

The Plains Pride



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TWENTY-FIVE CENTS



1986 HOMECOMING QUEEN CANDIDATES are left to right, Sandy Ramos, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ramos; Bertha Gonzales, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Gonzales; and Ruth Ann Diaz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Diaz. The decision was announced in Friday's pre-game ceremonies prior to the Homecoming clash, between the Cowboys and the Stanton Buffaloes.

Absentee Voting To Begin For General Election

Absentee voting by personal appearance for the General Election Nov. 4 will begin Wednesday, Oct. 15 and continue through Friday, Oct. 31. Persons planning to be away election day may cast ballots from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays at the County Clerk's office in the Courthouse.

A branch office for absentee voting will be set up in Denver City's Community Building. Pearl Prewitt will be deputy clerk for absentee voting in Denver City.

Voters are reminded they should present their registration certificates when voting absentee or on election

Community Education Classes To Start At Plains ISD

A number of classes will be offered for Community Education by Plains Independent School District beginning Sept. 29. Classes will be open to both adults and children.

Adult courses are open to anyone who can profit by attendance. One does not need to be a resident of the district to participate. No classes will be held when Plains Schools is closed because of holidays or imclement weather.

Cost of the courses vary. In some instances, there are additional material fees. All class fees have been assigned according to the cost of instructor for a minimum class enrollment. Most classes require a minimum of 10 participants for the class to be offered.

Senior Citizens, persons 65 years and over, are invited to enroll in any course at one-half the regular fee. Additional material fees will remain the same for all participants.

Individuals may enroll in all asses by mail using the registration form printed elsewhere in this issue of The Plains Pride or by calling 456-7490. For additional information about classes, call Lorelei Andrews, Mary Pettigrew or Larry Devitt in the Resource Center at 456-7590.

Welding classes will begin Monday, Sept. 29 and continue through six weeks. Classes will be held from to 9 p.m. Mondays in the

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Week's Competition Is Close; Tie-Breaker Selects Winner

Competition was close in last week's edition of The Plains Pride football guessing game. Two contestants finished with fourteen points while six trailed by only one point. The tie-breaker was called on to determine the week's money win-

Kelley Clay and Randy Clay had 14 correct predictions each but Kelley proved the top money winner by missing the scores of Plains and Farwell by just seven points. He guessed the game would end Plains 16, Farwell 10. Randy was off 17 points with a 16-0 prediction to pick up second place winnings.

Sheila Ashburn was off by five points to emerge as third place winner of the week from a field of six contestants. She predicted Plains 12, Farwell 8. Those eliminated by their tie-breaker predictions were David McGill, 6 points off, 13-8; Maxie McElroy, 10 off, 3-18; Larry Alvarado, 13 off, 7-21; Brad McMinn, 13 off, 24-14; and Alfred Martinez, 14 off, 6-21.

The contest is fun and open to everyone. One does not need to be a "football expert" to win; luck plays an important role as favored teams are sometimes upset.

To enter, select a winner in each of the games listed on the official entry blank printed in The Plains Pride. Predict a score in the tie-

breaker game, which also counts as a game. Fill in the entry form (copies or reproductions not accepted) with name and address and deposit in the collection envelope at

Pay-N-Save Grocery before 3 p.m. Friday, or mail to The Plains Pride,

P.O. Box 774, Olton, TX 79064. Mailed entries must be postmarked Friday's date or earlier. Contest forms received after the deadline are discarded.

The contestant predicting the most correct games during the season will also be awarded \$100 at the conclusion of the contest.

'86 Homecoming Weekend Underway

Three PHS misses were named candidates for the honored title of Homecoming Queen. The lucky miss chosen to wear the crown was to be revealed in ceremonies prior to the homecoming football game.

Chosen as candidates were Ruth Ann Diaz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Diaz; Sandy Ramos, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ramos and Bertha Gonzales, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Gonzales.

A bonfire, sponsored by Plains Athletic Boosters, launched homecoming festivities Thursday night. Students were dismissed at 2:30 Friday, following the pep rally which began at 2:05. The Cowboys greeted Stanton in the homecoming

An after-game fellowship, held in the fellowship hall of First Baptist Church entertained youth, seventh grade through college. Activities were to begin approximately 20 minutes following the Plains-Stanton game.



