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Although listed by TEA as a 'poor' school, Post ISD has seen improvements

by Wes Burnett

In last week's edition of The Post Dispatch, I wrote a story about the budget crunch at Post ISD, and characterized the school as having gone from "riches to rags" in the past three or four years.

And to the extent that evaluations due to mineral revenues has cut deeply into the available funds, in all fairness to Superintendent Dr Bobby Bain and to the current board of trustees, I must amend that story to include some of the positive things that have come of these changes.

When Dr Bain arrived in Post in August 1992, Post ISD mineral values were tagged at \$432 million. The tax rate was \$1.358, the budget had already been approved at \$6.4 million and the fund balance had \$2.2 million. At the same time, the Post Middle School math program was on an accredited advised condition with the Texas Education Agency (TEA).

During that time the state had changed its funding and taxing formula, and Post was included in the list of "rich schools," which required the district to send approximately \$150,000 for the share the wealth plan. Dr Bain began lobbying the TEA, and was able to remove the district from the "rich" list, saving Post ISD \$150,000.

The superintendent then submitted a budget with \$500,000 less than the previous year and recommended that the district join a self-insured workman's compensation program that in three years has saved \$120,000.

In 1994 Dr Bain rejected a Traveler's Insurance hospitalization insurance increase of \$100,000 per year, and negotiated through a bidding process, to keep the premiums at the original rate by changing to Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

The TEA in its computation of state aid for schools uses the prior year taxing values. A provision in the law allows districts to appeal to the TEA when property values fall more than eight percent. That appeal calls for the TEA to use current year values for determining state aid. The appeal was successful, and the state increased funding for Post ISD by \$415,000. That funding was just received two weeks ago.

"This \$415,000 will probably allow us to keep the tax rate increase at a minimum, or no increase at all," Dr

Bain says. "We will probably use the remainder to build a much needed science lab at the middle school," he adds.

"The middle school science lab is in a pitiful condition," Dr Bain emphasizes.

The Post ISD budget three years ago was \$6.4 million and two years ago was \$5,967,249. "We had to cope with state mandated salary increases for three years, inflation, as well as other natural increases in costs of goods and services," Dr Bain adds. "Our current budget is \$5,845,000, even though there have been approximately \$200,000 in salary increases from just this past year."

"I know of very few districts that have a lower budget than they did four years ago," he points out.

The total Post ISD property values have dropped from \$432 million to \$279 million. This represents a 35.4 percent decrease.

"At a tax rate of \$1.41," Dr Bain says, "that equates to a \$2,150,000 loss. Our tax rate has gone from \$1.35788 in 1992 to \$1.41," he adds, "which is about a

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No decision made on budget, commissioners set August 28 hearing

by Wes Burnett

No action was taken on the Garza County budget during the regular Commissioners' Court Monday. Commissioners studied various aspects of the budget, which estimates revenues at \$1,622,543 and expenses at \$1,615,681 with an effective tax rate of \$.40 per \$100 evaluation. A public hearing on the budget will be held August 28 during the next regular meeting. The current tax rate is \$.36 per \$100 evaluation.

During the discussion Judge Giles Dalby informed commissioners that the City of Post does not plan to share in the cost of one Sheriff's deputy's salary connected to a state grant that is due to expire. Sheriff Kenny Ratke had informed the court at an earlier meeting that the deputy's salary could be paid from revenues collected as a result of property seized in drug cases. Commissioners expressed some reservations about the situation, but took no action.

In other matters, commissioners approved appointment of election judges for 1995-1996. By voting precincts, the election judges are (1) Ila Workman, (2) Ruby Ellis (3) Betty Striblin, (4) Melinda Morgan, (5) Cleo Sappington, (6) vacant, (7) Ida Mae Wilks, (8) Harold Lucas and (9) Marcella Clay. Early voting election judge is Ruby Jones.

Tax assessor collector Chita Hataway presented a proposal to consolidate all tax collections in the county to her office. She outlined savings to other taxing units by making the consolidation. "This would save postage and printing, and other costs for all taxing entities," she said, "and taxpayers would have just one place to pay all property taxes." Commissioners requested Hataway to contact taxing authorities to determine interest in making the change.

Judge Dalby informed the court that the Garza County Underground and Fresh Water Conservation District, approved by the last Texas Legislature, has been in effect since May 23, 1995. Temporary appointed board members will serve until an election of new board members. The earliest election date would be November 3, 1995. Four members will be chosen by precincts and one at large. Current members are Albert Stone, at large; Farrell Wheeler, Precinct 1; Ronald Thuett, Precinct 2; Bill Carlisle, Precinct 3 and Lester Josey, Precinct 4.

Pending her acceptance, Janice Plummer was appointed to serve on the JobSource+ board, recommended by commissioner Lee Norman.

Attending the meeting were commissioners Royce Josey, Mason McClellan, Lee Norman, Judge Dalby, clerk Sonny Gossett and treasurer Ruth Ann Young.

Council reviews budget with no tax or fee increases

A budget work session conducted by the Post City Council Tuesday night outlined a proposal for no tax or fee increases for 1996. City manager Rick Hanna explained to the council that expected revenues of \$433,195 in water and sewer would more than offset the anticipated expenses of \$413,014.

The general fund budget shows a total of \$1,107,632 for 1996, compared to \$1,047,488 in 1995. Expenditures in the general fund are expected to be \$1,095,475, compared to \$1,046,011 in 1995.

"This is a tight budget," Hanna explained, "with barely \$32,000 in anticipated surplus, but we feel this is a good budget and holds the line on taxes and fees."

The budget includes approximately four percent merit pay increases for city employees. The total payroll, including pay increases of \$346,814 has dropped from last year's \$371,750.

The public hearing for the budget will be held during the regular monthly meeting Tuesday, September 5.

Attending the meeting were Mayor Jim Jackson, council members Bill Pool, Marion Cruse, Juanita Pantoja, Archie Gill and Dan Lamb; city manager Rick Hanna and city secretary Wyvonne Kennedy.



Flag carriers Wendi McNeely (left) and Tandi Humble (right) led the parade down Main Street last Thursday, kicking off the 55th Annual Post Stampede Rodeo. (Photo by Becky Warren)



Saddle bronc rider Casey Smith of Stephenville gets a good ride during action at last Saturday's Post Stampede Rodeo. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

School starts Monday, Aug. 22, safety should be number one concern in school zones

by Becky Warren

Well, it's take time again! School starts Monday, August 22 for all Post students.

We all should remember to drive slow in the school zones. Sheriff Kenny Ratke stated, "there is always such heavy traffic around the schools. Everyone is always in a hurry to get to work. The small kids can't be seen until it's too late or they dart out in front of cars. The most concern is not to double-park and to watch your speed through the zone."

"As always if you are caught speeding or ignoring the safety rules in the zones then you will be issued a citation. No warnings will be issued in the school zones," states Ratke.

The school buses will start their routes at 6:30 - 6:45 a.m. each morning and will leave the school in the afternoons approximately 3:15 - 3:20 p.m.

Dr Bobby Bain said, "Please watch for the children that are loading and unloading from the buses. Some of the children are new and this is an exciting experience for them."

All primary and elementary students will report to their assigned classes on Monday. The classes will start at 8:10 a.m. and will let out at 3:10 p.m.

The Post Middle School will hold orientation and open house this Friday, August 18 at 7 p.m. in the Elementary School auditorium. Students will be able to pick up class schedules at this time and visit with classrooms and teachers. No schedules will be released until Friday at 7 p.m.

Sharla Wells, Post Middle School counselor, says "if you did not attend orientation and receive your schedule you may pick it up Monday morning at the office and then go to class."

Classes at Middle School start at 8:10 a.m. and end at 3:10 p.m. each day. "All students attending Post High School will need to meet in the high school gym at 8 a.m.," states Principal Joe Giddens.

Classes at high school will be from 8 a.m. until 3:45 p.m.

Holidays that are listed for the first semester are Labor Day (Sept. 4), Teacher Inservice (October 2), Thanksgiving Holidays (November 22-24) and Christmas Holiday (December 22 at 2:30 until January 5, 1996).

Post Notes

4-H steer hoof trimming Saturday

All 4-H steer exhibitors and parents should attend the hoof trimming and project meeting Saturday, August 19 at 8 a.m. in the show barn. Plans for other shows will be discussed.

Major show validation for sheep

Any Garza County 4-H member planning to show a lamb at any major show must notify County Agent John Senter immediately. Tags must be ordered before August 21. This is a "one-shot" deal and now is the only time tags may be ordered. Call 495-2050.

Today is deadline for stock show entries

Stock show entries for the Panhandle South Plains Fair in Lubbock must be submitted today (August 17). Those 4-H members planning to participate in this year's fair need to make arrangements for the show today at the Extension Office, call 495-2050.

4-H cooking school Saturday

A 4-H cooking school presentation will be held Saturday, August 19 at Citizens Bank. The program begins at 10 a.m. Two junior Graham 4-H members will host the event. All Garza County 4-H members and school aged residents are encouraged to attend. Graham 4-H members will present snack tips and recipes for all to enjoy.

'95 PHS annuals available at high school

The 1995 PHS school annuals have arrived and may be picked up today (Thursday) from 9 a.m. to noon at the high school outside of Mrs Moore's room.

Close City, Garlynn reunion Saturday

The Post Community Center will be the site of this year's Close City, Garlynn reunion Saturday, August 19. A lunch will be served at noon for \$6 per plate. Those interested in attending are requested to call 495-2753 before noon August 18 to make reservations.

Middle School orientation August 18

The Post Middle School orientation and open house will be held Friday, August 18 at 7 p.m. in the Elementary School auditorium. Students will be able to pick up class schedules and visit with classrooms and teachers. Schedules will not be released until Friday, August 18 at 7 p.m.

'What is proper role of government?'

The August 21 Liberty Forum focus for discussion will be the question, "What is the proper role of government?" Beginning a series of discussions on government, the role of local government will be the focus for August. Future meetings will center around state and federal government roles.

The Liberty Forum is held the third Monday monthly at the Chaparral Restaurant. The event is hosted by the Garza County Libertarian Party. For additional information call Wes Burnett at 495-3884.

EMT opens up class for volunteers

An organizational meeting for a Post EMT training class will be held Friday, August 18 at 7 p.m. at the EMT room located above the library and city hall. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer EMT must attend this meeting.

Those who wish to be considered for the training, who will be unable to attend the organizational meeting, must call Debbie Jenkins at 495-2828 or John Redman at 495-2370 before the August 18 meeting.

Family Self-Sufficiency August 28

South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. will host an information session on Family Self-Sufficiency Through Community Resources on Prevention of Blindness at Norwest Bank, Monday, August 28 beginning at 10 a.m. Those needing transportation should call the service center at 495-2329.

Commodities distribution August 24-25

This month's commodities distribution will be in Southland August 24 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the school parking lot. Post distribution will be August 25 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the service center on the Snyder Highway.

Reserve section gets improvements

Post Antelope fans will appreciate improvements at the stadium, especially the changes made for reserved seating. The reserved section has been separated from walk-through traffic on both sides and in front. Entrance for the reserved section is now from the rear, with the walkway in front completely closed to cross traffic.

Tickets for reserved seating is the same as general admission, \$3 per person per game. Tickets will be on sale at the high school office beginning August 16 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Repairs have also been made on sidewalk and stadium seats.

Playdays fall series starts August 17

Playdays will begin Thursday, August 17 at the Post Rodeo Arena at 6 p.m. Age groups are five and under, six to nine, 10 to 14 and 15 and older. Events include poles, barrels, flags, goats, breakaway roping and steer stopping. For more information call Lea Hair at 495-2174.

Up and Down Main Street

by Wanda Mitchell, Post Chamber of Commerce

Doesn't the rain look good? I guess because of the rain and cool temperatures today, and school starting, I am beginning to get ready for football season.



I have been attending the Committee for Champions meetings at Tech and this, too, is adding to my enthusiasm for the fall season.

The first Post varsity game is September 8th at Cooper. The first Tech home game is September 16th against Missouri and this should be a lot of fun because it is Alumni Band Day at Tech.

There will also be a concert after the game on that day. Since this is

Tech's final season in the Southwest Conference, many plans are being made for their move to the "Big 12". There are so many new activities and surprises that you won't want to miss a single game.

Every week there will be a different activity and experience. Post is lucky in that they have really good fan support here. That is so important to players and coaches. Naturally, you try harder and your attitude is better when the fan support is good. Enthusiasm breeds enthusiasm. Let's all get behind the Post Antelopes and have a really great season.

My little guy in South Carolina is starting his first day of school on Wednesday. I would love to see him on that day because there is so much excitement about the very first day of school. Dylan, I'm sure, will be slicked up and ready.

I think his Mother will be ready, too. I always hear about these mothers who cry when their children start to school. I didn't. I enjoyed every new phase of their lives. The "empty nest syndrome" missed me I guess.

I had a call from the Mayor of Haskell the other day. They have had the 1/2¢ sales tax in place for less than a year and they were already hiring a person to promote economic development in Haskell. The person they were considering was Melissa Cunningham who was the first Main Street Manager in Post. I know a lot of you remember Melissa.

She told the Mayor that her memories of Post were still so strong that she wanted to get back to West Texas and that was the reason she was applying for the economic development job in Haskell.

I have said before that Post is benefiting from tourist dollars and we should take advantage of this while we can.

The Sales Tax Report from the Comptroller's office sent June 9, 1995, indicates that on a per capita basis for the year-to-date, Post has received \$25.53. Crosbyton received \$15.23 and Floydada received \$19.95. For the same period in 1994, Post received \$23.22, Crosbyton received \$14.86 and Floydada received \$18.70.

This indicates that Post is receiving more tourist dollars than the other two towns who also have a good tourist draw. Remember to watch for all the little people going to school and remember to.....

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Births

Connor Bill Blair

Tim and Jan Blair of Eldorado, Texas announce the birth of their son, Connor Bill Blair. He was born August 2, 1995 in San Angelo and weighed 7 lb. 14 oz.

