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## Water flow expected from Slaton by mid-July

**by Wes Burnett**  
 Water may begin flowing through the pipeline from Slaton as early as mid-July, according to an Oller Engineering status report provided to the Post City Council at its regular meeting Tuesday, June 10.

Construction on the storage tanks at Slaton and Post are proceeding on schedule and are expected to be completed by early July.

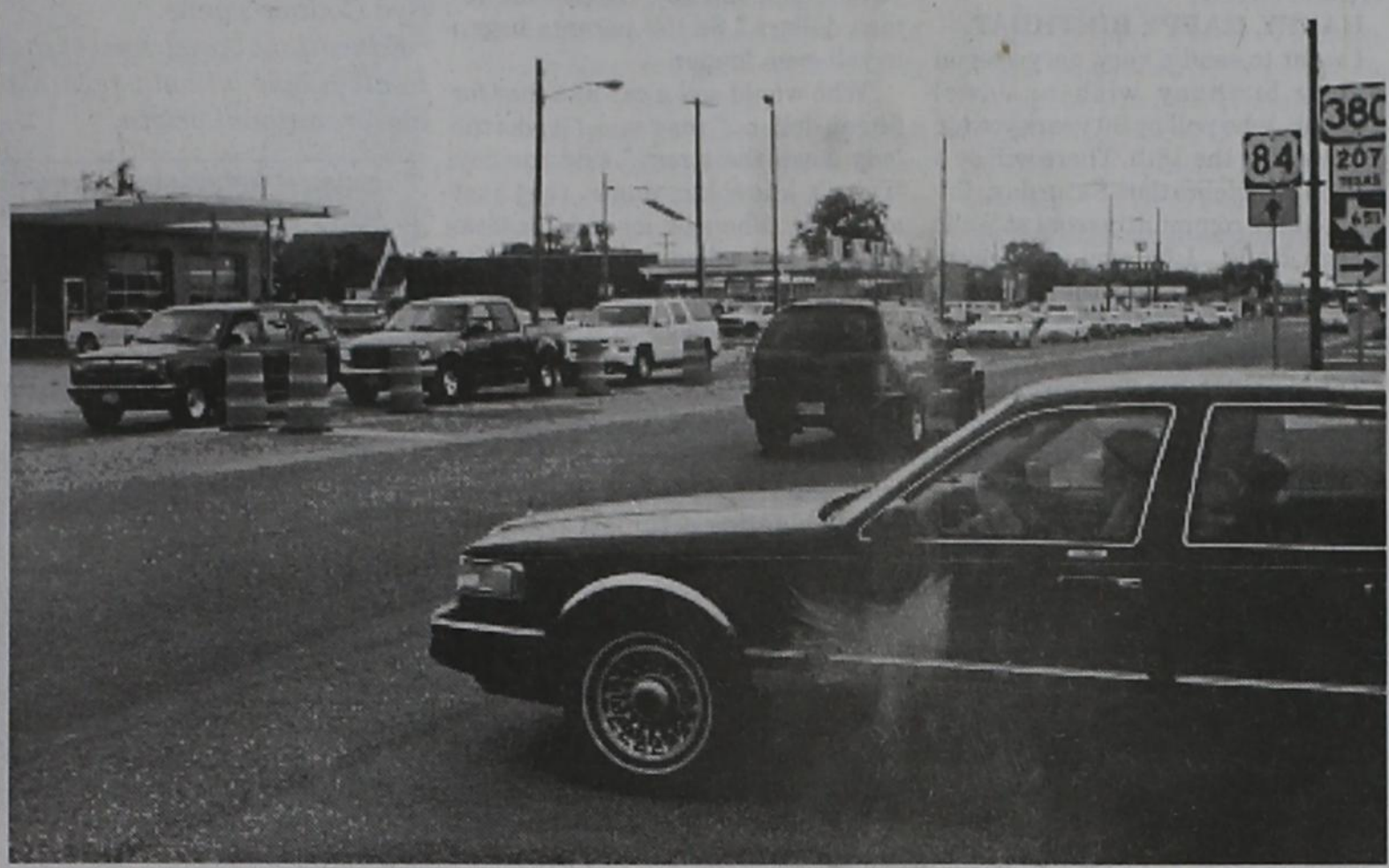
City officials also were informed that recent rainfall on the White River watershed has increased the level by six feet.

Mayor Archie Gill administered oaths of office to newly appointed fire marshal Mark Short and municipal judge Nelva Sybertz.

The city council approved a new franchise agreement with Atmos Energy and adopted a joint resolution with Garza County to enter into an intergovernmental agreement for emergency management.

City manager Fred Stephens reported that the revised increase in sales tax collections will begin October 1. Stephens informed the council that the State Comptroller had notified the city that all documents related to the recent election to increase the sales tax had been reviewed and accepted.

## Traffic jam in Post?



Who would have ever thought there'd be a traffic jam in Post? But, reality sinks in on Friday afternoons and Sunday evenings in Post with the current major reconstruction of U.S. Hwy 84. "It'll certainly be a great thing for us when it is finished," one highway merchant said, "but in the meantime it sure has slowed down our business." At times during big travel weekends, south bound traffic backs up to 15th Street, with north bound traffic backing up beyond the railroad overpass. Recent rains have delayed work, but the project is expected to continue for about 18 to 24 months.

## Music lovers ready for show

This year's Colgate Country Showdown will feature 10 talented acts competing for the chance at a \$100,000 prize and a recording contract. KPOS Radio in Post will, for the third year consecutive year, host The Colgate Country Showdown. The show begins at 7 p.m. Saturday, June 28 at the Garza Theatre, and features the popular local band, The Guthries as backup for

the contestants. Reserved seat tickets are on sale at the Garza Theatre at \$5 each. Call the box office at 495-4005 for tickets. "Better hurry, last year was a sell-out," KPOS Radio managing director Wes Burnett emphasizes, "we have a limited number of seats."

The winner here will advance to regional competition in Abilene. The Colgate Country Showdown is the nation's most prestigious professional country music talent show, which begins with local showdowns, where future country music stars seek to hone their skills and compete for \$100,000 in prize money and recording contract.

Cathy Whitten will serve again this year as Mistress of Ceremony. This year's talent for the show

includes the popular "Country Boys," who perform all over West Texas. Members of the Country Boys are O.L. (Ferg) Ferguson, Billy Cork and Tinker Carlen.

Other contestants are Lubbock singers Debbie Nelson, Keith Sanders, Karla King, Tammy Gibson; Megan Cheek of Abilene, Katelyn Hobson of El Paso, Ashley Rene Hatley of Post, Raelin Ogle of Abernathy and Venus Holmes of Littlefield.

The show will feature each of the acts performing two musical selections in two sets. Each act will perform one song, followed by a 15 minute intermission, then a second set will include each act's second selection.

A team of five impartial judges will determine the winner, using a weighted formula provided by the event national coordinators.

## Post Notes

### Child support information June 25

Judy McEachern, a representative of the State Attorney General's office, will provide information and answer questions about child support at 10 a.m., Wednesday, June 25 at the County Service Building on the Snyder Hwy. The public is invited.

### "The Lion, The Witch & the Wardrobe"

The latest Garza Theatre production, "The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe," continues this weekend. Based on the C.S. Lewis classic, the play is being directed by Mitchell Britton. Performances are June 20 and 21. Curtain times for Friday and Saturday performances is 8 p.m. The Sunday matinee performance begins at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$6 for children ages 6-12. For more information, contact the theatre's box office at 495-4005.

