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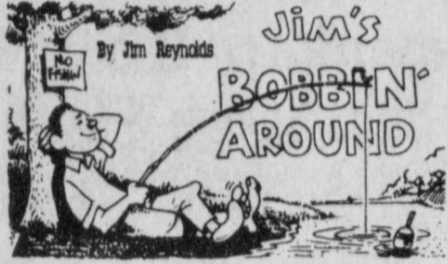
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STICKY DISCIPLINE

A young boy "forgot" to attend school one gorgeous spring day. Instead, he figured that the fish would be biting, and that is more fun than studying any old day.

Walking slowly the next morning to the rural Central Texas school he attended, as my Dad tells the story, the lad could imagine what his punishment would be for playing hooky.

In anticipation, he stuffed grass into the seat of his overalls to help buffer the licks.

Due to a strange set of circumstances, however, the licks never came. His fate was worse!

Nestled among the grass he had used for padding were several cackle burs. The teacher figured that the pain of sitting on those stickers was punishment enough.

On the subject of excuses, here are some (supposedly true) excuses which teachers have received:

"Billy had to miss some school, he had an attack of whopping cranes on his chest."

"I kept Susan home today because she wasn't feeling too bright."

"Janet was kept home sick. She was in bed under the doctor and could not get up."

"Barbara was not at school yesterday afternoon because her mother was having a baby. It is not likely that she will be missing school again for the same reason."

"Please excuse Jane on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. She had an absent tooth."

"Please excuse my daughter's absence for the past week, as she had a case of the fool."

"Mary could not go to school today because she had very close veins."

"Jimmy did not do his homework because I couldn't understand it."

"Please excuse Chris's absence yesterday. I took him golfing with me. Chris shot an 86. I shot 92. Chris will not be absent to play golf again."

"The basement of our house got flooded where the kids slept, so they had to be evaporated."

"Please excuse Alexander Thursday, he had loose vowels."

"Please excuse Joanne from gym class tomorrow, as she is going to be sick."

"Tommy was hurt yesterday playing football. He was hit in the growing part."

"Please excuse Pat for eight days. He had Diahre... diare... diare... the runs!"

"Please excuse Anne for being absent. She was sick and I had her shot."

LOOK WHAT THEY'RE DOING TO AGRICULTURE

"Burn down your cities and leave our farms, and your cities will spring up as if by magic; but destroy our farms, and
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Forum Monday to meet candidates

On Monday, March 31 at 7:30 p.m. candidates for the city council, justice of the peace, school board, hospital board, county commissioner, and district judge positions will be presented in a public forum, sponsored by the Lockney Chamber of Commerce.

The forum is being held to better acquaint the public with these candidates.

Monday's forum will include opening statements for each of the candidates of up to three minutes and will be followed by a question and answer session in which the public is invited to partici-

pate.

Persons attending the forum are invited to write any questions for the candidates in advance for presentation to the moderator, Clar Schacht.

Candidates invited and scheduled to attend include those running for city council: Ronnie Aston, a Lockney area

farmer, Leslie Cox, a retired businessman, Kim King, president of the First National Bank, Dan Smith, who farms in the Lone Star Community, and Lloyd Wofford, formerly associated with Wofford Manufacturing in Lockney.

School board candidates include Clar Schacht, running for reelection, who is

an agent with Floyd County Farm Bureau, Dickie Lambert, owner of Lambert Spraying, and Paul Glasson, Lockney veterinarian.

Lockney hospital board candidates are Chester Carthel, and Hubert Frizzell, both area farmers who are unopposed in their bids to be reelected to the hospital board.

Two men have filed for county commissioner for Precinct 2. They are Jerry Williams a farmer-rancher in the Providence community, and Floyd Jack-

son.

The Justice of the Peace for precincts 2 and 3 will include three names on the ballot. Mike Mooney, incumbent to that office, Bill Fowell, and Garland Sams.

The district judges position will include two names on the ballot, George W. Miller, incumbent and David Cave.

This forum will give the public a chance to better acquaint themselves with the men running for office in both Lockney and the county and anyone interested is invited to attend.

Photo of Week and Whozit will appear in The Beacon

The Beacon is announcing two new features which are scheduled to begin next week.

Readers are requested to bring in unusual pictures they have made, with the best chosen by this staff for "Photo of the Week" which will appear on this newspaper's front page each week.

These "Photo of the Week" features may pertain to any subject. The only two requirements are: only non-professional photographers (those who have never sold photography) are eligible and persons appearing in photos preferably reside in this

area.

The second new feature envisioned for The Beacon involves "Whozit" photos from yesterday. Readers will be asked to guess the identity of these mystery personalities, with the identity to appear in the following week's newspaper.

"Whozit", which appeared in The Beacon about seven years ago, is being reintroduced following requests from readers.

In addition, The Beacon staff requests that readers contact our office with your news."

Dan Smith appointed to committee

Dan Smith has been appointed by Texas Farm Bureau President S.M. True to the 1986 TFB Blue Ribbon Goals Committee. This is a 17 member statewide committee assigned to study the future of agriculture in Texas and Texas Farm Bureau from the present to the year 2000.

Results and recommendations from this committee will be reported to the 1986 Texas Farm Bureau state convention delegates.

This committee, chaired by James R. Adams of Odem, will meet in Waco for five different sessions and will make fact finding tours to Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, Ohio, Michigan and Illinois to study each state's agriculture industry and state Farm Bureau policies.

Smith, a 1972 graduate of Lockney High School and a 1976 graduate of Texas Tech University, is a farmer in the Lone Star community near Lockney.

After serving as president of Floyd County Farm Bureau in 1982-83, he served as the 1985 state chairman of the Texas Farm Bureau Young Farmer and Rancher Advisory Committee.

