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Good Luck & Prosperity

To All In 93!



Let's don't forget our blackeyed peas!!



# Plains Independent School District

"Home of the Cowboys & Cowgirls"

## Settlement Proposed in Long-Running Lawsuit

### AGREEMENT OUTLINE

#### Constitutional Amendment

No standard of equity, adequacy or efficiency (the equity standard established in three *Edgewood* lawsuits prevails)

Limited recapture: 2.75%

No change in the manner of setting local tax rates, including rollback elections

No change in ASF use, but per capita distribution goes to school districts rather than counties

Keep facilities bonds as in SJR 1 or at an increased amount (desirable, but not a prerequisite for settlement)

Authorize legislature to set a minimum level of school support (to preclude claims that the LFA is a state tax)

Public Education's Share of the State Budget

Public education next biennium gets the greater of \$13.965 billion or the same percent of state general revenue-related funds that public education is getting

in 1992-93.

#### Funding Elements and Distribution

Re-enact Chapter 16, with the following exceptions:

Keep SB 1 (Fair Share Plan) changes eliminating CEDs, distributing CED funds and delinquent taxes, and restoring CED taxing authority to school districts, and modify SB 1 language at "(a)" of Sec. 16.257—Excessive Administrative Costs as follows: "The commissioner of education, with the assistance of the comptroller of public accounts, shall adopt guidelines for reasonable costs for the administration of foundation school programs by school districts."

Provide temporary funding elements and adjustments for two years, at 1992-93 levels, to expire September 1, 1995. (The revenue limit, Sec. 16.009, would continue to be calculated on current 1994-95 funding elements.)

Beginning September 1, 1995, current law funding elements (e.g., the \$2,800 basic allotment, the \$28 guaranteed yield and the \$1.00 local fund assignment, etc.) would be in effect.

All funds set aside under this agreement for distribution by the state to public school districts in each of the school years 1993-94 and 1994-95 shall be distributed

so that a district can generate, at the same tax effort that would have been required under law in effect for school year 1992-1993, the combined amount of state and local tax

revenue required for the payment of interest and principal on debt, and so that each district other than a recapture district can generate, with the same additional tax effort, the same combined amount of state and local tax revenue per weighted student that the

district received in school year 1992-1993 in excess of the amount required for the payment of interest and principal on debt, and so that below average wealth school districts receive guaranteed yield funds for the additional tax effort under (2), above, on a sliding scale where the poorest district gets guaranteed yield funds for up to five cents and districts at or above state average wealth get no guaranteed yield funds for additional tax effort.

Subject only to the constitutional limit on recapture, in each of the school years 1993-94 and 1994-95 the effective recapture rate shall be equal to the sum of the 82-cent local fund assignment and the average additional tax effort required in non-recapture districts to generate the same combined amount of state and local tax revenue per weighted student that the district received in school year 1992-93 in excess of the amount required for the payment of interest and principal on debt.

Tax effort required for the payment of interest and principal on new debt is not included in the \$1.50 tax rate limit.

Eliminate proration, without sacrificing current law equity, by providing for wealth-equalized distribution of whatever amounts of state aid and recaptured funds are available, with the maximum amount of each district's state aid fixed before the district's budget is adopted, subject to adjustments for over- or under-payment in the following year. This provision would supersede any other statutory provisions which determine the amount and distribution of state aid allotments.

Waivers, Exemptions and Cost Containment (Effective for the 1993-94 and 1994-95 School Years Only)

Since state aid per student for the next two years will be less than in the current year, permit

school districts to apply for relief from state-imposed mandates whenever compliance with such mandates would require a local ad valorem tax increase. Give the Commissioner the authority to veto any such waiver when the cost savings to the district exceed the anticipated tax increase.

Waivers shall not be granted under this exemption for provisions of law or regulation in the special program areas of compensatory education, bilingual education, special education, vocational education, and education of the gifted. The cumulative effect of the waiver provisions shall not be used as a mechanism to reduce taxes.

#### Settlement and Enforcement Agreements

Settlement agreement will incorporate proposed statutory and constitutional language.

Settlement of the *Edgewood* lawsuit is conditioned on sign-off by Edgewood ISD Plaintiffs, Alvarado ISD Plaintiff-Intervenors, and Equity Center. Any changes made in the regular session that are not agreed to by these parties will nullify the settlement.

