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Big increase in prison employment expected this month

The employee roster of the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility is expected to grow significantly later this month.

Warden Terry Bartlett said Tuesday that the 147-member staff will see the addition of 59 new employees just before the holidays. These individuals are expected to begin employee training Monday and will officially join the personnel roster on Dec. 20.

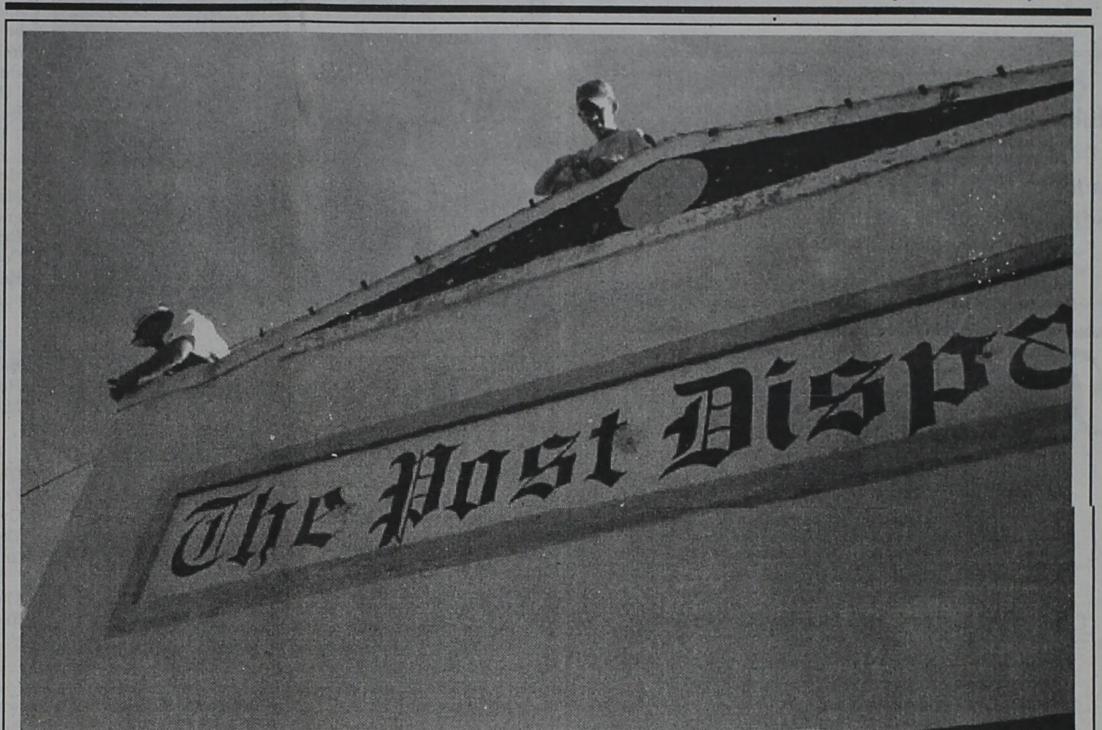
Another 23-25 individuals will be added Dec. 24, making the facility fully staffed.

The growth in the staff at the correctional facility closely parallels that of the increasing inmate population. As of Tuesday afternoon, a total of 301 inmates were being housed at the facility, filling almost a third of the unit's 1,094 beds.

About 60 inmates are coming into the facility each week, Bartlett said. A total of about 420 is expected by the Christmas holiday, and projections indicate the facility should be at capacity by the end of February.

Incoming inmates, housed as a result of the facility's contract with the Federal Bureau of Prisons, are from throughout the United States, Bartlett said. To date, inmates have been brought in from New Jersey, Pennsylvania, California, Oklahoma and other parts of the state of Texas.

Almost all of the inmates are Spanish-speaking individuals from Central and South America, Bartlett said. All are illegal aliens who have committed multiple offenses. Upon completion of their sentences, these individuals are being deported.



Lighted Christmas Parade - Saturday, o p.m.

Rodney Tidwell (left) and Kyle Dunn, along with several other MAD DADSInc. youth, were busy last week repairing broken lights on East Main Street buildings. The work is in preparation for this Saturday's Lighted

Christmas Parade. A few weeks ago vandals destroyed many of the lights on buildings that had been installed prior to Thanksgiving.

Lighted Christmas Parade highlights Post Christmas celebration Saturday

a full slate of activities that will center around the downtown area. 7 p.m. in the window of the mini mall. Children can drop by, visit

The highlight of the observance will be the annual lighted Christ- with Saint Nick and have their photo made. mas parade, set to begin at 6 p.m. Saturday on Main Street. Parade At 8:30 p.m., a drawing for \$100 in Post City Bucks will be held. entries, which as of Tuesday numbered at least a dozen, will begin Sidelining the weekend's activities will be concerts by pianist/comlining up at 5:30 p.m. behind the Garza County courthouse.

late-night shopping hours, as many downtown merchants are plan- while the Sunday performance will take place at 2 p.m. ning to remain open until 9 p.m.

houses during the day.

Local residents will kick off the holiday season this weekend with Santa will be making his first appearance in the city beginning at

poser Doug Smith at the Hotel Garza on Friday, Saturday and Sun-Following the parade, locals can take advantage of some special day. The Friday and Saturday performances are set for 7:45 p.m.,

In addition, the final performances of the Garza Theatre's current Several businesses, including the Frame Shoppe, the Bee Hive, production, "On Golden Pond," will take place this weekend. Perthe OS Ranch Shop and the OS Museum, will be conducting open formances are set for Friday and Saturday at 7:45 p.m. and at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Rumors of new prison just that, rumors...

Talk that another federal prison facility is in the works for Post "If there's enough need and we could be guaranteed something,

and Garza County is just that - talk. According to Garza County Judge Giles W. Dalby, there are no immediate plans for the construction of an additional correctional

"It's not seriously under consideration right now, but it could be looked at in the future," Dalby said Tuesday afternoon. "We've got to get this one under our belt now."

Although a serious discussion about building another correctional facility in Post is "premature" at this point, Dalby said it is widely known that the Federal Bureau of Prisons has plans to distribute a request for proposals for an additional 7,500 beds in Texas in the next calendar year.

it's certainly something we would look at," the county judge said.

Cowboy Christmas event set Tuesday at **Garza County Museum**

The Garza County Historical Museum will play host to a Cowday, Dec. 7, from 6:30-9 p.m.

A part of the open house observance will be a plaque dedication. boy Christmas open house Tues- A plaque bearing the names of Garza County's Roll of Honor will be dedicated during a flag raising ceremony at 6:30 p.m. The plaque will be permanently displayed in the museum's new Military Room, and a duplicate will be presented to the local VFW

post. The dedication and flag raising ceremony have been scheduled to commemorate the 58th year anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. These events echo the sentiment of the "Remember Dec. 7th!" posters which were created just weeks after the bombing as the United States mobilized its troops for the war.

As part of Tuesday's observance, hot chocolate and roasted marshmallows will be served in the museum garden. Music also will

be provided. Sidelining the special observance will be a special exhibit on display in the museum gallery, featuring many of Post's own "cowboys and cowgirls" who regularly participate in rodeo.

Post Notes

Church offers BBQ meal Saturday

The Power House Church of God in Christ, 619 E. Pine, will offer a BBQ meal Saturday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Plates are \$5 each. Live music will be provided by "Highlights."

Woman's Culture Club meets Dec. 8

The Woman's Culture Club will hold its meeting Decembere 8 at the club house at 2 p.m. Jan Acker will serve as hostess.

Benefit planned for Zuniga

A benefit to help Juana Zuniga offset medical costs will be held at the Youth Center on Saturday beginning at 11 a.m. The Gordita plates are \$5 each and donations are encouraged.

Community Christmas Sing

The First United Methodist Church is hosting the Community Christmas Sing on Wednesday, December 8 at 7 p.m. The church is located at 216 W. 10th. The event is open to all.

Methodist youth offer chili supper

The First United Methodist Church youth are offering a chili supper on Saturday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Plates are \$3.50 each, with chili or red beans, crackers, drink and dessert. Funds are to sup-

port youth activities. Community Christmas Singing Dec. 8

The annual Community Christmas Sing will be held Wednesday, December 8 at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church. Choirs, groupps or soloists with special Christmas selections should contact the church office at 495-2942, Patty Kirkpatrick at 495-

2868 or Lanny Copeland at 495-3386. Old Post papers needed for research

Don Abbe is researching architectural history about the Garza County Courthouse and needs help with old photos or newspapers from the 1920s. There are no drawings or engineering plans that can be found, and Abbe is hoping that local people will find information in private collections. The building was constructed in 1923. George Samson was the general contractor. Call Abbe at 791-1615.

First Annual Lord's Acre

The First United Methodist Church will hold its First Annual Lord's Acre on Sunday, December 5 at 6 p.m. at the Post Community Center. The public is invited to the event, which includes a steak dinner and live entertainment, along with a silent auction. For reservations, contact the church office at 495-2942, Kim Lott at 629-4340, Terri Cash at 495-3355 or Angie at Babb's BBQ, 495-1273. The deadline for reservations is November 28. All proceeds benefit Toys for Tots, Post Cares, Meals on Wheels and needy Post families.

Toys for Tots applications

Applications are being accepted until December 5 for the annual Post Lions Club sponsored "Toys for Tots" program. Those families who are in need of help will find applications at Cellular One on East Main Street or at Fashions Cleaners on West Main Street. Donations of new toys and cash contributions are needed, they may be made at either of the two locations.

Victims' Assistance needs volunteers

The Post Victims' Assistance Program is seeking volunteers. Those interested in being a volunteer and making a positive difference in someone's life, please call Jayta at 495-2479 or 495-5511.

Methodist youth host chili supper

The Methodist youth will sponsor a chili supper Saturday night, December 4 frm 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the fellowship hall of the church. The meal will incoude chili or red beans, ice tea and dessert at \$3.50 per plate. Carry-out plates are available.

