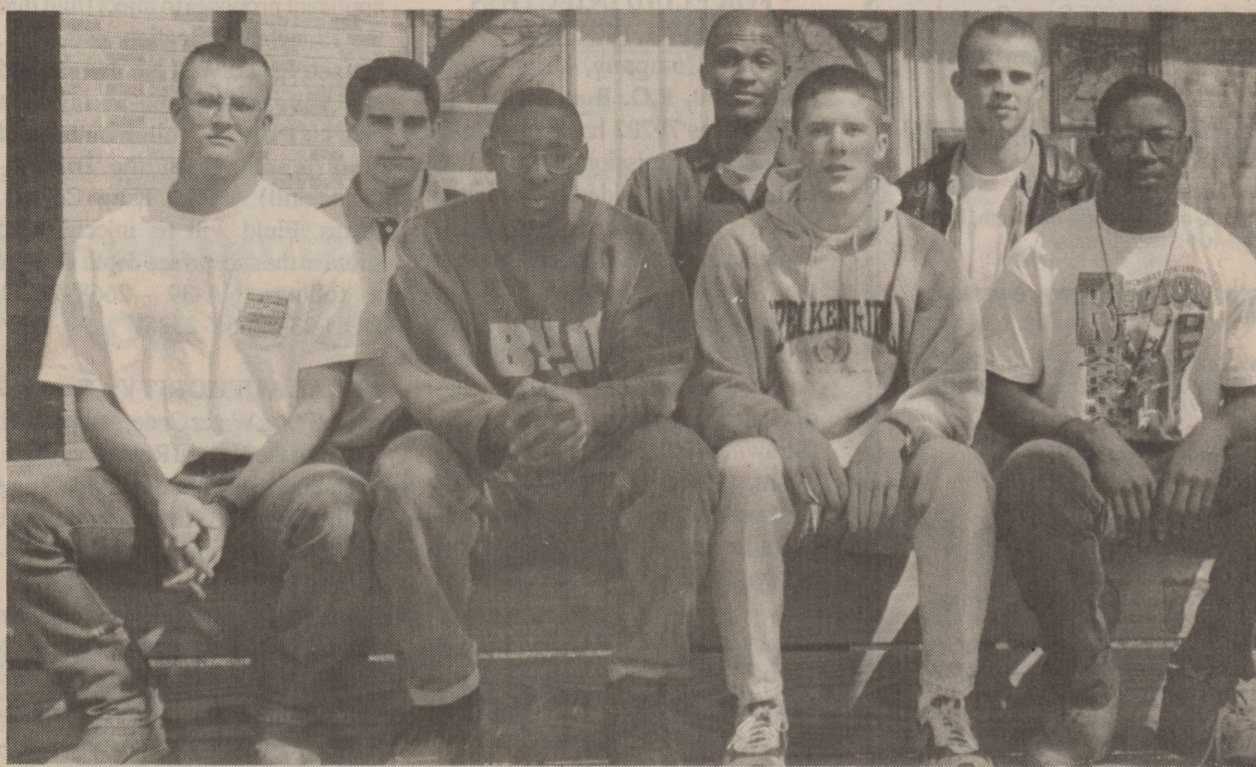


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All-District Picks Named



KNOX CITY GREYHOUNDS selected to all-district honors are front row, from left, Scott Stephens, MVP; all-district members Duane Tolliver, Ryan Marlon and Lance Dever. Back row are honorable mention selections, from left, Chris King, Kevin Dorsey and David Dudensing. (NEWS Photo)



KNOX CITY HOUNDETTES named to all-district honors are from left, Angle Kepley, MVP; Felicia Collier, all-district; Traci Deering, all-district; and Julie Williams, honorable mention. (NEWS Photo)



ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT selections from Knox City High School are front row, from left, Clint Hacker, Joseph Logsdon, Wes Grimsley, Melissa Barnard and Traci Deering. Back row, from left, are Ivan Barretto, Ryan Marion and Duane Tolliver. (NEWS Photo)

Council Places 1 % EDC Sales Tax Increase On May 6 Ballot

Williams, Curd and Rauch Vote Unanimously To Approve, EDC Tax Raise For City's Economic Future Now Goes To Voters

Taking action in a regular scheduled meeting last Thursday evening, the City Council of Knox City voted in favor of placing sales tax increase propositions for EDC funding on ballot forms for the general election to be held on May 6.

Voting unanimously in favor of propositions to place both 4A and 4B sales tax increases before the voters, council members Cathye Williams, Walter Rauch and Jerry Curd took a giant step towards stabilizing the future of Knox City. Council members Tommy (Bud) Reynolds and Carol Felts were not present at the meeting due to illness.

Voters will now have an opportunity to express their feelings about the future of the community

by casting their votes on May 6.

The 4A proposition petition presented to the council by City Administrator Joe Rice required signatures of 10% of the registered voters in Knox City, and surpassed that number with a total of 81 verified signatures.

The 4B proposition petition also presented by Rice required signatures of at least 20% of the 39 registered voters who voted in the most recent city election. The 4B proposition petition was delivered to the council with a total of 79 verified signatures.

Both propositions will appear on the May 6 General election ballot for voter approval. Each proposition calls for a 1/2 of one percent sales tax increase, for a combined total of a 1 percent in-

crease. Voters will have the opportunity to cast their ballots on each proposition independently. If both propositions receive voter approval on May 6, the Economic Development Corporation will start receiving funds from the sales tax increase in October. Based on current sales tax figures, the EDC could receive between \$80,000.00 and \$90,000.00 annually for city improvements and economic development throughout the community.

EDC representatives will campaign through the months of March and April to educate city residents on the EDC sales tax increase and how important passage of the sales tax increase is to the economic future of the community.

State Sends \$6,160.86 To KC For January Sales Tax Rebate

(Austin, March 10, 1995) State Comptroller John Sharp today delivered \$122.6 million in monthly sales tax rebates to 1,073 Texas cities and 111 counties, including a check of \$6,160.86 to Knox City. The rebate to Knox City reflects an increase from a check of \$5,998.79 one year ago. Overall payments for the year to Knox City are \$22,914.58, down 3.93% from \$23,854.02 one year ago at this same time.

Texas cities received \$110.9 million, up 12.2 percent above the \$98.8 million delivered last year at the same time. Counties received a total of 11.7 million for rebates, 9% percent more than the payment of \$10.7 million a year ago.

This month's payments include taxes collected by monthly filers on January, 1995 sales and reported to the Comptroller in February.

For other Knox County cities, Benjamin received \$137.38, increasing their yearly total to

\$920.82, a 5.56% raise over the same period a year ago. Goree received \$571.11, increasing their yearly total to \$1,486.41, up a whopping 34.80% from last year at the same time. Munday received \$5,069.43, increasing only slightly (0.86%) from a payment of \$5,026.06 in 1994. Munday collects a 1.500% rate of sales tax, while Knox City, Benjamin and Goree only collect a 1.000% sales tax.

