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Post Notes

Garza Theatre auditions Sunday

Auditions for "Miracle on 34th Street" will be held at the Garza Theatre Sunday, October 5 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. The play is directed by Laura Bryan. Auditions will also be held October 10 and October 18 at Monterey Church of Christ in Lubbock. Call Laura at 745-5657 for more information.

Boy Scouts host bake sale

The post Boy Scouts are hosting a bake sale fundraiser at the Santa Fe Depot building on Saturday, October 4 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Benefit car wash, BBQ October 4

A benefit car wash and barbeque event is scheduled for Saturday, October 4 at United Supermarket. The purpose is to assist with medical expenses for Gilbert Reyna.

First Baptist Church revival Oct. 5-8

The First Baptist Church of Post will hold its "Pressing Toward the Mark" revival October 5-8. Dr. C.B. Hogue, revival preacher of Brownwood and revival musician Terry Ewing of Brownwood will lead the services. Sunday services are at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. with weekday services (Monday-Wednesday) at noon and 7 p.m.

GCJLA Raffle & Funraiser

The Garza County Junior Livestock Show Association is holding a "Funraiser" Friday, October 3 at the Post Community Center. The event includes a barbeque supper, entertainment by "The Guthries" and an auction of various items. A limited number of raffle tickets are available from GCJLA members or at the extension office. The raffle offers cash prizes of \$5,000, \$1,000, two for \$500 and two for \$250. Winners do not have to be present to claim the prize.

Post ISD offers activity passes

Post ISD is offering all former Post ISD board of trustee members an activity pass to home games and other events. Those who have served as Post ISD board members and are interested in an activity pass should visit the Post ISD administrative offices at 501 S. Avenue K, ask for Shelle Odom.

Borden Co. EMS offers EMT classes

The Borden County EMS is holding Basic EMT classes beginning October 7. Classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday from 6-10 p.m. at the Borden County School in Gail. Cost for the class will be \$375 with books included. Contact Chuck Kimmell at 806-759-5166 or Carrie Hart at 806-756-4469 for more information.

"Charley's Aunt" at Garza Theatre

The next performance at the Garza Theatre will be "Charley's Aunt" opening September 19. The play continues September 20, 26, 27 and October 3, 4 and 5. Call the box office at 495-4005 for reservations.

"Starving Artist" Sale Oct. 3-4

The Post Art Guild is hosting the "Starving Artist Sale" Friday and Saturday, October 3 and 4 at the Algerita Arts Center on East Main Street from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The sale includes books and food, along with sidewalk paintings. Donations are accepted, all proceeds assist with upkeep of the art center.

United Way volleyball tourney

The Garza County United Way has set its 2nd Annual Volleyball Tournament for Saturday, October 18. Fees are \$10 per person, maximum of seven people per team. For more information call Anna at 495-0733.

Booster Club seeks help with painting

Post ISD is purchasing a new equipment trailer with the Antelope Booster Club providing lettering for the trailer. The club is seeking sponsorships for the work. Businesses and individuals may have their names placed on the trailer gate for a donation of \$100. The trailer should arrive in four or five weeks and will be on display at that time. Anyone interested in sponsoring should contact Jeff Lott at 495-2989.

United Way Autumn Jubilee

A Garza County United Way Autumn Jubilee will be held Saturday, October 25 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Post Community Center. There will be door prizes every hour starting at 9 p.m., you must be present to win. The jubilee is a family event with \$10 a person admission, \$15 per couple or \$20 per family. All proceeds benefit and assist member organizations of the local United Way.

Lord's Acre celebration Oct. 19

The community is invited to enjoy fellowship, dining and musical blessings at the annual Lord's Acre celebration Sunday, October 19 at 6 p.m. in the Post Community Center. The event is sponsored by the First United Methodist Church and the Family Harvest Church. A silent auction will be held, call Tonya Kirkpatrick at 629-4054, Carolyn Black, 495-2184 or the church office, 495-2942 to donate items for the auction and to RSVP for the event. Please RSVP by October 15.

United Way raffle tickets for rifle

Raffle tickets are now on sale at \$1 each to win a Ruger Model 77R Mark II rifle from Mason Farm & Ranch Supply. The rifle includes American walnut stock, hand checked three position safety, fixed ejector, receiver with integral dovetail bases and Ruger rings. Winner picks the caliber. The drawing will be held at the United Way chili cook-off at 7 p.m., November 8 at the Algerita Park. Participants need not be present to win. To buy a raffle ticket, call Jeff McAuley at 495-0733 or Mo Herridge at 806-756-4487.

A brighter Christmas for Main Street

The Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau is encouraging Main Street property owners and merchants to assist with the new Christmas lighting plans. The plan calls for using clear light bulbs for decorating buildings. Local outlets have clear light bulbs in stock and Mad Dads Inc. will offer its services for hanging the lights on buildings. Call Rodney Tidwell at 495-1244 or 620-0960. The Post Lighted Christmas Parade is set for Saturday, December 6. To enter a float, call the PCTB office at 495-3461. Cash prizes will be awarded to the best floats.

Sewing Club seeks members

Share your knowledge or learn something new is the theme of the Sewing Club's offering for members. The club features needlecraft, serging. Call Mary Jane at 928-2943 for more information.

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'Lopes game at Perryton airs Saturday and Sunday on Classic Cable Channel 12

Post City Television will re-broadcast the DVD video of last Saturday's 17-14 Post Antelope win at Perryton on Saturday and Sunday, October 4 and 5. "We've had a lot of requests to air the DVD of that exciting game," managing director Wes Burnett explains, "and since the Antelopes have an open date this week, we decided to air the game again this weekend."

The game will be aired on Cable Network Advertising (Classic Cable Channel 12) at 10 a.m., 1, 4 and 11 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday.

"That game is worth watching more than once," Burnett added.

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Sheriff terminates deputy

by Sheri Lewis

A Garza County deputy sheriff was fired last week following his Sept. 9 arrest on charges of assault and family violence.

Gene Solis, 29, was cut from the department Sept. 23, two weeks after authorities were summoned to the Solis residence by a 9-1-1 call, Sheriff Kenny Ratke said. Solis and his wife, 26-year-old Chanda Solis, were arrested.

Investigating officer Deputy Robby S. Wedeking arrested the pair on Class A misdemeanor charges of assault and family violence "because she reported to have assaulted him, making it a mutual combat situation, and the physical evidence that was present showed that he had assaulted her," according to Wedeking's report.

In a statement given to Chief Deputy Tommy Binford, Gene Solis "admitted to committing" the offenses of assault/ causing bodily injury to a family member; interference with an emergency telephone call; driving under the influence of alcohol; unlawful restraint; and endangering a child.

Reports indicate the couple's infant son was on the scene when authorities responded to the 9-1-1 call from Chanda Solis at approximately 2:20 a.m.

Gene Solis was suspended from his duties as a deputy sheriff on the same day he was arrested, the sheriff said. Two days later, Gene Solis agreed to resign his position. When no resignation was tendered, Ratke terminated the deputy's employment.

"Intoxication is an issue that I've gone over with him with in the past," Ratke said. "And he and I both agreed that he would have problems working here in the future given the fact that he would be called upon to make those type (family violence) of arrests."

In his statement to authorities, Gene Solis said he and a friend were driving around and drinking beer when he decided to return home because he was "getting too intoxicated to drive." Upon his arrival, his wife met him outside, screaming obscenities. As he approached the house, his wife went inside and locked the door, refusing to allow him inside. When he managed to get in, he said his wife "started punching me on my head with both of her hands."

As the situation escalated, Gene Solis said he used his handcuffs to cuff his wife. When she attempted to use the telephone to contact the sheriff's department, he hung up the receiver and "told her that she was not going to get me in trouble because she could not handle her liquor," according to his statement.