4-H Scavenger Hunt

Garza County 4-H has planned a Scavenger Hunt to collect nonperishable items to be donated to needy families for Christmas. 4-H'ers knocking on doors Monday evening, December 6, will be wearing a 4-H sticker for the hunt. We appreciate your cooperation in helping with their Citizenship Project if a 4-H'er knocks on your



Post Antelope football players earning All-District honors include (back row, left to right) Tyrone Jefferson, Billy Crawford, Randy Moore, Johnny Jefferson, Ross Babb, C.J. Sims, John Radle, (front row) Matt McCallister, Michael Huff, Luke Williams, Rocky Gomez, Raymond Jefferson and Adrian Gonzales. (See story on Page 6 for details).

Slough graduates with honors

Paul Alvin Slough Jr. (P.J.) of Post and Dickens graduated with honors Nov. 19 from the 1st Battalion of the 19th Infantry United States Army at Ft. Benning, Georgia.

Slough was one of 35 out of 450 graduates who graduated with honors. Slough received the Physical Fitness Excellence Award Nov. 18 at the Turning Blue ceremony. His grandmother, Gladys Blair of Post, was requested to "turn him blue" by pinning the famous blue cord, the esteemed symbol of the U.S. Army Infantry, to his shoulder.

Slough was also one of three graduates selected to receive further specialized training in the Ranger Indoctrination Program (RIP). Upon completion, he will arrive in Lubbock Dec. 3 to spend the holidays with family and friends.

Slough is the son of Georgia A. Slough of Post and Paul A. Slough of Dickens. He is a 1999 graduate of Patton Springs High School.

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Gladys Blair (left) and Paul Allen Slough

Holidays are festive but road rage is not

The holidays bring a time of peace, so why are people so short-tempered on roadways?

Roads are most congested this time of the year with travelers and locals buzzing all over town. The stresses of day-to-day business combined with holiday preparations can often cause anxiety and loss of composure on overcrowded highways, a frustration that can make some people crazy with rage. Road rage.

Because more instances of aggressive driving are being seen on to your intentions. a regular basis, Texas highways are marked with reminders to "Drive" Friendly." With aggressive drivers on the road, the potential for automobile accidents is high, especially during this busy time of

Protective tips to help guard undesirable situation. against road rage include:

• A good rule of thumb is to follow all of the laws of the road.

Slaton 828-6545

• Slower traffic should keep right so the left lane can be used for

 Do not offend drivers with hand gestures, verbal abuse or intimidatory driving. This can only antagonize an already aggressive

 Avoid eye contact to keep the situation from becoming personal. · Don't provoke drivers by flashing lights or honking the horn.

· Don't tailgate. Try to keep a twosecond following distance.

• Use signals to alert other drivers her a hard time!

 Be a defensive driver. Awareness will minimize accident risk.

 If you are threatened or harassed by another driver, do not engage.

· Allow plenty of time for trips and these barrels. make the vehicle as comfortable a

place as possible. If you are in an accident with an aggressive driver, be courteous and calm to bring the tension of the incident down. If the situation is not safe, stay in your vehicle until the

police arrive to secure the scene. Once you have told your story to the police, contact your insurance agent or representative to report damages to your car.

Emergency Response Team meets Dec. 9

by Arnold Fry

The Garza Co. Emergency Response Team will have it's regular meeting December 9 at 7:pm at 205 S Ave P. Anyone interesting in attending will be welcome. Not much going on this week, I wonder if winter is ever going to arrive.

Members of the Team are studying hard for thier Amature (Ham) operators license. We hope after the first of the new year to be ready for testing. The Team is still in need of a used copy machine any help would be greatly appreciated.

For questions or comments contact any team member or call Arnold Fry at 759-4886. We hope everyone had a wonderful and safe Holliday. THINK SAFETY FIRST!

Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush

Before I start with the "Jabberin" for the week, I would like to ask all of the downtown folks to be sure and have your lights on Saturday for all of the "going's on" Saturday night. They will remain on through the holiday season. Thanks in advance!

BE THERE!!!

Please don't miss the Christmas parade Saturday night. Lots of folks are working hard to get ready

and I know you don't want to miss it. Most of our downtown stores will be open until 9 pm for your shopping convenience plus Santa will be in the Mini Mall, available for pictures with your children for a \$5 charge. Proceeds will go to the United Way.

There will also be a drawing at 8:30 pm for \$100 dollars in Post City Bucks (you must be present to win).

Don't miss any of the fun. See you down town.

Hope you all had a great Thanksgiving. My family celebrated at my sisters home and we all had a great time. Those attending: our host, Mack and Jane Terry, Fannie Ballentine, Ricky and Judy Bush, Robby and Kerri Déan, Kaylyn and Kylee, Krisha Bush and Zachary, Kelly Crispin, Jada Guy and Colby and Paige, Jibber and Cindy Herridge, Cody and Caden, Ray Don and Jana Underwood, Raylea all of Gail; Kevin and Devron Crispin and Lexi of Dallas and Hooter Terry. Boy our family is growing!!

Dinner Guests

At home with Giles and Nelda Dalby for Thanksgiving were: Liz and Bob Elliott, Lindsey and Laurin of San Angelo; Becki Whitmire of Houston; Charlcie, Johnny and Tayla Mosser of Lubbock and Giles, Mendy, Donae, K'Nell and Giles Wilson of Post.

Birthdays this Week Thursday, December 2; Craig Lambert, Hannah Jobeth Horton, Christin Collier, Minnie Lynch and Jerry Epley: Friday, December 3; Dustin Massey and Todd Terry: Saturday, December 4; Ryann Babb, Cynthia Colvin and Troy Nelson: Sunday, December 5; Steve Mason, Donna Jones, Lanny Poe, Steve Gonzales and Amy Schoonover; anniversary; Sue and Junior Foster

Monday, December 6; Shawn Weatherman, Tommy Duncan, T.J. Gaydos, Dana Pool, Ivan Line and Pat Cruse: Tuesday, December 7; Trent Capps, Colby Pennell and Don Davies: Wednesday, December 8; Amy Pederson and Robbie Williams.

Holiday Company

Jack and Sara Ault had a houseful for the holiday and I know Sara was eating that up. I haven't heard from her in awhile so I'm giving

Visiting the Aults were: Howard and Inga of Seatle and Richard • Pull off the road to make cellular Welch, with daughter Tonya and son Eric of Austin. I know they all had a wonderful time.

Clothes Donation

For all to know, we have a barrel here at the Dispatch and there is also one at the Post Office provided by Victim's Assistance and Child Participation will only encourage an Welfare. They are asking for any clothes you might be willing to donate to a very good cause. Clean out those closets and lets fill up

Cockrum Trip

Dan and Sybil shared a wonderful Thanksgiving with their son Dan and his wife Lynda and granddaughter Kim in Marietta, Ga. The highlight of the trip Sybil says was a river boat tour of Christmas on The Pecos. Sybil said it was the most beautiful sight.

A Week Away

Joe and Alma Williams enjoyed a weeks vacation at their children's home in Texarkana. Claude and Shirley Cranford came to Post, picked up Alma and Joe and took them to their home for the Thanksgiving holiday. Their son Chad was also there. Alma said they had a wonderful time, playing games shopping and just visiting. They returned home on Sunday.

Dinner with the Rays

Johnny and Opal Ray and Melody Rose hosted a big Thanksgiving dinner that lasted over the weekend. Guest included: Maudie Rose and Bill, Karla, Tony, Curt and Natalie Rose of Henryetta, Oklahoma; Jerry, Mary, Barry and Andy of Slaton; Micheal and Tammy Self,

Ethan and Justin of New Home; Irene Greer and Irene Richy of Lubbock; Ronnie Greer of Slide; Ida Brown of Hobbs, New Mexico; Evelyn Mason, R.C. Ray, Bobby and Janet Dean, Russel and Sandra Benham, Quentin, Bradley, Wyatt and Hayden and Clifford Laws, all of Post and Melissa Matthis of Paris.

With that crowd, you know they had a great time!

Till Next Week

Hope everyone has a great weekend. Don't forget the parade! I'll see you there. May God bless each of you.

> Call Judy with your "Jabbérin" 495-2816

Women's Protective Services and Nelda Dalby Wish to say THANK YOU Citizens Bank and United Supermarket for sponsoring Adopt a Quad Project

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Trade Days' Linda Sel.

Old Mill Trade Days

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Trade Days enjoys successful event

Trade Days event proved quite successful, according to attendance figures reported earlier this week.

About 7,000 individuals paid for admission to the event, which ran Friday, Saturday and Sunday, said Trade Days' Linda Self.

The event marked the first time Old Mill Trade Days has added a special Thanksgiving show.

"We think it went really well, and we're planning on doing it again," said Self. "We're just really pleased."

Trade Days vendors, many of whom were hit hard over the weekend said to be the busiest shopping time of the year, won't have much time to catch

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The first "Thanksgiving show" their breath and prepare for the next event. The gates to the Old Mill Trade Days park will reopen Dec. 10 when the next event, scheduled for 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 10, 11 and 12, gets

"This will be the last time to shop before Christmas," Self said.

There's already a waiting list for the final pre-Christmas event.

"It'll be a good one," she said. Santa Claus will be on hand all three days of the next event. He will be located in The Chimneys in the Post City building.

Carolers will also be roaming the park, setting a musical backdrop for the evnent.

Neighbor to Neighbor by Kelly Ahrens, CEA-FCS

The Gift of Food

It has been said that "nothin' says lovin' like somethin' from the oven." Holiday customs come and go, but giving taste-full home-made gifts will surely always be in style.

Any food that we prepare thoughtfully and creatively for someone else or for ourselves is a gift. A big part of that gift is the comfort that food gives. There are magazine articles these days about "comfort food."

