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City gets good news from auditor's report

by Wes Burnett
A \$3.1 million balance sheet put smiles on the faces of Post city council members, along with a positive audit report at the regular meeting Tuesday, January 9. Auditor Ron Howell explained that city management had managed to hold the line on expenses to increase the city's reserves.
The council approved a request by Joe Sanchez for special use permit, allowing the placing of double-wide mobile home in what is currently zoned R-1. The council debated the issue at length, but took into consideration that there are a number of mobile homes already in the neighborhood.
Council members discussed the need to revise the zoning ordinance to take into consideration more permanent structures, such as double-wide mobile homes. City manager Fred Stephens suggested revising the ordinance to include a definition of "permanent" structure better suited. The council agreed to the idea, which will be an agenda item at a later date.
Sanchez, who owns the property but is providing the space for his church's new minister, received a three year permit.

The council approved a resolution supporting area cities' interest in expansion of the Canadian River Water Authority. The resolution calls for state legislators to approve expansion authority for the CRWA to provide drinking water for South Plains cities.
A proposal from JoAnn Mock regarding the Post Millennium Commission was also approved. The council agreed to recognize the 59 government and community organizations which provide important services to Garza County citizens. A special exhibit will be on display at city hall, and area organizations will receive special certificates of recognition during the year.
Oller Engineering's Rich Oller presented a report to the council about the upcoming U.S. Hwy 84 major construction project planned by the Texas Department of Transportation.
Oller said that the project will be formally reviewed in February and will probably require the moving of about nine utility lines that cross the highway. The construction project will replace the asphalt through town with concrete and is expected to begin later this year.
Attending the meeting were Mayor Archie Gill, council members Bill Pool Jr., Dick Odom, Juanita Pantoja, Harold Craig and John Redman.



Giles C. McCrary congratulates Post Girl Scouts D'Nae Johnson and Rene Dobitas for their top selling award for last year. McCrary, as has been his tradition for several years, purchased the first box of Girl Scout cookies for this year's campaign. (Photo by Thomas Zachary)

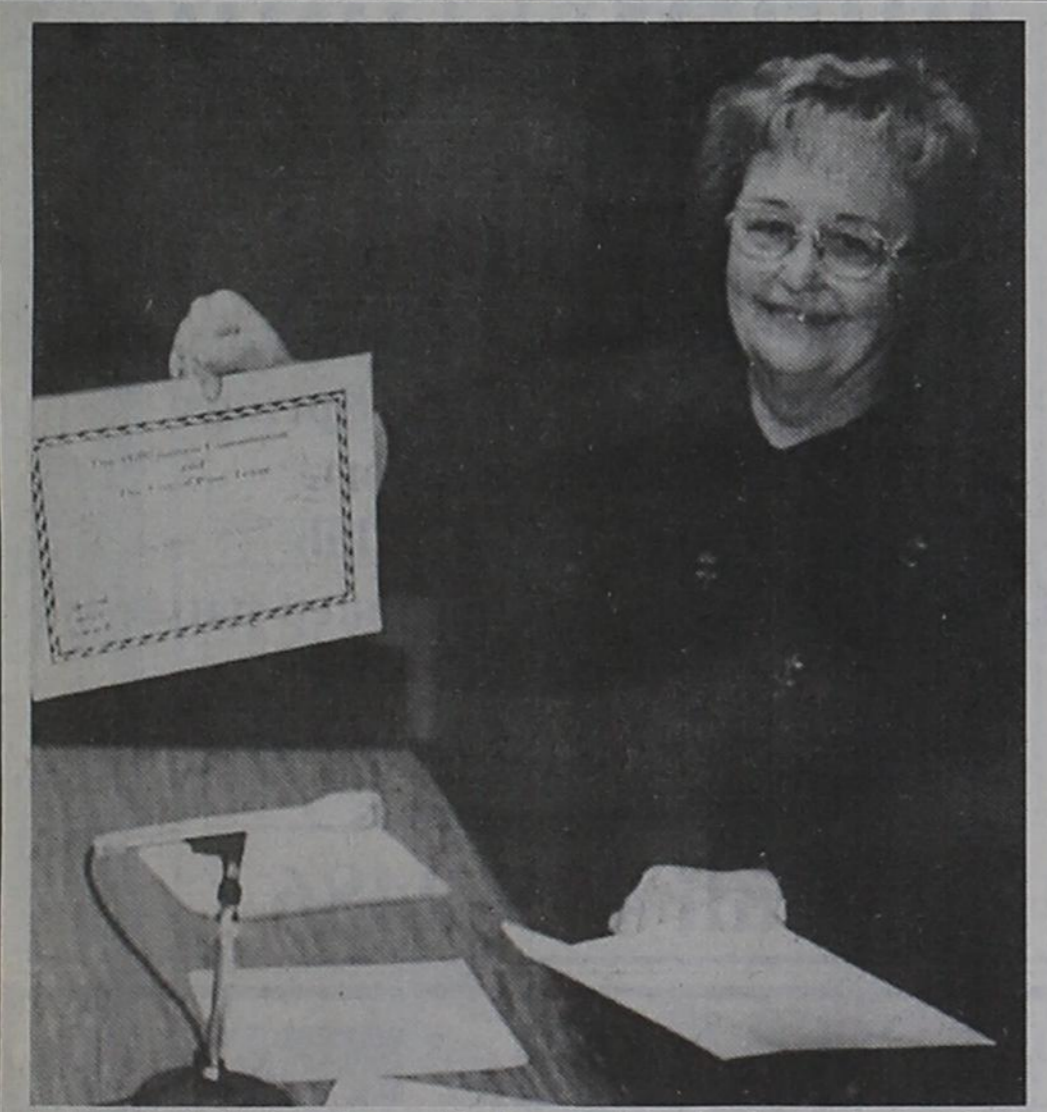
37th Annual Jr. Livestock Show & Sale opens today

by Diane Graves
The 2001 Garza County Junior Livestock Show kicked off Wednesday afternoon with the weigh-in of 110 hogs, 31 goats, 32 lambs, 22 steers and two heifers. The 197 animals will be exhibited by 39 4-H'ers, 32 Post FFA and 18 Southland FFA members in the county. Twenty-three have signed up for the Pee-Wee Goat show to be held Friday evening.
Tommy Stewman of Maryneal will judge the Beef Cattle shows Thursday afternoon at 5:00 p.m., followed by the Swine show at 6:30 p.m. Keith Rowan of Haskell will be judging the Swine. Superintendents are Milton Williams for Beef Cattle and Bruce Ledbetter for Swine.

Fridays' activities include the Goat Show beginning at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pee-Wee Goat Show. The Lamb show will begin at 7:30 p.m.. The Goat and Lamb shows will be judged by Dwayne Gilley, Haskell Vo-Ag Instructor. Junior Stelzer will be serving as Goat and Lamb Superintendent.
Sponsoring division Grand Champion buckles this year are Giles Dalby, Jr. Family-Steer Division; Steve and Jamie Cooper-Heifer Division; Danny and Kathy Nelson-Swine Division; Junior and Diane Stelzer- Lamb Division; and Brad Mason and Milton Williams-Goat Division. Mason Farm and Ranch will sponsor the buckle for the summer Horse show.
Hurst Farm Equipment and South Plains Truck & Equipment are sponsoring the Reserve Grand Champion plaques, ribbons and division banners. Junior and Senior exhibitors will compete for Showmanship buckles sponsored by Garza-Lynn County Farm Bureau, Citizens Bank of Post and Dickens Electric Cooperative, Inc. of Spur. Godbold Feeds and Conner Herefords are sponsoring the steer "Rate-of-Gain" buckle and \$200 cash prize. Caprock Cellular of Spur is sponsoring the Overall Sportsmanship buckle which will be presented to a youth who has shown outstanding cooperation, assistance to others and leadership during the show.
Syd Conner will serve as announcer at the shows and the award ceremony at 9:00 a.m. Saturday just prior to the sale. Serving as Auctioneer will be Matt Williams of Lockney. Several items have been donated for auction to boost the Jackpot which pays premiums to the exhibitors. (Continue on Page 7)



Jarrett Blevins volunteered his Saturday to help clean up at the show barn in preparation for this week's annual show and sale. (Photo by Thomas Zachary)