Other technical elements of the settlement agreement will be worked out by attorneys for the parties in *Edgewood*, including the state.

## SCHOOL MENU

January 4-9, 1993

### BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Toast, oatmeal, grape juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Donuts, toast, apple juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Toast, sausage, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Waffles, syrup, butter, fruit punch and milk.

FRIDAY - Toast, cereal, pineapple juice and milk.

### LUNCH

MONDAY - Hot dogs w/chili, French fries w/catsup, combination salad, pineapple slices and milk.

TUESDAY - Fish w/tartar sauce, mashed potatoes, green peas, hot rolls and butter, peanut butter and honey and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, onions, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, potato chips, fruit, banana cake and milk.

THURSDAY - Beef and vegetable stew, pinto beans, coleslaw, cornbread, plum cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY - Fried chicken w/gravy, green beans, hot rolls, rice, peaches and milk.

## SCHOOL EVENTS

January 4-9

MONDAY - Basketball - Whiteface- 7th/8th Boys and 7th/8th Girls - Here - 5 p.m.

TUESDAY - Basketball - Sands - A/B Girls and A/B Boys - Here - 5 p.m.

THURSDAY - Basketball - Amherst Tournament - A Girls - There - TBA

FRIDAY - Basketball - Amherst Tournament Continues; Basketball - Denver City - B Girls - There - 5 p.m.

SATURDAY - Basketball - Amherst Tournament Continues

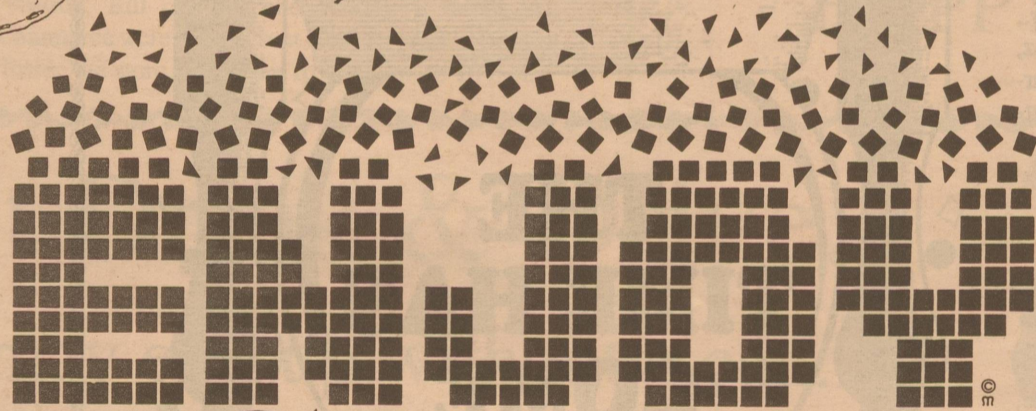
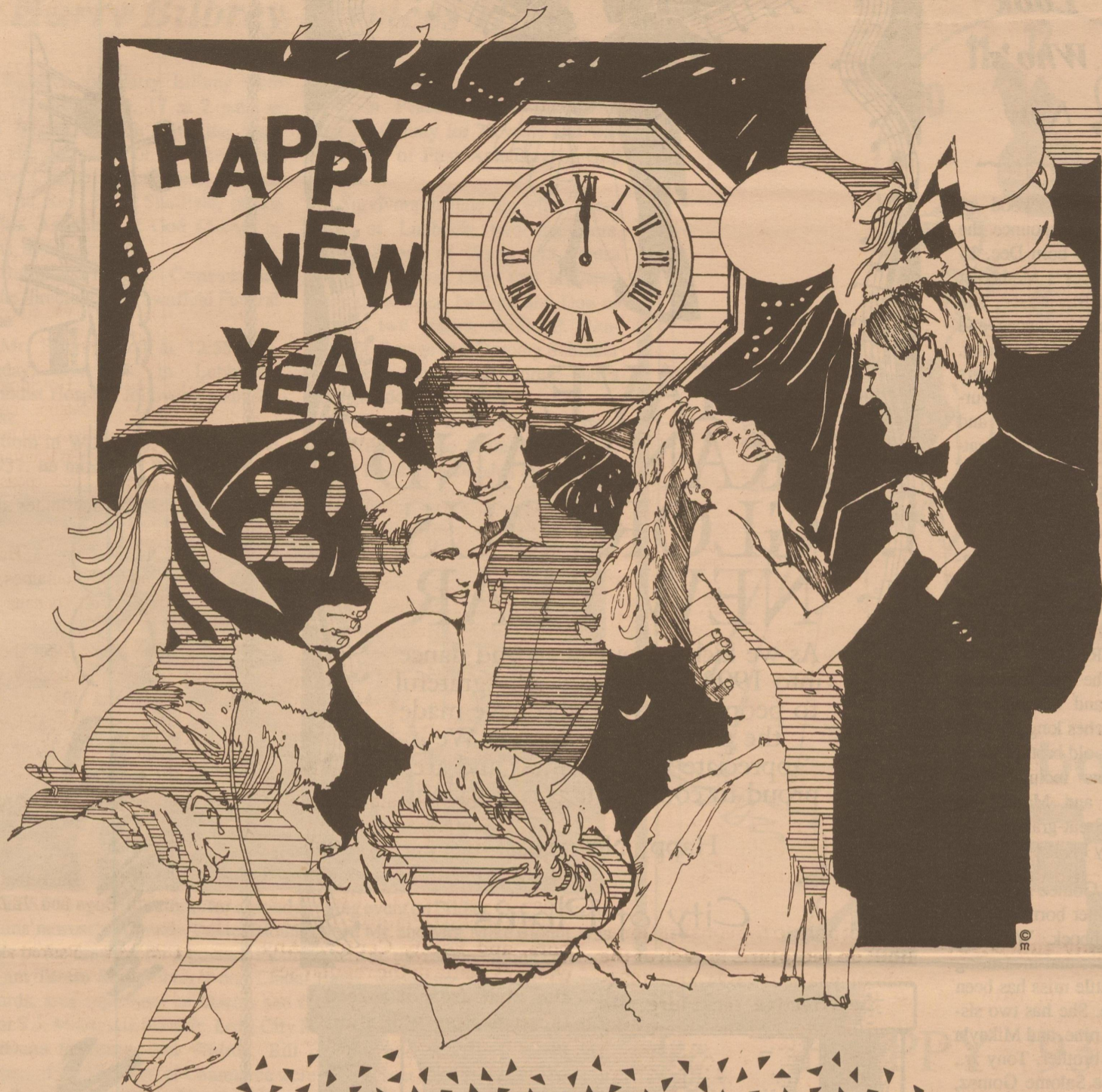
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very best wishes for the coming year.  
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**Look  
Who's  
New**