Connor is welcomed home by his two big sisters, Mindy and Katey.

Maternal grandmother is Janet Hall of Post and Uncle, Karl Hall of Post.

Paternal grandparents are Brooks Blair of Menard and Orle and George Graham of Belton.

Evan Keane Brake

Clayton Brake welcomes home his new little brother, Evan Keane Brake. Evan was born August 2, 1995 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. He weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. and was 21 3/4 inches long.

Parents are Shelby and Holly Brake of Lubbock.

Maternal grandparents are Joe and Doris Giddens of Post.

Paternal grandparents are Charlie and Louise Brake of Slaton.

Bridal Shower honors

Sara Parrott

A bridal luncheon honoring Sara (Alexander) Parrott was held at the home of Mrs. Ruby Kirkpatrick, Saturday, August 5.

Hostesses were Mrs. Ruby Kirkpatrick and Zoe Kirkpatrick.

Special guests were Sandra Alexander, mother of the bride, and Dell Parrott of Seminole, mother of the groom. Eleven other guests were registered for the shower.

Grandparents' Corner



Jasey Doggett knows how to giggle when asked to smile for the camera. She is the darling of grandmother Ruth Doggett of Amarillo. Josey is the daughter of Bill and Sharon Doggett, also of Amarillo.

Bring your favorite grandparent photo to The Post Dispatch to be included in this weekly feature. Photos will be published "first come, first served."

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by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

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Power!

August 21 is closer than many of us are willing to admit. The beginning of a new school year brings challenges and hurdles to overcome for students, teachers and parents. Even with a new year underway, old problems seem to linger. Coping with homework!

Every year, parents are faced with the dilemma of encouraging students to do this task without all of the begging, bribing, threatening or even punishment that often accompanies the ritual.

The question of "should you help with homework?" has been of great concern for many years. Parents need to be aware of the idea that to much assistance can do more harm than good at times.

Homework hassles are common, and sometimes parents don't realize that often they cause the problems by trying to help too much. The more responsibility you assume for assignments, the less the child will assume, leading to the more likely they will feel unable to cope on their own.

The trick is to know the difference between interest and involvement. If your idea of "helping" your child includes nagging, hovering, correcting mistakes, or doing it yourself, you

Beauty Tips

by Leslie Tatum

Here are some solutions to a couple of common beauty mistakes.

The first mistake is matching shadows to your clothing or your eyes. Don't do that! Eyeshadow is meant to make your eyes look exciting, but not painted.

You want to bring out the natural color of your eyes. If you try to match your shadow with your clothing or your eyes, it can be distracting.

For example: If you are blue or green-eyed, try taupe or brown shades. If you have brown eyes, try pink or purple shades. Another common mistake is too dark of a lip liner. Match your lip color to your lip liner so that you don't have a line around your mouth. If you can't find a lip liner that matches your lipstick, choose a liner a shade lighter than the lip color.

might want to brush up on the three R's of homework.

1. Routine - cut down on homework fights by setting a regular time and place for assignments to be done. Keep in mind that your idea of the right atmosphere for studying may be all wrong for your child. Every child has a different learning style and this should be addressed.

2. Responsibility - once a routine is set, your child may still need to learn that it's up to them to stick to it. It's okay to set non-monetary incentives to motivate a child to study, but it's even more important to set consequences for slacking off.

3. Restraint - It's the parents job to monitor homework, not do it, so hold back from giving hands-on help. Homework gives the student the opportunity a chance to practice, review, and internalize lessons taught in class. Complaints from a child that he needs your help usually signal they really can't do the work, or they haven't learned that homework is their responsibility and not yours.

Addressing situations as they occur during the year will ensure a greater chance of progress and success for both the student as well as the parent. The road ahead may be long, but in the end, it will all be worth it. Have a great year!

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Slaton Athenian

Bazaar Scheduled

The Athenian Study Club of Slaton has set the date for their annual Holiday Bazaar. The bazaar will be held November 11, 1995, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Slaton Junior High School. Crafts people and booth participants are currently being sought.

Interested parties should contact LaVerne Stolle, 815 S. 20th, Slaton, Texas 79364, (806) 828-6782 or Patsy Vessels, 725 W. Lubbock, Slaton, Texas 79364, (806) 828-5279.

Community Calendar

Friday, August 18
Back-To-School Luncheon, Post School Cafeteria
Monday, August 21
1st day of School
Tuesday, August 22
Noon - Rotary, Rotary Room, Community Center
Thursday, August 24
7 a.m. - Lions Club, Chaparral Steak House

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Living on the Edge of the Caprock

by John Senter, CEA-AG

Cotton crop surveyed

The 1995 High Plains cotton crop suffered severe setbacks at planting and during early seedling growth. Cold, wet weather during May caused soil temperatures and moisture to be highly favorable for seedling disease. Perhaps more than ever in the last three years, these diseases were very costly in Garza County.



toring techniques. This data set was interpreted using yield and plant growth data collection on over 150 fields by Extension Agents during the past two years as a part of a research project funded by producers through their cotton Incorporated State Support Committee. The following provides a glimpse of the crop condition during the first week of August.

Sustained high winds in May and June forced many producers to plant excessively deep or irrigate up when temperatures were cool. Even after cotton emerged, winds continued to pull already short moisture from the young plants causing continued stand thinning. Hail and flooding forced some replanting in June.

Following the highly unfavorable start, the month of July was comparatively favorable for most cotton fields, with warm weather, calm winds and some rainfall. Because of the adverse start and generally favorable July, highly variable conditions exist in every field on the Plains.

To better inform county producers of the status of individual crops and allow some comparison to "the norm", an intensive survey of fields was conducted during the first week of August by the Extension Service and their AgriPartners technicians.

In Garza County, Jarita Clary has been serving as the technician and assisted in collecting critical data. Special thanks to Jarita is given for her help and assistance with this research effort.

Four hundred fields (twenty from each county) were selected at random for close scrutiny using plant moni-

toring techniques. This data set was interpreted using yield and plant growth data collection on over 150 fields by Extension Agents during the past two years as a part of a research project funded by producers through their cotton Incorporated State Support Committee. The following provides a glimpse of the crop condition during the first week of August.

Within the 400 randomly selected fields, plant height ranged from 4.5 inches to 28 inches tall, with an average of 13.4 inches. Total nodes averaged 12.8, for an average internode size of just over one inch. High Plains cotton tends to be compact this year, which is a desirable trait for late maturing cotton, due to drought in dry-land cotton and early season stress in irrigated fields.

Square retention averaged 90 percent on the High Plains but dropped off to 71 percent in the fields off the Caprock. On average, each plant held five first position squares. Those are the squares closest to the main stem and are most likely to set a producing boll.

Although boll retention on the Plains is starting off well, 80 percent, only 1.3 bolls had been set on the plant, on average, as of August 4. With so few bolls set, this year's crop is approximately 10 days behind last year's boll development to date, or about 200 heat units later maturing.

In the fields surveyed, the average node above white flower (NAWF) was tracking above last year's level for the same date, indicating ample plant health to set bolls over the next 2 - 3 weeks.

In Garza County, some of the data looks very much in line with the High Plains, other data is very much different. From fields monitored in the county, the average plant height was

only 10.4 inches, total nodes - 10.75 for a height to node ratio of less than one inch (.93). Our crop has an average of 3.88 first position squares in comparison to 5 for the total survey. Average first position bolls in the county was 1.14, or 78 percent boll set.

In comparison to 5.5 nodes above white flower for the entire Plains, our county average was only 3.53. This sends up a flag that most of the cotton is done in terms of growth and only has to fill what few bolls that have managed to set.

All in all, this year's crop in the county is dismally similar to the last two years. What irrigated cotton we have is better off in yield potential. The critical item in late season cotton management is now water. In pivot irrigated fields, a good rule of thumb would be to apply about an inch of

water per week with a gradual tapering off to no water in September.

Furrow irrigated fields become more tricky to water because of the difficulty of knowing just how much water is actually being applied to ground versus that which is lost to run-off and evaporation. Research has proven that an every other row irrigation pattern is probably the way to go now.

The entire High Plains crop is late and highly variable. The fate and final yield of this crop rests in August rains, heat units in September and a freeze date in October and November.

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WATER USE UPDATE

(Courtesy of Garza County Extension Office & Texas Agricultural Experiment Station)

For the Week of: August 9 - 14			
Planting date	Water used - inches *	Total water used for season - inches	Heat units accumulated (60 degree day units)
June 1	1.86	7.98	1,264

* subtract any rainfall received to get irrigation requirements for the week

Sheriff's office answer 71 calls last week, quiet time at rodeo

by Becky Warren
"For such a large crowd there weren't any problems," Garza County Sheriff Kenny Ratke said about last weekend's 55th annual Post Stampede Rodeo. "The crowds were the largest I have ever seen, but there was no trouble at all," Ratke said.

The office handled 71 calls during the past week.

On August 7, a 32 year old male was arrested for DWI (driving while intoxicated), jumping bail and FTA (failure to appear). The subject was released after posting a \$2,000 bond.

On August 8, a 26 year old female was arrested for possession of marijuana (under two ounces). She was released after posting a \$2,500 bond.

On August 10, a 34 year old female was arrested for a Class "C" assault. She was released on a \$230 fine.

On August 11, a 29 year old male was arrested for speeding, no driver's license, failure to ID and DWI. He is still being held.

On August 13, a 28 year old male and an 18 year old male were arrested for UUMV (unauthorized use of a motor vehicle). Both are still being held in county jail.



Sam Woods gets a special kind of shower during the parade last Thursday. He was the feature of LD's Daughters Cafeteria float entry. (Photo by Barbe Bevers)

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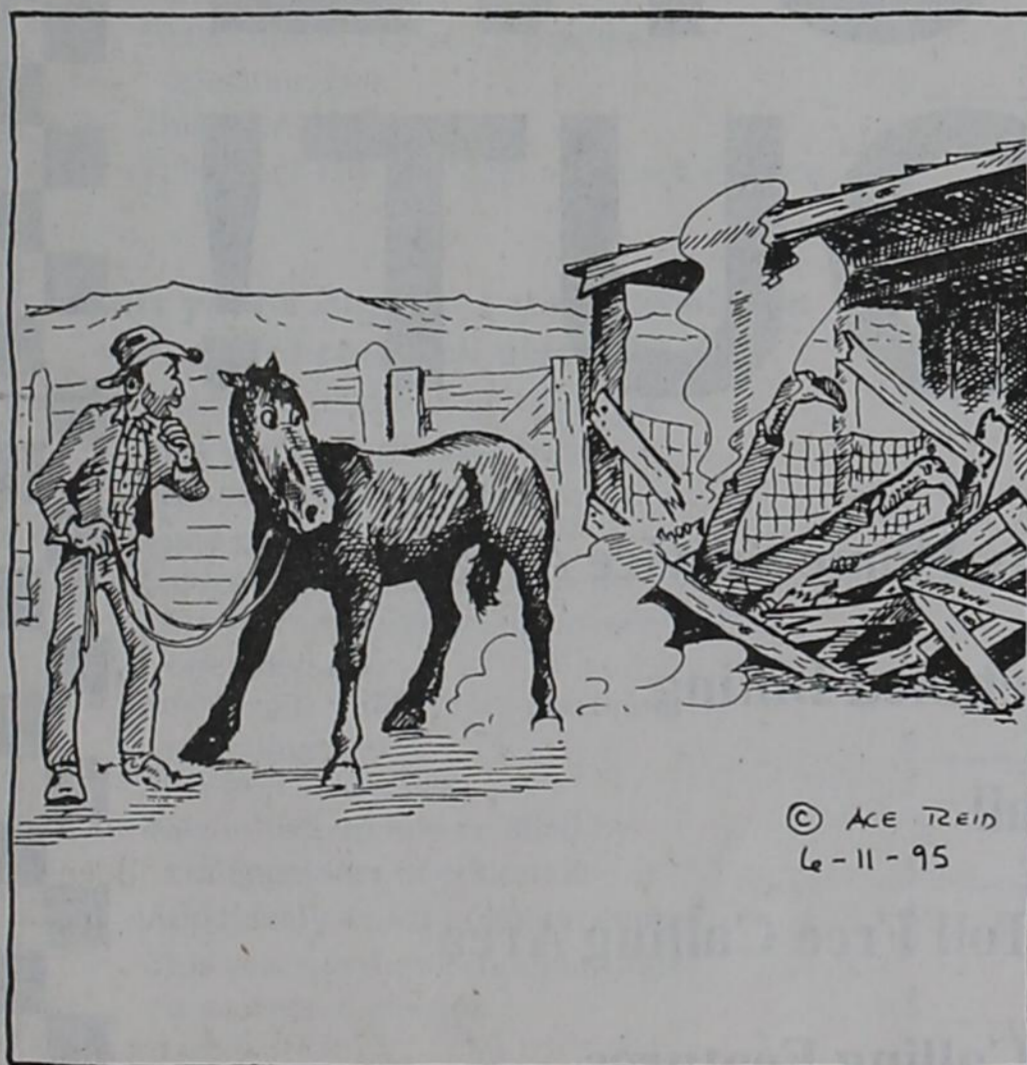
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by Terri S. Cash, CPA

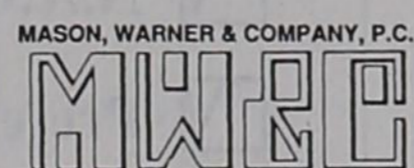
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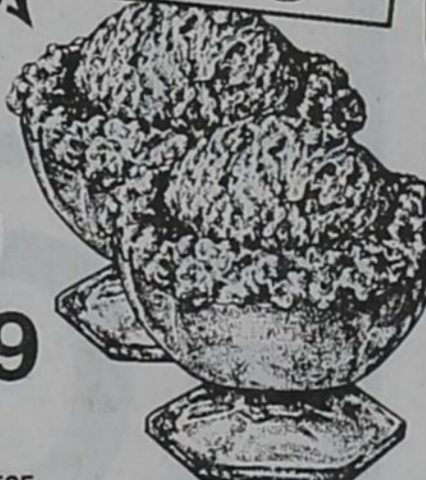


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Rock and Roll/Blues show at Tower Theater

by Doug Stone
 The Community Recovery Center is hosting The West Texas Rock n' Roll/Rhythm and Blues Review on August 26, 1995, at 7 p.m., at the Tower Theater as a benefit concert to help with their treatment and education programs. This will be a night of fun and great music, Texas style.