In her statement, Chanda Solis said she confronted her husband in the driveway and an argument ensued. She said that during the dispute, she hit her husband on the back of the head and upper back, slapped him and threw a glass of water on him. He slapped her once or twice and handcuffed one of her wrists. She told authorities she had been drinking prior to the incident.

"Gene was trying to walk away from the argument that night, but I would not let him," Chanda Solis said in her statement.

According to Wedeking's report, Chanda Solis had several abrasions and "visible injuries to her head, face and throat," including a bloody nose, trauma to the left eye and red marks on her neck. Her husband had attempted to arrest her and placed handcuffs on her "because they were having problems," she said, and she was glad Wedeking arrived "because she needed someone to be a neutral party" and "to see what Gene had tried to do to her."

Later she told Wedeking her

husband had done nothing wrong. She had been drinking, she said, and began nagging and kicking her husband. She said the injury to her nose occurred when she ran into a door.

At the scene, Gene Solis reported his wife attacked him. In self defense, he "shoved her away from him." When the assault on him continued, he "told her that

as a deputy sheriff of Garza County he was arresting her for family violence," he said. He pulled out his handcuffs and cuffed one of his wife's wrists, according to Wedeking's report.

Gene Solis, who has worked in law enforcement for about three years, joined the Garza County Sheriff's Department a little

more than a year ago. Ratke said that as a deputy, it was not unusual for Gene Solis to be assigned to work domestic disputes and incidents involving family violence.

Gene Solis and his wife were released on bonds of \$2,500.

The case has been turned over to the county attorney.

City sets higher sewer rates

Post residents will see a hike in the municipal sewer rate beginning with water bills distributed at the end of October.

The residential rate will climb from \$3.50 to \$4, according to a report from City Hall. All other city sewer subscribers will see

increases based on estimated amounts of sewer water discharged and potential for grease contaminants.

Increased costs in routine operations and compliance with state environmental mandates, particularly the satisfactory handling of grease, are the primary reasons behind the rising sewer rates, city officials said. During the past fiscal year, the City of Post spent more than \$125,000 on new construction and equipment needed to help bring the municipality's sewer system into compliance with state regulations.

In its most recent state environmental wastewater inspection, the city was found to be in "substantial compliance," with the exception of large amounts of grease that had accumulated in the Inhoff system, the city report states.

In accordance with new laws passed by the Texas Legislature, city officials are working on an ordinance dealing with the deposit of grease in the public sewer.

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Also, the same phone numbers may be used to RSVP; reservations should be made by Wednesday, Oct. 15.)

The event is designed to generate funds for local organizations and projects, with all money raised benefiting local groups. Last year's Lord's Acre event generated \$2,900.



Entertaining audiences at the Garza Theatre are Stan Tucker (left) and Mikey Gonzales in the continuing production of "Charley's Aunt." The play is directed by Jay Young of Post. Call the box office at 495-4005 for reserved seat tickets.



Post Art Guild members (left to right) Geraldine Butler, Polly Cravy, Ann Bratcher and Glenda Morrow display some of the art work on sale at the "Starving Artist Sale" last Saturday. The event will continue this weekend at the Algerita Art Center with art work, food and books on sale Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

Judy's Jabberin'

by Judy (Ballentine) Bush



Hey everyone, Hope everyone had a wonderful weekend. Congrats to the Bold Gold. Rick and I did not make the trip

but listened on the local station. What an exciting ending, you guys did great!
GET WELL
I want to send a very special get well to Bil Hedrick. She is currently in Covenant and having a difficult time of it. I just want her

to know that she is in my prayers as well as a lot of others peoples prayers. I hope Bil is up and around really soon and feeling much better. Also to Judge Dalby, a big get well wish. I have tried to keep up with him and I hear he is feeling much better and well on his way. I'm happy for that.

SYMPATHY
To the Elizabeth Hart family, my sympathies. Elizabeth was such a special lady and I know that she will be missed so much. Her family is in our prayers.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE
The following was sent to me by a good friend in Lubbock. It is so cute, but please pay attention to the prayer at the end.

There was once a man and a woman who had been married for more than 65 years. They had shared everything. They had talked about everything.

They kept no secrets from each other except that the old woman had a shoebox in the top of her closet that she cautioned her husband never to open or to ask her about. For all of these years, he had never thought about the box, but one day the little old woman got very sick and the doctor said she would not recover.

In trying to sort out their affairs, the little old man took down the shoebox and took it to his wife's bedside. She agreed that it was time that he should know what was in the box.

When he opened it, he found two crocheted doilies and a stack of money totaling \$35,000 dollars. He asked her about the contents. "When we were to be married," she said, "my grandmother told me the secret of a happy marriage was to never argue. She told me that if I ever got angry with you, I should just keep quiet and crochet a doily."

The little old man was so moved, he had to fight back tears. Only two precious doilies were in the box. She had only been angry with him two times in all those years of living and loving. He almost burst with happiness.

"Honey," he said, "that explains the doilies, but what about all of this money? Where did that come from?"

"Oh," she said, "that's the money I made from selling the doilies."

A PRAYER:
Dear Lord,

I pray for Wisdom to understand my man; Love to forgive him, and Patience for his moods. Because Lord, if I pray for Strength, I'll beat him to death. AMEN.....

FORGOTTEN BIRTHDAY

I have a delated birthday I have to deliver. Now I have to make amends to my niece Jana Underwood, because I forgot to put her birthday in the paper. She knows I love her but just to make sure, Jana, happy late birthday and I love ya!!!! Also, to her daughter Raylea, happy birthday on the 4th. She will be 12 years old.

OTHER BIRTHDAYS

Wow! This is the month for birthdays! So happy birthday to Charles Morris on the 1st; Corkey Ammons on the 2nd; and on the seventh Sharon Morris, my sister-in-law Judy Bush and Melonie Holly. Hope all of you have great birthdays!!!! **TILL NEXT WEEK**
Hope all of you have a great weekend. May the good Lord bless and keep you.
See ya next week.

Bridal shower honors Haven Howard

Haven Howard, bride-elect of Josh Grisham, was honored with a bridal shower Sunday afternoon, Sept. 21, at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

The honoree's chosen colors of black, white and deep pink accented the registration and serving tables. Each table was covered with a white cloth and a black and white checked topper cloth.

The registration table was highlighted with white pillar candles and pink rosebuds arranged on a black tray.

The serving table was decorated with an arrangement of fresh flowers in shades of pink, purple and white. Crystal appointments were used to serve punch, and cookies were served from silver trays.

Special guests from Amarillo included Leslie Howard, the bride-elect's mother; Sawyer Clark, the bride-elect's sister; and the aunt of the bride-elect, Sherry Fleming.

Pixie Grisham, mother of the prospective bridegroom, was joined by several family members from Littlefield, including her mother, Mary Jo Weige; her sister, Penny Kelton; her aunt, Janna Johnson; her grandmother, Cecil Hollinsworth; and Virginia Grisham, mother of Alan Grisham.

The hostess gift was a mini-refrigerator given by Martha Baker, Ada Lou Bird, Carolyn Black, Joy Dickson, Voda Gradine, Pam Humble, Diane Josey, Pam Killough, Kim Mills, Marsha Norman, Nancy Norman, Karen Pennell, Donna Stelzer, Marge Tannehill and Lu Anne Terry.

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Births

Elexia Brienne Bilberry

McKeison would like to announce the birth of her cousin, Elexia Brienne Bilberry, on Sept. 23, 2003, at 5:10 a.m. at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

The infant weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches in length.

Proud parents are Chris Bilberry, formerly of Snyder, and Tiffany Hill of Lubbock.

Maternal grandparents are Shawn Gould of Lamesa and Steve Hill of Lubbock. Maternal great-grandparents are Glenda Blanchard, Hugh Hill and Bessie Lee, all of Lubbock, and the late Jerry Gould.

Paternal grandparents are Rudy Gonzales of Post and the late Jeannie Bilberry. Paternal great-grandparents are Edna Bilberry and John Huffman, both of Post.