In Haskell County, Haskell received \$16,288.59, up 31.49% from a payment of \$12,387.11 in 1994. Haskell collects a 2.000% rate of sales tax. O'Brien received \$83.38 to increase their yearly total to \$672.96, up 28.16 from this time a year ago. Rochester received \$183.10, increasing their yearly total to \$2,322.56, down slightly (0.97%) from last year's total of \$2,345.53.

In Jones County, Stamford received a payment of \$31,281.38, up 2.63% from a payment of \$30,477.08 in 1994. Stamford

also collects a 2.000% rate of sales tax.

In Baylor County, the city of Seymour received a payment of \$9,216.47, up 28.98% from a payment of \$7,145.57 in 1994.

In Foard County, Crowell received a payment of \$3,069.50, up 34.92% from a payment of \$2,275.00 in 1994. Crowell collects a 1.500% rate of sales tax.

In Dickens County, Dickens received a payment of \$1,650.74, down 9.84% from a payment of \$1,830.96 in 1994. Spur received a payment of \$2,915.00, down 24.96% from a 1994 payment of \$3,868.33. Dickens collects a 1.5% rate of sales tax, while Spur collects a 1% rate.

In Cottle County, Paducah received a payment of \$2,578.14, down 6.29% from a payment of \$2,751.42 in 1994. Paducah collects a 1% rate of sales tax.

Sales tax figures are furnished by the State Comptroller's office as an economic indicator of the state of the economy.

EDC NOTE: As indicated in the lead story above, Knox City will be voting in May to increase the local sales tax rate from 1% to 2%, with the added increase going to the economic development of our community. Based on the above sales tax figures, EDC would have received a check for \$6,160.86 this month if the 2% rate was already in effect instead of the current 1% rate. This would have been totally separate from the same check of \$6,160.86 that the city received. Just by driving around our city, the need for EDC funds to make improvements and cultivate the business climate is obvious. Working together in various committees, EDC has identified many different needs within our community. Every attempt is being made to encourage voters to seriously consider the sales tax increase in May, as all improvements and programs to enhance the community we are all so proud of will require some type of funding, and all sales tax related EDC funds will, by law, be dedicated to those goals.

Education Bill Concerns Counts

AUSTIN - State Representative David Counts (D-Knox City) recently announced his reservations over Senate Bill 1, a revision of the Texas Education Codes.

Counts noted that although he is in favor of revising the codes to help eliminate unnecessary unfunded mandates and give local communities more control over their schools, he feels there are

some real problems with Senate Bill 1.

"The intent behind Senate Bill 1 is good," Counts said. "But the elimination of the small school formula, as well as, changes in the transportation funding could be devastating to small rural districts, which comprise the majority of our schools here in West Texas."

Counts cited that a small school

is defined as a district with an enrollment of 1600 or fewer students. "We all realize that we spend a little more per student in our smaller schools, but its an expenditure that is well worth it."

Counts stated better control of students and discipline and the ability to provide more individu-

See COUNTS, Page Eight

Chamber Seeking Nominations

Doris Crownover, secretary/manager of the Knox City Chamber of Commerce has asked the *News* to remind readers that it is time once again to submit nominations for Knox City's Most Appreciated Citizen for this year. It is the Chamber's custom each year to present the 'E. Hob Smith Memorial Award' to the chosen

individual, couple, or group deserving the prestigious award.

Nominations for the 'E. Hob Smith Memorial Award' need to be in by Friday, March 24. A form for nominations is on page seven of this week's *News*.

This year's annual Chamber banquet has been scheduled for Tuesday night, April 4, and guest

speaker will be Nicki Harle, who is president of the Baird Community Economic Development Foundation.

More news concerning the banquet and speaker will appear in a later edition of the *News*; however, readers are encouraged to make note of the date and plan to attend.

Classified Ads - 658-3142

Prices: Minimum Ad: \$4.00 for 20 words - 20¢ for each extra word
\$1.00 Added per week if end-of-month billing is necessary - **Deadline: Tuesday mornings at 10:00**

DAVID COUNTS

Insurance & Real Estate

DOWNTOWN STORE BUILDING - with storage building adjoining. 120 North Central.

INDUSTRIAL BUILDING ON NORTH CENTRAL - With fenced in yard - **GOOD INVESTMENT PROPERTY!**

BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY HOME - Close to town, three bedroom with fireplace, water well, lots of lawn trees on 25 acres. By appointment only. - **PRICE REDUCED - GREAT BUY!**

NEW LISTING - Large Air Conditioned Building, which was formerly the Family Boutique. **FOR SALE OR LEASE**

LIKE NEW HOME - 3 bedroom, 2 baths, 2 car garage, office, living room with fireplace, central water well, large lot. Good buy - 607 South Avenue E. **SHOW BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

EXCELLENT LOCATION IN KNOX CITY - 110 S. 2nd St. frame house, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, heat & cooling, dishwasher, appliances included, oriental rugs on floor. 2 garages, one attached, one in back with workshop. **COME SEE THIS ONE!**

GREAT HOUSE FOR A HANDYMAN. Needs work, good price. 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, office, living room, den, large lot with storage. Avertit home, 705 Main Street.

Sold

NEW LISTING
LIKE NEW 3 bedroom 2 bath, family room, 2 car garage, brick home with workshop and back yard fence. Owner is transferring. 601 South 8th. **A MUST SEE HOME** - call for an appointment.

Farms, Farm Land For Sale

ESTATE SETTLEMENT - For Sale, 117 acres cultivated in CTRP, 25 acres pasture, some fences. KC - \$46,000.00 cash.

ELI GRAY FARM - One mile north of Rochester, west of railroad tracks. **Sold**

THE LEA FARM - Approximately 215 acres of which 137 are in cultivation. Good house with central air conditioner and one car garage. Large living room, two bedroom, one bath, **HIGHWAY FRONTAGE ON TWO SIDES.**

Farm & Ranch Land Wanted

I have a buyer that is looking for farm and ranch land, small or large tracts. Give me a call if you would like to sell. Call David Counts, (817) 658-3211.

102 N. Ave. A. (817) 658-3211 or 658-3390
Charlene Brothers: 658-3428 - 8:00 to 6:00



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658-3062 After 4 P.M. & Weekends

NEWLY REMODELED two bedroom, 1 3/4 bath with privacy fence and storage building, Jenn Air, cooktop stove, dishwasher, 805 South Second.

LARGE TWO STORY HOME IN BENJAMIN - Five bedroom, two baths on large lot. Close to school.

COUNTRY HOME - Three bedroom, two baths on 2.2 acres with several outbuildings and a satellite system, water well. Priced right. Shown by appointment only, 1 1/2 miles north.

EXCELLENT PRICE - Three bedroom, one and one-half bath, brick home in nice neighborhood of a corner lot, 407 South Central.

LOTS FOR SALE - Two 100 ft. lots, one lot has a 20 x 40 RV garage and water well. Across from the care home on Avenue F.

