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### Sheriff R.L. McFarlin, Jr. is new President

Hansford Co. Sheriff R.L. McFarlin, Jr. has been elected President of Texas Sheriffs' at the 107th annual conference held this year in Corpus Christi. McFarlin will serve during the 1985-86 year. The Sheriffs' Association is the oldest Law Enforcement Association in the United States, being founded in 1878. It is also the largest Sheriffs' Organization.

Sheriff McFarlin, who is 45 years old is now in his fourth term as Sheriff of Hansford County. McFarlin has served Hansford County for 18 years.

He began his law enforcement career in Dumas, Texas in 1961. After spending three years in the military, 30 months of which were spent in Europe.

He also served 2½ years as Police Chief of Canadian, Texas. R.L. is married to the former Kaye Boyles, of

Dumas. R.L. and Kaye met in high school and graduated with the class of '58', and were married in 1961.

Kaye is Director of Nurses at Hansford Hospital. They have two girls, Kelly Kaye, 16, who is a junior at Spearman High School, and Robbie Lynn, 14, who is a freshman at Spearman High School.

They lost their only son, Gregory Scott, in 1972, Greg was 9 years old at the time of his death.

The Sheriff holds an Advanced and Instructive Certificate from the Texas Commission of Law Enforcement Standards and Education.

The Sheriff has received 4 grand jury commendations for investigative and control of dangerous drugs, during his 4 terms in office.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. R.L. McFarlin, Sr. of Dumas.

### School system compared with state averages

State aid to local schools increased by \$1 billion last year to a total of \$4.6 billion. To pay for it, the special session of the legislature last summer enacted the largest tax bill in the state's history.

Not to be outdone, school trustees in the 1,068 local school districts levied the largest school property tax increase in history, \$519 million-for a total tax bill of \$4.1 billion.

Locally the Spearman ISD's tax levy was increased by 11.4% over last year. Gruver ISD's taxes were increased 5.3% and Pringle-Morse ISD went up 25.9%.

The figures come from the latest issue of Bench Marks for 1985-86 School Districts Budgets in Texas, an annual publication of the Texas Research League, and Austin-based, educational corporation engaged in governmental research.

School budgets adopted last year called for spending \$3,103 per student for current operations. Spearman's budget provided for \$4,191.75 with 722 students for current operations expense. Gruver \$4236.57 with 476 students, and Pringle-Morse ISD \$8,904.14 with 71 students.

Four of each five of these dollars were spent for salaries. Statewide payroll expense averaged \$2,487 per student, as compared to Spearman's average of \$3072, Gruver's \$3,159 and Pringle-Morse average of \$5,115.

The average salary for classroom

teachers paid by Spearman in 1983-84 was \$21,511. Gruver, \$21,169 and Pringle-Morse \$19,076. The average among all school districts in Texas was \$20,117 per classroom teacher.

There was an average of one teacher for 13.0 Gruver had 11.9, Pringle-Morse 7.5, Spearman 13.0.

School property tax rates in 1984-85 average \$0.622 per \$100 of market value. The school tax on a property selling for \$100,000 was \$622 in the average school district.

Locally the rate on market value in Spearman ISD was \$666.00, Gruver ISD, \$636.00 and Pringle-Morse, \$582.00 on property selling for \$100,000.

If the property were a homestead or owned by a senior citizen, the school tax would be less because of various exemptions. Open-space land that qualified would be valued on its productivity value rather than market value.

As compared to the billion-dollar increase in state aid last year, only \$129 million more state funds will be distributed to schools next year. Only 492 districts will get more; the other 576 districts will receive less. This strategy to equalize presupposes that local property taxes will remain about the same. However, the large property tax increase last year, the report concludes, substantially negated the equalization improvement that the legislature tried to achieve.



R.L. McFARLIN

### Open Container Law Adopted

On Friday, July 12, 1985 the Gruver City Commission adopted the new City Code. Under Chapter Three, Section 3-1 it is prohibited for any person to consume any alcoholic beverage (as defined in section 1.04(1). V.T.C.S., Alcoholic Beverage Code) while in any of the public parks, streets, alleys, and parking lots within the city.

The possession of an open container of alcoholic beverage shall be deemed prima facie evidence of the consumption of alcoholic beverage.

Possession as used herein shall include being in close proximity to an open container of alcoholic beverage and not just the physical possession of said container.

Open container as used herein shall include bottles or other containers of alcoholic beverage which have the seal broken, but

have the cap or lid on the container, and shall also include containers such as cups, mugs, glasses, thermos bottles and flasks.

Stephen W. Gaines  
Chief of Police

### Notice to off-road riders

This article is addressed to the owners and operators and to the

parents of the owners and operators of all terrain cycles (three and four wheelers), trail bikes, and any other vehicle designed for off the road use.

Over the past few weeks the Gruver Police Department has received numerous complaints from citizens regarding the operation of these vehicles on the streets, highways, and alleys. These complaints include excessive noise, reckless conduct, driving at high rates of speed in the alleys, disregard of other vehicles, and the unauthorized use of these vehicles on private property. There are many others. It does not take one long to realize that a problem does exist with the operation of these vehicles within the City. It is also easy to understand why the Police Department must take strong action to control the problem.

There appears to be a growing concern within the community about these vehicles, so much so that it can not be ignored. It is therefore necessary for the Police Department to issue warning that charges will be filed against those persons who continue to operate these unregistered vehicles on the

streets, highways and alleys.

One problem encountered with a policy of this type is that many of the operators of these vehicles are children. Children much too young to be given the responsibility of operating a vehicle on the streets and highways. Under these circumstances, where the offender is under the age of 14, the parents of the violator will be contacted and instructed where to pick up their child and the child's cycle, and upon contact with the officer, a citation will be issued to the parent for permitting an unlicensed minor to operate the vehicle on the street.

With as much open land as there is around the City, I can not understand why the streets must be used for this activity. I feel certain that if you would contact some of the land owners around the City, that some of them would permit you to use their lands for these activities.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at the City Hall. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Stephen W. Gaines  
Chief of Police

### Gruver man dead

Rex Gruver Shapley, 38, was accidentally killed Tuesday morning when he was attempting to cross over a fence to kill a coyote and his shotgun went off and hit him in the chest.

This was the official ruling of Hansford County officials.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in First United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Gruver Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors in Spearman.

Mr. Shapley was born in Perryton and was a longtime resident of Gruver. He was a farmer and rancher. He was a member of First United Methodist Church. He at-

tended Texas Tech University and Panhandle State University. He was a former city council member and was an avid supporter of Gruver athletics. He was married to Marion Jeffries in 1965 in Gruver.

Survivors include his wife, two sons, Chuck and Bart, both of the home, two daughters, Dala and Tara, both of the home, his mother, Helen Shapley of Gruver, a brother, Tony, of Gruver and a sister, Sherry Beck, of Goodwell, Okla.