You may not have heard the phrase, but surely you've enjoyed the feeling it gives. What food has given consolation in times of trouble, worry or illness? What food has brought strength and hope, a feeling of wellbeing, of love? What was the recipe? Who prepared it? Just thinking about those foods and those cooks or bakers can bring that feeling back all over again.

This is the time of year when we remember the recipes and traditions that are part of our ethnic and religious and family heritage. We all have our own traditions and this is the time to share and compare those.

Recipes Under Wraps — Today I will also talk about foods that we can prepare ahead to give as gifts to friends or family, or to donate to others in the community, or to use as fundraisers. Prepackaged mixes are a welcome treat for a cook on a busy day or for anyone on any day they would rather do something other than fix food. No gift you could give a family member or in over 50 stage productions, Myers trophies, both animal and man made friend could be more deliciously thoughtful than a gift of food you have could easily carry a production by give the Thayer lake house its "lovely planned, made, and wrapped yourself.

Drink in All the Possibilities — Think about the beverages that were a treat for you growing up. What goes on the list-root beer floats, chocolate egg creams, Fizzies, malts, shakes, what? What beverages are saved for parties and special occasions now that you are an adult? Are there any that you remember having years ago that aren't commonly served these days? What are they? Here are two recipes for your enjoyment or gift giving.

Spiced Raspberry Tea With a vegetable peeler or knife, cut one generous strip of rind and 12 small strips of rind from: I orange. Combine in saucepan and bring to simmer, the large strip of orange rind and: 3 cups water, 3 raspberry herb tea bags, 1 teaspoon whole allspice and 1 stick cinnamon, broken. Cover and cook 15 minutes. Remove from heat. Strain, discarding solids. Combine in a large saucepan, the herb tea mixture and 6 cups cranraspberry drink. Heat thoroughly. Place into each of 12 mugs one of the small orange rind strips and: 3 raisins and 3 slivered almonds. Add cup tea to each mug. Serve immediately.

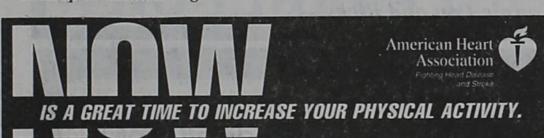
Rich Cocoa Mix Combine and mix thoroughly: 10@ cup instant non-fat dry milk powder (1 8-quart package), 3 cup Nestle's Quick or other sweetened cocoa mix (1 pound package), 1 cup powdered sugar, 1 6-ounce jar powdered instant creamer. Makes about 15 cups.

Package in a tin or plastic-lined, cloth sack tied closed with a ribbon tied around a cinnamon stick. Enclose the following instructions: Rich Cocoa

Mix: Use to cup mix per mug. Add boiling water and stir. Sip your tea or cocoa, make your holiday plans and lists, and enjoy the fact

that you're really starting in plenty of time!

Programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.





Community Christmas Sing

Wednesday, December 8 7 p.m. First United Methodist Church 216 W. 10th All are invited! All are welcome!

Special Christmas Music



Juanice Myers (left) and Glenn Polk take a look at the "pond" in the current Garza Theatre production of "On Golden Pond." (Photo by Naomi Matsler)

"On Golden Pond" relies on chemistry

Good theatre depends on three things: chemistry, timing and casting. Glenn Polk achieves this rare trifecta with his production of "On Golden Pond."

Polk delivers a dead-on performance of crotchety Norman Thayer. His mannerisms and wonderful comic timing make his

The bonus of this production is the great supporting cast. Juanice Myers gives an outstanding performance as Thayer's wife. Having appeared delight to watch. Their chemistry on stage drives the shows effective

as Billy Ray and Berry as Charles Martin provide great comic relief.

Overall "On Golden Pond" is a great show that manages to put all evening of entertainment.

Polk and his stage crew have effectively managed to turn the Garza stage into a believable lake house on the coast of Maine's Golden Pond. The set decoration complete with

Lighting and mood setting sound designed by Steve Sever aid in helping the audience to be transported to a Rob Holton and Jake Morgan also summer house in New England. The hand on operation of lighting and sound by Christy Morris and the flawless scene changes by Anna

Extension Extras

Thank you all so much for the recently held blood drive that was credited to my account. Post is very fortunate to have a grooup of dedicated and caring citizens such as yourselves, who continually give of your precious time and energies.

appreciated and do not go unnoticed.

Also thank you to all the people who gave blood and to those who were turned away and to the First Baptist Church and to all of you for your prayers.

by Chris Borland

Sam Mercer and Steve Berry. Mercer

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4-H Scavenger Hunt

items to be donated to needy families for Christmas. 4-H'ers knocking on

doors Monday evening, December 6, will be wearing a 4-H sticker for the

hunt. We appreciate your cooperation in helping with their Citizenship

4-H Family Christmas

wide 4-H Christmas Party and "Pot-Luck" meal in conjunction with the

Scavenger Hunt mentioned above on Monday, December 6, at 6:30 p.m. at

the show barn. 4-H'ers are asked to bring a dish for the meal and ornaments for a tree to be given to a needy family. The items collected on the Scavenger

All 4-H'ers and their families are encouraged to participate in the county-

Garza County 4-H has planned a Scavenger Hunt to collect non-perishable

level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

performance alone worth seeing. her sheer energy. She and Polk are a rusticity.

give solid performances as Bill Ray and Chelsea Thayer Wayne, a couple about to be married.

Project if a 4-H'er knocks on your door.

Hunt will also be given to the needy.

Rounding out the ensemble are Wilson and staff are extremely well

This last product of the millennium at the Garza is a must-see for family members of all ages.

Tickets may be purchased by three of the essential elements of calling 806-495-4005 for reservations. theatre together into a wonderful Office hours are 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

earn degrees from UTPB Two local residents are among area

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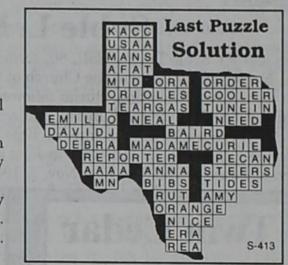
students who are candidates for December graduation from the University of Texas of the Permian

Roger Dean Vester is expected to graduate with an MPA, PACC, and James Mike Dye is expected to earn a BBA, ACIS.

More than 200 students will receive degrees from the university this fall.



Food tends to bake more quickly in a glass container than in a metal container. The transparency of the glass allows the heat to pass directly through it.





The Post Dispatch 495-2816

Dear Post Lions Club

Your blood drive means so much to so many people, especially me. Keep up the good work, as your efforts are greatly

Andy Stelzer



Prudencio (Pru) Basquez

Monday, Nov. 29, 1999, at the Holy Cross Catholic Church with the Rev. Malcolm Neyland officiating, assisted by the Rev. Jim O'Conner. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Fu-

Rosary was said at 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. He died Friday, Nov. 26, at Covenant Medical Center.

County several years until his retirement. He was a Catholic.

Born April 28, 1943, in Georgetown, he married Anna Mindieta Dec. 27, 1962, in Post. He was a member of the Jay Cee's, a leader at the Post 4-H Club, Sunday school director at the Holy Cross Catholic Church and a member of the Cursillistas. He had also been a school board member from 1979-1989 and a director of the Post Housing Authority. He had worked at the Postex Cotton Mill until it closed, worked on a farm and worked for Garza

Survivors include his wife, Anna Basquez of Post; four daughters, Cindy (Mrs. Lupe) Aguilar, Diana Basquez, Regina (Mrs. Miguel) Rodriquez and Jackie Gonzales, all of Post; four brothers, Mike, Tony (Buzz) and Tommy, all of Post, and Roland of Crosbyton; five sisters, Pauline Flores of Post, Julia Martinez of Lawrence, Kansas, Rosemary Sustatia of Crosbyton, Caroline Saucedeo of Kaufman and Josie Poe of Tuscaloosa, Alabama; and six grandchildren, Christina Aguilar, Courtney Basquez, Evette Rodriquez, Rubi Rodriquez, Mikey Gonzales and Patrick Gonzales, all of Post.

Pallbearers were Melvin Lee, Preston Poole, Kenny Ratke, Robbie Freeman, Delwin Fluitt, Steven Fluitt, Joe Poe Sr., Martin Martinez, Giles Dalby Jr. and Larry Haynes Sr. Former school board members were honorary pallbearers

Syble L. Hall

Services for Syble Lorine Hall, 80, formerly of Post, were held at 2:30 p.m., November 20, 1999 at the Church of God of Prophecy in Enid, Okla. with Gene Love officiating. Burial followed in the Enid Cemetery under the direction of the Brown Funeral Home.

She died Friday, Nov. 19, at Integris Bass Baptist Health Center in Enid. Born Dec. 20, 1918, in Jacksboro to John and Ethel Shiflett Womack, she married Lawrence Hall in Post Nov. 9, 1939. She was a cook on a ranch

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near Post and worked at the cotton mill. While living near Chandler, Arizona, she was a housewife and helped her husband run a dairy. She was a cook at a cafe in Beaver and before retiring, worked at a furniture factory in Guthrie. She had lived in Enid 10 years and was a member of the Church of God of Prophecy.

She is survived by three sons, Lawrence William "Larry" of Glove, Arizona, Marion J. of Enid and Merrell Travis of Newberry Springs, California; three daughters, Lorine Turner of Hunter, Stella D'Agostino of Los Services for Prudencio (Pru) Basquez, 56, of Post were held at 2 p.m. Angeles and Sunny E. Morris of Lahoma; four sisters, Beulah Womack of Duncan, Opal Sawyer of Boise, Idaho, Nola Smith of Forest Grove, Oregon, and Fern Langley of Lake Oswego, Oregon; two brothers, Marion Womack of Valencia, California, and James of Boise, Idaho; 20 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband on Feb. 7, 1997, two daughters, two sons, two sisters and one brother.