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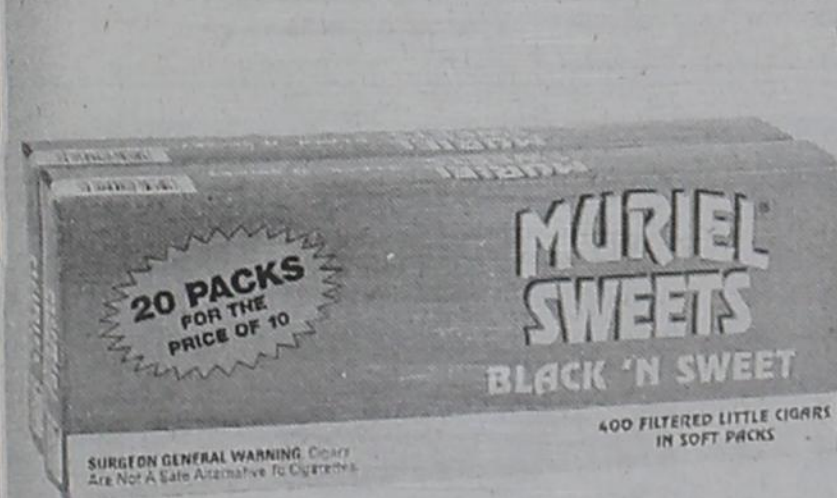
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4-H Responsibility

All 4-H families are asked to provide an auction item and a dessert for the GCJLA Fundraiser set for Friday night. Thanks! See you there!

Food & Nutrition Project

4-H'ers meet Monday, October 6 at 4:00 p.m. at the High School Foods Lab. Please call 495-4400 to sign up or if your planning to attend.

4-H Week Hot Dog Supper

October 7, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Post City Park. All 4-H families are encouraged to attend and bring friends to sign up.

GCJLA Horse Show

The annual Garza County Jr. Livestock Association horse show is scheduled for Sunday, October 12, at 3:00 p.m. at the Post Stampede Rodeo Arena. This show will consist of Halter Classes and Showmanship Classes for Mares and Geldings. Classes will be divided by age of horse. Pee-Wees (for kids 8 and under) may enter also. Entries and fees are due and payable in the Extension office by October 8.

4-H Bears

2003 4-H Bears are finally here and needing a home. Pick yours up today at the Extension office for only \$10 each.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN GAS RATES

Atmos Energy hereby gives notice of its intent to implement new gas rates for Residential, Commercial, Public Authority, Small Industrial and Air Conditioning customers. The proposed changes will take effect no sooner than 35 days. The Cities may suspend the proposed effective date for an additional 90 days. The company may implement a different rate design than proposed provided the increase to revenue does not exceed that specified herein. It is anticipated the new rates will increase the revenues of the company by approximately \$ 7.7 million or 7.32 percent and therefore constitutes a "major change".

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Copies of the filing are available at the Atmos Energy Office at 5110 80th, Lubbock, TX 79408-1121 or a local Atmos Energy Office nearest you. Affected persons whose gas rates are subject to the original jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission may file in writing comments or a protest concerning the proposed changes with the Docket Services Section of the Legal Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, within 30 days following the proposed effective date.



PHS Pride of Post Marching Band members (left to right) Javen Abraham, Preston Ortiz, Gabby Paiz, Anthony Merrill, Maric Segovia and Amber Whitehead stepped off smartly during half time activities at Perryton last Saturday. (Photo by Tim Burnett)



Andrea McDaniel (left) and Laura Bryan bring special talents to the Garza Theatre in its current production of "Charley's Aunt," directed by Jay Young. The play continues through Sunday, call the box office at 495-4005 for reservations.



Granite Construction crews have been working long and late on the U.S. Hwy 84 project. Crews are pouring concrete along the west side of the roadway. (Photo by Tim Burnett)

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS POST ISD'S State Financial Accountability Rating, Adequate Yearly Progress Report and Academic Excellence Indicator System Report

Post ISD will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m., October 14, 2003 in the boardroom at the Post ISD Central Administrative Office 501 South Avenue K Post, Texas

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Post ISD's ratings on the state's financial accountability system.

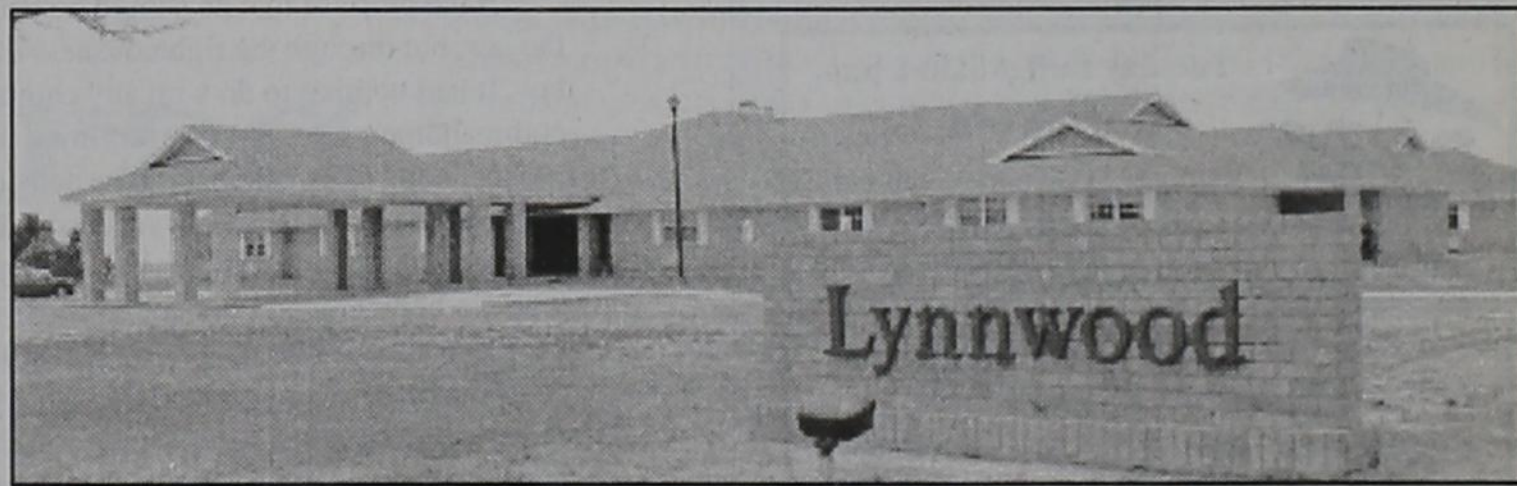
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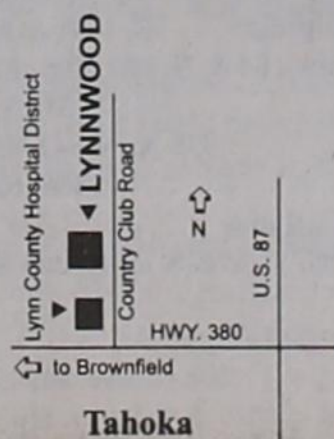
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Obituaries

Roy Cross

Military graveside rites for Roy Cross, 72, of Lubbock and formerly of Post were Monday, September 29, 2003 at the Terrace Cemetery. The Rev. Mitch Wilson of the Shallowater First Baptist Church, officiated. Arrangements were under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Mr. Cross died Friday September 26, 2003 at the University Medical Center.

He was born on January 31, 1931 to WW and Meora (Audry) Cross in Eastland County, Texas. He served in the US Army from Nov. 4, 1954 to Aug. 22, 1956 and then served in the Army Reserves.

