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County Park Bond Carries

In the small block below is tabulated the results of the balloting which went on here last Friday in connection with the voting of bonds for the purpose of constructing a Co. Park with many features to be included in it, one of which is to be a nine-hole golf course.

As can be seen, the proposition carried with 553 voting against it and 707 for it. The letting of bids and the actual construction is expected to begin in the near future. Total amount of the bond voted was \$235,000, none of which will have to be spent

to acquire the land on which to build the park, as the total amount of land needed was donated for this purpose by Mr. Gene Beannett of Denver City.

The park and golf course will be located south of Plains nine miles on highway 214. It is to lie in the quarter-section

which lies just east of 214 and just south of the Wellman Road.

Some have expressed the hope that a portion of the park will be open for use late this fall and perhaps the golf course will be in operation by sometime next summer.

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Local Men Uncover Indian Skeleton

The Plains area is known to have been the periodic home of several different tribes of Indians in by-gone days.

Many artifacts of Indian culture have been found by many people who make collecting such things a hobby. Many people in this part of the country proudly display

their collections of arrow heads, spear points, scrapers, knives, beads and pieces of pottery.

Last Saturday, two such collectors, A.C. Jones and Ben Liles, both of Plains, made a real find. With a great deal of luck and a lot of hard digging they were able to uncover a complete Indian skeleton.

Some have estimated the age of the skeleton to be about 500 years, but one of the parts of the find is being sent to Texas Tech so that the exact age can be established.

Jones stated that they found the skeleton upside down, the Indian had been buried in a head first position with the remainder of his body some-

what folded into the grave. This particular skeleton still had with it an engraved bone breast plate and a complete necklace made of sea-shells.

Jones and Liles, as is the case with most artifact hunters would not say exactly where the skeleton was found but did say that it was in Yoakum Co, a few miles northwest of Plains.

Local Pool Opens Sunday

It was announced yesterday that the local swimming pool here will open for the season on Sunday, May 24.

As last year, Mrs. J.E. Cooke, the pool manager, stated that the pool hours will be 1:30 to 6 p. m. on Sundays and from 1 to 6 p. m. Monday through Saturday.

Mrs. Cooke also pointed out that the pool is available most evenings for parties and that clubs and organizations may rent the facilities by notifying her in advance.

Also planned for this summer is a morning set aside

exclusively for the women of the community, probably it will be each Thursday morning although this has not been definitely decided.

Also, plans are in the mill to provide swimming lessons

for area youngsters again this summer, but that schedule has not as yet been released.

Mrs. Cooke stated too that Tonya Randolph and Brenda Duke will alternate this year as lifeguards for the pool.

Church Women Plan Meeting

Women of the Churches of Plains are taking part in a May Fellowship Day this Friday morning in the First Methodist Church of Plains.

Bringing the 3 short devotionals will be Mrs. L. O. Smith of the host Church, Mrs. H. A.

Parkington of the Plains Assembly of God Church, and Mrs. Johnnie Moore of the First Baptist Church.

Other parts of the program are being provided by women from these churches and by women of the First Baptist.

Run-off Candidates Off And Running

With only a little over two weeks remaining before the Second Democratic Primary, candidates are really out beating the bushes in their last-ditch efforts to pull as many votes as possible their way.

For local and area voters, most of the decisions as far as the state and national offices have been made in regard to who will be the Democratic candidate in the November-General Elections.

One of the most notable decisions still to be made is the selection for the Republican candidate to run against Senator Ralph Yarbrough for the Senate Seat is presently occupying.

A run-off for that candidacy was made necessary when no candidate received a clear majority in the May 2, primary election. Jack Cox, a Republican candidate for the office of Governor of Texas last year, is vying for the nomination with John Bush of Houston. Bush received almost 40 per cent of the vote in the first primary.