### Father/Daughter softball tourney

The First Annual "Whose Your Daddy" father/daughter softball tournament will be held Saturday, June 21 with a \$100 entry fee per team. Each team will consist of five daughters and five fathers. Deadline for registration is June 18. For more information contact Ysabel Overton at 806-543-3603 or Christina Jones at 629-4092. All proceeds benefit the Girls' Little League softball team.

### Vacation Bible school set

The First United Methodist Church, Bethel Assembly of God, Church of the Nazarene and Family Harvest will sponsor SCUBA (Super Cool Undersea Bible Adventure) vacation Bible school June 23-27. The week-long event will run from 9 a.m. to noon daily. For more information, call the FUMC office at 495-2942 or e-mail ulazysranch@aol.com.

### First Baptist Church 'Street Carnival'

The First Baptist Church has set July 2 from 6-8 p.m. for its Vacation Bible School "Street Carnival." The event will register children (kindergarten through fifth grade) for the Vacation Bible School.

### Calvary Baptist Church benefit sale

The Calvary Baptist Church at 6th and Avenue H has set Saturday, June 28 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for its garage sale and bake sale to help with replacing the sanctuary roof. Call 495-3342 or 495-2342 for more information.

### July 4th booth operators sought

Booth rental spaces at this year's July 4th Celebration at the park are being accepted, call 495-3069. Booths are needed for food and games. The July 4th Celebration will also include live music, decorated bike parade and fireworks. A drawing for a television set and quilt will be held, as well as an auction of items to benefit MAD DADS.

### MAD DADS youth center summer hours

The MAD DADS youth center summer hours are Monday, noon to 6 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Friday and Saturday nights the youth center will open 7:30 p.m. to midnight. Additional hours will be announced following summer baseball.

### County oral history project

The Garza County Oral History Project is seeking volunteers to assist in preserving local history. All necessary supplies and equipment, along with training, are available. Volunteers will be asked to help only a few hours each month. Call 495-4148 for more information and to volunteer.

### Family Night at the swimming pool

Dollar Family Night at the Post Public Swimming Pool has been changed to Friday nights. Hours are 6 to 8 p.m. Call 495-1066 for more information.

## Mosquito problem rests on property owners

**by Wes Burnett**

Don't bother calling City Hall to complain about mosquitoes at your place, the city has been notified by the State Department of Health to "cease spraying" until it meets state licensing requirements.

City Manager Fred Stephens informed The Post Dispatch Tuesday that the city is doing all it can to find alternative spraying methods, but until then, residents need to take corrective action in their own neighborhoods.

Stephens said that city staff would be enforcing ordinances related to health concerns, including vacant lots with tall weeds.

The best way to control mosquitoes is to keep grass mowed and empty all containers, which collect water. Mosquitoes cannot multiply with a lot of sunlight. A lot of the problems here stem from high grass and weeds and standing water.

Stephens emphasized that the city has made numerous attempts to find other methods of spraying, and may contract with an aerial applicator to spray early morning. Other area cities were contacted to see if they had qualified applicators, but Stephens found out that Post is not alone in this problem.

"City personnel are working toward qualification, but this will take several weeks," he added.

Mosquito control starts at home.



Katelyn Hobson



Keith Sanders



Garza Theatre's "The Lion, The Witch And The Wardrobe" cast are (back row, left to right) Mikey Gonzales, Jason Porter, Valerie Conner, Charlie holt, Shawn Merritt, Casey Myers, Christopher Payne, Anna Davis, (middle row) Jay Young, Tuti Wales, Kristin Thomas, Tana Starkey, Lori Holt, Joshua Blevins, (front row) Mitchell Britton, Kelsey Wimmer, Holly Baker, Leslie Woodard, Ricky Reyna and Cathy Wilson.



Cast members at the Garza Theatre's current production of "The Lion, The Witch And The Wardrobe" are (back row, left to right) Danielle Beltran, Asa Rutherford, Zackery Kocurek, Phillip Rudy, Allie Foster, Clarissa Baker, (middle row, Nolan Bryan, Tianna Reyna, Lindsey Morrow, Paula Matster, Gini Woodard, Savannah Baker, Ronnie Woodard, (front row) Madison Bryan, Phyneshia Rutherford, Alissa Morrow, Michael Porter and Taylor Blevins.

# Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy (Ballentine) Bush

Hey everyone, Hope all you "Fathers" out there had a great day Sunday. Let me again say "sorry" for no "Jabberin'" last week. Just too many things going on!



### EDITH

Last week was really a sad one for me. As you know, Edith Crispin passed away last week. Edith was at one time my mother-in-law. She never seemed like an ex. Our families decided early on to remain friends so that the kids would not feel in the middle and we were able to do that. I'm thankful. Edith had been a Post

resident from the age of two, attending school here and remained here to run a successful business. It was nice to here all of the treasured memories her grandchildren recalled and the impact she had on their lives. I will miss Edith as I know her kids and grandchildren will. My sympathies and prayers to all of them.

### BRIGHTER NOTE

On a brighter note, Rick and I have a new grandson. Skyler Crispin was born June 10 and weighed six pounds, seven ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. Kelly and Corina are very proud of him as are his brothers and sisters.

### HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY

I want to send a very, very special happy birthday wish to Jewel Parrish, who will be 90 years young, Wednesday the 18th. There will be a birthday celebration Saturday, the 21st, at the community room at Wells Fargo Bank, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Jewel, I hope and pray that you have a wonderful day!!!

### Texas Quarters

The United States Treasury has announced they are recalling the new Texas quarters. "We are recalling all of the new Texas quarters that were recently issued," Treasury Undersecretary Russell Shackelford said in a press conference Monday.

"This comes in the wake of numerous reports to this agency that the quarters will not work in parking meters, toll booths, vending machines, pay phones or other coin-operated devices."

"We believe the problem lies in a design flaw," said Shackelford. The winning design for the Texas quarter was submitted by Texas A & M student William Doutrieux.

"Apparently, the duct tape holding the two dimes and nickel together keeps jamming the coin-operated devices," (sent by Gene Posey who got it from Barbara Gossett!)

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Happy 30th anniversary to Dan and LeAnne Hodges. I believe their anniversary was Monday. If not correct me.

### NEW ADDITION

Rick and I, along with Ronnie and Trish Metsgar, drove to Southland Saturday night to have steaks and listen to Ferg and the band. They had a new addition.

Bill Harp (Jackie's dad) played with them Saturday night showing off his talent on the harmonica. Now I also heard Ferg call them French Harps, so I don't know what the proper name is, but I tell you, Mr. Harp can play!!! Don't care what you call them.

We all really enjoyed the music and the steaks were out of this world! If you are a steak lover and a music lover, you can't go wrong at the Southland Cafe on Saturday night.

### RELAY FOR LIFE

I hear the Relay for Life was a big success. Congrats to all that took part for such a great cause.

### TOO FUNNY NOT TO PRINT

A fifteen year old boy came home with a Porsche and his parents began to yell and scream. "Where did you get that car?" He calmly told them, "I bought it today". "With what money?" demanded the parents. "Well," said the boy, "It cost me fifteen dollars." So the parents began to yell even louder.