He married Mary Alice Potter on November 10, 1956 in Clovis, New Mexico. He was a cotton ginner and had worked at Carlisle, New Home, Acuff and many other places. He retired in 1988 and lived with Janet and Wayne Duncan here in Post for a year and returned to Lubbock.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Cross of Post; four daughters, Shirley Cogdell of Weatherford, Kay Cross, Janet Duncan and Debbie Cross, all of Lubbock; four brothers, Earl Cross of Dallas, Billy Cross, Jack Cross and Edward Cross, all of Arkansas; nine grandchildren: Kenneth, Josh, Brodie, Cory, Tim, Casey, Ashley, Kalay and Jerry and one great-grandchild, Roy.



Elizabeth Hart

Services for Elizabeth Hart, 87, of Post were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2003, in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Steve McMeans of Early officiating. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home.

She died Sunday in the Lynnwood Manor in Tahoka. Born May 30, 1916, in Milner, Ala., she married H.H. (Boy) Hart on Dec. 17, 1938, in Snyder. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, the Priscilla Club and the Amity Study Club.

Survivors include four sons and daughters-in-law, Sidney and Ethel Hart of Aspermont, Royce and Marianne Hart of Post, Richard and Lillie Hart of Post and David and Marsha Hart of Lubbock; one daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Johnny Kemp of Post; four sisters, Ellie Crowe of Oxford, Ala., Nellie Parris of Dearmonville, Ala., Sarah Byrd of Jayton and Louise Kelly of Atlanta.

She was preceded in death by her husband who died Oct. 25, 1998; one grandson, Jody Hart, on Jan. 27, 1996; five brothers; and one sister. Her grandsons served as pallbearers.



Thank you in advance for helping to keep this community alive and flourishing. Wanda Mitchell Manager Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau
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Call for rollback election

Well, folks, the county commissioners didn't listen too well at the "hearing." Quite a few taxpayers expressed their dissatisfaction over where the tax money is going and how much will be coming out of their pockets!

Your county taxes are going up 27.59 percent! And since mineral valuations are down, homeowners will be paying a larger share of the total taxes now. Homeowners' taxes will be going up a whopping 38.59 percent!

What's done is done, though, and we'd better get used to the idea of getting by on what's left after taxes, right? WRONG! If you don't like the way Judge Dalby and the county commissioners are handling your tax money, take some action! If you object to paying such high taxes and the way your money is being spent, join us in petitioning for a rollback election!

To sign the petition, contact me or call Frank Tobias at 495-3057. We could also use some volunteers to help gather signatures. Let's roll back these high taxes!
Charles J. Probst

What about the veterans?

It is the veteran, not the preacher, Who has given us the freedom of religion.
It is the veteran, not the reporter, Who gave us freedom of the press.
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It is the veteran, not the lawyer, Who gave us the right to a fair trial.
It is the veteran, not the politician, Who gives us the right to vote.
It is the veteran Who salutes the flag, Who serves under the flag, Whose coffin is draped by the flag, To whom we owe our freedom, rights and thanks.

May God bless our veterans and the ones who love our country enough to go and fight for it.
Marion G. Mathews, Life member of VFW

Letters to the Editor

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Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau

We are beginning our new year for the Post Commerce & Tourism Bureau on Oct. 1, 2003, and we want you to be a part of our program.

Last year was a busy year spent promoting Post and its many attraction. I traveled to Alpine for a presentation at Sul Ross College on regional partnership tourism and got to talk a great deal about Post in my presentation. I also gave a program in Abilene on the same subject, and it was well received. Any time I am asked to participate in programs such as this, it gives Post that much free publicity at no cost to us.

In January we held board training for Levelland and Brownfield, and in April we held the regional application workshop for the Texas Historical Commission. The two combined meetings brought more than 50 people to our community to see the attractions, shop and learn about our town. We have hosted five tour buses this year, and this has added dollars to our economy.

We also welcomed Channel 11 again this year to do the newscast from the courthouse lawn and co-hosted a booth at the Lubbock Business Expo with Plainview and the Llano Estacado Tourism Society.

In November we will be hosting the Texas Historical Commission regional meeting, expecting from 100 to 150 people who will be in Post for two days.

All of these activities bring business to Post and to our merchants. It is up to you, then, to retain this business and build on it.

That is the goal of this office, but we need help from you both financially and physically to accomplish this goal.

Please renew your membership...or, if you have not been a member, please join us. It takes everyone working together to have a successful program, and we ask that you be a part of this organization and do your part to protect and build business. Memberships are \$120 a year for businesses and \$35 a year for individuals.

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On God's Word

by Timothy W. Burnett

Believing unto righteousness...Romans 4:1-25

God made it so wonderfully easy for anybody to be made righteous in His eyes. He loved us so much that He called His first-born son to give his life as the perfect and final sacrifice for all of mankind. And now, anybody who believes with their heart that God raised Jesus Christ from the dead, absolutely shall be cleansed by the blood of the Lamb.

Now let's shine more light on believing and righteousness. God gave more details about believing with the heart unto righteousness in Romans 4:1-25.

"For what saith the scripture Abraham believed and it was counted unto him for righteousness." (Romans 4:3).

The context of this chapter is about obtaining the promise by believing versus by works. Abraham was not under the law of God. He believed God for the birth of His son Isaac. His believing was accounted unto him for righteousness.

"For the promise that he should be heir of the world was not to Abraham, or to his seed; by the law, but through the righteousness of faith." (4:13). The promise from God was not by the law. It had nothing to do with any commandments. That was because God had not laid down commandments yet. It had everything to do with Abraham believing God's promise.

"And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb. He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strong in faith giving glory to God." (4:19-20). He was not weak in believing and did not consider the circumstances around him. He did not stagger at God's promise by not believing, but stood solid in believing, giving God the glory.

"And being fully persuaded that what God had promised He was able also to perform. And therefore it was imputed unto him for righteousness." (4:21-22). Abraham was fully persuaded, and had no doubt that God was able to perform what He promised. His believing was imputed unto him for righteousness. God then finished with the following good news.

"Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him. But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed if we believe on Him that raised up Jesus from the dead" (4:23-24). God could not have put any more clearly.

It is imputed unto anybody for righteousness when they believe with their hearts that God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. According to Romans 10:9-10 with the heart we believe that God raised Jesus from the dead, unto righteousness.

The first record of anybody fulfilling this scripture can be found in Acts 2:4 when they were filled with holy spirit. What was available then is still available now. That is because God's word does not change.

On God's Word is designed to teach the rightly divided word of God as it interprets itself. Tim Burnett invites you to visit his personal website at <http://www.geocities.com/christinyou7/love.html>.