LARGE THREE BEDROOM, three bath, den with fireplace, formal dining and living room, new carpet, new central air and new water heater. 201 SE Second.

NEW LISTING - Priced to sell. Three bedroom, two bath, central heat and air. 401 East Main. Excellent price.

NEW LISTING - Four bedroom, two bath, central heat, excellent price. 1006 South Third.

FOR SALE - Two bedroom, one bath, vinyl siding, 205 S. Avenue F. Priced right.

NEW LISTING - Trailer house on large corner lot. Three bedroom, one bath with appliances. Water well. 501 North Second.

NEW LISTING - Two bedroom, one bath house on approximately 1/2 acre at the north edge of city limits on Highway 6.

NEW LISTING - Two bedroom, one bath with new steel siding, water well at 1105 South Fourth.

NEW LISTING - Very nice older home. Three bedroom, one and three-quarter bath with basement. Corner lot in good neighborhood. Myrtle White home, 405 South Third.

FARMS

70 ACRES cultivated land with two irrigation wells.

Call about our many other listings!

Legal Notice

MISSION IS GIVEN TO COME UPON THE SAME.
GENE W. WILLINGHAM
A.B. WHARTON 52

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Hunt Oil Company, 415 W. Wall, Suite 1300, P.O. Box 1350, Midland, Texas 79702 has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Tannehill and Strawn 5400 formations in the S.B. Burnett Estate Well No. NA-8. The proposed injection well is located 17 miles southeast of Guthrie, Texas in the Anne Tandy (Strawn 5400) Field, King County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval as follows: NA-39 - 2668'-2690', UUU-23 - 2666'-2726'.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or request for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 (Telephone 512/463-6790).

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 17 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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Legal Notice

ANYONE CURRENTLY having permission to hunt or fish on the Bateman Ranch need to contact new owners, (806) 793-2458, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. 3-16 tlc 30

Real Estate

FOR SALE - Four Bedroom, two bath country home. Pavement all the way from town. 5 1/2 miles. Big den, huge fireplace, large living room, utility, and half the acre. Fruit trees, barn, irrigation well, large tank, five acres. Call (817) 658-3342 or 658-3330. 3-8 tlc 41

180 ACRES, 6 miles west of O'Brien FM 2229, 75 cultivation, 105 pasture, 29% down, balance at 10%, \$35,000.00. Esther Conn, Hartsfield Realty, (817) 658-3904. 2-23 tlc 27

FOR LEASE - Two story home with large yard. Storage shed and cellar. Call 658-3076. 2-23 tlc 14

FOR SALE - Three bedroom, two bath, nice utility room, large walk-in closets, built-in appliances, central/H/A, privacy fence, carport and storage, \$19,000.00. (817) 256-2070, (817) 658-3773. 3-2 tlc 4p

Help Wanted

KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT AND KNOX COUNTY needs to fill one position Office Clerk. Resumes may be sent to the Knox County Appraisal District, P.O. Box 47, Benjamin, Texas. Resumes will be taken through March 24, 1995. Questions may be directed to the offices at (817) 454-3891 or (817) 454-2411. All applications will be equally considered regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, or age. 3-2 3tc 69

WANTED - Person with an aptitude in new and used steel prices to operate a reusables yard. Knowledge of weights, grades, plates, pipe, angles, flat, etc. required. Must be able to operate loader, cutting torch. Resume, References to Bruce Fisher, Bell Group, 1326 Burk Burnett Road, Wichita Falls, Texas 76304. 3-16 2tc 48

GIRLING HEALTH CARE, INC. Home Care Attendants - Needed in Knox City and surrounding areas to help with housekeeping and personal care. For more information, call 1-800-665-4471. 3-16 2tc 28

THE KNOX COUNTY Aging Service is accepting applications for a part-time kitchen worker. Must be 55 or older and in good health. Must qualify under S.T.E.P. (Senior Texas Employment Program, funded by the U.S. Department of Labor). This is an equal employment opportunity, no discrimination against race, color, or national origin. Four hours a day, five days a week. For information, call (817) 658-3618. 3-16 2tc 69

FULLTIME VNEEDED - Contact Mediplex Home Health, 134 E. Main, Munday, (817) 422-4505. 3-16 tlc 15

CITY OF KNOX CITY has one position open - Outside Maintenance, full-time, experience in water and sewer and equipment operations, prefer CDL. Apply in person, Position open until filled. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer 3-16 2tc 37

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Notice

SEYMOUR TRADE DAYS - Downtown Seymour, Arts & Crafts, Antiques & Collectibles, Treasures & Junk, Live Entertainment, Good Food, Fiddling Contest and More...First Weekend of Each Month...Starting April 1 and 2, 1995...Booth Information - Contact Seymour Chamber of Commerce (817) 888-2921. 3-2 tlc 43

ANYONE INTERESTED in leasing land for day hunting, wild hogs, etc. Call (817) 658-5125 after 5:00 p.m. 3-16 tlc 18

FREE PUPPIES - 1/2 Spaniel, 1/2 Chow-mixed. Call Sherry or Rhonda, days (817) 422-4115; after 5, (817) 422-4796 or 658-3855. 3-16 tlc 20

AUCTION - Larry Deering Moving Sale, March 18, 10 A.M., Johnson Melon Barn, four miles east of Knoxville City on Hwy. 222. Pack Rat Auctioneers, Charles Pack #8528, 658-5152. 3-16 tlc 1p

Bid Notice

CITY OF BENJAMIN is accepting bids for the water fowl hunting rights on the city lake to be opened April 10, 1995, at City Hall, Box 286, Benjamin, TX 79505. 3-16 tlc 30

Legal Notice

LEGAL NOTICE - THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 30.05 OF THE PENAL CODE OF TEXAS - (CRIMINAL TRESPASS SENATE BILL III LEGISLATURE), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL LANDS OF THE W.T. WAGGONER ESTATE ARE POSTED - SAVE AND EXCEPT WHERE WRITTEN PER-

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By Audle Johnston

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HERE AND THERE

Visiting Irby and Johnnie Carlisle last week and over the weekend were Tom and Frankie Carlisle of Tulia, Irby Fox of Arlington, Jim Bob, Robin,

March 22 Is Filing Deadline For City, School

Readers are reminded that next Wednesday, March 22, is the deadline for candidates to file for both the city and school elections.

Interested persons have until April 11 to file for the hospital board. However, in the Knox County Hospital District election, to be held in connection with the city and school elections, applicants must submit a petition containing 25 signatures of property owners.

As of presstime, City Hall reported that Tommie 'Bud' Reynolds and Stan Wojcik have signed up for mayor, incumbent Carol Felts for the one year term, and incumbent Jerry Curd for a two year term.

Incumbent Dwayne Johnson and Jerry Williams have filed for the school board, and as spring break is underway at the school this week, no word was available on any other applications.

Incumbent Greg Clonts has filed for the hospital board.