"Who would sell a car like that for fifteen dollars?" they said. "It was the lady down the street," said the boy. "I don't know her name, they just moved in. She saw me ride past on my bike and asked me if I wanted to buy a Porsche for fifteen dollars." "Dear God," moaned the mother, "she must be a child abuser. Who knows what she will do next?"

So the boy's father waded up the streep to the house where the lady lived and found her out in the yard calmly planting petunias!

He introduced himself as the father of the boy to whom she sold the Porsche for fifteen dollars and demanded to know why she did it. "Well," she said, "this morning I got a phone call from my husband. I thought he was on a business trip, but it seems he has run off to Hawaii with his secretary and doesn't intend to come back."

He asked me to see his new Porsche and send him the money. "So I did." (Are women good or what?)

### TILL NEXT WEEK

Hope all of you have a great weekend. Sounds as though we may get more rain. I hope all of the farmers can get that cotton in the ground and the rain is not too heavy. May God bless each of you. See you next week.

## Kasey Hardin earns honors at UNT

Kasey Hardin, a Post High School graduate, has been named to the President's List after having earned a GPA of 4.0 on her spring 2003 course load at the University of North Texas.

In addition to her academic achievements, Hardin is a member of the Lady Eagle Golf Team and has been named to the Sun Belt Conference Academic Honor Roll.

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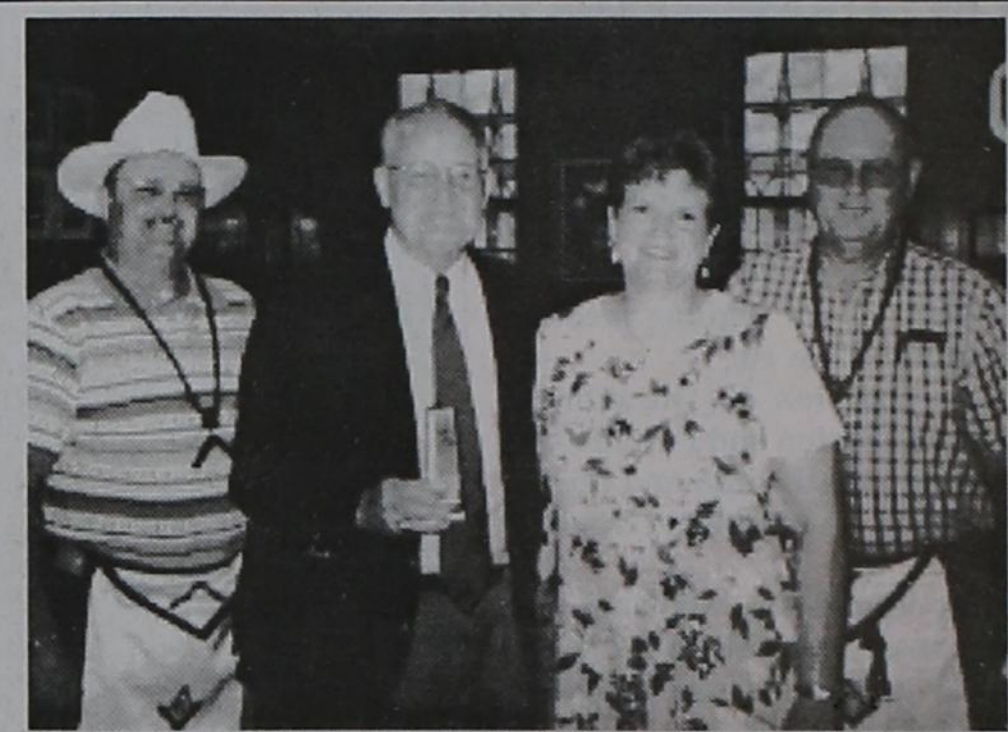
## Garza County 4-H Trap Shoot.....

.....June 21, 2003 at Monk Palmer's 2 Lazy 2 P Gun Club nine miles West of Post on Highway 380. Registration is at 8:00 a.m., shoot begins at 9:00 a.m.. For more information contact Ray Mason at 495-2776 or Mark Kirkpatrick at 495-2235.

### Steer Deadline/Validation

Anyone interested in showing steers need to contact Greg Jones at 495-4400. State steer validation will be June 24, 2003, 5:00 p.m. at Syd Conner's pens.

Educational programs of the Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.



Dr. Bobby Bain (second from left) presented the "Community Builder Award" recently by the Post Lodge 1058 Masonic Order. Making the presentation were W.M. Benji Smith (left) and Secretary Archie Gill (right). Debbie Bain joined her husband in the ceremony. Dr Bain recently retired as superintendent of the Post ISD.

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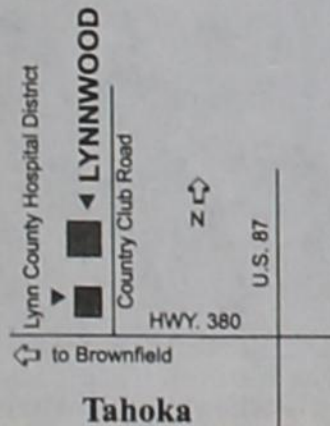
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Jerry and Sheri Riedel celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary June 18, 2003. They also renewed their wedding vows that day. Their children and grandchildren shared the anniversary celebration.



### Living on the Edge of the Caprock by Greg Jones, CEA-AG

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

#### Garden Checklist for June, 2003

Check plants for insects and diseases. Destroy badly infested plants. Spider mites can be especially troublesome at this time. Select a chemical or organic control, or use insecticidal soap.

Supplemental irrigation is essential for many ornamental plants such as coleus, caladium, geranium, dahlia, azalea, and camellia during the hot, dry summer days ahead. Water lawn and garden thoroughly, but not too frequently.

During the summer, soil moisture becomes extremely important and essential for good plant production. A good mulch will retain valuable moisture needed for plant growth, and improve overall gardening success. Mulches are usually applied 2 to 6 inches deep, depending on the material used.

There is still time to plant some of the colorful, heat-tolerant summer annuals. Direct-seed zinnias and portulaca, and purchase plants of periwinkle, salvia, marigold, and purslane. Be sure to water transplants as needed until roots become established.

Removing faded flowers from plants before they set seed will keep them growing and producing flowers. A light application of fertilizer every 4 to 6 weeks will also be helpful.

House plants can be moved out of doors this month. Sink the pots in a cool, shaded garden bed to prevent them from drying out so quickly. Water pots, container plants, and hanging baskets often.

Now is the time to plan for next spring. Consider digging and dividing any crowded spring bulbs. Once the bulbs have matured and the foliage has turned brown, it is time to spade them up and thin out the stand. Crowded bulbs produce fewer and smaller blooms. They usually need thinning every 3 to 4 years.

June is the time to select daylily varieties as they reach their peak of bloom.

Fertilize roses every 4 to 6 weeks. Apply a high-nitrogen fertilizer immediately after a flush of bloom.

Continue to spray susceptible roses with a black-spot control such as Funginex every 7 to 10 days.

Re-blooming salvias, such as Salvia greggii and S. Farinacea, should be pruned back periodically during the summer. To make the job easier, use hedging shears, and remove only the spent flowers and a few inches of stem below.