Clay and Dana Blackwood of Lubbock would like to announce the arrival of their daughter born Dec. 15 at 12:41 p.m. in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital. Named Lindsay Joyce, she weighed six pounds 11 ounces and measured 19 and one-half inches long. She has a brother, Jeremy, seven years old. Grandparents are Jackie and Durward Willis of Plains; and Bill and Donna Blackwood of Lubbock. Great-grandmothers are Cordia Willis of Seagraves; and Katie Blackwood of San Angelo.

Roque and Elsa Moya of Lovington, NM would like to announce the arrival of their daughter, Elyssa Rochelle Moya. Born Thursday, Dec. 3 at 9:11 p.m. in Lea Regional Hospital in Hobbs, NM., she weighed five pounds 12 ounces and measured 19 and three-quarters inches long. She has a two and a half year old brother, Elias Miguel. Grandparents include Felix and Helen Carrillo and Martin and Antonia Villarreal. Great-grandparents are Santana and Mary Flores.

Tony and Sylvia Gomez announce the arrival of a daughter born Nov. 23 at 9:38 p.m. in Lubbock. Weighing eight pounds 12 ounces and measuring 20 inches long, the little miss has been named Allison Paige. She has two sisters, Amanda Marie, nine, and Mikayla Nicole, three, and a brother, Tony Jr., six. Grandparents are Salome Gomez, Esmeralda Romero and Reynaldo Garcia. Nieves and Mary Garcia are great-grandparents.

