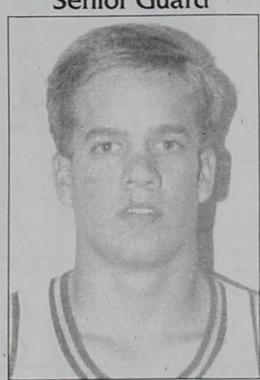
In the third quarter, Dimmitt was down by seven, 38-31, with five minutes left, but Dimmitt got it within two on a technical foul against a Friona player. Josselet made both free throws to cut the gap to 38-36 late in the quarter, but Friona hit a trey to make it 41-36 after 24 minutes.

Friona jumped into a six-point lead again when Dimmitt got it to four, 45-41. The Bobbies forced a held ball, but a mixup on the possession arrow mistakenly gave the ball to Friona. The Squaws converted, and went on to hit six free throws in the last minute to win.

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COAST TO COAST—Hart's Lisa Rincon (left) drives the length of the court after stealing the ball in the fourth quarter of the Ladyhorns' game against Idalou during the first round of the Wildcat Christmas Classic at Littlefield Thursday. Rincon

ended the transition play with a put-back basket. Chasing her is Idalou's Amber Hammond (23). In center background is Hart's Charbra Lee. Idalou won the game, 51-32. The Ladyhorns finished Photo by Don Nelson eighth in the tourney.

Longhorns fall to Littlefield in finals of Wildcat Classic

Teams in the Littlefield Wildcat Christmas Classic figured out pretty early that if you want to beat Hart, you've got to stop J.R. Lee.

Idalou couldn't do it. Neither could Floydada. But Littlefield did and the result was the home team victory over Hart in the championship game.

Lee was a scoring machine in the first two games, scoring 33 in a firstround overtime win over Idalou, then pouring in an impressive 41 against Floydada in the semifinal round.

Littlefield held Lee to 12 points in Saturday's championship game and the result was a 67-49 Wildcat victory.

After taking a lead at halftime, Hart ran into trouble in the third quarter with Lee on the bench, and clung to a 42-41 lead at the end of the third.

Hart fell behind in the fourth quarter and it was Lee and teammate Raynea Garcia who gave the Horns new life to tie the game at 60 at the

end of regulation. Lee was whistled for a technical foul at the four minute mark in the third quarter and he was benched for the rest of the stanza. After that Idalou started closing in on the Longhorns.

Lee returned to the game in the fourth quarter, but Idalou was on a hot streak.

It took back-to-back three-pointers by Lee and Garcia in the final 10 seconds of regulation to keep Hart alive.

Those threes tied the game at 60. Idalou canned a three-pointer of its own at the start of the OT period to go up 63-60, but that was the only shot the team would made.

Lee sank a pair of free throws, then John Welps added two more to give Hart a 64-63 edge with 1:54

Hart then went into a four-corner offense after a turnover at the 1:56 mark.

Desperation fouls on Idalou sent Lee, Garcia and Manuel Minjarez to the line in the last minute. Lee hit one of four attempts, Garcia made one of two and Minjarez missed two, but it was enough for a 66-63 win.

Hart posted a 10-point advantage over Floydada in Friday's semifinal round and that was enough for the victory.

Lee scored from everywhere, almost at will. Floydada fell behind 27-17 in the first quarter, but rebounded in the second to pull within five at halftime, 38-33.

Second half scoring was fairly even with Hart sinking 25 points and Floydada managing 24.

The Whirlwinds tamed the Longhorns after the first quarter, but Hart had built up enough of an edge and couldn't be blown over.

Littlefield used a strong second half to claim the championship, 67-49, over Hart Saturday night.

The score was tied at 12 after the first quarter, and Littlefield held a slim 27-24 lead at halftime.

Hart stayed with the quick Wildcats over the first 16 minutes, but couldn't keep up the pace in the second half.

Hart's scoring fell off in the third and fourth quarters, as the Longhorns managed just 14 and 11 points, respectively, in the stanzas.