Seven Longhorns in power lifting meet

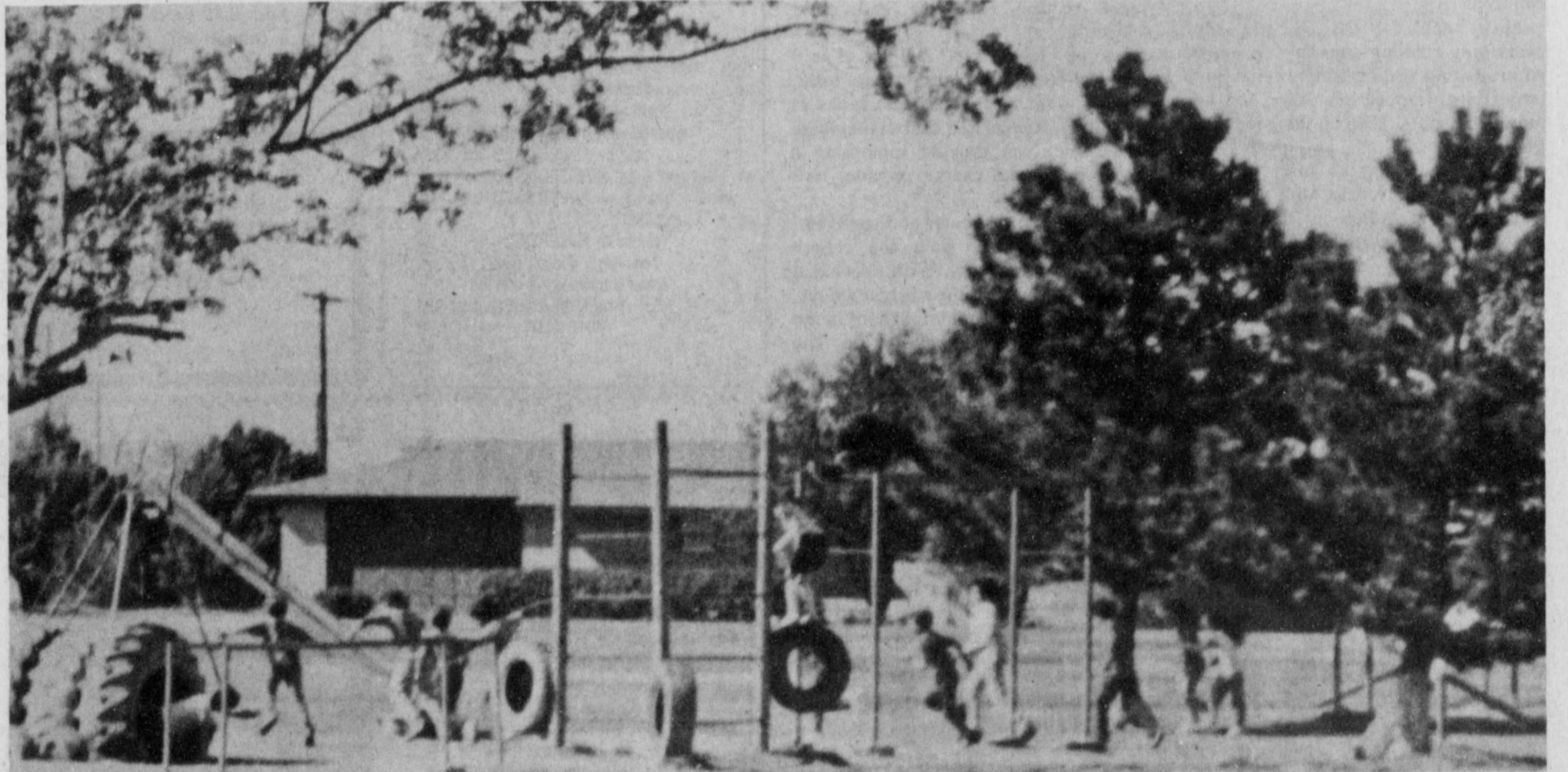
On Saturday, March 22, seven Lockney High School boys participated in a power lifting meet in Ralls. It was the Jackrabbitt Classic II.

Allen Stallings, and Randy Race each placed second in their respective weight classes and Race placed third overall in the competition.

Also competing in the meet but not placing were Johnny Silva, Michael DeLeon, Lupe Coronado, Jimmy Baljeo, and Wyman Rexrode.

The next meet for the Lockney team will be regionals which will also be held in Ralls on April 5. Qualifying for regionals from Lockney are Allen Stallings, Randy Race, Johnny Silva, and possibly Michael DeLeon and George Basaldua.

These regional qualifiers are working hard toward the State meet which will be held on April 26 in Austin.



EVEN THOUGH IT WAS BACK TO SCHOOL on Monday morning, these Lockney Elementary School students took advantage of the beautiful, warm weather and enjoyed playing outdoors. The rest of this week is expected to be warm with highs

ranging from the mid to upper 70's. Let's hope this warm weather will continue for the track meet to be held in Lorenzo Saturday and for the tennis meet in Lockney on Thursday.

Lockney High one-act play to be presented

Thursday night at 6:30 p.m. the Lockney High School one act play participants will present "As You Like It", a Shakespeare play in the district play contest in Petersburg.

The play will also be presented in Lockney on Friday night at 7 p.m. at the

Lockney Elementary School. Admission for the local performance will be \$1.00 per person.

Performing in the play will be Matt Mitchell as father, Jolie Diepenhorst as daughter, Boyd Jackson, Duke, Joel

Mitchell, Jacques; Michael Villa, Silvius; Boyd Jackson, Corin; Matt Williams, Touchstone; Julie Davis, Rosalind; Julia Segovia, Celia; Rusty Teeter, Orlando; Lisa Terrell, Audrey; Gwen Lane, Phebe; and Matt Mitchell will play Oliver.

The crew for this year's play will include Chad Frizzell, Johnny Silva, Loretta Turner, and alternates Rusty Carthel, Sundai Workman, Chad Diepenhorst, and Soyla Luna.

Director for the Lockney play is Miss Dayna Owen, English teacher at LHS.

Jennifer Turbeville home from tour of Washington

Jennifer Turbeville, a seventh grader and member of the Lockney Young, Gifted and Talented class, returned from a student tour of Washington, D.C. on Saturday. Turbeville went with students from the Levelland Middle School.