SERVING AS CAPTAINS during the Homecoming game between Stanton and Plains were ltr, Bryan Baldwin, Martin Barrientes and Billy Spears.

THE PLAINS PRIDE

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Baptists Slate 75th Celebration

First Baptist Church of Plains will hold a seventy-fifth anniversary celebration Oct. 11-12 with special invitations extended to all friends, former members, pastors and staff.

Fellowship Saturday, Oct. 11 will begin at 5 p.m. An anniversary service is scheduled for 10 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 12 to be followed by a noon meal in fellowship hall. Afternoon services will begin at 2 p.m.

Pastor Ken Horn and members extend a cordial invitation.



PLAINS 4-H CLUB MEMBERS collecting oral histories as a Sesquicentennial project are left to right, Stacey Jones, Amy Jones and Jo Lena Powell. Standing behind is Latrell McDonnell, Plains Librarian.

4-H Members Gathering Oral Histories For Library

Plains 4-H Club members have been collecting oral histories since December 1984 as a Sesquicentennial Project. Twelve persons have been interviewed on tape to date.

Jo Lena Powell, Amy Jones, Lebert Powell and Stacy Jones visited in homes with pioneers of Yoakum County and asked such questions as "What special chores did you have as a child?" "Do you remember the Great Depression?" "Where did you go to school?" "Would you like to relive the old days?"

These tapes were presented to Latrell McDonnell, Plains Librarian, Sept. 8. Recorded voices include Jim Story, Sit Jones, Sherm Tingle, Alma Lynn McGinty, Louise Goehry, Pierre StRomain, Maye Weed, Mattie Field, G.W. Cleveland, Dick McGinty, Oma McCargo and Bert Bartlett.

The group plans to continue the interviewing for the next few years. Anyone interested in talking about Yoakum County History, please contact Linda Powell, 4-H adult leader, and arrangements will be

made for the interview.

Ms. Powell commented that the quality of the tapes is improving with the experience of the interviewers. Sixty minute high quality tapes are being used, but most interviews are lasting 30 minutes.

Several of those interviewed mentioned that they themselves were

former 4-H members and remember it as a life-enriching experience. This project has personalized an impersonal subject for these youngsters. It is the story of one's own community, county...what happened here, why it happened, when it happened and who made it happen. Local history is the cell structure of national history. It is about big and little things and all things that make the history of a place and its people special.



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Approximately 76 Attend Farm Tour

Approximately 76 producers, agri-businessmen and ranchers attended the 1986 Annual Farm and Ranch Tour, held on Wednesday, Sept. 17. The first stop was a dryland grain sorghum variety test on the Darrell Lowrey Farm.

The next stop was a rangeland broomweed control demonstration on the Fitzgerald Charolais Ranch. Comments were made concerning production aspects, as well as marketing aspects of beef cattle.

The third stop was southeast of Denver City at David Turnbough Farm. An irrigated grain sorghum variety test with 10 varieties in it was the highlight of this stop.

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All result demonstrators gave a brief review of cultural, chemical, fertilizer and rainfall patterns at each place.

The tour concluded with a trip to the Ty Powell Farm, one concerning cotton variety characteristics as well as yield potential. Sixteen cotton varieties were represented in the

The Outstanding Young Farmer Award was presented to Dell Knight. Following the farm tour, the group returned for lunch, sponsored by Plains State Bank and Yoakum County State Bank. After the meal, a program was presented by Jackie Smith on Conservation Compliance and its consequences for Yoakum County producers.

Season's Standings

Randy Clay Shane McMinn

45 **Brad McMinn**

Brett Parr

Kenneth Engle Chris Blundell Gary Jones David McGill Maxie McElroy

Larry Alvarado

Wayne Davis Micah Stowe

(Others Recorded, But Not Listed)

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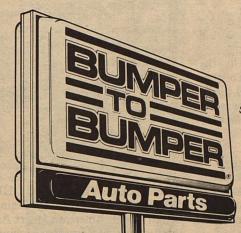
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Volleyball Results

VARSITY

Plains Cowgirls won their third straight game by pushing past the Brownfield Cubs at home Tuesday night, 15-11, 15-9. Karen Cobb fueled the Cowgirl offense with nine service points.