Littlefield had no problems, tossing in 20 points in each stanza for the win.

Dusty Ortiz tossed in 16 points for Hart while Lee finished with 12.

The Ladyhorns suffered a 53-30 loss to Idalou's ladies in the tournament opener last Thursday and couldn't rebound to consolation title.

Hart lost its next two games—to Petersburg and Roosevelt-by a combined 14 points, a disappointing finish for the Hart girls.

Idalou controlled the first game from the opening tip, posting an 11-7 lead after the first quarter and 24-16 edge at intermission. Idalou put the game away with a 14-4 third-quarter performance. Gayla Reyna and Charbra Lee had six apiece to lead

Hart's girls.

The Ladyhorns would love to replay the first halves of Friday's consolation semifinal game with Petersburg and Saturday's seventhplace game with Roosevelt.

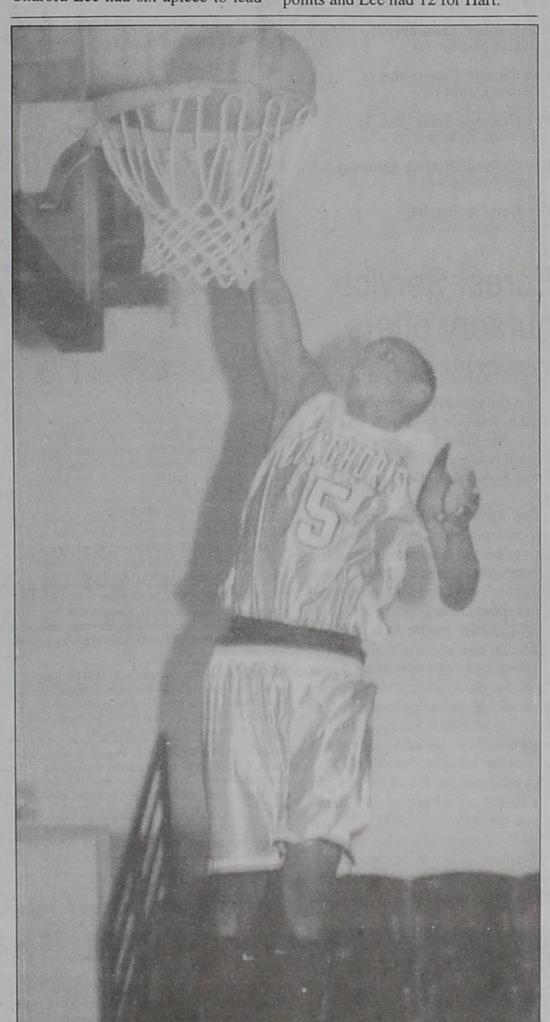
It was almost like two different Hart teams in the first and second halves of the games.

On Friday, the Ladyhorns struggled from the field in the first half and scored only 13 points while Petersburg tossed in 30. In the second half, Hart scored 38 points while Petersburg only sank 29.

Reyna and Lee were the top scorers for Hart again, with Reyna scoring 16 and Lee adding 12.

Saturday's game was almost a carbon copy of Friday's. Roosevelt jumped ahead 33-22 in the first half. Hart outscored the Lady Eagles 33-27 in the second half, but came up five points short of the victory.

Tiffany Bradford exploded for 24 points and Lee had 12 for Hart.



SLAM!-Hart's J. R. Lee slam-dunks a basket after a steal and snowbird drive in the second quarter of the Longhorns' game against Idalou during the first round of the Wildcat Christmas Classic at Littlefield Thursday. This basket gave the Longhorns a 20-14 lead; they went on to win the game in overtime, 66-63. The 'Horns finished second in the tourney, losing to Littlefield in the championship game Photo by Don Nelson Saturday.

Swifts go 1-2 in weekend's Caprock ABC Tournament

Nazareth's boys lost two of three in the first two quarter. games last weekend in the Caprock Tournament, but may have come out better for the experience.