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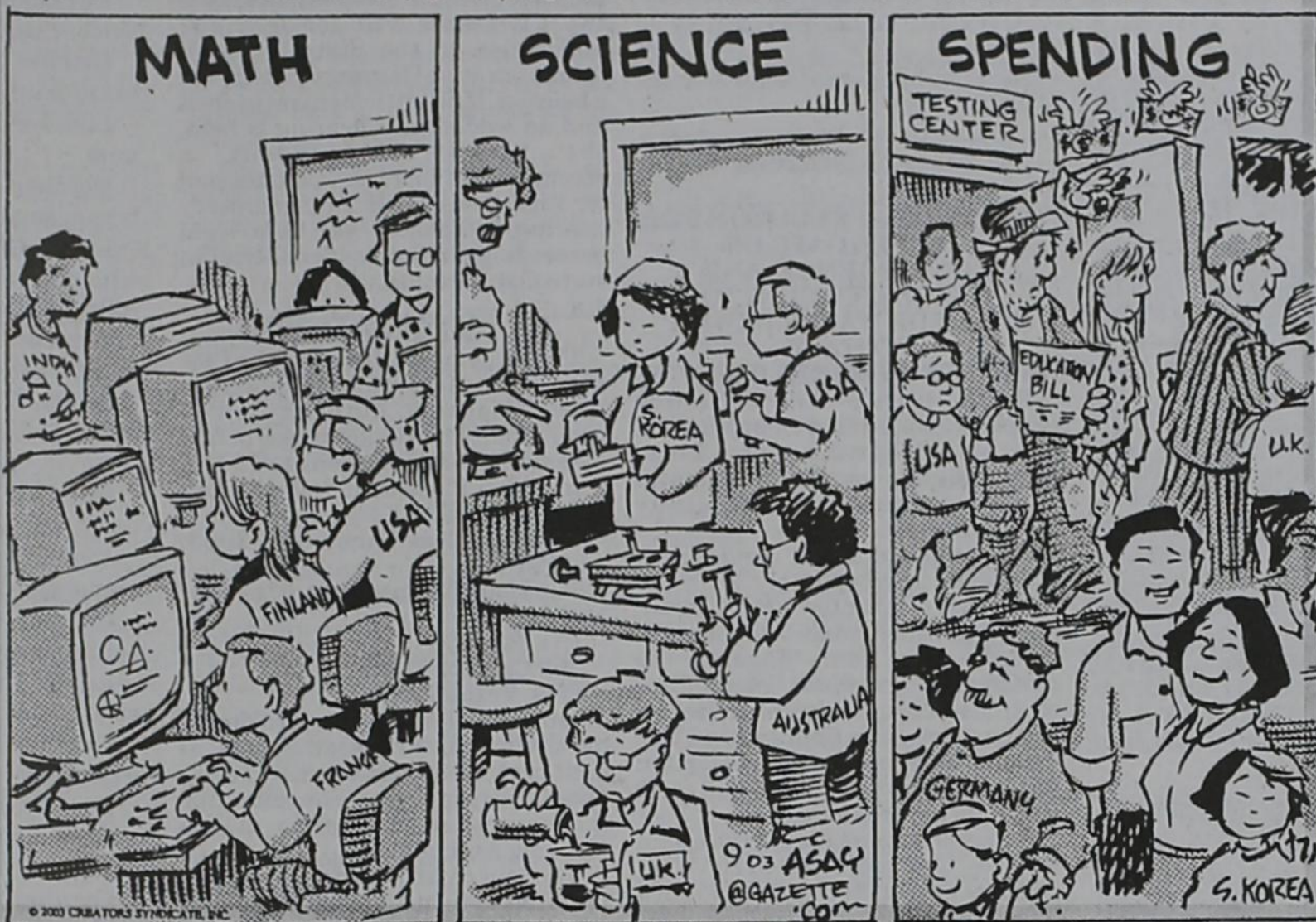
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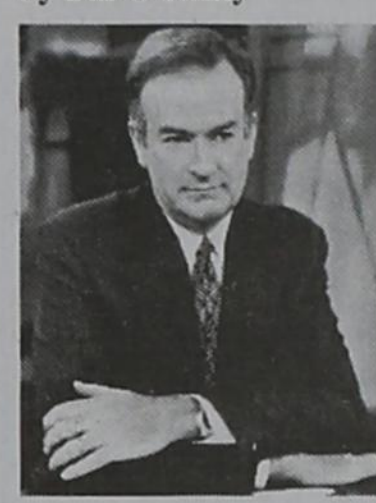
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Scouting the loyal opposition

by Bill O'Reilly



With President Bush's poll numbers falling because of the Iraq chaos, the Democratic Party is suddenly perking up. Like a sports team that senses a change in momentum, the Dems are pouring it on Mr. Bush, portraying him as Dr. Evil with a Texas twang.
 But all that is so much vapor if a strong Democratic challenger doesn't emerge and seize the public's attention. The following is a scouting report of the Democratic candidates who have a chance:

Senator Joseph Lieberman: Strengths are integrity, experience, common sense, a clear vision of the world and discipline. By all accounts Lieberman is a good man and would relentlessly track Osama bin Laden. Weaknesses are lack of charisma (which is almost fatal in a country that wants its politicians to be entertaining), a Mike Dukakis deliberate style of speaking that lacks passion and the absence of a simple-to-understand message. Lieberman stands for decency, and we all know how far that will get you.

Senator John Kerry: Strengths are he is a war hero and smart former prosecutor who knows how the world really works. Experienced legislator and compromiser who can make things happen. Weaknesses: stiff and lacks common man connection; won't be hanging with the homies anytime soon. Fuzzy communicator who often sounds like your dad on a bad day. Campaign is chaotic, and he's doing the hiring. Labeled a Massachusetts liberal, which is death throughout most of the country (the truth is, he is not as liberal as perceived).

Senator John Edwards: Strengths are youth, energy and a Clintonesque connection to the regular folks. Smart lawyer who realizes that working Joe is getting hosed and really wants to improve that deplorable situation. Good speaker and engaging manner. Weaknesses: Hair and presentation give him an inexperienced look, which is in context because he is politically inexperienced. Won't frighten Osama or even Arafat. Southern drawl might impress Aunt Bee, but how many more Jimmy Carters and Bill Clintons can the country take?

Richard Gephardt: Incredible knowledge of how the federal government works is his main strength. Earnest big labor liberal who knows how to seal the back room deal for endorsements. Plenty smart and understands Jake down the street. Weaknesses: scares Osama less than Edwards and loathes carrying the big stick. Kind of bland on the campaign trail and lacks any identifiable issue other than spending enormous amounts of tax money. Good at demonizing Bush, but who's listening besides the choir?

Governor Howard Dean: Charismatic campaigner who knows how to rock the world of the anti-Bush people. That's pretty much his only strong suit, as Gary Coleman could probably govern Vermont if he knew where it was. Weaknesses: weak frame of reference exposed in chat with Tim Russert. Campaign staff is as arrogant as it gets. Foreign policy slogan: "We are ready to avoid you." Osama loves this guy as much as Tim Robbins does.

General Wesley Clark: Looks like a general and is used to being in command. Other than that, who the heck knows anything about this guy? Weaknesses: perception is that the Clintons own him. That's probably not true, but the red states don't care. Might frighten Osama, but might not because Osama believes the Clinton rumors, too.

So there you have it: the no spin scouting report on the men who have a chance to dethrone George W. Bush. Clip and save.

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**"None are so hopelessly enslaved as those who falsely believe that they are free."
 -Von Goethe**

The right to deal

by Walter E. Williams



Suppose you want to deal with me but I don't want to deal with you. Should I be forced to?
 You might ask, "What are you talking about?"
 Here's a short list. Suppose you want to marry me, but I don't want to marry you. Or, suppose you want to play tennis with me, but I don't want to play with you. Or, suppose you want to be in my club, but neither my fellow club members nor I want you. The question is, how much do we Americans value freedom of association? Keep in mind that freedom of association is a two-way street — it also implies freedom not to associate.

Suppose a beautiful woman wants to date me, but I don't want to date her. It might be for a good reason, bad reason or no reason at all. Should I be free not to deal with her? Similarly, you might want to come to my party or enroll your children in my private school, but I don't want to deal with you. My refusal might be for any arbitrary reason, including your race, sex or religion, or because I don't like your looks. Should the government force us to associate with those we wish not to associate? Alternatively, should government forbid us from associating with those with whom we wanted to associate?

Let's look at a couple of historical examples. H. L. Mencken, writing in the Dec. 9, 1948, Baltimore Sun, tells of a local ordinance that prohibited interracial tennis games on public courts. More recently, there was the Loving vs. Virginia (1967) case, where the U.S. Supreme Court overturned the conviction of a white man and a black woman who married in violation of Virginia's anti-miscegenation laws. Today, most Americans would be offended by any law that banned blacks and whites from playing tennis together or marrying one another. Wouldn't it be just as offensive were there a law requiring blacks and whites to play tennis together or marry one another?

Isn't there a general principle here? Namely, that if one cherishes

freedom of association, is there a logically consistent argument for permitting it in some areas of our lives and not in others? Should employers be forced to hire those they prefer not, or landlords forced to rent to persons they prefer not, or Boy Scouts to admit homosexuals when they prefer not?