**Billy J. Curry  
Service Held  
In Quitaque**

Billy J. Curry, 65, of Quitaque, former resident of Plains, died recently. Services were held at First Baptist Church under direction of Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

He was the son of Joe and Wilma Curry and brother of Shirley Curry.

**Chamber To Meet  
Tuesday, Jan. 5**

The Plains Chamber of Commerce will have its first monthly meeting for 1993 on Tuesday, Jan. 5 at 7 a.m. at Johnnie's Restaurant.

Anyone interested in becoming a part of this organization is cordially invited to attend.

See You Next  
Year!

**HAVE A  
GRAND AND  
GLORIOUS  
NEW YEAR**

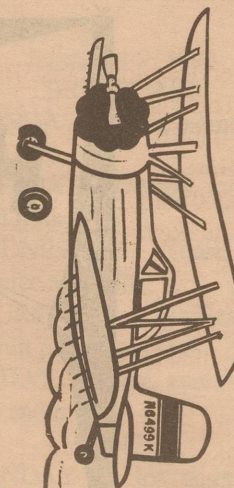
As we kick up our heels and dance into 1993, we're expecially grateful to people like you who have made the past years so special. We appreciate your business and are proud to count you as our friends.

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City of Plains

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## Harry Bilbrey Services Held

Services for Harry Bilbrey were held Thursday, Dec. 17 at 2 p.m. in First Baptist Church with the Rev. L.D. Hinson, pastor of First Assembly of God Church in Seagraves, officiating. The Rev. Perry Sheffield, pastor of First Assembly of God Church in Plains, assisted.

Burial was in Plains Cemetery under the direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

Mr. Bilbrey died at 12:55 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14 in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital following a sudden illness.

Born in Wilburton, Okla. on June 4, 1931, he moved to Plains in 1962.

He married Ruby Carey on Dec. 23, 1950, in Peacock. He worked for Yoakum County for 22 years and was a member of First Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Eddie of Lubbock; two daughters, Shirley Bunch of Plains and Teresa Boiles of Denver City; two brothers, Clarence of Lake Jackson and Don of Odessa; two sisters, Birdie P. Randolph of Orange and Dorothy Schrader of Odessa; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were Clois Massey, Tom Willis, Mario Avila, Jim Barron, Homer Boiles and Hershel Smith.



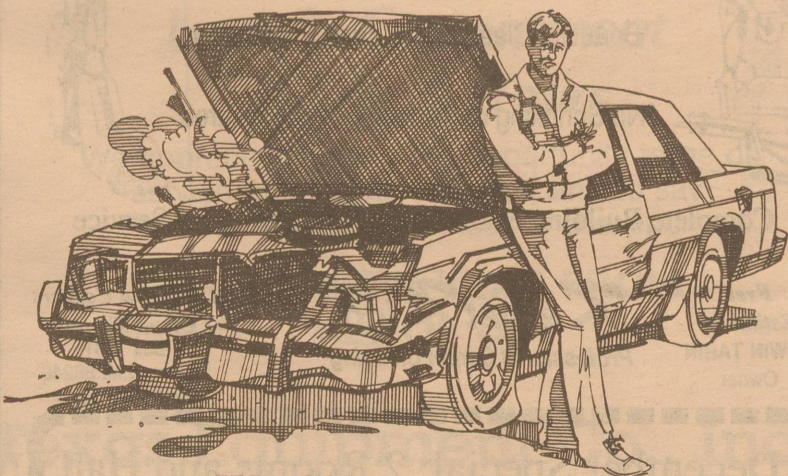
UNCLES #62 opened its doors for a grand opening event on Friday, Oct. 30, as one of Plains' newest businesses. Tanner Blount, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Blount, was winner of the drawing for a go-cart. Pictured here at the ribbon cutting ceremonies, are Teresa Bell, manager and Lindel Bates, warehouse manager; George Richards, area supervisor of Uncles and Gary Walton of Midland., along with Mayor T.J. Miller and his wife, Lois; City Manager, David Brunson; Chamber of Commerce President, Jim Warren; Bill Overton and Woody Wilmeth. All members of the Chamber of Commerce were also present. The new store offers an up-to-date ski report posted inside the store. Hours are from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.