Headlining the benefit will be Junior Medlow and The Eastside All-stars. Medlow has performed his potent band of blues throughout Texas for a number of years and is undeniably a pro. His never-ending energy and zeal for singing always makes for an outstanding performance. His compact disc *Thrill for Thrill* was recorded in Austin and has gained acclaim in Belgium where it has been picked up for distribution. The C.D. will be available for purchase at the show.

Miz Ayn & Her Band of Married Men will be making one of their very first appearances since forming this new band. Many of you will remember her from her days at Belly's, as well as her memorable performances with Casius King and Elvis T. Busboy. Fans will also be happy to know that Miz Ayn will be the show's Master of Ceremonies. Other band members include Mike West, formerly of The Craven Moorehead Band, and Catherine Nelson, the exceptional vocalist and sometimes duo partner of John Spratt.

If you have never heard D.G. Fleweylen you are missing one of the finest singer/songwriters anywhere. I recently attended the Kerrville Folk Festival and heard dozens of excellent, widely recognized musicians. None of them could top this versatile performer. As a solo performer, he plays a powerful, percussive acoustic guitar and has a compelling voice. A great blend of favorite cover tunes and originals is likely. His C.D. and tape *House of Doom* is available at record

stores in Lubbock and will also be available at the show.

Kara Carthel, is a vibrant, earthy singer originally from Lockney, Texas, who has performed in Denver for the past several years. While in Denver, she sang jazz, blues and folk music as half of the duo The Platonic Love Monkeys. This great singer will be giving her first performance since returning to this area, and will be performing songs with blues roots. You will also hear some pretty fancy footwork from Stacy Bridges who will be accompanying Kara on guitar.

Texas students are familiar with the high energy rock band Rapunzel. These excellent musicians have played schools across the state for the past several years using their music to reach youth, for the purpose of drug abuse prevention. Rarely do adult audiences get to hear this spirited, rock band, but fortunately they will serve as backup band for me, Doug Stone, on this Community Recovery Center benefit concert. Those who have heard them will be surprised by their versatility as we will be playing tunes with a strong blues influence, which is a variation from their usual style. Joining me and Rapunzel will be alto saxophone player, Todd Caldwell and singers Terri Caldwell and Kara Carthel.

For Lubbockites who plan to attend the show in Post there will be a Caravan Party at Stubb's from 4:00 to 5:30 featuring Les Walker and Jane Begley. The caravan will leave Stubb's parking lot (Lubbock) at 5:45 to travel to the Tower Theater (Post). If you plan to drink, please select a designated driver.

Tickets for the West Texas Rock & Roll/Rhythm and Blues Review \$8 pr ticket for reserved seating and are on sale at Ralph's Records in Lubbock and Hotel Garza in Post, or, send check/money order to: Community Recovery Center, Box 622, Post, Texas 79356.



Rodeo clown Dwane Pottee (passenger) rode with Post youngsters on one of the Post Volunteer Fire Department engines during last Thursday's annual parade. (Photo by Becky Warren)

Harvest aid critical for late cotton crop

When cotton growers from across the Texas High Plains look back on the 1995 season, they won't be thinking fondly of plentiful rainfall at just the right times, or heat units accumulated on a timely schedule. Instead, they'll remember a dry year without moisture, and then too much, too fast, when it did rain. They'll recall a year plagued by hail, tornadoes, wind and cool days. A nightmare year, weatherwise.

With the dangers of a cool, wet September and an early freeze always a concern, growers need to adapt what they have learned from past experience to manage this year's crop. One tool which has helped speed up harvest is PREP™ cotton boll opener. It enables growers to open the mature bolls at the top, and harvest 10 days to two weeks sooner.

According to Dan Krieg, cotton physiologist at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, growers need to be conditioned for an early freeze this

year, and do so by reviewing a couple of the best years in terms of harvest timing.

"The High Plains aren't exactly known for good weather patterns," Krieg says. "Typically, we find ourselves hoping for September and October weather that will allow the crop to mature, and a frost to terminate it at the end of October, or in early November."

In 1993 and 1994, however, growers found themselves ahead of schedule in the way of heat units. Krieg says this left growers scrambling to determine when and how to terminate the crop.

"Normally, we allow the crop to be terminated by the first freeze, which will prepare the crop for harvest," he says. "But in years like 1993 and 1994, we can find ourselves ahead of schedule with the weather, and in a position to use harvest aid materials in early October."

When confronted with such an

opportunity, producers must be prepared to take advantage of the situation, Krieg says.

"When the weather puts us ahead of schedule, we have to be willing to terminate the crop early, get it out, and not risk subjecting high-quality cotton to any adversity that may set in at a later date," he recommends. "The same idea applies to cotton that's very late, and in danger of encountering a hard freeze. If you aren't willing to condition the crop, you could easily see an irrigated crop with 800 to 1,100 lbs. of yield potential lose a portion of that when green bolls are frozen."

Taking advantage of any early-season generosity provided by nature is a must, since conditions can quickly turn sour, and devastate even the most promising crop.

"September can be especially critical," Krieg says. "In many years, conditions are very wet in September, which gives us a succulent cotton crop."

Bolls on such a crop are commonly lost with the season's first freeze, because they will not open if they freeze with water still in them.

"That's where a boll opener comes in," Krieg continues. "If we have only 35 percent open bolls and the crop is mature, we can go in and apply PREP with a defoliant. This allows us to terminate the crop and have it ready for harvest in ten days to two weeks."

Getting a jump on the weather, and speeding maturity before inclement weather sets in, can often prevent

"In a cooler year, however, the upper end of the rate scale should be used for both PREP and FOLEX, to achieve the same results."

"Using harvest aid chemicals to get a crop out early paid some pretty big dividends in both 1993 and 1994, and even in years like this year when a crop is behind, it can be worth your while to terminate it before a freeze to prevent green bolls from freezing, and never opening. In the High Plains, the use of harvest aid materials is becoming more and more of a necessity, regardless of what type of weather we're facing."

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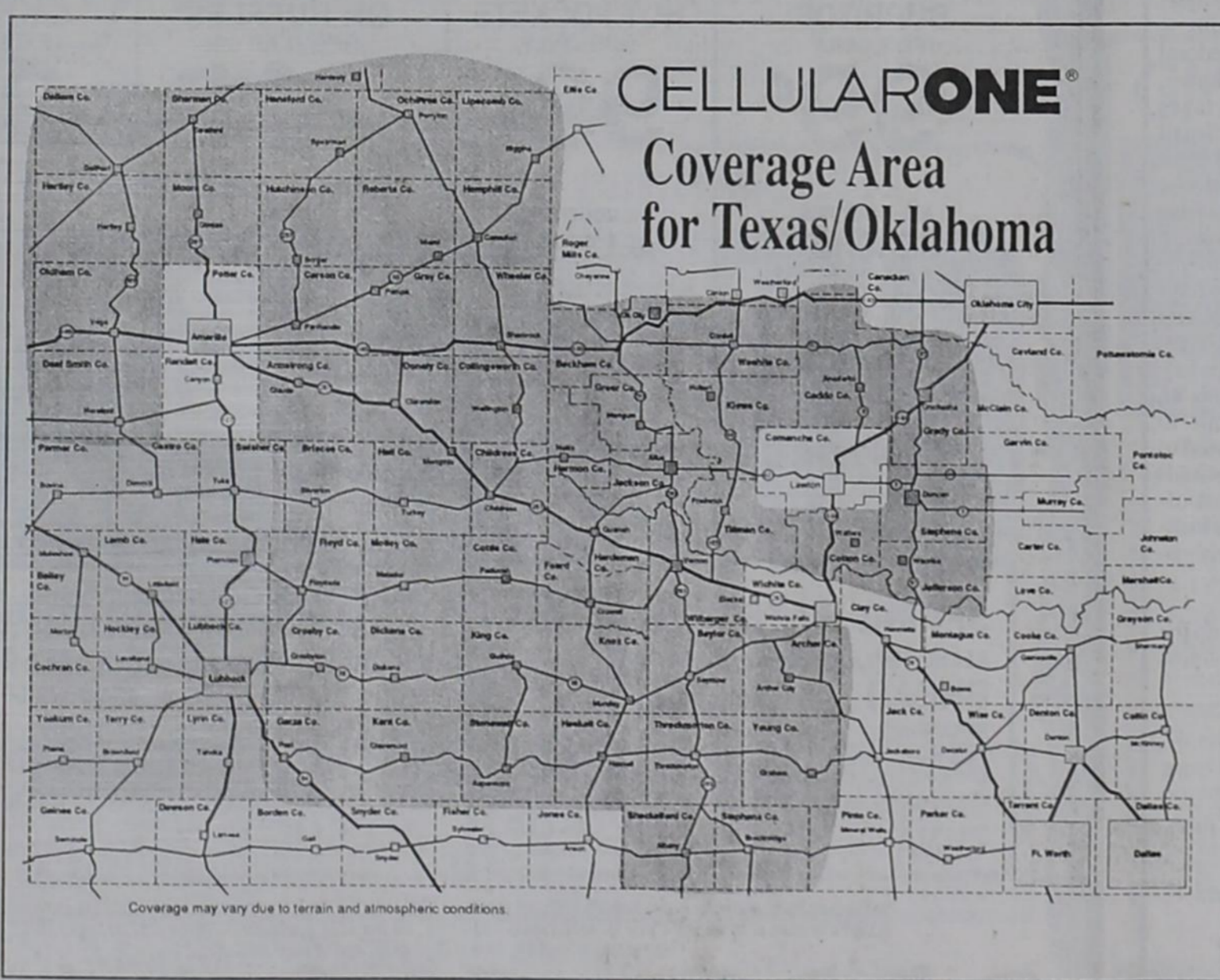
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SPC again named among top 100

South Plains College has again been named among the top 100 associate degree producers nationwide in communications technologies and in degrees awarded to Hispanic Americans.

SPC was ranked 10th nationwide in awarding 25 degrees in communications technologies and 47th in awarding 100 degrees to Hispanic American students in all disciplines. Data for the analysis was provided by the U.S. Department of Education and covers college-level associate degrees awarded for the 1991-92 academic year.

The announcement of the top 100 associate degree producers was made in a special report of *Community College Week*, a national publication covering community college issues.

"I am very proud and gratified that our Hispanic students have been successful in their academic endeavors," said Irma Galindo Bollinger, SPC associate professor of foreign language. "South Plains College has made a concerted effort to recruit Hispanic-American students, and I think the effort that began more

than 25 years ago to recruit them has not been in vain. Hispanic Americans get a good education at South Plains College."

In fact, Hispanic-Americans have accounted for much of the rise in minority enrollment at community colleges in the last two decades. They have helped SPC's growth in enrollment and now account for about 25 percent of the college's student population.

Another area of growth has been communications technologies, sparked by the rise of technology and increasing demand for information. SPC programs under communications technologies include telecommunications, performing arts technology and sound technology.

"Students enrolled in these programs desire to be on the technical side of the communications industry," explained Pat McCutchin, coordinator of SPC's Creative Arts Department and professor of performing arts technology. "They train on state-of-the-art equipment, similar to what they'll find in the industry when they go to work," said McCutchin.



Bareback bronc rider Shane Saunders of Water Valley took a tumble during his ride at the 55th Annual Post Stampede Rodeo last Saturday. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

Middle School years can be tough on students

from Baylor College of Medicine. The middle school years can be tough for even the best of students.

"Not only are children going through adolescence and puberty, but they also are experiencing changes at school," said Dr. Lou Ann Todd Mock, a psychologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. The nurturing environment of elementary school is a dramatic contrast to the middle school, or junior high, world of class changes, increased discipline, larger student bodies and fewer personal relationships with teachers.

All this change tends to intensify any existing behavior problems.

"Conduct problems may increase, and the larger school often makes it easier to skip class," Mock said. "Children who have been depressed or withdrawn may become more so."

Mock urges parents to be aware of the following events common to middle school: Peer groups begin to exert tremendous pull.

Independence is shown in clothing and hairstyles. Grades may fluctuate at the start of school due to new class routines.

Identity questions arise — who am I? What am I going to be?

Substance abuse becomes more prevalent. Sexual identity and sexual activity become issues.

"This also is the time when children become terminally embarrassed by their parents," Mock said. "Wise parents understand that and do not take it too personally."

She suggests that parents help bridge the gap between elementary and middle school by being aware of and willing to talk about the additional stressors their child is facing.

"Communication is vitally important during the next few years," Mock said. "Remain non-judgmental, non-critical and available. Your goal is to raise a child who is independent but can also feel comfortable talking to you."

Parental involvement at school can be a positive influence, as can a child's involvement in after-school activities.

"Be supportive of any interest your child shows in developing a talent or skill," Mock said. "These activities provide your child with a supportive and positive peer group."

Focusing on the positives is another key to surviving this often confusing time.

"Work toward an encouraging environment at home," Mock said. "When discussing some needed change, let your children know that you still think they are wonderful. Even as they try their wings, your approval and support remain important."

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Post ISD shows improvements

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nickel or 3.7 percent increase."

The current fund balance is \$3,150,000 and the budget is "still over \$500,000 less than it was four years ago," the superintendent says.

"Let me also say that I am not taking all of the credit for this, because I have enjoyed the cooperation of the staff and board in cutting expenses and finding alternative sources for revenue these past three to four years," he continues.