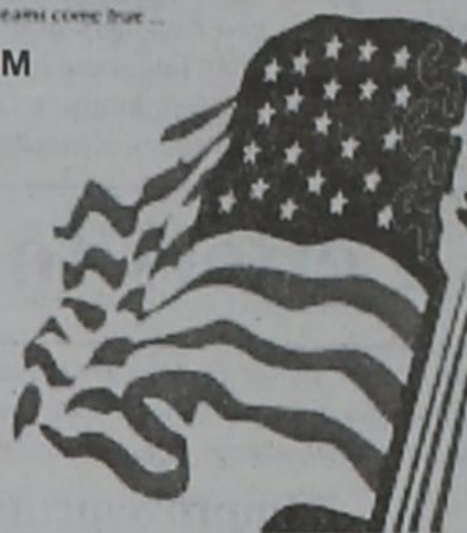
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### Post students graduate at Texas Tech

Two Post residents were among the 1,900 students awarded degrees at Texas Tech University's spring commencement exercises May 17 in the United Spirit Arena.

Amber Joy Basinger received a master's degree in soil science, while Tye Reed Haney was awarded a bachelor's degree in animal science.

### PHS grads excel at TTU

Five local residents were named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Honorees included Clay Lindsey Ashley, a senior studying agriculture and applied economics; Anthony J. Dickman, a freshman telecommunications major; Melissa Rene McCleskey, a junior multidisciplinary studies major; Laci Dawn Williams, a sophomore English major; and Luke Aaron Williams, a junior English major.

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# Obituaries

## John Albert Taylor

Services for John Albert "Johnny" Taylor, 46, of Lubbock were held at 3 p.m. Friday, June 13, 2003, in the Hudman Funeral Home. He died at his home June 10. He was born Oct. 1, 1956, in Lindsay, Okla. Survivors include two daughters, Katrina Taylor of Dallas and Angela Arp of Wiley; two sons, Jonathan Taylor and Jeremy Taylor, both of Wiley; his former wife, Connie Taylor of Wiley; four brothers, Donald of Brownfield, Terry of Granbury, Billy of Ropesville and Stephen of Meadow; and one sister, Dayna Sefcik of Austin.

# Letters to the Editor

*Letters to the Editor Policy: We require all letters to be signed. Letters may be edited for brevity, grammar and punctuation. Opinions expressed in Letters to the Editor do not necessarily reflect those of The Post Dispatch nor its staff.*

## Improvements at local clinic

Please accept my sincere appreciation for your help in placing the recent EMT Appreciation Week advertisement. The volunteer EMTs are vital to Post and to Garza County. I hope to be able to show this kind of support and more to our EMTs in future years.

You may be interested to know that there has been a renewed showing of support for our EMTs in the past year. This support has been shown by expressions of thanks to the volunteers as well as through donations to help the EMTs pay for training.

Basic training for an EMT currently runs about \$600. For Intermediate and Paramedic training, the cost to these volunteers increases up to \$1,500. The EMTs must pay this cost up front, out-of-pocket, and pay for other items, such as their uniforms, so that they may volunteer.

As often as funds allow, the Post Hospital Foundation, managed by its appointed, non-paid board of directors and assisted by Garza County Health Care District, assists the EMTs by providing scholarships to pay for their training once the EMTs have completed the required showing of participation to the local ambulance service.

There are several local businesses and individuals who make this possible by contributing to the City-Council Ambulance Service through tax-deductible donations made to the Post Hospital Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit corporation. All amounts are appreciated, and the donor may place restrictions on any funds given to the foundation. For example, many donors stipulate that the funds be used for EMT scholarships.

In future EMT appreciation ads, the names of those who donate throughout the year will also be listed, unless a request is received that indicates that the donor wishes to remain anonymous.

Please contact me if you would like more information regarding assisting the EMTs or donating to the Post Hospital Foundation. Thank you.

Tanya L. Boucher Interim Administrator Garza County Health Care District

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## Seeking help with drive-in movie history

I am working on a project regarding the Texas drive-in movie theaters. My intentions with this project are to chronicle as much history about our drive-in theaters before much is forgotten.

This has been an ongoing process for the last four years. I now need help from people who remember the drive-ins from their towns.

I would appreciate any history on the local drive-in, pictures, old advertising, memories or stories from their drive-in days as a youth or adult. Maybe you were the owner or worked at the local drive-in - your input would be greatly appreciated!

Credit for your input will be given in the book project when it is finished.

Thank you for your interest in this project!  
D. Perry 659 S. Madison Giddings, TX 78942 979-542-9225  
driveinfan@totalaccess.net

## Opposes big spending at LAH

The Post Dispatch reports at the June 9, 2003, commissioner's court meeting preliminary plans were presented for a 7,000-square-foot emergency services building at Lake Alan Henry with an unofficial price tag of \$760,000. No figures were quoted for maintenance and operation costs after the construction of the building, purchase of the equipment and staffing.

Why would Garza County Commissioners even consider such a project?

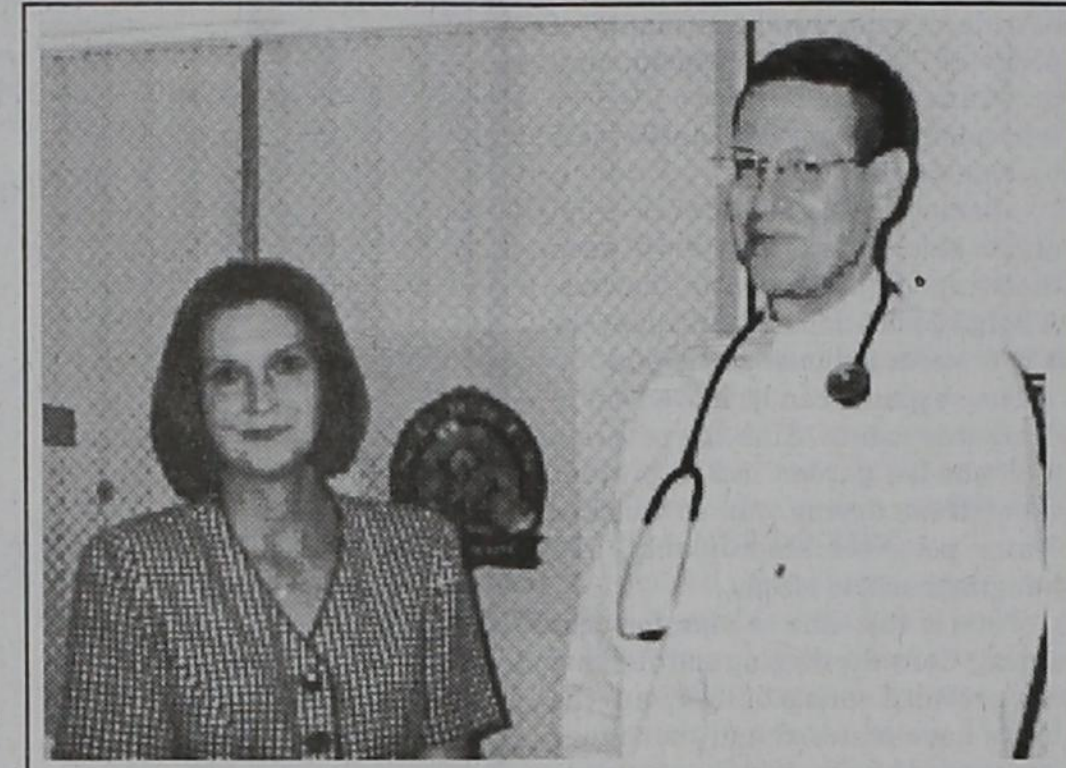
Lake Alan Henry belongs to the City of Lubbock. If emergency medical equipment and firefighting equipment is needed, Lubbock should provide same. Lubbock already has in place the ability to create revenue from those of us who have Lubbock Power & Light utility accounts and from Alan Henry gate receipts.