"I think we've improved," said Naz boys' coach Mark Makeever. "We can't help but improve. We've had so little time playing with everyone, and we are finally getting our roles defined.

"We have still not gotten back to playing at the top of our game. The offense is coming around, and we are seeing more improvement on defense.

"I still think we are capable of much, much more as a team." THURSDAY

Frenship 69, Swifts 51

The Swifts went toe-to-toe with the Tigers for the first period, but couldn't keep up with the Tigers down the stretch as Frenship pulled away for the 18 point win.

Frenship, which was 12-3 coming into the contest, trailed Naz by two after the first quarter, 12-10. The Tigers then hit a hot spot late in the first half to lead at intermission, 33-

Frenship eased to an eight point lead by the end of the third, 47-39, before blowing past the Swifts in the fourth period for the win.

Nathan Hoelting led Naz with 14 points, while Robby Schmucker had 11 and Gaylon Schilling 12 for the Swifts.

FRIDAY Swifts 50, Abernathy 26 Dalhart 60, Swifts 51

Naz broke open an early defensive battle with two big runs in the second quarter to put the game away against the Antelopes.

Abernathy is still trying to get its season going, with Matt Riley playing for the first time last Thursday after injuring his knee in the Plainview Tournament four weeks ago. Riley got in some playing time for Coach Jerry Schaeffer in the tourney, but Naz fired up its offense against the Lopes to take a second-round win.

Nazareth was up 10-2 early and settled for a 10-7 lead at the end of the first period.

The Swifts then hit five quick points, with Coby Schacher going to the hole for a layup with 6:40 to go in the half for a 15-7 lead.

After a trey by Abernathy's Tanner Davis, the Swifts then hit four straight baskets to go up 24-10. Naz then had another spurt in the last minute to lead at the half by 14, 28-

Naz got off 25 shots in the first half, making 11 of them. Naz controlled the boards on both ends and allowed Abernathy just 19 shots

In the second half, Naz kept up the defensive pressure, limiting Abernathy to 2-of-11 from the field. Meanwhile, Naz made 4-of-10 and extended its lead to 42-18 by quarter's end. Abernathy didn't score again after a basket with 4:25 to go in the period.

In the fourth, Naz emptied the bench, but maintained a big lead over the Antelopes, going up by as many as 26, 48-22 on a free throw by Brian Braddock with 2:51 to go.

Schacher had 13 and Schilling added 12 to lead the Swifts.

met for the second time in eight days in Friday's consolation quarterfinal.

In the previous meeting, Nazareth came back from 24 down to take a lead. This time, they didn't allow Dalhart the big cushion, but couldn't come back at the end.

In fact, Dalhart almost led from wire to wire, but had to quell a Naz rally in the third quarter to take the

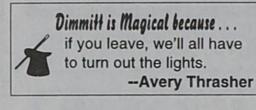
Naz bounced back from a fivepoint deficit, 17-12 at the end of the first quarter, to get within two points late in the second period on two big buckets by Braddock. Dalhart hit five points in the last 40 seconds of the half to take a 33-26 lead at the

In the third, the teams went breakneck for the first two minutes of the period, then the pace slowed. Schacher hit a layup with 5:06 left in the period to make it 39-38, then each team missed its next three The Swifts and Golden Wolves shots. Nathan Hoelting then put Naz on top with 2:51 to go, 40-39. Dalhart responded with two baskets in the rest of the quarter, while Naz didn't find the basket again until the second minute of the fourth period.

> Schilling had 19 and Braddock 17 to lead the Swifts.