The family asks that memorials be made to the Rex Shapley Scholarship fund in care of Gruver State Bank.

### Cooper-Davis Exchange Vows

Capri Cooper and Terry Davis were united in marriage at the First United Methodist Church in Gruver on Saturday, July 27 at 2 in the afternoon. Rev. Kerry Hurst of Lubbock, presided over the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cooper of Gruver, and the groom is a son of Mrs. Penny Davis of Dallas.

Mica Shapley was the maid of honor. The bride was also attended by Celesta Cartrite and Shelly Anners, both of Sunray, and Cami Shapley.

Jim Davis, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen included Terrell Evans and Billy Snyder, both of Spearman, and Jeff Hohertz of Canadian. Seating guests were Chris Cooper and Craig Cooper, brothers of the bride, and Billy Pat Underwood of Spearman.

The groom's nieces, Jamie Seavright of Amarillo and April Vilkerson of Spearman lit tall

tapers. Max Davis, a nephew of the groom, also lit candles and served as ring bearer.

Flower girls were Kasey Davis and Sara Jones, nieces of the groom.

Kim Elbert of Spearman registered the guests.

Mrs. Mary Vermillion of Albuquerque, New Mexico, presented traditional organ prelude and bridal marches and she provided piano accompaniment for Rod Barkley and Betty Chisum, who sang "You and I," "Nobody Loves Me like You Do" and "To Me."

Mrs. Bret Thoreson of Amarillo, Kim Elbert of Spearman, Mrs. Connie Heddings and Andrea Whitaker served cake and punch at the reception in the fellowship hall following the ceremony.

After a honeymoon in the Los Angeles area, the couple will reside in Amarillo. Capri is an education major at West Texas State University, and Terry is employed by Randall County Feeder in Canyon.

PAIGE HOLT



Area teachers recently participated in Super Sounder, one of twenty-seven Educational Short courses offered by Panhandle State University, Goodwell, Ok. The program, developed by Rhonda Craig, uses a multi-sensory approach to teach reading in the

elementary school. Pictured above, left to right, are Twila Boyd, Rhonda Campsey, Texline; Ruth Heckler, Dumas; Darlene Peel, Higgins; Dot Ammons, Booker; Rhonda Craig and Phyllis Phillips, instructors from Enid, Oklahoma.



Teresa Miesner furnished the entertainment at the Station Master's Museum Box Supper Friday night.

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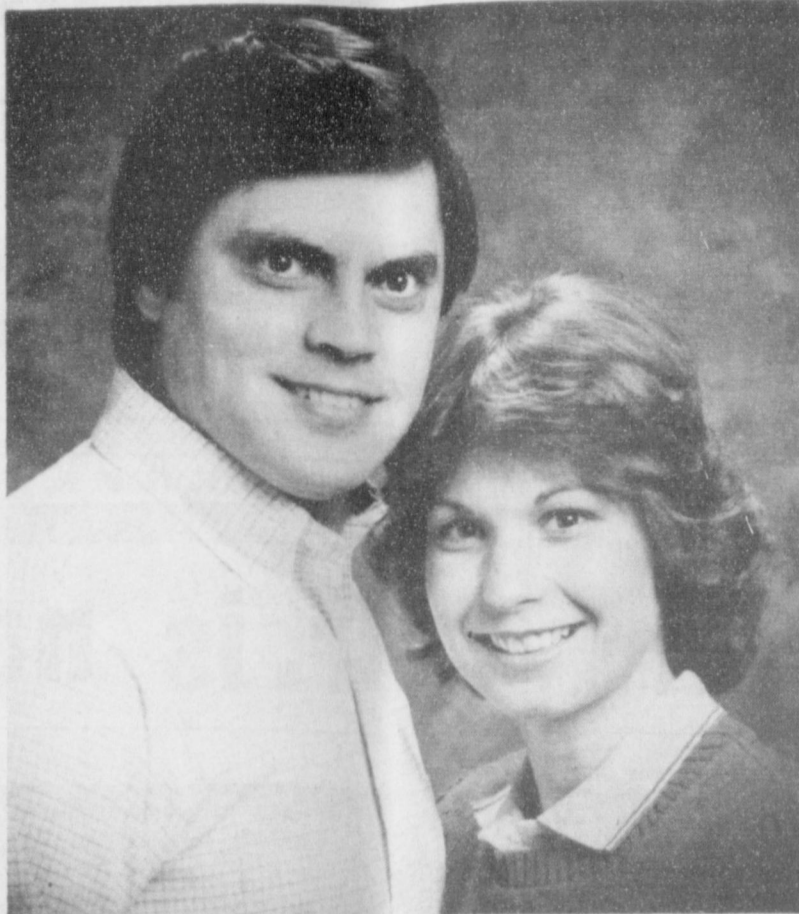
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### Engagement Announced



Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grotegut announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Clara to Jack Edward Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Thompson of Dallas, Texas.

Miss Grotegut, a graduate of Gruver High School, attended Texas State University and is presently employed by the First State Bank of Plugerville, Texas, as a teller. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Phil

Fortin of Umbarger, Texas.

Miss Grotegut's fiance, a graduate of W. T. White High school in Dallas, Texas, is employed by Red Arrow Freight Lines as Terminal Manager in Austin, Texas. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edwards of Arnold, Penn.

The couple will exchange vows on Sept. 14, 1985, at the United Methodist Church in Gruver at 3 in the afternoon.

PAIGE HOLT

### Gray County 4-H youth Rodeo Set

The Gray County 4-H Youth Rodeo will be held August 16 and 17 at the Top of Texas Rodeo Arena in Pampa at 7:30 p.m. each evening. The rodeo is for all youth ages 9-18.

Stock producer for the rodeo is Bill Hext, Canadian. B-Bar-K belt buckles will be awarded to the top winners in each event. All Around buckles will be awarded in each age group. Entries are due in the Gray County Extension Office, Star Route 2, Box 33, Pampa, Texas 79065, by 5:00 p.m. on August 9.

The events include a Heading and Heeling for ages 9-18 to be held Saturday, August 17, at 1:00 p.m. with an entry fee of \$20.00 per team with \$10.00 of this fee to be paid back. Other events include Breakaway Roping, Barrel Racing, Calf Riding, Pole Bending, Flag Race and Goat Tying for ages 9-11.

Events for ages 12-14 include Ribbon Roping, Steer Riding, Breakaway Roping, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, and Goat Tying. Youth ages 15-18 may participate in Bareback Bronc Riding, Bull Riding, Calf Roping, Ribbon Roping, Barrel Racing, Pole Bending, Goat Tying, and Breakaway Roping.

Boys and girls may participate in any event listed for their particular age group. All Around buckles will be awarded in each age group on points awarded in all events entered.