"Our revenues have dropped, but the quality of education has improved, which is evidenced by the increase in TAAS scores and the higher level of courses offered at the high school," Dr. Bain emphasizes. The higher level courses are AP English, physics and calculus at the high school and algebra and higher level science at the middle school.

1995 Property Tax Rates in POST ISD

This notice concerns 1995 property tax rates for POST school district. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the school district used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the school district can set before it must hold a rollback election. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes and state funds by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$ 4,308,407.28
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$ 4,308,407.28
Last year's tax base	\$ 305,560,800.
Last year's total tax rate	\$ 1.41 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 4,308,407.28
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 278,924,510.
= This year's effective tax rate	\$ 1.544650 /\$100
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless the school district publishes notices and holds hearing	\$ 1.59098 /\$100

This year's tax rate to trigger a rollback election:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$ 4,308,407.28
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 278,924,510.
= This year's local maintenance and operating rate	\$ 1.544650 /\$100
+ \$0.08 cents = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ 1.624650 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
= This year's rate to trigger a rollback election	\$ 1.624650 /\$100

This year's highest rate following a successful rollback election:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$ 4,308,407.28
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 278,924,510
= This year's local maintenance and operating rate	\$ 1.544650 /\$100
x Student enrollment adjustment	1.013514
= This year's adjusted maintenance and operating rate	\$ 1.565524 /\$100
+ \$0.08 cents = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ 1.645524 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
+ Rate to recoup loss certified by commissioner of education	\$ -0- /\$100
+ Additional rate for pollution control	\$ -0- /\$100
= This year's highest school rate after a successful election	\$ 1.645524 /\$100

Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General fund	\$ 3,150,000.

Schedule B 1995 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
None	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at Garza Central Appraisal District - 124 East Main, Post, Texas

Name of person preparing this notice: Billie Y. Windham
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1995 Property Tax Rates in CITY OF POST

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Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$ 283,183.99
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$ 283,183.99
Last year's tax base	\$ 67,424,760
Last year's total tax rate	\$.42 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 283,183.99
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 68,742,180
= This year's effective tax rate	\$.411951 /\$100

In the first year a hospital district or city collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year.

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ N/A /\$100
= Effective tax rate	\$ N/A /\$100

x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$.42430 /\$100
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This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$ 283,184.
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 68,742,180
= This year's effective operating rate	\$.411951 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.444907 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$.444907 /\$100

A hospital district or city that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines.

- Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ N/A /\$100
= Rollback tax rate	\$ N/A /\$100

For a taxing unit with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines.

+ Additional rate for pollution control requirement	\$ N/A /\$100
= Rollback tax rate	\$ N/A /\$100

Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General Fund	\$ 1,094,692.

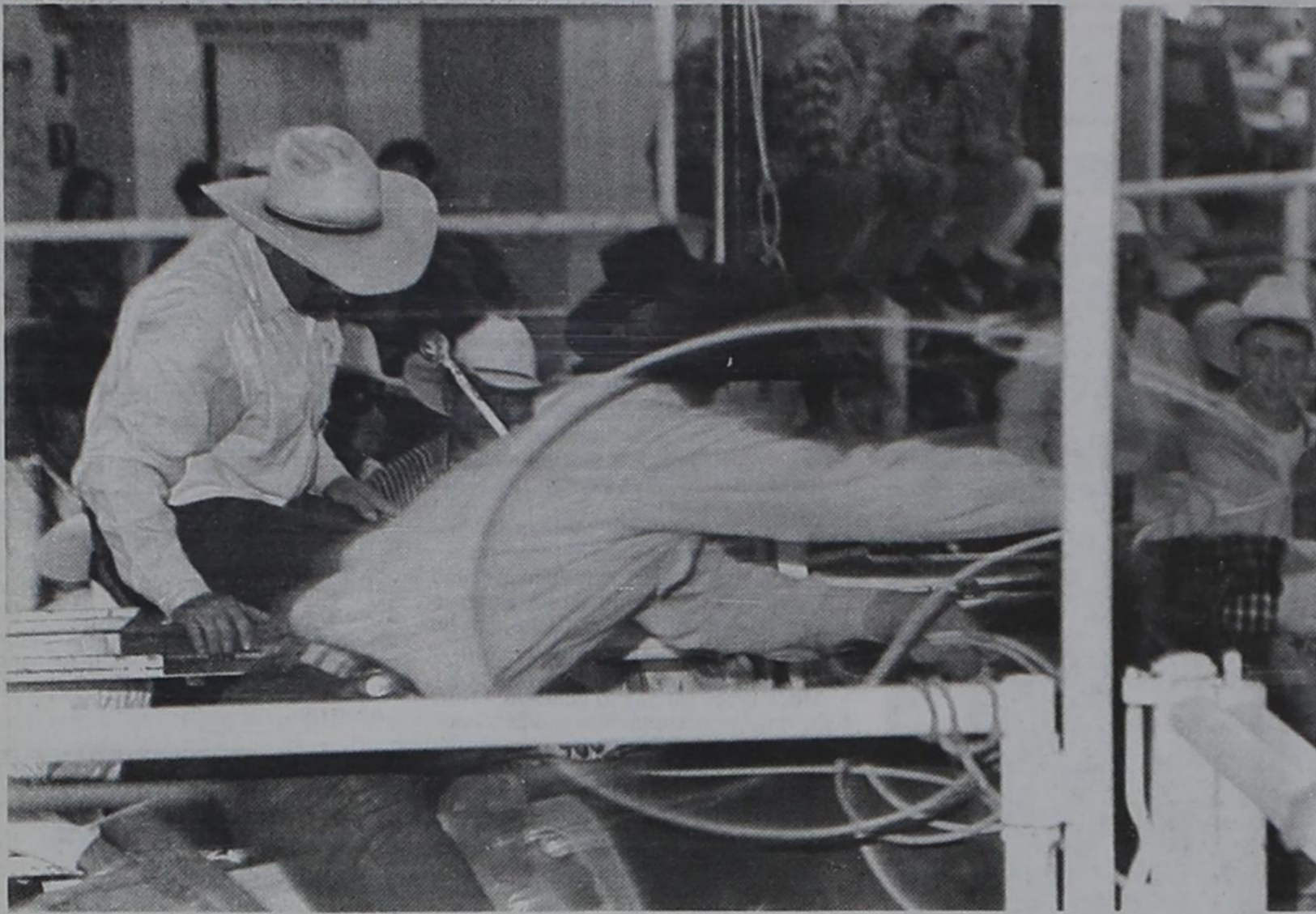
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Will Kirkpatrick bolts out of the chute on the way to roping a calf during the County Roping competition Saturday evening at the 55th Annual Post Stampede Rodeo. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

A tough year for wheat in Panhandle

The 1994-95 wheat year started poorly and went downhill from there, says Dr Brent Bean, agronomist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Amarillo. Many producers planted dryland wheat early to take advantage of good early August rains. Unfortunately, very little rain occurred through the fall and winter months. Lack of moisture during this time resulted in a low number of tillers being produced.

Mild temperatures during the winter further exacerbated the situation keeping the wheat from reaching a stage of prolonged dormancy. When wheat skips this critical dormancy phase, it continues to grow using up soil moisture that is essential for grain production in the spring.

"While that's the down side, the lack of dormancy did result in an unusually good winter for grazing cotton in those fields with adequate moisture," Bean said.

Insect and disease problems also added momentum to this downturn for wheat producers. High infestations of greenbug were especially troublesome this year, since many fields required multiple insecticide applications. In most instances, the expense of these applications could not be justified for dryland wheat. Plant diseases, such as wheat streak mosaic were also present in fields.

In the northern Panhandle where much of the area wheat crop is produced, a hard freeze on April 10, devastated much of the crop. A second freeze occurring in early May caused

more damage. When the rains finally arrived in May, it was too late to benefit much of the wheat crop south of Amarillo. However, those fields to the north received some benefit especially in test weight. Later maturing varieties benefited most.

Bean says unusual climatological conditions experienced this year can be a boon to scientists who want to know about the extremes affecting wheat production, overall.

"We want to give the producer the best information available and the only way we can help farmers in the area is to see what happens under unusual circumstances at the most critical periods involving planting, harvesting, and during general growth cycles," he

said.

At field locations near Bushland and Washburn, research by Texas Agricultural Experiment Station scientists Drs Mark Lazar of Amarillo and David Worrall of Vernon showed TAM 200 and TAM 105 were the top performing varieties in both dryland and irrigated tests. Another variety, TAM 107 which historically has been one of the top yielders, did not perform well in 1995.

"Certainly, circumstances this year have been duly recorded and are now part of the mix when farmers look to next year's crop," he said.

For more information about the results of variety yield data, contact your local Extension agent.

Letters to the Editor

What's fair or unfair? We're losing our home

What's fair or unfair? We will lose our home on the past due delinquent tax sale. We owe county taxes of \$179.88 and school taxes of \$134.82. It's not like we haven't paid, we have. Our last payment was on May 8, 1995. It was for our school tax, \$300. We have paid on the County tax also.

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1995 Property Tax Rates in Southland ISD

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Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$ 439,956.71
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$ 439,956.71
Last year's tax base	\$ 32,832,590.
Last year's total tax rate	\$ 1.34 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 439,956.71
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 30,424,900.
= This year's effective tax rate	\$ 1.4446042 /\$100
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless the school district publishes notices and holds hearing	\$ 1.48942 /\$100

This year's tax rate to trigger a rollback election:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$ 439,956.71
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 30,424,900.
= This year's local maintenance and operating rate	\$ 1.446042 /\$100
+ \$0.08 cents = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ 1.526042 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
= This year's rate to trigger a rollback election	\$ 1.526042 /\$100

This year's highest rate following a successful rollback election:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$ 439,956.71
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 30,424,900
= This year's local maintenance and operating rate	\$ 1.446042 /\$100
x Student enrollment adjustment	\$ 1.00000
= This year's adjusted maintenance and operating rate	\$ 1.446042 /\$100
+ \$0.08 cents = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ 1.526042 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
+ Rate to recoup loss certified by commissioner of education	\$ -0- /\$100
+ Additional rate for pollution control	\$ -0- /\$100
= This year's highest school rate after a successful election	\$ 1.526042 /\$100

Schedule A

Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General Fund	\$ 380,000.

Schedule B

1995 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
None	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at Garza Central Appraisal District - 124 East Main, Post, Texas

Name of person preparing this notice Billie Y. Windham
Title Chief Appraiser
Date prepared 08/14/95



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Monday, August 21

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COUNTY OF GARZA

DATED July 28, 1995, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Garza County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in certain suits and styled The State of Texas, et al vs. CAUSE NO. 2345: G. I. HUFFMAN; CAUSE NO. 2463: CORA LUNA; CAUSE NO. 2668: JOSE CARRILLO ROBLES; CAUSE NO. 2835: MIKE SMITH; CAUSE NO. 2850: JOE GAILBON; and styled Post Independent School District, et al vs. CAUSE NO. 2800: JERRY BLALOCK; CAUSE NO. 2801: HELEN DORIS MILOW AND CLARICE MILOW; CAUSE NO. 2815: JUAN VALDEZ; CAUSE NO. 2816: JOHN M. HATTER AND JOHN M. ALEXANDER; CAUSE NO. 4443: KENNETH PRICE; CAUSE NO. 4512: CAROLYN CRUSE; and styled County of Garza et al vs. CAUSE NO. 4405: ALBERT PRINGLER, JR. and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on July 28, 1995, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in September, 1995, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Post, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Garza and the State of Texas, to-wit:

CAUSE NO. 2345
Lots 5 and 6 in Block 8, Post, Volume 13, Page 1, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas,

CAUSE NO. 2463
Lots 13 and 14, Block 24, Post, Volume 13, Page 1, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE NO. 2668
Block 157, South 26' of East 67 1/2' of Lot 5, Post, Volume 13, Page 1, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE NO. 2800
Block 2, Lot 39, Clarence Hart Addition, Post, Volume 13, Page 1, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE NO. 2801
Block 1, Lot 24, Bingham Addition, Post, Volume 13, Page 1, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE NO. 2815
Block 1, Lot 14, Clarence Hart Addition, Post, Volume 13, Page 1, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE NO. 2816
Lot 36, Alexander Addition, Post, Volume 13, Page 1, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE NO. 2835
Lot 34, Lorenzo Alexander Addition, Post, Volume 13, Page 1, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE NO. 2850
Block 1, Lot 14 (pt) Bingham Addition, Post, Volume 13, Page 1, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE NO. 4405
West 67.5 Feet of Lot 5, North 14 Feet of Lot 6 and South 67.5 Feet, Block 144, Post, Vol. 137, Page 323, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

South 26 Feet of West 67.5 Feet of Lot 6, & North 26 Feet of West 67.5 Feet of Lot 7, Block 144, Original Townsite, Post, Vol. 137, Page 323, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE NO. 4443
Lot 7, Block O, Alexander Addition, Post, Vol. 116, Page 531 and Vol. 143, Page 391, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

CAUSE NO. 4512
Lot 15, Block 156, Original Townsite, Post, Vol. 172, Page 876, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED July 28, 1995, at Post, Texas.

By *Sherrill M. Riche*
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North one half of Lots 15 and 16, Hart Addition, Post, Volume 167, Page 245, Deed Records of Garza County, Texas,

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED July 28, 1995, at Post, Texas.

By Kenneth M. Ralte n/a
SHERIFF, Garza County, DEPUTY
Texas

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Lot 2, Block 128, Original Townsite, Post, Volume 170, Page 506, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas,

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED July 28, 1995, at Post, Texas.

By Kenneth M. Ralte n/a
SHERIFF, Garza County, DEPUTY
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Lot 6, Block 129, Original Townsite Post, Volume 150, Page 701, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas,

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED July 28, 1995, at Post, Texas.