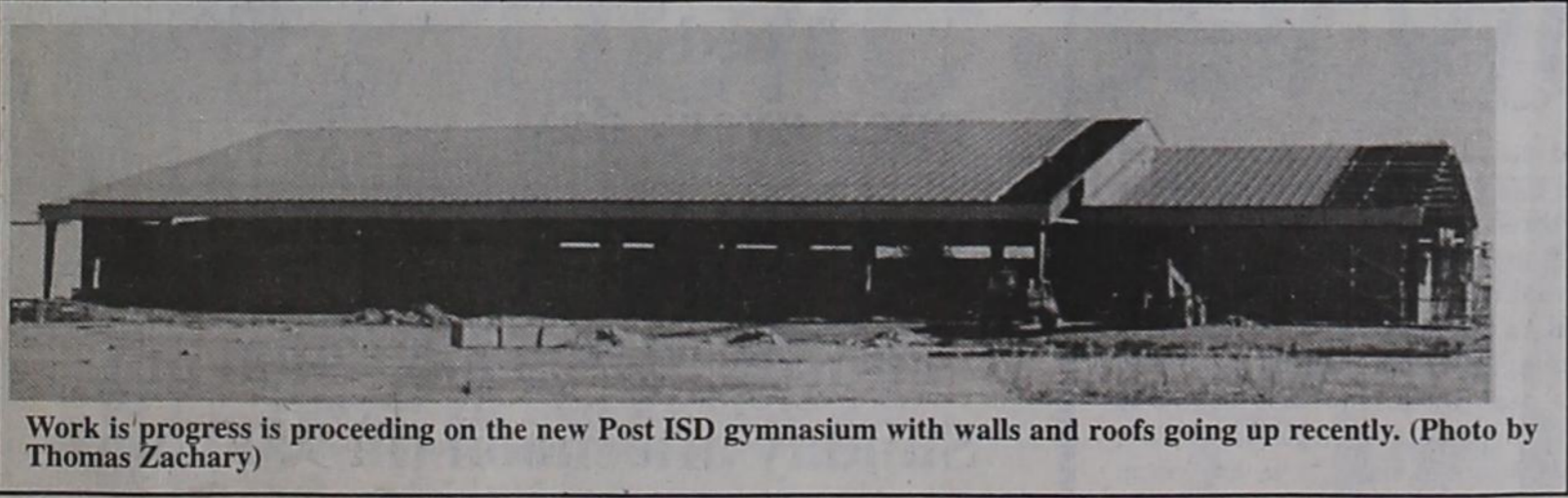


JoAnn Mock displays the certificate recognizing local organizations in the Post Millennium Commission program.

Post ISD looks at new stadium lights

by Sheri Lewis
Specifications for new lighting at Antelope Stadium were determined last week during the regular monthly meeting of the Post Independent School District board of trustees. Board members agreed to the specifications for new lighting and poles, which should significantly improve lighting at the football field, as well as safety, Superintendent Dr. Bobby Bain said. With the installation of new lighting, the district will use metal poles. Bain said he was unsure as to how long the existing lighting structures have been in use, but the estimate is 30-40 years. Cost for the project has been estimated at about \$75,000. In other

business, the board: • Considered and approved the specifications for replacing roofs damaged in the May 1999 hail storm. The board also voted to employ the Armko firm out of Dallas to oversee the project. The school district continues to haggle with its insurance firm on the settlement of the almost 20-month-old claim, Bain said. • Received certificates of appreciation from Davida Gregory, president of the Post High School Student Council. The student council made the certificate presentations to trustees in recognition of January's observance as School Board Appreciation Month. • Received a report from Marvin Self, elementary school principal, concerning the need to replace the metal trim on the elementary school building. • Received several routine reports. • Conducted a closed-door meeting to discuss several items. Following the session, the board reconvened in open session to hire Steven Moncrief as social studies teacher for the detention center; to approve a student transfer; and to discuss high school staffing needs.



Work is proceeding on the new Post ISD gymnasium with walls and roofs going up recently. (Photo by Thomas Zachary)

Post Notes

Women's Day at Methodist Church

Sunday, January 21 will be Women's Day at the First United Methodist Church in Post. Women will conduct services, with Rhonda McCarty of Midland presenting the message.

Firemen stage chili supper Jan. 27

The Post Volunteer Fire Department's 5th Annual Chili Supper fund raising event will be held Saturday, January 27 at 6 p.m. at the fire department building. The chili supper is the only fund raiser conducted by the volunteer firemen. Cost for the supper is by donation only. Funds in the past have been used for purchasing equipment and assisting with medical bills for firefighters injured in the line of duty. Funds raised this year are marked for "Jaws of Life" equipment, by installing a hydraulic system in the rescue truck.

Jr Basketball registration

The Post Jr Basketball program has announced registration for youth, ages first through sixth grades. Registration will be held at Wells Fargo on Saturday, Jan. 20 from 10 a.m. to noon; Thursday, Jan. 25 from 5-7 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 27 from 10 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$15 per participant.

Volunteers sought for reading

Teaching our Parents Practical Skills (TOPPS) at the Post Elementary School is seeking parents and grandparents to volunteer reading to elementary aged children. Those interested should call Reyes Pequeño at 495-3414, extension 410.

MAD DADS teen center hours

MAD DADS has announced new teen center hours which began in January. The center will be open Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 3-5:30 p.m. and 7-10 p.m. and closed on Tuesdays. Friday hours are 3-5:30 p.m. and 7-12. Thursday 7-10 p.m. will be at the Middle School gymnasium. The 3-5:30 p.m. teen center is open to all school aged children, and from 7-10 p.m. for middle and high school aged youth. Also on Wednesdays, middle and high school Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) members will meet.

Willy Awards set for Feb. 10

The annual Garza Theatre Willy Awards program will be held Saturday, February 10 at the Post Community Center. The event includes meal and entertainment for \$15 per adults and \$10 for children five to 11 years old. Reservations for the Willy Awards may be made by calling the box office at 495-4005. The deadline for reservations is February 7.

Community blood drive set February 1

A community blood drive has been announced for Thursday, February 1 at the Post Church of Christ from 4 to 8 p.m. The blood drive will benefit Andy Stelzer, who needs blood transfusions weekly. Contact Paul Jones for more details at 495-2946.

Elementary school yearbooks

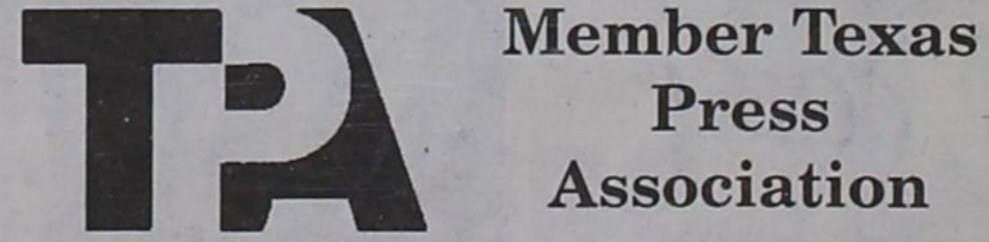
Post Elementary School is now taking orders for the yearbook at \$15 each. The book will feature photos of students and numerous activities that take place throughout the year. The last day to order the book is February 2. Place orders at the elementary school office.

Grandma Brag Pages deadline

Photos for the annual "Grandma Brag Pages" will be due at The Post Dispatch no later than Friday, February 2, 2001. The special edition will be published February 8 to celebrate Valentine's Day (Wednesday, Feb. 14). The cost for each photo (with no more than two children per photo) remains at the low price of \$5, the same price for the past 18 years. Photos with more than two children will be priced \$5 for each additional child.

Dalby facility hosts blood drive

The Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility is hosting a blood drive January 18 from 2 to 7 p.m. in the visitation room at the prison. Ruby Williams is coordinating the special blood drive.

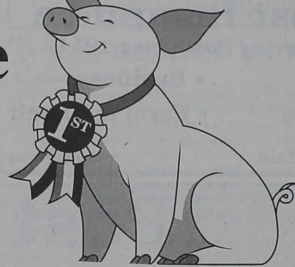


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Friday, January 19

Goat Show - 6:30 p.m.