Saturday the Cowgirls tamed the Fillies 16-14, 11-15, 15-5 at Denver City. The Cowgirls turned things around in the third game when they finally got their offense going. Melissa Welch served nine straight points for the Cowgirls in the last match. Miss Welch was high server with 12 points.

The Cowgirls will host the Seminole Maidens Saturday. Varsity action will follow the 9th grade and JV games, which begin play at 2 p.m.

JUNIOR VARSITY

Junior Varsity Cowgirls beat Denver City's JV Saturday in Mustang Gym, 15-5, 15-1. Lynda Jimenez served seven straight points in the first game and eight straight points in the second game.

The Cowgirls won their fourth consecutive game Tuesday when they beat Brownfield's JV, 16-14, 14-16, 15-6. High servers were Bertha Gonzales, 13 and Lynda Jimenez, 10.

Next game for the JV team is Saturday at home against Seminole. JV will play following the 9th grade.

9TH GRADE

Ninth grade Cowgirls participated in the Big Spring Tournament Saturday. They lost to Pecos 15-12, 15-6. High servers were Heather Shipp and Marsha Farnham with four points each.

In their second game, the Cowgirls lost to Ft. Stockton 8-15, 15-9, 15-11. Martha Rivera had 12 service points in the match.

Tuesday night in Cowgirl Gym, the hometown girls beat Brownfield 15-11, 15-9. High server was Martha Rivera with 11 points.

Next game is at home Saturday at 2 p.m. against Seminole's 9th grade.

8TH GRADE

Michelle Lowe served eight points in the 8th A-Team's victory over the Lamesa 8th A-Team, Monday evening, 15-8, 15-12.

8th B-Team lost to the Lamesa B's 15-1, 15-10. Kelly Fitzgerald served six points in the match.

8th A-Team will play in the Denver City Junior High Tournament Saturday. Both A & B teams will compete against the Denver City 8th grade teams Monday Sept. 29 in Denver City.

7TH GRADE

Plains 7th A-Team was defeated by the Lamesa's 7th grade A-Team in the Cowgirl courts Monday evening 15-1, 15-13. Ashlee Winn was high server with seven points.

Plains 7th B-Team split games with the Lamesa B's losing the match 15-10, 13-15, 15-0. Leslie Gonzales led all servers with 10 points, followed by Lupita Ramos with seven points.

Seventh A-Team will play in the Denver City Junior High Tournament Saturday.

Seventh A & B teams will travel to Denver City Monday, Sept. 29 to play the Denver City 7th grade teams



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Classes...

Continued from page 1 Agriculture Building. Fee is \$15.

Woodworking classes will begin Oct. 7 and will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays for a period of 10 weeks. Fee is \$30.

Word Processing on Appleworks will be an eight-week course beginning Sept. 30. Fee is \$16 for the course which meets in the computer lab in high school from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays.

Beginning Typing will be offered as an eight-week course also. It will be held Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. in the high school typing room. Fee for the typing course, which begins Sept. 30, is \$16.

Beginning Computer classes will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays beginning Sept. 30 and continuing eight weeks. Fee is \$16. Classes will meet in the computer lab in junior high.

A three weeks course in Calligraphy will be offered beginning Oct. 6. Fee is \$6. Classes will be held Mondays from 6 to 8 p.m.

Persons interested in Oil Painting may enroll in a five-week course beginning Sept. 30. Classes will meet Tuesdays from 6 to 9 p.m. Fee is \$30.

Material fees are extra and may not be included in the registration fee. These should be paid separately to the instructor.

A refund of fee to the students enrolled in a Community Education Class will be made when the class is cancelled by the Resource Center. Students withdrawing from a class may receive an 80 percent refund by applying at the Resource Center before the second class.

Smoking will be allowed in designated areas only.