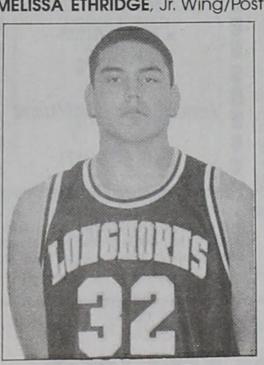


AMY POHLMEIER (34) of Nazareth works the ball against Lubbock Coronado's Jennifer Monroe early Saturday morning in the championship semifinals of the Caprock Tournament. Pohlmeier was one of two Swiftettes mentioned to the 32-team tournament's all-tournament team. Teammate Melinda Schmucker was named Most Valuable Player. Coronado won the semifinal game, then won the championship. The Swiftettes had to settle for third place. Photo by John Brooks



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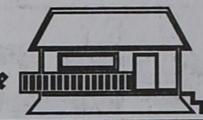
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DEMOCRAT PRIMARY:

For County Tax Assessor-Collec-

For Commissioner, Pct. 3: W. A. (Bay) Baldridge (i)

Billy Hackleman (i)

For County Treasurer: Janice Shelton (i)

For County Constable: James Dobbs (i)

For Commissioner, Pct. 1: Newlon Rowland (i)

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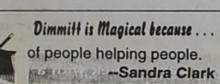
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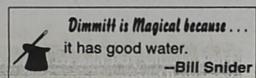
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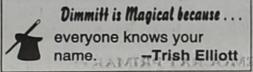
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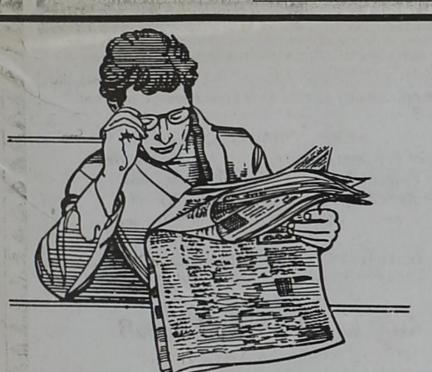
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The Castro County News



JUSTIN NEWMAN of Dimmitt (right) eyes the basket as he works for a shot against Shallowater in second-round action at the Caprock ABC Holiday Tournament last Thursday. Dimmitt lost the game to Shallowater and was forced into the consolation bracket. They bounced back with victories over Slaton, Dalhart and Monahans to claim the consolation title in the big tourney. Photo by John Brooks

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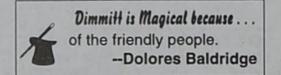
applications.

The Concealed Handgun Unit has reviewed all applications received in September and some of those received in October. All September applicants have been mailed their licenses or have been sent notices of problems such as smudged fingerprint cards, incomplete application packets or questions about potential disqualifying factors.

"We've dedicated a lot of resources to initiating the licensing process, and it is running very smoothly," said Frankie L. Waller, chief of administration for DPS. "The public response has been tremendous, however, due to the enormous response and the short startup period, we do anticipate taking the full 90 days to process applications.

"I know all applicants are eagerly awaiting their licenses and are tempted to call and ask for their status, but each time the phone rings it takes our personnel away from the license issuance process and slows things down," Waller said. "We ask your patience in giving us ample time to process your application before calling to check on its status."

Citizens obtaining concealed carry permits must shell out \$140 for each four-year license.





Police Calls

An 18-year-old Dimmitt woman was allegedly assaulted in an incident reported to Dimmitt police around 5:05 p.m. last Thursday. When police reported to the scene, the suspect and the victim of the assault both were arrested. The victim was arrested for assault on a peace officer.

The victim reportedly attacked officer Rita Ramos as she was attempting to arrest the suspect. Ramos suffered an injury to her wrist in the incident, which happened on Western Circle Dr.

The residence of Rex Lust in the north part of the county was broken into sometime between 4 p.m. Saturday and Monday morning. Taken were a TV and VCR, tools, telephone and answering machine, a jewelry box containing a goldnugget-type ring, a camera and soft case, a half-gallon size jar containing pennies, a quart mug containing silver coins, articles of clothing, a pair of bib overalls, and food from the kitchen and refrigerator.

Entry was gained through the front door, which had not been locked, but had been blocked by a treadmill exercise machine, which was pushed out of the way.