On the district level, local voters have a selection to make for the Democratic nomination for the office of State Representative of the 90th District. Out of a field of five candidates in the first primary Jesse T. George of Brownfield and Howard Ragland of Leveland made it to the run-off and are contesting for the nomination on June 6th's ballot. The 90th District is made up of Yoakum, Terry, Cochran, and Hockley counties.

Locally, two offices are in question as to who will be the Democratic nominee for this term, and will thereby be the next sheriff of the county and, the next county attorney, as in neither case is there a Republican candidate.

In the bid for County Attorney, incumbent, Vernon Townes of Denver City is being opposed by another Denver City Attorney, Mr. Claude Freeman.

These two were selected by county voters from a field of four candidates for the office, two of whom, Don Han-

cock of Plains and Cletus Phelan of Denver City, were eliminated in the first primary.

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Naturally, a great deal of conversation is making its way around in connection with the bond issue which just carried, money from which is to be used for the purpose of building a County Park and a nine hole, grass-green golf course. Some have pointed out the possibility that it almost seems that people on this side of the county to the north of the very real Mason-Dixon line, that people with some pretty bad attitudes have drawn) voted against the issue because Denver City was, for the most part, backing the issue. I for one certainly hope not too many people wasted their vote with that kind of childish attitude.

Of course, this is certainly not to say that everyone who voted against the issue did so with something like this in mind. In fact, I surely think that most people can see further than that kind of reasoning can take them.

One very valid argument which I heard yesterday from a Plains citizen favoring the issue is well worth repeating.

Sure we pay taxes in Yoakum County, but actually we as individual citizens pay a relatively small portion of the total taxes received by our county tax assessor each year.