PeeWee Goat Show

7 p.m.

Lamb Show - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 20

Awards and Sale

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Obituaries

Bettye Jane Gaskill

Services for Bettye Jane Gaskill, 72, were held at 3:30 p.m. Jan. 9, 2001, in the Shannon Rose Hill Chapel with burial in the Shannon Rose Hill Memorial Park.

She died Jan. 6 at a Fort Worth nursing facility. A graduate of Polytechnic High School, she was a member of Western Hills Baptist Church and was a longtime employee of Colonial Southwest. She was named Nurse of the Year in 1974 at All Saints Episcopal Hospital. She was a licensed assisted living manager and helped formulate the state guidelines for assisted living. She was a frequent lecturer on the subject.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Roger and Cathy Barto of Fort Worth and Steve and LaJuana Barto of Azle; three daughters, Becky Warren of Kennedale, Fairy Wolfe of Haltom City and Glenda and Jeff Curry of Roanoke; one brother and sister-in-law, Charlie and Jayne Seyster of Malakoff; seven grandchildren, Angela, Allen, Natalie, Steve Jr., Dewayne, Deanne and Linda Joyce; and three great-grandchildren, Becca, Angelica Jane and Patrick.

Pat Bilbo presents program at Garden Club

by Louella Bilberry

The Green Thumb Garden Club met Thursday night, Jan. 11, at CitizensBank. The program was presented by one of our newer members, Pat Bilbo.

Pat is a very talented and "crafty" lady! She has shared her talents and showed us her finished products and the items required to complete a project.

She has told us of projects her grandchildren have enjoyed. Lately they have been painting rocks — big ones, little ones — and decorating the rocks!

For our program, she presented us with pre-painted rocks (courtesy of the grandchildren), paints, brushes and said "paint a rock!" Some chose

larger rocks and some chose smaller, then went to work. I held my half dollar-sized rock and waited to be inspired and waited and waited. All around me masterpieces were being painted — trees and flowers, university logos and a smiling Santa Claus. Now, I could say mine was an example of "abstract art" or "modern art" — and you know what that means! Thank you, Pat. It was fun.

Our hostesses were Jan Acker and Naomi Matsler.

A number of our members were "under the weather." We hope all will be well for our next meeting, which will be our Valentine party! This will be Feb. 8 at the CitizensBank. Members are to bring a salad and a Valentine for your secret pal and husband or guest.



Asa Rutherford spent his Saturday at the show barn helping with clean up chores in preparation for this week's stock show. (Photo by Thomas Zachary)

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THE ASSYRIAN GENERAL, HOLOFERNES, ATTACKED THE JEWS, BESIEGING THE TOWN OF BETHULIA, WHERE THE PEOPLE DESPAIRED OF EVER BEING SAVED. JUDITH TOOK IT UPON HERSELF TO VISIT HOLOFERNES IN HIS CAMP, WHERE HE WAS IMMEDIATELY SMITTEN WITH HER BEAUTY! AFTER ENTERTAINING HIM FOR THREE DAYS AND NIGHTS IN HIS TENT, JUDITH, AT THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY, CUT OFF THE GENERAL'S HEAD AS HE SLEPT!
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Texas needs a new start

by Wes Burnett

The State of Texas Legislature is beginning its every two-year bash in Austin ... and if history is any guide, tax payers, liberty lovers and property owners better buckle up and get ready for a rough ride.

The reason for alarm is the amazing political concept that keeps Austin humming ... "Plenary Power."

At the close of the 76th legislative session, I discovered quite by accident that the main reason we have so many statutes (several million by last count), is the belief that the legislative branch has the authority to enact any law it pleases, "as long as it isn't restricted or limited specifically by the constitution."

"The legislature doesn't need constitutional authority," the helpful Legislative Council representative told me, "the legislature has plenary power. The 10th Amendment to the U.S. constitution reserves those powers and rights not delegated to the U.S. government to the states and the people," he explained.

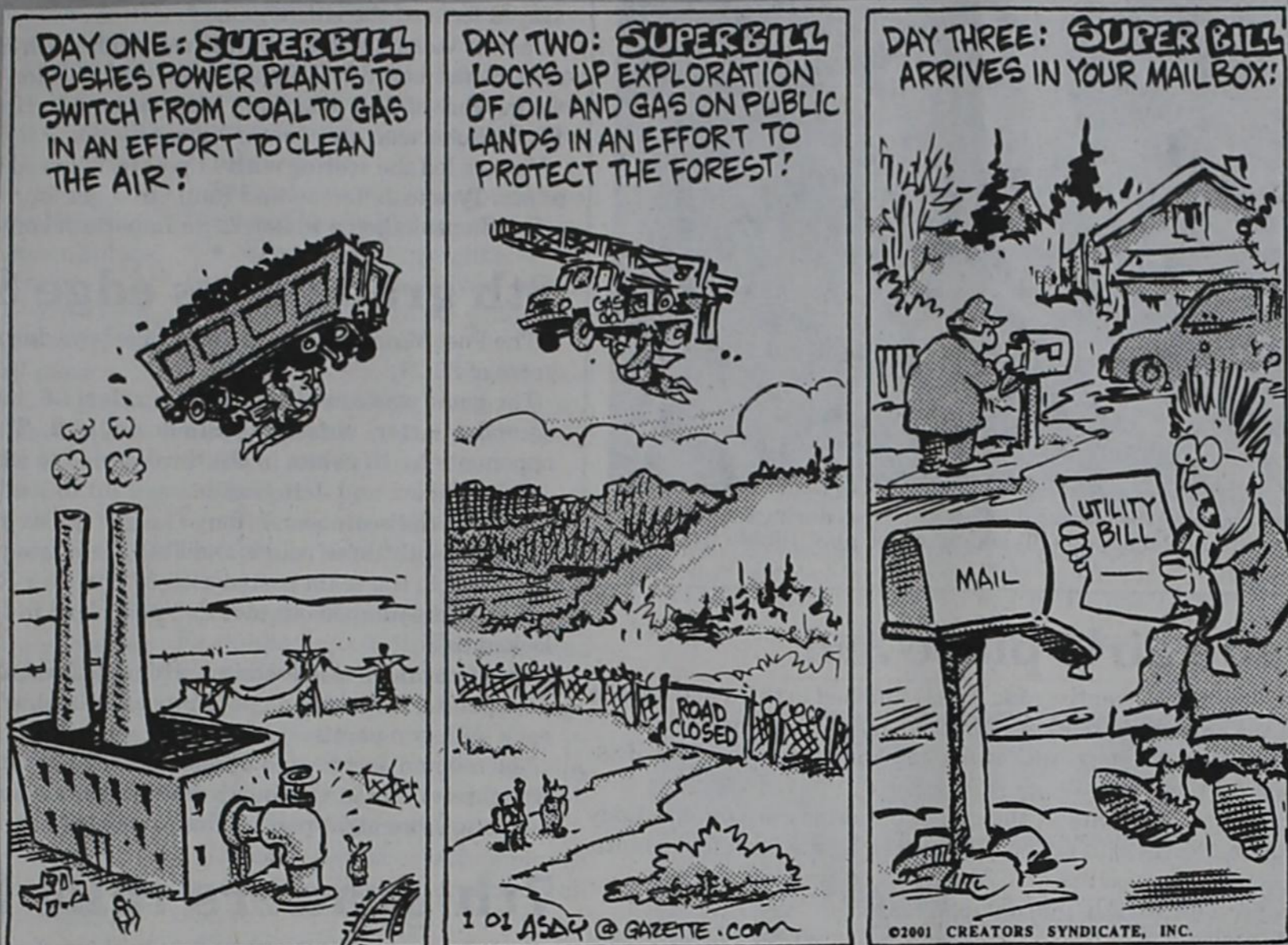
It dawned on me then, in that instant, why we are constantly at battle with legislators, they actually believe that they can do anything they want, as long as the constitution doesn't say they can't.

Now I am convinced more than ever that the only way to reclaim our individual liberty and freedom from tyrannical and excessive government power is by the ratification of a completely new constitution, one that is designed specifically to overturn this convoluted view of omnipotence of government.