Elementary Students Collecting For AHA

Knox City Elementary students, grades one through four, are doing their part by helping the American Heart Association.

Students are collecting donations as their contribution in the "Jump Rope For Heart" campaign.

Donations will be collected through Tuesday, March 21, according to Greta Waldrip, elementary PE instructor.

Justin and Kelcee Hasten and Linda and Amanda Reed of Anton. Amanda will spend the week with them.

Claudale and Jean Barnard spent the weekend with their daughter, Claudia Bryant and husband Eddie, Jennifer and Jon in Levelland and visited Jean's sister, Virginia Smith, who is in the Methodist Hospital there after having surgery and is doing fine while her husband Charlie is taking treatments for an ailment he has been through.

Marvin Manning has been in Springtown for several days visiting his daughters Marvelene Lancaster and families and Jean and Larry Gibson and families. He returned home today.

Spending the weekend with Ranzy and Adelle Herring were their grandson Andy Hines and wife Tami, Haleigh and Austin Hines and Kevin Urbanczyk Jr. of Lubbock, Lyndel and Sara Reeves of Munday and Aderle and Doris Herring and Ken, Cheryl, Garrett, Trent and Shea Herring of Junction.

George Hodges is having surgery in an Abilene hospital this Monday. He will be having heart surgery and will need everyone's prayers.

Bonnie Peysen and Rhonda Ainsworth were in Dallas last week for Rhonda to have a checkup with her doctor there. She is doing well and will be returning to her home in Childress after spending several days with her mother, Bonnie and Johnny.

A Gideon Speaker Perry Evans of Abilene brought the message at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning. Due to bad weather Sunday night, there were no church services. C.H. Underwood was to have been the speaker for the evening worship service.

Sammie Murry of Plainview is spending a few days with her parents, Grady and Beatrice Ellis.

Rex and Wanda Davies of Plainview visited Janoma Stephens last week and several other residents of this area.

Charlene Brothers was in Abilene Saturday to attend and help celebrate the birthday of her grandson, Chase Brothers. Chase was two years old March 10. He is the son of Craig and Lori Brothers, grandson of J.O. and Charlene Brothers and Rick and Janice Kelly of Abilene. Helping celebrate his birthday were also great-grandmothers Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Glover, both of Abilene, several cousins and uncles of Abilene.

"Quiplets - When my son Justin was in the first grade, his class put together a cookbook for the parents. Each child was supposed to stand in front of the class and tell about a favorite food that his or her mother prepared. The teacher would then write up the recipe. When it was Justin's turn, he described how I make biscuits. "The hardest part," he announced, "is making sure you have all the paper off the can before you hit it on the counter."

Faculty, Firemen Game Monday Night At 7:30

The Knox City Volunteer Firemen will take on the Knox City School Faculty during their annual game Monday night in the high school gym. The action will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The evening promises to be fun-filled as usual for both the participants and spectators.

Two games will be played on Monday night, possibly with some of the Hound basketball team members for the second game, fire department officials said.

Fire department members will have a "special surprise" planned at halftime.

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What percentage of Americans say there is a health care crisis? A. 2% B. 64% C. 84%
ANSWER: C

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Knox City Calendar Of Events

Wednesday, March 15
 - Lions Club Lunch at noon, First United Methodist Church.
 - Meeting of KC Study Club, 2:00 p.m.
Friday, March 17
 - St. Patrick's Day.
Monday, March 20
 - Meeting of Girl Scouts at 4:00 p.m.
 - Meeting of Fire Department at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 21
 - Celebrate, this is the first day of Spring!
 - School: Girls Golf Tournament in Knox City.
Wednesday, March 22
 - Lions Club Lunch at noon, First United Methodist Church.
 - School: Spring pictures, all grades.
Thursday, March 23
 - School: Zone One Act Play Contest in Munday.
Saturday, March 25
 - School: High School Track Meet in Aspermont.

Sunday, March 26
 - Revival begins at First Baptist Church, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Monday, March 27
 - School: Boys Tennis, Archer City Invitational in Wichita Falls.
 - Revival continues at First Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 28
 - School: Girls Tennis, Archer City Invitational in Wichita Falls.
 - School: UIL Literary in Munday.
 - Revival Continues at First Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 29
 - Lions Club Lunch at noon, First United Methodist Church.
 - Revival ends at First Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 30
 - School: District One Act Play Contest in Petersburg.
 - School: Junior High Track Meet in Knox City.
Friday, March 31
 - School: District UIL Literary Contest in Munday.
 - School: End of six weeks.

To have your meetings or events listed in the calendar of events, just call the NEWS office at 658-3142 or drop us a note at P.O. Drawer 9 in Knox City, 79529.

Twenty-Six Report For Bloodmobile On March 7

Twenty-six persons reported for the March 7 Bloodmobile, according to chairman Charlene Brothers. Twenty-four were able to give blood.

Charles S. Auburg became a three gallon donor during the recent drive. Mr. Auburg cited his reason for giving as "to help".

Presenting themselves as donors were Peggy McGaughey, Rita Rosencranz, E.G. Ivie, Charles S. Auburg, Vicki Brandon, Tammy Gonzales, Evelyn Shelton, Jimmy R. Albus, L. Jane Rowan, David Daniel, Donna Daniel, Amy Daniel, Leon Watson, Farrell Lemings, Diana Casillas, Michelle Parker, Danny C. Parker, Sharla Carver, Eileen Rolo, Barry Rolo, Paul Taylor, Leeland Tucker, Johnny Helms, Roland Marion, Dick Evatt and Janice Vacek.

Furnishing refreshments were M System, Citizens Bank, First Baptist Church and Foursquare Church of Knox City, O'Brien

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Ladies helping with registration and serving the refreshments that afternoon were Rita Rosencranz, Ramona Helms, Ruth Rhodes, Audie Johnston and Stella Carver, chairman. Mrs. Brothers was grateful to those that helped or furnished refreshments that afternoon and also to the Knox County Aging Service for the use of their building.

Twenty-six persons came and 24 were able to donate. This was a good turnout considering the weather and all the sickness, Mrs. Brothers said. The goal was for 30 pints. Mrs. Brothers commented that "maybe we can reach this and go over the next time."

area. Applications and essays must be sent to M. Gene Dow, WTPA Scholarship Chairman, P.O. Drawer 1200, Seminole, TX 79360, and be postmarked on or before June 16, 1995.

Scholarship recipients will be chosen by the directors of the West Texas Press Association and will be announced at the Association's Annual Convention, July 20-22, 1995, in San Angelo, Texas.

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Applications are now being accepted from high school seniors and junior and senior college students for two \$500 college scholarships, according to Stacy Angle Thompson, publisher of *The Knox County News*.

The *Knox County News* is a member of the West Texas Press Association, the world's largest press organization because of the vast geographic area it encompasses. In 1993, membership was extended to include newspapers in Eastern New Mexico. The Association will be presenting scholarships to two future journalists in print media whose career goals include working with a community newspaper.