# HAPPY '93!!

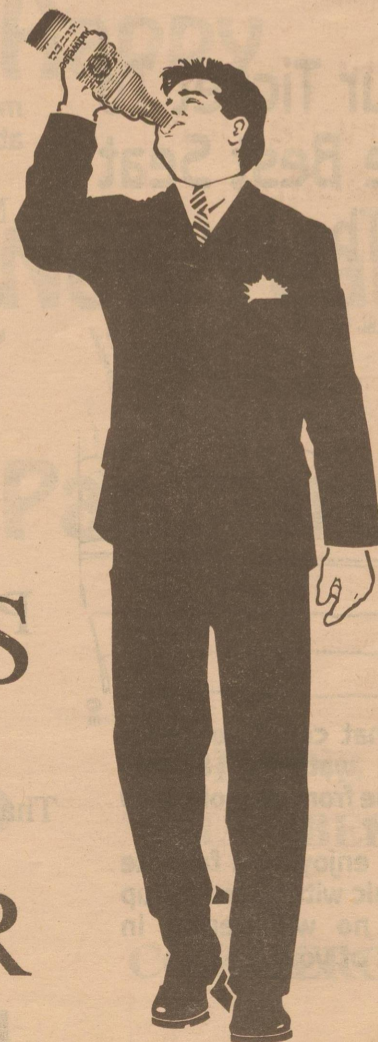
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## Learn From Food Labels

As Americans become more and more health conscious, we have become more interested in reading the product labels on the foods we eat.

"The U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulates the laws related to food labels," says Joan Chandler, Yoakum County Extension Agent-HomeEconomics. All food labels must list ingredients in descending order of content. Thus, the first ingredient listed is the ingredient which is contained in the product in the greatest quantity.

The FDA requires that food making any nutrition claim must have certain nutrition information on the label. Many manufacturers provide this information voluntarily on other products.

Become alert to the fat, sugar and sodium content of the products you choose.

It is important to avoid foods high in saturated fats. This includes butter, hydrogenated shortening, sour cream, sweet cream, whole milk and whole milk cheese, as well as meat and poultry products. The only highly saturated vegetable products are the tropical oils such as palm, palm kernel and coconut oils.

Sugars appear on labels in many forms. Watch for the word sugar, but also be on the lookout for words such as honey, molasses, syrup, dextrin, dextrose, fructose, galactose, glucose, lactose, maltose and sucrose.

There are other ingredients than salt that contain high amounts of sodium. Some of these are baking soda, baking powder, self-rising flours and seasoned salt flavorings. Also look for words containing the word sodium

such as disodium, mono-sodium or trisodium.

By being a label reader, you can make healthy choices for you and your family. For more information on nutrition for all family members call the Yoakum County Extension Office at 456-2263.

### What's In A Serving?

One of the most effective ways of controlling how much we eat is to control serving sizes according to Joan Chandler, Yoakum County Extension Agent-Home Economics. Many children in America have been encouraged to eat large amounts of food or to "clean their plates".

Parents can help children develop skills that will allow them to verify correct portions. To do this, use actual foods and measuring devices to demonstrate portion sizes.

Try this activity using a variety of ready-to-eat cereals. Look at the nutritional information to determine the serving size for each type of cereal; then have your child measure a serving of each type into separate bowls. It becomes obvious that servings of different types of cereals are not equal.

A serving of unsweetened crispy rice cereal is one cup while a serving of granola is usually one-third cup.

For a better understanding of what counts as a serving, use these guidelines:

Vegetables - 1 cup raw leafy vegetables; 1/2 cup other kinds of vegetables.

Fruits - 1 medium piece of fruit; 1/2 cup fruit, fresh, cooked, canned; 3/4 cup fruit juice.

Bread and Cereals - 1 slice bread; 1/2 bun or bagel; 1 ounce dry cereal; 1/2 cup cooked cereal, rice or pasta.

Milk, Yogurt and Cheese - 1 cup milk (8 ounces); 8 ounces yogurt; 1 1/2 ounces natural cheese; 2 ounces process cheese.

Meats - 2-3 ounces of cooked lean meat, fish or poultry; 2 eggs, 1 c cooked dry beans and peas; 4 tablespoons of peanut butter.

Most children and teenage girls

should eat nine servings from the bread group, 4 servings of vegetables, 3 fruit servings, 2-3 milk group servings and 2 meat servings - or a total of 6 ounces from the meat group. Teenage boys need two additional servings of bread, and one additional serving from the vegetable, fruit and meat groups each day.