By Kenneth M. Ralte n/a
SHERIFF, Garza County, DEPUTY
Texas

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DATED July 28, 1995, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Garza County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 4580, and styled County of Garza vs. William A. Scott and Grace Evelyn Scott, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on July 28, 1995, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in September, 1995, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Post, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Garza and the State of Texas, to-wit:

Lot 27, Alexander Addition, Post, Volume 95, Page 706, Warranty Deed Records, Garza County, Texas,

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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SHERIFF, Garza County, DEPUTY
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Lot 11, Block 137, Original Townsite, Post, Vol. 90, Page 7, Deed Records, Garza County, Texas,

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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SHERIFF, Garza County, DEPUTY
Texas

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DATED July 28, 1995, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Garza County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 4708, and styled Post Independent School District vs. Elias Sepeda Martinez, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on July 28, 1995, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in September, 1995, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Post, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Garza and the State of Texas, to-wit:

AB 650 SEC 1402 ROSS EDWARDS 10.189 AC, Vol. 125, Page 312, Contract Sale Records, Garza County, Texas,

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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SHERIFF, Garza County, DEPUTY
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DATED July 28, 1995, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Garza County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 4888, and styled Post Independent School District vs. Mike Martinez and Joe D. Feagin, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on July 28, 1995, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in September, 1995, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Post, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Garza and the State of Texas, to-wit:

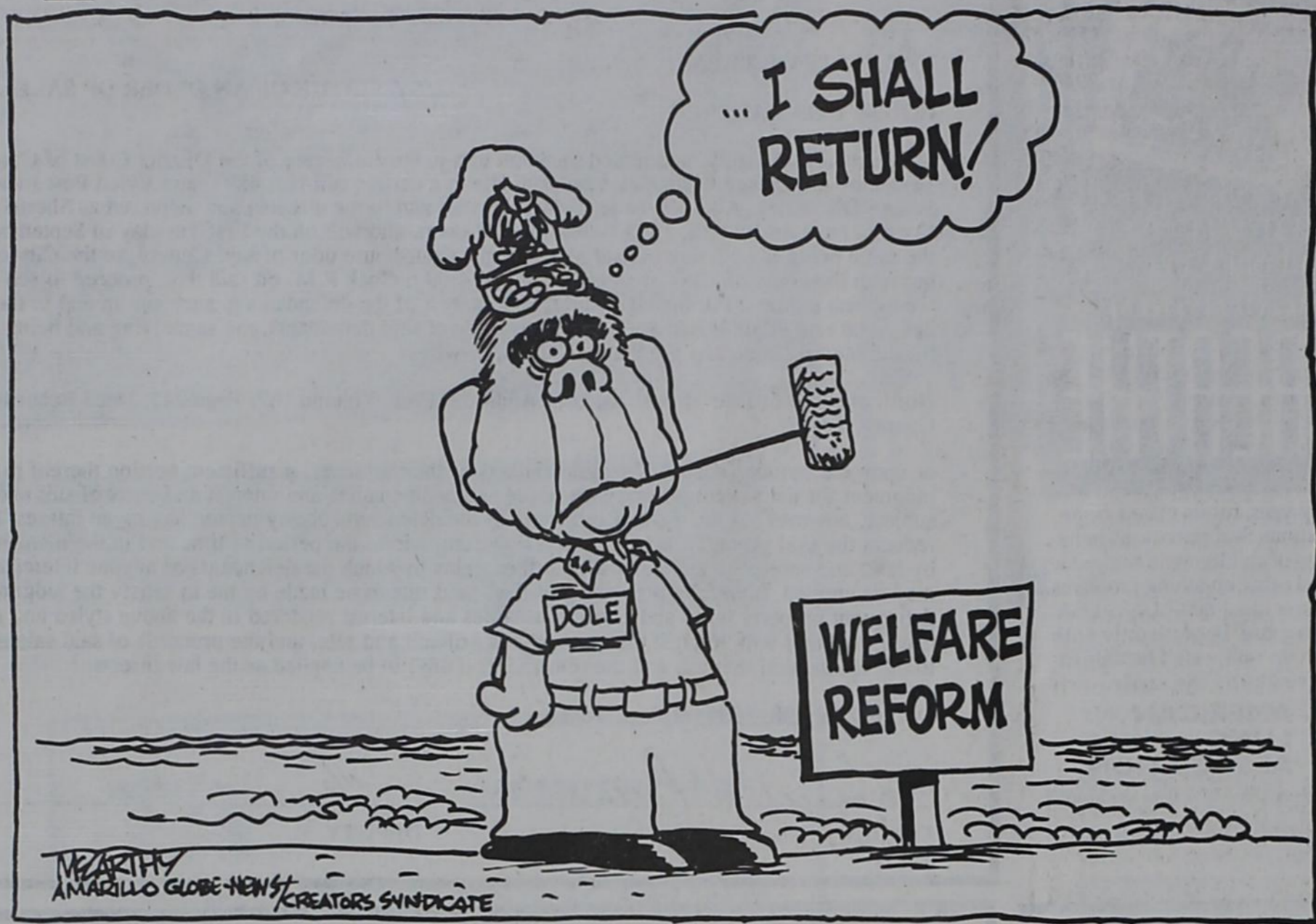
South one half of Lot 1 and the West 36 feet of the South one half of Lot 2, Block 17, Original Townsite, Post, Volume 138, Page 278, Deed Records of Garza County, Texas,

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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By Kenneth M. Ralte n/a
SHERIFF, Garza County, DEPUTY
Texas

Opinions



Using federal dollars to buy silence

by Stephen Chapman



I have discovered a scandal at the heart of Big Government. Grown men and women elected to Congress live off money taken from hard-working taxpayers—and then turn around and work to enact laws and programs that not all taxpayers support. If you're shocked by this spectacle, then you will probably also be shocked by the outrage unearched by House Republicans, which they refer to as "welfare for lobbyists." Rep. David McIntosh of Indiana, who is leading the fight against this alleged abuse, says that by the most conservative estimate, some 40,000 non-profit organizations, many with clear political agendas, get \$39 million in federal grants each year.

But the scandal is not that they get the money. The scandal is that they think they are entitled to go on exercising their constitutional right to voice their opinions and petition their government after getting federal funds. As McIntosh puts it, "Special interests get grants from Congress, then turn around and engage in political activities, including lobbying, to get more money from Congress."

One example cited by McIntosh's allies is the American Bar Association, which had the nerve to organize a rally on the Capitol grounds protesting a constitutional amendment to ban flag burning—despite getting about \$10 million a year in federal grants. For \$10 million, you would expect the ABA to be politely silent whenever Congress contemplates doing something stupid.

Newt Gingrich and the rest of the House GOP leadership say they merely want to "stop federal grantees from using taxpayer dollars to lobby." That sounds fine: If an organization gets a grant to run a Head Start program, it ought to spend the money running the Head Start program, not sending people to Washington to testify on Capitol Hill. But that's already illegal. The problem is poor enforcement.

The bill pushed by House Republicans, however, goes far beyond that. It says that people getting federal money can't even use their own money to lobby—or to engage in any other sort of political advocacy, whether it's sending out bulletins to members about pending legislation or filing lawsuits against government regulations.

Any organization getting a federal grant would be forbidden to spend more than 5 percent of its budget on such activities. Any organization that has spent more than

5 percent of its budget on such activities in any of the last five years would be ineligible for federal grants. An individual getting a grant would face the same tight limitation. That's not the end of it. Recipients can't even do business with an entity that devotes more than 15 percent of its spending to political advocacy.

All this amounts to making people forfeit their First Amendment rights for the privilege of receiving federal funds. In the first place, this is almost certainly unconstitutional. The Supreme Court has said on many occasions that the government may not deny a government benefit to someone merely because she has exercised her constitutional rights. You can't reserve public housing apartments for tenants who promise not to criticize the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

In the second place, the measure tilts the political debate by muzzling only some of the "special interests" getting tax dollars. Grant recipients would be affected, but not defense contractors, asphalt makers, agri-business corporations getting crop subsidies or other profit-making concerns that depend on government contracts—and routinely lobby Congress to expand their programs. If you're a non-profit group and you get a grant to run a homeless shelter, you have to shut up. If you're a for-profit group with a contract to run a homeless shelter, you're free to speak.

"Welfare" for lobbyists? These funds aren't an entitlement handed out on the basis of need. They go for specific purposes that Congress wants to advance. The biggest share of the money that goes to the ABA pays for a program to help former communist countries draft constitutions and create Western-style legal orders—relying largely on lawyers who volunteer their services. Environmental groups get money to carry out cleanup projects. The National Rifle Association is paid to train people in gun safety. Those grants may be good or they may be bad, but welfare they're not.

If the Republicans choose to eliminate many of the grants given out every year, more power to them. That makes more sense than letting the government use its financial resources to buy the silence of organizations whose only crime is doing things the government wants done. The issue is not whether to fund welfare for lobbyists but whether to allow free speech for all.

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The story of the wacky Wisconsin T-shirt

by Robert Fulghum



SAN FRANCISCO — "Help Prevent Tectonic Plate Movement."

This was the message on the T-shirt worn by the man standing beside me in line, waiting for the Powell Street cable car in San Francisco.

A tourist. He's wearing the required silly shirt. His wife's shirt said: "Hello, I'm an idiot from Wisconsin. Please help me." This I could comprehend. But her husband's stand on tectonic plates was jabberwocky.

"OK," says I. "Tell me about your shirt."

Driving west from Wisconsin, he had tried to explain the landscape to his children. But they wouldn't buy the theory of tectonic plate movement. No way was a huge chunk of the continent floating around on lava and pushing up against the United States and making volcanoes, earthquakes and mountains as it slid under us. Dad was hooted into silence by the children's razzberries of disbelief.

His wife discovered the T-shirt in a kitschy souvenir shop in Reno, Nev. He wore it as the hair shirt of humility. The determined skepticism of the young is a fierce adversary.

He and I reflected on science. We concurred that it is the burdensome duty of adulthood to profess knowledge unconfirmed by direct experience. All that deep stuff you learn while growing up — you learn it, but you don't really believe it.

We swapped examples:

For openers, you're told how babies are made. Unbelievable. Almost as incredible as learning the Earth will fall into the sun someday. And how about being told that algebra has a use in the real world, outside school? Ha.

The Ice Age has to be a hoax. Half of North America covered with glaciers? A thousand feet of ice over Wisconsin? Never!

Split-brain theory is another lulu. Words in one-half of your head and music in another? Come on. And how about black holes in space? Quasars? Quarks?

Oh sure, you go around pretending that you are up-to-date on this theoretical stuff, but in your heart, you know a lot of it must be dreamed up by scientists bent upon unnerving us civilians.

Based on personal experience, some of this ooh-wah information does compute. Combining several theories already mentioned, I am certain that the two halves of

my brain have slid apart, leaving a black hole in the middle that was caused by the algebra quark.

The all-time wonko idea is that birds are dinosaurs. Direct descendants right out of the Jurassic jungle. However, fossil evidence of feathered dinosaurs really exists. And furthermore, I know of a fact that is living proof of this hypothesis.

It's another chicken story.

This story is about Clucky-Lucky, the cannibal chicken of San Louis Obispo, Calif.

One Easter weekend, somebody's present of a baby chicken got loose and wound up in the backyard of a pet-crazy family — friends of friends of mine. They raised her as Clucky-Lucky, the nomad chickette. She grew up to be a substantial lady chicken of the Rhode Island Red variety. Cute. As chickens go.

But in her mature years, Clucky-Lucky grew unusually large for her breed and began to wander the neighborhood. She terrorized cats and ate their food. She assaulted dogs and chased people who annoyed her. When she began laying terrible smelling eggs and coming home in a distinctly inebriated condition, a veterinarian was consulted.

An investigation proved the worst. The fowl had taken a liking to cat food made out of chicken parts and was drinking beer out of traps set to kill slugs. Alas, Clucky-Lucky had become an aggressive, intoxicated cannibal.

I have seen photographs of this chicken. Scaly legs with clawed feet. Razor-sharp black beak. And yellow eyes that seem to shine with an ancient fierceness. Blow this bird up to the size of a water buffalo, and you've got a dinosaur.

It's logical, too. If birds are dinosaurs and chickens are birds, then chickens are dinosaurs. Or, if B is D and C is B, then C is D. Finally, a use for algebra.

I explained all this to my colleague as we rattled along on the cable car. When he and his family dismounted, I heard his wife say as they walked away, "Not all the idiots are from Wisconsin."

Never mind, lady, I know what I know. And I'll never turn my back on a chicken again.

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Recapturing the 'Can-do' spirit in America

by Walter E. Williams



With disbelief and sometimes sorrow, I listen to poor blacks and their welfare-state advocates give one excuse after another for dependency.

During the boom of the 1980s, some said they knew where work was available but complained it took too much commute time, or they had no one to take care of their kids, or it was a low-pay dead-end job. Life doesn't always deal a fair hand, but you just don't sit, surrender and rest on excuses. The least fair hand was dealt to our enslaved ancestors. But let's look at some of their responses, with an eye toward asking: How much sympathy should we have for those among their descendants who whine and make excuses?

Historian Loren Schweninger's book, "Black Property Owners in the South: 1790-1915," gives numerous stories like: "Two ambitious Charles Town bricklayers, Tony and Primus, who spent their days building a church under the supervision of their master, secretly rented themselves to local builders at night and on weekends."

Several of plantation owner John Liddell's slaves worked all day in the field. Under the cover of darkness, they'd steal away to work for wages, returning to the field the next morning to put in another day's work. When Liddell discovered this, he sought legal action, telling his lawyer, "I request that you would forthwith proceed to prosecute John S. Sullivan of Troy, Parish of Catahoula, for hiring four of my Negro men, secretly, and without my knowledge or permission, at midnight on the 12th of August last 1849 (or between midnight and day)."