For ages 9-11, the entry fee is \$8.00 per event. The 12-14 year old age group will have an entry fee of \$10.00 per event. The older age group of 15-18 will have a \$20.00 entry fee per event with \$10.00 jackpot.

Events for Pee Wee contestants will be held Saturday afternoon following the Heading and Heeling (2:00 p.m.). Contestants ages 6 and under can compete in a stickhorse barrel race, goat ribbon race, boot scramble race, and sack race.



### Box Supper successful

The box supper and cake walk held Friday night at the Stationmaster's House Museum was termed a success.

Proceeds from the event went to the Museum.

Hazel Stump presents Edward Dear a Hansford County Sovereign medallion. Edward was the auctioneer for the Station Master's House Museum Friday night.

### Handicapped exempt from motor vehicle sales tax

Helen Dry, Hansford County Tax Assessor-Collector and registrar of Motor Vehicles, wishes to remind the orthopedically handicapped they are exempt from the Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Tax when registering a vehicle in their name.

This exemption applies to persons who are either unable to operate, or be transported in, a motor vehicle unless it has been specially modified.

In certain cases a vehicle purchased for the primary purpose of transporting an orthopedically

handicapped person may also be exempt.

A (1) restricted Texas Driver's License requiring a modification of the vehicle, or an (2) invoice or

other appropriate documentation from an installer of special equipment, must be presented to the county tax assessor-collector as verification for the exemption.

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## Boulter to hold town meeting

Continuing with his series of  
district-wide Town Meetings, Con-  
gressman Beau Boulter (R,13) has  
invited the "Citizens of Hansford  
County" to a Town Meeting on  
Wednesday, August 7, at 7:00 P.M.,  
in the Community Room of the First  
State Bank in Spearman, Texas.  
"Over the past seven months",  
Boulter commented, "these meetings  
have been central to keeping me in  
touch with the people of the 13th  
District. We've talked about every-  
thing from farm problems to the Cost  
of Living Adjustments for Social  
Security recipients. While I'm in  
Spearman", Boulter continued, "I  
want to talk first about the 1986  
budget, and then get into whatever  
the folks there want to talk about."  
Boulter was the only freshman

Republican to gain a seat on the  
House Budget Committee, and was  
recently appointed to the House/  
Senate Budget Conference Com-  
mittee which is assigned the task of  
hammering out the differences be-  
tween the budgets passed by the  
house and Senate. "Needless to say",  
Boulter commented, "the budget  
process is complicated. So far our  
Conference Committee has not broken  
the dead-lock. I'd like to hear what  
the people of Hansford County have  
to say, and what they'd like to see  
changed."

Boulter has sent cards inviting all  
residents of Hansford County to  
attend the Town Meeting and encour-  
age participation.

## Farmers with grain in Oles elevators to receive payment

(AMARILLO)--"Farmers with grain stored in any of the 10 closed Oles Grain Company elevators across the Texas Panhandle and Plains will be paid for their grain long before the on-going federal bankruptcy proceeding against elevator owner David Oles is even close to being settled." Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower affirmed during a recent visit to the Panhandle.

"TDA General Counsel Sam Biscoe and TDA Grain Warehouse Administrator Darrell Ketchum have successfully convinced the court-appointed trustee and Oles' major creditors that the farmers' grain in these elevators is not part of the estate squabble. Not only will the farmers get their full payment long before the creditors divide up the Oles estate, they won't even have to pay any trustee or court costs. The only expense to these farmers should be the normal elevator storage fees."

Hightower also announced the procedure TDA will use to expedite cash payments to the estimated several hundred farmers who have grain stored in any of the 10 Oles elevators. The estimated cash value of that grain is \$3 million.

"Farmers can bring their grain warehouse receipts or scale tickets to TDA officials at county courthouses across the Panhandle and Plains," Hightower said. "When farmers transfer those documents of title to TDA, we will give each of them a signed affidavit, ensuring that the grain is still owned by that farmer. As an added precaution, those records will be locked in a safety deposit box of an Amarillo bank."

"These warehouse receipts and scale tickets must be collected and inspected by the parties to the bankruptcy

proceeding prior to August 10, when court-appointed trustee Robert Tolar will begin accepting bids to sell the grain from each of the warehouses. Just as soon as all of the one million bushels of grain is removed from the elevators, Mr. Tolar will write each farmer a check for the grain he or she had on deposit. If, in shipping the grain out of the elevators, any shortages are discovered, that loss will be covered by the \$500,000 grain warehouse bond TDA requires on all elevators in Texas. Any loss of quality to the grain will also be covered by the bond."

The Oles elevators are located in Amarillo, Bunker Hill, Exum, Kress, Nazareth, Perryton, Spearman, Tulia, Vega and Vigo Park. The facilities were closed by TDA in early June because Oles was unable to renew the required licensing bond and because TDA inspectors found the elevators at Perryton and Spearman to each be between 8-10 percent short of the grain

reportedly in storage. Major creditors also initiated federal bankruptcy proceedings against Oles at the same time.

"We want every farmer who has grain stored in any of the Oles Grain Company elevators to be paid for their grain just as quickly as possible so they don't get tangled in what promises to be a long legal matter. That grain is just like money in the bank for those

farmers. Ever since those elevators had to be closed, our foremost concern has been for those farmers. It will continue to be our foremost concern until all of those farmers receive what is rightfully theirs."

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## Sunray Funday

The Sunray Funday will be held  
on August 24, 1985, the day will  
begin at 10:30 a.m., with a parade  
down Main Street. At 11:30 a.m., a  
Bar-B-Que dinner will be served,  
tickets are \$4.50. There will be  
entertainment in the afternoon for  
the adults, and games for the  
children.

There will be booths available for  
rent for craft items, and homemade  
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Prices for booth rent will be \$5.00  
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### DESSERT

Chocolate Delight

### LOW CALORIE

Tuna Macaroni Salad  
Steamed Broccoli  
Fruit

### TUESDAY

Fried Chicken  
Mashed Potatoes  
Gravy

### DESSERT

Lemon Meringue Pie

### LOW CALORIE

Light Chicken Divan  
Brown Rice  
Tossed Salad

### WEDNESDAY

Beef Stroganoff  
Steamed Vegetables  
Rolls

### DESSERT

Country Apple Dessert

### LOW CALORIE

Spanish Rice w/Beef  
Tossed Salad  
Chocolate Pudding

### THURSDAY

Roast Beef  
Brown Gravy  
Potatoes - Carrots

### DESSERT

Old Fashioned Bread Pudding

### LOW CALORIE

Savory Roast Beef  
Baked Potato  
Sweet Peas

### FRIDAY

Barbecue Beef Brisket  
Baked Beans  
Potato Salad

### DESSERT

Coconut Cream Pie

### LOW CALORIE

Baked Cod Fillets  
Steamed Vegetables  
Tossed Salad

### MONDAY

Chicken Fried Steak  
Mashed Potatoes - Gravy  
Sweet Peas

### DESSERT

Wacky Devil Food Cake

### LOW CALORIE

Swiss Steak  
Baked Macaroni & Cheese

### TUESDAY

Stuffed Potatoes  
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Butter, Cheese sauce, ham,  
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### DESSERT

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New law to become effective September 1 . . .