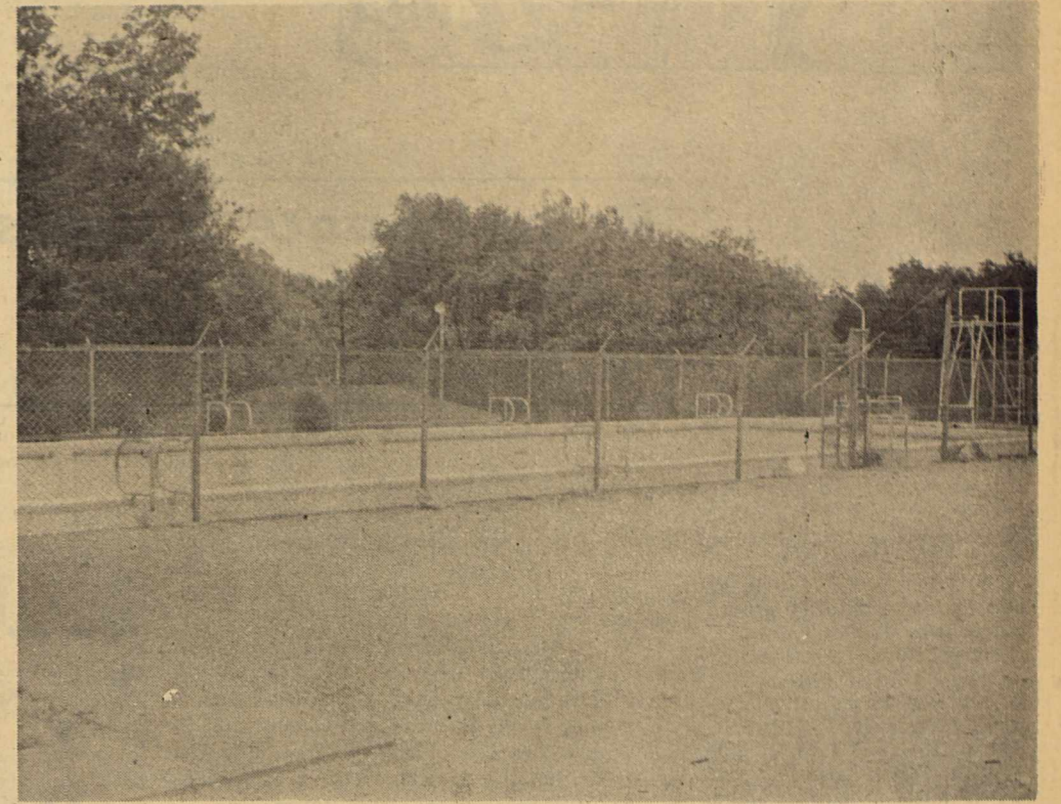
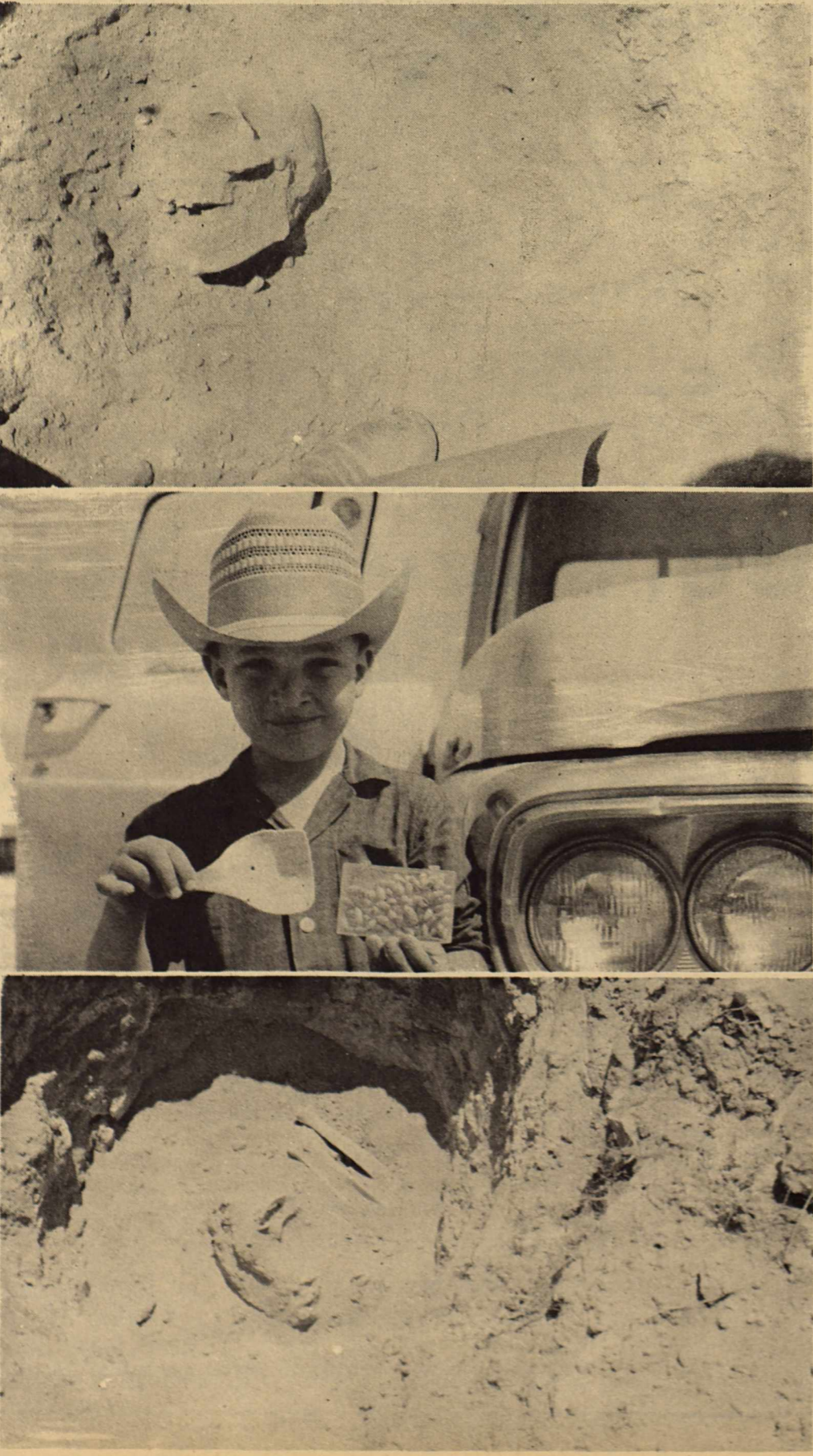
When anyone begins to holler and shout about a bond election in Yoakum County, and some shout and vote no on any proposal that calls for money as if they were going to pay for it all by themselves.