Terry Bartlett is quoted as saying the plan will be written so as to be eligible for a grant. Great news! Grants also come from taxpayers' pockets.

Garza County has already accepted the responsibility for law enforcement at Lake Alan Henry, and previous financial reports indicate that the monetary requirements for this operation have not always been fully reimbursed by the City of Lubbock.

It is my sincere hope that preliminary is the operative word here. Good fiscal management by the Court will be demonstrated if this plan is never developed by Garza County.

Mozelle E. Rogers



PNS Clinic manager Vicki Gray (left) and Dr Scott Bergfeld greeted visitors to the recent open house.

## Sgt Greg Smith serving with 82nd Airborne in Afghanistan

Sgt. Gregory D. Smith entered the United States Army in July of 2000 as an enlisted soldier. He was assigned to Company B 2nd Battalion 58th Infantry, Fort Benning, Georgia, where he completed basic training in October.

The following November, he was assigned to Company C 1st Battalion 507th Parachute Infantry, where he completed Airborne Training otherwise known as "jump school", so that he could become a paratrooper.

Finally, he was assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina where he has been stationed since December of 2000.

While stationed at Fort Bragg, Sgt. Smith completed the 82nd Airborne Division Pre-Ranger Course Class 9-02 in June of 2002. He was immediately sent back to Fort Benning, Georgia where he successfully completed the Ranger Course in September of 2002.

Recently, Sgt. Smith graduated from PLDC (Professional Leadership Development Course) in order to be promoted to E-5 which is his current rank.

Sgt. Gregory D. Smith, is a current and active member of the 82nd Airborne Parachute Infantry Regiment, and as such was deployed January 17, 2003, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom Afghanistan.

Sgt Smith left behind his devoted wife Tonya Smith and beloved daughter, Kiersten Taylor Smith. He is the son of: Eunice and Roger McMillan of Lubbock; Roy Smith of Colorado; Valton Stephens of Tahoka; and Jacky and Thessa Harp of Post.

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# The Hillary Chronicles

by Bill O'Reilly



Well, I've finally figured out the sphinx that is Hillary Clinton. It took me years, but I think I've solved the mystery based upon the best available evidence: her own words. The final clue in my piecing together this fascinating puzzle was the senator's mention of a meeting with Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis. That's when it all crystallized for me.

First the setup. There is no way on earth that a woman as intelligent as Hillary Clinton could not have understood the weakness and the true character of her husband, even if he did look like a Viking at one time. Bill Clinton is not a subtle man. He loves adulation, and he loves women. You don't need a Ph.D. to add it up.

And the figures appeared with regularity, beginning with Mr. Clinton's 1992 admission on "60 Minutes" that he had "brought pain to the marriage." I guess you could interpret the statement as Roger Clinton being invited to the wedding, but that would be a stretch.

Anyway, over the years, various women showed up with mercenary tales of bad behavior by Bill. There were tape recordings, depositions and, finally, presidential admissions of fooling around. Barney Fife could have figured this one out. Mr. Clinton liked the ladies, and his ability to resist temptation was, well, in the Jim Bakker category.

So for Hillary Clinton to claim she was shocked and awed by her husband's admission in the Lewinsky affair is disingenuous and makes her look silly. If she didn't have suspicions in this matter, do we really want her protecting us from Al Qaeda?

The truth, as I see it, is that Hillary Clinton did not want to know about her husband's hobbies. She has made an accommodation that she has every right to make. Don't tell me that Jackie Kennedy was clueless about JFK's antics. And even though Hillary claims the two talked about clothing, I'll bet you a peach pants suit there were other subjects broached in that conversation as well.

Look at it this way. Both Hillary and Jackie led charmed lives in the White House. They traveled the globe on private jets, met fascinating people and received the affection of the world. Both ladies acquired fame, prestige and power, which Hillary, in particular, relishes. It was a wonderful life, why disturb it with a close examination of your husband's conduct?

Millions of Americans have made this same trade-off, and that is completely their business. But if you do enter into that bargain, don't play the victim when it blows up. I believe Hillary when she says, using the most unemotional cliché possible, that she wanted to "wring his neck." Sure, she did. Because her husband had embarrassed her in front of the world. That was not part of the bargain.

The problem with Hillary Clinton is that she is putting forth a facade — she will not define herself as a real person. Thus, her enemies can continue to hammer her, while her supporters paint her as a feminine icon, fighting the good fight.

Both groups are wrong. Senator Clinton is simply a woman who wants power. That's it. And she is willing to make accommodations to secure that power. This is not unheard of in the world of politics.

I'll back up my analysis by citing a question from Barbara Walters, who asked Mrs. Clinton: What if your husband does it again? Hillary didn't even pause: "That's between us," she answered. No emotion, no hesitation, no doubt.

Hillary Clinton is now the most powerful woman in America. She has a chance to become president. She has two multi-million dollar homes, a swanky office on Capitol Hill, a Praetorian Guard of Secret Service agents, a daughter who loves her and a fan base of millions.

Monica Lewinsky? Come on. Veteran TV news anchor Bill O'Reilly is host of the Fox News show "The O'Reilly Factor" and author of the new book "The No Spin Zone," in addition to last year's best-selling book "The O'Reilly Factor: The Good, the Bad, and the Completely Ridiculous." To find out more about Bill O'Reilly, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com). This column originates on the Web site [www.billoreilly.com](http://www.billoreilly.com).

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## Is this the America we want?

by Walter E. Williams



Oreo cookies should be banned from sale to children in California. That's according to Stephen Joseph, who filed a lawsuit against Nabisco last month in California's Marin County Superior Court. Oreo cookies contain trans fat, an ingredient that makes the cookies crisp and their filling creamy. Joseph says that trans fat is so dangerous that our children should be protected from it.

Last year, Los Angeles Unified School District voted unanimously to ban the sale of soft drinks at all of the district's 677 schools. They said the new rule, scheduled to go into effect January 2004, will improve the health of its 736,000 students, of whom a recent survey of 900 of them found 40 percent to be obese.

New York lawyer Samuel Hirsch and George Washington University's Professor John F. Banzhaf brought lawsuits against fast food restaurants Burger King, McDonald's, Wendy's and Kentucky Fried Chicken. Hirsch and Banzhaf contend that these fast food restaurants are responsible for obesity; they ignore the fact that two-thirds of all meals are served at home.

The Washington-based Center for Science in the Public Interest (CSPI) also demands government control of what we eat. It calls for excise taxes on fatty foods, additional taxes on cars and television sets, and a doubling of the excise tax on beer. By making cars and televisions more expensive, it thinks it will force people to walk more and stop being couch potatoes.

CSPI's Michael Jacobson said, "We could envision taxes on butter, potato chips, whole milk, cheeses (and) meat." CSPI wants the tax revenues earmarked for government-sponsored exercise programs.

These tyrannical schemes also have government support. According to a Consumer Freedom article ([www.consumerfreedom.com](http://www.consumerfreedom.com)), former USDA spokesman John Webster said, "Right now, this anti-obesity campaign is in its infancy. ... (We) want to turn people around and give them assistance in eating nutritious foods."