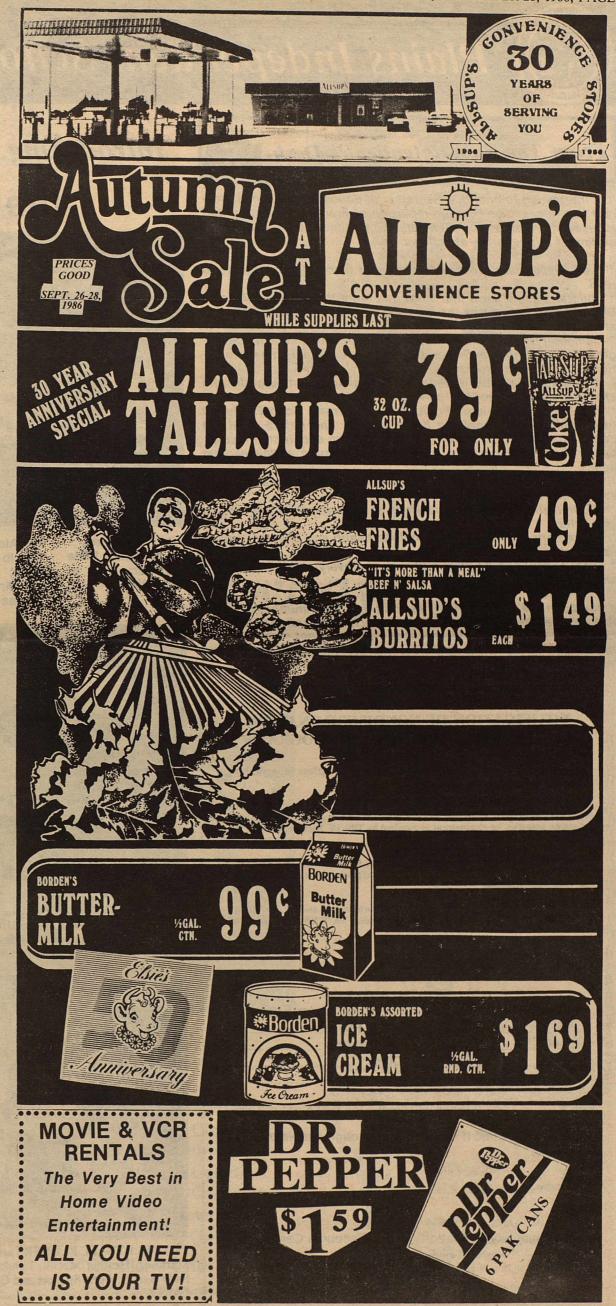
Local Homemakers Attend Meeting

Yoakum County Extension Homemakers attended the 60th annual meeting of Texas Extension Homemakers Association held recently in McAllen. Pat Curtis, Sidney Murphey, Clara Williams, Emily Bolling and County Extension Agent, Mary D. Williams were among the nine hundred twenty-five attending. The participants attended three days of workshop sessions, seminars, entertainment and tours.

Workshop sessions included "Safety & Health", "Citizenship & Legislation", "Young Homemakers", "Parliamentary Law", "Communications", "Certified Volunteer Units", "Court Watching-(War on Drugs)", "Cultural Arts", "Membership & Leadership", "Family Life" and "Family Resource Management". The delegates are responsible for deciding on programs, and teaching some of the topics they participated in, to the club members in the county.

Mrs. Linda Gale White, wife of Gov. Mark White, gave the keynote address at Tuesday night's program.

Over \$6,000 was presented to Girlstown, USA by the association.





Plains Independent School District

From The Superintendent's Desk



It is interesting to note that Secretary of Education William J. Bennett has released an 83 page report on elementary education that focuses attention on current needs and trends in education. A brief outline of this report is as follows:

* Every elementary school can and must teach all its students to read.

* Children should learn that writing is more than filling in blanks. Writing must be part of the whole curriculum, not just language arts.

* Elementary schools need to teach science, and their science programs should include "hands on" experimental activities in addition to texts and lectures.

* Mathematics should extend beyong simple computation and should emphasize problem solving.

* The social curriculum should be transformed. Schools should teach children not only the basic lessons and habits of life in democratic societies, but also impart to them substantial instruction in history, geography, and civics, beginning at the earliest ages.

ages.
* The arts and instruction in the arts should be integral parts of every elementary school.