If an individual would only stop and realize some of the real basic facts of the economic life of Yoakum County, I don't think they would yell half so loudly.

If one single person, by a whole series of deals were to get hold of all the land now owned by private individuals in the county, and he were to get it all in his name, and if he were then expected to pay all the taxes on that land to the county tax assessor on the 86 cent tax rate that we are now being taxed under (the highest rate that is allowed under the constitution of our state. If one man were expected to pay the total of all county taxes paid, he still would be paying only 7 cents out of each one dollar that Mr. Craig collects.

Where does the other 93 cents come from? From the oil companies operating and leasing mineral rights in our county, that's where!

In effect for the mineral wealth that is being depleted from our county each year, a part of it is being given back to us in the form of 93 cents of every tax dollar. These tax dollars should be spent on things that will be here for the generations yet to come. Such things as parks, libraries, hospitals and schools.



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Political Announcements

The following named candidates for the offices indicated have authorized, in this column, The Plains Record, to run their names as seeking the indicated offices in the Second (run-off) Primary on June 6, 1964. Which primary is being held under the auspices of the Democratic Party of the State of Texas.

State Representative, 90th District:

JESSE T. GEORGE
HOWARD RAGLAND

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George Flies To Austin

Jesse T. George, candidate for State Representative from the four-county area comprising the 90th Congressional District, flew to Austin last week to confer with members of the Texas Legislative Council on matters confronting the 59th session of the state legislature.

The Council compiles research on legislative matters and makes this material available to interested parties. Council members stated that Congressional redistricting will be of prime importance for January legislators. George pledged to work with other West Texas delegates for a fair, just and equitable representation for the area. George stated, "Oil, gas and water are essential to the continued productivity and economy of the 90th District, and neither must be jeopardized by the other. Either long-range or short-range solutions are necessary to protect and develop our West Texas resources." Continuing, George em-

phasized the need for continued improvements in the Texas education program beyond the high school level and teachers salaries. "It is imperative that Texas schools be provided with the most capable, qualified staffs if we are to absorb the brain potential of young minds to today's world." George mentioned also the need for equitable solutions and improvements in the areas of our sales tax laws, womens' legal rights, and sound fiscally responsible government by all Texas citizens.

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Recent Space Success Puts U.S. Ahead

By U.S. Rep. George P. Miller (D-Calif.)
Chairman, House Committee on Science and Astronautics

With the launching in early April of the unmanned Gemini space capsule, the United States again demonstrated its new prowess in space exploration.

In January, the U.S. put a 19-ton payload into space with its Saturn 1-B rocket. This is the largest weight ever lifted into space by a single rocket and demonstrated our new lead in rocket booster power.

Today, we can look back over a record of resounding success in space exploration.

It might be constructive if I reviewed some of these milestones in order to demonstrate the continuity and the orderly programming that exists within the activities of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

More than two-thirds of the 200 satellites and interplanetary probes launched into space have been the product of U.S. scientists and engineers.

Our satellites were the first to confirm the existence of the great radiation belt that surrounds the earth, and later vehicles have measured and defined this belt.

Our satellites were the first to determine that the earth was not round, that it bulged at the equator, a fact of great significance to military planners in plotting flights and targets, to cartographers, and space navigation.