The anti-obesity campaign might seem preposterous and amusing

were it not for the successes of the anti-tobacco campaign premised on the idea that individuals are not responsible for their choices. It's a logical follow-up: Food producers, not people themselves, are responsible for overindulgence. Since we have socialized medicine, obesity adds to the nation's health-care costs through its contribution to obesity-related health problems such as diabetes, cancer and cardiovascular disease. According to the food Nazis, that means government has a stake in controlling what we eat.

Americans salute the results of the anti-tobacco campaign that brought successful multibillion-dollar suits against tobacco companies and levied steep tobacco taxes. In some jurisdictions, such as New York City, taxes have led to the tripling of cigarette prices, not to mention the creation of black markets. I'm wondering whether my fellow Americans would like the food Nazi campaign to produce the same outcome. In other words, how would we like taxes that create \$10 hamburgers, \$5 cans of beer and \$12 for a pound of Oreo cookies?

Maybe as an alternative to taxes, there might be a call for laws similar to what's called the Dram Shop Act in some states, which prohibits the sale of alcohol to intoxicated persons. Applied to food, that law might ban the sale of hamburgers and fries to a fat person, or a mandate that scales be placed in front of cash registers where a customer is weighed prior to a sale.

Instead of hamburgers and fries, an overweight customer is offered a tasty salad, instead. Instead of suing Nabisco to stop children from eating Oreos, we might have a law requiring proof of age prior to purchase. We could use endangering minors law to exact stiff penalties against parents who gave Oreos to their children.

The anti-obesity movement is simply another step down the road to serfdom and, what's worse, Americans are voluntarily assisting the nation's tyrants.

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## Conservative conundrum

by Sheldon Richman

Conservatives become more inscrutable every day. They spend half their time praising the federal government for its miracles in Iraq (and, if they get their way, in Iran) and the other half of their time ridiculing the Democrats for thinking that the same federal government can provide medical insurance for everyone.

Sean Hannity, the hottest conservative property these days on radio and cable television, did just this one evening in May on his Fox television program. First, he raved about the government's efficacy in Iraq; then he bashed the Democrats for thinking that the government, "which never gets anything right," can become everyone's health insurer.

Which is it, conservatives?

There are excellent reasons for rejecting any attempt by the government to take over health insurance. Politicians will begin by making grand promises, but they will end up creating shortages and shoddy medical services and imposing restrictions on people seeking those services. Just examine the various plans being floated by the would-be Democratic presidential candidates. Sen. John Kerry, for example, promises to cut costs while extending coverage to nearly everyone. When you hear a politician talk about cutting the costs of a service provided in the private sector, run in the other direction. It means price controls, and nothing is more devastating and disruptive than price controls. Moreover, nothing better shows a politician's ignorance of basic economics.

The price system is essential for coordinating supply and demand. It is what helps prevent unfulfilled demand and unwanted supply. Prices are signals to entrepreneurs that carry vital information about what people want and what resources are available. Socialist economies cannot function because they either abolish prices or so badly distort them that they cannot perform their role.

Government control of prices is a policy deliberately aimed at distorting those signals. Unsurprisingly, they wreak havoc in any market. Where there are price ceilings, there are shortages and shoddy goods and services. Remember that, when you hear a candidate promise to control the costs of medical services and insurance.

Another problem with these proposals is that they misconstrue the purpose for insurance. Were it not for the daffy tax code, people would use medical insurance only to prevent being wiped out financially by a catastrophic illness or injury. Using insurance for every routine doctor visit is like using auto insurance for oil changes. It's not worth it — unless you can get someone else to pay the premiums. That's what medical insurance is designed to do today.

(People still pay the premiums; they're just well hidden.)

So the conservatives are correct. It is futile for government to try to make medical care widely available. Free markets are the best route to that destination. (Too bad President Bush does not know this.) Then why do conservatives think the government can do something more complex, such as turning Iraq into a modern, enlightened polity? They seem to think the American military can work magic. It can't.

Societies are so complex that no one can plan them, not even the brilliant civilian and military minds that run the U.S. government. If the Iraqis are going to have society in which individual rights (including property rights) are respected, in which the rule of law prevails, and in which power is strictly limited, they are going to have to discover those things for themselves. Liberalism (in the original pro-freedom sense) cannot be force-fed. Attempting it will only breed resentment and resistance. The U.S. government is already seen as an occupier in Iraq. This will only get worse.

The conservatives don't get it. Years ago the quintessential conservative columnist, George Will, pointed out a conundrum: if conservatives say that government is incompetent when it comes to controlling prices and wages, who will believe them when they say that the government can do things such as overthrow Castro? (This was written when Saddam Hussein was still a U.S. ally.)

We can turn that question around: if conservatives insist that the government can build a nation in Iraq, who will believe them when they say the government can't run the health-care system?

Sheldon Richman is senior fellow at The Future of Freedom Foundation in Fairfax, Va., author of *Tethered Citizens: Time to Repeal the Welfare State*, and editor of *Ideas on Liberty* magazine.

### War is barbarism

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# Yesteryears

10 Years Ago  
June 9, 1993

The Treasure Chest antique shop was welcomed to the Post business district during ribbon cutting ceremonies held Tuesday, June at the shop on Main Street. The new business is owned by Charles Mannas.

Jewell Parrish will be honored for her 80th birthday on June 13 at the Community Room at the First National Bank of Post.

The Rev. Robert P. (Bob) Green will begin his ministry at the First United Methodist Church in Post on Sunday, June 13.

Cammie Lea Gray and Robert Clayton Holmes were married Feb. 14 in Arlington. The bride is the daughter of Junior and Carolyn Gray of Graham and the granddaughter of Reba Jones of Post.

Mayor Jackson had special praise for the city crews who recently completed an unpleasant task at the city's sewage lagoons south of town. Workers used a special truck to break up a foot thick layer of sludge at the city's sewage treatment plant. According to Jackson, having city workers perform the task saved the city a considerable amount of money.

20 Years Ago  
June 12, 1983

Fifty years on the road back was covered into days and nights, when 19 graduates and the principal of the 1933 graduating class met in Post. Those attending were: Juaniece (Cartwright) Hays; Darrell Jones; Mary Frances (Robinson) Peddy; Evelyn (Pettigrew) Rhea; C. W. Harper; Agnes (Pickett) Mueller; Mary Annice (White) Whitt; Odee (Roberts) Kemp; Joan (Thompson) Roof; Lodesca (Harper) Cobb; Arnold Pickett; Irene (Hawthorne) Day; Velma (Curb) Wilson; Surman Clark; Bunk Floyd; Kent Presson; Lucille (Sims) Richardson; Sybil (Marable) Cockrum; and Mattie M. (Ferguson) Shropshire.

Pamela Propst Barber, daughter of Charles and Rhea Propst has been named to the Dean's Honor List at South Plains College for the 1983 spring semester.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hester, Sr., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kim, to Scotty Copeland. The couple plan an August 12 wedding.

Announcing: Susan Fumagalli is now at Modern Beauty Shop on Tuesdays & Wednesday.

Remodeling and restoration of the building most commonly known as the "Double U Building" downtown started last week, with work centering on the upstairs in the early stages. Owned by Mayor Giles McCrary, the building will be restored on the outside to its original appearance, including the removal of the tile front.

30 Years Ago  
June 14, 1973

The Rev. Jim O'Connor, a native of Ireland who has been in this country just three years, is scheduled to arrive in Post this weekend as pastor of the Holy Cross Catholic Church.