That's why I am promoting the ratification of Texas Constitution 2000, which specifically forbids government to take any action not specifically authorized. That's how the American founders designed their nation, and look how their efforts to control government have been twisted by the courts, as well as by others in government.

There is very little hope for security of liberty in a system of government which operates almost completely without constitutional restraint. There is no way that a constitution could be properly written to make a list of everything they can't do.

Naturally, government never stays within its bounds, and we are reaping the rewards for the complacency of our ancestors and ourselves. Now we can understand how the Congress and the state legislatures routinely exceed their authority ... they don't need to worry about specified authority, they have plenary power!



And thereafter, election 2000's message

by Walter E. Williams

Election 2000's racial message is that President-Elect George Bush and the Republican Party shouldn't subsidize political stupidity. You say, "What do you mean, Williams?"

Given Bush's devastating loss among black voters, in some states 95 percent voted for Gore, some political pundits say that his first order of business is to mend fences. But what did George Bush or the Republican Party do to the black voters that calls for fence-mending?

If anything, black voters might ponder whether it is they who should be mending fences: for the NAACP's scurrilous attack ads that all but accused George Bush of being an accomplice in the Jasper, Texas, lynching of James Byrd Jr; the Pro-Gore leaflets distributed in New Jersey that showed Bush's face superimposed on a Confederate flag; and Jesse Jackson's preaching that a Bush win would turn the civil-rights clock back to the racist Reconstruction era.

Bush, to use today's politically correct language, made a greater effort at diversiveness and inclusiveness than any of his Republican presidential candidate predecessors, and what did it get for him? The Republican Party must face the fact that to get large numbers of black voters requires compromise on principles.

The GOP would have to support racial quotas, support welfare hand-outs, condone continued destruction of black academic excellence by supporting the public education establishment, and preach racial victimization and pity.

In other words, in order for Republicans to capture the black vote they'd have to support what Gallup polls show that most Americans are generally against. Ward Connerly, writing in a Dec. 18 National Review article titled "The GOP's Black Problem," says, "The black vote will remain captive to the Democratic Party as long as black people see themselves as victims and view the Democrats as the party of 'civil rights.'"



Connerly's prescription for the Republican Party comes from an old country song that advises card players that you have to "know when to hold 'em and know when to fold 'em." Connerly's advice to the GOP is to fold 'em — not because the GOP shouldn't want black support, but a different strategy is required: one of benign neglect.

What does Connerly mean by benign neglect? He starts his explanation by quoting basketball star Charles Barkley's response to a reporter's question about Barkley's support for Bob Dole during the 1996 presidential campaign, "Don't you know that Dole is in favor of the rich?"

Barkley replied, "I am rich, you a—hole!" Connerly suggests that when more black people recognize that the quality of their children's education, the crime-ridden neighborhoods in which many live and the high taxes they have to pay are more important than the remote possibility of being a victim of a hate crime, they'll seriously consider the Republican Party.

While George Bush is morally and constitutionally obliged to be the president of all the American people, he's under no obligation to kiss up ("mend fences") to the likes of race hustlers such as members of the Black Caucus, Jesse Jackson, Al Sharpton and the NAACP's Kweisi Mfume. To do so would be counter-productive and confer upon them undeserved legitimacy.

On top of that, it would gain Bush and the GOP nothing in return. These people would be just as vicious and racially divisive in 2004 as they were in 2000, plus it would be a betrayal and insult to black Republicans. The black political establishment has become mean-spirited, power-crazed, intolerant, vindictive and intensely partisan.

The black political establishment must not be accommodated; it must be confronted and, in the process, maybe it'll learn that it's stupid to be a one-party people in a two-party system.

To find out more about Walter Williams, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

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Did Dr King make the movement or did it make him?

by Vin Suprynowicz

Let someone point out that the economic views of Martin Luther King Jr. were controversial in his time and would remain so today — that he favored redistribution over capitalism — and a general caterwauling can be expected, dismissing such comments as those of the diehard racist right.

But the Institute for Public Accuracy, with offices in Washington and San Francisco, is no one's idea of a right-wing bastion. Yet it was a recent news release from the Institute, headlined "The Real Martin Luther King," that quoted the Rev. Joseph Lowery, co-founder with Dr. King of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, objecting that the Rev. King is too often remembered today as "some little dreamer."

Instead, "We need to remember his views on capitalism and militarism and the responsibility of both the public and private sector to make up for their sins: to have affirmative action," the Rev. Lowery observes. "Some right wingers are using his statement on 'content of character' to claim he would have opposed it. We need to remember his vision for the Poor People's Campaign, where we talked about everyone having an income and full employment."

People should remember that the Rev. King "called the United States 'the greatest purveyor of violence in the world today,' saying it was 'on the wrong side of a world revolution,'" writes Sam Hussein of the IPA in that same news release. "In his 'Where Do We Go from Here?' speech he criticized the nature of capitalism, arguing that, 'We must come to see an edifice which produces beggars needs restructuring.'"

The World Book Encyclopedia's essay on Dr. King is anything but mean-spirited. The middle-of-the-road reference book is common in American school libraries. But the World Book agrees that a year before his death, after passage of the 1964 Civil Rights Act and the 1965 Voting Rights Act, "King became more critical of American society than ever before. He believed poverty was as great an evil as racism. He said that true social justice would require a redistribution of wealth from the rich to the poor. Thus, King began to plan a Poor People's Campaign. ... The campaign would demand a federal guaranteed annual income for poor people. ..."

After 1966, younger leaders of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee began to use the slogan "Black Power" and to urge a more aggressive response to police violence against civil rights marchers. The Rev. King stuck to his commitment to nonviolence, but, "Many people thought the religious, nonviolent emphasis of the civil rights movement was changing," the encyclopedia records. "Disputes among civil rights groups ... suggested that King no longer spoke for the whole movement."

The Rev. King — whose birthday is recalled today (1/15/01) — was a great orator and leader. It was Dr. King the tactician who drew

racist white Alabama cops out in the open in 1965, where their bloody gassing and clubbing of peaceful voting rights protest marchers on the road from Selma to Montgomery could be broadcast nationwide, into the living rooms of a shocked nation.

A man who persevered in the face of rock-throwing, beatings, arrest and even the fire-bombing of his own home, there can be no doubt either of the Rev. King's personal courage, or his giant role in the success of the American civil rights movement, from the day Rosa Parks refused to move to the back of the bus in 1955, to the marches in Selma and Chicago a decade later.

But as with all great men, the question does arise: Was it the accident of Dr. King's presence (as new pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church) that helped turn the 1955 Montgomery bus boycott into a national movement? Or was a lucky coincidence that the first spark of the revolution happened to occur at that time and place, presenting the opportunity for the young Rev. King to display his leadership skills as well as the rhetorical gifts that would make him — and his movement — instantly popular with that brand-new phenomenon, the nationwide television audience.

Nor does it take anything away from the Rev. King's accomplishments — or soften in any way the needless tragedy of his death — to point out that, from Alexander the Great to Admiral Lord Nelson to Mohandas Gandhi to John Kennedy, great men cut down in their prime do have one advantage over those who have the misfortune to live beyond their hour of greatness.

Under other circumstances, would JFK have been remembered as a mediocre showboat elected by fraud and unable to enact much legislation or extract himself from the mire of Vietnam? How many of the great captains who died young would otherwise have become sad or laughable figures in later life, out of step with their times and tiresomely trying to recapture a greatness long gone?

Would the Rev. King have changed, recognized the pitfalls of socialism and the value of black entrepreneurship, and helped to lead the nation in brave new directions in the '70s and '80s? Or would his calls for massive government income redistribution and a "guaranteed income" for members of officially recognized "victim"

classes have rendered him increasingly irrelevant, like that other proponent of proletarian revolution, Fidel Castro — more and more an artifact and curiosity as the years passed by?

Thanks to an assassin's bullet, Dr. King never had a chance to meet that challenge. And so he remains frozen in time — forever the Nobel Peace Prize winner of 1964, the stirring 34-year-old orator who stood at the Lincoln Memorial in the summer of 1963 and told the world: "I have a dream, that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."