One might be tempted to answer by asserting that arbitrary discriminatory association choices in marriage don't have the important socioeconomic effects that other discriminatory choices have. That's dead wrong. Race and income are highly correlated. Whites have higher income than blacks. Only about 5 percent of all marriages are interracial. That means whites marrying other whites makes the income and education distribution more skewed than it would be if there were more interracial marriages. I imagine that most of us would be horrified by the suggestion of mandated marriage diversity.

If an activity is publicly financed, then arbitrary discriminatory association should be prohibited. That would apply to, among other things, public libraries, schools and universities. Private libraries, schools and universities should have complete freedom of association, whether it's discrimination for or against a particular race, sex, religion or any other trait upon which it chooses to associate. Interestingly, Americans who support racial preferences should be the strongest supporters of privatization, but they're not.

The bottom line is that the true test of one's commitment to freedom of association doesn't come when he allows people to associate in ways he deems acceptable. The true test comes when he's willing to permit others to associate in ways he deems grossly offensive.

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A nightmare in Iraq

by Sheldon Richman

Americans soldiers are killing innocent Iraqi civilians almost on a regular basis. In recent days and in separate incidents they killed eight Iraqi policemen, an Iraqi interpreter working for the U.S. occupiers, a woman and her child at a wedding, and a young teenager at another wedding. Many more have been seriously injured. As British journalist Robert Fisk reports from Baghdad, "Every day, Iraqi civilians are wounded or shot dead by US troops."

No wonder that U.S. government analysts believe that the troops have more to fear from average citizens than from the remnant of Saddam Hussein sympathizers. Citing Defense Department officials, the New York Times reported, "New intelligence assessments are warning that the United States' most formidable foe in Iraq in the months ahead may be the resentment of ordinary Iraqis increasingly hostile to the American military occupation." This has got to be an eye-opener to all those who insisted that the Americans would be greeted as liberators.

Things are obviously out of hand. There are a dozen attacks on American troops each day. U.S. casualties continue to mount. Scared military personnel fire on vehicles that seem suspicious at the many checkpoints along the roads. As 2nd Lt. Mallory Chambers told a Knight Ridder reporter, "You can't tell who's on our side and who's not."

Precisely. It is odd that those who most vocally "support our troops" see nothing wrong with putting them - and keeping them - in this nightmare. And all for a billion dollars a week, with \$87 billion in other costs in the hopper. For what?

Just when you would think that things could not get more bizarre, they do. The Associated Press reports that the Bush administration is considering using Israel as a model for managing an occupied people. According to the AP, "In an apparent search for pointers on how to police a hostile population, the U.S. military that's trying to bring security to Iraq is showing interest in Israeli software instructing soldiers on how to behave in the West Bank and Gaza, an Israeli military official said." Attributing the description to the head of Israel's School of Military Law, the AP reported, "Using animated graphics and clips from movies like 'Apocalypse Now,' the software outlines a 'code of conduct' for avoiding abuse of civilians while manning roadblocks, searching homes and conducting other activities."

Who comes up with these ideas? Amnesty International just released a report documenting how Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip routinely violates the rights of Palestinians with curfews and military checkpoints. The ability of Palestinian workers even to make a living is hampered daily by the arbitrary power Israeli troops

exercise over their movement. Is this what the Bush administration has in mind in Iraq? I seriously doubt it will improve things. More likely it will make them worse. After all, despite (or because of) the awesome firepower that Israel has been willing to use against innocent Palestinian civilians, terrorists still enter the country from the occupied territories and wreak murderous havoc against innocent Israeli civilians.

The situation is all the more pathetic now that the administration is begging UN members to help fund and man the occupation. (Didn't Bush predict UN irrelevancy if it didn't authorize war?) I assume that the French and the other opponents of the invasion can see through this appeal. Although the high-sounding term "internationalize" is invoked, it is clear that President Bush's efforts are mainly designed to take domestic pressure off himself and his reelection campaign. Perhaps if someone other than Americans is being killed and wounded by the resentful populace, and if someone other than the American taxpayers is being hit up for the bill, things won't look so bad for the president. I doubt that the Bush gambit will succeed. Although the administration brags about its "coalition," the fact remains that American troops bear the brunt of the threat and American taxpayers are paying for the privilege. I don't think the French and Germans will be rushing men or money to Iraq any time soon. Why should they?

This is and will remain a U.S. occupation. It will go on for a long time. The administration is in no hurry to leave Iraq to the Iraqis.

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Mad Dads: A program worth supporting

A letter written several weeks ago by Rodney Tidwell, asking for financial support to continue the important Mad Dads program, is a reminder to all of us about how this program came about five years ago.

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October 7 - Breakfast-Cinnamon toast, sausage, fruit, milk
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October 8 - Breakfast-Oatmeal, toast, fruit, bacon, milk
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October 10 - Breakfast-Cereal, toast, fruit, apple juice, milk
Lunch-Chili dog, french fries, mixed greens, cake, milk

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Lunch-Tacos, rice, refried beans, salad, fruit, milk

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Lunch-Chicken strips, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, rolls, fruit salad, milk

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Lunch-Burritos, salad, apple, chocolate chip cookies, milk

October 10 - Breakfast-Biscuit & gravy, sausage, juice, milk
Lunch-Sandwiches, chips, salad fixings, Go-garts, milk

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Three arrests were made Sept. 27, including one on Department of Public Safety warrants, one for assault/family violence and public intoxication and one on a commitment.

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4th quarter surge lifts 'Lopes to 17-14 win

by Wes Burnett

For the second year in a row, the Post Antelopes upset the Perryton Rangers Saturday with a come-from-behind 17-point fourth quarter surge that marred Perryton's homecoming celebration. The 17-14 Antelope victory came two touchdowns and a field goal in the fourth quarter.

Trailing 7-0 at halftime, the 'Lopes came out in the second half with an inspired determination on both sides of the ball, setting in motion a thrilling late game rally.

First Half Action

Strong defensive action kept both offenses hemmed in during the first half, although the Rangers mounted a four play touchdown drive late in the first quarter. But action in the second quarter belonged to the defensive units, as neither team's offense could get untracked.

The 'Lopes put up a scoring threat late in the second quarter with a nine play effort, which stalled on fourth down at the Perryton 41. The Rangers held onto a 7-0 lead as the bands took to the field.

Heading up the defense for Post were Mark McCallister, Omar Medina, Jace Pollard, Ryan Babb, Mitchell Mills, Kris Hernandez, Jett Lott, Russell Merritt, Mark Norman and David Lee Rivera.

Second Half Action

Perryton took the second half kickoff, but could muster only six plays up against a hard-hitting 'Lope defense, punting on fourth down from their own 42 yard line. The ball rolled out of bounds at the Post 14. Four plays later Norman dropped back to punt, setting up the Rangers at the Post 43.

Again the defense stood up to the test, with Hernandez and McCallister leading the charge. On third down McCallister trapped the Ranger fullback on a screen pass, forcing a fourth down punt.

And the action flip-flopped for both teams, with Post hanging onto the football into the fourth quarter. The first Antelope scoring drive started at the Perryton 39 following a short punt, caused in part by Hernandez' pressure on the kicker.

Mills and Lott handled the running chores, with quarterback Sterling Smith guiding the team toward the goal line. The 11 play drive was highlighted by a third down conversion by Mills to the 15 yard line. On first down Lott hammered to the 14, then again over left guard to the eight.

Mills came back over left guard to the four getting another first down. Mills then dodged would-be tacklers, with a clearing block by Lott, ripping into the end zone around left end. The play was nullified by a yellow flag on the field,

and the 'Lopes took a 10 yard penalty to the 14.

A quarterback option lost five yards, then Mills was trapped on second down at the line of scrimmage. On third down Mills rammed his way to the nine and Post called a time out with 7:14 on the clock.

Kyle Gunn lined up in the swinging gate formation, but couldn't get the snap off in time, so the officials marched off another five yards for delay of game. Facing a fourth down at the 14, Smith took the snap, rolled back to his right, and under heavy pressure threw a pass to Norman over the middle.