The city, county and hospital district are jointly studying the problem of how best to establish some sort of government-financed emergency ambulance service for the Garza County area, now that the Hudman Funeral Home has announced it doesn't have the manpower to maintain such

emergency service in the future. Tom Ivey, who purchased the Corner Barber Shop from Ed Blanton and now operates it on a Tuesday through Saturday basis, came to Post with lots of experience barbering at Seagraves and Denver City.

Billy Max Gordon, a Post High School graduate, has accepted a coaching position at Hamilton High School, where he did his student teaching this spring while attending Tarleton State College at Stephenville.

40 Years Ago  
June 13, 1963

Mr. and Mrs. Julius E. Tanner were installed as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of the Post Chapter, 206, Order of Eastern Star, in an open ceremony at the Masonic Hall.

Local insurance men reported this week damage was relatively small in Friday night's record deluge which dumped almost five and one-half inches of wind-driven rain and hail on Post in approximately 75 minutes.

Progress reports from the big White River dam project continue to be good with all construction slated to be completed virtually by the end of the summer.

Narcotics, which would be worth up to \$1,000 on the black market, were stolen from the Clinic Pharmacy Friday night. The pharmacy was closed recently and the entire stock, except for the narcotics, already had been moved to the Post Pharmacy, owned and operated by Bob Sinner and Frank Blanton.

Johnny Haire, Southland sprinter, has received a track scholarship from Howard County Junior College in Big Spring.

50 Years Ago  
June 11, 1953

Members of the Post City Commission and City Park Board heard a report on the park project and possibilities of constructing a swimming pool at the 31-acre site.

Four Post High School student took part in the choral and band concert at Texas tech in Lubbock, ending the annual Summer Choir School and Summer Band School. Sing in the 60-voice choir were Gaylord Anderson, Glenda Askins and Natalee Tracy. Tommy Mayfield of the Post High School band played in the concert band.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Maddox announce the birth of a daughter, born June 6 at Slaton Mercy Hospital. She was named Vickie Kay. Mrs. Marie McClelland and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Maddox are the grandparents.

Neal Francis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Burney Francis, along with other members of the First Presbyterian Church School presented a Revised Standard Version of the Holy Bible to Garza Memorial Hospital.

Two Post men, R. Justice and M. J. Malouf, were slightly injured about noon last Thursday when the automobile driven by Malouf collided with a panel truck in Lubbock. The Post men were in Lubbock on business at the time of the accident.

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# C.W. Post traveled in high style...

Editor's Note: The following story about C.W. Post is from the collection at the Garza County Historical Museum.

Retirement never came to C.W. Post though the attempt was made as early as 1900 and up through 1905, at which time Post City activities began to absorb much of his time and energy. It would have been impossible to withdraw from a scene where labor, political, merchandising and manufacturing problem called for comments or active participation.



It mattered not whether comments were made upon any issue, he was front page news. The private family automobile caused more news coverage (however distorted) than perhaps a national incident might have caused.

Post purchased a car seen on display in one of the automobile shows in 1908. When the first long tour was taken with his wife and Mr. and Mrs. H.B. Herd, newmen throughout the country were alerted to "cover it" and wire back a description of this "palatial touring car."

Obviously no two reporters arrived at the same conclusions or descriptions. Several papers carried headlines with varying ideas of what the car did contain; some called it a veritable Pullman car with hidden beds, costing \$25,000.00.

Fortunately, the original bill remains in the private files. There is no doubt it would have caused comment in the year 1908, but specifications do not indicate all that was accredited to it. The car was a Pierce Arrow, 66 H.P., 12 feet between wheels, heavy leather upholstery, 2 trunks on top, 4 trunks on the rear, hot and cold water in the tonneau, compartment for food storage and service hampers, a "convenience" in the tonneau, telephone connection, whole thing to be painted old coach yellow and black, total cost \$8,250.00.

For the era, a telephone connection alone would have caused considerable gawking of the populace, and the "convenience" brought forth many snide remarks, hence there is no doubt that it was news. At that date the American highways of hard surface were few and far between, most roads were gravel at best, and most assuredly there was little to be had in the way of conveniences between towns.

The overland tourist went prepared for any emergency, with equipment to include pick and shovel, tow chains and extra gasoline, fully prepared to pay the local farmer to bring the horse and pull the car out of deep mire. Old timers can tell stories of many holes purposely dug by the local farmer, since a tow fee was not picked up every day—the horse was still the master of the road in 1908.

\*C.W. POST THE HOUR AND THE MAN BY NETTIE L. MAJOR

In January of 1907, C.W. Post hired W. E. Alexander to serve as general manager of his Double U Company. When Alexander was beginning to find it difficult to cover ground on horseback (213,324 acres), or in a buggy, and get around to all the activities of the Double U Company for which he was responsible, Post bought two Reo automobiles and shipped them to Big Spring in June, 1907.

Alexander had some trouble finding anybody who would undertake to drive them over to Post City. Cars were very much of a novelty at that time, when they finally chugged along the road, people heard them from miles away and came out to see the excitement. For months afterwards men came from distances of thirty and forty miles to get a look at them.

The cars were two-cylinder affairs and came down from the commissary over the Cap Rock road at the great speed of fifteen to twenty miles an hour. Going back up, however, was a different matter, and they did not always make the steep grade. Automobiles, it should be added, were not uniformly popular in that country.

On one occasion the doctor from Fluvanna was being driven in his car over to Post City and met the mule train on his way. The wagon boss drew a gun and ordered him off the road in order not to frighten the mules.

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Garza County Health Clinic staff member Sandy (Santos) Peña (left) and PNS Corporate Director Beth Paine examine health brochures at the clinic during its recent open house.

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### ACROSS

- TXism: "tall dog in the \_\_\_" (leader)
- "those" so. of the border
- TXism: "\_\_\_ boose" (jail)
- Bowie's Alamo bed (2 wds.)
- TXism: "couldn't find hide \_\_\_ hair of him"
- Valley citrus drink
- TXism: "does a cat \_\_\_ climbing gear?" (yes)
- TX runner Larrieu Smith
- TX Johnny Horton's "North to \_\_\_"
- sign the back of a check
- TX Peri of "Frasier"
- Hurricane Carla caused 31 \_\_\_ in TX ('61)
- Vega h.s. is class \_\_\_
- TX Robin Wright's husband Sean
- TX Ronna Reeves tune: "\_\_\_ But I'm Getting There"
- TX actress Prentiss
- Dallas City Hall designer I. \_\_\_
- TXism: "couldn't fight his way out \_\_\_"
- Chevy pickup
- TX Sam the Sham & The Pharaoh's "Ready \_\_\_"
- \_\_\_ Musial

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- Ranger reliever in '93 & '94, Carpenter
- "\_\_\_ dias" (good day)
- informed
- "Don't use that \_\_\_ of voice with me!"
- TXism: "\_\_\_ that like an armadillo needs an interstate"
- TX Jeannie C.'s "Harper Valley \_\_\_"
- TXism: "it don't \_\_\_ up"