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Sheriff reports six arrests

Six individuals were jailed in Garza County during the past week, according to sheriff's department records.

A 25-year-old male was picked up for possession of marijuana and DWI (released on \$5,000 cash bond) and a 35-year-old male was arrested for driving while license suspended (released on \$750 bail bond).

A 51-year-old man was jailed for public intoxication (time served, fine paid) and a 45-year-old man was jailed for a probation violation.

A 23-year-old man was picked up for possession of marijuana (released on a PR bond) and a 31-year-old was jailed for driving while license suspended (released on \$500 bail bond).



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Thanksgiving is behind us; Christmas and New Years are right around the corner. During this time we all have some of the following in common: Sharing of time and gifts with relatives and friends, a little extra time off from our work and daily responsibilities, good food and a lot of it! This time of year is truly special, but it can cause us health problems that are a result of; OVER INDULGENCE.

STRESS-Everyone knows by now that stress can play a very important role in his or her health. The holidays can bring us a lot of stress, decorating the home, long distance travel during a particularly busy time, what to get that special someone, and how to pay for all of it! We should all "slow down" a little during this time. Perhaps a phone call, instead of a visit, or a handmade gift instead of that super present from the department store. In the end, does it really matter if all the decorations are up and except for the children, does it really matter if everyone gets a gift? Remember it's your holiday too!

ACTIVITY- Where I trained and worked we would have at least one patient in the Emergency Department on a holiday that had suffered a heart attack due to over activity. The situation would almost always have a common scenario. Someone with an underlying medical problem, who normally led a sedentary life style would go out and do something like shoveling the snow. While I doubt the snow will be an issue here in W. Texas, (One of the reasons I moved back!), there are alternatives like working in the yard, sports, hunting, etc. All can be dangerous if not done on a routine basis. The bottom line, be sensible, if you don't get some form of regular exercise, don't over do it on your two or three days of holiday. It is no fun to spend your time off with a sore back or even worse in the hospital! EATING-The holidays are certainly a time to enjoy good food! That diet

we've been on goes right out the window. Besides affecting our health, that 4-5 pounds we put on during the short holiday period can take us months to get rid of. Also, people with underlying medical problems, such as, diabetes, some heart conditions or stomach ailments, can really get into trouble when they overindulge with food. Let's enjoy our holidays. Don't over indulge, and have a healthy 2000!!

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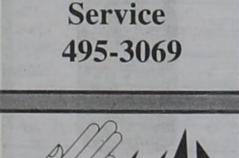
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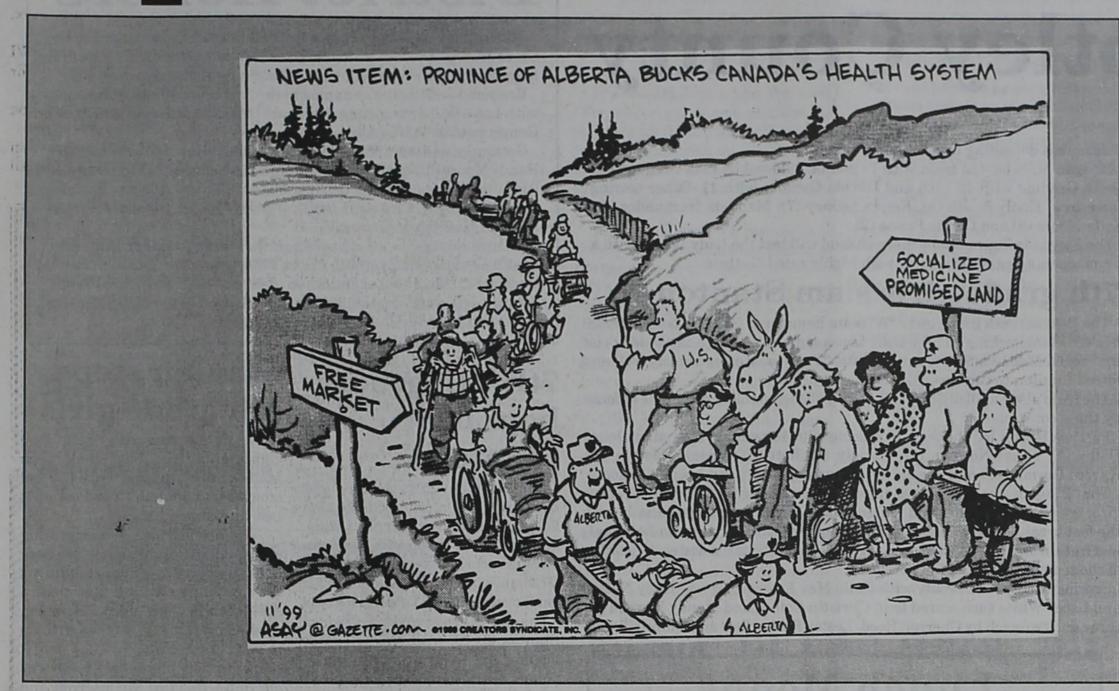
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And thereafter, Microsoft and liberty

by Walter E. Williams

Think about the government's case against Microsoft and, just as importantly, it's implications for our liberty. Let's ask a general question just

If there's an act we all agree is immoral and unacceptable when done by an individual, does that act become moral and acceptable when done collectively, namely by government? You say, "Williams, that's a bit too esoteric; would you break it down?"

OK, here's a for-instance. If we deem rape as immoral and unacceptable when done by an individual, does rape become

moral and acceptable when done collectively? What if we vote to rape someone. Does that make rape morally acceptable?

I'm hoping that all of my fellow Americans will answer: Neither a majority consensus nor collective action necessarily establishes what's moral or immoral. Let's cut through the Justice Department's legalese and get down to moral basics and what should be the standard for judging

Microsoft's actions: Did Microsoft engage in peaceable, voluntary exchange and on non-fraudulent terms — with its customers, or did it engage in fraud, violence or threats of violence? You say, "Come on, Williams; the relevant question is whether Microsoft violated the law."

Nonsense. Laws do not necessarily establish morality. For example, the 1850 Fugitive Slave Act provided fines and imprisonment for assisting runaway slaves. If I were on a jury, whether a defendant violated the Fugitive Slave Act would have been immaterial to me. I would have deemed slavery and any law that protected it immoral.

As such, people have no moral duty to obey immoral laws. If we're really concerned about monopolistic practices injurious to consumers, we'd call for Justice Department actions against the U.S. Postal Service. Microsoft has never done the kind of despicable acts done by the Postal Service.

Suppose you and I agree that I will deliver first class mail to your house.

What happens? I will be arrested for competing with Postal Service. In fact, by law I cannot even put anything in the mailbox belonging to you. It's worse

The Postal Service has come after people, with fines, for using Federal Express services for mail that it deems "non-urgent." If you think it would be wrong for Microsoft to use violence and the threat of violence to maintain its monopoly position, why in the world is it acceptable for the government's Postal Service to do the same?

The Justice Department's claim that Microsoft's actions harm consumers is a sham. The overall pattern of the high-tech industry has been a precipitous fall in prices and rise in quality over time. We needn't mention the pattern of the prices and quality of postal services.

There's another and more important monopoly target for the Justice Department, and that's the public (government) education monopoly. That is a monopoly that's eating away at the soul of our nation. It's charging customers (citizens) higher and higher prices (taxes), while their product quality is getting worse and worse.

It has the power to commit despicable acts beyond any monopolistic dreams Microsoft may have. For example, what would you think if Microsoft had the power to tell you: "I don't care if you don't like my operating system and want to use somebody else's. But if you do use someone else's, you still

have to pay for mine even if you don't use it." That's precisely what the education monopoly tells parents who want to take their children out of rotten government schools and put them in private schools. If Clinton's Justice Department really wants to go after harmful

monopolistic practices, I can give them hundreds of targets. To find out more about Walter Williams, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at

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Who makes the laws in America?

by Vin Suprynowicz

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Before adjourning for its holiday recess, the House of Representatives -you remember, the folks who used to have sole power to originate federal legislation? — voted that since the Occupational Safety and Health Administration has yet to provide any scientific evidence that workplace injuries can be substantially reduced by forcing employers to spend billions on "ergonomic workstation redesign," OSHA must wait at least another year before issuing such rules.

But then the Senate adjourned without rubber-stamping that House ban

Leaping through this loophole (as though bureaucratic agencies are now free to make any law they choose, unless both houses of Congress specifically forbid them) the administration "rushed to roll out its proposal ... after lawmakers left town this weekend," reports The Associated Press.

Labor Secretary Alexis Herman contends employers will save an estimated \$5 billion a year in medical costs and increased productivity if only they'll follow the new rules. But don't private employers already have the best possible incentive to adopt measures that really reduce injuries and save money?

In fact, Kevin Burke, spokesman for Food Distributors International, told the Washington Post that OSHA's \$4.2 billion annual cost estimate "has no relevance to reality." The food distributors estimate it would cost \$26 billion annually just to retool 80 of their facilities to meet these new standards. And that's in a single industry.

Such proposals are always promoted as common sense, flexible measures which won't cost anyone much. Then the little mom-and pop newsstand that wants to sell take-out pizzas is informed that would make them a "restaurant," and is handed the five-digit estimate for installing the his-and-hers handicapped-friendly restrooms now required under the federal Disabilities Act ...

This time, OSHA Administrator Charles Jeffress assures us the average "workstation fix" will cost only \$150. Why, it will be judged adequate, should a worker not be able to reach an assembly line, to merely let him or her "stand on a box," Mr. Jeffress asserts.

Really? Just any old box? Do you suppose we could see the official government specifications for an acceptable box, Mr. Jeffress?

The mere preamble to these new OSHA rules runs to 1,000 pages. And Mr. Jeffress further instructs us: "One of the hurdles we have to overcome is the idea that there is no solution to these problems and that people just wear out in certain jobs."