Norman, running a pass pattern from his right to left, took the ball on the run between defenders and raced untouched to the end zone. It was only one of the few passes thrown by Smith, and apparently caught the Ranger defense napping.

Trailing 7-6, the 'Lopes attempted a swinging-gate two point conversion, when failed when Lott's pass into the end zone was broken up. With 7:03 remaining in the game, the 'Lopes were in position for a come-back win.

The drive featured aggressive line blocking by McCallister, Chessuf Garcia, Jace Pollard, Will Todd and Jonathan McGregor.

The Rangers weren't quite ready to give up, coming back two plays later with a touchdown of their own. The extra point put Perryton out front 14-6 with barely six minutes left in the game.

The 'Lope offense sputtered, going four plays, turning the ball over on downs at the Post 32 with 4:02 on the clock. All the Rangers had to do was get a couple of first downs and watch the time run down.

They didn't see the disaster coming, when on third down at the Post 18 yard line, the Ranger ball carrier was stood up by McCallister coming in from his left linebacker spot. Mills avoided a blocker and grabbed the football out of the arms of the Ranger back, literally ripping the ball out of his hands, then turned north and raced 82 yards for another Post touchdown.

Mills got out ahead of his blockers, and at about the 10 yard line he had to put the brakes on to avoid the only Ranger defender able to stop him. The defender went to the ground as Mills stopped and dodged, then continued into the end zone untouched.

With 2:33 on the clock, the 'Lopes were with two points of the Rangers at 14-12. Smith took the snap and ran to his right, slipping inside to the end zone as Mills took out the only defender capable of stopping the play.

Antelope fans roared their approval as the score was knotted at 14-14. An upset, possibly overtime was definitely in the air.

The final straw for the Rangers came shortly after the kickoff. Scrambling for running room on first down at the Perryton 44, the Ranger quarterback was sacked by Pollard, the ball popped loose on the ground, and an alert Medina picked it up and rambled to the Ranger 39.

With 1:21 remaining in the fourth quarter, the 'Lopes could smell victory. It took five plays to get within field goal range. Mills and Lott carried the ball alternately, picking up a first down at the 11. With time running out, Smith threw a pass out of the end zone to Norman. With seven seconds on the clock, Mills got in position to hold the football for Lott.

The kick was low, but high enough to clear the goal posts, and the roar was deafening on the visitors' side of the field as the 'Lopes celebrated a 17-14 lead, with only four seconds in the game.

Lott teed up the ball for the kickoff, and squibbed it on the ground, hitting a Ranger up-man, then scooped up by a running back at the Perryton 32. The clock showed :00.6 (six tenths of a second).

The Rangers attempted a desperation deep pass into the Antelope prevent defense. The ball was slapped down, and a yellow flag hit the grass... pass interference called on the 'Lopes with no time left on the clock. A defensive penalty can not end the game.

So, the Rangers had one more chance ... but the final pass deep into Post territory was picked off by Rivera at the 10 yard line, he fell down to end the game.

JV 'Lopes whip Friona 20-14

The team edged Friona 20-14 on a game played Sept. 11.

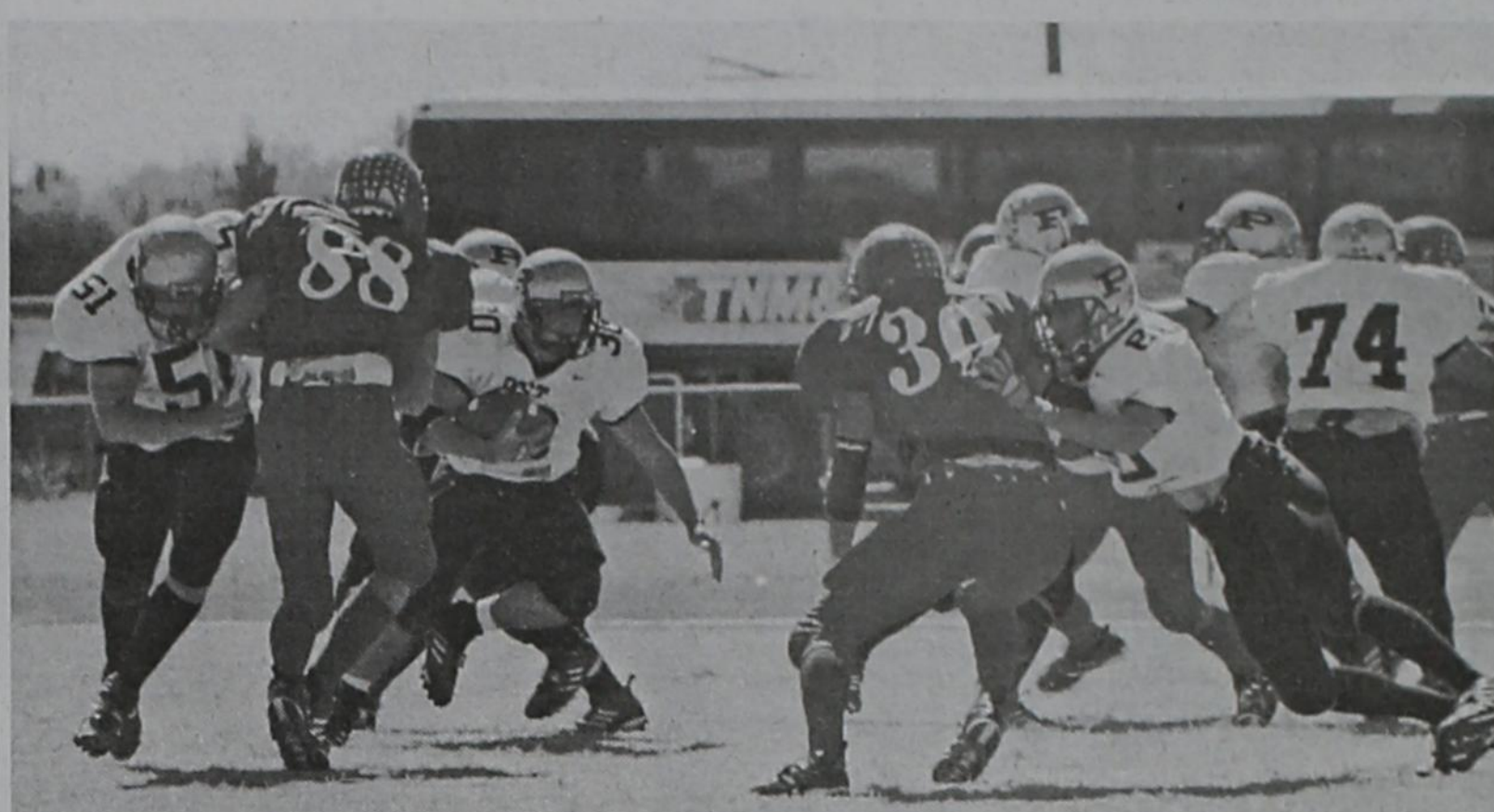
Game highlights included a fumble recovery by the 'Lopes' Tony Garay with 1:07 left in the first quarter. With 9:11 left in the second, the team scored on a 7-yard touchdown run by Brody Conner. Stace Norman added a successful two-point conversion.

Garay snapped up another fumble recovery with 6:32 left in the second quarter, paving the way for a 27-yard touchdown pass from Conner to Brice Feagin.

With 2:11 left in the half, Conner sacked by quarterback for a 10-yard loss.

Another fumble recovery, this one forced by Jared Smith.

Friona scored on a 6-yard touchdown pass late in the third and a 5-yard run with 5:33 left in the game.



Mark McCallister (51) blocks for Jett Lott (30) as Jonathan McGregor (80) takes out a Ranger linebacker in the play at Perryton last Saturday. (Photo by Gena Lott)



Kris Hernandez (45) helps on defense as Mark McCallister (51) takes down a Ranger running back during the 17-14 Antelope win at Perryton last Saturday. (Photo by Gena Lott)

'Lopes wrap up pre-district play, prepare of tough district schedule

by Wes Burnett

The Post Antelopes wrapped up a successful pre-district run by outscoring the Perryton Rangers 17-14 and holding onto a three win, two loss non-district record.