The group of 35 students and three sponsors visited Williamsburg, Virginia before journeying to Washington. While in Washington, Congressman Larry Combest led the students on a

tour of the Capitol and Library of Congress. The group also toured the Smithsonian Institute, the Jefferson Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, the F.B.I. building, and saw the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the new memorial dedicated to the veterans of the Vietnam War.

Groups of students from schools in the Northeast also toured the city. A dance and pizza party was held for the students the night of their departure.

Happy Easter



CHURCH COOKBOOKS

The Lockney First United Methodist Church members have compiled a cookbook of their favorite recipes. The books are on sale at the church office for \$5.00 each. This project was sponsored by the United Methodist Women.

SUNRISE SERVICE

The Rev. Ray Starnes has announced that the First Baptist Church of Aiken will hold a sunrise service on Easter morning. The service will be held outside if weather permits so dress accordingly. Breakfast will be served after the service.



happy easter
rejoice in the miracle
of this season of renewal.



In times like these... By Mary Jo Fielding

Though he has generally been circumspect about saying it outright, Ronald Reagan for his entire presidency has considered the dismantling of Nicaragua's pro-Soviet Sandinista regime both as geopolitical objective and a moral crusade. Last week the President all but abandoned circumspection.

In his fight for more military aid to the contras, Nicaragua's rebel forces, he took off his gloves and came out swinging, warning of "strategic disaster" if Congress thwarted him. Emboldened by the U.S. role in helping to achieve a peaceful transition in Manila, he made a rather forced comparison, "We stood for democracy in the Philippines" he said. "We have to stand for democracy in Nicaragua." He conjured up visions of an inexorable Communist advance. "If we don't want to see the map of Central America

covered in a sea of red eventually lapping at our own borders, we must act now." Then he evoked the greatest threat of all in the post-Vietnam era "We send money and material now" he warned: "so we'll never have to send our own American boys."

Reagan's talk was part of the Administration's campaign to win congressional approval of a \$100 million aid package to the contras over the next year and a half, 70 million in military assistance and 30 million in humanitarian aid, such as food, clothing, and medical supplies.

However, last Thursday the House of Representatives rejected President Reagan's request. "It is not one shot thing, it's not over now," said Rep. Dick Cheney of Wyoming, a senior member of the Republican leadership. "I think eventually we'll pass a package for Central America."

Care Center Capers

By Bonnie Purdom

The Brownies will be presenting "The Fashion Parade" March 29. Tickets are on sale for \$1.00. Proceeds will be presented to the Arthritis Foundation on April 27 at the Teletel in Lubbock. Chairs will be lined up in the halls, as the walkway for these lovely young girls. Come early and get a good seat.

In addition, our annual Easter egg hunt for the residents will be held on Friday. Come and join in the fun of coloring the eggs on Thursday afternoon March 28, at 2:30 p.m. in the dining room of the Center.

The residents are collecting tin cans for the activities fund, please drop your cans by the center.

Our residents are enjoying making Easter baskets in crafts, they are lovely, come by and enjoy their handy work, we have crafts on Tuesday and Thursday at 2:30 p.m., you are welcome to join in on the fun, the more the merrier.

It sure is good to be back to work, I missed everyone. I want to express my sympathy to the families and friends of the residents that have gone on since I left.

Laverne is still busy as a bee, and keeping everyone on their toes. She's been playing Grandma this week on her off time, with Cynthia and Jeff's, two children.

Alice Leal, the D.O.N., has kept everything running smoothly as usual. After visiting the Nursing Homes in a larger city, I appreciate Alice and her aides even more, keep up the good work girls.

The food is just as tasty as ever thanks to Tina Nuncio and her staff. Tina and the ladies in the kitchen deserve a lot of recognition for all of the special things they do for our residents.

Many of the residents had family and friends drop by for a visit this week. Thursday, I thought we had a new bearded resident, when I opened the door to find, Earl Mercer's brother, laying comfortably on Earl's bed in gay laughter, while Earl and his brothers wife sat laughing at him in the chair and Floyd Barber was perched on his bed

with a smile enjoying his roommates visitors. Just like home with family and friends.

It was nice to see Mrs. Betha Cunyus' son, visiting, although he took off at the mention of exercise class, but he'll be back, I'm sure. Her grandson came earlier in the week to take her to Plainview for lunch. He returned her home safe and sound, with a big grin and a full stomach.

A couple of lovely young ladies came in carrying Mary Jo Fielding's blouses on Tuesday. She sure has a lovely young daughter. An old friend of Mary Jo's dropped by Friday during bingo, we enjoyed having her.

Cleo Ham ran away from home for a couple of days, for a visit with her family, her granddaughter was in from Austin. She had a good time and regretted that it had to end so soon.

Nina Loudermilk's daughters and son-in-law, were laughing joyfully as I opened the door to her room, "We all agreed that fat wasn't so bad after all, as long as you're healthy and happy." Nina had a bright smile and a new hair-do, as I left for the day.