# "Fasten seat belt" law to be enforced

Research and facts dispel myths about seat belt use -- Texas drivers will have to overcome some of their "strange thinking," says expert, when a recent law becomes effective Sept. 1. Motorists have 90 days in which to get used to the law, without paying a fine for non-wearing.

In a few weeks, Hansford county motorists -- and drivers all over Texas, for that matter -- must buckle up, the seat belts, that is.

Texas legislators last spring decided that if Texas drivers wouldn't try to save their own lives, a law would be enacted to help them.

Thus, fastened seat belts become the law of the state, beginning Sept. 1.

Those motorists and passengers who forget will receive warnings for 90 days, until Dec. 1, when officers may begin issuing tickets.

The fines are not great -- \$25 to \$50 each, plus court costs of \$13 -- but the money is enough to get the attention of careless drivers.

The law specifies that front seat passengers, as well as the driver, are required to have buckled seat belts in automobiles and light trucks (pickups included) unless the vehicle was not equipped originally with seat belts.

In other words, if the seat belts have been removed deliberately, the fine may be imposed.

An exception to the law may be a person who for medical reasons could not withstand the pressure of a seat belt.

Fact: "Thrown clear" is a misnomer. Being thrown from a vehicle usually means flying through the windshield or catapulting out a door. The force of a collision can fling you as much as 150 feet onto a roadside object, into the path of oncoming traffic or scraping along the pavement.

For these reasons, if you are thrown from a vehicle in an accident, your chances of being killed are 25 percent greater. What's more, instead of being trapped, belted occupants are likely to be conscious and unhurt, and therefore better able to escape in the rare situation where fire or submersions are added dangers.

Myth: Seat belts cause injuries.

Fact: Study after study in the United States and abroad show a substantial decrease in the number of serious injuries in actual auto accidents among those who are belted versus those who aren't.

In the rare instances where injuries due to belts have been reported, either the belt was inappropriate worn or the crash was so severe that the occupants would have been killed or seriously injured if they had been unbelted.

Myth: I don't need belts since I'm a careful driver.

Fact: No matter how good a driver you are, you can't control the other car. There's no way to protect yourself against someone else's bad driving, poor judgements or mechanical failures. Even good drivers can be killed or injured in a crash.

Otherwise the law is applicable in all instances.

Personal convenience has no place, nor does a plea that clothing becomes wrinkled when seat belts are in place.

A safety engineer with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service describes those kinds of excuses as "strange thinking," mostly based on some myths about seat belts.

Dr. Gary Nelson has accumulated some of those myths and cites research results that refute the ideas.

Here is what Nelson says: Myth: Seat belts are unnecessary for short trips.

Fact: More than 70 percent of injury-causing traffic accidents occur within 25 miles of home, according to the National Safety Council. More than 80 percent of all collisions happen at speeds of under 40 mph.

People who were not wearing seat belts have been killed in accidents that occurred at speeds as low as 12 mph -- about the speed you would be driving in a parking lot.

Myth: Seat belts trap people inside cars, and I'd rather be thrown clear.

Myth: I don't need seat belts; I can brace myself.

Fact: The force of an impact at just 10 mph is equivalent to catching a 200-pound bag of cement thrown from a first-story window, according to the National Safety Council.

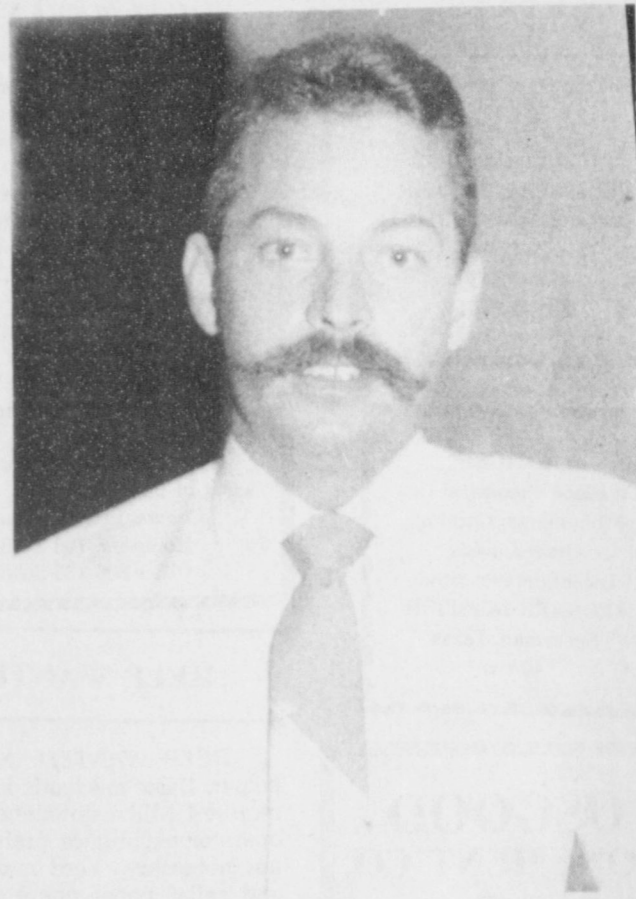
At 35 mph, the force of an impact is even more brutal. There's no way your arms and legs can brace you against that kind of force -- even if you could react in time.

## Double D Fertilizer Named Winner

Syntex Animal Health, Inc. Des Moines, Iowa--July 26, 1985-Double D Fertilizer in Gruver was recently named a Grand Prize winner in the Synovex C Big Gain Merchandising and Display Contest.

The competition, sponsored by Tufts & Son and Syntex Animal Health, Inc., was designed to offer animal health suppliers and veterinarians an opportunity to showcase their skills at developing promotional programs tailored to a local area. Over 100 entries were received from dealers, retailers and veterinary clinics served by Tufts & Son throughout the south central and southwestern United States.

Participants vied for honors by developing the most effective display and merchandising campaigns using Synovex C implants and the new Synovex C implanting revolver. Synovex C is the first implant specifically designed to improve gains in beef calves.



MICHEAL WEST

Why would a graduate dental hygienist convert to a hair dresser? That was the question asked Micheal West, who is the new hair dresser at the beauty shop located in the Hotel Royal, Spearman, Tx. Micheal answered by saying that he was so bored with dental hygiene he converted to hairdressing. He is a graduate of Amarillo College of Hairdressing. He will

feature cutting, roller set, blow drying and permanents.