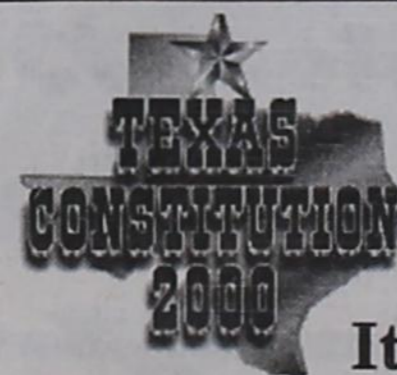
Amen.
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"If the Southern States hold no right of secession, then the secession of the thirteen colonies from Great Britain is invalid, and the revolutionary war to secure independence unlawful. In such case, we all remain as colonies, and are subject to the British Crown. The Secession of the Colonies, and the Secession of the thirteen States, can not be one good and the other evil, they are both one or the other. Similiar conditions existed in both cases and both felt their liberties threatened."

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Lady Lopes lead the district pack

The Post Lady Lope basketball team leads district competition with three wins and no losses following action last week. In the January 9 matchup at Sundown, the Lady Lopes edged Sundown 47-43 and then hammered Tahoka 62-19 in a game played here last Friday.

"We're playing pretty good right now," coach Ron Taylor says, "but you know, every team is out to beat us and we have to be ready every game." In the Sundown win Yvonne Lopez led the scoring with nine points. Meagan Mills, Kenda Looney and Davida Gregory all hit for eight points. Emily Smith followed with six, with Kelly Moore and Manuela Hernandez got four each.

Gregory was credited with 22 points in the Tahoka win, followed by Looney with 12 and 10 each by Mills and Smith. Others scoring included Hernandez with four and two each by Lopez and Moore.

"We've got to win on the road and at home," Taylor adds, "and we can expect every team to be gunning for us."

The Lady Lopes face Idalou at home Friday. It is expected to be a humdinger.

8th grade girls hammer Sundown

The eighth grade girls put forth a true team effort to defeat the Sundown eighth grade team Jan. 15 by a score of 54-34.

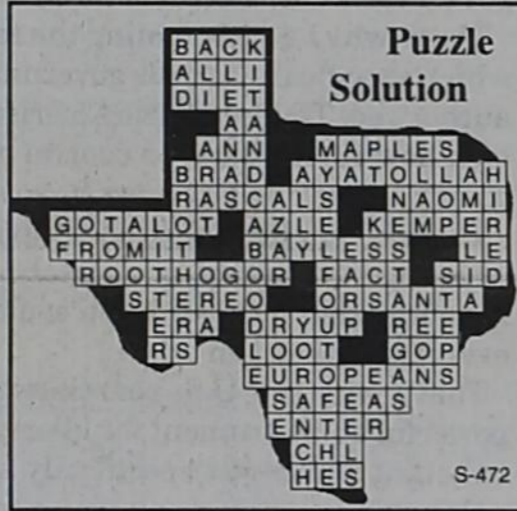
Everyone on the Lady 'Lopes team scored, according to Coach Kristi Lowe.

Kaycee Gorman led the team's scoring with 14 points, followed by Nikki Norman with 12 points. Patricia Hester had six points and Donae Dalby, five points. Courtney Short and Logan Gregory each had four points, and Lyndee Strawn scored three. Scoring two points apiece were Meagan Hoover, Kayla Dunn and Kristy Shifflett.

The win put the team's season record at 9-1 and district record at 6-1.

On Jan. 8, the ladies pulled together for a 72-2 thrashing of Ralls.

Norman and Hester each had 15 points to lead scoring for Post, followed by Gregory with 10 points and Gorman with nine. Others scoring for the squad were Short, seven points, Dunn and Hoover, four points apiece, Strawn and Dalby, three points each, and Shifflett, two points.



Michael Huff handles the ball for the Post Antelopes during the win here last Friday. Brody Robertson (10) assists on the play. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

7th grade girls place 3rd

The Post Middle School seventh grade girls finished in third place in the Christ the King Tournament held in Lubbock earlier this month.

In a game played Jan. 13, the team downed the host team by a score of 38-25 to take the third place win.

Rosanna Orona had 23 points in the game. Other scorers for the Lady 'Lopes were Kayla Morris with six points, Laurel Tatum with four points, Courtney Copeland, three points, and Alana Zubia, two points.

Orona was tapped for the All-Tournament Team. In the team's first game of the tourney, they defeated the Home School squad by a score of 29-14.

Tatum led scoring with 10, followed by Jenee Lott with five points, Orona and Ashley Powell with four points each, Ashley Wilson and Zubia with two points apiece, and Copeland and Diann Heckaman, one point each.

The girls dropped their second tournament contest, losing a 39-23 battle against Lubbock Christian Junior High.

Orona led scoring in the game with eight points. Tatum had six points, Morris, three points, Zubia, two points, and Copeland, one point.

Antelopes open district play with win

The Post Antelope varsity basketball team took a big step in the right direction last Friday with a 34-29 win over Tahoka. Coming off a non-district win over Slaton, the 'Lopes look like district contenders.

"It was a great win (Tahoka)," coach Dane Vickers emphasizes. "Our kids stayed focused the entire game."

Jarrett Vickers pulled down 11 rebounds, with Huff credited with seven to control the boards. "Mitchell Mills and Clinton Curtis did a great job of taking care of the basketball," the coach adds. He also praised the efforts of Brody Robertson and Justin Norman.

Vickers led the scoring with 11 points, followed by Huff with eight, Curtis at six, Tyrone Jefferson and Raul Ortiz got four and Mills scored one.

The 'Lopes take on Idalou in an important contest here Friday night.

8th grade boys edge Sundown

The Post Middle School eighth grade boys downed Sundown Jan. 15 by a score of 39-21.

The game was close in the first quarter, 7-6, but Post edged ahead in the second quarter, outscoring Sundown 10-2. The 'Lopes outscored their opponents by 10 points in the third period to ice the final period.

Koko Valdez and Jett Lott teamed up to lead scoring, each putting 13 points on the scoreboard. Tony Garay had six points, followed by Jarred Grisham with three points and Josh Hair, two points.

On Jan. 8, the team posted a 43-37 win over Ralls.

The 'Lopes jumped out to a 15-5 point lead in the first quarter and never looked back.

Grisham and Lott led scoring, with 11 points each, followed by Garay with nine points, Hair with eight points and Randon Blacklock and Coty Marts each with two points.

"Jarred and Jett heated up the nets," the coach said. "Coty Marts hit two free throws late in the fourth quarter to go ahead. Josh Hair came off the bench to score eight points. Everyone played a fantastic defensive game."

7th graders take 3rd

Post's seventh grade boys captured a third place win in the Christ the King Tournament in Lubbock with a 44-21 win over the host team Jan. 13.

Sterling Smith led scoring in the game, posting 16 points, followed by Kenny Garay with seven points, Jace Pollard and John Norman each with six points, Michael Morris with five points and Keith Meredith, four points.

"We had outstanding playing by all the kids," said Coach Steve Pena. Smith was named MVP in the tournament.

On the first day of the tournament, the squad fell to Lubbock Christian Junior High by a score of 42-40.

Smith was the top scorer in the game with 15 points, while Garay had 14 points. Eric Reyna had six points, Pollard had three points and Norman, two points.

J.V. slip to Tahoka

Post High School's junior varsity boys squad dropped a close game, 45-41, to Tahoka Jan. 12.

Seth Redman led scoring with 14 points, followed by Kenny Ratke with 10 points. Mark Norman had seven points in the game, Tye Mason had six points and Brice Easterling scored four points.

"The boys played with a lot of heart," the coach said. The team also lost a game to Slaton on Jan. 9.

Ratke topped the 'Lopes' scorers in the 33-16 game, putting nine points on the scoreboard. Mason had three points, while Redman and Norman each had two points.



Davida Gregory puts another two points on the board for the Post Lady Lopes in their lopsided win over Tahoka here last Friday. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

7th grade boys whip Sundown

The Post Middle School seventh grade boys boosted their season record to 7-5 and their district record 4-3 with a 36-16 win over Sundown.

The 'Lopes jumped out to a lead at the end of the first quarter by a score of 6-3 and fueled that lead each quarter. The team outscored Sundown 13-4 in the third period.

Sterling Smith led scoring with 18 points, followed by Kenny Garay with eight points. Keith Meredith and Jace Pollard each scored three points, and Eric Reyna and Michael Morris each scored two.