For more nutritional information for children or adults, contact the Yoakum County Extension Office at 456-2263.

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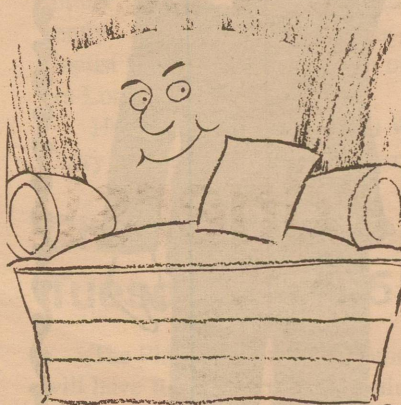
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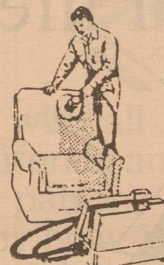
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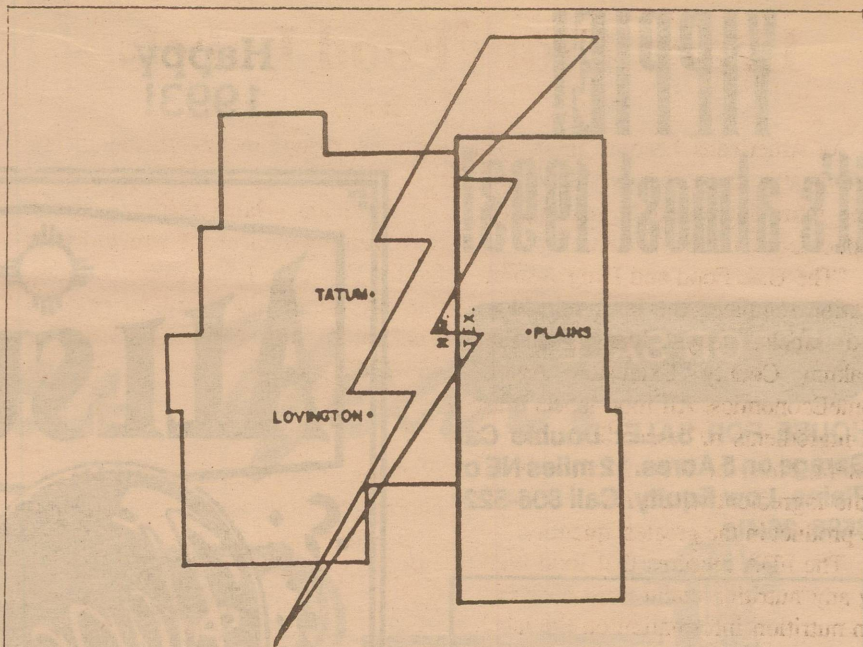
### Paul Milosevich To Demonstrate 'Portraits In Oil' At Meeting

Yoakum County Art Association invites interested persons to come to the regular meeting on Jan. 5 at 7 p.m. in the Plains Old Courthouse Clubroom to meet Paul Milosevich and view his demonstrations on portraits in oil.

Colorado-born artist Paul Milosevich studied with Bettina Steinke, Wayne Thiebaud and Ramon Froman. For ten years he taught art at Odessa

College and Texas Tech University. His work is in seven national museums and numerous public and private collections.

Milosevich is the subject of a 30-year retrospective book, *Out of the Ordinary: The Art of Paul Milosevich*, published by Texas Tech University Press. He was featured in September 1991, *Southwest Art* magazine and on the NBC "Today" Show.



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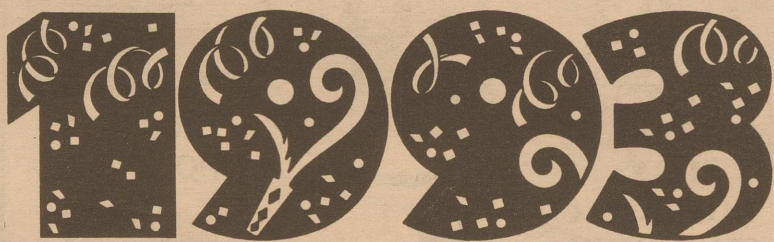
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