The former dental hygienist is a graduate of the University of Denver.

His hobbies include making stained glass windows and playing racquetball.

Be sure and visit with Micheal during the "Grand Opening" of the Hotel.

## Defensive driving course dates set

A defensive driving course will be held August 13 & 14 from 6 to 10 p.m. both days upstairs in the Library.

There will be a \$20 fee and John

R. Collard, Jr. will be the instructor.

On successful completion of the course, 10% will be deductible on auto insurance.

## Letter to the Editor

I for one, am proud of our Volunteer Ambulance crew, and Fire Dept. of Spearman and Gruver. We in Hansford County would be in bad shape if we didn't have these fine volunteer people. We need to stand behind them 100%.

Helen Boyd

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## On The Go With Joy

Some of you seemed to enjoy my column last week in which I told you how you would know you are "Over 40". However, I don't know what that has to do with anything since some people not only don't look their age, they don't act their age either. Which is a good deal if you can get by with it.

Anyhow, I used to be like that until I fell while roller skating and cracked my tailbone. Then there was the time I fell backwards while playing volleyball and cracked my skull and twisted my left foot real bad. --After one of my children asked me when was I going to act my age, I added 10 more years and now I feel 60 instead of my youthful 50+. Fooled you guys huh? You thought I was at least 70 by the way I've been stumbling around and holding on to some thing as I walk.

But here are some more signs of the over-40 times. Most of them are written entirely from the male point of view because research shows that women seldom pass the age of 40.

You know you're over 40 when..... You feel like the morning after and you can swear you haven't been anywhere...

You start wearing Boxer Shorts instead of the Jockey type. You notice colored underwear in the ads but yours are all white.

Work becomes more fun but fun becomes more work.

You still have a 8% mortgage that you once thought was too high, but when paying Real Estate taxes, your house has increased in value an equal to the National Debt.

You can no longer help the kids with their homework on the parts you help with, they get "C".

You start to notice the ages of people

in the news like politicians and company presidents and they're younger than you. Your doctor is also younger than you.

You start calculating how many years you have left, rather than how old you are. Your retirement plans, include looking for cemetery plots. You stop looking forward to birthdays.

You think "grass" something you cut, and "snorting coke" is sucking cola up your nose through a straw. When you hear about drugs-you think of penicillin.

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## Educate your child on sex abuse

by Paula Sinise

Four out of five women are sexually abused by the time they reach 18; three out of five men are sexually abused by the time they reach 18. That means that if you go to a party with 25 people, twenty women and fifteen men in that room have been sexually abused by a relative, neighbor, acquaintance or stranger.

I find those statistics shocking and tragic. Before we examine the effects of sexual abuse on the victim, let's define what sexual abuse is.

Contrary to popular myth, sexual abuse is not ONLY forced intercourse. In fact, sexually abusive behavior often starts with undressing, either the child or the abuser or both, giving the abuser a voyeuristic experience. From there, it leads to touching or fondling, masturbating, oral sex, then intercourse. If not stopped at the undressing stage, over a period of years the abuse will lead eventually to intercourse with the victim. With those steps in mind, let me define sexual abuse as any sexual behavior with a child where the intent is to control (usually the victim) or sexually abuse somebody (usually the abuser).

What effect can being sexually abused have on the victim? One of the effects is that victims often believe they are "damaged good", not worthy of respect or love. They may experience guilt over their involvement in the abuse; fear and depression, a low self-esteem, unexpressed anger and hostility toward adults in general, the abuser specifically, and often themselves. Victims of sexual abuse have difficulty forming intimate relationships and may

be afraid to talk about it. It's a secret crime. Sit down with the child and tell her or him that they don't have to be afraid to tell you if someone does something to them that makes them uncomfortable.

Tell the child he or she has a right to control his or her body. That means don't force little Johnny to kiss slobbery Great-Uncle Perry if he doesn't want to. It's his body, give him control.

Tell the child it's OK to say NO. When I was growing up, saying no to an adult would bring an immediate bolt of lightning from God. I believed that. Today's children need to know how to say no to an adult.

Give your child permission to tell you if something you or someone else is doing is making them feel uncomfortable, "funny" or "bad". Be unable to trust other people. They are unclear about what behavior is normal or OK and what is not. Finally, and what to me is most appalling, many victims, as adults, become abusers themselves. These are just a few of the effects of abuse.

What can be done? Texas State law requires that if sexual abuse is suspected, it MUST be reported to the authorities; the police, the Sheriff, or the Department of Human Resources. Failure to report abuse can lead to a fine and/or prison sentence. Of equal concern is the fact that, if not stopped by legal intervention, an abuser will, in his or her lifetime, abuse an average of 68 children.

Can you protect your child? Yes, through education, listening and action. One of the reasons sexual abuse continued is because we are

## Jenna V. Ownbey publishes poetry

Jenna V. Ownbey, 1115 Bell Avenue, of this city has received work that she was selected by the WORLD OF POETRY's board of directors in Sacramento, Calif. as the honoree of the coveted GOLDEN POET AWARD FOR 1985. Ms. Ownbey has been a winner in all eight contests she has entered, and her poetry has been included in five of the WORLD OF POETRY PRESS ANTHOLOGIES. Ms. Ownbey is a member of the High Plains Poetry Society and a like member of the Poetry Society of Texas. She is the author of four volumes of poetry: CLOUD-RAILS, STAR-MOODS, CLOUD-MOODS and WING-SONG, including a volume of fiction, FATE'S BREW, and several Genealogical books. She was selected Honoree of 100 out of more than 4,000 poets internationally in the famed LEONARDO DA VINCI ACADAME OF LETTERS AND POETRY in Rome, Italy and was more recently awarded their PRINCESS OF POETRY AWARD.

Ms. Ownbey will be awarded her GOLDEN POET AWARD FOR 1985 at Reno, Nevada on August 24 in the stage of the MGM GRAND HOTEL by World of Poetry President John Campbell and Steve Allen. She has also been asked to bring more of her poetry to share.

Don't be afraid to talk about feelings, fears, wants and needs to your child.

The best way to stop sexual abuse is to educate our children, listen when they talk, act as if we believe what they say and act to protect them. Maybe with our children we can beat the statistics of sexual abuse.

Jenna V. Ownbey was also selected as one of the six poets to contribute a poem for inclusion in the recently published A SESQUICENTENNIAL ANTHOLOG OF TEXAS POETS, entitled FROM HIDE AND HORNS, an Eaken Press Publication. Ms. Ownbey's poem was entitled "Billy Dixon Remembers: 1890 Loosed the Tide". Dixon was a renowned Indian Scout, buffalo hunter, pioneer and plainsman from the Texas Panhandle area.