"We're really proud of this team," coach Tim James emphasized, "they've done what we asked, they played hard and never gave up... and that was the key to that exciting, big win at Perryton."

James was especially pleased with the defensive unit. "They played exceptionally well, and really, they kept us in the game until our offense could get going. That defensive touchdown

was the spark we needed."

The Post defense held Perryton to 13 offensive plays in the first half.

Next up on the Bold Gold schedule is the opening district game October 10 at home against the New Deal Lions. The visitors were undefeated through last week, with one more game this week

before coming to Post.

The Lions sport two quarterbacks who alternate, "and both of them can throw the football," coach James added. "I was impressed with their play against Slaton, and their defense has quick linebackers who get to the ball." The Antelopes take a break this week.

Yesteryears

10 Years Ago September 22, 1993

Penny Rains, 1992 Garza County Pioneer Lady of the Year, recently shot a bobcat as she was coming up the steps to her porch on her ranch home here in Garza County.

Garza County may not have a dairy farm, but it does have a 4-H Dairy Foods Record Book winner who finished fifth in the recent state competition. Lorry Ledbetter has been in 4-H for eight years. This is the second consecutive year that Ledbetter's book captured first place in district and placed in the top five at state.

Three Post residents were recently honored at ceremonies for students enrolled in the Western Texas College vocational nursing program in Snyder. Among the graduates were Betty Curry, Lisa Haynes and Wilma Yarbro.

Jacky Harp has the honors at the recent ribbon cutting ceremonies for Post Auto Parts (formerly Garza Auto Parts) as the Post Chamber of Commerce welcomed the new business owners into the business community.

Marine Lance Cpl. Clifford R. Walls, son of Donald and Annie Walls of Post recently returned from a two-month Australian deployment with Marine Detachment embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Independence forward deployed Yokosuka, Japan.

20 Years Ago September 25, 1983

Pam Ehret was crowned 1983 Homecoming Queen during ceremonies held during the pep rally Friday. Other nominees for the honor were Denise Smith and Leigh McCook. Also crowned Friday for band sweetheart was Mendy Tatum. Runners up were Penny Davidson and Cindee Jackson.

Lane Jones, son of Lamar and Karen Jones, was the recipient of a bicycle won in a Dr. Pepper contest. Lane's name was drawn over hundreds of entries. United was the local representative of the contest.

Bishop Michael Sheehan, of Lubbock was on hand at the Holy Cross Catholic Church Wednesday night to help parishioners celebrate the paying off of their church.

Air National Guard Airman 1st Class Ricky D. Nelson, son of Elwood Nelson has graduated from the U. S. Air Force avionics aerospace ground equipment course at Lowry Air Force Base, Colo.

Toby Craft former middle linebacker with the Post Antelopes is making quite a name for himself in Abilene and the McMurry Indians. Toby was chosen outstanding linebacker when he recorded seven tackles, an interception and a sack against the game with Austin College of Sherman.

30 Years Ago September 27, 1973

Several residents of the Justiceburg community gathered at the church there recently to visit with some old-time friends who were back home. The visitors were Mrs. Mona Key of Lewisville, Mrs. Ethel Bargsley of Coppell and Bro. and Mrs. D. W. Reed of Ringgold, La.

High School Highlights: If you happen to be in class with Jimmy Norman you had better look on your seat before you sit down. Jimmy seems to be on a tear with his tackles again... Congratulations to Donnell Harper. He is the second leading

scorer in the district.

Jim Prather and the O. S. Ranch Benefit Steer Roping and Art Exhibit moved across Texas this week on the United Press International news wire as a feature on the upcoming weekend event here.

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Sherry Haire, wife of John Haire was one of a class of 23 who were graduated as licensed vocational nurses in a capping ceremony at the Central Baptist Church in Lubbock.

40 Years Ago September 19, 1963

The Tex-Anns Drill Team of South Plains Collete will feature 26 girls, including two from Post. Members from Post are Wanda Williams and Sue Grant.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gonzales are the parents of a daughter, Diana born Sept. 19, in Garza Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Pat Schmidt was chosen Valentine Sweetheart of Texas Mu Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Ammons and Donna attended the Ice Capades at the Panhandle South Plains Fair in Lubbock. Donna was chosen to ride in a sleigh during the Santa Claus production number.

The FFA boys selected Linda McMahon as their chapter sweetheart. Linda will be presented a jacket and will attend various banquets.

Richard DeLeon, seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe DeLeon of Post, serving aboard the tank landing ship USS Westchester County recently participated in joint Army-Navy amphibious landing exercises on the beach of Pobang, Korea.

Clyde Allen Cash had the misfortune to suffer a broken arm in the football game Thursday. He spent a couple of night in Garza Memorial Hospital.

50 Years Ago September 24, 1953

Generous donations from parents at an ice cream supper helped swell the fund for the Post High School a cappella choir's trip to the State Fair of Texas at Dallas. Games were played by the adults. A barbershop triple quartet sang. The singers were Stanley Nixon, Joe Cartmill, Lonnie Welborn, Wilburn Wade, Leonard Short, Kevin Williams, Kenneth Mills, Gene Young, Lexa Acker, David King and Jeton Denson.

Mrs. Wiley Hill entertained Saturday with a party honoring her daughter, Billye Ruth, on her ninth birthday. Kay Anthony and Barbara Bishop won prizes in a series of contests.

Teachers in the Post school system, bothered by double vision, are claiming a record for schools with less than 1,000 enrollment, with 11 sets of twins. They are Jolena and Lovena Washburn, Jerry and Jack Rains, Lometa and Loveta Perrin, Loyce and Joyce Josey, Jennie and Jimmie Redman, Freda Dee and Ronnie Lee Kennedy, Jo Fern and Helen Vern Taylor, Mary and Marian Carey, Joyce and Alton Richards, Darla Fay and Danny Ray Pierce, and Brenda and Bobbie Williams.

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Post Antelope 2003 Schedule

August 28	9th & JV	Denver City	5
August 29	Varsity	@ Denver City	7:30
Sept. 4	JV	@ Roscoe	6:30
Sept. 5	Varsity	Roscoe	7:30
Sept. 11	7-8th	Friona	5 & 6:30
	9th & JV	@ Friona	6:30
Sept. 12**	Varsity	Homecoming Friona	7:30
Sept. 18	7-8th	@ Merkel	5 & 6:30
	9th & JV	Merkel	5 & 6:30
Sept. 19	Varsity	@ Merkel	7:30
Sept. 25	7-8th	@ Brownfield	5 & 6:30
	9th	Floydada	6
	JV	@ Snyder	7:30
Sept 27 (Sat)	Varsity	@ Perryton	3
Oct. 2	7-8th	Crosbyton	5
	9th	Colorado City	TBA
Oct. 3	Varsity	OPEN	OPEN
Oct. 9	7-8th	New Deal	5 & 6:30
	9th & JV	@ New Deal	5
Oct. 10*	Varsity	New Deal	7:30
Oct. 16	7-8th	Shallowater	5 & 6:30
	9th & JV	@ Shallowater	5 & 6:30
Oct. 17*	Varsity	Shallowater	7:30
Oct. 23	7-8th	@ Idalou	5 & 6:30
	9th & JV	Idalou	5 & 6:30
Oct. 24*	Varsity	@ Idalou	7:30
Oct. 30*	7-8th	Tahoka	5 & 6:30
	9th	at Floydada	TBA
	JV	@ Tahoka	6
Oct. 31*	Varsity	Tahoka	7:30
Nov. 6*	7-8th	@ Roosevelt	5 & 6:30
	9th	OPEN	OPEN
	JV	Roosevelt	6
Nov. 7*	Varsity	@ Roosevelt	7:30

** Homecoming - * District - All times p.m.

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