



**\*ON TECHNOLOGY\***

"After having dug to a depth of 10 feet last year, New York scientists found traces of copper wire dating back 100 years and came to the conclusion that their ancestors already had a telephone network more than 100 years ago."

Not to be outdone by the New Yorkers in the weeks that followed, an archaeologist in California dug to a depth of 20 feet and shortly afterwards, headlines in the LA Times newspaper read: "California archaeologists have found traces of 200-year-old copper wire and have concluded that their ancestors already had an advanced high-tech communications network a hundred years earlier than the New Yorkers."

One week later, The Hockley County News-Press, a local newspaper in West Texas, reported the following: "After digging as deep as 30 feet in his pasture, near Oklahoma Flats Road in Hockley County, Texas, Bubba Mitchell, a self-taught archaeologist, reported that he found absolutely nothing. Bubba has, therefore, concluded that 300 years ago, West Texas had already gone wireless."

Thank Goodness for Bubba! Who said local West Texans were hicks?