Satellite observation of the ionosphere and deep space probes have made great contributions to solving problems of uninterrupted radio and television broadcasts during periods of solar eruptions.

The Tiers weather satellites have been so successful that we have become accustomed to rely on weather data based upon their operations.

I need not recount the successes we have had in manned space flight with Project Mercury. These were monuments to courage and determination to succeed.

The present fiscal year, despite the reductions in the NASA fiscal year 1964 budget request, has been one of real progress and accomplishment. Mariner II was an outstanding example, and was probably the most profitable single scientific venture into space.

In its flight to Venus, it transmitted 65 million bits of information over a record distance of 54 million miles from earth.

This fiscal year has been one of significant progress.

Yet we are at a turning point in the U.S. space effort. After 5 years of determined effort, we are now moving from a time of preparation into a period of fruition.

We are at a point when the technologies, the scientific knowledge, the experience NASA has gained, is producing tangible and practical results.

The effectiveness and the extent to which this country will be able to realize the fullest return from what we have already done will depend upon the judicious support NASA will receive from the Congress.



George P. Miller

COVERED!

There is a great deal of talk these days about providing for the medical care needs of our aged citizens. In Texas, these needs are being met under an effective and efficient program that is unique among all states in the nation.

The State of Texas has established a medical care program which covers over 30 per cent of the State's entire aged population. The program includes surgical and medical care in hospitals, as well as nursing home benefits. Presently covered by the program are some 229,000 recipients of Old Age Assistance. Each has been issued a paid-up, comprehensive health insurance policy.

This program has been favorably accepted by those who are covered, with more than 6,500 aged being hospitalized monthly. Texas' program is paying an average of 80 per cent of the total hospital bill, and up to 100 per cent of the physician's fee for medical service in the hospital.

We favor the Texas program because it is meeting the needs of the aged through a workable, efficient system. We oppose the "medicare" program now being considered by Congress because it is uneeded, highly expensive, and places governmental control between the doctor and his patient.

Write your congressman today and tell him you favor the Texas aged care program (Kerr-Mills). Encourage him to oppose the King-Anderson Bill (H.R. 3920) which would provide a compulsory federal program for the aged, financed through higher Social Security taxes.

Freedom To Know Clears The Air!



TELL COUNTY ACCIDENTS

The Highway Patrol investigated one rural accident in Yoakum County during the month of April according to Sergeant A. E. Roberts, Patrol Supervisor of this area. These wrecks accounted for one person injured and an estimated property damage of \$5,000.

The rural accident summary for Yoakum County from January through April shows a total of seven crashes resulting in one person killed, seven injured, and an estimated property damage of \$11,100.

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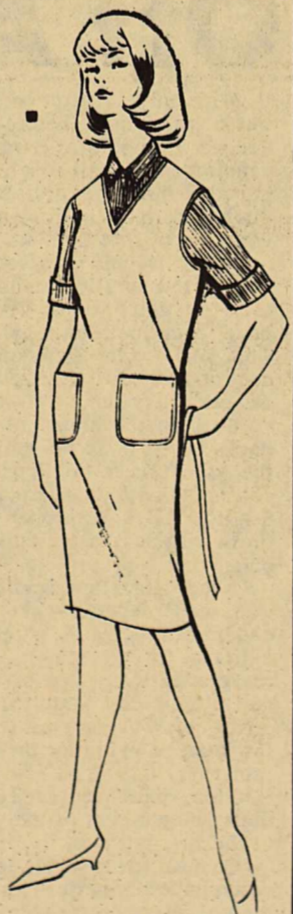
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- Improvements in higher education and teacher salaries
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- Member of respectable profession--School Teacher
- Educated for the job--Degree with double major in Government and History
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Texas and The Civil War

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From One President to Another



Lions International President Aubrey D. Green and Mrs. Green of York, Alabama, are shown reporting to President Lyndon Johnson at the White House on results of President Green's recently completed 200,000 mile good-will trip around the world. The growth and peace-seeking efforts of the world's largest service organization were discussed.