Dare we ask who will be the first attorney to haul a professional sports franchise into court, pointing out that 34-year-old pitchers and power forwards and running backs can no longer be tossed aside under the now-outlawed notion that "people just wear out in certain jobs"? After all, how expensive would it be to simply require that batters, tacklers, and base runners move about on crutches, to give our aging sports hero another 30 years?

Organized labor is apparently gung ho for the new plan, with John Sweeney of the Democratic Party's labor affiliate, the AFL-CIO,

exclaiming "Government action to prevent the crippling of working men and women is long overdue."

Has Mr. Sweeney noticed one of the "fixes" authorized under the new rules would be "buying equipment such as conveyors to mitigate strains from lifting"? Once the expensive new mandated robots are in place, can anyone spell "layoffs"? Or will those now be banned, too?

Finally, if such rules are truly necessary, why on earth does OSHA propose to exempt firms engaged in construction, maritime activities, and agriculture? Is the health of farmers, merchant sailors, and bulldozer operators more expendable than that of nurses, computer operators, and airport baggage handlers? Or do they simply work for industries whose accounts in Congress are marked "paid up"?

Once such bureaucratic ant farms as OSHA are created, they are institutionally incapable of ever announcing: "Got the problem under control, so we'll be shutting down next year. Hope you can find another use for the building — shall we turn out the lights?"

No. Just as the EPA, finding no more sulfurous smokestack emissions with which to do noble battle, now undertakes to free the world of dust, so has OSHA apparently wearied of hassling family-owned brickworks to post "toxic" warnings on sheds full of sand, and now aspires to bigger and better make-work projects.

The irony of the television talking heads granting credit to the Clinton administration for our present booming economy when they keep pulling stuff like this is palpable. Ayn Rand had this bunch down cold 55 years ago, when in "Atlas Shrugged" she had industrialist Hank Rearden ask: "How do you expect me to produce after I go

" 'You won't go bankrupt. You'll always produce,' said Dr. Ferris indifferently, neither in praise nor in blame, merely in the tone of stating a fact of nature, as he would have said to another man: You'll always be a bum. 'You can't help it. It's in your blood. Or, to be more scientific: you're conditioned that way.' ...

"Then Lawson said softly, half in reproach, half in scorn, 'Well, after all, you businessmen have kept predicting disasters for years, you've cried catastrophe at every progressive measure and told us that we'll perish -but we haven't."

Fifty-five years later, and they're still piling straws on the camel's

Maybe — like lemmings headed for the cliff, or the scorpion who stings the frog while being ferried across the river — it's just their nature.

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"The evils of tyranny are rarely seen but by him who resists it." — John Hay, 1872

"The whole aim of practical politics is to keep the populace alarmed and thus clamorous to be led to safety — by menacing it with an endless series of hobgoblins, all of them imaginary." - H.L. Mencken

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Has compassion gone astray?

by Jacob G. Hornberger

As part of his presidential-campaign theme of "compassionate conservatism," Texas Gov. George W. Bush recently announced nearly \$500,000 in state-financed grants to Christian groups in Texas.

"America will be changed because people of faith and good heart are willing to help people in need," Bush said. "I believe rallying the armies of compassion, thanking the soldiers in the armies of compassion, is the next bold step in welfare reform."

Bush failed to explain, however, exactly who are the saints in the grantmaking process-the state legislature, tax collectors, judges, sheriffs, the taxpayers, or the governor himself. Here's how the system works. The state of Texas imposes sales and property taxes on the people of Texas. These taxes are not voluntary.

For example, if a person refuses to pay his property tax, the state effects recovery of the tax by foreclosing a tax lien on the person's property. If the property owner continues to refuse to pay the tax, his property is sold at a foreclosure sale, and a state judge issues a writ of possession to the new

Law-enforcement officials serve the writ on the now-former owner and force him to vacate the property. If he refuses to vacate and instead decides to resist forcibly, he most likely will find himself in the hereafter for

When Governor Bush uses tax monies to assist Christian groups, is he acting compassionately? All that he has done is distribute money that the state has forcibly taken from other people. How does that make the governor a compassionate person? Doesn't compassion connote the willing use of one's own money for benevolent purposes? What about the members of the Texas legislature? Does their mere enactment of sales or property taxes convert them into compassionate people?

Tax collectors, judges, and law-enforcement personnel? Does their use of force to recover the taxes entitle them to share in the collective compassion?

What about the Texas people? Since they paid the taxes, are they entitled to claim a pro rata share of the collective goodness? What about those who didn't like paying their taxes? Are they nevertheless to be considered soldiers in Governor Bush's army of compassion? Let's ask a different question: Can Governor Bush's conduct be reconciled with religious principles?

Suppose a thief robs you of your money and tells you that he's donating the money to a local church. Wouldn't you still consider him a thief even though he was helping Christians with the money he had stolen from you? Wouldn't you still expect him to be criminally prosecuted for the robbery? What church pastor, knowing that the money had been stolen, would accept it? Wouldn't ministers refuse the money and advise the thief to return it to its proper owner?

Is the process different, in moral terms, when Governor Bush assists people with the money that has been taxed from the people of Texas?

The Christian who supports and participates in this process must ask himself some uncomfortable moral questions. Is it morally permissible to use the force of the state to take money from a person to whom it belongs in order to give it to another person?

Can a private act of immorality be converted into a moral deed simply by making it legal? Is the Christian who supports this process actually sanctioning a violation of Christian principles rather than participating in a charitable process?

How can compassion mean anything unless it comes from the willing heart of an individual? If a person is forced to commit an act of kindness, how can he truly be considered to have acted compassionately? For that matter, doesn't God's great gift of free will entail the right to say "No"-the right to reject one's neighbor?

How can the conscience of an individual be expected to develop when decisions on whether to love one's neighbor or not are made at the ballot box and as part of the political process?

Modern-day political campaigns provide politicians with the opportunity to garner votes by being charitable with the tax monies that have been forcibly extracted from the citizenry. Why not separate compassion and the state and restore moral decision-making to individuals?

Mr. Hornberger is president of The Future of Freedom Foundation, publisher of Your Money or Your Life: Why We Must Abolish the Income Tax by Sheldon Richman.

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Lady Lopes undefeated, dominate Motley County

Lady Lopes continue undefeated

The Post Lady Lope basketball team dominated Motley County in the November 28 game here by 78-38, controlling the game with an aggressive defense and consistent shooting from the floor.

"We took charge early," coach Ron Taylor comments, "leading 21-7 at the end of the first quarter." By half-time the Lady Lopes led 41-22, then racked up another 17 points in the third quarter to lead 58-32 going into the final stanza. A 20-6 fourth quarter sealed the victory.

"Our full court pressure is making a big difference," Taylor adds, "other teams are having real problems with us. And, we don't have just one or two making points, every member of this team is capable of hitting the basket,

Lopes drop opener to Motley County

by Wes Burnett

Post Antelope basketball coach Dane Vickers believes the varsity will be competing for a playoff spot this year. "They may look a little rusty in these first few games," he said; "but once we make the transition from football to basketball, these young men are going to make a mark on the court."

The team showed real speed and quickness in its first game Tuesday, November 28 in a 79-57 loss to Motley County. "They were going at about 90 mph," Vickers comments, "and we need to slow down to about 70 mph, but they'll get the hang of it soon enough."

Billy Crawford led the scoring with 16 points, followed by Johnny Jefferson with 13. Michael Huff and Tyrone Jefferson added nine points each, with Jeremy Payne collecting four. Two points each were scored by Clinton Curtis, Justin Gorman and Jarrett Vickers.

Other team members are Raymond Jefferson and Jamie Collazo. "Our strength is in our quickness and speed," the coach adds. "I think our defense will also turn out to be a big factor." The team lacks experience, "but these are top notch athletes, and they will get it together."

Coach Vickers invites fans to attend as many games as possible, "cheer these young men and watch them improve week after week."

The team plays in the Floydada Tournament, opening Thursday at 5:30 p.m. with Guthrie

Lingering cough can be indication of asthma

Many parents don't suspect asthma when their child has a nagging cough, prevent more serious breathing but if the cough lingers or is accompanied by wheezing, there is cause for concern.

Texas Children's Hospital in Houston treats children with asthma that is a either difficult to diagnose or to manage. Dr. Dan Seilheimer, medical director of the asthma center and Texas Children's Pulmonary Medicine Clinic, said persistent or recurring coughing, wheezing and difficulty breathing are the primary symptoms of asthma.

onset later," Seilheimer said. "It occurs in people who have a genetic predisposition and then something such as a virus or exposure to air pollution or toxic inhalation unmasks that tendency, which leads to sensitive airways."

during the night as it keeps the child from resting. Wheezing is a highpitched sound that asthmatic children sometimes make when breathing. The wheezing might only occur periodically. Achild who is short of breath may complain that his or flu. her chest feels tight, which can lead to breathing difficulties.



Identifying symptoms early can problems or frequent asthmatic episodes. Early warning signs of an asthmatic episode include a runny, The Children's Asthma Center at stuffy or itchy -more-Page 2 nose; paleness; dark circles under the eyes; stomachache or headache; crankiness or restlessness; poor appetite; sneezing; a sore throat; or an itchy chin, throat or back.

At the Children's Asthma Center at Texas Children's, parents learn to avoid the triggers that can make asthma worse. Triggers, which are different for each child, include "Asthma can start in infancy or irritants such as smoke, strong odors and sprays, weather and pollution, exercise, dust mites, animal dander, pollen, molds and viruses.

Asthma usually is treated with anti-inflammatory medication. These medicines keep the child's airways from becoming inflamed. Coughing may be most noticeable Inflammation causes bronchospasm and more mucus in the airways.

Asthmatic children who have viral triggers are very susceptible this time of year because they are more likely to be around other children and adults with seasonal viruses like colds and

"An important thing is to try to minimize the respiratory viral infections by avoiding exposure to people who have colds or flu," Seilheimer said. "The most effective way to do that is hand washing. Most viruses are passed by hand rather than through the air, and washing the hands frequently can reduce exposure to the virus."