Mrs. Ownbey was the Poet Laureate of the TEXAS WOMEN'S press association in 1967. She was also a former resident of Spearman, Texas.

#### GOLDEN GLEAMS

The strongest man is the one who stands most alone.

-Henrik Ibsen.

Woe unto him that is never alone, and cannot bear to be alone.

-P.G. Hamerton.

We walk alone in the world. Friends, such as we desire, are dreams and fables.

-K.W. Emerson.

At the beginning of love and at its end the lovers are embarrassed to be left alone.

-Jean De La Bruyere.

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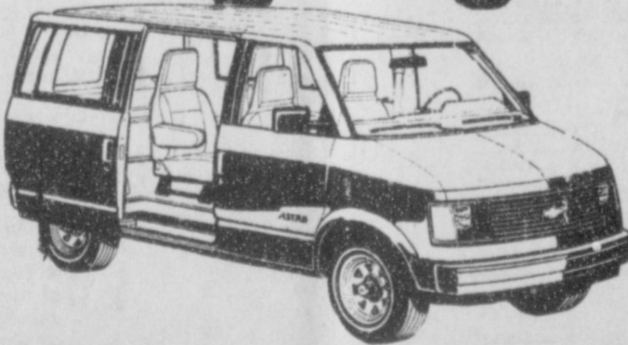
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The beauty shop is open Monday thru Saturday, hours by appointment. The beauty shop offers manicures, pedicures, sculptured nails, facials, hair styling and makeup.

There is also a barber shop open Tuesday thru Saturday from 9 to

5:30 or by appointment. The shop offers hair cuts, hair styling, manicures, and shoe shines.

Hotel Royal coffee shop and banquet room features daily menus changes Monday thru Friday from 1 to 2. They feature a salad bar, sandwiches, regular and low calorie meals.

The gift shop features jewelry, European style clothes, shoes, bags and belts, lingerie, soft luggage and potpourri.

Be sure to visit the Royal Hotel Sunday for their grand opening.

## Karen's Kozy Korner

Ceiling fans have won their place in the hearts and homes of energy-conscious Texans. If you have a ceiling fan in the family room or bedroom, and are thinking of buying another, you may be in for a surprise.

Manufacturers continue to make changes in ceiling fans to make them even more practical and appealing.

One of the biggest design changes is the close-to-the-ceiling fan. These fans are more practical in smaller homes. The increased clearance also looks better and allows for more flexibility in the design of accessory lighting kits.

About five percent of all ceiling fan sales in 1984 were in models with eight inches of clearance or less.

One company has introduced a heat fan which pushes out warm air heated up to 3500 BTU with the fan in reverse position. It operates for less than 10 cents an hour, and the company claims it can trim heating bills 35 percent in a 2000 square-foot home.

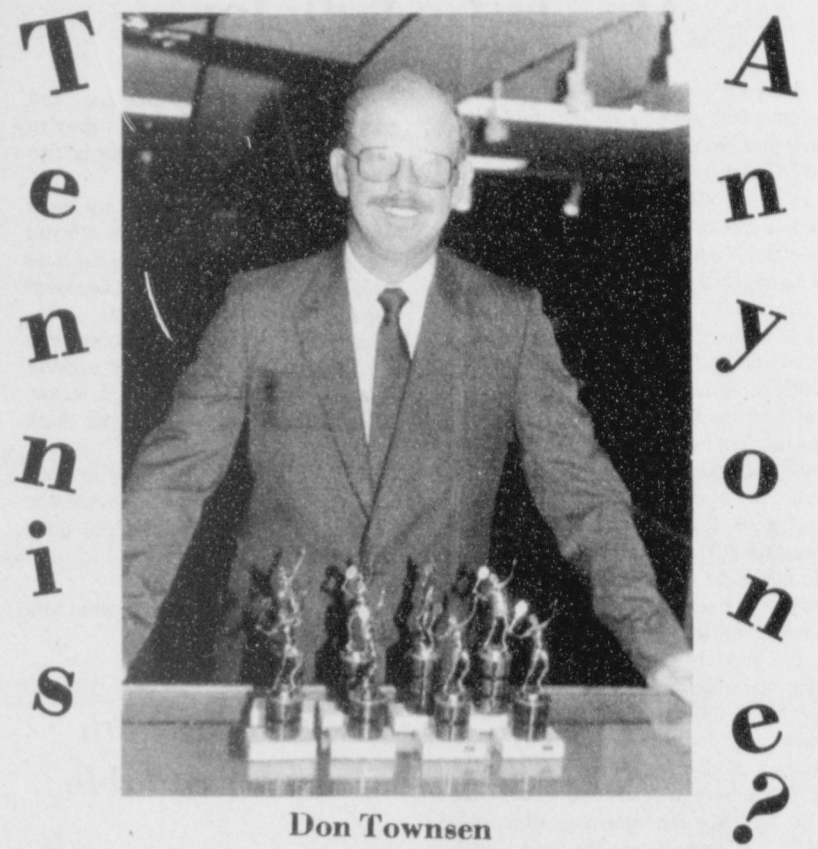
Other companies are making remote-control fans in response to consumer demand for this convenience.

The price of ceiling fans has also come down. In 1981, roughly 20 percent of all ceiling fans retailed from \$49 to \$99. In 1984, about 80 percent of all fans fell into that price range.

New designs on the drawing boards treat fans as "ceiling furniture." Until now, emphasis has been on big 52-inch main-room fans. But companies are now turning their attention to second fans in smaller sizes for kitchens, bedrooms and other areas.

Industry-watchers predict that manufacturers will soon be turning out fans with upholstered sidebands to coordinate with other elements of a room. Stenciled blades, custom-look grills and designer colors will likely be used in promoting ceiling fans as real pieces of furniture that make fashion statements.

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Don Townsen

Don Townsen, president of the First National Bank in Spearman, is excited about the Jr. and Open Tennis Tournament to be played in Spearman beginning August 1.

The First National Bank Tennis Tournament will begin August 1. There will be 84 trophies given at the tournament.

Because of the many beginning tennis players interested in entering the First National Bank Tennis Tournament, there will be a special C Bracket added. The C Bracket

will feature singles and doubles as featured in the Junior and Open Tennis Tournament. All beginners and interested tennis players are urged to enter in the C Bracket.

Townsen reminds tennis players and fans that the tournament will be held at Spearman High School's tennis courts. He emphasized that the tournament proceeds and concessions will go to the Spearman Y.M.C.A.

The Junior Tournament will be played August 1 and 2 beginning at

9 a.m. The open tournament will be played August 3 and 4 beginning at 9 a.m.

Entry fee for the open tournament is \$8.00 per single event and \$16.00 for doubles teams. Limit 2 events per person. Starting time 9 a.m. August 3.