Attempt to Hush Witness Charged, Meat Probe Opens

Pointing out that fear of the power of the food chains is evidently widespread, particularly among meat suppliers who are dependent upon purchases by the chain stores, Senator Gale W. McGee charged that attempts had been made to intimidate witnesses.

been warned by chain store officials not to testify. McGee is chairman of the subcommittee of the Senate commerce committee which is holding hearings on Senate Joint resolution 71, a bill to authorize an investigation of chain store meat procurement and pricing practices by the Federal Trade Commission.

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"Life at Home"
"Oh, how pleasant it is to know are remembered by kind friends at home!" exclaimed a man in the Second Regiment of Texas Mounted Rifles, when "good ladies of Harrison County" sent his unit two wagon-loads of clothing, shoes and hats.

Women at home — as in all wars — worried about sons, husbands and fathers, then worked to provide for their men. Cotton and wool cards (devices for combing fiber into shape for spinning) were bought by state or family and put into hard daily usage. Spinning wheels and looms hummed.

Gov. Francis R. Lubbock was inaugurated in 1863 in a homespun suit. Soldiers sang proudly about "homespun dresses that Southern ladies wear."

The mistress of a farm would often keep not only her own cards, wheels and looms busy, but would place cotton, wool or yarn with townswomen, to help increase the cloth output.

A farm mistress carried terrific responsibilities. Wives who before the war were pretty and helpless had to follow the minute instructions given them in letters from absent husbands — on how to manage plowing, planting, harvesting, molasses and sugar-making, hog killing, curing of meat, care of horses, cattle or sheep, and upkeep of fences, buildings and other improvements. Wives had to pay taxes, mortgages and all sorts of bills. They had to be self-reliant.

"I got my bagging and rope at 50 cents, which is 10 cents cheaper than any one else has bought it," said one Texas woman in a letter to her soldier husband. The wife's father was sending cotton to Brownsville, to be sold in the thriving market at Matamoros, Mexico. But she would not send her crop along, "because I can't spare my mules, wagon or hand," she said.

Military authorities appealed through Texas newspapers for women to plant and harvest poppies, to extract opium from the seed pods. Farm wives also planted barilla, to be made into baking soda (or burned corncobs to ashes, and used that for soda.)

They made "coffee" from acorns, peanuts, sweet potatoes, parched okra, beans, rye or corn meal; "tea" from sage or orange leaves; a quinine substitute from willow bark extract or red pepper paste. They gathered medicinal poke root, snakeroot, jimson root and jerusalem oak seed — all wild on the farms.

They boiled dirt from smoke-house floors, to get salt to cure meat. Women in coastal counties harvested and sold salt from evaporated brine lakes.

Women "manned" industries such as gun cap factories and shell loading plants.

To get money for outfitting soldiers or relief for soldiers' families, Ladies Aid societies gave socials, balls, entertainments and box suppers. One "Ladies' Regiment" took the field — its men proud of the name because finances came from dedicated womenfolk back home.

Feeling special compassion for the sick and wounded, Texas women converted hotels into rest homes or hospitals and equipped these with bandages and other medical necessities.

Private efforts could not provide entirely for the indigent, so state and county appropriations went to families of some soldiers fighting on private pay of \$11 a month.

Inflation gobbled up scarce commodities. Shoes were \$30 a pair; an average horse cost \$100. "Pa got a coffee pot and 20 pounds of coffee for \$85 — the most reasonable thing they had," wrote one lady as she sent five pounds of coffee to her soldier son.

Gifts and letters flowed to Texas soldiers. Houston and Galveston papers had a courier go regularly to Eastern war fronts, and let him take along letters at \$5 each, money at 10 percent. Regular Confederate mail, although with poor schedules, also went to the soldiers.