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that makes defending us a bit more difficult."

Meagan Mills led the team with 13 points, followed by Erin Gregory and Vondi Gradine with 12 each and Davida Gregory with 11. Other scoring came from Emily Smith (8), Kenda Looney (7), Manuela Hernandez (7), Kelly Moore (6) and Camie Payne (2).

The Floydada Tournament this weekend will test the Lady Lopes, with a 4 p.m. opening game Thursday with highly rated Guthrie.

7th grade girls slam Stanton

The Post seventh grade girls' "A" team hammered Stanton November 29 in a 43-13 shellacking. "These Lady Lopes came out strong and would not let up," coach Madawn Sherrin comments. "They pressed extremely well and forced Stanton to turn over the ball."

The team also handled Stanton's press and forced them into a zone defense by the second quarter.

Patricia Hester led the team in scoring with 15 points, followed by Donae Dalby (8), Nikki Norman (7), Christy Shifflett (6), Meagan Hoover (3), Kaycee Gorman (2) and one each by Courtney Short and Logan Gregory. The "B" team was every bit as impressive, winning its game 26-1. "These

girls are pulling together and making some things happen, especially with the fast break," coach Sherrin adds. "They are also improving on field goals and free throws, they played a great game against Stanton and each member of the team contributed to the win.'

Scoring was spread evenly with Dalle May Foy getting six, Tracy Nelson and Lacee White each scored four, Christin Collier and Mendy Morgan got three and two each by Cherrell Reed, Lesley Rutherford and Dianna Ratke.

Lunch Menus

Trail Blazer

Friday, December 3,1999 Liver and onions, chicken strips. corn, turnip greens, coleslaw, biscuit and jelio.

Monday, December 6, 1999 Polish sausage, cabbage, green peas, fresh tomatoes, cornbread, pumpkin bars.

Tuesday, December 7, 1999 Roast beef, brown gravy on toast, tator tots, peas and carrots and fruit

Wednesday, December 8, 1999 Chicken pot pie, tossed salad, stuffed celery, hot roll, plums and

Thursday, December 9, 1999 Pepper steak, rice, green beans, fresh tomatoes, wheat roll and chocolate cake.

Post ISD

Friday, December 3, 1999 Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit and

Lunch: Cheeseburger, H.B. salad, French fries, strawberry shortcake and choice of milk.

Monday, December 6, 1999 Breakfast: Cinnamon toast, sausage link, fruit and milk. Lunch: Corn dog, French fries,

choice of milk. Tuesday, December 7, 1999 Breakfast: Biscuit and gravy, sausage, fruit and milk.

mixed vegetables, pear halves and

Lunch: Nachos Supreme, blackeyed peas, salad, fruit cocktail, corn bread and choice of milk.

Wednesday, December 8, 1999 Breakfast: French toast, sausage link, fruit, grape juice and milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello/w topping and choice of

Communities key to ending school violence, Texas A&M prof says

COLLEGE STATION - Littleton, Atlanta, Conyers, Jonesboro, Pearl and West Paducah - all sites of recent school violence.

Jane Conoley, dean of education at Texas A&M University, says the solutions to school violence lie not within legislative standards, but rather community standards.

"The violence is a reflection of where we as a society have put our values," she says. "When society is more violent, schools are more violent."

Conoley, a school psychologist, believes communities must set the standards as to what is or is not considered acceptable behavior. Individuals must step back and look at the whole societal context that has been developing and see what hard decisions should be made to potentially decrease the violence, she adds.

tion of how to avoid violence; however, it is not the job of the government, advertising or media industries. It's all of our jobs," she tural portion of the agreement will

Community standards reflect what individuals of each community consider relevant to their families' healthy living, she says. These by the Chinese. Another source noted decisions may include spending less time watching TV and more time interacting with children; spending more money on schools than on personal items like a new big screen TV; or refusing to attend movies that violate one's sense of decency.

Thursday, December 9, 1999 Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast, bacon, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Pizza, salad, corn, cake and choice of milk.

Southland ISD

Friday, December 3., 1999 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage, juice and milk Lunch: Cheeseburgers, fries, HB fixings, push-up pops and milk.

Monday, December 6, 1999 Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy, fruit

Lunch: Beef stew, carrot and celery sticks, cornbread, pudding and milk. Tuesday, December 7, 1999 Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, juice

Lunch: Baked ham, cream potatoes, mustard greens, cornbread, jello and Wednesday, December 8, 1999

Breakfast: Cereal, Graham Crackers, juice and milk Lunch: Chicken-n-dumplings, green peas, salad, cookies and milk.

Thursday, December 9, 1999 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit and milk.

Lunch: Taco salad, rice, beans, cake

'Lopes get All-**District Honors**

Fifteen Post Antelope varsity football players were named to the Class 3AA'All-District team last week. Three were named to the first team, eight to the second team and eight for honorable mention.

Raymond Jefferson was named to the first team offensive tailback, with Luke Williams getting first team defensive lineman and Rocky Gomez outside linebacker.

Getting second team offense selection were Adrian Gonzales (center), Randy Moore (lineman), Luke Williams (lineman) and Billy Crawford (tight end). Second team defense honors went to Adrian Gonzales (lineman), Billy Crawford (end), Jeremy Baker (linebacker) and Michael Huff (defensive back).

Offense honorable mention recognition went to Baker (fullback), Justin Gorman (quarterback), Ross Babb (lineman) and John Radle (receiver). Honorable mention on defense were C.J. Sims (end), Johnny Jefferson (outside linebacker), Tyrone Jefferson (defensive back) and Matt McCallister (defensive back).

7th, 8th grade boys beat Stanton

The Post seventh grade boys basketball team whipped Stanton 24-13 in the November 29 outing. Jett Lott led the team with 10 points. Others scoring included Jerrad Grisham with eight, Trent McDonald got four and Colton Valdez with two.

The eighth grade boys' team edged Stanton 23-19, with Mitchell Mills leading the team in scoring at 16 points. Jerry Curtis got four, Brody Conner hit for two and Adrian Loredo got one point.

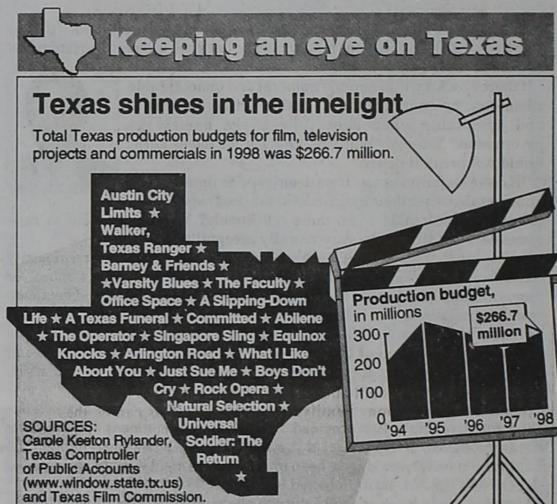
Stanton stops 8th grade girls

"The girls played really well," Post eighth grade girls basketball coach Madawn Sherrin says, "but early foul trouble took its toll." The Post girls lost the game 66-18.

"They are learning and improving each game," the coach adds. "We were able to get back into our press during the fourth quarter and that made a difference in their spark. However, the Lady Buffs are a very tough team

"I was really plaesed with the way our girls handled themselves and their refusal to quit," she adds.

Paula Voyles hit for eight points, Starlett Greathouse scored seven, Tayler Starkey got two and Terri Curtis scored one point.



JELL Doort A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For the Week Ended November 18, 1999

In the absence of new fundamental news, technical factors drove the volatile cotton market this week as New York Cotton futures closed higher two out of five days. Additionally, details contained in the agreement allowing China's induction into the World Trade Organization (WTO) provided points to ponder for most industry observers early

Market talk revolved around the deal on China's accession to the WTO, signed earlier this week by China and the U.S. China agreed to open its markets to foreign goods, while the U.S. agreed to support China's WTO bid. The United States also conceded to a shorter phase-out period for quotas on Chinese-made textiles.

benefits for the U.S. cotton industry Cotton Council (NCC). The agriculbenefit the U.S. cotton industry with greater access to the Chinese market and a promise of less subsidization China is self sufficient in cotton production and not likely to import cotton of any significant volume. Also, representatives of the U.S. textile industry remain concerned about the phase-out period for Chinese textile exports.

Although other WTO members around the world to use more cotton. have faced a 10-year phase-out pe-

lieves the shorter phase-out period houses right now." will subject U.S. textile manufacturmet by jubilation from U.S. textile makers who already face troubles on the domestic front with many charting poor earnings in the most recent culties U.S. mills have faced.

In other news, net export sales of ous week. U.S. cotton were considered healthy in the week ended November 11 as lowed harvesting to advance across 212,700 bales of U.S. cotton were the Cotton Belt. Approximately 70 to The agreement holds some trade sold. The figure was below the previ- 75 percent of fields in the southern ous week's marketing year high of sections of the Texas High Plains have "There is no short cut to a solubut also may hurt domestic textile 244,300 but still was considered posibeen stripped, while just 50 percent makers, according to the National tive by the market. Major buyers once have been harvested in the Lubbock again included U.S. trade partner area, and only 15 to 20 percent have Mexico with purchases totaling been stripped in the northern districts. 58,200 bales. Brazil and Turkey also were among the top buyers with in some fields despite the fact that acquisitions of 38,300 and 29,500 bales, respectively.

U.S. growths more attractive to over- properly and hindering harvest. Conlower prices could persuade mills for the region.