* Children should gain a basic grasp of the uses and limitations of computers.

* Elementary curricula should include health and physical education.

* Every school should have a library, and every child should have and use a public library card.

It has been the philosophy of Plains I.S.D. for a number of years now, to meet the needs as outlined above. It is rewarding to see that our school philosophy and practices not only meet current needs but anticipate them. We continue in our endeavor to provide the best for our students.

NOTIFICATION OF NONDISCRIMINATION IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Plains Independent School District offers vocational programs in Agriculture, Homemaking and Industrial Arts.

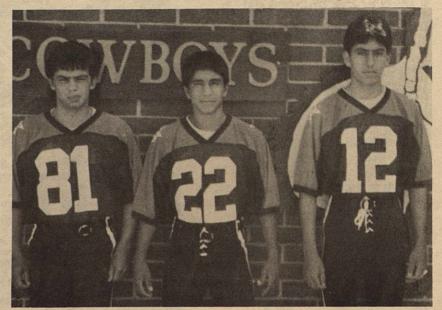
It is the policy of Plains Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of sex, handicap, race, color and national origin in its educational and vocational programs, activities, or employment as required by Title IX, Section 504, and Title VI.

Plains Independent School District will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Dean Andrews, at P.O. Box 479, Plains, TX 79355; Telephone (806) 456-7401.

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9TH GRADE VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS are front row, ltr, Martha Rivera, Leticia Guerra, Nancy Jimenez and Heather Shipp. Back row, ltr, are Coach Kim Andrews, Anna Luna, Marsha Farnham, Missy Galvan, Rachael Medina, Angie Murph and Veronica Gonzales.



JV VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS are (kneeling), ltr, Bertha Gonzales, Jo Ann Martinez, Heather McGill, Lynda Jimenez and Alice Rios. Back row, ltr, Sally Burrus, Corie Spencer and Coach Joyce Pierce. Not pictured is Teresa Galvan

Community Education Registration Form

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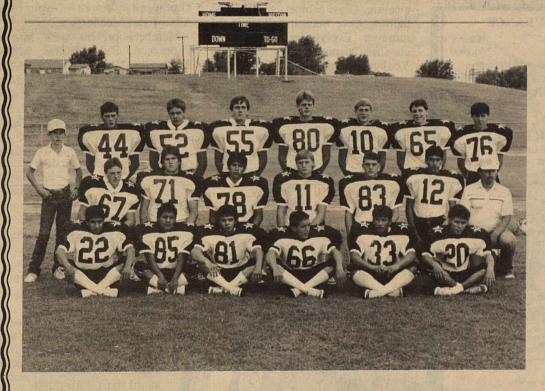
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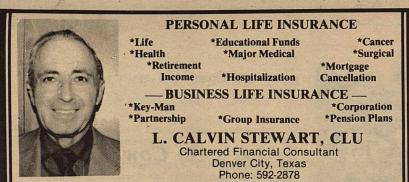
MR. & MRS. A.B. HOWELL

To Observe Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Howell of Seagraves will be complimented with a fiftieth wedding anniversary reception Sunday, Sept. 28 in First Baptist Church of Seagraves.

Hosting the event are the couple's children, Jim and Jo Ann Barron of Plains and Leroy and Barbara Howell of Levelland. Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

The ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. with Rev. Floyd Haddock of Hobbs, N.M. speaking on "love". Special music will be presented by Jeff Barron of Dallas.





Zachary Guetersloh Feted With Gift Coffee Saturday

Little Zachary Guetersloh, twomonth-old infant son of Gary and Martha Guetersloh, was honored Saturday morning with a gift coffee in the home of Mrs. Jim Barron.

Mrs. Millie Guetersloh, grandmother of the infant, was a special guest.

Laid with a pale yellow cloth, the party table was adorned with ivy in a tufted pale yellow basket with tiny silk flowers and a foam green bow. Punch was served from a brass

bowl. Sausage balls, fruit plate with cream cheese dip and coffee cake were served from crystal appointments with gold flatware. Pale yellow and foam green napkins completed the table decor.

Corsages were presented to the infant's mother and grandmother. Hostesses for the occasion were members of Friendship Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church.