Tandi Humble (22) defends for the Post Lady Lopes in their victory over Tahoka here last Friday. (Photo by Jerry Taylor)

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Southland Stock Show results

Kaylee Farquhar, Chad Atchison and Zach Ford fared well at the Southland Independent School District Stock Show conducted earlier this month.

Farquhar took grand champion in steers, while Ford took reserve champion. Atchison took the grand and reserve champion titles in two divisions — pigs and goats — while Farquhar did the same in the sheep competition.

A breakdown of show results follows:

Steers
 • American — Kaylee Farquhar, first place; C.J. Phillips, second place; Kevin Strube, third place.

• Exotic (lightweight) — Zach Ford, first place; C.J. Phillips, second place; and C.J. Phillips, third place.

• Exotic (heavyweight) — Kaylee Farquhar, first place; Kirby Phillips, second place; and Shelby Farquhar, third place.

Kaylee Farquhar won the championship in the breed, while Ford won reserve.

Pigs
 • York (lightweight) — Kaylee Farquhar, first place; Krista Brown, second place; Brent Phillips, third place; and C.J. Phillips, fourth place.

• York (heavyweight) — Chad Atchison, first place; Shelby Farquhar, second place; and Lauren Arguello, third place.

Atchison was champion in the breed, with Kaylee Farquhar winning reserve.

• Hamp (light) — Kaylee Farquhar, first place; Jeffery Brown, second place; Hayden Farquhar, third; Gary Farquhar, fourth; and Trevor Altman,

fifth place.
 • Hamp (heavyweight) — Kaylee Farquhar, first place; Shelby Farquhar, second place; and Travis Arguello, third place.

Kaylee Farquhar won champion and reserve in the breed.

• OPB — Gary Farquhar, first place; Kevin Strube, second place.

• Cross (lightweight) — Chad Atchison, first; T.J. Kitten, second place; Trevor Altman, third place; Kevin Strube, fourth; and Brent Phillips, fifth.

Atchison won the championship in the breed, while Kitten won reserve.

• Cross (heavyweight) — T.J. Kitten, first; Cliff Colvin, second; Chad Atchison, third place; and Trevor Altman, fourth.

• Duroc — Shelby Farquhar, first place; C.J. Phillips, second place; Krista Brown, third; and Kirby Phillips, fourth place.

Sheep
 • Fine wool — Kaylee Farquhar, first place; Kari Patterson, second place.

• Blacks (lightweight) — Kaylee Farquhar, first; Kelly Butler, second place; Shelby Farquhar, third place; and Jordan Williams, fourth place.

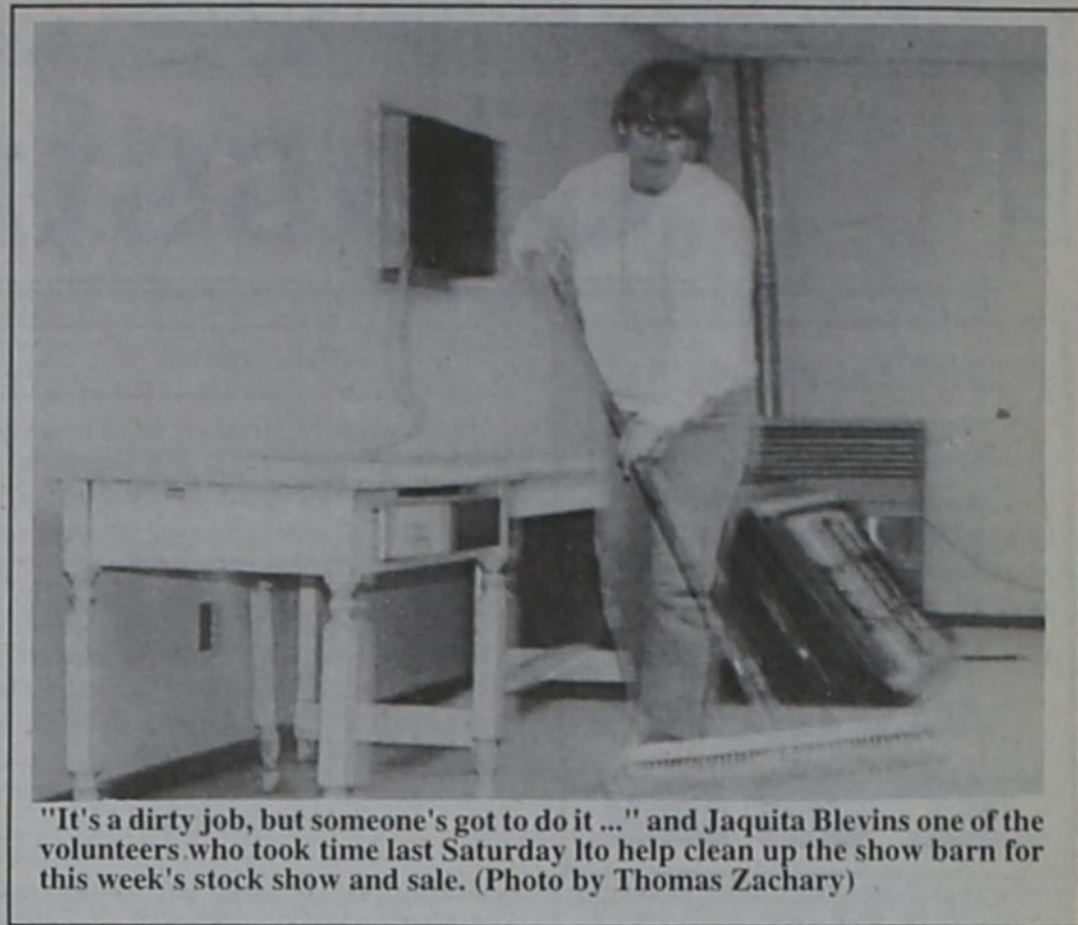
• Blacks (mediumweight) — Kaylee Farquhar, first place; Shelby Farquhar, second; Molly Butler, third; and Jordan Williams, fourth.

Kaylee Farquhar won champion in breed, while Shelby Farquhar won reserve.

Goats
 Atchison took first and second place in goats.



Allison Blevins and her nephew Pacey Blevins were among the few volunteers at the show barn last Saturday helping with clean up chores in preparation for this week's stock show. (Photo by Thomas Zachary)



"It's a dirty job, but someone's got to do it ..." and Jaquita Blevins one of the volunteers who took time last Saturday to help clean up the show barn for this week's stock show and sale. (Photo by Thomas Zachary)

Post ISD considers improvements

(Continued from Page 1)

A concession stand run by 4-H and F.F.A. members and parents will be open Wednesday afternoon through Saturday. An Appreciation Lunch, which will be served from 11:30 to 1:00, is being prepared by G.C.J.L.A. members. The sausage for the meal was donated by Danny Nelson.

The Garza County Junior Livestock Association, a non-profit organization formed in 1964, conducted its first stock show in 1965. Currently there are 70 members with the following serving as officers: President - Giles Dalby, Jr.; Vice-President - Milton Williams, Recording Secretary - Royce Hart, and Past-President - Steve Cooper. Diane Graves serves as Corresponding Secretary.

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J.V. ladies edge Tahoka

The junior varsity Lady Lopes squeezed past Tahoka's JV in a 40-38 game played Jan. 12.

The game was a see-saw battle throughout, with Post leading scoring 12-10 in the first period and 4-3 in the second. The third period went to Tahoka 14-13, and the final quarter finished in an 11-11 draw.

LaRenda Ledbetter was top scorer for the Lady Lopes, putting 14 points on the scoreboard. Angela Hester had 13 points and Jessica Mason had 10 points. Tayler Starkey contributed two points to the effort, while Terri Curtis added one point.

The win put the team's season record at 12-2 and district record at 2-1. The team dropped a 29-18 decision to Sundown Jan. 9.

Hester led scoring with six points, while Mason and Curtis each had five points. Ledbetter had two points in the game.