Storage buildings belonging to Garnett Holland out in the county were entered without permission and a band saw valued at \$100 was taken. According to Sheriff's depu-

Geraldine Davis

of Dimmitt, are pending with

Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home

She was born Aug. 20, 1931. She

Survivors include her sons, Stan

was the owner of Gerry's First Place.

Mrs. Davis died Tuesday.

Services for Geraldine Davis, 65,

ties the saw was probably taken prior to Dec. 17. It was reported missing on Dec. 27.

Arrests during the past week included a 31-year-old Nazareth man on a warrant for indecency with a child. He was arrested last Thursday.

Also, a Dimmitt man, 35, was arrested Saturday for public intox-

Two arrests were made on warrants for violation of probation, including a 21-year-old Hart man on Monday and a 21-year-old Dimmitt man on Dec. 26.

A Dimmitt woman, 40, was picked up on a DPS warrant.

Two Dimmitt people, ages 21 and 39, were picked up Friday on charges of theft by check, one of them on a warrant from Deaf Smith County.

Police are investigating damages to the phone boxes at Allsup's, which were jerked off the wall. The incident was reported just past midnight Friday.

A car stereo valued at \$199 was taken from a Dodge van parked at the Azteca complex. The burglary was reported Sunday evening by Benardino Ojeda.

Dan Heard told sheriff's deputies that someone removed a survey marker on his property sometime within the past month.



DIMMITT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS gathered recently for a group picture that will be placed on the calendars the organization has made every year as a fund-raising project. Firefighters include: (front, from left) Victor Burrows, Randy Griffitt, Francis Acker, Charlie Lane, Rickey Hargrove, David Stephens, Tommy

Cleavinger, Stanley Maurer, and Carlos Castillo; and (back, from left) Randal Small, Jerry McGuire, Niel Christian, Lynn West, Chris Fuentes, Danny Heard and Jackie Thomas. Not shown are David Allison, Tommy Harmonson, Matt Bradley, John Kovacs, Hector Ledesma, Jeff Pigg, Lee Schilling, Richard West and Joe Yokum. Photo by Linda Maxwell

More about

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By law, the TCPB fund cannot be used for any political purposes. But in the gray areas of promotion, marketing, public education, pesticide and herbicide research and use, export quotas, trade agreements-what is and is not political? Definitions can get sticky.

Perhaps there was controversy on the TCPB board over how the check-off fund was being administered — priorities for grants, expenditures, etc.

Or perhaps it was the fact that King is, and always has been, a political animal. Board members may have been worried about that gray area between promotion and politics.

Whatever the cause of the TCPB's divorce from King and Wales, the board has lost the services of the two most widely known advocates of the Texas corn industry, and two who are working harder than almost anyone in the nation to protect and preserve the family farm.

I'm a member of the TCGA, as are many business and professional people here who realize that our livelihoods are tied to agriculture. And I worry that the TCPB's severing of King and Wales may diminish their effectiveness.

And we locals aren't the only ones who are worried about this turn of events. Consider this letter He was born March 4, 1911, in which Bob Robinson, district director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, presented to King at his retirement reception:

"Dear Carl:

"Words cannot express my sor-

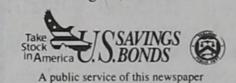
Texas Corn Producers Board. As a lifelong resident of the High Plains, I cannot think of one individual who has helped agriculture and its producers more than you. I will always be indebted to you for saving our water source. Your leadership in bringing new industry to our area is unparalleled. The Texas Corn Producers, under your leadership, would not shy away from controversial issues or groups. You had the courage to fight, to right the wrongs that would adversely affect all of us. Thank you.

"On behalf of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, we have never had a better friend-a man that supported us financially and used his influence to represent us in Austin and Washington. At times you would challenge us, and today we have the largest IPM (insect and pest management) program in the nation which you helped to pioneer. A few years ago you were selected as the recipient of our State Friend of Extension Award. In my mind, you are 'in the running' for our best friend ever.