In Tennessee, it was illegal for a slave to practice medicine; however, a slave called "Doctor Jack" practiced with "great & unparalleled success" even though he was forced to give a sizable portion of his earnings to his owner. After his owner's death, Doctor Jack set up practice in Nashville. White patients valued his services so much they petitioned the State Legislature, saying: "The undersigned citizens of Tennessee respectfully petition the Honourable Legislature of the State to repeal, amend or so modify the Act of 1831, which prohibits Slaves from practicing medicine, as to exempt from its operation a Slave named Jack the property of William H. Macon, Esq., of Fayette County."

Many women were found among slave entrepreneurs. They established stalls and small stores. They managed tiny businesses as seamstresses, laundresses and weavers. A Maryland slave recalled, "After my father was sold, my master gave my mother permission to work for herself, provided she gave him one-half (of the profits)." She ran two businesses — a coffee shop at an army garrison and a secondhand store selling trousers, shoes, caps and other items. In the face of protests

by poor whites, she "made quite a respectable living."

So prevalent was the practice of slaves illegally working and in business the term quasi-free Negroes emerged.

Sometimes whites didn't play fair in business, but whining was out and acumen in. Take Robert Gordon, who purchased his freedom and moved to Cincinnati, where he invested \$15,000 in a coal yard and a private dock on the waterfront. White competitors tried to run him out of business through ruthless price cutting. Gordon simply hired fair complexioned mulattos to purchase coal from price-cutting competitors to fill his own customers' orders.

Black history is full of examples of people making a bad situation better. But compare the message then with today's. An 1848 black convention in New York resolved, "To be dependent is to be degraded. Men may pity us, but they cannot respect us." And in 1853, Frederick Douglass warned, "Learn trades or starve." Today, it's handouts, reparations and society owes us something.

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No seizures... no pay... is this the correct way to fund law enforcement?

by Wesley W. Burnett

At Monday's regular meeting of the Garza County Commissioners' Court, I spoke as a concerned citizen about plans to fund at least one Sheriff's deputy salary with proceeds from drug seizure revenues.

Commissioners politely listened, and expressed similar concerns. No action was taken on the budget, so I assume the decision about the funding issue is still open for discussion.

I have also spoken to Sheriff Kenny Ratke about this same issue, pointing out to him that a dangerous precedent is being set by connecting drug arrests and seizures to law enforcement salaries.

Anytime you tell an employee that their livelihood depends on certain types of actions, it will be only a natural reaction for the employee to find a way to satisfy that expectation. In this case, we are saying, through our elected officials who provide funding for law enforcement... "no drug seizures, no pay."

Now, if I were a deputy, whose salary depended on making drug arrests and seizures in order to keep my job, I believe I would be very vigilant and work very hard to find those nasty drugs... and it would make me extremely nervous about my future, if, in the process of patrolling the streets and highways of Post and Garza County, I were unable to make any arrests to satisfy the funding appetite for the county, I might be more aggressive toward stopping people who looked like they might be good suspects.

I wish to emphasize that I certainly do not believe any of our deputies would stoop so low as to violate any citizen's Constitutional rights, especially those of the Fourth Amendment, nor that any of them would do as some other law enforcement people have done in other parts of this nation, that is, make arrests based on unreliable informants, who also get paid from the confiscated property of individuals who are suspected of violating any of the numerous anti-drug laws.

What I am saying is that innocent or not, citizens who get arrested under these laws are denied their Fourth Amendment right of due process. When an arrest is made under these federal laws, the property is seized through civil forfeiture and held without the permission of the property owner. This could be a house or vehicle, cash, jewelry or anything of value, because the probable cause determination is up to the arresting officer.

When this happens to a citizen, even if not charged formally with a crime, the citizen must hire an attorney and file a claim in court and wait. Sometimes that can be months, and the legal expenses must be paid by the citizen... for even when the government makes a mistake, in this form of forfeiture, the government can not be held liable for the mistake.

How's that for justice?

I trust our Sheriff. I know he would not succumb to the temptation of thousands of dollars of drug seizure forfeitures to pad his budget... but I think the whole drug seizure system stinks, it is clearly in violation of our Constitution and it is simply wrong.

As I told the commissioners court, if we need these deputies for good law enforcement, then pay them. If we don't need them, then let's not hide behind the skirts of the federal government, which it appears is eager to buy its way into our local affairs.

Does this new forfeiture system work? Yes and no.

Yes, it works by bringing in millions and millions of dollars for the government... No, it hasn't stopped the flow of drugs, the sale of drugs, nor the use of drugs. But it has worked magnificently well in taking away individual liberty... which may be the main reason Congress keeps pumping out more garbage like this.

Hopefully, our Sheriff and our Commissioners' Court will see the danger in this pay-as-you-arrest system... they could be leaders in the fight to return our country to Constitutional government.

Remember, just because the feds say it's okay, doesn't mean it's okay. Okay?

Gingrich: America's Gorbachev

by Bill Walker

Like Gorbachev, Newt Gingrich was propelled to power by the pro-freedom ideas sweeping the world today. Like Gorbachev, he has used his position to divert the forces of reform and prevent them from effecting any real changes. And also like Gorbachev, Gingrich is destined to be displaced by real reformers once U.S. voters realize that he has no intention of allowing any real reduction in the size and power of government. Don't believe it? Let's look at the Gingrich/Republican reform program so far.

Republicans loved to talk about the evils of foreign aid in 1994. They pointed out that not only did it cost U.S. taxpayers money that we couldn't afford (money that we were borrowing), but that foreign aid actually harmed the nations that received it. All today's economic success stories are nations which were cut off from most American foreign aid long ago, or were never on it in the first place: Germany, Japan, Korea, Singapore, Chile, the Czech Republic, etc. (It is rarely mentioned nowadays that most of the Marshall Plan foreign aid went to stagnant France and Britain, not economic superstars Germany and Japan). Meanwhile, in the Third World areas which continue to receive large doses of aid, people continue to suffer malnutrition: India, most of Africa, Bangladesh, inner-city Washington D.C., etc.

The reason for this is obvious: foreign aid creates more government. Would we like it if some other nation gave our government a few trillion dollars to expand its role in our lives? To create a few hundred more government bureaus without the inconvenience of having to raise the money for them? No, of course not. We would rightly consider it an act of economic warfare. And yet this is exactly what American foreign aid has done to many nations. Republicans were right to criticize the whole rationale behind foreign aid programs.

And so what did the Republicans do as soon as they got into power? They scaled foreign aid up to new heights. Mexico alone was given 55.4 billion dollars, with the full support of Gingrich, Arroyo, et al. This "aid" had even less justification than the most ridiculous World Bank aid bonndogge. The only purpose of the "bailout" was to keep the Mexican government from the political inconvenience of privatizing its oil company Pemex. Privatizing Pemex would have brought in an estimated 80 billion dollars, and created a huge tax base of private oil companies, ending Mexico's current financial crisis... and reducing the power of Mexican and American politicians. Finding foreign aid scandals is not difficult; one of the biggest is that most of our foreign aid goes out through bank "loans" which are then paid off by the taxpayer when the inevitable default occurs. Today the flood of money from American banks to criminal regimes around the world continues... without a squeak of protest from Gingrich.

But enough about foreign problems. What about the Contract With America at home? Newt thought term limits were a great idea... until Republicans got control of Congress. Then Mr. Gingrich promptly turned on the term limit supporters and attacked those who wanted to limit Congressional terms to less than twelve years; he said this would deprive us of those with "valuable expertise in governing". Well, it is exactly that "valuable expertise" in log-rolling and pork-barreling that term limit supporters wanted to eliminate.

But perhaps we just haven't given Mr. Gingrich enough time? Perhaps he has all sorts of great reform plans just about to unfold? Well, let's just open his book To Renew America, and see what his ghostwriter has to say... Page 156, his answer to immigration: "...stopping illegal immigration may ultimately require everyone to carry employee identification cards that have holograms or other hard-to-counterfeit devices." This is the "solution" that the Democrats have been pushing for years. We could just eliminate the welfare programs that cause whatever immigration problems we have (and to be realistic, we must admit that most of our problems are caused by people that have been here for generations, leeching off of the public dole; Ted Kennedy comes to mind). But instead Mr. Gingrich thinks we need a nationwide ID card, no doubt with nationwide ID card police.

On page 181, his innovative solution to the problems caused by drug prohibition: "I strongly favor a mandatory death penalty for entering our territory with a commercial quantity of illegal drugs." Any drugs; they're all the same to Newt, who mentions on page 173 that "many Americans are now going abroad to buy drugs that haven't been approved here at home". So someone smuggling in non-FDA approved medicines for sick children shall face the death penalty... which is an interesting shift in law enforcement priorities, considering that this country doesn't even execute people like Susan Smith. But according to Newt, page 155: "Anything illegal is by definition wrong." I guess that settles that. If slavery is legal, it's OK; if medicine is illegal, it's wrong.

But at least Gingrich is cutting the budget, right? Our taxes will go down, right? Weeell, not exactly. Newt describes the process on page 97, where the much-reported "cut" in the school lunch program turns out to have been a Reaganesque "cut" from a 5.2% increase... to a 4.6% increase. "Cuts" of this kind will continue to produce higher and higher spending, higher and higher deficits, and higher and higher taxes. Gingrich's reforms look more and more like the Same Old Thing.

And it isn't just Gingrich, of course. Republican committee chairmen like Pat Roberts of Agriculture and Bud Schuster of Transportation are also dedicated to reforms... of someone else's budget. Roberts opposes all attempts to cut food stamps, while Schuster carries on the proud tradition of highway project pork projects. And let us not forget the Senate Republicans who voted down the Balanced Budget Amendment.

In 1996, Americans will evaluate the results of two years of Gingrich Republicanism. Will government be smaller? No. Will it be cheaper? No. Will Americans keep voting for "Newt Gorbachev", or will they finally vote for real reform? I don't know, but I think that 1996 promises to be a good year for Independent and Libertarian candidates.

Mr. Walker is a former Libertarian candidate for U.S. Congress from the Texas 5th District. He and his wife Patty live in rural Ellis County. He currently works with the Trammell Crow Company in Dallas.



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The words are hard to find to adequately express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to our friends in Post. The distance in miles and years did not diminish the flow of kindness and sympathy during Bill's illness and death. Your calls, cards, books, tapes, pictures, and visits found their way to us in McAllen. Bill's final journey ended in the welcoming arms of comfort that only home provides.

Our special thanks to Post Presbyterian Church, Rev. Jerome Koch, Rev. Paul D. Jones, Marita Jackson, Masonic Lodge, Bob Hudman, and Patty Kirkpatrick for the beautiful memorial service. Thanks also to those who pulled the few fragments that we gave them into a heart-healing whole: Jeri Lott, Don and Joyce Tatum, Patty and K W Kirkpatrick, Linda and Ronnie Bouchier, John and Joan Graham, and Jack Lott.

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The Ladies Auxiliary of the V.F.W. would like to thank everyone who donated items for their garage sale. Also thanks to Daniel Yarbro for the use of the clothes rack. Again our thanks to everyone for their help.

Personals

Post Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Thursday night at the First Presbyterian Church, 901 West 10th at 8 p.m. Closed meetings are held except on the last Thursday of the month, which is an open meeting. We have supper at 7 p.m. and the speaking starts at 8 p.m. Anyone who wishes to talk or ask about an alcohol problem, call 495-4152, 495-4185 or 629-4393.

Post Independent School District invites the Senior Citizens of the district to come by the Superintendent's office and receive a gift of a complimentary general admissions pass that will admit you to all school functions. (You will be asked to present identification so that a pass can be issued in your name).

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Legal Notices

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Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, P.O. Box 2497, Midland, Texas 79702 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for permits to inject fluid into formations which are productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres and Glorieta formations in the following wells located or to be drilled on leases which will form the Forbes Unit. The present well number is followed by its unit well number in parenthesis. Wells to be drilled will have only a unit well number.

Leases Operated by Anadarko Petroleum Corp.:

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A.L. Robertson - A - Lease Well No. (1304).

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Guy and Annabelle Price Lease No. (406).

Robertson - B - Well No. (803)

Robertson Lease Well Nos. 1 (901) and 2 (902).

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Requests for a public hearing on persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

Notice to all persons having claims against the Estate of Nicholas Vukad

Notice to all persons is hereby given that the original letters of administration upon the estate of Nicholas Vukad, deceased, was issued to me the undersigned on the 9th day of August, 1995, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered, the estate below named, are hereby required to present the same to me at the address below given, before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time required by law. Lois Howell Vukad may be notified c/o Preston Poole, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 296, Post, Texas 79356.

Dated: 9 August, 1995
 Lois Howell Vukad, Independent Administratrix of the Estate of Nicholas Vukad, Garza County, Texas

Notice of Public Inspection

The Maxine D. Earl Charitable Foundation, a private foundation with offices at 601 W. Main, Post, Texas, Principal Manager, Maxine D. Earl. The annual report of this foundation to be filed no later than October 15, 1995 will be available at its principal office as above indicated for inspection from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday by any citizen who requests it within 180 days after publication.

Maxine D. Earl, Manager

The Post ISD Board of Trustees will hold a budget hearing on the proposed 1995-96 Budget. The hearing will be held in the Administrative offices located at 501 South Avenue K at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 29, 1995.

Wisdom is knowing when you can't be wise. —Paul Engle

The man who makes no mistakes does not usually make anything. —Edward John Phelps

SPARTAN's Mikel Ward guest at Monday's Liberty Forum on government

Lubbock's Mikel Ward, representing the South Plains Area Residents' Taxpayer Action Network (SPARTAN), will be a guest at Monday evening's Liberty Forum, which this month begins a series of discussions about the proper role of government.

Ward, who has successfully led the fight in Lubbock against excessive government taxation, will provide insight into fact-finding methods and share ideas on curtailing government abuse.

The Liberty Forum is held monthly on the third Monday at the Chaparral Restaurant and begins at 7 p.m.

The series on the proper role of government opens with discussions about the City of Post. The Liberty Forum is hosted by the Garza County Libertarian Party and is designed to give citizens the opportunity to discuss political issues in an open and cordial atmosphere. Wesley W. Burnett serves as moderator for the forum and may be contacted at 495-3884 for additional information.