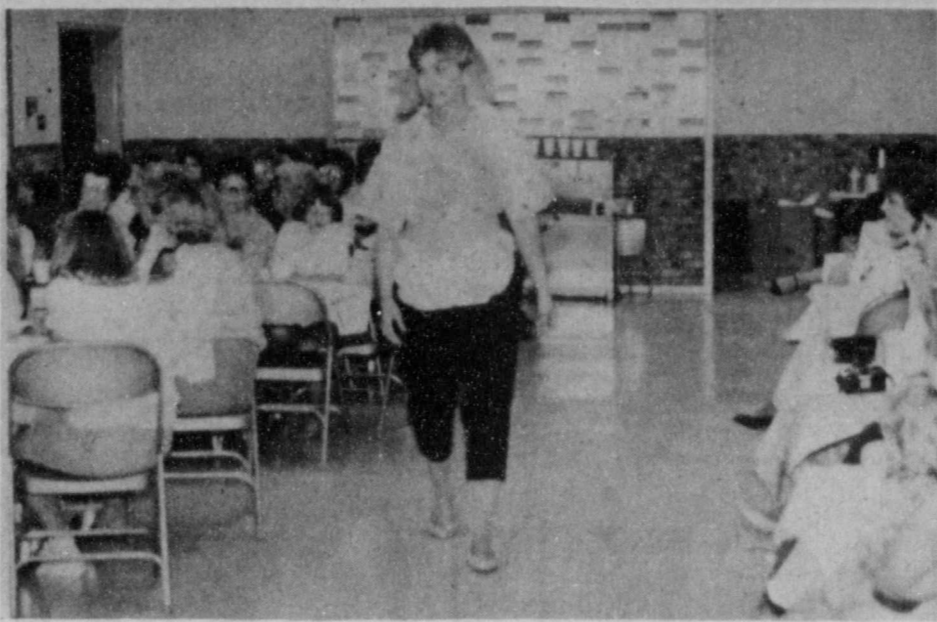
It was a pleasure to meet and visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ogden, this week. Fifty-one years of marriage is an accomplishment.

It was good to see Ruby Busby's sister visiting with her and other residents.

I hope, I haven't left any out, if so it was not intentional, please come back, again. I want to express our thanks to the family, friends and church members who come, you provide something a professional staff cannot provide, love and friendship.

Crochet a new sweater and you'll feel one of the ladies from the church examining the pattern. With music and services, along with their bright smiles, it added a comfort and bright spot in the day. Thanks ladies for all you do. The residents enjoyed cookies and ice cream at 2:30, along with a tape by "Bill Monroe," thanks to Dixie, and crafts.

Happy Easter from the staff and residents, may God be with you and yours, until next week.



LISA MOSLEY was one of many local residents that modeled in the annual Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce style show Monday night in Floydada. Lisa modeled for Letters Designer Fabrics. Those attending the style show enjoyed a salad supper before the fashion show began.

Pioneer Round-Up slated

The Plainview Business and Professional Women's Club has announced Saturday, May 17 as the date for the 1986 Pioneer Round-Up. This will be the 58th year the club has sponsored this annual event, according to Doris Washington, President of the sponsoring club.

The Pioneer Round-Up was started as a method of honoring pioneers of this area. This continues to be one of the purposes of the event, but in addition, it has become an entertainment feature for people of all ages in Plainview, Hale County and surrounding areas.

Mrs. Washington has appointed committees for the Round-Up and chairman of each committee is as follows: Program, Helen Harper; Dance, Helen Burleson; Tickets, Alice Doyle; Door, Renee Laird; Registration, Cynthia Rios; Parade, Betty Gonzales; Foods, Nancy Cox; Kountry Kitchen, Lisa Caldwell; Housing, Doris Washington and Publicity, Jo Ann Clements.

"58 of 150", following the Sesquicentennial emphasis, has been chosen for this year's Round-Up theme and activities will be held in the Hale County Agriculture Center on the south edge of Plainview. The reception will be held in the meeting room at the center and pioneers will gather for this at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday morning.

WHY IS IT?

A man wakes up after sleeping under an ADVERTISED blanket and pulls off ADVERTISED pajamas and bathes in an ADVERTISED shower shaves with an ADVERTISED razor brushes his teeth with ADVERTISED toothpaste washes with ADVERTISED soap puts on ADVERTISED clothes drinks a cup of ADVERTISED coffee drives to work in an ADVERTISED car and then... refuses to ADVERTISE believing it doesn't pay. Later if business is poor he ADVERTISES it for sale. WHY IS IT?

The traditional Pioneer Round-Up parade will roll at 2:30 p.m.

The Saturday evening's program will begin at 6:00 when the chuck wagon supper will be served in the large assembly room at the Agriculture Center with the program to follow.

A square dance will conclude the day's activities.

All local and area people are invited to this Pioneer Round-Up for an evening of entertainment and to honor those pioneers who came to this country many, many years ago.

Lockney Hospital Report

March 17-24
Paula Pesina, Lockney, adm. 3-12, baby girl Cristina born 3-12, dis. 3-18
Jesusa Lozano, Plainview, adm. 3-13, dis. 3-19
Roberta Rodriguez, Floydada, adm. 3-17, dis. 3-18
John Cuevas Jr., Plainview, adm. 3-17, dis. 3-21
Milton Robbs, Lockney, adm. 3-17, dis. 3-22
Eric Robles, Lockney, adm. 3-17, dis. 3-22
Carmen Garza, Floydada, adm. 3-17, dis. 3-22
Monty Joe Beaver, Quitaque, adm. 3-17, dis. 3-19
Amanda Malone, Floydada, adm. 3-18, continues care
Eleanor Rodriguez, Lockney, adm. 3-18, dis. 3-22
Kacy Acy, Lockney, adm. 3-18, dis. 3-24
Eunice McFall, Clarendon, adm. 3-18, continues care
Archie Bybee, Lockney, adm. 3-17,

dis. 3-22
Mary Ann Carey, Plainview, adm. 3-16, baby boy William Edward Jr., born 3-16, dis. 3-18
Miranda Castillo, Plainview, adm. 3-18, continues care
Sandy Montez, Plainview, adm. 3-20, continues care
Viola Ramos, Plainview, adm. 3-20, continues care
Eva Lou Younger, Silverton, adm. 3-20, dis. 3-24
W.T. Cooper, Lockney, adm. 3-19, continues care
Dennis Grabbe, Lockney, adm. 3-21, continues care
Ashleigh Jones, Lockney, adm. 3-22, continues care
Alton Riddell, Silverton, adm. 3-22, continues care
Jack Dempsey, Lockney, adm. 3-23, continues care
Rusty Lynn Reese, Plainview, adm. 3-23, continues care
Maria Cruz, Quitaque, adm. 3-24, continues care

Dorothy Morton speaks to B & PW

Dorothy Morton, District 9 Director for Business and Professional Women, was the special guest for the Lockney PBW Club's Tuesday, March 18 meeting held in the home of Wilma Brown. She spoke on "Sharing the Dream" and presented thoughts on how an individual might reach her dreams.