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you have made!"

I'm not sure whether the TCPB has cut King and Wales loose orthrough the process of unexpected consequences-has cut itself loose from its own base of support.



co'-op (ko'-op or ko-op'), a. 1. the act of operating jointly with another or others, to the same end; to work or labor with mutual efforts to promote the same object.

advertising

ad'ver-tis-ing, ad'ver-tiz-ing, n. 1. to call the public's attention to things for sale, help wanted, etc., as by printed notices or announcements. . . . 3. v.t. to publish a notice of; to give conspicuous notice or information of to the public, through newspapers, signs, circulars, posters, periodical publications, radio, television, etc.; especially, to praise publicly in this way to encourage buying; as to advertise goods for sale, entertainments to occur, etc.

half price

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Coy Dunn Funeral services for Coy D. Dunn, 86, of Dimmitt, were held Tuesday at the Ivey Chapel of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home in Dimmitt. Burial followed in Westlawn Memorial Park.

Mr. Dunn died Dec. 29 after a brief illness.

He was born Dec. 31, 1908, in Ovalo. He moved to Dimmitt in 1977 from Flomot. He had previously lived in Fullerton, Calif., for 11 years. He married Nora Bullin on Nov. 24, 1931 in Clovis, N.M. He was employed by Castro County as a dispatcher and custodian until his retirement.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Darrel of Whittier, Calif.; a sister, Connie Ivey of Dimmitt; two brothers, John of Haskell and Herbert of Littlefield; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Mark Powers, Rodney Weed, Tom Dunn, Steve Dunn, Wade Maynard and Glenn Dale Tiffin.

D.B. Ivy

Funeral services were Saturday for D.B. Ivy, 79, of Lazbuddie, the brother of a Dimmitt man. John Knox, minister of Muleshoe Church of Christ, officiated at the services in the Lazbuddie Church of Christ.

Burial was in Lazbuddie Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

Obituaries

Mr. Ivy died Dec. 28 in the Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center.

He was born Oct. 8, 1916, in Anna. He married Christine Gammon on Aug. 30, 1936, in Clovis, N.M. She died in 1986. He was a member of the Church of Christ, and

was a farmer. He is survived by two sons, Robert of Las Vegas, Nev., and D.G. of Lazbuddie; a daughter, Christie Whitt of Muleshoe; two brothers, R.V. of Dimmitt and Tony of Venita, Okla.; a sister, Oneita Wagnon of Muleshoe; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Clyde Russell

Services for Clyde W. Russell, 84, of Hereford, father of Doris Neely and Linda Fitzgearld, both of Dimmitt, will be held at 2 p.m. today (Thursday) in the First United Methodist Church of Hereford with Rev. Ed Williamson officiating.

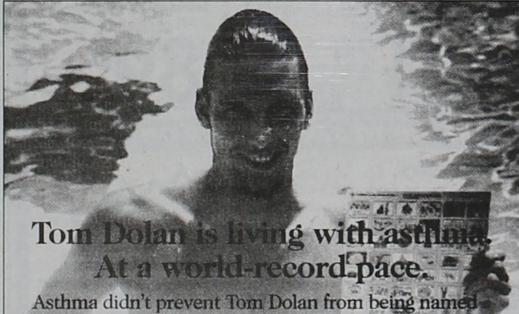
Burial will follow in Restlawn Memorial Park in Hereford under the direction of Gililland-Watson Funeral Home of Hereford.

Mr. Russell died Tuesday in his

Deaf Smith County. He married Catherine Rickatts on Nov. 3, 1930, in Santa Rosa, N.M. He was a farmer and stockman.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Robert Russell of Hereford; two row for your resigning from the daughters, Neely and Fitzgearld; a brother, Edgar Russell of Levelland; six grandchildren; and 10 greatgrandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Hereford Senior Citizens or First United Methodist Scholarship



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