"Cotton is cheap, and it's cheap

riod, the agreement announced this relative to other things in historical week allows for only a 5-year phase- terms," one cotton broker said. "It out of U.S. import quotas on Chinese looks like if you're a user of cotton, textile products. The industry be- you should be loading your ware-

Healthy demand was seen in the ers to even more competition from spot cotton market as well. Although imported textiles. The news was not TELCOT sales of 26,260 bales in the week ended November 18 were slightly lower than the previous week's sales of 36,103, demand still is considered strong. Average daily prices received quarter. The continuing influx of by producers utilizing the electronic cheap imports from Asian countries marketing system ranged from 36.36 has been blamed for the recent diffi- to 40.29 cents per pound compared to a range of 38.60 to 42.12 the previ-

Meanwhile, open skies have al-Excessive vegetation still is obvious producers have applied chemicals to kill plants. Warmer temperatures and One observer noted that Step 2 sunny skies are causing regrowth that export subsidy payments have made is preventing plants from desiccating seas customers. In addition, cotton sequently, many farmers would now looks more attractive compared welcome a killing freeze which is to synthetic fibers like polyester. The now two weeks past the normal date

who staffs the Legal Ho Texans, remembers to "She sounded frail," recalling their firs Johnson eventually lea woman was partially just come home from hospital when a vac salesman had come to "The salesman left v \$1,600," Johnson say taken the old woman The problem was th had succumbed to t pitch, but once he realized she didn't vacuum cleaner afte. check had been cashe calls that the woman a made to the company

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Hotline lawyer helps elderly woman in scam

who staffs the Legal Hotline for Older called the customer service office at Texans, remembers the caller well. the vacuum cleaner company myself." "She sounded frail," Johnson says, recalling their first encounter. Johnson prepared to close the Johnson eventually learned that the woman's file. Then Johnson saw an woman was partially blind and had just come home from a stay in the hospital when a vacuum cleaner salesman had come to the door.

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\$1,600," Johnson says. "He'd even some sort of golden age clause which taken the old woman's Dirt Devil!"

The problem was this: the woman had succumbed to the salesman's pitch, but once he was gone, she realized she didn't want the new vacuum cleaner after all. But the check had been cashed and all of the calls that the woman and her friends made to the company asking that the unsuccessful.

Could the Hotline help?

But to no avail. Reluctantly, article in the Wall Street Journal. which she reads every day. "It was a -more front page story about the tactics used by the same vacuum "The salesman left with a check for cleaner company. But it mentioned

friend didn't get the Wall Street preserve their rights." "We can't actually represent the Journal," Johnson laughs, "but her

Maria Johnson, one of the lawyers information and at one point I even ammunition. The letter was sent certified mail, but Johnson says she could hear an imaginary clock ticking away in the background.

> The result? Just under the wire, "The caller got a refund from the company for the full \$1,600," Johnson says, grinning with satisfaction. She doesn't know whether the company ever returned the Dirt Devil that the salesman had taken.

"But this is what the Hotline is all allowed people over age 65 to change about," Johnson continues. "You give their minds about a purchase and get the people who call the legal tools to solve the problem-in this case, The time period for the refund was without hiring an attorney." A lot of a year, and Johnson noted that ten older people balk at hiring an months had already elapsed since attorney, Johnson says, either the elderly caller had first written because they can't afford it or they're the check. Johnson called the woman embarrassed by the problem or they immediately and also enlisted a justdon't want the hassle of a lawsuit. money be returned were friend of the woman to help draft a "But they have rights," Johnson says, letter to the vacuum company. "The "and the attorneys here want to

The Legal Hotline for Older Texans world country. people who call the Hotline," Johnson dentist did. She ran down to the can be reached at 1-800-622-2520. Its says. 'I sent her consumer dentist's office" to get this additional primary mission is to serve lowincome clients over the age of 60. The Hotline is funded through grants from the Texas Department on Aging and the Texas Equal Access to Justice Foundation.

however, names may be withheld from publication by request. Letters may be edited for brevity, grammar and punctuation.

Patrol cars dangerous to travelers Where do common people go to protect themselves from their own police force, or to voice their fears of an almost certain disaster?

I'm talking about U.S. 84 North, from the edge of town to the top of the caprock. If this isn't the worst speed trap in the world, it must be right at the top. I've seen as many as six patrol cars working this two mile strip at the same time, especially on weekends and holidays

Letters to the Editor

They are stopping a staggering number of motorists, so many in fact, it embarrasses me to the point of being ashamed of living here anymore, although

I've lived here most of my life. My real concern, though, is more dangerous. I've seen these officers, time after time, pick out their victims and zero in on them, sometimes at speeds I know are approaching 100 mph, often in bumper-to-bumper traffic.

And I know several of the officers on our force are well under the age of 30. So, it seems to me, it's only a matter of time before someone loses control on this extremely busy highway, and a fatal wreck, possibly of massive proportions, is eminent. Or, someone else coming along is going to be slammed into by the high speeding patrol cars.

Worse, these highway agents are so arrogant, they have no qualms whatsoever of doing their dirty work right in the parking lot of any business they choose. I'm sure that draws the customers right in.

I know these people are supposed to be protecting us, but personally, they scare me to death. This is all starting to look, sadly, like a scene from an occupied third

So, I personally appeal to Sheriff Kenny Ratke to show us that he is still in control of the patrol units here, and call off these henchmen, or at least slow them down, before someone really gets hurt, or worse.

And the state police officers are not exempt from this complaint either. Get your warrants and chase the real criminals, leave the traveling public alone. Name withheld for obvious reasons

The State of the Arts plates are

Water Management Letters to the Editor Policy: We require all letters to be signed, Conference

The Second Annual Lynn/Garza County Water Management Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, December 14, at the Center for Community Housing and Development in Tahoka. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. and the conference will conclude with a Noon meal.

Natural Resource Conservation Service, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, and High Plains Underground Water Conservation District personnel will be on hand to discuss water management strategies and issues. Topics to be discussed include: Soil Moisture Monitoring, Irrigation Scheduling, Nozzling Packages, Aquifer Pumping Trends, Chemigation, Wellhead Protection and Water Testing.

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by Terri Cash

About Audits

The IRS promises that it is auditing fewer tax returns these days,

Instead, they're using eduation and outreach to try to boost compliance in

various segments. They've set new guidelines on independent contrac-

tors, for instance, and tip reporting. But that doesn't mean you won't be

called. Most at risk are sole proprietors or those in industries with a poor

A computer program called the Discriminant Function System

compares your return with similar taxpayers. No one knows just what it's

looking for, and scoring depends on outdated information, so even honest

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and won't revive the line-by-line examinations of a few years ago.

tax history. However, ordinary folks are being checked, too.

HOLIDAY

Coping With Alcohol, **Holidays and Families**

(NU) - Most people look miserable. Instead, they learn forward to the holidays as a time to get together with family and friends. But millions of others — perhaps you and and attitudes of every member your loved ones — dread the of the family.

pectations into devastation.

Once the problem drinker picks up even one drink, he or she has lost the choice to make responsible and rational deci-

drinker's behavior, the appearance of choosing alcohol as more important than the family is perhaps the most painful and devastating side effect of all.

The holidays need not become a shamble due to a family member's alcohol abuse, however. Al-Anon Family Groups — a valuable resource for families and friends of problem drinkers year-round — can be particularly helpful during the holidays.

Al-Anon is a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength and hope in order to solve their common problems; it is based upon the Twelve Steps of Alcoholics

Anonymous. Al-Anon helps families understand that their loved one is not picking up the next drink deliberately to make them

that alcoholism is a disease that eliminates clear thinking and seriously affects the lives

The Al-Anon fellowship is That's because a member not allied with any sect, deof the family has a drinking nomination, political group or problem that can turn their ex- institution. Its sole purpose is to help families of alcoholics. It does this by giving understanding and encouragement to families and friends of alcoholics.

'We believe alcoholism is To those affected by the a family disease, and that changed attitudes can aid recovery," Al-Anon says in a statement of purpose.

> Detachment is one of Al-Anon's most effective tools. Those affected by someone else's drinking learn in Al-Anon to focus on their own actions and not the behavior of the alcholic. This can be the first step to a happier and more manageable life.

> Al-Anon Family Groups, which include Alateen for younger members, have been in existence for nearly 48 years. There are approximately 31,000 Al-Anon/Alateen groups in 112 countries. Meetings are nonprofessional, free and confidential.

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"State of the Arts" plates reach \$1 million in sales

community assistance and services, 2000. recently announced that its "State of In addition to raising money for to product the plate). For an web site at www.arts.state.tx.us. the Arts" speciality license plate has arts funding, sales of the plates help additional \$40, Texans may surpassed the \$1 million mark in promote the Texas Cultural sales to help raise money for Endowment Fund, which was statewide arts funding and established in 1993 under House Bill awareness for the Texas Cultural 2223 as a public/private initiative to Endowment Fund.

Department of Transportation (TxDOT), TCA has sold approximately 19,000 specialty plates since the introduction in October 1995, averaging 479 plates From A Small per month since 1998. The plate is the fastest selling specialty plate in **Town If...** the state, surpassing all alumni license plates combined and even the standard personalized plate.

Currently, the State of the Arts plate ranks fifth in total sales.

"We knew four years ago that the design of this plate would be very popular among Texans," said John Paul Batiste, TCA's executive director. "Our intent was to create something that would speak to the heart of Texans while raising money for arts and cultural organizations across the state."

The license plate resembles the Texas state flag, with a white star snipe hunting. embedded in a blue background, the word "Texas" and the five-character sporting events. license plate number in the white stripe, and "State of the Arts" written Homecoming parade. across the bottom in the red stripe.

TCA has placed \$500,000 of the homecoming. proceeds from the sales of the license

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9. You were ever in the

10. You have ever gone home for

11. It was cool to date someone

from the neighboring town.

12. You had senior skip day.

13. The whole school went to the same party after graduation. 14. You don't give directions by

street names or house numbers, but you give directions by references (turn right by the tank battery, go 2 miles down the dirt road, and it is the cattle guard on the right, just across from the hay field.)