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—Finley Peter Dunne

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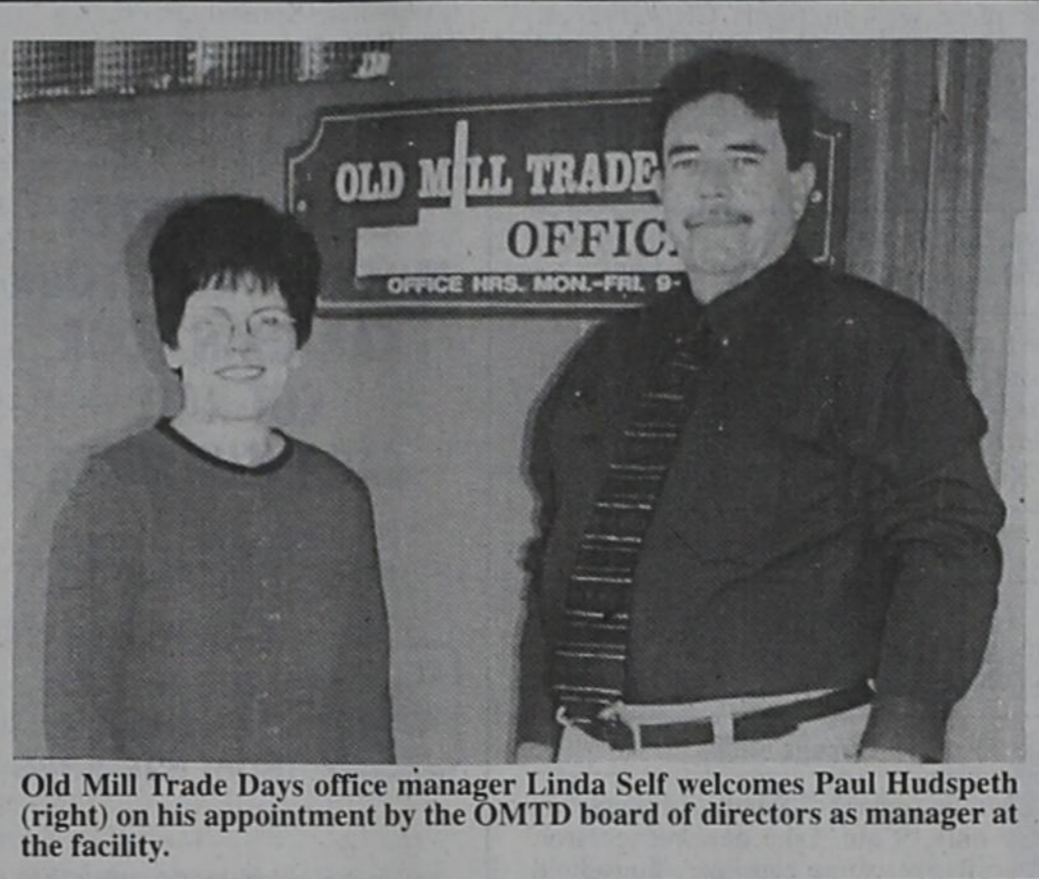
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Old Mill Trade Days office manager Linda Self welcomes Paul Hudspeth (right) on his appointment by the OMTD board of directors as manager at the facility.

Hudspeth named manager at Old Mill Trade Days

There's a new face at Old Mill Trade Days.

Haskell native Paul Hudspeth took over as new manager of Trade Days Jan. 2.

Born and raised in Haskell County, Hudspeth spent 28 years in the marine geophysical industry. During the past eight years, he served as a consultant at Energy Innovations Inc., providing technical consulting to petroleum companies conducting marine 3D seismic surveys.

Hudspeth spent 15 years in Houston before returning to Haskell about five years ago with his family. Hudspeth and his wife, Teresa, have been married for 25 years and are the parents of a son, a student at South Plains College, and a daughter, who is enrolled at Liberty University. Teresa Hudspeth currently works as a teacher's aide in the Haskell school district.

Hudspeth said he and his family plan to move to Post as soon as possible.

"We're thrilled to be here in Post," he said, "and we're looking forward to being a part of the community."

Hudspeth was hired by the Old Mill Trade Days board of directors to replace Charles Baker, who had served

as Trade Days manager for several years. Baker's employment with Trade Days ended in December.

Hudspeth said he has many ideas and goals for Trade Days, which will next open its doors Feb. 2-4.

"We want to build a bigger and better Old Mill Trade Days," he said.

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19 TX "Spanky" McFarland comedy: "Little"

21 TX poet: Shihab Nye

22 TXism: "_____ of arrows in his quiver" (capable)

27 In NW Tarrant Co. TX Tommy Tune's character Ambrose in "Hello Dolly"

29 TX Larry Hagman film: "Getting Away All" ('71)

30 Skip who wrote Cow-boys "Untold Story"

32 TX Joan Crawford: Lucille Sueur

33 TXism: "it's _____ die"

36 TXism: "no brag, just _____"

37 prior spelling of TX Cyd Charisse's nickname

38 TXism: "cowboy _____" (jukebox)

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1 TX Jimmy Dean's "Big John"

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3 TXism: "_____ a hound's tooth"

4 TXism: "the whole _____" (all)

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12 was a TX fuel co.

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16 meaning of "tejas"

17 aviator Earhart

18 TX Clay Allison was a _____ gun

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22 Houston boxer Foreman (init.)

23 hockey's Bobby

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25 Andy's amigo

26 TXism: "pick of the _____" (best)

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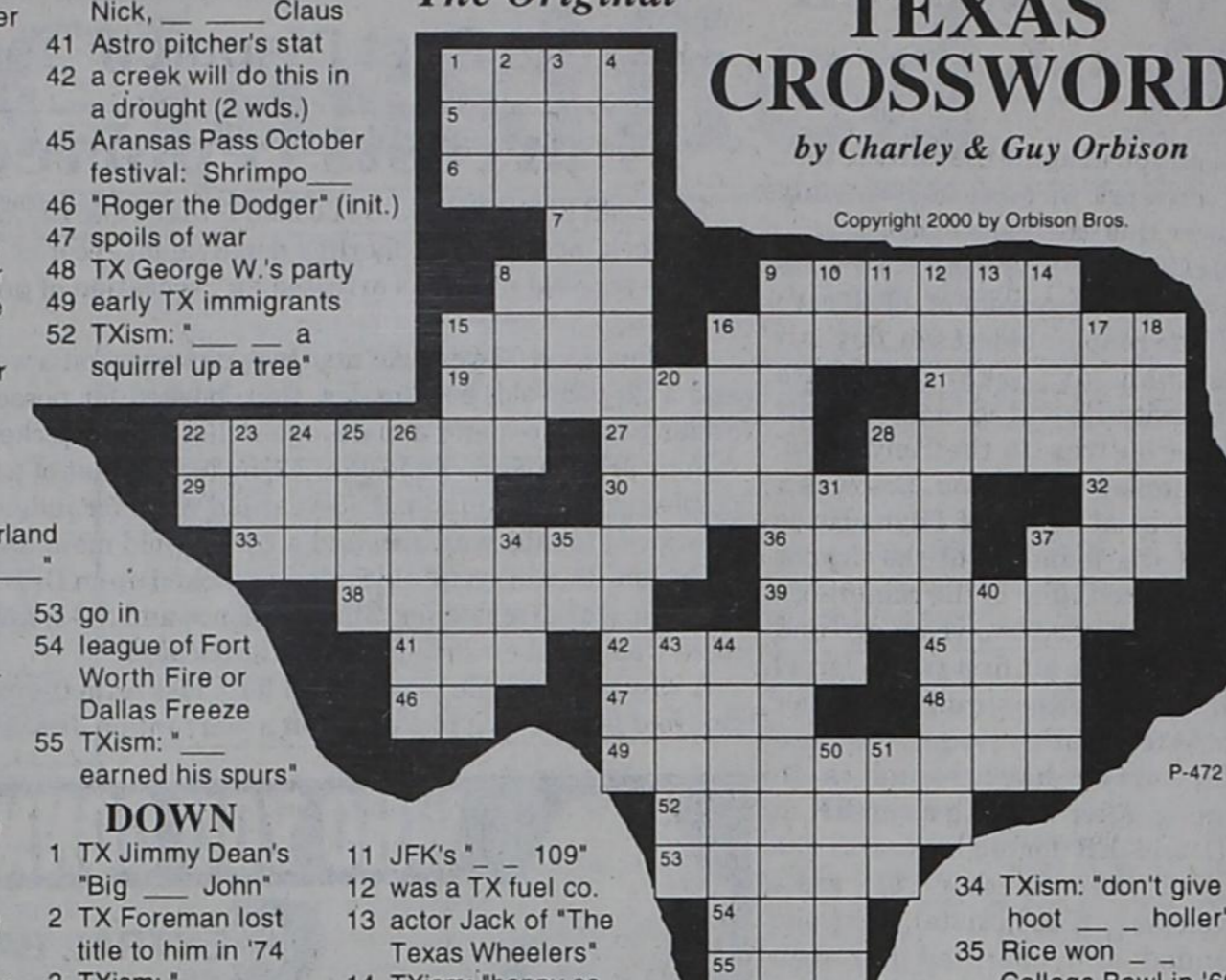
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51 TXism: "can't make a silk purse out of a sow's _____"