Tournament directors are Don and Barbara Townsen, phone 806-435-2116 or contact the First National Bank in Spearman phone 806-659-5544.

The tournament will feature players 12 and under and 35 and over. The Jr. Tournament will feature boys and girls, singles and doubles.

The Open Tournament will feature women's singles, women's doubles, mens singles, and mens doubles, mixed doubles. Townsen emphasized that everyone 35 and over will be in a special bracket.

Tennis fans are urged to eat at the concession stand during the tournament.

## SPS to restructure rates

Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) today filed in formational packets giving advance notice of a request to restructure rates for retail electric service in the Texas communities and utility serves.

The company emphasized the restructuring will barely change prices customers pay for electricity. "Prices to our customers will hardly increase or decrease under our rate proposal," said SPS president and chief executive officer Bert Ballengee.

"We have had some costs to the company go up, and some costs come down," Ballengee said. "Now we must restructure our rates to reflect those changes. But the prices customers pay for Texas retail electric service will continue to be stable."

SPS last sought, and was granted an increase in base rates for retail electric service in Texas in mid-1982, Ballengee noted.

The proposal to restructure rates in rural areas of Texas served by SPS will be filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas, probably in early September.

The proposed restructuring, Ballengee said, "On the one hand, would increase the base-rate portion of the electric bill, and, on the other hand, would generally offset that increase by lowering the boiler fuel-cost portion of the bill. The net effect should be only slight changes in prices."

Ballengee credited decreasing costs of some SPS operations primarily to the utility's coal-fueled power plants, a softened natural gas market in the United States, and to lower interest costs. Increased costs to the utility included construction of coal-fueled power plant units and of new transmission and distribution facilities, and higher costs of most other materials and services, he said.

## Singles Group plan dance

Panhandle Singles Anonymous, a Perryton-based singles group, will host its first event Saturday with a dance at the Expo Center, one mile west of Perryton on Highway 15.

Gary Pinnell, publicity director of the group, said dancing will start at 9 p.m. on the Expo's main hall floor, to music provided by Johnny Waker and his gang from K-101, a Woodward radio station.

Hamburgers will be served until 9 p.m., and soft drinks can be bought until the dance closes. Admission is \$5 at the door.

Pinnell said volunteers mailed out almost 300 invitations to singles in Perryton or the Panhandle area who was overlooked for an invitation is also invited.

Area towns included in the invitations list include Booker, Canadian, Darrrouzett, Follett, Gruver, Lipscomb, Spearman, Waka, and Balke and Beaver, Oklahoma.

## Tops News

We have been meeting each Wednesday morning this summer, some meetings have been short because of summer busyness. The

Queen for most weight loss for the month of May was Winnie Vernon, Inspirational Angel voted was Verda Barkley. Queen for June was Louise Evans, she was also voted angel for that month. We have had a contest going called "Picnic Basket" it will end August 7th, so get busy gals. As I said we met

Wednesday mornings at 9:00 A.M. at the First Christian Church, anyone who is interested in fellowship while losing weight, come join us anytime.

### CITY OR SPECIAL DISTRICT: City of Gruver NOTICE OF CALCULATION OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE, ESTIMATED UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES, AND DEBT SCHEDULE

Table with columns: Series, Principal, Interest, Fees, Total. Rows for years 1976, 1981, 1984. Total values: \$5,000, \$3,488, \$8,488; \$15,000, \$8,030, \$23,030; \$20,000, \$2,232, \$22,232. Grand Total: \$53,750.

### CALCULATIONS USED TO DETERMINE EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

Table with columns: Item, Amount. Rows 1-14 showing calculations for 1984 and 1985 taxes, including total tax levied, debt service, and adjustments for lost taxes and M&O taxes.

### MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION (M&O) TAX RATE

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### APPRAISAL ROLL ERROR RATE

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### TOTAL EFFECTIVE TAX RATE FOR 1985

Summary table with columns: Item, Amount. Rows 1-4 showing final effective tax rates for 1984 and 1985.

1985 Effective Tax Rate is the tax rate published as required by Sec. 26.04, Property Tax Code.

## Statler Bros. To Be At Fair

Music Awards, and two Academy of Country Music Awards. They also hold the Top Rated Syndicated TV Special for 1982. They have earned six gold, one platinum and one double platinum album. They have appeared at the White House four times for three different presidents. They pioneered the way for groups in country music producing and promoting their own concerts back when the "wisdom"

was that groups couldn't make it in country. The Statler Brothers are "the stuff that dreams are made of" and their music is a slice of American life worth living. Tickets for the Statler Brothers Show are \$10.00 each and may be purchased by mail until August 26th when they go on sale across the counter at Western Plaza Mall in Amarillo. Mail orders should be sent to Tri State Fair, Box 31087, Amarillo, Texas 79120.

The ever popular Statler Brothers will be on center stage at the 1985 Tri State Fair for two shows on Saturday, September 21st at 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. This will be the first appearance of the group since the 1978 fair when they played to a full house. "The performance by the Statler Brothers will be a guest way to end the 1985 fair," says fair president Rusty Tinnin. When four young Virginia boys first sang together years ago near their

hometown of Staunton, Virginia, little did they know that they would become the most successful country music vocal group in history. Dubbed "America's Poets" by noted author Kurt Vonnegut, they have applied their harmonies, humor and lyrical touch to countless hit songs. They have won over 500 awards, including: three Grammy Awards, nine Country Music Awards, 16 Music City News Popularity Awards, three American

### SCHOOL DISTRICT: Gruver I.S.D. NOTICE OF CALCULATION OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE, ESTIMATED UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES, AND DEBT SCHEDULE

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### CALCULATIONS USED TO DETERMINE EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

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# Bankers see deflated economy continuing

Mid year numbers in county Banks are in. Deposits are up at First State Bank over mid year last year, with loans down slightly. Their statement of condition for the first six months of 1984 showed deposits of \$47,654,000 and loans of \$28,539,000. This year deposits are \$50,850,000 and loans are \$27,711,000.

Gruver State Bank deposits are also up from last year as well as loans. The statement of condition

for the first six months of the year at the Gruver State Bank in 1984 showed deposits of \$24,316,000 and loans of \$15,824,316. Their statement for 1985 shows deposits of \$28,636,000 and loans of \$16,639,000.

The new bank in Spearman, the First National Bank, which opened its doors Wednesday April 24, 1985 lists deposits of \$7,665,000 and loans of \$1,837,000. They began business with 3,000,000 on deposit.

Bankers are hopeful that the cattle market will rebound later this year. With the cattle market nearly down the tubes during the first half of the year and low wheat prices, it's had an impact. The oil and gas industry continues to sting the blues. This is having a sharp impact on some retailers.

Thus the stage is set for the second half of the year. Like the rest of us, bankers are hoping that things get better.