Through the Bob Craig Memorial Scholarship program, named in honor of longtime *Hamlin Herald* publisher Bob Craig who died in 1981, a graduating high school senior and a college junior or senior will each be presented with a \$500 scholarship.

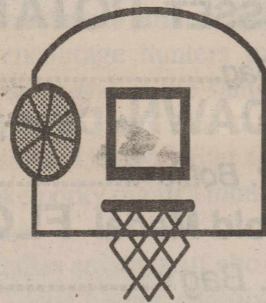
The scholarship will be divided into payments of \$250 per semester for two semesters for each of the two scholarship winners. The winners must be enrolled in at least three hours of college or university journalism courses each semester that the scholarship is awarded.

Each applicant must fill out an application form and write an essay based on the theme "My Future and Career Plans in Community Journalism."

One scholarship will be presented to a graduating high school senior and the other will be presented to a student who is already attending a college or university as a print journalism or advertising major.

Application forms have been sent to member newspapers and high schools through the West

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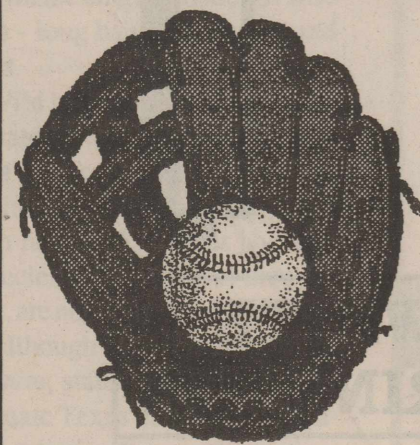
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 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
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 Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.

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Commissioners Court Minutes

February 13, 1995
Regular Session

The Knox County Commissioners Court met in regular session on February 13, 1995, in the District Courtroom in the Knox County Courthouse with following members present, to-wit: Leonard Phipps, Commissioner, Precinct 1; Jerry Parker, Commissioner, Precinct 2; Philip Homer, Commissioner, Precinct 3; Johnny Birkenfeld, Commissioner, Precinct 4; and Judge David Perdue, presiding. Also attending were Mike Carlson, Judie Whitten and Danny Speck.

Minutes of the January 9, 1995, meetings were presented to the Court. Leonard Phipps made a motion to approve the minutes. Johnny Birkenfeld seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Judge Perdue opened the bid proposals for Knox County Group Health Insurance. The court agreed to study each proposal before making any decisions.

Judge Perdue presented a letter from Corinne New concerning the voting place for Precinct #3. The present place of voting was damaged in a storm and is not safe to use. Philip Homer made a motion to submit the paperwork necessary to change the voting place. Leonard Phipps seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Court received an application for Water Discharge Permit Renewal in Knox City. The Court has no comment on application.

Richard Agee of Condley & Co. in Abilene presented the annual audit for Knox County. Richard Agee stated that the auditors found no major problems in the audit. Condley & Co. is to work up a proposal for training of County Treasurer Judie Whitten and forward proposal to Judge Perdue. Philip Homer made a motion to approve the audit. Leonard Phipps seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Ronnie Ainsworth, Game Warden, approached the Court to amend the budget for \$600.00 to fund his office. Leonard Phipps made a motion to amend the budget. Johnny Birkenfeld seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Judge Perdue presented a letter from Hardeman County pertaining to quail hunting season being changed to 60 days. After discussion was held Leonard Phipps made a motion to adopt a resolution with quail season beginning the second Saturday in November through the second Sunday of January. Judge Perdue to draw up resolution and send to Representative David Counts and Senator Tom Haywood. Jerry Parker seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Edmund Tomanek and Louis Baty talked to the Court concerning water drainage that has caused water to drain onto their property. Philip Homer will check into the matter and see if the County is responsible or if the changes were on private property.

Leonard Phipps reported on the railroad corridor status. Leonard informed the Court that NorTex okayed the grants and they are to be presented the last of February for further consideration.

Johnny Birkenfeld stated that he had no new information to report concerning RC&D support of courthouse renovation.

Jerry Parker informed the Court that materials for new roof on the County Jail would be about \$5,789.00. The labor would be furnished by county employees. Johnny Birkenfeld made a motion to purchase the materials needed for the roof. Leonard seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Philip Homer talked about the Area Agency on Aging fiscal responsibilities. Philip reported that the State is paying less and the counties are having to pay more of the cost for the agencies. Also discussed was ways agency could reach more of the individuals that needed the services offered. No action needed.

Judge Perdue presented a letter from Texas County & District Retirement System relating to the adoption of the Annually Determined Contribution Rate plan effective January 1, 1995. The letter was for information and no action required.

Paul Weiser, Knox County Extension Agent, talked to the Court about the need for a structural pest control license to spray chemical along roadside. Paul also informed that the survey of Commissioner's Courts of all counties was used to determine the topics and agenda for County Judge and Commissioners Training seminar to be held in Vernon on March 23, 1995.

Judge Perdue presented the bid for county depository for 1995 and 1996 from Citizens Bank in Knox City, which was the only bid received. Jerry Parker made a motion to accept Citizens Bank as the county depository. Johnny Birkenfeld seconded the motion. All voted in favor with Commissioner Philip Homer and Judge Perdue abstaining.

All commissioners agreed to attend the West Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association meeting in Abilene. Judge Perdue is to send in to pre-register all attending.

Judge Perdue talked about some of the Legislative activities on proposed bills that will be coming up before the legislature. No action needed.

Judie Whitten, County Treasurer, presented all accounts and financial statements. Leonard Phipps made a motion to approve all accounts. Second was made by Johnny Birkenfeld. All voted in favor.

Sheriff Mike Carlson approached the Court about the problems the Sheriff's Department has been hav-

ing with radio communications. The Court directed Mike to get more information on what needs to be done to correct the problem and report back to them with more information. Mike also reported that the County is paying for a maintenance agreement on computer system in Sheriff's Office. Mike was informed that the system is outdated and parts are not available anymore. The Court agreed to have Monroe Co. look at the system. Mike talked to the Court about the need for new floor coverings in the office and living area. The Court decided that the roof needed to be repaired before anything on the floor coverings was decided.

Judge Perdue talked to the Court about the compensation paid to the members of the Juvenile Board. The payments have been paid out of the salary fund and not the general fund in the past three years and need to be paid from the general fund by law. If compensation is paid out of the general fund in the past three years and need to be paid from the general fund by law. If compensation is paid out of the general fund no withholdings are taken out. Tressurer Judie Whitten went on record that she was not the person that requested to be placed on the agenda. Judge Perdue stated the law speaks to how payment of compensation is to be paid and that it has been that way for the past years he has been in office. Philip Homer made a motion to contact the auditors, Condley & Co., to get their opinion on the matter. The motion died for lack of a second. The Court agreed to have Judge Perdue contact the auditors and get IRS ruling on the matter.