Wilma Brown presented an interesting and informative program on spring fashions and accessories. Dinner was served to the following members and guests: Jinna Sue Turner,

Vera Jo Bybee, Dorothy Morton, Wilma Brown, June McDonald, Dorothy Shipp, Gladys Ragle, Gayle Sherman, Lozelle Keeter, May Pearl Burns and Merle Mooney.

Merle Mooney attended the 54th Annual Emblem Brunch held in Amarillo on March 23, hosted by the Amarillo Business and Professional Women's Club. Reba Malone of San Antonio, state president of BPW, was the special speaker. Dorothy Morton of Plainview presided over the district meeting.

C.R. Marsh wins heroism award

A Crosby County farmer who risked his life to rescue a woman from electrocution in a farm accident has been announced as winner of the 1986 Texas Rural Heroism award.

C.R. "Clayburn" Marsh, 49, of Crosbyton was honored at the 47th annual Texas/Southwestern Safety Conference and Exposition for rescuing Mrs. Dee (Sherry) Moses, 32, of Crosbyton on December 8, 1985.

The annual award is sponsored by the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council. Ben Bullard, assistant safety director for the Texas Farm Bureau, is Council president.

The accident occurred just before sundown on a farm about 1 1/2 miles east of Mount Blanco on the South Plains, Marsh, who farms with the Moses family, said that he saw Mrs. Moses driving a tractor and pulling a cotton module builder when its packer arms came in contact with a 7,200-volt power line.

Marsh was about 20 feet away and realized the danger she was in. He yelled to her to stay on the tractor so as not to be grounded.

"Not knowing he wanted me to stay on the tractor, I immediately jumped," Mrs. Moses recalled. "The moment I went out the door of the tractor is the last I remember."

Mrs. Moses said when she jumped from the tractor the "force of the (electrical) current pulled me back into the tractor," pinning her between the step and back wheel. The tires were blown out and the wire caught on fire.

Marsh said blue flames an inch in diameter were shooting six to eight inches from her feet. He finally freed the woman after three attempts, ripping her jacket in the process.

By this time, her husband, who was operating a cotton harvester elsewhere in the field, had noticed the incident and rushed to the scene. Uncertain if she were still alive, the men rushed her 15

miles to the Crosbyton Hospital.

Physicians initially feared the woman would lose both feet. However, they were able to save all except the small toes and metatarsals on each foot along with part of her right index finger. She also sustained severe burns to her hip.

"I thank God I am alive to raise our three children," Mrs. Moses said. "I thank Clayburn Marsh, who has a wife, three children and two grandchildren, for risking his life to save mine."

Marsh took some of the current when he grabbed Mrs. Moses' jacket. Safety experts say he avoided possible serious injury by not pulling her by the hand.

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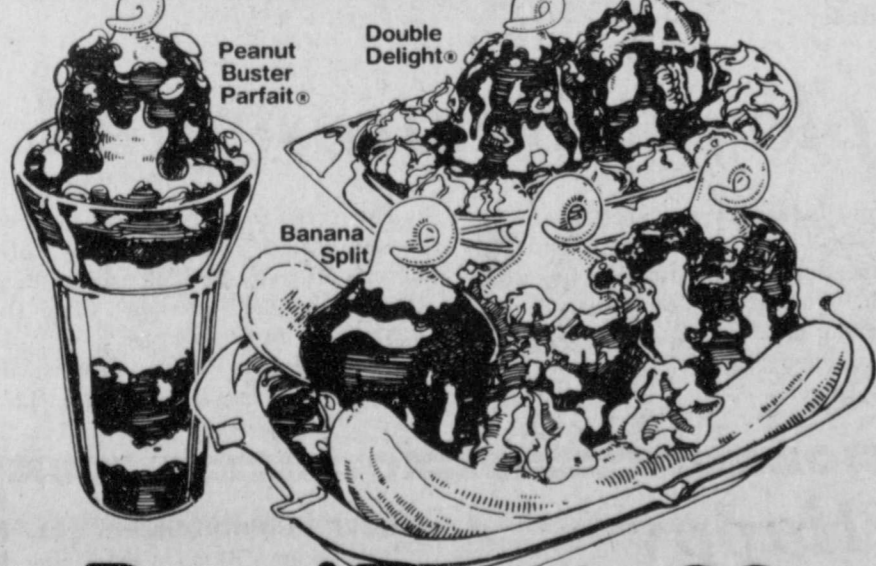
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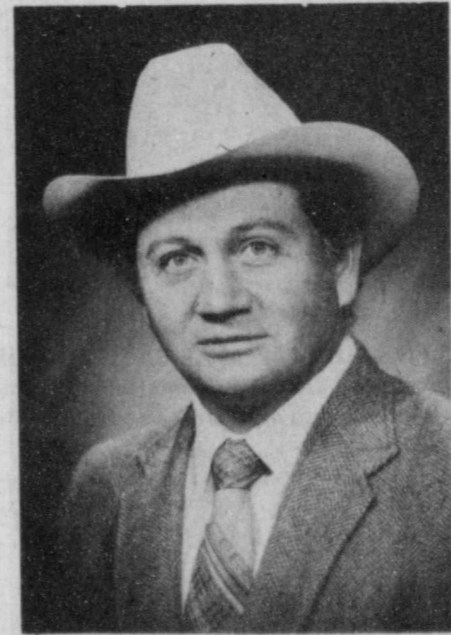
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VOTE JERRY WILLIAMS



DUTIES OF A COMMISSIONER

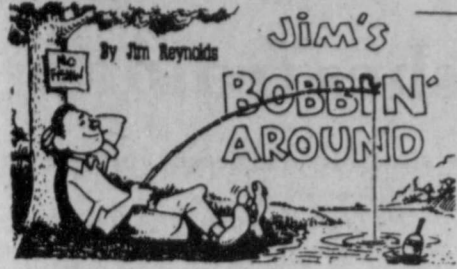
The County Commissioner is a member of the Commissioner's Court which is made up of four precinct commissioners and a County Judge whose power is derived from the Texas Constitution of State Laws.