Displaced persons sent some of that mail. Choctaw Gen. Stand Watie sent his wife and children from Indian Territory down to Tyler, and Gen. E. Kirby Smith (commander of the Trans-Mississippi Department) sent his family from Louisiana to Marshall, to get them out of harm's way. People from Arkansas, Missouri and the Deep South also took refuge in Texas.

While public schools had been provided by law, none could actually operate, so the state depended on private or subscription schools.

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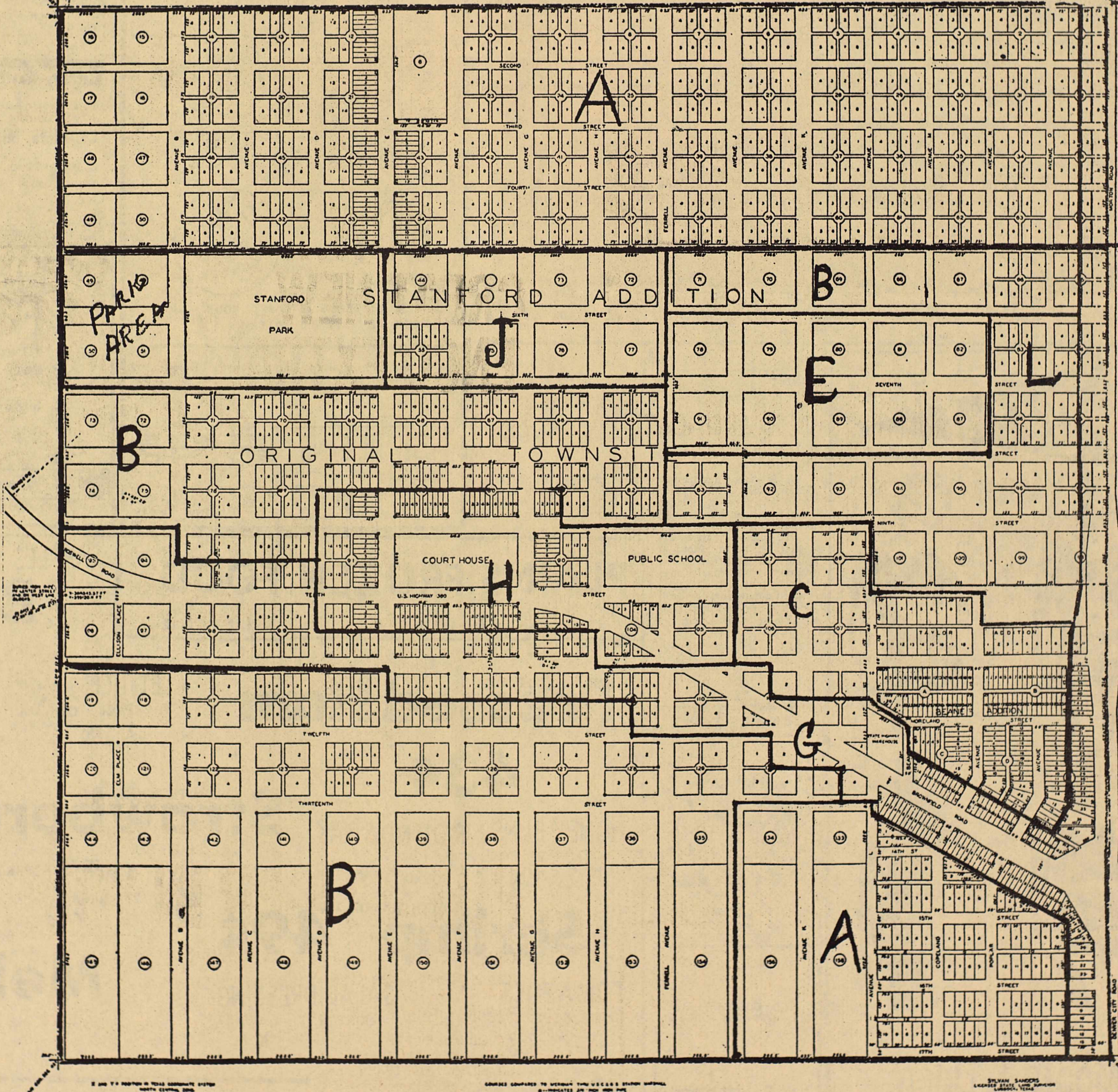