Jerry Parker made a motion to adjourn. Leonard Phipps seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

All foregoing minutes were read and approved on this the 13th day of March, 1995.

ATTEST:
DANNY SPECK
KNOX COUNTY CLERK
DAVID N. PERDUE
KNOX COUNTY JUDGE

(The foregoing minutes have not been approved or accepted by the Knox County Commissioners Court.)

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Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

We finally got a little rain on Sunday after several days of gusty winds. The rain came with a threat of turbulence but nothing severe happened. As usual, our weather watchers were out scanning the skies and had something really bad shown up, they would have let us know. We appreciate them so very much.

The news of our ill remains about the same. Bud Clower is hanging in there and reportedly responding well to his course of treatment. He is still in Houston and will be for many days to come. I'm sure a word of encouragement, a card or any form of correspondence would be appreciated by Bud and his family.

His address is Bud Clower, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Lutheran Pavilion #1233, 1515 Holcombe Blvd., Houston, TX 77030.

Lewis Lyles underwent heart catharization in Wichita Falls Friday and is also reported to be doing well. Plans are for him to go to Baylor Hospital in Dallas in

a few days for further therapy. Leroy West has had some pretty good days but on Sunday I learned he was not feeling too well. Hope by now his latest problem has been controlled.

Carolyn Koepf's mom, Jo Dean Scott, is not doing well. Her doctors have discontinued her chemo treatments and I have not heard what course of treatment will be next. Carolyn and her family is in Waco to be with her mom.

Bill Spikes was in Wichita Falls Wednesday for a checkup with his doctor. All's well for right now and Bill doesn't have to go back for three months. That is indeed good news.

SYMPATHY EXTENDED
I send my heartfelt sympathy to Hank and Linda Wagner today. Linda's mother, Willie Carr, passed away last week and the Wagners have been in Haytie, Missouri, for the funeral.

Also sympathy is extended to Homer and Jan Rolston and family. Homer's mother passed away last week in Denver City after a

lengthy illness. **HERE 'N THERE**

Dean Anderson was a recent visitor in the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Dorothy and Bill Spikes. Dean is moving from Iredale to Kerrville to make her home.

Rachel Duke is spending this week with Erin Koepf and her family in the Waco area.

Keith, Pam and Casey Conner of Forsan visited the first of the week with homefolks and friends. Stephanie Conner of Texas Tech is spending spring break here.

Johnny Brannan of Abilene visited his mom, Gertrude Brannan, on Sunday.

Rosalee McGreger of Crowell visited her son and daughter-in-law, Fred and Nancy, last week.

Phil and Rebekah Boone of Wichita Falls visited her parents, Pam and Dennis Duke, Zeke and Rachel and other relatives and friends during the weekend. Phil is doing his practice teaching at Hirschi High.

VISITS SONS

Jack Fisher traveled to Dallas Wednesday of last week for a medical check-up and to visit his son Danny Fisher and family.

On Thursday he and Danny drove to Waco and picked up his other son Jackie for a trip to College Station where Danny conducted a seminar on Friday for Life Underwriters. Jack reported that a drawing was held following the seminar and the grandson of former Knox City resident Carol Colson was the winner.

After playing golf with Jackie on Saturday, Jack returned home Sunday afternoon.

Wild Hogs, A Nuisance To Most, Are Attracting Hunters To Area

In the Sunday, March 5, 1995, edition of *The Dallas Morning News*, a feature story appeared on the feral, or better known in this area, wild hogs, and termed by area residents as a 'growing nuisance in rural Texas.' However, wild hogs are becoming more popular with hunters, who can sometime redeem an unsuccessful deer-hunting trip by bagging a boar. Their heads look good as wall trophies, especially if the curled tusks are three to five inches long.

Scott Parks, staff writer of *The Dallas Morning News*, interviewed Benjamin resident Chad Tolson, who estimates he has wrestled 3,600 wild hogs to market in the last three years. Most farmers and ranchers characterize the hairy, powerfully built wild hogs as worthless, but they are treasures to Chad as he is the first link in an unlikely enterprise that is turning the wild hog meat into \$35 entrees at elegant big-city restaurants.

Charles Durham, general manager of the Spike Box Ranch, a 100,000 acre spread near Benjamin, said the hogs were good for nothing except being a nuisance. "I've seen 'em tear up one of those round 1,500 pound bales of hay, but Chad is doing a pretty good job of keeping them thinned out around here," Durham said.

Chad pays the Spike Box a percentage of what he makes on the hogs for the privilege of trapping on the ranch, but he did not say how much, according to the story.

Wildlife biologists say feral hogs are not native to Texas.

Spanish explorers introduced European swine to the New World in the 1600s. During the last 100 years, some ranchers also have stocked their rangeland with European or Russian boars for hunting.

Some of today's wild hogs are also the descendants of domestic swine that have escaped. After 12 or 15 generations of freedom, they take on the characteristics of wild hogs - long hair, long snout, and tusks.

Wild hogs now range through 23 states, with the largest populations in Texas, California, and Florida. In Arkansas, they call them razorbacks. Texas javelina, a species also known as the peccary, are not related to feral swine.

Although no one really knows for sure, state wildlife biologists estimate Texas' feral hog population at one million and growing. With a gestation period of 115 days, sows can have up to three litters a year. Litters usually consist of six to ten piglets.

Southern Wild Game Inc., an Australian-owned slaughterhouse in Devine, Texas, buys most of Chad's hogs. Southern Wild Game is located in the heart of wild hog country just southwest of San Antonio, about 425 miles south of Benjamin.

Preferred Meats Inc. of Dallas buys its wild hog meat from Southern Wild Game, and according to the article, sells it to some of the finest restaurants in Dallas.

Wild hog hunting is available in the area and some farmers and ranchers encourage hunters to enjoy the sport and at the same time, help them get rid of the animal described by the writer as looking like porky pig in a monster costume.

In the Dallas article, staff photographer David Leeson contributed to the report.

KC Circle Club To Meet Tuesday

The KC Circle Club will meet Tuesday, March 21, at 7:00 p.m. in the home of Rita Rosencranz, 501 South Third (East).

At the February 14 meeting, Jane Rowan gave the program, "Ounce Prevention Worth A Pound Cure".

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Judy Anderson's Brother Dies March 9

Graveside rites for Marshall Martin, brother of former Knox City resident Judy Anderson of Haskell, were held March 11 at Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi. Mr. Martin, 64, died March 9 at Lake-land Medical Center in New Orleans.

Survivors include two sons, four brothers, and four sisters. His parents, a son, a daughter, a brother, and a sister preceded him in death.

Child Welfare Donations

Donations have been made to the Knox County Child Welfare Board in memory of:

Ray McWhorter
by Pansy Russell, Craig and Debbie Wilde and family, Lynward and Juanita Wilcox, and Gary (Bim) and Alba Wilcox and Miriam of El Paso; and Delbert Smart

by Pansy Russell, Craig and Debbie Wilde and family, Lynward and Juanita Wilcox and Gary (Bim) and Alba Wilcox and Miriam of El Paso.