Tsa Mo Ga Yearbooks Presented Members Monday

"Enlightment of Life" was the program topic of Monday's meeting of GFWC Tsa Mo Ga Club. The 6:30 p.m. meeting was held in the clubhouse with Sarah Field, program and yearbook chairman, as program director.

New yearbooks were presented. Mrs. Sit Jones announced the course of study for the year is "Federation! Lights the World". She read the dedication of the yearbooks to Mary Jo StRomain and her husband, Pierre. Mrs. StRomain was a 1986 GFWC-TFWC State Board Member and winner of the Volunteerism Award.

Members toured the "Bonus Shack" Museum preceding the meeting. Glass cabinets with special lighting have been installed in the museum. Everything has been reclassified depicting pioneer life in Yoakum County.

Hostesses were Clara Williams and Dolores Davis. Others attending were Barbara Brown, Sarah K. Burrus, Mattie Field, Toni Jones, Kathy Jones, Sheri McGinty, Ann McGinty, Martha Palmer, Mary Jo StRomain, Virginia Sanders, Peggy Squyres, Edna Chambliss and Zareta Winn.

Next meeting will be Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. in the clubhouse. The event is Special Women's Night with Senior Citizens as guests.

Game Warden Speaks To Lions

Game Warden Gary Self of Texas Parks and Wildlife was guest speaker Thursday for the noon luncheon of Plains Lions Club. He shared new changes in Texas game laws. Guests attending were Helen Thompson, Terrell Givens and Alma Lynn McGinty.

Members present were Murrell Thompson, Dale Boulter, Milton Bayer, Jim Warren, Jack London, Johnnie Fitzgerald, Edwin Livengood, Charles Oswalt, Wayne House, Larry Mason, Frank Spencer, Kenneth McGinty, David Kight and Pete StRomain.

Next meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 2.



Texas Farmers Bid 819,308 Acres

Texas farmers bid another 819,308 acres of highly erodible farmland into the government's Conservation Reserve Program during the latest sign-up period, points out David Kight, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

That puts more than 1,127,000 acres of Texas farmland into the program, which evolved from the 1985 farm bill as an effort to curb erosion losses on fragile farmland and at the same time reduce the production of already surplus crops.

Nationwide, 8,920,889 acres are now enrolled in the CRP. Some 45 million acres are targeted for the program over a five-year sign-up period, with 11.5 million of those being in Texas.

To participate in the CRP, a farmer or landowner must first determine if his land is highly erodible as classified by the Soil Conservation Service. Then he must submit a bid to the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service on the amount of payment he feels is justified based on the land's production history.

The maximum bid price on land accepted into the CRP has varied across Texas, ranging from \$40 per acre on the High Plains to \$55 per acre in the Rio Grande Valley. During the most recent sign-up period, the average acceptable bid for Texas was \$29.53 per acre.

Land accepted into the program must be kept out of production for 10 years and must be planted to grass control wind and water erosion, explains Kight. Costs of establishing conservation measures are split 50-50 with the government up to the second time of trying to establish the grass.

Additional rules are now being proposed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture relating to the management of highly erodible lands and wetlands and to conservation compliance that ties conservation efforts to commodity programs, adds Kight. This means that farmers cultivating highly erodible land or converting wetlands and not complying with locally approved conservation plans would be denied commodity program benefits such as price and income supports, disaster payments, crop insurance and related payments. In addition, cost-sharing funds for conservation practices would not be allowed on lands in violation.

Since these provisions have farreaching implications, farmers and landowners are encouraged to submit comments to the Director of Cotton, Grain & Rice Support Division, USDA/ASCS, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, D.C. 20013, no later than Oct. 25.

Further information concerning conservation compliance portion of the 1985 Farm Bill can be obtained at the County Extension Office.

The sands of Mt. Sinai are said to be "singing sands" because they can make what seems a harplike sound when masses of them tumble downhill.