Domestic Animals In City Explained

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Some disputes, questions, and misunderstandings have arisen in Plains concerning some parts of the zoning laws which are in effect at the present time. Most of the troubles are coming in regard to the question of keeping livestock within the City Limits of Plains. Above will be seen a map of the town-section on which Plains is located, and on the map is outlined and designated the different zoning areas of the City according to the zoning ordinance now in effect and which was brought into being in 1954. According to the zoning laws, as the case is stated, no domestic animals,

which includes all kinds and types of livestock, may be kept in any of the zones designated A, B, C, E, G, or H. The ordinance goes on to say that anyone violating this section of the zoning law is guilty of a misdemeanor and is subject to a fine of from \$5 to \$200 for each offense and that each day animals are kept in any of the restricted zones constitutes a new offense. Anyone having any questions concerning any zone in Plains, is invited to inquire at the City Hall concerning the problem.

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There are men who carry the weight of the world on their shoulders—but this isn't one of them.

There is no burden so joyous as the responsibility of being DAD.

But — hold on there! Don't forget it is a burden. Someone's future is on your strong back.

And that someone's future involves soul as well as body.

If you want your boy to become a good ballplayer . . . well, you go out and catch with him.

And if you have hopes for his character, his courage, his commitment to things Right and True . . . yes, a boy loves to walk into HIS CHURCH with HIS DAD.



LOADING UP----Plains FFA Boys are shown as they were loading up their gear for their annual trip to Lake Thomas. The boys will spend several days fishing, boating and just generally having a good time. A large group was making the trip including several of this year's eighth graders who plan to join the Chapter next semester.

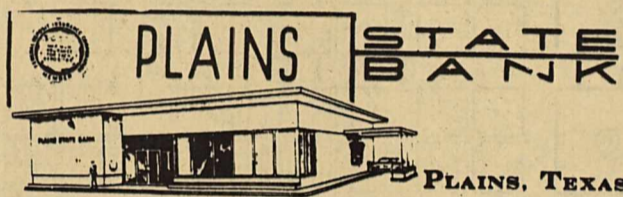
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Stanford Valley HDC Meeting

The Stanford Valley Home Demonstration Club met on May 7 at 2 p. m. in the Club Room located in the old Court House here in Plains.

Mrs. Sidney Murphey was hostess for the occasion, at which the group enjoyed a session on the art of salad making.

Each member answered roll call with "My Favorite Salad." Mrs. Sudie Thompson, the

local Agent, talked about salads, gave tips on how to care for fresh vegetables and gave a demonstration on making a meat salad.



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SHRIMP 49¢ KEITH'S BREADED

TOMATOES VINE RIPE POUND 15¢

SALAD DRESSING MORTON'S I QUART 39¢

Pot MORTON'S 8 OUNCE
Pies 3/49¢

APPLES DELICIOUS 19¢ POUND

Bacon 89¢
SLAB 2 POUND

OLEO SHURFRESH 2/35¢

STRAWBERRIES 25¢ SHURFINE PACKAGE

CHEESE SPREAD 2 POUND 69¢ BORDEN'S

TUNA DEL MONTE 3-89¢

Mellorine 39¢ 1/2 GALLON

SAVE ON FOOD

DOUBLE STAMPS ON WEDNESDAY

TOMATO AND PEPPER PLANTS IN STOCK