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This photo of the Graham family was taken by W.L. Williams, photographer Jan. 9, 1906 at Cooper's Canyon. The man on the left is unidentified. Graham family members in the photo are Perry, who married Pearl Maxey; Susie, who married Bryan Hood; Oscar, later became county judge, who married Jerrell Davis and Rebecca, who married Joe Duren. The Graham family homesteaded Cooper's Canyon in 1904, coming to Garza County from Guthrie. The photo has been in the possession of Bonnie Duren, who has donated it to the Garza County Historical Museum. The Graham community is named for this family.

Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

10 Years Ago August 21, 1985

Meet the Antelope night to feature an ice cream supper. The event sponsored by the Post Antelope Booster Club will be held Tuesday night in Antelope Stadium.

The Yard of the Week went to Sue Cornell this week.

The family of the late Peter M. and Christin Nelson enjoyed a family reunion in the Graham Community Center.

Nita Wilson Bouchier graduated Magna Cum Laud from Western Connecticut State University.

20 Years Ago August 21, 1975

New teachers to the Post school faculty are Carroll McDonald, Mary Margaret Norman, Jimmy McKamie, Evette Cox, Greg Eubanks, Nancy Shaw, Arthur D. Tunnell and Caron Yates.

Happy birthday today goes to Loyd Edward, Ruel Smith, Mrs. C.A. Richards, Joe Clary, Russell Morris and DaRita Snow. Mr. and Mrs. Ambers Parrish have returned home from a three week sight seeing trip through Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, Winnipeg, Canada, North and South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvius Davis attended the Reece AFB reunion last Saturday. Elvius was stationed there in part of 1942 and 1943.

30 Years Ago August 19, 1965

The biggest one-day rainfall here in over two years came Sunday morning with from 3.70 to 4.20 inches around town.

Mary Eubank is the new 1965 Rodeo Queen.

Miss Nena Sandra Faulk becomes the bride of Jack Ross Alexander Saturday, August 14, here in Post.

Cameron and Maudie Mason Justice celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary recently. They were married August 22, 1915.

Stella Torres is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Josie Cisneros in Post for a few days.

40 Years Ago August 18, 1955

Miss Kate Lowrie is the new Post City secretary.

Tech Sgt. and Mrs. Linnus Moeller and son, Terry, visited in Southland recently with his mother, Mrs. Joe Moeller.

Pattie Lou Peel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V.L. Peel, was honored on her third birthday Sunday afternoon with a party at the City Park.

Post Elementary-High P.T.A. to hold year's first meeting Thursday evening.

Mrs. S.E. Camp is President for the 1955-56 school year.

Some recent births are Elizabeth Sue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hester Britton, born August 11; Robert Don, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hodges, born August 9; Donald Bruce, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Donald Hair, born August 11; Ricky Glenn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Garlon McDougle, born Aug. 14; Michael Jerry, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Edward McHazzlett and Olga Linda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Hernandez. The Garza Memorial Hospital was the birthplace of the babies mentioned above.

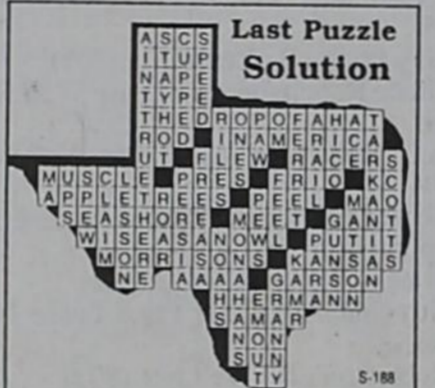
50 Years Ago August 16, 1945

Mrs. Ida Stewart has purchased the Garza Cafe.

World War II ends. Japan says "Unconditional Surrender." The City's fire siren, the Postex Cotton Mill's whistle and all noise making contraptions chimed in together when the news of the Japanese surrender came over the radio shortly after 6 p.m. Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Skeeter Smith is suffering with the mumps this week.

T-5 Robert Clovis Tucker takes part in the last battles in Germany.



Libertarian Chairman resigns from NEA, says policies "teaching disabled"

Twenty-year veteran teacher and National Chairman of the Libertarian Party Steve Dasbach today announced his resignation from the National Education Association and its Indiana affiliate, effective immediately.

In his letter of resignation to NEA President Keith Geiger, Dasbach accused both organizations of putting the pursuit of political power ahead of the interests of students, parents, and teachers. "It has become overwhelmingly clear to me that the NEA is not concerned with pursuing educational excellence," Dasbach said. "Instead, your primary objective appears to be building up your own political power-base by centralizing control over education at the state and national level." He cited NEA support of Federal mandates, funding, and the Department of Education as examples.

"Since the Department of Education was created as a political payoff to the NEA, we have seen test scores plunge and a rising tide of mediocrity envelop our schools," Dasbach said. "The Federal mandates and funding you think so highly of are causing ever-increasing numbers of students to be labeled learning-disabled, providing a ready-made excuse for failure. Instead of labeling kids learning-disabled, we should consider labeling your education policies teaching-disabled."

Dasbach directed his harshest criticism at the NEA's campaign for a National Standards Board, its support for Goals 2000, and its relentless opposition to school choice.

"The National Standards Board and Goals 2000, if fully implemented, will centralize control over teacher certification and curriculum to an unprecedented degree," Dasbach said. "As the 48 states that have approved Goals 2000 begin to implement them, textbook publishers will have no choice but to conform. Based on the increasingly discredited Outcomes Based Education (OBE), Goals 2000 will lead to further dumbing down of American education."

"It is clear to me that the problems we face in education today are a direct result

of the government's effective monopoly in education," Dasbach charged. "Lack of competition and choice has produced a system that is stagnant, bureaucratic, and inefficient, producing less education at higher cost every year."

"However, the NEA is fighting tooth-and-nail to block any experimentation with school choice," said Dasbach. "You have even tried to prevent parents from home-schooling their own children. You appear

to be concerned about maintaining a centralized system where you can exert political pressure, instead of allowing kids to obtain a quality education."

Dasbach pledged to continue to support the efforts of the local teachers association to improve local education, but plans to work to get the federal government out of education entirely.

"I am convinced that the salvation of American education lies in establishing a true free market in education," Dasbach said. "Real choice and real competition can bring the same excellence and innovation to education that we see in the private sector of our economy."

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But since this newspaper has made a commitment to inform its readers on issues affecting all of us, I am asking them to allow me to communicate with you on an informal basis by asking you to answer these questions and return this form.

- 1) Do you favor replacing the current income tax with a flat tax (one rate for everyone, regardless of income with no mortgage or charitable deductions)? Or a national sales tax or a consumption tax, which wouldn't tax you on money you save, but only what you spend?
Flat tax: Sales tax: Consumption tax:
- 2) We are making difficult decisions to try to balance the federal budget. Would you support Congress balancing the budget by the year 2002 if this meant slowing the growth of Medicare spending? Medicaid spending? Social Security spending?
Medicare: Medicaid: Social Security:
- 3) Do you believe that agricultural policy should look for alternatives to its income support programs? Should there be a cap on subsidies or income testing to receive agricultural subsidies?
Alternatives: What kind:
Subsidy cap: Income testing:
- 4) Congress has cut national defense spending by 40 percent in real terms since 1985. Do you believe that current levels of spending on defense are adequate, too low, or too high?
Adequate: Too low: Too high:
- 5) Do you believe there should be a national commitment to encouraging American culture through the arts?
Yes: No:
Would you support federal arts funding if procedures were reformed so that federal funds would go only toward supporting legitimate arts groups, museums and arts education?
Yes: No:
- 6) Do you think this Congress has taken significant steps toward making itself more accountable to the American people?
Yes: No: In what areas would you like to see more progress?

Comments:

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- 5 elk found in TX
- 6 financial institution in TX: One
- 7 TWU degree
- 8 O.A. * Phillips
- 9 ex-U.S. senator Bob Krueger graduated from SMU in '57
- 16 TX actress Gilpin of TV's "Frasier"
- 17 TXism: "mad as a cow"
- 18 across the border from McAllen
- 20 TXism: "bout"
- 21 Sam Houston's horse
- 26 1st name of 8-across
- 27 talked back to
- 29 TXism: "wound up tighter 8-day clock" (tense)
- 30 sink's dish dryer
- 31 1st TX cattle brand: (Alamo Regiment)
- 33 TX Tracy Lawrence's "Sticks"
- 36 Duncanville's David who was 1st pitcher drafted by Colorado Rockies in '92
- 37 noted TX atheist O'Hair (init.)
- 38 staircase in Port Isabel Lighthouse
- 39 football play (2 wds.)
- 41 1st Democrat pres. candidate not to carry TX (init.)

- 42 Dallas Spanish newspaper: La
- 45 TXism: "got 'em in my cross"
- 46 TXism: "missus"
- 47 "old cowhand"
- 48 Margaret of "State Fair"
- 49 Cowboys often play before a sold-
- 52 TXism: "get your ducks in"
- 53 Houston's Jaworski who was Watergate prosecutor

- 54 TX Lyle's "Here"
- 55 this Parker was Miss TX in '92

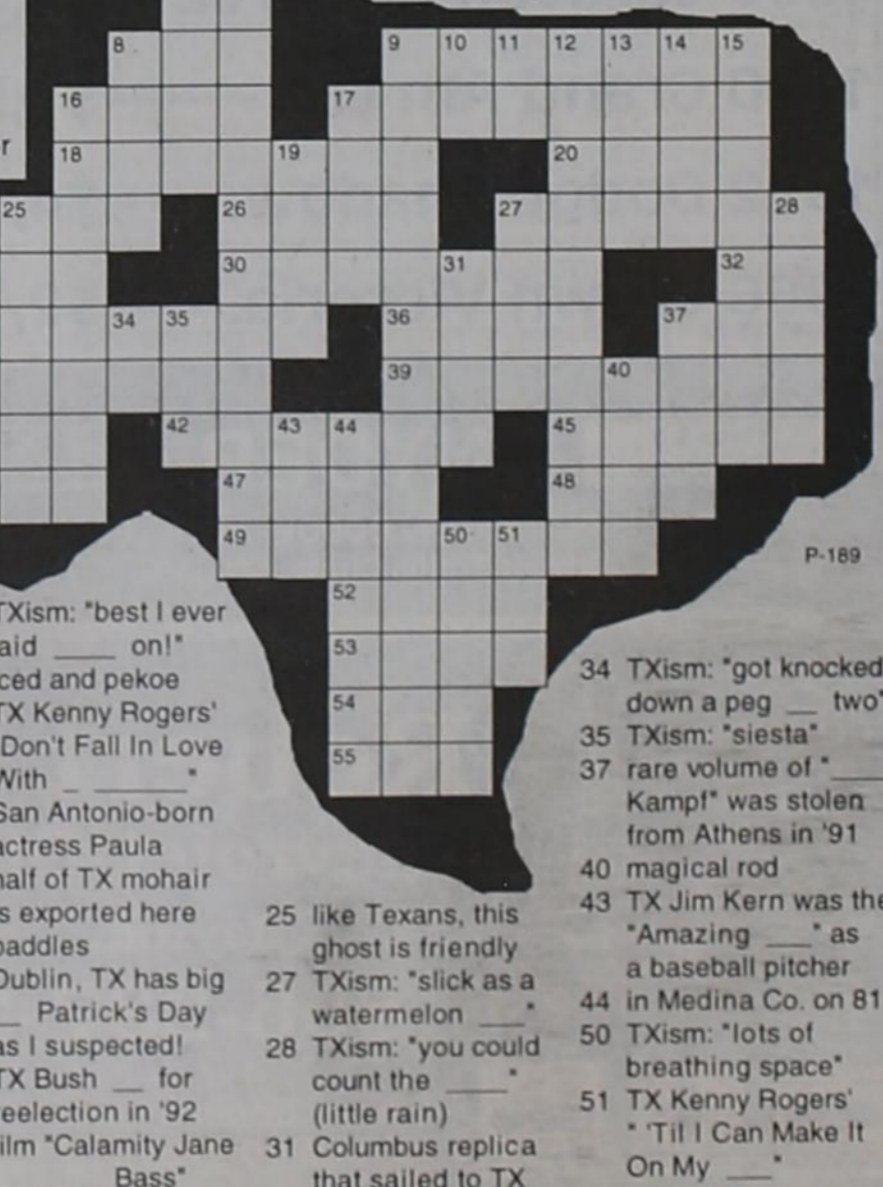
DOWN

- 1 this Ducey hit the last Ranger homer in Arlington Stad.
- 2 TXism: "run white flag" (quit)
- 3 in Brazoria Co. on hwy. 35
- 4 Spanish name of FM Road 170 (4 wds)
- 8 TXism: "ringed" (engaged)
- 9 popular flavor of TX Blue Bell
- 10 book of 8-across: "Ain't No Bum"
- 11 TXism: "have to get better to die"
- 12 UT has original of "Pygmalion" by George
- 13 TXism: "best I ever laid on!"
- 14 iced and pekee
- 15 TX Kenny Rogers' "Don't Fall In Love With"
- 16 San Antonio-born actress Paula
- 17 half of TX mohair is exported here in paddles
- 19 Dublin, TX has big Patrick's Day
- 22 as I suspected!
- 23 TX Bush for reelection in '92
- 24 film "Calamity Jane" Bass

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Rosary was the 7:30 p.m. in the Mass of the Holy Cross in the Holy Cross Funeral Home. Mr. Mindieta Hospital. He was born in (Hinjosa) Mind Postex Cotton Mill contractor and of The Holy Cross. He was preceded by James Mindieta Survivors incl Arlington and C Martinez of St. Post: one brother of Amarillo, 23 Grandsons serv Funeral serv 1995 at 2:30 p.m. pastor of the Fir Burial was in Justice-Mason F Mr Perdue die He was born N age of five. He WW II, having Ann White in T farmed. In 195 Company as se Taylor Tractor Volunteer Fire Woodmen of the 6796. He was a Survivors incl Wharton of St. Harrelson of C Angelo and three Slaton. Pallbearers w Daniel Yarbou, Honorary pall Troy Nelson an Graveside ser 1995 at 10 a.m. Burial was un She died Sun She was born and Clema Ele 1962. He prece Survivors incl Yarbou of Post Oklahoma and grandchildren Funeral serv at 2 p.m. in the from Idalou. Baptist Church Burial was in Home. He died Sun He was born Cook Sr. and in Post. He wa been involved Survivors inc Paula Driggers three sons, Jim and Stephen R Johnnie Hugh Lubbock; two Lovington, N Pallbearers v Rattan, Ryan Honorary pall Norman, Jack Funeral serv at 10:30 a.m. in Kruse, chapla Burial was i Funeral Home Mrs Wolfe, lengthy illness She was bor attended scho graduated fro and then to P member of the the church wh Survivors in Glover of New McElroy of P Dallas and fo

Obituaries

Gregorio Mindieta, Sr.