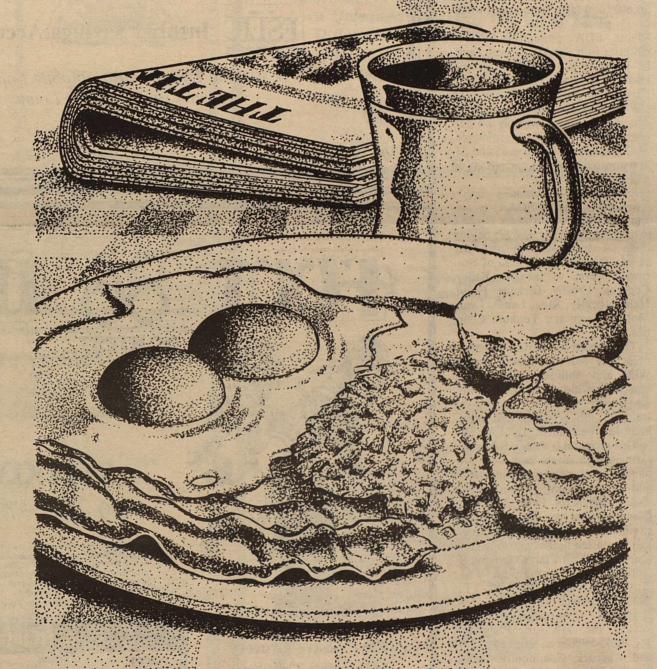
Plains Chamber of Commerce

will meet at 12 noon, Oct. 7th in Plains Library

Bring Sack Lunch — Coffee & Tea will be provided



Dairy Queen puts the good in good morning.

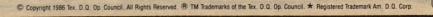


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Area Farmers Face Economic Crisis

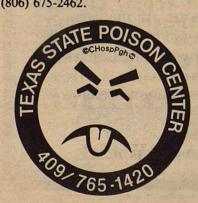
Local farmers are dropping like flies because of farm depression, and they're doing it by voluntary liquidation, by bankruptcy, and farm foreclosures. Texas is losing about 100 farmers a week. The existence of a farm crisis is general knowledge; its effects on Texas are particularly sobering because of the importance of agriculture in Texas' economy.

Texas has 185,000 farmers and ranchers -- more than any other state. When farm families are counted, the total farming population is 600,000 or four percent of the total population of the state. The South Plains Service Delivery Area (SDA), consisting of thirteen counties (11,930 square miles), has a total population of 153,205 (1985). There are reportedly, 6,200 farmers, and using the national average of 3.3 persons per farm family, there is 20,400 total farm population; which is 13 percent of the total South Plains SDA population. Three counties with significant farm family populations are Hale (2,746), Lamb (2,716) and Hockley (2,089). Farmers in our South Plains SDA are significantly spread out among age groups; approximately 20 percent are below age 35, approximately 45 percent are between 35 and 55, and approximately 35 percent are 55 and older.

South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. (SPCAA) is setting up Farmer's Assistance Centers to help local farmers who are having financial difficulties. SPCAA will serve a thirteen county area of Northwest Texas to include: Bailey, Cochran, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, Hale, Hockley, King, Lamb, Lynn, Motley, Terry and Yoakum Counties.

The Farmer's Assistance Centers objectives are to evaluate current skills and abilities, help in job search, provide vocational training, classroom training, on-the-job training, job referrals and placement in a permanent, full-time job.

This program is designed to assist farmers with severe cash-flow problems and those facing bankruptcy and/or foreclosure. Farmers should visit a designated Farm Assistance Center nearest you for details and eligibility requirements. The centers will be staffed in the following communities: South Plains Community Action Association, Inc., 411 Austin Street, Levelland, TX 79336-telephone (806) 894-6104; Caprock Community Action Assoc., Inc. 713 Ash, Plainview, TX 79072-telephone (806) 293-4397; and Caprock Community Action Assoc., Inc., 224 Berkshire, Crosbyton, TX 79322-telephone



Provisions Given Extension For Highly Erodible Land

The closing date for comments on the proposed Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Conservation provisions - commonly referred to as cross-compliance, sodbuster and swampbuster - of the Food Security Act of 1985 has been extended until Oct. 25, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced.

These provisions are designed to reduce soil loss due to wind and water erosion, protect the nation's long-term capability to produce food and fiber; reduce sedimenta-

tion and improve water quality; assist in preserving the nation's wetlands; and lessen the incentives to produce agricultural commodities on highly erodible farmland.