This Week In History

On January 16, 1883, the Pendleton Act was passed, reforming federal civil service ... **January 16, 1919**, Nevada became the 36th state to ratify the 18th Amendment to the Constitution (Prohibition) ... **January 20, 1925**, Miriam (Ma) Ferguson was installed as governor of Texas ... **January 14, 1950**, the U.S. recalled all consular officials from China after the latter seized the American consulate general in Peking ... **January 18, 1969**, expanded four-party Vietnam peace talks began ... **January 17, 1977**, convicted murderer Gary Gilmore was executed by a Utah firing squad in the first exercise of capital punishment anywhere in the U.S. since 1967. Gilmore had opposed all attempts to delay the execution ... **January 20, 1981**, minutes after the inauguration of President Ronald Reagan, the 52 Americans who had been held hostage in Iran for 444 days were flown to freedom following an agreement in which the U.S. agreed to return \$8 billion in frozen assets to Iran ... **January 20, 1986**, for the first time, the U.S. officially observed Martin Luther King Day.



William Shakespeare has no known living descendants.

Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

January 16, 1991
10 Years Ago

The Woman's Culture Club met Wednesday, January 9, at 2:00 p.m., in the Woman's Clubhouse. Doll Hairc and Joyce Strubhart were hostesses.

Hostesses served delicious refreshments to members: Lois Cook, Donna Craig, Maxine Earl, Ruth Hall, Iva Hudman, Ruby Kirkpatrick, Nona Lusk, Isabelle Stelzer, Dorace Wilson, Joyce Strubhart, Doll Hairc, Katharine Cathcart and Barbara Hardin.

Eddie Warren, long-time civic leader and founder of The Post Dispatch, was recognized as Citizen of the Year at last Saturday evening's Post Chamber of Commerce Banquet, along with Wells Pharmacy as Business of the Year and the late B.W. (Doc) Kennedy, who was inducted into the Garza County Cowboy Hall of Fame.

January 15, 1981
20 Years Ago

Marinette Hays was presented the Most Valuable Player award and Doris Pringler was chosen to the All Tournament Team at the Colorado City Basketball tournament held last weekend.

Happy Birthday today goes to V.A. Lobban, Mrs. B.A. Norman, Jana Middleton, Johnny Paul Torres, Beth Short, Allen Carpenter, Perry Hunsaker, Barbara Light, Cami Downey, Sharla Ann Martin and Delton Pewitt.

Rhonda Rogers made the All Region Band. Jimmy Ticer and Cindy Basquez made alternates. They are in the Post High School band.

The W.C. Wilsons toured Greece and Israel. Mr and Mrs Henry Kissinger flew on the same flight home.

Hazel Sexton rites held Wednesday, January 14, at Terrace Cemetery. Leanna Davis on West Texas State University honor roll. Lois Blevens on Western Texas College honor roll.

Mrs. Ricky Bush was honored with a get acquainted coffee and shower Thursday.

January 21, 1971
30 Years Ago

Bruce Blanton has been named winner and first recipient of Boy Scout Troop 316's new Scout of the Year Award. It was presented to him by scoutmaster Silas Short.

Post will again play a \$2 bounty on stray dogs.

Mrs. Lois Williams has returned home from a six week's stay in Louisiana and Houston.

Don Jackson, a native of Post, has been named as an assistant football coach at Tulane University.

Four students from Post are on the Dean's Honor List at South Plains College. They are James Criswell, Garland Davis, Robert Pierce and Dicky Wallace.

SP4 Larry Dale Johnson has reported to Fort Bliss in El Paso after serving a years tour of duty in Vietnam.

Mr and Mrs Jerry Jolly visited in the home of Mr and Mrs Charlie Mas Holland of Tahoka Friday evening.

January 19, 1961
40 Years Ago

R.G. (Wilke) Wilkerson probably has the biggest flock of "tumblers" hereabouts. His hobby is raising Birmingham roller pigeons, better known as "tumblers."

A new arrival in Post was Gregory Milton Pollard born January 12.

Mack Terry of Post and Earl and Walton Terry of Tahoka were in Falcon this week on a fishing trip.

Mr and Mrs James Dye and Donna visited with her parents, Mr and Mrs Wood Byrd, in Clairemont, Sunday afternoon.

Weldon McGehee visited with his father and sister, B.J. McGehee and Jewell, in Lubbock, Sunday afternoon.

This week's sport personality is Benny Owen.

Ten students are on the all "A" honor roll at Lincoln Elementary. They are Wayne Mitchell, Evonne Wynn, Bobbie Johnson, Marchelle Hoyle, Edgar Earl Osby, Barbara Moore, Hulén Hoyle, Jr., Jim Henry Osby, Johnny Roberts and Robert Moreau.

January 18, 1951
50 Years Ago

New births are Joy Elaine Jones born January 16 and Allen Ross Stotts born January 13.

The Polio Drive gets underway here. It will last to January 31.

City accepts deed to park at South Lake.

Mrs. Delmo Gossett and twin daughters, Lana Joyce and Jana Loyce, came home Sunday from Lubbock Memorial Hospital.

Joyce Hunter celebrated her 22nd birthday at her home in San Anna this weekend.

Mrs. Vernon Ray, county school nurse, is back in the job after a siege with the mumps.

Mary Francis King of the Southland girls basketball team has scored 271 points this season.

Pearl Craig and Billie Jean Jackson of Garnolia visited in O'Donnell Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Claude Weathersbee and son of Floydada, spend the weekend with Mrs Weathersbee's parents, Mr and Mrs C.W. Terry.

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CITIZEN OF THE YEAR Eddie Warren (right) and Pauline were honored at the Post Chamber of Commerce banquet last Saturday evening. Warren established The Post Dispatch in June 1926 and has been active in community affairs throughout his adult life here.

From The Post Dispatch, Jan. 16, 1991

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Parchman Celebrate Fiftieth Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Parchman celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday with open house from 2 until 6 o'clock.

Children of the couple were hosts for the occasion. The Parchman's son, W. A., a prisoner of the Japanese for more than three years, who is a patient in the Veterans hospital in Albuquerque, N. M., attended. He and his wife returned to Albuquerque by plane Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Parchman were married at Annona in Red River county where they lived until 1907 before moving to Haskell county. In 1916 they moved to Dawson county and from there to Lubbock county, near Slaton. The couple moved to Justiceburg in 1936.

A beautifully decorated cake and coffee were served to 141 callers. Guests were from Post, Slaton, Lamesa, Snyder and Lubbock.

From The Post Dispatch, Nov. 11, 1951



SANTA BROUGHT DIFFERENT SIZES — Santa went to extremes with the modes of transportation of these two youngsters. Kent Duren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Duren sits atop his 6 foot unicycle, which he has mastered extremely well, as his nephew, Brandon Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Morris, is just beginning on his three wheeler. — (Staff Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, January 1, 1981



Weather stripping applied to the bottom of a rocking chair can keep it from marring a wood floor. It tends to keep the noise down, too.



FIRST 1981 BABY WINNER — Mrs. Jimmy Kennedy of Sundown holds her son, Zane Wesley Kennedy, winner of The Dispatch's First Baby of 1981 contest, for a Dispatch picture Sunday morning about 32 hours after the baby was born. (Staff Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, January 8, 1981

Grandma Brag Pages
Feb. 8, 2001
Deadline for photos: Feb. 2
\$5 (photo w/1 or 2 children),
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