15. You were under the impression that all golf courses have only 9 holes. 16. You can't help but date a friends ex-girlfriend/boyfriend

17. The town next to you is considered "trashy" or "snooty", but

is actually just like your town. 18. Getting paid minimum is

considered a raise. 19. You refer to anyone with a house newer than 1980 as the "rich

people". 20. You bragged to your friends b/ c you got pipes on your truck for your

birthday. 21. Anyone you want can be found at either the Dairy Queen or the feed

22. Your letter jacket was worn after your 19th birthday.

23. Weekend excitement involves a trip to Wal-Mart 24. Even the ugly people enter

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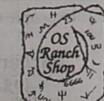
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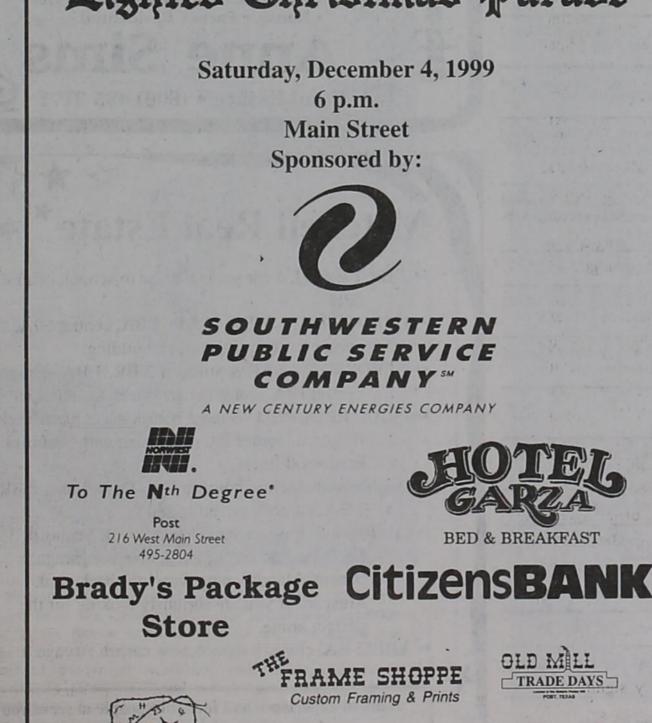




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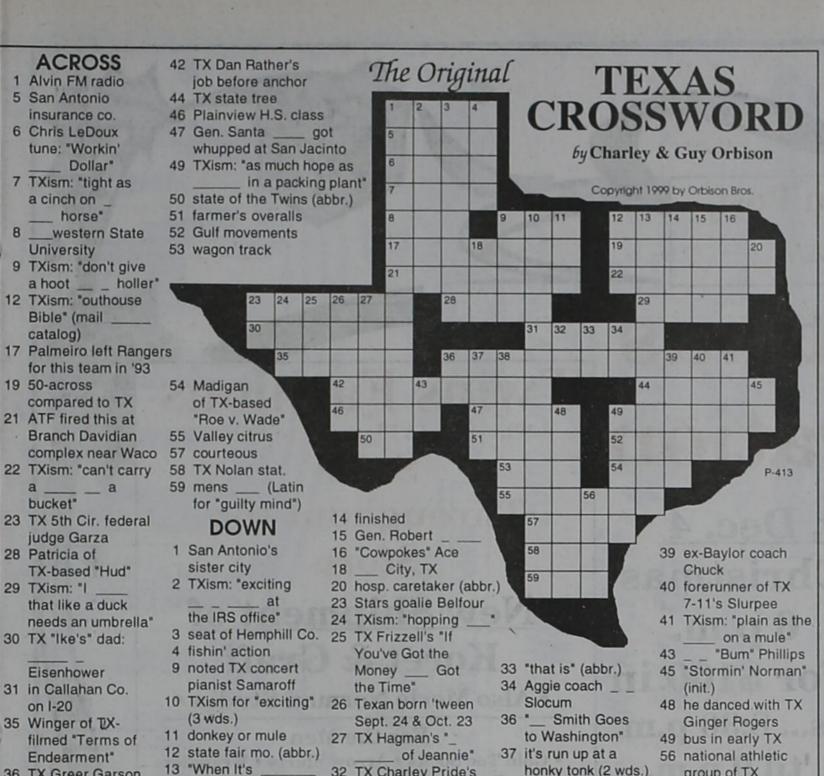
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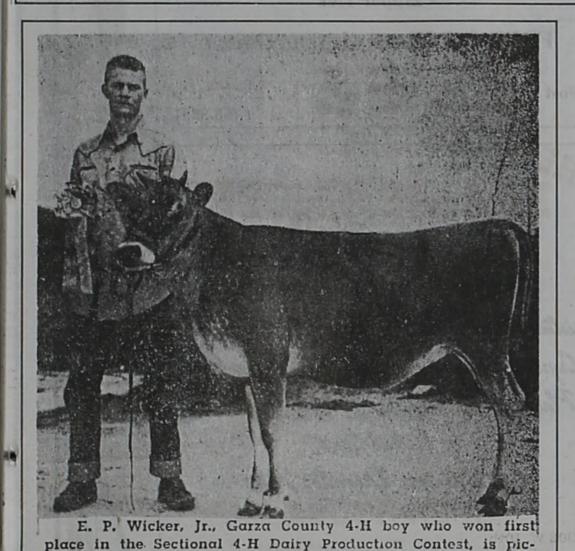
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4-H Club members to win an expense-paid trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, Nov. 27-Dec. 1. If he wins the national award in dairy production, he will receive a \$300

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Lois Ritchie, winner of the Santa Fe all-expense paid trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago, Nov. 27-Dec 1, is shown here with the dress which she made and modeled in the State Dress Revue Contest. Chosen for the honor because of her five-year record in 4-H work, Lois received the Santa Fe award yesterday morning from R. H. Forbes of Lubbock, Santa Fe Division Freight and Passenger agent, at . a special Post High School Assembly. She and E. P. Wicker, Jr., who also won an expense paid trip to the National Congress, will leave from Lubbock at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon with the only other winners from District 2, Katherine Foltyne of Lamb County and Mary Helen Keith of Cochran County. They will join winners from District 1 at Amarillo for the remainder of the trip.

From The Post Dispatch, November 24, 1949

Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

December 8, 1989 10 Years Ago

Justin Raymundo would like to announce the birth of his baby sister, Tamara Jade, who was born November 30, 1989 in St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. She weighed seven pounds and 13 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Her proud parents are Jada and Raymond Raymundo, Jr.

Benny and Sherry Owen turn wild, unwanted gourds înto delicate, collectable works of art.

Making Christmas ornaments from the dried gourds began as a cure for boredom and grew into a full-time business.

The City of Post had an interesting visitor who came into town Monday night and left Tuesday morning traveling on U.S. Highway 84 North on his way to Santa Monica, California - in a wheelchair.

John Enright, a young man who has been confined to a wheelchair since 1982, is "Wheeling Across America and Back" on a journey that started in December 1988 in Santa Monica, continued across the United States, and will end with his return to California in January of 1990.

December 3, 1979 20 Years Ago

Dave Oakley, son-in-law of Bernita Maxey, and his wife Kay and son David visited in Post this past weekend. Dave preached for the evening worship at the Post Church of Christ.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Walls and Derek for Thanksgiving day were Mrs. Alma Veach,

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Walls, Mr. and Mrs. Deljuan Wilson, Todd and Nancy, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Fry and Jayson, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Walls, Lucas, Geneva, Laurie and Chris Belongia, all of Post. Also Mr. and Mrs. Doug Roberts, Bradley, Leslie and Jeffrey of Hereford, Texas.

J. D. and Vada McCampbell were guests of the board of directors of the Federal Land Bank Association for a steak dinner Tuesday night.

December 4, 1969 30 Years Ago

Shellie Fluitt was a patient two days last week in Garza Memorial Hospital, suffering with pneumonia. We hope she will soon feel much better.

Brent Howard andn Gregg Pool helped Brad Mason celebrate his

sixth birthday recently. The Lonnie Gene Peel family spent the weekend in Olton with relatives.

Miss Dianna Barron visited her father, Jim Barron, over the holiday and they were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Shelton. The Shelton's three grandchildren, Debbie, Stewart and Mia Kemp of Lubbock spent the holiday with them.

The shower and bad weather helped the farmers get to enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner around the table with friends and loved ones instead of in the field on a bollpuller. Everyone is so busy now and the weather is just wonderful for harvesting.

December 6, 1959 40 Years Ago

Weekend visitors in the home of

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Curb were their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Miller of Carlsbad. N. M. The Millers also visited with his mother, Mrs. J. O. Miller, while here.

Bill Mears and daughter, Natha, spent Thanksgiving day in Spur visiting friends.

Miss Leslie Nichols, a student at Texas Tech, was home for the holidays visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Nichols.

Home over the Thanksigiving holidays was Tommy Mayfield, a student at Texas Tech. He visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dowe Mayfield.

December 6, 1949 50 Years Ago

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Everett spent the weekend in Dallas and attended the SMU-Notre- Dame football game there Saturday.

Recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. King and family were Mr. and Mrs. Nick Nich. olson and Ziggy of Plainview.

Homer Power of San Angelo arrived Sunday and visited until Tuesday in the home of his nephews, J. N. and Tom Power, and their familles.

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From The Post Dispatch, November 27, 1969



"I WONDER IF I FORGOT ANYTHING

Two-year old Jeff King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex King, has just finished his letter to Santa Claus—with his mother's, assistance. In the picture, Jeff has just read the letter and is wondering if he has forgotten anything. Other youngsters are reminded to write their Santa Claus letters and mail or bring them to The Post Dispatch office. They'll all be printed in The Dispatch's annual Christmas edition-incuding the school children's letters, which teachers are urged to get their pupils to work on within the next few days .- (Staff Photo)

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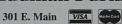
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