### DOWN

- Groves, TX event (2 wds.)
- TXism: "rough \_\_\_ \_\_\_ cob"
- \_\_\_ City, TX
- San Antonio TV station
- 4,840 sq. yds. of TX land
- TXism: "\_\_\_ a coyote with a rubber chicken"
- wide boot size
- ugly old woman
- TXism: "best I ever wrapped \_\_\_" (delicious)
- Sunny \_\_\_ TX
- sports cable net.
- TXism: "\_\_\_ to" (similar)
- Dallas restaurants are \_\_\_-smoking
- TXism: "bat \_\_\_ eyelash" (blink)
- Alpine h.s. class
- TXism: "pushing \_\_\_ bluebonnets" (dead)
- historic TX ranch
- TXism: "don't give a hoot \_\_\_ a holler"
- TXism: "no brag, just \_\_\_"
- TXism: "just \_\_\_ in the bucket"
- TX-based film "The Untamed \_\_\_"
- TX actress Gwynne
- cattle prod
- Dallas "West \_\_\_"
- this Tex will be 12th in "Ring of Honor" (init.)
- facing the Gulf 49 partially
- TX Mac Davis' "Baby Don't Get Hooked \_\_\_"

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Post I.S.D. will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. June 25, 2003 in Post ISD Administration Building 501 S Ave K Post TX. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.39	\$ 0.00	\$ 1.39	\$ 5,121	\$ 3,434
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.59	\$ 0.00	\$ 1.59	\$ 4,816	\$ 3,739
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.41	\$ 0.00	\$ 1.41	\$ 4,527	\$ 3,983

\* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$27,307	\$ 28,253
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 15,212	\$ 16,379
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.39	\$ 1.41
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 211.44	\$ 230.94
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 19.37

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.65. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.65.

Fund Balances	
The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:	
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# Minister gives time helping in Honduras

Travis Sweet, minister of the Post Church of Christ, took part in an evangelistic campaign in the village of La Canada, Honduras, May 19-26.

Sweet and about 20 campaign workers from the capital city of Tegucigalpa worked daily to conduct home Bible studies and evangelistic services each evening.

La Canada is a village of about 2,000 people in the mountains about 40 miles from the city. Its elevation is about 6,000 feet above sea level and during the campaign; the daily temperature averaged 75 degrees.

Sweet was the campaign speaker for three of the evangelistic services. He shared the duties with Cesar Tabora and Elias Roque, both of whom are ministers of the Church of Christ in Tegucigalpa.

A new church was started in La Canada as a result of the campaign.

In the days that followed, Sweet and Roque worked to follow up on the home Bible studies. They also worked with the church in the neighboring village of Zarabanda to help locate a place for services to be conducted.

On the final full day of his trip, the Roque family took Sweet to the village of Ojojona, a center of native arts and crafts.

Sweet returned to the U.S. May 30 and plans another trip to Honduras next year.

## Claborn family celebrates reunion

Descendants of John Riley Claborn celebrated their annual reunion Saturday, June 14, in Post.

Those attending included W.A. Williams (Jr.), Rebecca Hipp and son Asa of Nevada, Texas; Tommy and Penny Williams and daughter Jessica, Brandon and Amber Hogg and son Aaron of Louisville, Texas; Tommy and Nina Baker of Colorado City, Texas; Mary Miller of Fort Leonardwood, Mo.; Evelyn Hamilton, Elton and Priscilla Mayhar and daughter Patsy of Odessa; Gene and Mary Lee Claborn of Post; Peggy Claborn of Springfield, Ill.; Marie Anderson of Roswell, N.M.; Renee Claborn, Lisa Elmendorf and sons Douglas and Jonathan, Belinda Baker and son Billy, and Randy Cabanos of Lubbock.

Lots of good food, stories and old family photos were shared. Everyone enjoyed the beautiful day.

The family would like to express its sense of loss in the passing this last year of Johnny Claborn.



### Colgate Country Showdown Talent

Megan Cheek is one of the talented contestants in this year's Colgate Country Showdown, hosted by KPOS Radio. The showdown will be held Saturday, June 28 at 7 p.m. in the historic Garza Theatre. Call the box office at 495-4005 to reserve seats at only \$5 each.



Travis Sweet (second from right) shares a moment with Elias Roque (left or Sweet) and his family in Ojojona, Honduras.

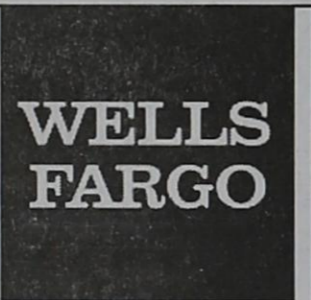



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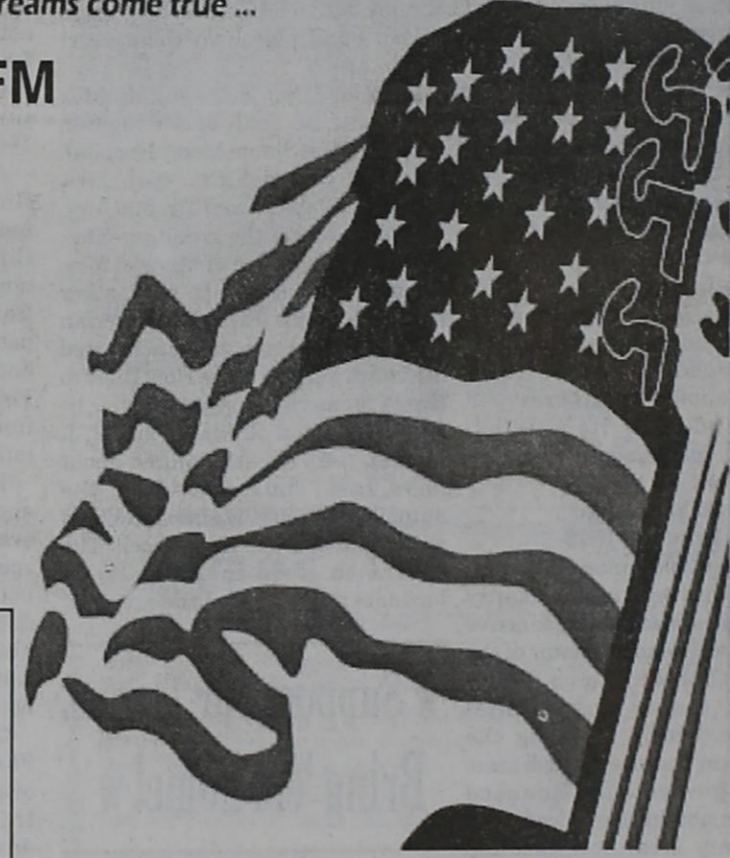


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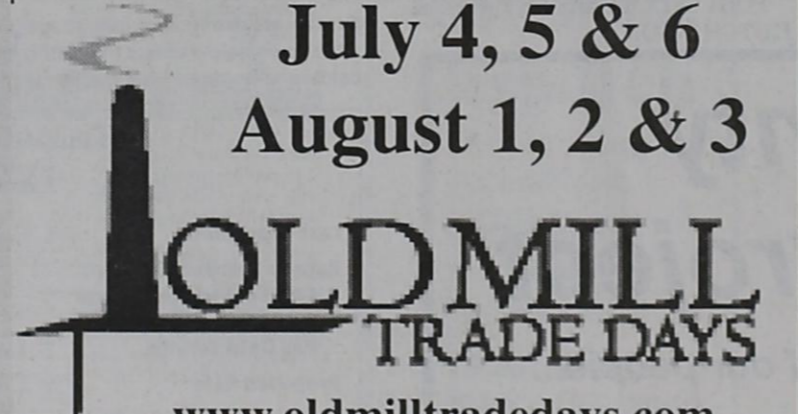
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