The comment period was extended because of the complex issues involved in implementation of the new provisions.

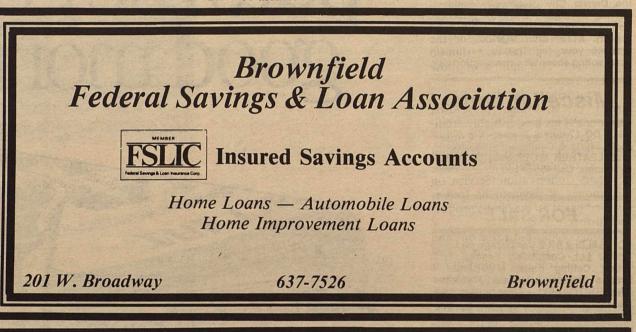
Comments should be sent to: Director, Cotton, Grains and Rice Division, USDA/ASCS, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, D.C. 20013 and must be received on or before Oct. 27 to be assured of consideration.

'Smoother Travel' On U.S. Hwy 380

Work to rebuild a 28 year old section of U.S. 380 between the West Terry County Line and Plains has been completed, according to the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

The 13 mile section of roadway in east Yoakum County was rebuilt at a cost to the highway department of \$2.1 million.

"Motorists may now enjoy a smoother ride when traveling on this highway," said William M. Pope, highway district engineer.





NOTICE

ABSENTEE VOTING BY PERSONAL AP-PEARANCE for the General Election, November 4, 1986 begins Wednesday, October 15, 1986 and ends Friday, October 31, 1986; Except Saturday & Sunday. Hours are 8:00 A.M. until 5 P.M. at County Clerk's Office in the Courthouse in Plains. TX and the Brench Office et in Plains, TX and the Branch Office at the Denver City Community Building. Serving as Deputy Clerk for Absentee Voting at the Branch Office is Pearl Prewitt. ATTENTION VOTERS: Please present your registration certificate when voting absentee or on election day.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS THE STATE OF TEXAS **COUNTY OF YOAKUM**

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Yoakum County will receive bids until 10 A.M. on the 13th day of October, 1986, for the purchase of two new "police special" automobiles.

Specifications may be obtained from Sheriff Jim Rice.

Sealed bids should be marked on the outside of the envelope and mailed or delivered to the County Judge's office, P.O. Box 456, Plains, TX 79355.

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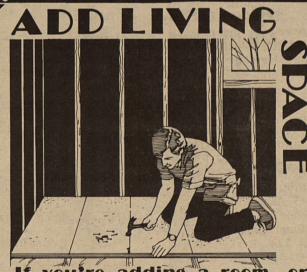
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Commissioners' Court

Yoakum County Commissioners' Court met in regular session Monday morning. Criminal District Attorney Warren New recommended a settlement in the amount of \$4,500 plus court costs between Bill Nokes and the City of Plains. Recommendation was approved.

A budget amendment request and plans for renovation of the Sheriff's office in the amount of \$1,990 for shelves, desks and counter tops was approved. Joe StRomain will be the

The court voted to advertise for bids for two 1987 vehicles for the Sheriff's department. Specifications may be found at the Sheriff's office. If vehicles are received before Jan. 1, 1987, the full price will be carried over until Jan. 1.

It was approved by the court for the County to transfer existing benefits under the Deferred Compensation coverage with Washington National to the present

group paid up plan. County Auditor Lowrey was empowered to make the transfer.

Any employee may keep the existing Washington National coverage by having ownership transferred to them personally and maintaining policy under extended benefit or by paying contributions to Washington National. These requests must be made in writing prior to Nov. 1. Date of transfer is Nov.

All transferred coverages on Elected Officials will be on a simplified issue basis. Transfer to be made on present age of employees and elected officials and updated each year beginning January 1988. This program shall also include coverage on Yoakum County

Budget amendments to cover expected overexpenditures of the hospital were approved.

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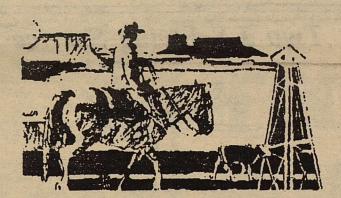
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