The duties are to assess and collect taxes; to conduct elections; to direct local justice courts and county law enforcement; to direct public health and welfare, county library, and county fire protection; and to approve the hiring of county agents, to construct and maintain all county roads and buildings. County income is derived from taxes, fees, fines, motor vehicle registration, and revenues from the state and federal governments.

As you can see this is a position of responsibility. Jerry Williams is responsible and qualified to fill the duties of this position.

Subject to the May 3 Democratic Primary.

Paid for by Jerry Williams and Friends.



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the grass will grow in the streets of every city in the country."

Those words of wisdom by William Jennings Bryan have been true back to biblical days, centuries before he penned them. And they're true today, although some of our shakers and movers in Washington seem to have lost sight of the fact.

Agriculture has been raped by so many circumstances beyond the control of men and women who till the soil. First and foremost is the high dollar value, which has rendered not only ag commodities but so many things produced in this country as non-competitive on the world market.

Another thing is that good old Uncle Sam has shared our modern ag technology around the globe and due to their economies, other nations are now beating our time.

As long as agricultural products from the USofA are not competitive, and the world economy is weak, the United States will continue to have a high balance of payments deficit.

Now we'll climb down from our soap box. But remember that family farmers, and mom and pop businesses, were strong foundations upon which this country was built. Somebody is chipping away at our foundation!

THE LIABILITY CRISIS

By Richard L. Leshar

President, U.S. Chamber of Commerce
America is awakening to the fact that the liability crisis is for real. But how many have considered how much the crisis could affect us all from cradle to grave?

Or even before the cradle, for that matter. Early February saw a strike by obstetricians in Boston fed up with rising malpractice insurance rates. And once Junior is born, a number of vaccines, including diphtheria-pertussis-tetanus, may be unavailable because litigation shy manufacturers have stopped making them.

The baby may have been unplanned. G. D. Searle recently was forced to stop selling a safe and medically approved interuterine birth-control device. Searle had never lost a lawsuit, but just defending them was eating up nearly a tenth of the company's income.

Junior's cradle itself is bound to be more expensive since lawsuits have abounded over injuries to babies in their

beds. He might not be able to get a car seat either.

And who's going to take care of Junior if Mom works? Many day-care centers can't get insurance.

As Junior grows up, life may not be as much fun for him. All those neat toys he sees during the cartoons may be off the market after being attacked by consumer safety activists. Skip the carnival. Who can afford the \$5 per ticket to cover the insurance for the pony rides?

And forget about peanut butter sandwiches and the Twinkies. They've been battered by suits over allegedly misleading labeling and turning youngsters into "junk-food junkies."

Watching the Super Bowl on TV — or participating in sports himself — is out of the question. Ten of 13 football helmet manufacturers already have been driven out of business by lawsuits over injuries. Mom and Dad had to send the dog to the pound since they couldn't afford the increase in the homeowner's insurance in case he bit somebody.

Depressed by the loss of these privileges — and his dog — Junior goes to discuss his problems with his minister. Sorry, the minister won't do any more spiritual counseling because he's been burned by malpractice suits.

Despite these setbacks, Junior manages to struggle through school, after he signed a release promising not to sue if he didn't learn how to read. But there aren't many new jobs. Those companies that haven't been forced out of business are laying off employees to cover higher insurance premiums.

Junior finally finds a job as the clerk of the court's office. They have plenty of work handling their share of the two million lawsuits filed every year.

At a ripe old age, Junior suffers a stroke and is rushed to the hospital. His bill for the 18 hours before he dies is \$20,000, largely because the doctors order a battery of extra tests to avoid a malpractice suit.

But that's OK. The insurance will pick it up.

(P.S. This modern fable may seem to pass into the realm of fantasy, but the fantastic thing is that every turn of events portrayed is based on a real case or occurrence.)

DON'T TELL ME

With the primary elections lurking less than two months down the road, it seems that candidates are walking the streets of virtually every town. In places, there are so many candidates they virtually have to take turns visiting voters.

Fellow we know in a neighboring county was prompted by one candidate? "You ARE going to vote for me!" The voter explained politely that only he

knows the names he checks in the privacy of a voting booth.

The next candidate was told of the happening by Mr. Voter.

"Oh, I'm not asking who you're voting for," the second candidate responded. "In fact, I might not want to know."

TEST WHO?

Texas political leaders, who were disappointed because the first TEAMS test of high school juniors did not produce anywhere near the expected number of failures, will presumably also be disappointed if the first TECAT test of teachers does not eliminate a high enough percentage of teachers.

Nearly 85 percent of the Texas high school juniors who took the first TEAMS test passed it with flying colors, and prompted state leaders (including Lt. Governor Hobby) to label the test "a fraud."

The president of the Association of Texas Professional Educators says, reasonably enough, that teachers were not given enough credit for preparing that vast majority of students who passed the exam. It might be reasonable to infer that Texas high school students were better educated than the state's reform-minded politicians gave them credit for, and also that their teachers were more proficient than the politicians like to believe.

That should be cause for more pride than prejudice, but in our Alice-in-Wonderland political atmosphere, it is viewed as a failure of the test-makers that they did not design a test difficult enough to produce massive failures and thus vindicate the doom-sayers who find nothing good about our school system and suspect the worst of our teachers.

Now we presume there will be real disappointment if the TECAT test fails to flunk a substantial number of teachers, although it isn't clear how the reformers plan to find replacements if they do succeed in cancelling all those teaching certificates.

Maybe their answer will be to beef up the TEAMS test enough to flunk a desired percentage of students so that there won't be any need for the teachers

who are eliminated by TECAT.

We think a simpler and better solution would be to administer intelligence tests to the politicians and so eliminate a high percentage of them. That shouldn't be very difficult. — Ben Ezzell, Canadian Record

WHAT 100 NEW JOBS WOULD MEAN TO A COMMUNITY

We are most excited about the possibilities of some new industries locating in the Tullia community . . . industries that would bring new families to Tullia, industries that would circulate some very welcome payroll money.