Rosary was held for Gregorio Mindieta, Sr., 85, Friday, August 11, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. in the Holy Cross Catholic Church with Rev. Lawrence Hemp, pastor, officiating.

Mass of the Resurrection was held Saturday, August 12, 1995 at 10:30 a.m. in the Holy Cross Catholic Church with the same officiant.

Burial was in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mr. Mindieta died Wednesday, August 9, 1995 in St. Mary of the Plains Hospital.

He was born March 10, 1910 in DeWitt County, Texas to Luis and Pancha (Hinajosa) Mindieta, and moved to Garza County in 1935. He worked for the Postex Cotton Mill under Scotty Samson. In later years he worked as a cement contractor and carpenter. He retired in 1986 due to his health. He was a member of The Holy Cross Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Manuel Mindieta in 1965 and Robert James Mindieta in 1975 and one daughter, Aurora M. Melvin in 1978.

Survivors include his wife, Susie, of Post; two sons, Daniel Mindieta of Arlington and George Mindieta, Jr. of Hale Center; four daughters, Mary Martinez of Sterling City, Anna Basquez, Rita Rivera and Angela Diaz, all of Post; one brother, Manuel Mindieta of Brownwood; a half-sister, Maria Olgien of Amarillo; 23 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Raymond Perdue

Funeral services for Raymond Perdue, 73, were held Sunday, August 13, 1995 at 2:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Wilson. The Rev. Darryl Smith, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Post, officiated.

Burial was in the Green Memorial Cemetery at Wilson under the direction of Justice-Mason Funeral Home of Post.

Mr. Perdue died Friday, August 11, 1995 in St. Mary of the Plains Hospital.

He was born November 6, 1921 in Eastland County and came to Wilson at the age of five. He attended school at Wilson and served in the US Army during WW II, having received a Bronze star. After the service he married Dorothy Ann White in Tahoka on April 1, 1946. They made their home at Wilson and farmed. In 1950 they moved to Post and he worked for the Bryant-Link Company as service manager and for Shyles Implement, Cash Implement, Taylor Tractor and Equipment and B-Bar-T. He was a member of the Post Volunteer Fire Department for 33 years. He also was a member of The Woodmen of the World and a lifetime member of the John Miller VFW Post 6796. He was a member of The First Baptist Church of Post.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Perdue of Post; a daughter, Sheri Wharton of Slaton; a brother, Fred C. Perdue of Lubbock; three sisters, Grace Harrelson of Cisco, Kitty Chambliss of Winters and Myrl Osborn of San Angelo and three grandchildren, Magean, Shannon and Amber Wharton, all of Slaton.

Pallbearers were Walter Shannon Wharton, Cliff Wharton, James Curry, Daniel Yarbro, Delbert Rudd and Wendell Johnson.

Honorary pallbearers were members of the Post Volunteer Fire Department, Troy Nelson and Floyd Heck.

Juanita Yarbro

Graveside services for Juanita Yarbro, 65, were held Tuesday, August 15, 1995 at 10 a.m. in the Terrace Cemetery with Rev. Darryl Smith officiating.

Burial was under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

She died Sunday, August 13, 1995 at Golden Plains Care Center.

She was born June 27, 1930 in Post and was the daughter of Joel Walter Julian and Clema Elena Bass. She married Hubert Yarbro in Post on December 28, 1962. He preceded her in death on April 29, 1973. She was a housewife.

Survivors include a daughter, Neta Parnell of Splendora, Texas; a son, Daniel Yarbro of Post; three sisters, Mary Owens of Post, Dorothy King of Shawnee, Oklahoma and Helen Eakin of California; a brother, Allen Julian of Post; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Adrian Cook

Funeral services for Adrian Cook, 81, were held Tuesday, August 15, 1995 at 2 p.m. in the First Baptist Church with Rev. Norris Taylor, retired minister from Idalou, officiating. He was assisted by Rev. Darryl Smith, pastor of First Baptist Church of Post.

Burial was in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

He died Sunday, August 13, 1995 in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

He was born December 28, 1913 in Grayson County and was the son of O.R. Cook, Sr. and Eugenia Blair. He married Lois Blevens on November 17, 1977 in Post. He was a veteran of WW II having served with the US Army. He had been involved in ranching and farming.

Survivors include his wife, Lois of Post; three daughters, Adrienne Hays and Paula Driggers, both of Lubbock and Nancy Frasure of Boulder City, Nev.; three sons, Jim Rainbolt of Albuquerque, N.M., Terry Rainbolt of Sweetwater and Stephen Rainbolt of Abilene; four sisters, Katherine Rattan of Midland, Johnnie Hughs of Fort Stockton, Josh Sweeten of Arizona and Polly Tilton of Lubbock; two brothers, Clinton Cook of Leesburg, Va., and O.R. Cook, Jr. of Lovington, N.M. and 12 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Feller Hughs, James Ed Hughs, Tom Ed Rattan, Richard Rattan, Ryan Hays and Brandon Hays.

Honorary pallbearers were John Orem, John Strubhart, H.C. Gribble, Glen Norman, Jack Lott, Edwin Lewis, Roy Josey and R.C. Ray.

Edna Mae Wolfe

Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 16, 1995 for Edna Mae Wolfe at 10:30 a.m. in the Justice-Mason Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Rodney Kruse, chaplain with Hospice of Lubbock, officiating.

Burial was in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wolfe, of Turkey, died Sunday, August 13, 1995 in Lubbock after a lengthy illness.

She was born September 11, 1942 at Canyon Valley in Garza County. She attended school here and later moved to Lubbock and then to Turkey, where she graduated from Turkey High School. She later lived in Amarillo, Tulia, Turkey and then to Post. In 1994 she moved to Lubbock due to illness. She was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church of Tulia and had been very active in the church while living in Tulia.

Survivors include a son, Troy Glover of Lubbock; two daughters, Terese Glover of New Iberia, La. and Tommie Perry of Lubbock; one brother, Robert McElroy of Post; two sisters, Bettie McElroy of Seagoville and Marie Gray of Dallas and four grandchildren.



Garza County 4-H members attending a recent SPS camp were joined by SPS marketing representative Duke Holmes (back, left). 4-H members at the camp were (back row, left to right) Braden Conner, Bobbie Jo Davis, (front row) CEA-FCS agent Kelly Ahrens, Matthew Ledbetter, Christy Rieter and Clay Ashley.

Garza County residents attend camp

Six Garza County residents recently participated in an electricity camp sponsored by Southwestern Public Service Company. More than 120 4-H'ers from throughout the Texas Panhandle attended the camp earlier this summer at Camp Scott Able, near Cloudcroft, New Mexico.

The camp featured demonstrations and lectures on basic electricity, safety,

energy conservation, wiring and electrical terminology. The students also completed hands-on projects.

County agents and SPS representatives served as advisers and instructors.

SPS sponsors the camp each year so that students are more knowledgeable about electricity and electrical safety.

Lunch Menus

Trail Blazers

Friday, August 18
Oven fried chicken, white gravy, mashed potatoes, harvard beets, bran muffins, pineapple chunks, choice of beverage.

Monday, August 21
Roast turkey, sweet potatoes, green beans, tossed salad/Thousand island dressing, wheat roll, cranberry dessert, choice of beverage.

Tuesday, August 22
Braised beef tips, hominy or corn, brussel sprouts, carrot sticks, cornbread, apple cobbler, choice of beverage.

Wednesday, August 23
Sloppy Joes on a bun, tater tots or fries, carrots, pineapple gelatin, pickles, gingerbread, choice of beverage.

Thursday, August 24
Ham Salad sandwich, vegetable soup, pea or potato salad, lettuce, tomato slices, cherry cobbler, choice of beverage.

Post ISD

Monday, August 21
Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, fruit, 1/2 pint milk.

Lunch: Corn dogs, french fries, mixed vegetables, cobbler, 1/2 pint milk.

Tuesday, August 22
Breakfast: Date Muffins, fruit, 1/2 pint milk.

Lunch: Tacos, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato, sliced peaches, corn bread, 1/2 pint milk.

Wednesday, August 23
Breakfast: Cinnamon toast, fruit, 1/2 pint milk.

Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, cream gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, Jello with topping, hot rolls, 1/2 pint milk.

Thursday, August 24
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Lunch: Burrito with Sauce, salad, corn, cake, 1/2 pint milk.



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Time's A-Wasting

by Bob Green, First United Methodist Church

This is the last week of Summer Vacation, and those dreaded three little words which strike terror in the hearts of kids and joy in the hearts of parents are heard throughout Post this week: "School starts Monday!" and folks throughout are exclaiming that we need to be in prayer for our schools etc.

I would certainly affirm that statement and encourage all to make prayer for our schools a daily activity. One only has to open his/her eyes to see the need for divine involvement in this very precious institution within each community.

In fact most folk of the Christian faith will exclaim that the problems within our schools began (or at least worsened) when prayer was taken out of the schools. I believe there is a wealth of truth in that belief, but I also believe there is another problem which effects our schools very much more than whether or not students and teachers are able to pray on the school premises.

Our problem is spiritual alright, but it's not about "spiritual" activities in the school, it's about "spiritual" activities outside the school within the families and within the communities. In Deuteronomy we find what I believe to be the root of the problem. In Deut. 6:4 we read, "Hear O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might." God continues to "command you to keep these words upon your hearts and to teach them diligently to your children, and to talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise" (emphasis mine).

Our problems today, in our schools, in our government, in our communities, in our families is one of failure of individuals, fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, uncles, aunts, friends, acquaintances etc. to keep the words of God in our heart and soul, and more especially to Teach them to our younger generations by word and especially by example.

Jesus ask the question in Matt 12:29 "How can one enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods unless he first bind the strong man?" We bind the strong man when we refuse to teach and act on the "faith of our fathers". People say that "My faith is a private matter and so I do not share it with anyone else".

If this is true then every command in the bible is false. God never tells us to keep our faith to ourselves, quite the opposite. Parents have elected to let the Sunday School teachers "teach" their kids about God, to demand that others be the example or heroes for their children, or even worse to give the children total freedom to choose their own examples and heroes. God says, You teach them, You be an example to them. Kids throughout this country are crying out in loud screams for their parents, community leaders, elected officials, to be an example for them, to have a consistency which keeps our words and our actions in sink.

Our problem is not whether we have prayer in school or not, it is whether there is prayer in the home or not. If we want our kids to have the influence of God on their lives, we must understand that the most significant influence comes from the home. God never gave us freedom to depend upon others for this most important lesson in life. He has always expected it to begin at the home, then from the community, school etc.

In a talk to the Promise Keepers Conv. in Denver this year James Dobson asked the piercing question. "If someone asked you child 'Who is the godliest man/woman they know?' 'Who would they say.' Any child should be able to say 'my parents', but all too often they cannot. I believe that is major problem in our society today. Truly as members of society we must take responsibility for that society, but it must first begin at home. And if we do not know how to "be" the spiritual example, what are we doing to learn?"

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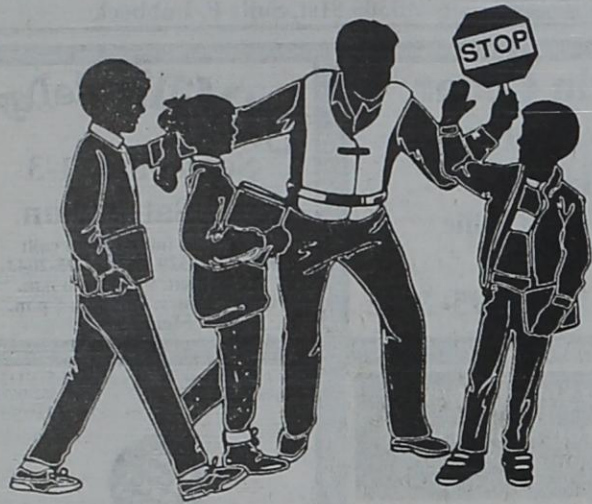
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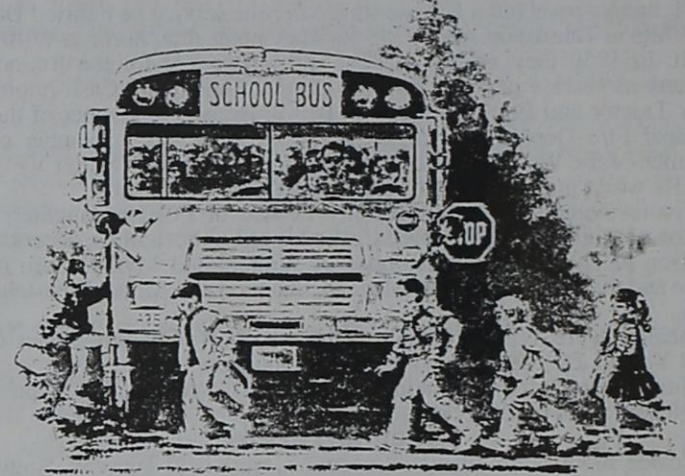
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