FROM DALLAS

Bobby Arnold and Leah Glover, both of Dallas, visited Barney Arnold last weekend.

Benjamin ISD Board Minutes

March 9, 1995
Meeting in regular session on Thursday, March 9, the Benjamin ISD Board of Trustees approved the adoption of new textbooks for the 1995-96 school year. Textbook or learning systems adopted were in Kindergarten, grade 1-8 music, and Junior high Earth Science. Also approved were high school texts in art, accounting, health, economics and world geography.

In other action, trustees voted to request admission to the Clay-Jack County Coop Health Benefit Plan. If admitted, this plan could provide greatly reduced health insurance costs for Benjamin ISD employees.

Board members also voted to

renew contracts for all professional personnel for the 1995-96 year. The board also heard reports from Superintendent Weldon Koepf on current enrollment and attendance figures. Attendance figures are up 10% over figures of a year ago. Higher attendance figures will mean additional state aid for the district.

Three places on the school board will be up for election at the May 6 election. These places are currently held by Tim Home, Wyman Meinzer and Jack Whitten.

Persons wishing to run may pick up an application for a place on the ballot at the school office. The deadline for filing is March 22 at 5:00 p.m.

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Nominations Are Now Being Taken For 'Most Appreciated Citizen'

The Knox City Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for the "E. Hob Smith Memorial Award" which is Knox City's "Most Appreciated Citizen" to be presented at the April 4 Chamber Banquet. Those wishing to make nominations for this award are asked to fill out the following ballot and return it to the Chamber Office or mail to Knox City Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 91, Knox City, TX 79529 by Friday, March 24.

I would like to nominate

for the "E. Hob Smith Memorial Award" because

(If additional space is needed, please attach information to form.)

Storm Threatens KC Area Sunday

Turbulent spring weather paid its first call on this area Sunday.

A strong, solid line of thunderstorms marched across several area counties from west to east, over the space of several hours late Sunday afternoon and evening.

Rain, lightning, and crashing thunder with some peaseize hail hit here about 5:15 p.m. and the storm siren sounded for the first time this year.

Rainfall amounts ranged from .6 to over one inch, and every drop was needed. The wheat crop had gone just about as far as it could with the dry conditions.

Cleaning Day Ahead? Organize Those Supplies

By Ruth Ann Chambers

(NU) - Dear Ruth Ann: Here's my problem: Whenever I'm able to set aside a few hours for cleaning, I spend most of the time hunting for my supplies. I can't find anything in that black hole builders call a cabinet under the sink.

Discouraged

Dear Discouraged:

First, brighten that black hole with some pretty shelf liner. For instance, Rubbermaid's coverings come in a variety of prints and solids. One is sure to boost your spirits for the work ahead.

Some more suggestions:

- Get a head start. The evening before your next cleaning day, drag every thing out of that "black hole." Throw away the empty and nearly-empty cans and bottles, along with the products you bought on a whim but will never use.

Also, consolidate half-bottles of the same product to make full ones.

- Organize your supplies. Invest in some organizers so your supplies will be easy to find. One new product line, Rubbermaid's Slide 'n Stack Baskets, comes with an easy-to-mount track so the bottom basket slides forward while smaller baskets slip on top. You can design your own storage around awkward pipes or garbage disposals.

Also, watch for a new Cleaning Step Stool that holds tall "trigger-type" cleaning sprays inside. Use the step stool to reach high windows and other hard-to-reach areas.

WTU Files Rate Review As Previously Announced By PUC In Austin

West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) will file a rate review with the Public Utility Commission of Texas in Austin, as previously announced by the company last August. A similar filing will also be made with several of the cities WTU serves.

After performing a study on the cost of providing service, WTU determined that a \$14.6 million increase was fully justified. If approved, such an increase would be spread over WTU's 52,000 square-mile customer service territory. The average bill for a typical residential customer could increase by \$7, based on the average usage of 1,000 kwh per month.

In a separate action, WTU announced a settlement offer to parties in the proceeding that could continue a base rate revenue reduction of \$5.9 million. Under the settlement proposal, the bill for a typical residential customer could be \$1 to \$2 less per month than their bill under the current permanent rates. The company established a period until April 17, 1995, to consider this settlement.

"As part of the proposal that would position WTU for the future, we are introducing new pricing structures to help us attract and retain business in West Texas," Keith Edwards, area manager, said.

Under WTU's proposal, new pricing structures would result in some customers experiencing an overall rate decrease greater than the current interim reduction of 3.25 percent. At the same time, some customers would experience an overall rate decrease of less than 3.25 percent. But, with the exception of standby customers, no customer would see their overall rates increase above rates in

effect prior to October 1. However, WTU said it won't know what the final outcome will be until after the conclusion of either a settlement or hearings.

WTU's base rates have not increased since 1987. Since that time, the Consumer Price Index has increased 34.2 percent, while consumer goods such as automobiles have increased 62.6 percent and postage stamps have gone up 44.5 percent.

"WTU has a mutual interest with our cities in seeing West Texas grow and prosper. Because of our continuing competitive initiative, we have presented a proposal to maintain the overall base rate revenue at the reduced level of 3.25 percent," Edwards said.

"We believe this proposal will ensure continuing economic growth and prosperity in West Texas," Edwards added.

Recognizing The Role Of Grandparents

By Patty Brandt, Resident Representative in Vernon

More and more grandparents find themselves assuming the role of parents in the absence of their own children because of death or disability. When this happens, Social Security may recognize the grandparent as the "parent" for benefit purposes.

When the grandparent retires, becomes disabled, or dies, the grandchild may be able to qualify for benefits if certain conditions are met. Generally, the biological parents of the child must be deceased or disabled, or the grandchild must be legally adopted by the grandparent.

In addition, the grandchild must have begun living with the grandparent before age 18 and received at least one half support from the grandparent for the year before the month the grandparent became entitled to retirement or disability insurance benefits or died. Also, the natural parents of the child must not be making regular contributions to his or her support.

If the grandchild was born during the one-year period, the grandparent must have lived with and provided at least one-half of the grandchild's support for substantially all of the period from the date of the grandchild's birth to the month the grandparent became entitled to disability or retirement benefits.

The grandchild may qualify for benefits under these circumstances even if he or she is a stepgrandchild. However, if the grandparents are already receiving benefits, they would need to adopt the child for it to qualify for benefits.