## City Commission Meets

The Gruver City Commission met in special session at 2:00 P.M. in the City Hall with the following members present:

J.C. Harris, Mayor, A.J. Ratliff, City Manager, Roy Byrd, Commissioner, Ila Jo Hart, Commissioner.

A.J. Ratliff opened the meeting with prayer.

Tommy Beasley was present to discuss a fight which had taken place on East 10th street. No action was taken on this item.

The Commission discussed collecting bills for Southwest Public

Services. Ila Jo Hart made a motion to ask \$500.00 per month to collect the bills. Roy Byrd seconded the motion; motion carried.

The Commission next discussed appoint Municipal Court Judge. Ila Jo Hart made a motion that Roy Mayhew be appointed Municipal Court Judge as of August 16, 1985. Roy Byrd seconded the motion; motion carried.

With no further business to come before the commission, the meeting was adjourned.

## Library News

**SUMMER READING PROGRAM:**

Two weeks ago, Gruver Library started our Summer Reading Program "Awesome Adventures". There was a good turn-out for the first story of the program, "A Perfect Nose for Ralph", told by Marilyn Hart. Last week our story-teller was Debbie Stenulson from Spearman. Devvie is a graduate of the St. Nicholas Montessori School of London, and her story "Need a House? - Call Ms. Mouse," was enjoyed by all. Debbie used visual aids, and the children were able to participate in drawing a house for an animal, and having the picture displayed in the Library. You are welcome to come and see art work of those attending.

The Texas Reading Club 1985 is sponsored cooperatively by Gruver City Library and the Texas State Library system. The purpose is to encourage the youth of our community to maintain reading skill levels achieved at the end of the school year and to encourage library use during the summer months and throughout the year. Our local goals are to increase the visibility of our library program within our own community, to provide a variety of activities encouraging library use, and to increase community participation in the library program. If your children come and visit the library and become acquainted with the services offered, chances are they will continue this practice throughout the school year. Our desire is to make reading fun, and to give the children incentive to return to the library. It is not too late to join, so come and join our storytime this Friday, August 2, at 10:00 a.m. Our story this week will be told by Dorothy O'Connell, and it titled: "Big, Fat, Enormous Lie".

For all Western readers, the library has a series you will certainly be interested in. From the creators of Wagons West, the Stagecoach series is great frontier entertainment. A powerful new series of adventures set in the West's most dramatic towns - filled with the danger, history and romance of the bold men and women who conquered the frontier. Dana Fuller Ross, author of Wagons West says this: "the Stagecoach series is great frontier entertainment. Hank Mitchum, author, really makes the West come alive in each story." From Dodge City to Durango - a series of 17 paperbacks - for you reading enjoyment!

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2:00-6:00  
Monday through Friday  
"Check it out!"

## PSU seeking older students

Twenty percent of the degree seeking students at Panhandle State University in Goodwell, Oklahoma are adults between the ages of 25 and 75. The university has realized that there is a definite need for more participation by the nontraditional student; that is, the student over 25 who is seeking a degree.

These nontraditional students are from nearly every town with in 100 miles of the campus. For the most part the students drive, often with other students from the same towns. In order to aid these

students and future students, the university is implementing several new procedures. Andrea Slaton of Goodwell has been employed as a liaison person to work closely with the nontraditional students and to help meet their special needs. An organization specifically for the nontraditional student will be developed this fall. The university is studying the possibility of

establishing a room on campus giving the commuters a place to rest, study and wait between classes.

Panhandle State University is actively seeking more students who fit into the 25 and up age bracket. Persons who would like to attend college should consider enrolling for the fall semester. Each student will be assigned an advisor to work with them on a schedule that would fit their special needs and interests. For more information, call

405-349-2611 EXT 274, or in Spearman call Elaine Morris, 659-3855.

## Free Trees by National Foundation

The National Arbor Day Foundation is giving ten free trees to people who become Foundation members during August, 1985.

The free trees are part of the Foundation's effort to promote tree planting throughout America.

A Colorado Blue Spruce, Red Maple, White Flowering Dogwood, Red Oak, European Mountainash, Black Walnut, Silver Maple, Norway Spruce, Green Ash, and Sugar Maple tree will be given to members joining during August. The six to twelve inch trees will be shipped this fall at the right time for planting between October 15 and December 10. They will be sent postage paid with enclosed planting instructions.

These trees were selected because they provide a wide range of benefits: flowers, berries and nuts, as well as shade and beautiful foliage, according to the Foundation.

The National Arbor Day Foundation, a nonprofit organization, is working to improve the quality of life throughout the country by encouraging tree planting. The Foundation will give the ten free trees to members contributing \$10. during August.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, a \$100 membership contribution should be sent to Ten Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by August 31, 1985.

## Been to Play in Greenbelt Bowl



ROD BEEN

Rod Been of Gruver has been invited to play in the 36th annual Greenbelt Bowl held in Childress every year. These years football classic will be played on August 9th with pre-game activities beginning at 7:00 p.m.

At that time the Greenbelt Bowl Queen will be chosen. Mr. Been has chosen Miss Cami Shapley as his

Queen candidate. After the Queen has been crowned, the game will begin at 8:00 p.m.

Area residents are invited to attend and your reserve tickets may be ordered by contacting the Chamber of Commerce office at 1-817-935-2567. Student tickets are \$3.00 and adult tickets are \$5.00.

## Former resident dies in Temple

G.I. Parks, 74, died Thursday in Temple.

Services were held at 10 a.m. at Brown's Chapel of the Fountains with the Rev. Gordon Mitchell, associate pastor of First Baptist Church of Borger, officiating. Burial was in Westlawn Memorial Park by Ed Brown and sons Funeral Directors.

Mr. Parks was a former resident of Morse, Spearman and Borger. He was the former owner of the A&W Drive-In in Borger. For the past five years, he resided in Johnson City. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife Velma; two sons, Gerald of Plano and Steve of Laguna Beach, Calif.; a daughter, Dolores Dorsett of San Antonio; a sister Sibyl Alexander of Farmington, N.M.; and five grandchildren.

## HOSPITAL

There are no patients in Hansford Hospital today.

Patients dismissed were Jeffery T. Hand, Arthur Cummings, Buena Hays, Joe Baca, Jo Dan Byran and Ruth Garrard.

## Work While You Wait

All things come to him who waits--but "him" better be working while he's waiting.

—North England Record.

## Our Heritage of Faith...

The congregation. The congregation, the Assembly, the meeting together of God's People, is often referred to as the place most desirable for the believer, and the place where the believer will most likely share in God's Word (Psalm 1:5, 22:22, 74:2; Acts 7:38; Hebrews 2:12, 10:25).

NEXT TOPIC: Lutheran Liturgy. Bill Schardin, Pastor Faith Lutheran Church Spearman, Texas

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