There are some individuals who are board members on the Greater Swisher County Industrial Foundation who are really devoting some long hours, doing their best to get confirmation on these new industries.

We wish we could give you more information about the new industries, but there are so many cities seeking new industry (with a lot of enticement money available) that their names must be confidential at this time.

Fact is, it appears now that it may even be 18 months before we can make any sort of announcement about their coming here . . . so be patient.

What would 100 new jobs mean to Tullia? Recent statistics are just pretty impressive: 202 more people, 61 more children, 102 more households, seven more retail establishments, \$1,948,353 more personal income per year, 64 more non-manufacturing jobs, \$1,477,453

more retail sales yearly. — Wendell Tooley, The Tullia Herald



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Texas consumers name their local newspaper as the usual source of "Best Buy" shopping information, 10 times more than radio or television.

Information Sought By Consumers	PERCENT Newspapers	PERCENT Radio	PERCENT TV
Where To Shop	57%	5%	9.3%
Cost Of Products	57.1%	3.4%	8.5%
Best Buy Info	58.6%	3.2%	7.9%

Texas consumers look to newspapers FIRST and MOST for news and advice about shopping. Newspaper ad information is decisive and always available for reading and study.

SOURCE: 1984 Consumer Data Service (CDS) Survey of Texas Consumers

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Lockney Track Results

The Lockney junior high track teams journeyed to Post on March 15 and three of the four teams placed in the meets.

The seventh grade girls placed second overall and the following were the teams results.

High jump — Tandi Gant, 2nd place, four feet

Long jump — Shedia Hill, fifth place, 12 feet, 7 inches

Shot put — Aimee Green, 6th place, 19 feet 7 inches

Discus — Jennifer Turberville, 4th, 56 feet 5 inches; Aimee Green, 5th, 53 feet, 3 inches

800 meter run — Gracie Saucedo, 1st, 3:07; Angie Moya, 2nd, 3:09

100 meter dash — Shedia Hill, 1st, 13.2

400 meter dash — Amy Turner, 1st, 78.03; Lori Gonzales, 3rd, 84.8

200 meter dash — Erin Adrian, 4th, 32.04

100 meter hurdles — Anna Cortez, 4th, 20.30; Erin Adrian, 5th, 21.51

Mile run — Tina Martinez, 2nd, 7:19; Neela Patel, 3rd, 7:25

400 meter relay — Anna Cortez, Tandi Gant, Amy Turner, Shedia Hill, 3rd, 60.0

800 meter relay — Cortez, Gant, Turner, Hill, 3rd, 2:09.71

Mile relay — Tandi Gant, Gracie Saucedo, Angie Moya, Lori Gonzales, 2nd, 5:08.37

Participating but not placing in the meet were Kima Blanco and Robin Marks.

7th Grade Boys

The seventh grade boys placed third in the meet at Post and their results include the following.

Long jump — Jose Martinez, 4th, 13 feet, 9 inches; Steven Vasquez, 6th, 13 feet, 3 inches

High jump — Kip Holt, 4th, 4 feet, 4 inches

Shot put — Jason Bybee, 6th

Discus — Ruben Ascencio, 6th

400 meter relay — Jose Martinez, Steven Vasquez, Kip Holt, Jeffrey Sutterfield, 3rd, 55.8

800 meter — Kip Holt, 5th, 2:37

100 meter — Jose Martinez, 2nd, 12.88; Jeffrey Sutterfield, 5th, 13.39

400 meter — Steven Vasquez, 1st, 65.6; Ruben Ascencio, 3rd, 71.7

200 meter — Jeffrey Sutterfield, 5th, 28.6

1600 meter run — Armando Banda, 4th, 6:11; Orlando Mondragon, 5th, 6:21; Kenneth Dickey, 6th, 6:53

1600 meter relay — Ascencio, Martinez, Holt, Vasquez, 3rd, 4:46

Other seventh grade boys participating in the meet but not placing were David Perez, Scott Redden, Jerry Don Evans and Mario Hernandez.

8th Grade Girls

Competing from the eighth grade in the girls division were: shot put — Adella Sustaita, 2nd, 25 feet, 3 inches, and Peggy Luna, 4th, 23 feet, 8 inches.

Discus — Luna, 1st, 70 feet, 8 inches; Sustaita, 5th, 61 feet, 7 inches.

400 meter run — Luna, 6th, 86.07

8th Grade Boys

The eighth grade boys placed third overall in the Post meet with 44.8 points. Results from the eighth grade boys division include:

800 meters — Mark Gatica, 4th

110 hurdles — Michael Monroe, 2nd

100 meter dash — Monroe, 3rd

300 meter int. hurdles — Henry Ruiz, 4th

200 meter dash — Monroe, 3rd

1600 meter run — Mark Gatica, 2nd

1600 meter relay — Heath Rexrode, David Brittain, Justin Means, Henry Ruiz, 4th

Discus — Wesley Teeter, 2nd; Joe Louis Guerrero, 3rd

Shot put — David Brittain, 4th; Joe Louis Guerrero, 5th

Long jump — Michael Monroe, 2nd

High jump — Monroe, 2nd; Teeter, 4th

Pole vault — Ruiz, 4th

Junior Varsity Boys

The Lockney junior varsity boys also made the trip to Post on Saturday, March 15 and came home with third place. Said Coach Randy Josey, "We only took four young men to the meet and they all brought home ribbons."

Shot put — Lupe Coronado, 3rd

100 meter — Rex Mathis, 4th

110 High hurdles — Todd Hallmark, 2nd

200 meter — Hallmark, 2nd; Mathis, 5th

800 meter — Albert Martinez, 1st

1600 meter — Martinez, 1st

400 meter relay — Coronado, Hallmark, Martinez, Mathis, 2nd.



YOUTH WINNER—Jake Jones of Lockney was the youth division winner at the fiddling contest held Saturday at the Floydada Frontier Days celebration.