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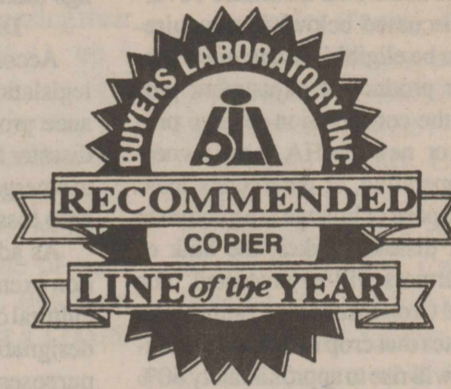
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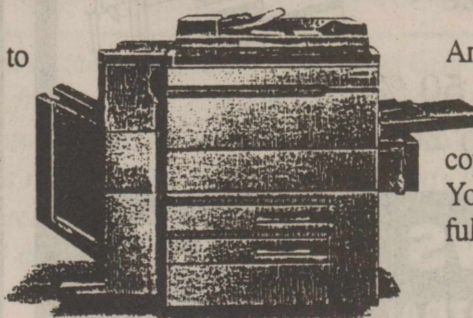
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Reform Act Brings Changes To Farmers' Crop Insurance

The Crop Insurance Reform Act of 1994 signed into law on October, 1994, overhauled the government crop insurance program by combining multiple peril crop insurance (MPCI) and disaster assistance benefits into a single program. The law also requires farm program and FmHA loan participants to participate in the new catastrophic crop insurance (CAT) program to remain eligible for benefits.

In addition, the law expands the government crop insurance program to provide some financial protection to farmers who plant otherwise non-insurable crops when natural disasters damage or destroy crops and creates a legal barrier against further ad-hoc crop disaster programs.

The Crop Insurance Reform Act of 1994 is quite complex, but can be generally summarized into five new program concepts as follows:

Catastrophic (CAT) Insurance

A new CAT insurance program is now available to farmers of insured crops (insurable crops listed under MPCI) for a nominal administrative fee of \$50 per crop per county, but not to exceed \$200 per producer per county, up to a maximum of \$600 per producer for all counties in which a producer has insured crops. If, for example, a farmer plants cotton, corn, wheat, oats and three insurable vegetable crops in the same county and wants CAT coverage for all seven, he would pay \$200. The administrative fee may be waived for limited resource farmers.

CAT policies will cover prevented planting as well as crop losses, and will be available based on the Actual Production History Plan (APHP) of MPCI. CAT coverage under APHP provides a coverage level at 50% of the APHP yield and 60% of the expected market price (30% of the total crop value). Farmers may obtain the CAT coverage either through a private insurance company or through a USDA county office. Normally, farmers will be automatically enrolled in CAT when they sign up for the farm program.

Linkage To Farm Programs

To ensure the widest participation, group insurance coverage at the CAT of additional insurance coverage (discussed below) is a requirement to be eligible for any price support or production adjustment program, the conservation reserve program, or new FmHA farm ownership, operating, or emergency loan. The purpose of linkage is a guarantee that, if disaster strikes, the bulk of U.S. farmers will be protected. The Federal Crop Insurance Commission estimates that crop insurance participation will rise to approximately 80% of insurable acres.

Additional Coverage

Higher levels of insurance coverage may be obtained if a producer

desires a higher level of coverage than provided by CAT insurance. Although slightly modified, these higher levels of coverage are also subsidized and the coverage premiums are similar to the old actual production history and/or group coverage plans of MPCI. Farmers wishing additional coverage will pay the difference between CAT and the additional coverage desired.

Additional Coverage under the Group Risk Plan (GRP) is available for wheat, cotton and grain sorghum producers only in specific counties in Texas. GRP is insurance based on the expected county yield rather than individual farm yields. Under GRP, the insured farmer receives a loss payment when, and only when, the county yield is less than the trigger yield.

Loss payments are based solely on the county yield average. The individual farmer's yield is not considered either in computing the yield guarantee or in determination of the loss. The cost for a comparable level of coverage under GRP is likely to be lower than under APHP.

Early estimates indicate the MPCI costs at these higher levels will fall about 10% over the old MPCI premiums. Additional Coverage may only be purchased from private insurers.

Non-Insured Assistance Program (NAP)

A no cost Non-insured Assistance Program (NAP) was added to provide catastrophic coverage for all other crops not otherwise insurable under MPCI. The program is free, but participants must sign up for the program prior to a disaster in order to receive benefits.

The concept is to provide coverage in the NAP program for all crops which have been included in previous disaster assistance programs.

Two things must happen for a producer to be paid under NAP. First, the average area yield for the crop must fall below 65% of the expected area yield established by FCIC. Second, the farm must experience losses in excess of 50% of the established farm yield. If both of these conditions are met, the producer will be paid for losses in excess of 50% of the established farm yield at 60% of the average market price for the crop.

Disaster Relief Repealed

According to the crop insurance legislation, the expanded crop insurance program replaces the need for disaster bills as the Federal response to emergencies involving widespread crop loss.

As added protection, the legislation exempts appropriations for agricultural crop disaster assistance from designation as an "emergency" for purposes of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended. This action essentially places future crop disaster bills on budget, meaning that they would

have to be funded by offsetting spending cuts rather than proceeding as "emergency" spending. Therefore, the primary vehicle for providing crop disaster assistance will be the Federal Crop Insurance program as its legislation originally intended.

COUNTS (From Page One)

alized attention to the needs of students as a few of the benefits for small schools. "Small schools really reach out to students and help bring about a feeling of pride in our students and our communities."

"It comes down to a matter of choice," Counts said. "All the folks I have spoken to have indicated to me that its a choice they want to keep."

Counts also stated that the House should be releasing its own version of a code revision bill in the very near future. "I think the House Bill will be able to accomplish the goals of revising the education codes while better providing for the needs of all schools."

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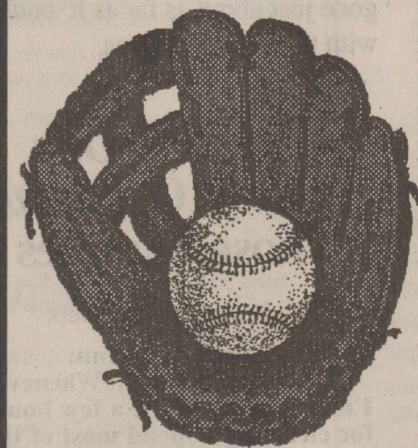
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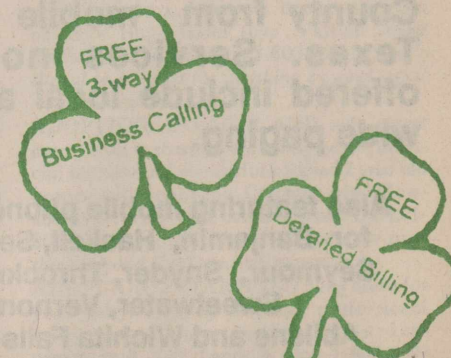
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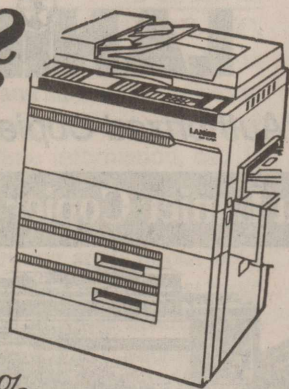
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