Social Security News

By Terry J. Clements

Annual reports of 1985 earnings must be filed by April 15 by people receiving social security checks who earned more than the annual exempt amount in 1985.

The 1985 annual exempt amounts were \$5,400 for people who were under 65 all of 1985 and \$7,320 for people who were 65-70 in 1985.

People who received some benefits in 1985 and who earned more than the exempt amount are required to file a report of those earnings by April 15. Those who received no benefits in 1985 are not required to file a report, but those people should file a report to make sure that any benefits that might be due for the year are paid.

A person who earned less than anticipated, for example, may be due some benefits. The only way these benefits can be paid is if the person files an annual report.

The general rule is that \$1 in benefits is withheld for each \$2 of earnings above the exempt amount. A person can have substantial yearly earnings before all benefits are withheld. For example, a 65-year-old person whose monthly benefit rate is \$500 could have earned \$19,320 in 1985 before all benefits were withheld in 1985.

People who are required to file an annual report should have received a copy in the mail. If they have not, they should contact the social security office to get a copy. Those not required to file, but who wish to do so, can also get a copy of the form at the office.

The 1986 annual exempt amounts are \$7,800 for people 65-70 and \$5,760 for people under 65 all of 1986.

More information about annual reports can be obtained at the social security office at 1401-B W. 5th street, or you may call us at 293-9623.

V A News

More than half of the 142,227 American servicemen and women who were held captive by enemy forces during four periods of conflict dating to 1917 are alive today, according to the Veterans Administration.

The VA has made special outreach efforts to ensure that the more than 83,000 former prisoners of war are fully informed of their benefits. An estimated 79,000 of these veterans are over 65.

Legislative changes in 1981 and 1984 eased criteria for former POWs to establish service connection for certain disabilities. Veterans who were interred 30 days or more can have disabilities presumed to be service-connected from certain diseases.

VA Deputy Administrator Everett Alvarez, a former POW, notes that while the law recognizes that military medical records do not cover while the law recognizes that military medical records do not cover periods of incarceration, there must be some medical evidence relating the current condition to the period of military service.

Treatment is available at VA's 172 medical centers and 226 out-patient clinics nationwide. Treatment in non-VA facilities at Government expense is not authorized unless the veteran has

received prior approval from the VA.

Compensation rates for service-connected disabilities were increased effective Dec. 1, 1985. The 3.1 percent cost-of-living rate adjustment increased monthly payments to \$1,335 for a veterans with a disability rated at 100 percent. The 50 percent rate was increased to \$338. Veterans rated at 10 percent now receive \$68 monthly.

Veterans rated at 30% or more qualify for a dependency allowance. Dependents of veterans rated 100 percent may qualify for educational assistance. Widows of veterans rated 100% for 10 years prior to death are eligible for dependency and indemnity compensation, as are widows of veterans whose deaths are service-connected. Amount of payment is based on the veteran's highest military grade.

Compensation entitlements apply to all service-connected disabled veterans and not just former POWs.

VA facilities have designated employees to coordinate benefits and services for former POWs. Additionally, a national hotline is available 24 hours a day to answer questions for former POWs. The toll free hotline number is (800) 821-8139.

Gonzales finishes training

Marine Pvt. Israel Gonzales, son of Pete P. and Santos Gonzales of Lockney, has completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

During the 11-week training cycle, Gonzales was taught the basics of battlefield survival. He was introduced to the typical daily routine that he will experience during his enlistment and studied the personal and professional

standards traditionally exhibited by Marines.

He participated in an active physical conditioning program and gained proficiency in a variety of military skills, including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close order drill. Teamwork and self-discipline were emphasized throughout the training cycle.

A 1983 graduate of Lockney High School, he joined the Marine Corps in March 1985.

Lockney School Menu

March 31-April 4

Monday:
Breakfast—Applesauce, sausage, toast, milk

Lunch—Corn dog with mustard, cheese stick, corn on the cob, cinnamon biscuits, fruit cocktail, milk

Tuesday:
Breakfast—Cheese sticks, oats, milk

Lunch—Pizza with beef and cheese, mashed potatoes, boiled cabbage, raisin pie, hot rolls, milk

Wednesday:
Breakfast—Cereal, bananas, milk

Lunch—Meat loaf with tomato gravy, fried okra, buttered corn, hot rolls, milk

Thursday:
Breakfast—Pancakes with syrup, apricots, milk

Lunch—Fried chicken and gravy, buttered spinach, blackeye peas, gingerbread, hot rolls, milk

Friday:
Breakfast—Cinnamon biscuits, pears, milk

Lunch—Fish burger, cabbage slaw, baked beans, apricots cobbler, milk

NOTICE TO RECEIVE BIDS PLAINVIEW INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT April 10, 1986

The Plainview Independent School District will receive bids for the repair or purchase of the following:

- (1) Food Products for Cafeterias for May
- (2) Capstone Repair & Tuckpointing at High School and Houston School
- (3) Furniture & Fixtures
- (4) Audio-Visual Equipment
- (5) Kitchen Equipment for Houston School
- (6) Ten (10) Folding Cafeteria Tables for Houston School

Sealed bids should be returned to Mr. John O. Peck, Assistant Superintendent, Plainview I.S.D., P.O. Box 1540, Plainview, Texas 79073-1540 or delivered to Mr. Peck at the Administration Building, 912 Portland, Plainview, Texas. The bids will be received until 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, April 10, 1986, when they will be opened and tabulated. Bids received after the above deadline will be returned unopened. Bids mailed will be deemed as delivered only when they are received by Mr. Peck. The bids will be presented to the Board at their Regular meeting to be held in the Administration Building at 7:30 P.M. on Thursday, April 10, 1986. At this time the contract will be let. The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. This is a solicitation for bids and is not an offer. All bids and information received in response to this solicitation will become the property of the Plainview I.S.D.

Information concerning bid forms and specifications may be obtained by contacting Mr. Peck at the Administration Building, or by calling (806) 296-6392.

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